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The Thornton Secret

Or, a Prophecy Fulfilled

By CLARISSA MACKIE

"It will never be discovered," sighed Mrs. Thornton as she laid aside her sewing and looked at her daughter. "Your father looked for it during his lifetime and so did his father before him. I am beginning to believe that your Great-grandfather Thornton's hidden fortune was a hoax, although it was known that he had a great fortune."

"Perhaps he speculated and lost the money," suggested Alma with a disappointed sigh. "I wish he had never left that queer letter saying that when an heir was found worthy to receive his money it would be discovered to him. I'm afraid great-grandfather must have been joking, for just think what a good man father was and what did he ever find in return for his years of digging and delving around this old place hoping to discover the money?"

Alma threw down her sewing with sudden impatience of the subject. "I'm tired of talking about that old fortune, mother. Grandfather spent all his life looking for it and so neglected his work that he died a poor man, and it was the same way with father. Now, we're the last two of the family, and I for one am not going to spend my life looking for buried money."

"What are you going to do, Alma?" asked her mother anxiously.

"I'm going to work and earn some money for myself."

"Alma Thornton!" cried her mother in dismay. "Your father brought you up as a lady and as the heiress to the Thornton fortune should be trained, and now you are going to spoil it all by going to work."

"Fortune, heiress!" sniffed Alma skeptically. "Why, mother, dear, what would you have me do? Sit with folded hands and wait for the fortune to jump out at me from some hidden cranny of the house or to fall out of the walnut tree?"

"I thought we might take a few summer boarders and wait awhile. Who knows when the secret will be revealed?" argued her mother fretfully.

"You would be tired to death taking summer boarders," said Alma decidedly. "It's my place to work for you,

FOUND THE BIG BRASS BOX.

and I've been trying to make some use of the education you have given me, and now I've got something to do at last." Her voice ended in a triumphant laugh.

"What is it, Alma?"

"I'm going to teach music and languages in a boarding school for girls. It's in Wentwood, nearly sixty miles from here, and I can come home every week. Won't that be lovely? We'll be rich, mother."

Several weeks passed before Mrs. Thornton became fully reconciled to her daughter's plan. Once consenting, however, she spared no effort to assist Alma in her modest preparations and sent her away with a smiling countenance, even though she did cry as soon as the stage rolled away from the door. For that matter, Alma cried too.

A year passed, bringing once more the summer vacation season, and with it Alma Thornton came home to her mother.

"It's glorious to be home once more," cried Alma happily as she danced from one familiar spot to another of the old home, which, weather beaten to a silvery gray, had seemed to take root as had the huge walnut tree which shaded it.

"I don't know what your poor father would say to see you working, Alma," sighed her mother as they ate their dinner. "He was always expecting to find the money and then we'd build a new house."

"I am so happy working, mother, dear. Think how independent we are, and I am sure my six hundred a year is of more practical use to us than great-grandfather's imaginary thousands."

"Don't despise the thousands, dear," said her mother. "They may come after all. Who knows?" she questioned dreamily. "What was the queer verse he added to his letter?

"When the bee wings away from the hive
Then shall the south wind blow free,
So fortune shall come to Thorntons alive,
But doomed the giant—doomed the rooftree."

A little silence fell between them after the recital. Alma was thinking how strong had been the belief of her parents in the tradition of her ancestor's hidden fortune and how the long search had almost resulted in financial ruin and its failure had hastened her father's death. Mrs. Thornton was repeating the lines of the doggerel verse over and over again until all at once there came a queer, frightened look in her eyes, and she turned a colorless face toward her daughter. "Alma!" she cried suddenly.

"What is it, mother? You are ill?"

The girl sprang to her feet and hastened around the table to her mother's side.

"No, it is nothing; only, Alma, I believe I have discovered the secret hidden in the vase." Mrs. Thornton's voice was agitated, and her hands trembled in her daughter's warm clasp.

"Oh, mother, dear, don't bother your head about that foolish prophecy! You will be really ill if you permit yourself to brood over it," urged Alma. "Come out and look at my monthly rose bush. It is covered with buds."

"No, listen, Alma. I am in earnest," protested Mrs. Thornton. "Don't you remember your father always called you his 'busy bee'?"

"Yes," said Alma patiently.

"And you remember the walnut tree at the back door has always been called the giant because of its size?"

"Yes."

"Well, then, see if the verse your great-grandfather wrote does not seem a prophecy:

"When the bee wings away from the hive
Then shall the south wind blow free,
So fortune shall come to Thorntons alive,
But doomed is the giant—doomed the rooftree."

"You, Alma, are the bee, and you have left home to seek for work, and the other lines predict that in a strong south wind the walnut tree will fall, and it will fall upon the house. Then fortune will come to the Thorntons!"

Pink spots burned in Mrs. Thornton's cheeks as she looked at her pretty daughter.

Alma bent and kissed her with sudden misgiving. It all seemed rather queer and creepy to have the mystical verse translated in that manner. It could not be that her mother's mind was affected by long brooding over the Thornton secret, for Mrs. Thornton banished these fears by arising and proceeding with her household tasks in her customarily efficient manner, and Alma tried to banish her own uneasiness by helping her mother, and the subject was dropped.

It was a hot day, with an irritating wind blowing from the south. As the afternoon advanced the sun disappeared and the wind howled mournfully in the walnut tree. Alma found herself thinking that the wind was sounding a requiem among the green branches.

It grew cooler, and after sunset they wandered down into the garden, their thin gowns blowing in the gale that swept upon them. The pale clouds reflected the afterglow and seemed menacing in their rapid approach. The dust whirled down the road in a white sheet, and as it flew the gale broke over the Thornton place. The two women did not go into the house. As if by unspoken but mutual consent, they clung to the garden fence and watched the attack of the south wind.

It came and threw itself upon the walnut tree with violence. The giant writhed and bent in the struggle. Then all at once, with an ominous crackle, it fell, crashing, thundering down upon the kitchen end of the house, crushing the roof to earth like an eggshell. The fall of the giant walnut tree shook the earth. It brought wondering faces to neighboring windows, and its last echo found Mrs. Thornton and Alma clinging to each other and crying.

"If all this has come true as he prophesied, then it will be true about the fortune," sobbed the elder woman, and Alma, awed into silence, had nothing to say.

Neighbors were gathering about the fallen tree and ruined house. It was Abel Bloxsom who, delving among the roots upturned by the toppling giant, found the big brass box which contained the Thornton fortune so long hidden from the heirs.

"Your great-grandfather must have planted that tree when he buried the box," commented Abel after he had congratulated mother and daughter. "I'll dicker with you for the tree, Mrs. Thornton. Of course the trunk is hollow or it wouldn't have fallen; but the big limbs are all right and"—

"No, thank you, Mr. Bloxsom," said Alma quickly. "We're going to build a new house, and the walnut tree is to be made into furniture, isn't it, mother?"

"Anything you say, my dear," cried her happy mother. "I am so glad you haven't got to go to that horrid school again."

"If the busy bee hadn't gone and winged her flight away, you know, where would the Thornton prophecy come in or the solution of the secret? It all goes to show Great grandfather Thornton was a more wonderful man than you have depicted him," laughed Alma.

"Come, dear; let us go in and count the money," urged her mother. And you will agree that this is what most anybody would have done at that moment.

They found that there was quite enough to keep them comfortably for the rest of their days; but Alma, having departed from the hive, found it difficult to go back to it. At any rate, she couldn't be a drone; she had acquired the work habit.

Cupid's Recall.

"Father, what do you think of the recall?"

"Well, my dear, I hardly know. Some people think it is dangerous. But why do you ask?"

"I sent Ferdy away last night, and now I'm sorry."—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

The Long, Long Run.

"I believe honesty pays in the long run."

"So do I, but I often wish it were not such a mighty long run."—Chicago Record-Herald.

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PUBLIC SALE
—OF—
Personal Property

The undersigned, having decided to stop farming and remove to Denton, will sell at public sale on the Deakyne farm at Chilton's Campground, on

Monday, December 30th

1912, beginning at 10 o'clock, a. m., sharp, the following property:

LIVE STOCK—Five Horses—1 Roan Mare, 7 years old, gentle and kind in all harness and a good driver; 1 Bay Mare, 7 years old, a fine driver; 1 Sorrel Mare, 12 years old, a lady's horse; 1 Sorrel Mare, 3 years old, by Advance, a young mare of fine prospect; 1 Black Mare, 14 years old, a good farm mare; 2 milch Cows; 1 Cow will be fresh in a few days; 1 Heifer, 3 years old, will be fresh in spring; 1 fine Brood Sow; 5 Shoats, will dress 100 pounds, very fine.

FARMING IMPLEMENTS—1 Osborne binder, in good order; 1 Osborne mower, almost new; 1 hay rake, as good as new; 1 riding cultivator, in splendid shape; 3 small cultivators; 1 New Deal riding plow, in good shape; 1 Vulcan 3-horse plow; 1 11-tine drill, in good order; 1 riding cultivator, as good as new, 1 Acme harrow; 1 spring-tooth drag; 1 adjustable drag with 50 teeth; 3 farm wagons, in good order; 1 land roller, 1 good land board; 1 road cart; 1 horse cart; 1 dearborn; 1 York carriage; 3 sets of wagon harness; 1 set of carriage harness; 5 sets of plow harness; 1 4-horse tree; 2 3-horse trees; 4 double trees; lot of shovels, spades, forks, hoes, &c.; 2 briar scythes; 1 bush axe; 1 dearborn pole, as good as new; 1 disc harrow, 1 corn planter.

HOUSEHOLD GOODS—1 wrought iron range; 2 set stoves; 2 bedsteads and some bedding; 1 table; 1 splendid separator, almost new, bought of Mr. Booth; 1 nice butter churn; lot of tinware and many other things not mentioned.

TERMS OF SALE—All sums of and under $10, cash; on all sums over that amount a credit of twelve months will be given, purchaser giving note with approved security, payable at the Peoples National Bank of Denton. No property to be removed until terms are complied with. T. H. LORD.

F. P. COVEY, Auctioneer.
SOMERS BLAKE, Clerk.

PUBLIC SALE
OF VALUABLE
PERSONALTY

The undersigned, intending to discontinue farming, will sell at public sale at the Lawless homestead, on the road from Hickman to Concord, on

Friday, December 27th

1912, rain or shine, beginning at 10 o'clock, a. m., the following property:

LIVE STOCK.

One bay horse, 4 years old, gentle in all harness.
Two cows, one with calf by side.
Three brood sows.
One boar, pure-bred Poland-China, eligible to registry.
Seven Pigs, three weeks old.

Farm Implements, etc.

One Farmers' Favorite drill, one Osborne mower, one sickle grinder, one 2-horse farm wagon, one dearborn, one carriage, one set wagon harness, one set carriage harness, three sets plow harness, one pair hames and traces, one cart saddle, lot collars, bridles, etc.; one corn sheller, one steel-beam Oliver chilled plow, No. 20; one steel-beam South Bend plow, No. 2½; one 1-horse South Bend plow, one new-ground plow, one Acme harrow; one double-A drag, three cultivators, one 3-horse tree, one garden cultivator, three barrels, one half-bushel measure, two brier scythes, one cross-cut saw and two hand saws, one wire stretcher, peach ladder, mole trap, milk trough, Kant Klog sprayer, one-third barrel tar, grindstone, two potato forks, two hundred tomato baskets, lot shovels, hoes, ond and many other things.

400 baskets of Corn.
5 stacks of Top Fodder.
1,000 bunches of Blades.

Household Goods,

consisting of beds, bedding, bureaus, chairs, etc.; one range, one air-tight stove, one coal stove, one oil stove, tables, chairs, rockers, stands, lounge, washstand and other things too numerous to mention.

TERMS OF SALE: On sums of and under $10, cash; on sums over that amount a credit of nine months will be given, purchasers giving approved notes payable at the Peoples National Bank of Denton. MATTHEW LAWLESS.

F. P. Covey, Auctioneer.

T. ALAN GOLDSBOROUGH, Solicitor.

Lillian C. Campeau
vs.
Frank Campeau.

In the Circuit Court for Caroline County. In Equity.

Order of Publication.

The object of this suit is to procure a divorce a mensa et thoro from the defendant, Frank Campeau, and for general relief.

The Bill states:

That on the thirtieth day of June, 1907, she was married to Frank Campeau at Westover, Maryland, by the Rev. D. H. Willis.

That her husband, the said Frank Campeau, has never supported her but, on the other hand, she has been compelled to almost entirely support him in addition to herself.

Third, That her said husband has treated her with great unkindness, harshness and cruelty.

Fourth, That ever since said marriage your oratrix has behaved herself as a faithful, chaste and affectionate wife towards the said Frank Campeau,

That on the twelfth day of October, 1912, the said Frank Campeau, without just cause or reason, abandoned and deserted her in this State and has declared his intention to live with her no longer; that said abandonment is deliberate and final and the separation of the parties beyond any reasonable expectation of reconciliation.

Sixth, That the plaintiff and defendant have no children.

It is, therefore, ordered by the Circuit Court for Caroline County on this 6th day of December, 1912, that the plaintiff, by causing a copy of this order to be inserted in some newspaper published in Caroline County, Maryland, once in each of four successive weeks before the 6th day of January, 1913, gives notice to the said absent defendant, Frank Campeau, 130 W. 44th St., New York, N. Y., of the object and substance of this bill, and warning him to be and appear in this Court, in person or by solicitor, on or before the 22d day of January, 1913, to show cause, if any he has, why a decree ought not to pass as prayed.

J. KEMP STEVENS, Clerk.

True copy—Test:
J. KEMP STEVENS, Clerk.

Wanted.

Ten thousand bushels new crop Buckwheat, clean and dry, at market prices.
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Wanted.

10,000 bushels of buckwheat Cash on delivery. Must grade number one.
J. H. SMITH,
10-19. Ridgely, Md.

ASSIGNEE'S SALE
—OF VALUABLE—
REAL ESTATE

Under and by virtue of a power of sale contained in a mortgage from Samuel H. Stewart and Mary Stewart, his wife, to Harvey L. Cooper, dated the 5th day of November, 1910, there being certain assignments on said mortgage, the last assignment being to Harvey L. Cooper, which said mortgage and assignments are duly of record in Liber J. K. S., No. 12, folio 195, etc., one of the Mortgage Record Books for Caroline County, the undersigned, as assignee, will offer and expose at public sale to the highest bidder in front of the Court House door in the town of Denton, Maryland, on

Tuesday, December 17,

1912, between the hours of two and four o'clock, p. m.

All that piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the Seventh Election District of Caroline County, Maryland, beginning at a stone at the southeast corner of lot known as the Isaac Thomas lot, and runs 30 feet from Wyatt's line sout,h 31¼ degrees east, 15 8/10 perches to a stake; thence south, 58¾ degrees west, 49 8/10 perches to Saulsbury land; thence with same north, 36½ degrees west, 16 perches to the corner of lot known as the Isaac Thomas lot; thence with said Thomas lot north, 58¾ degrees east, 51 perches to the place of beginning, containing

Five Acres of Land

more or less.
The improvements consist of a

Six-Room Dwelling

and usual outbuildings, in good repair.

TERMS OF SALE: Cash on day of sale. Title papers at expense of purchaser. HARVEY L. COOPER,
James Temple, Auct. Assignee.

Public Sale
—Of Valuable—
Personalty!

The undersigned, having decided to discontinue farming, will sell at public sale at his residence, the Hooper Ross farm, on the road leading from Melvin's Cross Roads to Harrington, one mile west of Brownsville, on

Wednesday, Dec. 18th

1912, beginning at 10 o'clock a. m., the following property:

HORSES AND MULES.

One pair of Mules, coming 3 and 4 years old, weight 2500, well broken; as fine as there are in the three counties.
One Mule, 4 years old, weight 1050, a fine mule.
One Bay Horse, 10 years old, weight 1200, good worker; a fine animal.
One Bay Horse, 4 years old, weight 1050, a fine driver.
One Bay Mare, good farm mare.
One Brood Mare, by Happy William, and two of her Colts, one 1-year-old, one a weanling, by Brownie J.; extra fine.

FARMING IMPLEMENTS.

One 2-horse Wagon and Harness; 1 Dearborn, 1 Speed Cart, lot of Harness, Collars and Bridles, 1 Deering Binder, 7-foot cut, good order; 1 11-tine Drill, 1 Wheat Rake, 1 Oliver Riding Plow, 2 19 Oliver Walking Plows, 2 New-Ground Plows, 1 Buckeye Riding Cultivator, 1 5A Oliver Walking Plow, 2 Walking Cultivators, 1 Spring-tooth Harrow, 2 50-tooth Harrows, 1 Land Roller, 1 1-row Corn Cutter, 1 Wheelbarrow Seed Sower, 1 Disc Harrow, Cross-cut Saw, 1 Bicycle Grindstone, new; Shovels, Spades, Forks, Hoes, etc.

HOUSEHOLD GOODS.

Two sets Chairs, 2 Rocking Chairs, 1 Set Stove, 1 Cook Stove, 1 Bed and Bedding, lot of Matting, Carpeting, Rugs, and many other articles not mentioned.

TERMS OF SALE.

All sums of and under $10, cash; on sums over that amount a credit of 12 months will be given, purchasers giving approved notes, payable at the Peoples Bank of Harrington, Del.
W. T. BULLOCK.

F. P. Covey, Auctioneer.
E. L. Bullock, Clerk.

PUBLIC SALE
—OF VALUABLE—
Personalty!

The undersigned, intending to discontinue farming and remove to Salisbury, Md., will sell at public sale at his residence, one mile from Denton, on the State road leading to Greensboro, on

Saturday, December 14

1912, beginning at 10 o'clock a. m., the following property, to wit:

STOCK AND IMPLEMENTS.

One Black Horse, good worker and fair driver; one good Milk and Butter Cow, 8 years old, 1 York Carriage, 1 one-horse Wagon and Harness, in good order; 1 set of Carriage Harness, nearly new; 2 one-horse Plows, Nos. 5 and 7; 2 Cultivators, 1 Drag Harrow, lot of Plow Harness and Collars, Hoes, Shovels, Forks, etc.; 1 Crosscut Saw; lot of Carpenter's Tools, consisting of Saws, Augers, Chisels, Planes, etc.; 1 good Grindstone, lot of Chicken Coops, also a lot of Chickens. ONE 20 H. P. GASOLINE TRACTION ENGINE, in good running order; 1 Saw Bench and 3 Saws; lot of Belting, 1 Gumming Wheel and Bench, 1 Saw Mandrel, lot of Pulleys, lot of Chicken Wire, one and a-half rolls of Hog Wire, in good order; 1 Milk Trough, 1 Wheelbarrow, 200 baskets of Corn in the ear, lot of Long Fodder, lot of Hay, both timothy and scarlet.

HOUSEHOLD GOODS.

One Bedstead, lot of Carpet and Matting, some Rugs, 1 Sideboard, 1 Lounge, 1 Extension Table, 1 Kitchen Table, 1 Kitchen Cabinet, 1 Cupboard, small lot of Dishes, 2 Rockers, set of Chairs, 1 Lorain Range, in good order; 2 Airtight Stoves, good; 1 Coal Stove, 1 Cream Separator, nearly new; 1 breech-loading Gun, No. 12, and many other articles not mentioned.

TERMS OF SALE.

On all property cash, except the traction engine; on that I will make terms to suit the purchaser.
Z. A. COOPER,
F. P. Covey, Auct. Owner.

Stockholders' Meeting.

DENTON NATIONAL BANK,
Denton, Md., Dec. 5, 1912.

The annual meeting of stockholders of the Denton National Bank will be held at the bankiug house in Denton, Md., on Tuesday, January 14th, 1913, between the hours of 1 and 3 o'clock, p. m. of that day for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year.
T. C. WEST, Cashier.

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Notice is hereby given by the County Commissioners and Road Engineer of Caroline county that the substructure of Denton Bridge, over the Choptank river, is in an unstable condition, and all persons are hereby forbidden to cross or enter upon said bridge with traction engines and loads exceeding one ton and two horses, nor to drive over said bridge faster than a walk.

By order of the County Commissioners,
WILLIAM H. ANDERSON,
Denton, Md., June 6th, 1911. Clerk.

Stockholders' Meeting.

THE PEOPLES NATIONAL BANK,
Denton, Md., Dec. 3, 1912.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Peoples National Bank, Denton, Md., will be held at their banking house, in Denton, Md., on Tuesday, January 14th, 1913, between the hours of 1 and 3 o'clock p. m. of that day for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year.
T. F. JOHNSON, Cashier.

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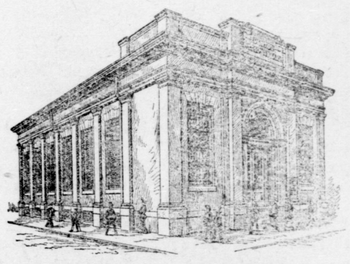

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