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In the Orphan's Court of Kent County, Maryland. No. 1626.

M. Blanche Constable
vs.
David N. Middleton and wife.

ORDERED, this 10th day of September, 1907, by the Circuit Court for Kent County in Equity, that the sale of the mortgaged real estate made and reported by William W. Beck, attorney and trustee, under power in a mortgage from David N. Middleton and wife to M. Blanche Constable, dated the 29th day of September, 1905 and recorded in liber J. T. D., No. 14, folio 141, etc., a land record book, be ratified and confirmed unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 15th day of November next; provided, a copy of this Order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Kent county, once in each of four successive weeks before the 15th day of October next.

The report states the amount of sales to be $830.00.

JAMES T. DIXON, Clerk.

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SCOTT BECK, W. W. BECK, Attorneys.

Order Nisi.

A. W. Emory, et. al.,
vs.
Hester Pipes, et. al.

In the Circuit Court for Kent County In Equity.

ORDERED, this 26th day of August, 1907, by the Circuit Court for Kent county in Equity, that the sale of the real estate mentioned in these proceedings made and reported by S. Scott Beck and William W. Beck, trustees, under a decree of this Court, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 1st day of November next—provided a copy of this Order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Kent county, once in each of four successive weeks before the 30th day of September next.

The Report states the amount of sales to be $315.00.

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L. W. WICKES, attorney.

Order Nisi.

Mary E. Perkins vs. Wm. H. Emerson and wife.

In the Circuit Court for Kent County in Equity. No. 1612.

ORDERED this 7th day of September, 1907, by the Circuit Court for Kent County, in equity, that the sale of the mortgaged real estate, mentioned in the proceedings made and reported by Lewin W. Wickes, attorney named in mortgage, under the power contained in a mortgage from Wm. H. Emerson and wife to Mary E. Perkins, dated the 3rd day of August, 1903, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 15th day of November next; provided, a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Kent county, once in each of four successive weeks before the 15th day of October, next. The report states the amount of sales to be $2,500.00.

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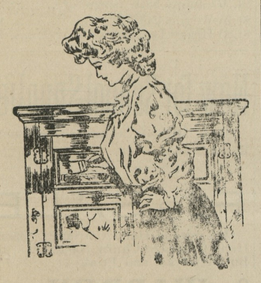

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After the Storm.

By... LULU JOHNSON.

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Brooks raised the shade and looked out, saying things softly to himself. A sodden landscape merged into leaden skies, and a fine, driving rain veiled but slightly the misery of the scene.

Across the road a score of ducks waddled contentedly through the muddy field to a puddle that had formed in a corner of the lot, but half a dozen bedraggled hens squawked dolefully as they picked up the angleworms driven to the surface by the continued rain and rushed back to shelter. The cows in the side pasture huddled under the dripping trees, and the dog trotted across the road with his tail dragging almost in the mud as he made for the protection of the barn after being driven from the inviting kitchen door.

Brooks had come to Centerville for a purpose—a purpose that was not best served by confinement in a country boarding house for seven days and nights. Once or twice there had come a break in the steady rain, but in an hour or so it only came down the harder, as though to make up for the time it had lost.

He had wanted to take Bess over to the Big rock, where they had first met the summer before, and there make the avowal of love that had hung trembling upon his lips ever since. He had been able to take a whole month the year before—four golden weeks filled with sunshine and love.

Then Bess had gone to Europe as companion to a rich relative, and just as she returned Curtis Brooks had been called to South America on a matter of great importance. They had corresponded with such regularity as their uncertainty of movement permitted, but there had been no opportunity for a proposal, and now their waking time was divided between the parlor and the dining room of the old farmhouse.

Seven days of rain had got on Brooks' nerves. With his whole en-

IN A MOMENT HE WAS ON HIS KNEES BESIDE HER.

ergy bent upon taking back to town Bess' promise, the dreary round of parlor life irritated him.

Dickie Langdon, who had been the life of the stormbound party, had rechristened Willow farm the Ark, with an allusion to the animals that went two by two. The landlord was Noah, the colored servants Ham and his wife, and, with a sudden switch to "Pinafore," Langdon has insisted that Brooks was Dick Deadeye because of his disposition, and Brooks had not belied his nickname. It was not easy even for a patient man to sit quietly and see the hoped for opportunity pass, and Curtis Brooks was not a patient man.

All through those last weeks in Columbia he could shut his eyes and see the Big rock with Bess and himself standing beside it just as they had done the summer before. Now that he was here he could not even see it from the windows because of the curtain of mist and rain. Tomorrow he would have to return to town, and then there was another long trip to Caregena.

The frown was still on Brooks' face when he went down to breakfast. Langdon's jollity irritated him, and when they went back to the parlor after the meal he was gloomy and dispirited. Even Bess could not win him out of himself, and finally he went to his room to write some letters, he announced.

Writing consisted in sitting before a table with pen and ink and paper near at hand and staring at the drenched landscape before him. Even the ducks had sought cover, for now the rain was coming down in sheets. He could scarcely see across the yard, and, with a groan at the lost vacation, he let his head sink forward upon his arm.

A light knock at the door had to be twice repeated before he heard it. Bess stood in the hall, smiling as though there was no such thing as rain.

"Don't you want to go up and have a look at the Big rock this afternoon?" she asked. "I think it's going to stop raining at last. Anyway, I can wrap up well. It would be a shame not to see the old place before you go back."

"Bess, you're an angel," was all he could say. She laughed at the remark.

"It would be more seasonable to call me a duck," she reminded. "I'll be ready at 4 o'clock."

She darted away, and Brooks, with a new hope in his heart, caught up a pen and wrote the letters that he had been trying to compose all the week.

Bess was prompt, and at 4 o'clock they met on the piazza. The rain had gone back to a light drizzle, but Langdon affected to take a last farewell of them and promised to try and recover their bodies after the flood.

Bess gave him a saucy reply, and they started down the road. It was a hard climb up the steep side of the mountain at the foot of which Centerville nestled, but after the stuffy atmosphere of the house the wet earth filled the clean air with a fragrance peculiarly its own.

Bess drank deep drafts down into her lungs. "I'm glad that we came," she declared. "It isn't so very wet, and I did want to have you see Big rock again."

"I was afraid that it would be washed away before we could get up here," he said, with a smile. "This has been a nightmare week, Bess. What can you think of the way I've been acting?"

"I don't blame you," she said softly. "It must be horrid to have your only week spoiled. But there is Big rock," she added as they came in view of a huge bowlder, relic of some glacial period.

In clear weather they could see far down the valley from the ledge on which the rock stood. Even now they were given a glimpse of green fields and the darker tint of the wooded sections, though the silver thread of the river had become a leaden reflection of the cloudy skies.

Brooks leaned against the rock, while Bess seated herself upon a smaller stone. For a moment neither spoke; then Brooks turned to her.

"It was my one wish to come up here," he said. "Do you remember last summer meeting me here?"

"As though it were yesterday," she answered. "I had been day dreaming in the shade of the rock, and you came crashing through the bushes. I was a little frightened, I remember."

"I wanted to come back here," he said reflectively. "I had a foolish notion that I should be more fortunate if I spoke in the shadow of the Big rock. I wanted to ask you to marry me, Bess, but I don't suppose you would dare marry a chap who had shown such a temper as I have in the past few days."

"Why don't you ask and find out?" she suggested demurely.

In a moment he was upon his knees beside her. He had given up all hope as the long wet days wore upon his patience. He had not supposed that she would trust her future to him. Now that she had spoken he poured out his love in a torrent of speech, oblivious to all else. For a quarter of an hour he gave heed to nothing save the sweet face before him, looked at nothing save the tender eyes, now so full of love. Then she gently disengaged herself and pointed across the valley.

Far in the west the sun was showing through a rift in the clouds, lighting with prismatic splendor the arch of a rainbow. "Life is like that, dear," she said gently. "There must be some stormy days that we may better appreciate the sun."

"And you are not afraid—even of my temper?"

"Of course not, you foolish boy."

"Bess," he said impetuously, "I'm going to try and have very few storms. I know how hideously unpleasant they are. All this week I've been growing more and more certain that you would never have me, and all the time you were looking for the rainbow."

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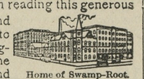

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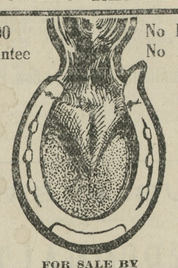

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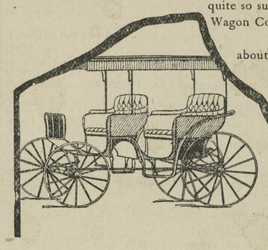

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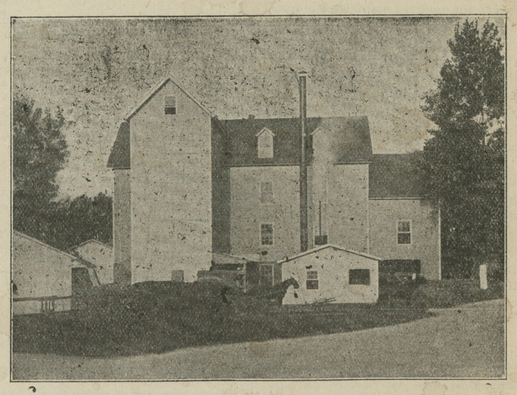

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