A SUMMONS HOME

Everything Else She Tried and Failed—But Her Last Trick Won Success.

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MRS. THADDEUS CLAYTON came softly into the room and looked with apprehensive eyes upon the little old man in the rocking chair.

"How be ye, dearie? Yer hain't wanted fer nothin', now, have ye?" she asked.

"Not a thing, Harriet," he returned cheerily. "I'm feelin' real pert, too. Was there lots there? An' did Parson Drew say a heap o' fine things?"

Mrs. Clayton dropped into a chair and pulled listlessly at the black strings of her bonnet.

"'Twas a beautiful fun'ral, Thaddeus—a beautiful fun'ral. I—I 'most wished it was mine."

"Harriet!"

She gave a shamed-faced laugh.

"Well, I did—then Jehiel and Hannah Jane would 'a' come, an' I could 'a' seen 'em."

The horrified look on the old man's face gave way to a broad smile.

"Oh! Harriet—Harriet!" he chuckled, "how could ye seen 'em if you was dead?"

"Huh? Well, I—Thaddeus"—her voice rose sharply in the silent room—"every single one of them Perkins boys was there, and Annabel, too. Only think what poor Mis' Perkins would 'a' given ter seen 'em 'fore she went! But they waited—waited, Thaddeus, jest as everybody does, till their folks is dead."

"But, Harriet," demurred the old man, "surely you'd 'a' had them boys come ter their own mother's fun'ral!"

"Come! I'd 'a' feasted her eyes on 'em, Thaddeus"—Mrs. Clayton rose to her feet and stretched out two gaunt hands longingly—"Thaddeus, I get so hungry sometimes for Jehiel and Hannah Jane, seems as though I jest couldn't stand it!"

"I know—I know, dearie," quavered the old man, vigorously polishing his glasses.

"Fifty years ago my first baby came," ...

A week later Mrs. Clayton found another letter in the rural delivery box. Yes, it was from Jehiel.

She drew a long breath. Her eager thumb was almost under the flap of the envelope when she hesitated, eyed the letter uncertainly, and thrust it into the pocket of her calico gown. All day it lay there, save at times—which, indeed, were of frequent occurrence—when she took it from its hiding place, pressed it to her cheek, or gloried in every curve of the boldly written address.

At night, after the lamp was lighted, she said to her husband in tones so low he could scarcely hear:

"Thaddeus, I—I had a letter from Jehiel today."

"You did—and never told me? Why, Harriet, what—" He paused helplessly.

"I—I haven't read it, Thaddeus," she stammered. "I couldn't bear to, someway. I don't know why, but I couldn't. You read it!" She held out the letter with shaking hands.

He took it, giving her a sharp glance from anxious eyes. As he began to read aloud she checked him.

"No; ter yerself, Thaddeus—ter yerself! Then—tell me."

As he read she watched his face. The light died from her eyes and her chin quivered as she saw the stern lines deepen around his mouth. A min- ...

"A Funral—It's Murder!" He Gasped.

... ter be the one ter do it, 'cause I'm goin' ter be the dead one, an'—"

"Harriet!"

"There, there, please, Thaddeus! I've got ter see Jehiel and Hannah Jane 'fore I die!"

"But—they—they'll come if—"

"No, they won't come. We've tried it over an' over again; you know we have. Hannah Jane herself said that if anythin' 'serious' came up it would be diff'rent. Well, I'm goin' ter have somethin' 'serious' come up!"

"But, Harriet—"

"Now, Thaddeus," begged the woman, almost crying, "you must help me, dear. I've thought it all out, an' it's easy as can be. I shan't tell any lies, of course. I cut my finger today, didn't I?"

"Why—yes—I believe so," he acknowleged dazedly; "but what has that to do—"

"That's the 'accident,' Thaddeus. You're ter send two telegrams at once—one ter Jehiel, an' one ter Hannah Jane. The telegrams will say: 'Accident to your mother. Funeral Saturday afternoon. Come at once.' That's jest ten words."

"Now, that's all true, ain't it?" she asked anxiously. "The 'accident' is this cut. The 'fun'ral' is old Mis' Wentworth's. I heard terday that they couldn't have it until Saturday, so that'll give us plenty of time ter get the folks here. I needn't say whose fun'ral it is th t's goin' ter be on Saturday, Thaddeus! I want yer ter hitch up an' drive over ter Hopkinsville ter send the telegrams. The man's new over there, an' won't know yer. You couldn't send 'em from here, of course."

Thaddeus Clayton never knew just how he allowed himself to be persuaded to take his part in this "crazy scheme," as he termed it, but persuaded he certainly was.

It was a miserable time for Thaddeus, then. First, there was that hurried drive to Hopkinsville. Though the day was warm he fairly shivered as he handed those two fateful telegrams to the man behind the counter. Then there was the homeward trip, during which, like the guilty thing he was, he cast furtive glances from side to side.

Even home itself came to be a misery, for the sweeping and the dusting and the baking and the brewing which he encountered there left him no place to call his own, so that he lost his patience at last and moaned:

"Seems ter me, Harriet, you're a pretty lively corpse!"

His wife smiled, and flushed a little. ...

PROTECTION FOR WILD BIRDS

Sanctuaries Recently Established in Lower Gulf Coast Region of Texas—Much Animal Life There.

Three wild-bird sanctuaries have just been established in the lower Gulf Coast region of Texas, under the direction of T. Gilbert Pearson, president of the National Association of Audobon Societies, who has been spending several weeks in that section making a study of bird life. The reservations which have been taken over for the breeding and protection of birds are Green island, North Bird island and South Bird island. These islands already are populated by many birds, some of which are to be found in no other part of the United States.

During the research of the lower border region, Mr. Pearson says, he discovered not only practically unknown species of birds living in the dense chaparral, but he found the wilderness alive with other kinds of wild animal life. He was especially interested in the collared peccary, commonly known in this region as the javelina, or wild Mexican hog. These ferocious animals roam the chaparral by the thousands. Mr. Pearson said:

"The peccary is the gamest and most dangerous wild animal in the United States. The grizzly bear is the only animal which places the sportsman in the same danger. An enraged moose will now and then give a hunter plenty of action, but a wounded peccary will always show fight. And when his companions smell his blood the hunter is in danger of attack from a herd of them."

The peccary is something like a cross between an antelope and a wild boar. It is hunted by the Mexicans for its hide and bristles, and, while its meat is palatable, it cannot be kept like that of the pig.

It has two sets of tusks, polished sharp and adjusted almost with the precision of surgical scissors. Mr. Pearson related an incident in which a peccary attacked a hunter, cut through his chaps and boot, leg and bone. The man was on horseback. The animal charged after being mortally wounded, making a terrible noise by snapping his jaws as he came on. He dropped dead ten or twelve feet from where Mr. Pearson was.

Hindu Legend.

In Tiruvannamalai, South Arcot, India, a great fire festival is held each year, the inception of which ...

Seldom Travel; Often Migrate

Mennonites Ever Seeking Haven Where They Can Follow Religious Beliefs in Peace.

MEXICO NOW 'PROMISED LAND'

Interest in the Sect Aroused by Their Exodus From Canada to Mexico, Taking With Them $15,000,000 in Goods and Cash.

Washington.—"Invited to Russia and exempted from taxes and military service because they could farm, then banished because some of them established a communistic colony; obeying the laws of many lands, but refusing to take part in making or enforcing them; frowning upon science, buttons, life insurance and tobacco—such are various branches of the Mennonites, whose exodus from Canada to Mexico adds another chapter in the centuries-old anabasis of this quaint and goodly people.

"While geographers are studying human migrations on the basis of economic determinism, here is a considerable group who defy any such charting, and move about solely upon the basis of the best opportunity to follow their religious beliefs," says a bulletin from the Washington headquarters of the National Geographic society.

"From Holland to Germany, thence to Moravia, Hungary, Rumania and into Russia—so runs the earlier course of Mennonite wanderings. From the steppes of Crimea and the treeless banks of the Molochnaia to Bonhomme county in South Dakota was not too long a trail for the most home-staying people in the world—so long as they are not disturbed. They seldom travel individually. Just before the war a trip to Washington was offered as an agricultural prize to 12 young men of Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, one of the oldest American Mennonite strongholds, and of the 12 winners not one had been outside his own county before!

"Now about 1,500 Mennonites are leaving Manitoba and Saskatchewan ...

... they fear translation would detract from the literal import of their founders' works. Their detachment from the world is shown by their curious use of English. A caller at a Lancaster home rang the bell many times without answer. Finally a woman appeared at the door to apologize: 'Oh, did you bell? It didn't make.' The women wear poke bonnets, resembling those of the Dunkers. Men, women and children avoid colors, jewels or any grace of dress that might betoken vanity.

"Most rigid of all the groups, however, is the Bruederhof, or Hutterian Brethren, dating back to Jacob Huter, a martyr of the Sixteenth century, who insisted upon a complete communal organization of congregations. It was this group that had to leave Russia about the time of our Civil war for evolving a communism which anticipated that of the soviet government in many respects. Today they are settled along the James river, in South Dakota, declining to cast a vote or hold office or patronize a store. They forswear dancing, play-going and tobacco. They are of German descent, came here directly from southern Russia, and form a law-abiding, prosperous, self-sufficient community.

"There are more than 50,000 Mennonites in the United States. Their communities are to be found in odd corners of the world where they may follow the simple teaching of their founder, Menno Simons, a Dutch reformer, born the year that Columbus discovered America."

COUNTS MONEY 41 YEARS

Mrs. M. A. Browne of the redemption division of the United States treasury has counted more money than any one in the world. For forty-one years she has been counting money in the Treasury department. The picture was taken on her forty-first anniversary as a money counter.

On Chain Gang for Life.

Greenville, S. C.—Because he was unable to obtain work, Robert Mead of New York voluntarily offered himself six times for arrest and finally made out a case against himself because, he said, he would rather work on the chain gang than to be doing nothing at all. He was sentenced for life, with power to pardon himself.

"Desert" That Is Blossoming

Irrigation Has Rescued Millions of Acres of Once Waste Land in Patagonia.

HOME OF THE "PLESIOSAURUS"

Little Known Country Brought to Public Attention by Report That Land May Harbor Prehistoric Monsters.

... miles south almost to the tip of the continent. Its width varies from about 150 miles in the south to 450 in the north, and its area is nearly twice that of California. ...

Half-Breed Huskies Win a Dog Race

REDS STILL FORBID LAND SALES

NATURE'S PROTECTION

WORE "SPECS" AS ORNAMENTS

USE FOR FISH SCALES

Adrift With Humor

HAD HEARD ABOUT IT

"Well! well!" exclaimed the facetious stranger. "So that is Chiggersville?"

"That's right," said Lem Jotts, proprietor of the village grocery store. "I guess you've heard about this place before."

"Sure! A man mentioned it on the train."

"One of our citizens?"

"No, the brakeman. He bawled: 'Chiggersville!' just before we got here."

Hence the Wistful Look.

"Who is the old gentleman with such a wistful look on his face who is bidding farewell to that husky young fellow?"

"That's a college professor taking leave of a football star who sat in his class room for four years and imbibed little Latin and less Greek. The young man is going away to accept a position as a coach at $12,000 a year, while the professor will stay on the job for $3,000."

PROSPERING

"So Dodge has gone into real estate business. How is he doing?"

"Making lots."

A MAN OF LOW TONE

LOCALS

TONIGHT—THURSDAY

Charles Ray, in "The Midnight Bell."

Friday—"The Avenging Arrow," serial.

Saturday—William S. Hart, in "Three Word Brand," a Western.

Monday — Wallace Reed, Gloria Swanson and Elliott Dexter, in "Don't Tell Everything." This is a picture you can't afford to miss. See these three famous stars in one of the best pictures on the screen.

LYRIC THEATRE

GROWERS TO GET CHECKS MAY 20

Association Directors Fix Saturday, May 20, As Date For The Next Distribution Of Funds

(Special to The Mercury)

The executive committee of the Burley Co-operative Association, in their meeting at Lexington Wednesday set Saturday, May 20th as the date for the next distribution of funds due members of the association on tobacco already disposed of. It is understood that this distribution will be about the same as the advance price paid to farmers when their crops were delivered.

In circuit court Tuesday, Celestine Foster, colored, was fined $50 and costs on a charge of cutting Kate Mark, colored.

The congregation of the local Baptist church exceeded its quota in the Baptist 75 Million Campaign. The quota for the church was $900 and $1,165.80 was subscribed.

Wilson King qualified in county court Tuesday as administrator of the estate of his brother, Jno. E. King, deceased, with Chas. King surety in the sum of $3,000.

PERSONALS

—Mrs. Anna Sims Lee was in Lexington, Saturday.

—Miss Fannie Kerns was in Paris, Tuesday on business.

—Mrs. W. T. Roberts was in Paris and Lexington last Friday.

—Mrs. Willie Grimes, Lexington, spent the week end with Mrs. Mabel Norton.

—Mrs. Mary B. Bright, Cincinnati, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Herdy Myers.

—Mrs. James Fulton spent the week end with Mrs. Ella McGohan at Cowan.

—Miss Henrietta Evans, Lexington, spent Sunday with Mrs. Charles Smith.

—Miss Catherine Taylor, Transylvania College, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Taylor.

—Mr. and Mrs. Jno. N. Ross and Miss Evelyn Ross spent Sunday in Cynthiana.

—Many persons from this city are attending the races at Lexington this week.

—Mrs. C. A. Pitman returned Tuesday from a month's visit in South Boston, Va.

—Mr. and Mrs. R. H. McVey, Ewing, spent Wednesday with Mrs. Rosa Allen.

—Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Blake motored to Lexington Saturday, for the day.

—Miss Elizabeth Brown, Lexington, was the week end guest of Miss Emma Henry.

—Mr. and Mrs. Sam Berry have returned from a three months stay at Clintonville.

—Mrs. M. C. Hawkins is spending a few weeks with friends in Lexington and Cynthiana.

—Mrs. J. H. Carpenter, Millersburg, is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. U. M. Swinford.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. U. Bramblett spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Cray at Millersburg.

—Mr. John M. Mathias, Atlanta, Ga., spent the week end with his family in this city.

RELIGIOUS

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Thos. B. Talbott and Rev. W. A. Hopkins will speak in the Presbyterian church Friday evening at 7:30 in the interest of Sunday Schools. Everybody invited.

Services Sunday morning and evening. Preaching by the pastor.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.

Preaching service, 11 a. m. Subject: "Count Your Blessings."

Sunbeam Band, 2:30 p. m.

B. Y. P. U., 6:30 p. m.

Preaching, 7:30 p. m. Subject: "Asleep In Sin."

As pastor of the church, I wish to say I am well pleased over the way you have rallied to the 75 Million Campaign. You went considerably over your quota—raising $1,165.80. Our quota was $900. May the next year show even greater loyalty to Christ and His cause.

Joseph Connell, Pastor.

METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. This is "Go To Sunday School Day." Everybody is expected to go to Sunday School on May the 7th. Be sure to get tagged next Saturday.

Sunday is Quarterly Meeting.

Communion at the morning service. Rev. F. B. Jones, Presiding Elder. Preaching at 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Quarterly Conference after the evening service. Let all the members be present.

Epworth League at 6:30, and Installation of Officers.

Rev. Maxwell will preach at 3 p. m. at Miranda School House.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Regular services will be conducted at the Christian church as follows:

Sunday School at 9:30 a. m., with separate departments, well graded.

Christian Endeavor, senior and intermediate, at 6:30 p. m.

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MARRIAGES

SENTENCED TO PENITENTIARY

REPUBLICAN ENFORCEMENT

CALF RED; BOYS WHITE

BIRTHS

DEATHS

ODD HINTS FOR YOUNG BRIDES

... Always encourage the tea-kettle to sing.

Don't worry if the spoons get in their cups.

If the vinegar turns sour, complain to its mother.

All scraps of matrimony should be thrown out.—The Cook Book.

SCHOOL NEWS

MAY HAVE BEEN POISONED FROM DRINKING "JAKE"

JACKSTOWN

Black and White Revue

A Show Worth While

30---People---30

Orpheum Theatre

FRIDAY & SATURDAY NIGHTS, MAY 12th & 13th

Beautiful Costumes---
Funny Comedians---
Pretty Girls---

AUSPICES CARLISLE BAND

Mirth - Melody - Music

Your Feet Are Worth a Fortune!

Right now while you have good feet you should take care of them. You can't have comfortable feet if you continue to wear ordinary shoes with sagging arches. Arch Preserver Shoes with the concealed arch bridge keep your feet vigorous and healthy because a comfortable and normal support is provided. Arch Preserver Shoes are in good style, always, enabling you to have your feet look as you wish.

R. T. KIRKLAND & CO.
Carlisle, Ky.

ARCH PRESERVER SHOE
KEEPS THE FOOT WELL

The Mason county grand jury adjourned last Friday after returning 120 more indictments against dog owners for failure to take out license. This makes a total 970 indictments returned at this term of court against dog owners.

The trial of H. H. Allison, charged with assaulting G. W. Kissick, a tenant on his farm, several months ago, was begun in circuit court Tuesday and reached the jury late Wednesday afternoon. Allison was given a sentence of six months in jail and was fined $500.

Next Tuesday afternoon a ball game for the benefit of the Athletic Association will be played between the local high school team and a team made up from the Presbyterian church. This will be an interesting game, so come out and make it profitable for the team.

Rev. J. W. Crates, pastor of the Mt. Sterling Methodist church, formerly of this city, has gone to Hot Springs, Ark., for the benefit of his health. Rev. Crates has been in bad health for several months and his many friends here trust his trip will be beneficial.

Mrs. Lillian Duty has assumed her duties as postmistress at Winchester. Although Mr. George E. Motch, of that place, formerly of this city, who was an applicant for the place, made the highest average in the examination, it is said, he did not receive the appointment.

Alex Jackson, 74, of Lexington, was killed by a C. & O. passenger train at the East Main street crossing in Lexington Tuesday morning. The body was horribly mangled and particles of flesh and clothing were strewn along the track for 35 yards. Jackson was a native of Bath county.

In a write-up of the Carlisle-Winchester ball game at Winchester Monday, the Winchester Sun says: "Elmore, center fielder for Carlisle, gave the fans thrills that they will never have for many days to come by making catches that seemed impossible. Thompson will most likely be the hero in the eyes of his team mates. With two men out, a man on third and two strikes on him, he connected with the next ball for a pretty single into right field, which won the game for Carlisle."

Superintendent Lee Kirkpatrick, of the Paris High Schools, addressed an audience Tuesday night at the local city school auditorium, under the auspices of the Parent-Teacher Association. He discussed the modern improvements, such as a domestic science department, a gymnasium, etc., which have been added to the Paris schools. A large crowd heard Mr. Kirkpatrick's address. Following his speech, a talk was made by Mrs. Henry Potts, president of the Parent-Teacher Association. Mrs. Potts gave the yearly report of the Penny Lunch, showing that this splendid innovation has been maintained for a year and a balance of some forty dollars left in the treasury. A recitation was given by Hamilton Feeback. Following the meeting lemonade and cakes were served in the Penny Lunch Room.

1882 SAM K. VEACH 1922

It Depends On How You Handle the Tape

The measuring of a suit is the first and one of the most important steps. After that comes right cutting, and good tailoring.

Handling the tape is where I come in on making clothes. I know how to measure. I've made a study of it.

I guarantee long wear— perfect fit and a style that is right. If you do not get all these in a suit of clothes you order from me, I will not let you keep it.

Chicago Kahn Bros. Daylight Factory

Let Me Tape You!

Come in now, and talk over that suit for Spring and Summer. You can, at least, look over the patterns I have. You will find here just the fabric to suit your taste and at prices to suit your pocketbook.

Made to Your Measure

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To Our Friends Who Use Foreign Flour:

Don't you think our farmers are as good citizens and as reliable and worthy of confidence as any outside people, and grow as good wheat, which is made into flour in your own town in a clean up-to-date mill by a competent miller with thirty years experience?

Don't you think you are as good a cook as there is anywhere? If you do, then why do you knock on our farmers by using outside flour? Keep your money at home by using Home flour.

THE CARLISLE MILLING CO.

Don't put off buying that Buick or Dodge Brothers car, but place your order with us today and be sure you'll get one.

When in need of tires try Lancaster and get all the mileage you're entitled to;— as many users are doing today in Nicholas County.

Now is the time to place your car in first-class shape for spring and we are prepared to do this for you and guarantee it to be right.

Don't forget we are dealers for Presto-Lite Batteries and we also have a cheaper one for all makes of cars.

MARTIN'S GARAGE

Pre-War Prices For Cash

I have decided to adopt a strictly Cash System in my business. I am now doing all work at pre-war prices, and in order to continue these prices, must have cash for all work done.

Alois Peters

PEARLS

BEAUTIFUL - IMPORTED PEARLS

The Japanes have discovered a method of forcing tiny mother-of-pearl beads into oysters. Then, by planting the oysters for a few years, they compel each oyster to make a pearl.

Reasonable in price, these will make lovely graduation presents.

TO BE SHOWN MAY 8TH, 1922

--County Court Day--

AT MRS. GERTRUDE EVANS' MILLINERY STORE