

the fact that the angels had visited the McSorley house so often. Therefore, for these reasons, Mary sat on the back step, a rank outsider.

The czar, who knew nothing of these things, began to "go" as soon as he saw her. Mary reached out her arms. The czar stumbled into them and Mary fell to kissing his bald head. She felt more at home with a baby in her arms.

It was at this unfortunate moment that Mr. Ducker and Mr. Evans came around to the rear of the house. Mr. Evans was beginning to think rather more favorably of Mr. Ducker as the prospective Conservative member. The might do all right—there are plenty worse—has no brains but that does not matter. What needs a man of brains when he goes into politics? Brains make the mistake one, elected a brainy man, and they have had no peace since.

Mr. Ducker had adroitly drawn the conversation to a general discussion of children. He knew that Mr. Evans' weak point was his little son Algonon.

"That's a clever looking little chap of yours, Evans," he had remarked carefully as they came up the street. (Mr. Ducker had never seen the czar closely.) "My wife was just saying the other day that he had a wonderful forehead for a little fellow."

"He has," the other man said, smiling, not at all displeased. "It runs clear down to his neck!"

"He can't hardly help being clever if he has anything in heredity," Mr. Ducker went on with infinite tact, feeling his rainbow dreams of responding to toasts at Elk banquets drawing nearer and nearer.

Then the Evil Genius of the House of Ducker awoke from his slumber, sat up and took notice! The house that the friend in Winnipeg had selected for them fell in irreparable ruins! Poor Maude's automobile vanished at a touch. The rosy dreams of Cincinnati, and of carrying the grand the foe turned to clay and ashes!

They turned the corner, and came upon Mary McSorley who sat on the back step with the czar in her arms. Mary's head was hidden as she kissed the czar's fat neck, and the general babel of voices, within and without, she did not hear them coming.

"Speaking about heredity," Mr. Ducker said suavely, speaking in a low voice, and looking at whom he supposed to be the latest McSorley. "It looks as if there must be something in it over there. Isn't that McSorley over again? Low forehead, pug nose, bulldog tendencies." Mr. Ducker was something of a phenologist, and went blithely on to his own destruction.

"Now the girl is rather pleasant looking, and some of the others are not bad at all. But this one is sure-



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ly a regular little Mickey. I believe a person would be safe in saying he would not grow up a Presbyterian."

—Mr. Evans was the worshipful Grand Master of the Loyal Orange Lodge, and well up in the Black, and this remark Mr. Ducker thought he would appreciate.

"McSorley will never be dead while this little fellow lives." Mr. Ducker laughed merrily, rubbing his hands.

The czar looked up and saw his father. Perhaps he understood what had been said, and saw the hurt in his father's face and longed to heal him of it; perhaps the time had come when he should forever break the zoo-zoo bonds that had lain upon his speech. He wriggled off Mary's knee and toddling uncertainly across the grass with a mighty mental conflict in his puddy little face, held out his dimpled arms, with a glad cry of "Daddy-dinger!"

That evening while Mrs. Ducker and Maude were busy fanning Mr. Ducker and putting wet towels on his head, Mr. Evans was down to write.

"Some more of this tiresome election stuff, John," his pretty little wife, in disappointment, as she proudly rocked the emancipated czar to sleep.

"Yes, dear, it is election stuff, but it is not a bit tiresome," he answered smiling, as she kissed her tenderly, into the times during the evening and his boyish happy laugh he heard him laugh.

James Ducker did not get the nomination.

(Continued next week.)

The Upward Look

Have Faith

O our God, wilt thou not judge them? for we have no might against this great company that cometh against us; neither know we what to do; but our eyes are upon thee.—2 Chronicles 20:12.

Many of us carry heavy burdens in this life than there is any need for. We are weighed down by our troubles. We sometimes wonder how long we can stand them and if there will ever be any release for us. And yet, there is no reason why we should. If we will only open our eyes and look at what God tells us, and wants us, to look at them, our troubles will soon disappear and we can be happy. Yes! happy. Happier than we have ever been in our lives for there will be a new spirit in us, the Spirit of Christ. Read this glorious twentieth chapter of second Chronicles. It teaches us many things that should help us in our daily lives.

Jehoshaphat, the king, was informed that a mighty host was advancing against him. He felt that he and his people would be unable to defeat it. He was afraid. But Jehoshaphat was what we call a Christian. He had faith in God. So waiting or without trying to see what he could do against the enemy he "set himself to seek the Lord." He gathered his people together from all parts of his kingdom. They fasted. They humbled themselves before God. They confessed their own weakness and faith and they acknowledged God's power. They told God, as we read in our own text, that they knew that they could not stand against the enemy and they looked to Him to save them.

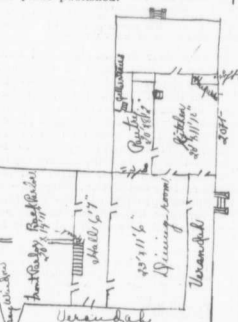
Now, notice what they did next. After one of their number had informed them through the spirit of God that their prayers would be answered they worshipped God and they praised Him. Although their enemies were all around them they had such faith in God and in His promise that He would help them that they sang His praises. They actually sang with joy. And while they were

doing this the Lord struck death among their enemies and utterly destroyed them. When the people of Judah went forth they found that their enemies were nothing but dead bodies that none had escaped. Then again the people of Judah worshipped God for His great mercy to them.

So it may be in our lives if we will only have faith. God has promised to answer our prayers and not to withhold any good thing from us. But we must do our part. When our troubles seem greater than we can bear we must do as the people of Judah did. We must seek the Lord. We must confess our own weakness. We must acknowledge His power and His promises to help us. And we must have faith. Even before our prayers have been answered we must praise Him and sing a glad song to Him in our hearts. If our hearts are right with God we will have no difficulty in doing this and the peace of God that passeth all understanding shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. There is no reason why Christians should be sad or downcast. If they are there is something wrong with their faith.—I. H. N.

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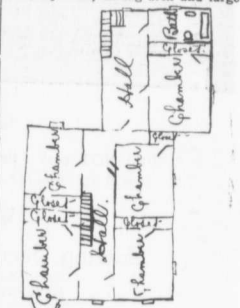
We are pleased to publish plans of the farm house of Mr. C. N. Clancy of Northumberland Co., Ont. Our readers are asked to discuss and criticize any plans of farm houses that are published in Farm and Dairy and offer suggestions for improvement in the plans published.



First Floor Plan

The house by Mr. Clancy is so situated that the road is visible from every room. The kitchen opens off the veranda. Both hard and soft water are in sink in kitchen. Back stairs open out of the kitchen. A good-sized pantry opens off a hinged table that can be let down to work on. Flour chest and cupboard rows of shelves are constructed across the room. The cellar stairs open out of the pantry. The dining-room opens off the kitchen, being a large cheer-

ful room facing south with large plate-glass window. Glass door and window entrance can be made to hall by two doors from dining-room or veranda. Two doors from the hall lead to the double-parlors, having arch and large



Second Floor Plan

bay-window. A good-sized closet is under front stairs.

THE PLAN OF SECOND FLOOR. Back stairs open into a large hall, from which entrance is made to gal-ret, bath-room and large bedroom. Back hall opens into front hall and four large bedrooms of same, each having good-sized clothes closets.

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