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THURSDAY, SEPT. 15, 1910.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Among the Apple Trees

By Clifford V. Gregory

CHAPTER III. THE girls eagerly read over the books and bulletins Mr. Pearson had lent them, and coyly crops, cultivation and bordeaux mixture were their chief topics of conversation. As soon as the ground was in shape in the spring they plowed it and harrowed it until it was reduced to a fairly fine condition. It was certainly better than anything it had known since it was first set out.

The trees blossomed freely, and the orchard with its waving sea of pink flowers was an inspiration to the girls, for it held the promise of a bountiful harvest to come. As soon as the blossoms closed the girls set to work to spray the trees. They were hard at work one day mixing a barrel of bordeaux mixture when they were startled by the sound of an automobile coming up the driveway.

"Oh, what'll we do?" she cried Mabel. "Oh, what'll we do?" she looked down at her spattered dress in dismay. "You must dive into the barrel," said Gladys ironically as she poured in another pail of water. "I'm not afraid of the Du Vals even if they have got an automobile."

The car was close upon them by this time. Harold brought it to a stop with a jerk and leaped lightly to the ground. He lifted his hat as he advanced toward the girls and held out his hand. If he was in any way surprised at their appearance or occupation a slight lifting of the eyebrows was the only manifestation of it.

"I'm glad to see you," he said, and then as if to ask what the matter was, he turned to Gladys and said, "What are you doing here?" Gladys laughed outright. "I'm afraid the pigs would be rather blue after a dose of that," she replied. "Well, what is it, then?" persisted Harold.

"It's bordeaux mixture. If you must know, we are going to spray the apple trees to kill the bugs."

"Rather hard on the bugs, I should say," Harold remarked as he leaned over to brush a speck of dust from one of his tan oxfords. "But, say, when did you start in the horticultural business, anyway?"

"Of course you must go," broke in Mrs. Sanders. "The girls and I will look after things here."

"Yes, we'll wait," Harold answered, "though clean dresses can't make you look any prettier than you do just now."

Mabel made up a little face at him as she turned toward the house. "If you're going to talk like that I won't go," she called back over her shoulder. "In a few moments they reappeared, looking as fresh and dainty as though they had never held a spray nozzle or a plow handle. By skillful maneuvering Harold relegated Beth and Mabel to the back seat and helped Gladys up in front.

"Now for a spin!" he cried as he settled himself beside her and pulled back the starting lever. The machine bounded forward. Gladys clung to the seat, her eyes shining with the exhilaration of the swift motion. "Isn't it glorious?" Harold cried as he increased the speed to a still faster gait.

Mile after mile was quickly covered by the tireless machine and they were almost to town when Harold finally turned around and started back at a somewhat slower pace. "We went so fast that I was almost lost," confessed Mabel. "That's Pearson's just ahead, isn't it?" Gladys nodded. "And there's Jeff over in the field plowing," she said. She leaned out and waved her handkerchief at him.

He waved his whip in dazed surprise and stood watching the automobile until it was out of sight. He paid so little attention to his plowing the rest of the afternoon that the patient horses turned to look inquiringly at him now and then as if to ask what the matter was. But Jeff was thinking, and his train of thought, though by no means comparable in speed to the fast mail, had the ponderous inertia of a double headed time freight.

By the time he had finished milking he had come to a conclusion. "I'm going to do it," he said half aloud, slapping his knee. "I'll beat that stuck up Du Val yet. And he went into the house and wrote to an automobile company for prices. But if Jeff had known the trend of the conversation in the touring car he might have been better satisfied with everything in general and with one or two things in particular.

"Who is that fellow?" inquired Harold as they passed Jeff. "That's Jeff Pearson, one of my best friends," promptly replied Gladys. "So you like plowboys, do you?" Harold asked, with a quizzical smile. "I like any one who has ambition enough to do something," Gladys returned. "Did you ever do any work in your life?"

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