

and provisions had necessitated the halting of the train on several occasions ; and as it takes very few houses to make a station on the Canadian roads, the railroad company talked seriously of having one at this point.

It happened one morning that Minnie came rushing to her father in a great excitement. "They are building a station ! they are building a station !" she cried. "Come and see."

He went with her, and they found the entire number of villagers assembled, rejoicing over the beams and deals which were to be formed into a station-house. Every portion of the work was watched, and the villagers contributed to furnish a large sign-board, with the name upon it. They had a grand gala day when it was finished, and they raised the sign upon it. They all assembled near the station as the train approached, and as it stopped for the first time at the station. They raised the sign at a given signal, and some one called out, "Let the first nail be driven by the bravest girl in all the land—Minnie, the Woodman's Daughter."

And as the sign was fastened into its place by Minnie's steady hand, they all shouted,—

"Three cheers for the bravest girl in Forest Crossing."