

THE NEW CLARION

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CHAPTER VI. The New Clarion.

It was after dark when Abner and Mary reached home. Mrs. Trumbley was waiting on the porch, anxious to see the purchaser of her daughter had made for her.

"What under the sun kept you so long?" she asked pettishly. "I've been to the door forty times and looked down the road—done your work an' mine both."

"Now I'll have to wait till sun up to see how you matched the cloth."

With much elation, Mary gave an explanation of the important deal Abner had made. "Howard won't go now, mother. Think of that!"

"Howard, Howard, Howard!" Mrs. Trumbley sniffed contemptuously. "To hear you all chatter, a body would conclude that the whole round world was turnin' for that boy an' nothin' else."

"I hope you didn't make a fool of yourself before Jim Terry. A man with his solid business head ain't agoin' to visit a girl with serious intentions that is daff about a rollin' stone like Howard Tinsley."

"So old Ab had fifteen hundred cash, did he?" Tobias Trumbley drawled out as he leaned in the doorway to catch the conversation, his coarse shirt open at the neck. "I knowed the old duck had scads laid by for a rainy day, but I hardly 'lowed the pile was as big as that. He won't lose nuther. Them two'll make that paper walk along; you see if they don't."

"With the parcels unopened under her arm, Mrs. Trumbley was turning toward the dining room. "Come on an' eat your supper," she said to her daughter. "I hear Mr. Daniel on the porch now. Take off that hat. Have you gone plumb crazy?"

Mary stood hesitatingly. "I'm not hungry, mother—not a bit. Howard treated me and Uncle Ab to ice cream and cakes just before we drove out of town. He was so happy over the trading being closed that he insists on our doing it and."

"Well, you ain't goin' to sleep in your hat, shorley?" Mrs. Trumbley retorted sharply. "What are you keeping it on for?"

With slow fingers Mary untied the ribbons beneath her irresolute chin. "I thought I'd keep it on because I have to run over to the Tinsleys, but I won't need it now that it is dark."

"Over to Tinsley's! Did you ever?" exclaimed Mrs. Trumbley. "What in the name of common sense are you goin' over there for? You talked with that old woman at the gate fully an hour this mornin', an' now you have to see 'er before you are at home a minute. You will be sleepin' an' eatin' over there next, I reckon."

"Tut, tut, tut!" The exclamation was Abner's, who was entering from the rear, his loose shoes scraping on the floor. "Do let the girl alone. I heard 'er promise Howard to run right over to relieve his mother's mind. The pore old creature is high crazy, expectin' the boy to go away tomorrow, an' this change in his plans will be glad tidin' to 'er."

his daddy—the boy ain't that sort by a long shot—but he's havin' a hard time gittin' along with the old chap. Mary, go ahead—let the boy's ma know what's happened. If you don't go I will have to, an' I want to avoid Hiram. I know 'im well enough to know that he's goin' to get his back up over what I've done."

"High impatience Mrs. Trumbley turned aside to open the parlor, and Mary glided out into the twilight, her anticipated joy greatly diminished by the reprimand she had received."

"She found Mrs. Tinsley alone in the big kitchen, which was dimly lighted by an oil lamp on a table. Mary's step was soft, and the woman was not aware of her presence till she was close behind her. Mary overheard a low, suppressed sigh as Mrs. Tinsley bent over the open fire, on the coals of which were some pots and pans, which she was cleaning with hot water and a rag on a stick."

"Oh!" she exclaimed as she turned and saw the visitor. "I didn't know who it was. Have you just got back? I was going over to see you. I—I thought Howard surely would come back with you and be at your house if—if he didn't come on here. Is—is he there?"

"No; we left him in town." Mary's voice was full of tender emotion. She laid her hands tenderly on the bent shoulders. "The fear flashed through her mind that the good news might do the recipient serious harm, and she was wondering how she could best make it known. In the short pause that ensued a groan escaped Mrs. Tinsley's lips."

"I see, I see. He's not comin' even to say goodby to me. Maybe he'd rather I'd not go in town to see 'im off either? It may be true, as some say, that the young can't feel partin' like the old do. He's all I got in the world, but maybe I don't count for much with 'im, as good a boy as he's always been."

Mary caught the hardened palms in her own. She drew the old woman to her in a firm embrace. "Are you prepared for real good news, Mrs. Tinsley?" she asked tenderly. "You see, I am afraid!"

"Good—good news?" Mrs. Tinsley held her breath, her eyes widening as they fixed themselves on Mary's. "Yes, the best news in the world. Mrs. Tinsley, Howard is not going away at all. He would have come to tell you himself, but he had some important work to do tonight and left it to me."

Mrs. Tinsley, starting almost incredulously, put her hand behind her, feeling about till it touched a chair. Then she sat down, her eyes still devouring Mary's. Drawing up another chair and holding Mrs. Tinsley's hand, Mary told all that had happened through the day."

As she talked in her gentle way the girl saw the strong features melt into softness and take on a spiritual light more wonderful than she had ever before beheld. Mrs. Tinsley put her hand over her quivering lips and choked down a welling sob.

"The Lord's answered my prayer," she faltered out. "This mornin' after you left, Mary, I went down in the big swamp. I kept goin' until I was out of hearin' of any sounds but the birds, the frogs an' the bees. Then I got down on my knees right where the mire was shoe mooth deep. Somehow I thought a place like that was better'n a comfortable one. I threw myself into the wet moss, dug my hands into it and cried out to my Maker with what seemed to me to be my last breath. I told 'im to look at me just point out anything that I had done of harm to any livin' creature, even a dumb brute, or to him an' see if he hadn't overlooked my case too long. I prayed an' prayed like that for hours on a stretch without stoppin'."

"Then all at once some'n seemed to whisper inside of me, 'Go home,' it said, 'an' wait.'"

"Strange, strange," Mary whispered. "I've prayed, too, that all your trouble might be averted. I was losing faith when the good news fell like a bolt from a clear sky. Howard is going to make up with his father too. He told me that he was going to beg Mr. Tinsley's pardon for his hasty words when he was so angry on the day he left home."

"He shan't do it—my boy shan't lower himself!" burst from Mrs. Tinsley's tight throat. "Howard ain't done wrong. Ef he was such a fool as to believe all his pa tries to point out to 'im, I'd not respect 'im a bit. I want 'im just like he is. Would a man like Abner Daniel put money behind him if he was like Hiram? Not much, he wouldn't. In this day of progress an' enlightenment, all Hiram's cold blooded ideas about the Bible make a regular fiend of 'em. But when Howard explains it in his way I know he is right an' feel uplifted."

A few days later Abner and Howard were in full possession of all pertaining to the Clarion. Hillhouse, elated over a congratulatory telegram from his brother and the happiness of his wife over her coming change of residence, was in and out though the day giving this or that advice in regard to the management."

"As green as a long handled gourd in the business," Abner smiled at Howard, "once when they were alone and working without their coats in the office, 'but I'll willin' to learn new tricks. Stop me the minute I start to make a wrong move. You are the boss, but of I kin help a little bit I'll be tickled. It is a new game to me, an' I'm goin' to give me a lot o' fun. As I see it, we must draft out a fresh policy an' make it known in our first issue. I'm glad you think the independent basis is good. I'm a Democrat—died in the wool—it was shot into me like burnt powder from Yankee guns, an' some of it stuck to my bones, but I've got good friends that was Union men an' are Republicans now. I never liked 'em called black, because they always treated me white. I've got friends that are Populists an' a few that fancy they are Socialists, an' I don't want to offend any of 'em. Bein' on the fence is a good thing, fer then we kin drop on the side o' any issue that needs our aid. Say, I want to tell the boys some'n, an' yet I feel sorter ashamed to do it."

"What is it?" Howard asked, deeply interested.

"Why, you see?—Abner actually blushed—"I don't want to brag or sound my own horn even to you, but since the report has got out of this deal of ourn a lot o' folks has come to me an' said that they wish I'd run a department on the editorial page under my own initials, an' write just as plain as I talk. There is a lot o' plain people in these mountains, an' they tie to plain things. With your education you kin pander to the other sort o' folks, but if you don't object, why?"

"Object?" Howard cried, enthusiastically. "It will be the very life of the paper. You really are a philosopher, Uncle Ab. You don't know it, but you are."

"Well, anyways—Abner took the compliment gracefully—"ridin' out home last night, an' even after I got to bed, a notion for a sort of rust work from me kept runnin' in my head, an' this mornin' after breakfast—out at the stable of all places—I jotted it down. If—if you wouldn't mind I'll read it to you. It ain't so overly long, fer I've b'iled it down into as tight a wad as possible."

"Fire away!" Howard cried. "I'll bet it is all right."

Slowly Abner rose, and going to his coat hanging from a nail on the wall, he took a crumpled piece of paper from his pocket. Unfolding it, and clearing his throat, he began to read aloud: "To one and all country greetings. How's that for big type at the top of the first column?" Abner asked, as he looked up.

(To be continued.)

A Case of Hard Luck. A man named Fred Grothjahn walked into Osmondson's grocery store on Tuesday and asked to be taken to New London, and from New London stated that he was going out on the money, he began to read aloud: "To one and all country greetings. How's that for big type at the top of the first column?" Abner asked, as he looked up.

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Plant dahlias roots about May 15. Nothing is to be gained by early planting, unless the season is moist and cool. Ferns make a good foundation plant on the north or east side of the house if well protected from sun and wind.

Some of the nurserymen are reporting a great increase in the sale of perennials this year. Have you set out any?

It is sometimes a good plan to top-work apple or plum trees with other varieties in order to be sure of good pollination. It will soon be lilac time again. There are some fifteen or twenty hybrid lilacs that are well worth planting.

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One essential in setting out a plant, tree or shrub is to see that the soil is firm well about the tips of the roots. Don't firm the top soil. It must be left loose. Be careful that no roots come in close contact with fresh manure.—LeRoy Terry, associate horticulturist, University Farm, St. Paul.

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"I want what I ask for—I know what it would mean to get home without it. Mother won't take chances—she's sure of Calumet—sure of light, wholesome, tasty baking—of positive and uniform results of purity and economy. You try Calumet Baking Powder—lay aside your favorite brand once and you'll never go back to it. Calumet is the world's best Baking Powder—its moderate price."



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AMERICAN BOYS RISE TO OCCASION

American Ingenuity is Proving Superior to European Experience in Managing War Trucks.

"Extreme low temperature make travel by motor truck over the barren wastes of northern Mexico a hardship to American drivers engaged in General Pershing's Villa-hunt. Following a day of scorching heat will come a chill of frost and frost. It is common for drivers to pass the winter in the morning until the sun's warmth has melted the ice in the radiator. Despite such handicaps, the manner in which the more than 300 American-made motor trucks are being managed is a tribute to American ingenuity."

"Such is the word brought back from the Mexican border by A. H. Leavitt, assistant manager of truck tire sales for the B. F. Goodrich Company, Akron, Ohio, who returned this week after an interesting stay with the army forces at Columbus, N. M."

"I had an opportunity to talk with a number of well known newspaper correspondents who in Columbus, states Mr. Leavitt, 'witnessed what made close observation on various European battlefronts before being assigned to the Mexican border. Without exception, they declared that the United States army is handling motor trucks far more efficiently than the British, French and German field forces. Uncle Sam's men are doing this despite their comparative inexperience with motor trucks adapted to actual war conditions. For years the European armies have learned to rely on motor trucks as important war aids. But, according to the newspaper men at the border, the American trait of alertness in the emergency is making up for lack of experience and advance planning."

"In Europe the road conditions for motor trucks are most ideal. In Mexico the truck trains that have penetrated the interior for a distance of 400 miles and more, have encountered difficulties that are most extreme in hardship, both to truck equipment and drivers. The best roads over the desert, hills and mountains are nothing more than unimproved trails, and there is a stretch of 75 miles followed by the war trucks that must be followed over the hardest, most non-resisting lava beds."

"Great credit is due the various American truck manufacturers who have put patriotism above dollars in their efforts to make the motor-truck expedition of the army into Mexico a success. They have sent the most expert drivers and mechanics from their factories for service at the front, and at El Paso, Columbus and other assembling points, have established stock depots to furnish parts with no more delay than if the trucks were driving up to the factory door."

Local G. N. Officials Change. S. J. Ferro, who has been Master Mechanic of this division of the Great Northern, has returned to his passenger run at Grand Forks. F. J. Bauers, more than twenty years at Kelly Lake, Minn., succeeds him here.

El English, former Master Mechanic at Minot, has been appointed traveling engineer on this division to succeed E. L. Snyder, who will take his former position at engineer out of this city.—Breckenridge Telegram.

ORDER LIMITING TIME TO FILE CLAIMS AND FOR HEARING THEREON.

Estate of Samuel Hanson, Decedent. State of Minnesota, County of Kandiyohi, In Probate Court. In the Matter of the Estate of Samuel Hanson, Decedent. Letters of Administration this day having been granted to Oscar A. Orred.

It is Ordered, that the time within which all creditors of the above named decedent may present claims against his estate in this court, be, and the same hereby is, limited to six months from and after the date hereof; and that Monday, the 6th day of November, 1916, at 2 o'clock p. m., in the Probate Court Rooms, at the Court House in the City of Willmar, State of Minnesota, be, and the same hereby is, fixed and appointed as the time and place for hearing upon and the examination, adjustment and allowance of such claims as shall be presented within the time aforesaid.

Let notice hereof be given by the publication of this order in the Willmar Tribune as provided by law. Dated May 2, 1916. IDA A. SANDERSON, Clerk of Probate Court.

(First publication April 19-14.) Citation for Hearing on Petition for Probate of Will. Estate of Magnus Johnson Berslin, also known as M. J. Berslin and Magnus Johnson. State of Minnesota, County of Kandiyohi, In Probate Court. In the Matter of the Estate of Inger Jacobson, Decedent.

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SINCE TAKING PERUNA

I can say my bowels are much more regular. My heart is stronger. My appetite is much better. My throat is much better.



Mrs. William H. Hinchliffe, 20 Myrtle St., Beverly, Mass., writes: "I have taken four bottles of Peruna, and I can say that it has done me a great deal of good for catarrh of the head and throat. I recommend Peruna to all sufferers with catarrh. I do not think I ever felt much better. I am really surprised at the work I can do. I do not think too much praise can be said for Peruna." Those who object to fluid medicines can now procure Peruna Tablets.