A BACKWOODS WEDDING.

BY CLARA AUGUSTA. At the age of eighteen I married

the life of a minister's wife is a sort of a refined slavery, still, I have never for only the room I had just left, where I a moment regretted my choice.

was to the village of Brookboro. Our home was primitive, but we both were young and hopeful, and life was

not unpleasant to us. most ministers' wives. I was criticised that night the better. Bill and Dick min itself; and I frequently had doubts with their anoring. I fell asleep, held responsible for the ill-deeds, but from the muzzle of a Columbiad; and at this time, and my faith frequently down below low water mark.

My parishioners were exceedingly faithful in pointing out the beam in my eyes. If ever a woman had incentives Thad; not a day passed but I was ad-

much. A minister's wife ought to set a her flock. I laid my admonition to leart, and took the trimming off my honnet, and wore it with nothing but the cape. Then Mrs. Hale called to tell me that I was a disgrace to the parish wearing such a dreadful bonnet. People would think I was of the Quaker persuasion. So I put the trimming on again. Then Mrs. Stanley met me on the street and said so much blue ribbon was unbefitting to the wife of a preacher

and appeared in brown. Aunt Sally Jane called the next day before breakfast to know who of my folks was dead—she had noticed that my bonnet was trimmed in mourning. they would say I was gadding, and pitied with tallaw, and his huge feet encased If I called on a few of our parish, 'poor Mr. Morrison, dreadfull;' if I in sheep—skin pumps. staid at home I was 'too stuck up to visit the poor.'

Just as sure as the supply in my of appetite.

All the straggling ministers, tract yer gal.' unawares.

In endeavoring to obey this command self a colporteur, and who proved his right to wear rings by stealing a dozen silver napkin rings and a butter knife given me by my sister.

duple joined mands through a rent in the coverlet, and the ceremony proceeded. Just as Mr. Morrison was asking Lemuel 'Will you have this voman,' etc., down came the coverlet, envelop-I gave shelter to a man who called him-

given me by my sister.

One fine day in early winter, my husband had received a summons, to Burke's settlement, to unite a couple in the bonds of wedlock. It was especially requested that his wife should accompany him, and should be expected to remain all night, and partake of the festivities.

etc., down came the coverlet, enveloping bride, groom and pastor, and filling the house with dust. Dick had been up in the loft and cut the string that held it.

Mr. Morrison crawled out, looking decidely sheepish, and Sally was obliged to be married openly. To the momentous question, Lemuel responded. the festivities.

ment, and we reached the log house of for?' and Sally replied, 'Yaas if you Mr. Burke, the father of the expectant must know. bride-about noon. A dozen tow-haired children were at the door watching

'Marm! marm! here's the Elder and know about that air. Just show me his woman! They're nothing but folks! She's got a man's hat on, and a turkey wing in the front of it; and his nose is just like dad's-crooked as a cow horn

Alas for Mr. Morrison's aquiline nose, of which he was a little vain! pot! Sal, you quit that churn and sweep the floor. Kick that corn dodger under the bed! Bill, you wipe the taller out of that cheer for the minister's wife, and be spry about it!',

Further remarks were cut short by our entrance. Mrs. Burke, in calico short-gown, blue peticoat, and bare feet came forward-wiping her face on her apron.

'How do you do, Elder? how do you do, marm? Must excuse my headhaven't had a chance to comb it since last week. Work must be did, you know. Powerful sharp air, haint it? Shoo, there! Bill, drive that turkey out of the bread trough! Sal, take the Burke went getting breakfast; and at lady's things. Set right up to the fire, marm. Hands cold? Well, just rub our horse and we bade them adieu. 'em in Bill's hair-we keep it long a-

Bill presented his shaggy head, and I declined with a shudder.

'Lawk, if she ain't actilly shivring! cried Mrs. Burke, 'bring some more might have gone to the dickens. wood. Here, marm, take this hot corndodger into yer lap, it's as good as a

A fateful sqall announced the execution of the rooster, and shortly afterward he was bouncing about in a fourpail kettle hung over the fire. Sal returned to her churn, but the extraordin ary visitors must have made her careless, for she upset the churn, and butter and buttermilk went swimming over the floor.

'Grab the ladle, Bill!' cried Mrs. Burke, and help dip it. Take keer, don't put that snarl of hair in. Strange how folks will be so nasty. Dick keep your feet out of the buttermilk-it won't be fit for the pigs when the butter's gathered. Drive that hen outshe's picked up a pound of butter already. There, Sal, try and churn a little more keerful. If you are a-goin to be spliced to-morrow, you needn't

run crazy about it. 'I'd advise you to dry up!' remarked the bride-elect, thumping away at the

By the time I had got fairly warmed dinner was ready; and you may be sure I didn't hurt myself by over-eating. REED and RATTAN CHAIRS Night came on early, and after a social chat about the event of the mor row, I signified my desire to retire. Sal lighted a birch knot, and began climbing a ladder in one corner of the

room-I hesitated. 'Come on !' cried she-'don't you be afeared. Sam and Bill, and Dick, and all the rest of ye, duck yer heads while the Elder's wife goes up. Look out for the loose boards, marm; and mind or

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you'll smash yer brains out against that peam. Take keer of the hole whar the

chimney comes through-Her warning came too late. I caught Engene Morrison was my first and last bled, and fell headlong through what who caught me in his arms and set Eugene's first call, after our marriage, on my feet, remarking coolly:

'What made you come that way ?

We ginerally use the ladder.' I was duly commiserated, and at I, of course, encountered the trials of last got to bed. The less said about and found fault with, until I wondered and four others, slept in the same if I was not the incarnation of original room with us, and made the air vocal whether anybody in the world was to be and dreamed I was just being fired n.yself. My theology was very dubious was awakened by Mr. Morrison, who informed me that it was morning.

The marriage was to take place before breakfast, and Sally was already clad in her bridal robes, when I dessended the ladder.

She was magnificent in a green calico than the rest of her apparel--a white monished in some way.

Miss Splitwood said I dressed too -a yellow neck ribbon, and white cot better example befor the younglings of ton gloves. Her reddish hair was fastened in a pug behind, and well adorned with the tail feathers of the defunct rooster before mentioned.

When it was announced that Lem Lord, the groom, was coming, Sally dived behind a coverlet, which had been hung across one corner of the room to conceal sundry pots and ketties, and refused to come forth. Mr. Lord lifted one corner of the curtain and peeped in, but quickly retreated with a stew-pan of the gospel. So I laid the blue aside following close behind, and a few sharp words from Sally, advising him to mind his own business.

Lemuel was dressed in blue with been made for his grandfather on a similar occasion. His hair was well greased Very soon the company began to

gather, and in half an hour the room was filled. 'Now Elder,' cried the bridegroom larder ran low, I would have an influx drive ahead! I want it done up short. was peculiarly favourable to the growth I'm able to pay for the job—do yer best. Come, Father Burke, trot out

agents, beggars and vagabonds came to But Sally refused to be trotted. She the parsonage; and were obliged to would be married where she was or entertain them because Eugene said by not at all. We arguedland coaxed but thus doing we might entertain angels she was firm; and it was finally concluded to let her have her own way. Mr. Morrison stood up—the happy couple joined hands through a rent in

It was twenty miles to the settle- 'To be sure-what else did I come here

'Salute your bride,' said Mr. Morrison when all was over. 'I'm ready for anything reasonable,

how, and I'll do it if it kills me? My husband drew back nervously; but Sally advanced, threw her arms around his neck, and gave him a kiss that made the very windows clatter.

'I vum if I don't do ditto!' cried Lemuel, and hastily taking a huge bite 'Sam!' cried a shrill voice from the of maple sugar which he drew from his interior of the cabin, run out and grab the rooster, and I'll clap him into the dozen pieces, tore my hair down, and succeeded in planting a kiss on my nose, greatly to the delight of the com-

> Then he turned to my husband. 'Now Elder, what's the damage Don't be afeared to speak.' 'Whatever you please,' said Mr. Mor-

Lemuel produced a piece of fur from his pocket.

'There, Elder,' said he, there's muskrat skin; and out in the shed is two heads of cabbage, and you're wel come to the hull of it.' My hasband bowed his thanks-the young people went on dancing. Mrs.

my earnest request, Mr. Morrison got I never could have lived through ar other meal in that house I have since heard that Mr. Lore

said that if he had seen the Elder's wife before she was married, Sally Alas! 'It might have been!'

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Lemuel was dressed in blue with bright buttons. The entire suit had CHATHAM SUMMER 1888.

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