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MINNIE MAYNE.

OR THE ANGEL OF THE WOOD.

It was a lovely evening in the height of summer. The sun had been a half hour gone, but his beams still lingered in the clear horizon.

The flowers that had drooped, and the leaf that had withered in the noonday heat, were already recovering by the evening's freshness.

Such was the beautiful aspect of a declining day, I had just arrived at the point where two roads emerged from the main stem.

The shadows of night-fall were fast enclosing the last moments of expiring day, and soon the dark curtain of night would shut out probably all possibility of rescue until the coming morn.

Thus I soliloquized for a few seconds, while my eyes penetrated into the surroundings. To the right of my road fifty feet, lay a thick copse.

I approached it slowly and cautiously, and when I reached the edge I hailed. "Halloo! who are you?"

I paused for a reply when the same sounds that I had first heard, fell again upon my ears, but much more audibly.

She insisted that I should sit down on the fallen tree, and that she would make known to me in detail, the cause of her very strange visit to the wood.

After being seated for a few moments she began to unfold her terrible story.

"I am not only a stranger to you, but am a stranger in the neighborhood. I arrived at my uncle's ten days ago, from my city home, and to-day while out gathering wild flowers in the wood near my uncle's house, I espied three rough looking men coming toward me, their path lay between me and the house.

So to escape observation, I nestled myself closely in the undergrowth, until they could pass me, but when they arrived nearly opposite to where I had secreted myself, they halted, sat down, and began a conversation with each other.

I called to my mother to relight the lamp, which she did in an instant.

With drawn sabre I went to the hall, and found one of the burglars cold in death, while at the back piazza my little angel had put two balls through the head of another.

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dispatch him with their bludgeon, and then repair to the house, tie the old folks, and under threats of violence make them point out the spot where the coveted treasure was concealed.

I communicated what I have just told you to my uncle, who feverish with excitement started to apprise old Mr. Jarvis of his approaching doom, when in the hurry he fell from the porch, and dislocated his ankle joint which rendered him powerless to do so.

There being no one else to bear the news, I volunteered to do it myself. My uncle informed me that young Mr. Jarvis would pass where the road forked, and that I had better go that way, lest the burglars at the gate might intercept me before I could reach Mr. Jarvis' house.

I had been here about half an hour, when you came along, and my object is to inquire if you know this young man Mr. Jarvis, and would you assist me in conveying this sad news to him?"

Great Heavens! I exclaimed I miss the young Jarvis of whom you speak, come; fly with me to my home, we have no time to spare, as we must reach it by a circuitous route, and it will occupy more time than by the regular road, and we must apprise father and mother of their danger, and prepare to receive the blood-thirsty hounds when they come.

We started in great haste, our road lay through an unbroken forest, but soon we were in sight of the hours which we could plainly see by the lighted windows.

Our road led us in the rear of the house, and we arrived unobserved, and paused to listen if everything was quiet within. Being convinced that all was right, we opened the door which led to the dining-room, without the ceremony of a rap, and entered, my little angel at my side.

The old folks were not a little astonished at seeing the strange visitor, but I soon informed them of what I had heard, and left the rest of my story untold, until after we had discomfited the burglars.

Now to business. I procured an old musket, which I loaded heavily with slugs and lashed it in an elevated position to an old chair. I then passed a piece of cord from the trigger to a staple in the chair board, which as soon as it came in contact with a moving object, the musket would be discharged, and the contents would find a lodgment in the vitals.

I then closed the door leading from the Hall where the musket was placed, and then stationed my little angel (for I had not yet learned her name) at the door leading into the back piazza, with a Colt's repeater, with which she claimed to be an expert, while at the windows my father and myself were stationed, each armed with a sabre.

We were now ready for the attack, the lamps were extinguished, and my mother with matches in hand stood ready to relight them at a given signal. Thus we waited, until the small hours of the night were being ushered in, when the faithful watch dog apprised us that the enemy was approaching.

Silent as death was all within the house, presently the soft tread of some one was heard upon the porch, when simultaneously with this came a sound of footsteps on the back piazza, then a dull shake or the door was heard, accompanied by a grating sound as if it was being forced open by some flat instrument, introduced between the edge of the door and castings, but it yielded very slowly.

My little angel held her post firmly, with a nerve-strung readiness to send the deadly bullet into the heart of the intruder.

All again was silent, save now and then a low murmuring like some one talking in an undertone. "The faithful watch dog, what had become of him, his warning bark had become silenced, was he dead? this thought seemed to occupy all our minds, but it was now no time to discuss the matter.

Hark! the front door has yielded, I hear footsteps within the hall, a moment more—bang, goes the musket, and a tumbling noise is heard without the room, almost at the same time two pistol shots are fired in the back piazza, accompanied by a similar noise to that made at the front door, while immediately our watch dog sprang fiercely out from under the window and seemed to be dragging and tearing some fellow to pieces.

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My father accompanied by Miss Mayne, (this was the name of our heroine) had gone over to her uncle Ross, to relieve the suspense of that family with regard to the safety of their niece, whose anxiety knew no bounds, as they were afraid she had fallen a victim to the hands of the desperadoes, and that Mr. Jarvis' family and she too had all been murdered.

A few hours, and the officers of the law arrived, a jury of inquest had completed their verdict, and the dead bodies were removed and buried in a public lot near the town of Haddam—and the one rescued from the dog was committed to jail by the authorities to await his trial.

Having disposed of the bodies, and entered into certain obligations made necessary by the law, I went off my way to old Mr. Ross in quest of my father and little heroine. I arrived, and found them discussing the events of the past evening. I made known to my father and to Mr. Ross the eventful meeting of Miss Mayne in the wood, and the timely warning which not only saved my life, but the lives of my father and mother.

My father, moved to tears, invoked a blessing upon the young girl, and offered to make her the possessor of a fine estate which belonged to him adjoining her uncle's.

"Mr. Jarvis," said she, "your offer I must reject; you no doubt feel that you are indebted to me, but it was only one of many duties, which I am always willing and ready to perform, though they may be often hazardous, yet with a firm reliance upon the great Ruler of destinies, I launch fearlessly out in the discharge of them.

Brave, noble girl, I shall never enjoy a contented mind until you are fully compensated for such noble acts of heroism as you a few hours ago performed.

Bidding adieu to the family, he took his departure homeward while I remained a few hours longer.

My acquaintance with Miss Mayne so very mysteriously brought about, continued to grow into friendship; and my visits to her uncle Ross were very frequent, until at length I offered her my hand, which she accepted.

A few months rolled on, and the wedding day arrived. We were married. As soon as the congratulations of the hour were passed and quiet seemed to be restored again, a servant entered bearing in her hand a large envelope addressed to Mrs. Minnie Jarvis.

She opened it—a piece of paper with the following words, met her gaze:

"I herewith present you with a deed of all that tract of land adjoining your uncle Ross." Accept it as a bridal present, if nothing else, and may your union with my son be full of joy and sunshine, without a cloud to obscure your pathway through life.

Your father (in law) JACOB JARVIS.

We have now been married for several months, living at the old homestead of my father, and I am sure I shall never have to regret the hour I met my angel in the wood.

A Novel Procession.

Tuesday morning, our citizens were surprised by a novel display. A number of Columbia County farmers arrived in town, the evening previous, having driven over for Buckeye Reapers. They had all purchased the Buckeye with Miller's Table Rake. So many came that the manufacturers concluded to give them a good "sent off."

On Tuesday morning, a large number of Northumberland county farmers also came for their Buckeye Reapers, and for several hours nearly the entire force of the works was busy loading the wagons. About 10 A. M. the column, having formed on 2nd street, immediately north of the works, started, headed by the Lewisburg Band. The wagons were decorated with appropriate banners, such as "The Buckeye," "The Farmers Favorite," &c. There were between twenty and thirty wagons in procession, which made a splendid display. Whilst passing through the streets of our borough, cheers were repeatedly given by our citizens, proving that they enjoyed this evidence of prosperity and the popularity of the Table Rake Reaper.

After passing through town the procession crossed the bridge. The Northumberland county farmers here took their departure, and the Columbia county delegation, accompanied by the Band, proceeded to Milton. Here the population turned out en masse. After passing Milton, the Band left the procession, and returned to town.—Lewisburg Chronicle.

FOUR DAYS INSIDE OF A COW.—Not long since a negro was caught stealing a cow in Pike county, Miss. The parties who caught him cut the cow open and placed him inside of her, took a grass rope and sewed him in securely, leaving only his head out. In this manner he remained four days, when he was discovered, nearly dead. He said that it was all he could do to keep the buzzards from picking his eyes out.

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SENeca FALLS, NOV. 9, 1877. MR. H. R. STEVENS: Dear Sir—As you are an entire stranger to me I cannot know what VEGETINE has done for you. Only those who have been raised from death's door can know the value of such a good medicine. I am 68 years of age. Three years ago I was taken sick with what the doctors called LEUKEMIA. For weeks was confined to my bed. I had three different physicians, without any help I received no relief. I was a great sufferer. Finally became entirely helpless. The last doctor told me there was no help; he said he might possibly save my life by "sucking morphia" in my arms and legs. The encouragement for saving my life by leaving this done was my only chance I could not consent to run the risk. About this time my son read your advertisement in our paper and I at once bought a bottle of VEGETINE. Before I had used the first bottle I found great relief; I could move my limbs. After taking three bottles I was able to sit up and move about my room. I continued taking the VEGETINE, and I was in a few weeks restored to my former health. The VEGETINE saved my life after the doctors had given up. I have not since had a relapse. I have had no doctor since. I feel well. I take a dose of VEGETINE, and I recommend it to every family.

Your VEGETINE ought to be in every family. My doctor was surprised to see me in good health. He says "VEGETINE is a great medicine. I tell him I cured me. He says, "It is true." I cannot feel too thankful.

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