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Gift of the Magi

Worksheet

One dollar and eighty-seven cents. That was all. And sixty cents of it was in pennies.

Pennies saved one and two at a time by bulldozing the grocer and the vegetable man and the butcher until one's cheeks burned with the silent imputation of

_____ that such close dealing _____ . Three times

Della counted it. One dollar and eighty- seven cents. And the next day would be Christmas.

There was clearly nothing to do but flop down on the shabby little couch and howl. So Della did it. Which _____ the moral reflection that life is made up of sobs, sniffles, and smiles, with sniffles _____ .

While the mistress of the home is gradually subsiding from the first stage to the second, take a look at the home. A furnished flat at \$8 per week. It did not exactly beggar description, but it certainly had that word on the lookout for the _____ squad.

In the _____ below was a letter-box into which no letter would go, and an electric button from which no _____ finger could _____ a ring. Also appertaining thereunto was a card bearing the name "Mr. James Dillingham Young."

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