

the round world. Why, you've grown to be a six-footer."

So there was nothing for Colonel Cochran to do but to go to the Goolsby place, a fine house built on a hill beyond the old church. The major wanted to give his daughter a surprise, and so he carried Colonel Cochran into the parlor, and then told Miss Mary that one of her friends had called to see her.

The young lady went skipping into the parlor, and then paused with a frightened air, as she saw a six-foot man in faded uniform rise to meet her.

"Miss Mary," said Colonel Cochran, holding out his hand.

"Are you" — She paused, grew white and then red, and suddenly turned and ran out of the room, nearly upsetting the major, who was standing near the door.

"Why, what on earth's the matter?" he cried. "Well, if this don't beat — Did she know you, Colonel?"

"I'm afraid she did," replied the colonel grimly.

The major tiptoed to his daughter's room, opened the door softly, and found her on her knees by her bed, crying. Thereupon he