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THE GRANITE TOWN GREETINGS

For all, for One

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"The project is absurd," declared Mr. Clinton in disgust. "To give \$75,000 for the founding of a hospital in Mayville is like burning money, for no hospital is needed here."

"We are 40 miles from the city of Kingwood," argued Bernice, smiling. "a long journey for victims of accident. Mayville has nearly 10,000 inhabitants, and other good-sized places are near. A hospital here would be open to 30,000 people. Mr. Clinton, my good mother always cared for the needy, and it is my greatest ambition to establish a hospital of my own."

"Her estate is now settled, and we know she left you just about \$150,000. And you would put half of it into a hospital?"

"Yes."

"Miss Osborne, if I may be so impolite, I will remind you that you are 28 years old. You may live 40 years longer. Yet, you cast away half your fortune like an old shoe."

"I trust that the remaining half will be enough for me, Mr. Clinton. Be that as it may, I want a memorial to my mother, and how can I have it in a better way than by establishing a hospital? And, oh! Mr. Clinton, I want to furnish a home for the ill, the suffering, the needy. As hospitals are conducted now, they are far ahead of the ordinary home in ability to care for the afflicted."

"Humph!"

"I have been to Kingwood and seen Mr. Russell, the celebrated physician, and Dr. Poland, who is said to be the greatest surgeon in the east of the State. They heartily approve."

"Very rich men who still hunger for dollars. Of course, they approve, for they would be called here on your cases."

"Dr. Poland seems to be especially disinterested."

"Miss Clinton, nobody is disinterested but me. I'm your lawyer, and your interests are mine. I am paid for my services, but I never was hard on your mothers pocketbook and I won't be on yours. Take the advice of a friend. Better drop that hospital project!"

"She did not drop it, though she gave the good old lawyer credit for his services."

"The idea of an institution that would at once bear her memory and alleviate the suffering of mankind had full possession of her. Land was purchased for the building and work begun. The news went around and kindred and neighbors descended upon her in force."

"Better establish a poorhouse, too," said an envious cousin tartly. "Then, away, you will have a home—unless the trustees refuse to take you in."

Not all comments were so ill-tempered as this one, but Bernice clearly saw that, in pleasing herself, she was not going to please anybody else. Sarcasm, flings, mild remonstrances, careful arguments—she had to meet them all, but she was firm and the work went on steadily. The rising walls of the building were a great delight to her eyes and mind.

Mr. Clinton, having abandoned unavailing opposition, stood by her zealously, and she occasionally went to Kingwood to consult the learned doctors there.

"For, she had said to Dr. Poland, the noted surgeon. 'I must have more than a building, I want everything in the way of equipment that modern science can afford, the hospital must furnish its force with all possible things to benefit mankind.'"

And so she had her shrewd lawyer, with financial help, and architects and physicians in there proper places, and the hospital grew, was completed, and was really far ahead of any other.

"Bernice's Hall," was the nickname bestowed upon it by many of her friends, for they were still hostile to what they called the freak of "that silly girl."

"They could not understand why she should 'throw her money away.' The world sees only what it wants to see. The building was completed, all fittings in place, and nurses and orderlies installed. Everything was ready for patients, but, first of all, there was a formal dedication. Professional men came from far and near, including the celebrated Kingwood experts. Addresses were

made, and envious people grew freshly envious as they saw famous men pay their tributes to Bernice, disinterested compliments that she received with a happy heart, though with her usual modesty.

"Anyhow," she said, smiling, "it is done and we only await the first patient." "That patient," replied Dr. Poland earnestly, may well call you blessed. You have given humanity a weapon with which to fight against suffering and against death."

The crowd began to drift away. Bernice entered her carriage. At that moment an automobile filled with shrieking heedless young persons rounded an adjacent corner. The driver, gathering his wits when too late, tugged at the wheel without avail. There was a swoop and crash, and the carriage went to pieces. Only one person was injured. Bernice, unconscious, was born into the hospital.

The first patient was there. Within 20 minutes the crowd waiting outside heard the dreadful tidings that she must submit to the surgeon's knife, and then the ill will of her critics vanished forever. They were robbed of their animosity by her suffering and danger. Mr. Clinton, placing the corridor, was beset by painful emotions, but the one hope lay in the fact that the great Dr. Poland was there. His skill was the star of promise. To the faithful lawyer it seemed ages before Poland himself came from the pavilion.

"I trust the worst is over," said the surgeon gravely. "She has stood the operation well, but if she lives it will be due to her own hospital. Instant attention was imperative. Had it been necessary to take her to Kingwood it would have been too late."

"She built better than she knew," murmured Clinton, a catch in his voice. "A year later the hospital had several patients, but Bernice had long before been discharged, cured. One evening the sufferers who were there sent her an address of good wishes. It was the evening she was married to Dr. Poland."

All sorts.

Several cities want greater restrictions as to the style of automobile horns. Occasionally a politician may incur special risk owing to a special desire to stop and listen to the music.

It is believed that Bernice, who was in the city, will have a new feature in the coming season.

To the Brooklyn man who she took much duck and suffered indignation there, we suggest the counsel a quick doctor.

The man who marries a good widow must not expect necessarily to live in clover.

Even if you are an Englishman don't think that 'ugging' is 'armless.' It's 'armful.'

The alphabet is ever with us, though we only for a spell.

By going at full speed a man loses more time than he gains.

An ounce of confidence in yourself is better than a pound of faith in your neighbor.

Would it hurt this country if its crop of law and medical college graduates was to fail for a few years.

Cheap jewelry has always a gullible look.

Many a cook is a poor singer who has a good range.

When money talks the only thing it says to most of us is "good by."

When a man proposes to a woman she can look as innocent as though she wasn't expecting it.

Time, tide and electric light meters wait for no man.

Remember girls, that pinning a \$17 hat on a 17 cent head, doesn't improve the value of the head.

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There is charity which consists in withholding words, in abstaining from speech if to speak is to condemn. Such charity hears the tale of slander, but does not repeat it; listens in silence, but forbears comment; locks the secret up in the very depths of the heart. Silence can still rumor. It is speech that keeps a story alive and lends vigor to it.

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7.55 Spruce Lake

8.05 Allan Cot

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9.33 Pennfield

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