## SOWING SEEDS IN DANNY By NELLIE L. McCLUNG

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THIS STARTS THE STORY Mrs. J. Burton Francis, a woman with high ideals and more than the ordinary measure of the milk of human kindness coursing through her weins, notices that her weakwoman, Wrs. Watson, is performing her labors in a sluggish manner, inquires about her health and about her numerous her her husband to read, and interests herself in the welfare of the family. family.

MRS. MOTHERWELL did not want MRS. MOTHERWELL did not want Tom to go to Millford that night. One of the harvesters' excursions was expected—was probably in—then—there would be a wild time. Besides, the two-dollar bill still worried her. If Tom had dollar bill still worried her. If Tom was safer it he might spend it. No, Tom was safer excitement.

"Oh, I don't think he's so very bad," at home. she said. "We'll get the doctor in the morning if he isn't any better. Now you go to bed, Pearl, and don't worry your-

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Pearl knew what she would do. She would run over and tell Jim. and Jim would go for the doctor. Jim would not be in bed yet, she knew, and even if he were, he would not mind getting up. Jim would go to town any time she wanted anything. One time when she had 'said she just wished she knew whether Camilla had her new suit made yet. Jim jumped right up and said he'd go and sec. Mrs. Motherwell had goue to her room

yet, Jim jumped right up and said he'd go and see. Mrs. Motherwell had gone to her room troubles. Why should Tom fall into evil ways? she asked herself—a boy who had been as economically brought that the parents were to blame some way. Then she thought of Arthur; per-haps he should have the doctor. She had been slow to believe that Folly was really sick—and had had cause for re-gret. She would send for the doctor in the morning. But what was Fearl do-ing so long in the kitchen?—She could hear her moving around—Pearl must go to her bed, or she would not be able to get up in the morning.

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across the road to tangle up Pleurisy's long legs. He's on his way to Cowan's. I know. Ab Cowan has quinsy. Never mind, Thursa, we'll get him. I hope now that the old doctor is too full to come-ob, no. I don't, either. I just hope he's away and Doctor Clay will have it done before he gets here."

When Tom arrived in Millford he found a great many people thronging the streets. One of the Ontario's har-vesters' excursions had arrived a few hours before, and the "Huron and Bruce" boys were already making themselves seen and heard.

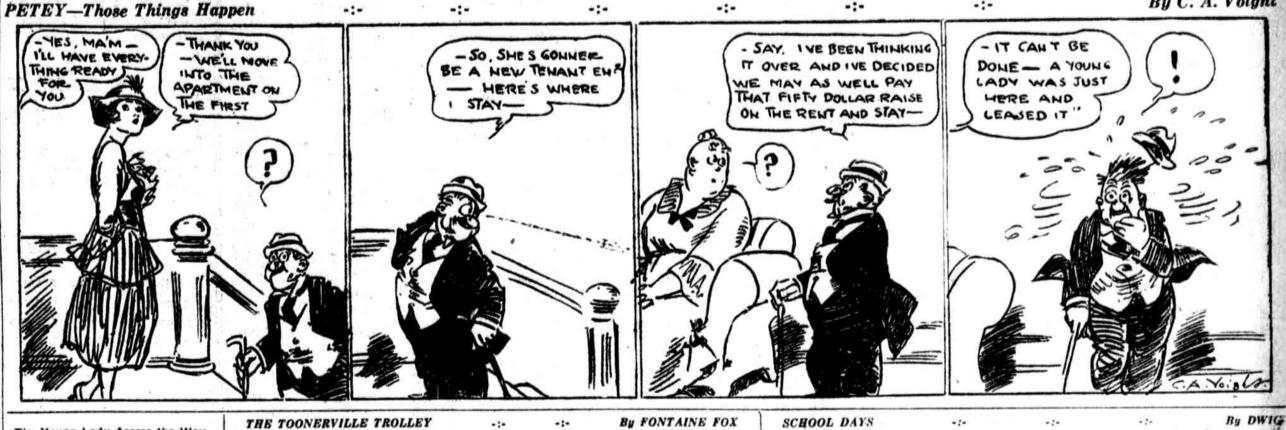
Inside of the Grand Pacific a gramo-phone querulously sang "Any Rags, Any Bones, Any Bottles Today" to a delighted company of listeners.

When Tom entered he was received with the greatest cordiality by the bar tender and others. "Here is life and good-fellowship,

self." But Pearl did not go to bed. When Mrs. Motherwell and Tom had gone to their own rooms, she built up the kitchen fire, and heated a frying-pan full of salt, with which she filled a pair of her own stockings and brought them to Arthur. She remembered that her mother had done that when her father was sick, and that it had eased "Here is life and good-fellowship," "Is your father back yet, Tom?" the bartender asked as he served a line of customers. "He'll come up Monday night, I ex-pect." Tom answered, rather proud of the attention he was receiving. "The bartender pushed a box of cigars toward him. "He'll come up Monday night, I ex-pect." Tom answered, rather proud of the attention he was receiving.

father was sick, and that it had eased his pain. She drew a pail of fresh water from the well, and brought a basinful to him, and bathed his burning face and hands. Arthur received her atten-tions gratefully. Pearl knew what she would do. She was a sick, and that it had eased "No, thank you." Tom answered, "not any." Tom could not smoke, but he drew a plug of chewing tobacco from his pocket and took a chew, to show that his sympathies were that way. "I guess perhaps some of you men met Mr. Motherwell in Winnipeg. He's





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