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COMPLETE IN SIX VOLUMES.

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2. **ERIC.**
3. **HERBERT.**
4. **NETTIE'S TRIAL.**
5. **JOHNSTONE'S FARM.**
6. **ENNISFELLEN.**

PREFACE.

THE character drawn in Nettie is one often met with; an impulsive child, well inclined, but heedless, she is, through an impulse or carelessness of authority, often disobedient, and in a measure deceitful.

I have in this volume endeavored to show the necessity of a strict and faithful adherence to the wishes and commands of a parent.

Nettie, after deceiving her mother, and disobeying her, is finally brought to see the error of her ways; but in order that the impression may be a final one, she is overtaken by a great and terrible trial — a loss of sight.

This infliction is brought upon her by one of her favorite companions, Laura Carmichael,

a misguided girl, entirely under the influence of a weak-minded, fashionable mother.

The characters are familiar, and easily recognized. Tom Carmichael's character, and his constant efforts for the well-being of all, and uncle Robert's love of wealth, and the terrible punishment for his dishonesty, will, I trust, be examples not lost by my young readers.