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by Dinah Maria Craik (1826-1887)

Inspired by *Jane Eyre*, Dinah Maria Craik's 1850 novel was one of the first to feature a disabled central character. 'Slightly deformed' from birth, Olive believes that she will never be able to marry like other women, so she devotes her life to her art, her mother

and -- above all -- her religion. It takes a dark secret from the past and a new, fascinating acquaintance, to make her realize what her life could be.

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