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THE GRANITE TOWN GREETINGS

When Cal Gave Up

Mrs. Cal Jones did not have to take boarders. The Joneses were among the comfortably well-off families of Three Pines and their house was big and roomy. Cal Jones owned the chief jewelry store in town and Mrs. Jones always had her tailor suits made in Chicago, and was a prominent club-woman of Three Pines. Just why they took Minerva Hankle to board was rather a mystery. Mrs. Jones said she looked lonesome and it made one sorry for her.

Minerva had come to town that fall to teach school. She was all of 35 and if she ever had been good looking she had got over it years before. Some homely women have possibilities, but there were no possibilities lurking in Minerva Hankle. She was too angular, to prominent of jaw, too small of eye.

Yet with all these disadvantages she attempted conquest. Apparently it never occurred to her that there was any reason on the face of the earth why she should not charm if she choose—and it must be confessed there was an odd fascination about her as the result of this positive frame of mind.

Casting about for some one to practice on after her arrival at Three Pines she selected Irving Throckmorton.

The victim was about 25, rather pale as to hair and light blue as to eyes. He also taught in the high school and was an upright young man. The first time Minerva Hankle smiled at him he was bewildered and a trifle ashamed, but he was quite helpless. It was not very long before he was obediently following her about, fetching and carrying at her word. He called on her three times a week.

"It's perfectly ridiculous," Mrs. Jones told her husband. "When there are so many nice young girls in town! I don't see what Irving is thinking about. She has just flirted him! Not that Miss Hankle isn't a perfectly nice woman and intellectual and all that—but, anyhow, I don't see what he sees so attractive in her!"

"Oh, I don't know," said Cal Jones, pacifically. "We ain't got anything against her, nor him either, and if they want to go together it's all right, I guess it don't matter to us."

"H'm!" sniffed Mrs. Jones. "I guess it matters about the light bill and having my front parlor taken up when I want to use it! It guess it wasn't very nice having to take Mrs. Dr. Sprang into the dining room when she called the other night, and a brand-new rug in the parlor, too! Why, Cal Jones, there's getting to be a spot on my new green wall paper where Irving sits on the divan and leans his head back! Curly hair always is oily!"

"Well, I wouldn't mind," repeated her husband. "Irving is a nice fellow and Miss Hankle's a real nice young woman!"

"That's right, go ahead and stick up for 'em, just to be obstinate," said Mrs. Jones.

Cal Jones was obstinate. It was not that he had any special affection for the beighted Irving or any special admiration for Minerva, but having started out their champion, he continued the same rule. He got quite used to being relegated to the back rooms of his home, while Miss Hankle and her caller occupied the front parlors. Minerva had plainly shown that she did not care to share Irving's society with the rest of the family. She desired to cast her spell about him undisturbed.

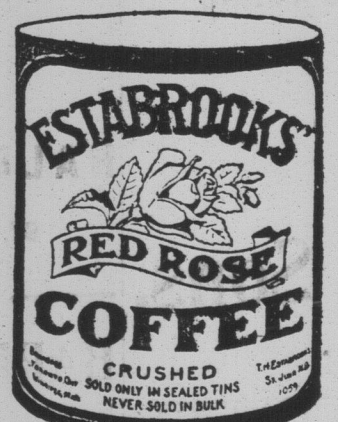
All Three Pines wondered audibly if Minerva and Irving were going to be married. In public Minerva watched him with eyes in which triumph was blended with apprehension. She talked in commanding tones, and Irving listened humbly.

The climax came when the school superintendent took both Minerva and Irving to task. He said the classes in English literature and mathematics were suffering from lack of attention and that courting in the school halls was against the rules.

Of course everybody in Three Pines knew about it as soon as the children got home from school. The girls said it served Minerva right. They declared he hateful old thing deserved a rebuke and that Irving Throckmorton was a nice young man and couldn't help her running after him. Cal Jones alone was on the side of Minerva. He said some people were too particular, and, as for

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him, he thought Minerva and Irving were old enough to know their own minds and he wished them well.

The next day Minerva Hankle and Irving Throckmorton were married at the Methodist parsonage. While the town was ringing with the news Cal Jones came home. His wife was bubbling over with excitement.

"Did you ever!" she gasped: "Huh!" snorted Jones. "Idiot!"

"Why, of all things!" gasped his wife.

"What has changed you? I thought you liked them! I thought you approved."

"Say!" burst out Cal oratorically, as he turned on her. "Do you know what that miserable excuse for a human being Irving Throckmorton, did? He went, and bought Minerva's wedding ring down the street at Johnson's! Yes, he did 'em down with 'em both!"

"Well, I'm glad you've got some sense at last!" sighed Mrs. Jones. And I can't get that spot out of the parlor wall paper! Anyhow, you don't make much profit on wedding rings!"

"It's not the profit," said Cal Jones majestically. "It's the principle of the thing!"—Chicago News.

People of Paris eat 200,000 Horses a Year.

Paris, Aug. 23.—The consumption of horse flesh in France, according to figures gathered, is constantly on the increase. Paris alone there are 600 meat shops, mainly in the poorer quarters, where horseflesh alone is sold. The consumption now exceeds 200,000 animals a year.

The butchers report that the increase is due quite as much to the growing in favor of horse flesh for food as to its cheapness, the price of from ten to thirteen cents a pound being a powerful argument to the poor under the constantly increasing cost of living in France.

The meat should be even cheaper were it not for the duty on imported horses, \$10 a head on colts and \$30 on horses more than a year old. The tax was destined to encourage the breeding of horses in France, but operates against the 'hippophagic butchers' as the dealers in horse meat are called. An agitation has been started for the removal of the tax on horses destined for slaughter and is meeting support among the poorer classes.

In Hungary wedding presents are only given to poor couples to help them get their homes together, says a writer in the September Wide World Magazine. The girl friends of the brides show attention by making cakes of various kinds to be partaken of at the marriage feast. Other gifts there are none. And this is a custom that one could wish were more general. There is no wedding cake either, as we understand it, but each guest receives a kind of sweet cake of the substance of cracknel biscuits, made in the form of a ring about ten inches in diameter.

FUTURE OF CHINA.

The future of China, and the relation of that country to the affairs of the rest of the world, is a fascinating subject of speculation. What influence will the 400,000,000 people of that empire have upon world affairs when they have become permeated with western ideas and risen to a high state of development?

Sir Robert Bredon, who is acting inspector general of Chinese customs, tells us that a large percentage of the Chinese people are already alive to the potentialities of their race and country. He states that within the last eleven years a new Pekin has arisen. A portion of the capital is being rebuilt after European models, with macadamized roads, electric lights, and modern water supply system. The Sedan chair is giving way to carriages drawn by splendid horses, the police force is being reorganized, the newspaper press has greatly improved and public reading rooms are being established in increasing numbers. There is a greater demand for schools and for western knowledge, and there is in progress a vigorous movement against the use of opium, which has been the curse of the nation. Railways are being extended, most of them in Chinese hands, and transportation facilities generally are steadily being improved. A great deal of the iron used in the construction of railways is produced in China. Better methods are being adopted to convey the produce of farms to markets. Of course there is still a very large proportion of the population to be reached and influenced by modern ideas, but the progress is rapid; and it cannot be doubted that a quarter of a century hence China will occupy a place in the world's affairs very different from that which she occupies today.

He Swallows all Sorts Of Things

Cairo, Ill., Aug. 23.—Before Frank Wilson, an advertising solicitor of St. Louis, died here in a hospital, he told the police he had swallowed several articles of a foreign nature and that they had better put the X-ray at work. He was operated upon Sunday night on the theory that he was afflicted with appendicitis.

Three incisions were made in the man's abdomen and according to the physicians the following articles were removed: One shoe button hook, ladies hatpin, three keys, one lead pencil, one belt buckle, one tin toy pistol, three small nails, one needle, one thermometer. Wilson, according to his physician, had been in a depressed mental state for a time during which he swallowed anything that he could get down his throat.

CUT OFF HIS EAR TO STOP HIS TALKING.

New York, Aug. 24.—Because her husband talked too much, as she put it, Mrs. Martin Coon sliced off his right ear to-day with a razor. "Yes, I cut off his right ear and I'm glad of it," said the woman when arrested. "He talked too much and that annoyed me." Coon, who is a marine engineer, was rushed to a hospital, weak from loss of blood. His wife was held in \$4,300 bail. She is fifty years old.

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A near sighted sportsman strolled into the little hotel on the shores of Loch Carron, and complaining said: Just seen a seal shot at it three times and missed each time."

At dinner on hour later he sat next to a tourist who had a bandage around his head.

"Had an accident?" asked the sportsman.

"Accident?" growled the other. "Attempted murder, you mean. I was having a bath about an hour ago, when some lunatic with a gun fired at me three times from the shore, and shot part of my ear off. I don't know why such animals are allowed out without a license."

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