The Lady of the Cap. Sheep.

She smiled at me across the dining room, a ~~[illegible]~~ sunny Southern smile - I looked lonesome & tired of course, just in from a night on the train, still dusty & frumpy - & she wanted to cheer me. ~~[illegible]~~

Later we talked in the lobby Dainty so early now the titi in blossom - the titi I pinded up ears never head of it - come come quick she said & I'll show you at titi swamp - & as I looked - it's only 15 miles out - take just a minute - come - come -

Before I knew it - I was in a big car & dining simply - after joy she her - meal a lunch - meat pretty dusty

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worn with that charming un-
consciousness of the south -
I felt old & drab by this
laughing care free creature -
Then little by little it came
out - the Lady of the Cap Shop -
who piled the car with the
rose branches of the heavy with the rose covered
branches (?) of the little bush
I told me later of her life
& friends - some of them
my friends - & as I listened
something emerged - not a
less joy lady but a lady
who had known sorrow -
burdens responsibilities - knew
them now & was merely
them - finally I found her,
What would you do if at
25 - beautiful happy Mary &
lived - children - a husband,

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you found yourself widowed 2
if you know you to be [illegible] 2
if these children were educated
you must do it - 2
Thus where my [illegible] com-
panion ~~had~~ found herself 12
20 yrs ~~before~~ ago -
Widowed in a Southern city -
~~the~~ ~~women~~ the Madeline [illegible]
women's business [illegible]
the [illegible] - desire to protect -
& heaven [illegible] - ~~She~~ She
was in the depths - you pick
out, be, ~~[illegible]~~ in the [illegible] -
[illegible] it - but she would not -
[illegible] - ~~She~~ She picked up [illegible] -
experimented - finally opened
the gift - shop ~~[illegible]~~ resource
of the ~~[illegible]~~ It was a pleasant
shop - which made everyone
welcome - & succeeded but if
did not it became a
for women who [illegible] - [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] - [illegible]
were forced to earn - to [illegible]
they came to her to [illegible]

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She set - stern up - Mention shop.

She must help - Mrs

Allen - if they could do anything - anything - ~~I~~ she built up gifts - enlarged those with ~~gifts~~ ~~[illegible]~~ needles

Out of the surroundings - Matilda Latimer - she started her shop - ~~[illegible]~~ a whisker - she trained bride to sing

Helen -

Mrs Mortiffe's article, - "capable practical energetic personality in Packages.

A forlorn little shop with better skeleton window show but - other idea with her head, stated to shoughnut up - gin paper every things to buy - Bought it

Made a fish pond of the contents - charming ribbon tied packages - piled in the window

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50 cents a chair!
make 10 cents look like 20 -
create a demand -
letter women -
~~capt~~ look at once -
In no time 25 women - at work -
the crop from one -
women with skill & ear of
dainty things -
all named - there a Dora
La Celeste -
now gives work to 60 or 70 -
women come to her asking for
work - a woman who was
partially shelfed in only cape.
put them in the market.
designed - cut planned -

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