



which she was adopted and grew up to be a handsome and intelligent girl. A young man, named Kent, sought her hand in marriage, but his character was not good, and she rejected him. Shortly afterward, in August 1871, Miss Slater went from her home to a neighbor's on an errand. When she started home it was dark and a thunder storm was coming up. As she was hurrying along the road, she was seized by three men, drugged, grossly maltreated, and taken to the Delaware river and thrown into the stream. She was washed up on an island, where she regained consciousness. She was discovered by a man who lived opposite the island, and taken to his house. She left there, supposing she could find her way home. She wandered into the woods, and, although parties were out searching for her, she was not found until three days afterward. She was insane and nearly dead from hunger. She was returned home, but it was a long time before she regained her reason. Kent and two others were arrested on suspicion of being the parties guilty of the outrage, but nothing could be proved against them. Most people, however, believed that they were the criminals, and they finally disappeared from the place.