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Lillian Scott Troy has lived in London and has familiarized herself with the Continent for about ten years. She is a native daughter of California, and was born in San Francisco thirty years ago. She was educated by the sisters of the Notre Dame Convent in the Mission, and then began to write. Articles under her signature have appeared in the principal American magazines.

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