

"The Rock that is Higher than I."

PSALM LXL, 2.

When the mountains of doubt hem me in on each side,
And waves of affliction roll in like a tide;
When vainly I seek some new pathway to try,
Oh! lead to the rock that is higher than I!

When storms of deep trouble rage fiercely around,
When forebodings of ill in my spirit abound;
When the hopes of a lifetime are blighted and die,
Oh! lead to the rock that is higher than I!

When dark clouds of sorrow my pathway o'er-shade,
When the flow'rs of earth's happiness wither and fade;
"My father," my heart in its sadness would cry,
"Oh! lead me to the rock that is higher than I!"

The night of bereavement may darken my way,
And friends loved and trusted be taken away,
When tempted to utter the questioning "Why?"
Oh! lead me to the rock that is higher than I!

The sun of prosperity brightly may shine,
And my heart, round its treasures, too closely may twine,
When my hopes are in danger of rising too high,
Oh! lead me to the rock that is higher than I!

When I'm near the shore of the River of Death,
And the moments fly swiftly with each labored breath;
When I'm losing hold of each dear earthly tie,
Oh! lead to the rock that is higher than I!

Whatever my lot, be it wearily sad,
Or actively busy, or joyously glad,
In each joy and sorrow, my God, be thou nigh,
And lead to the rock that is higher than I!

THE WIDOW GRANT.

(Continued.)

She sat there, thinking of those disappointments, and wondering, in a dull way, what she should do in the future. 'I'll clear the shop-windows,' she said, and put up a tin sign for plain sewing, or fine washing, I should like washing best. Wouldn't that be a bitter pill for the aristocratic Grants! At any rate, I believe I could earn my living that way, and now I am getting in debt every day.'

Just as Mrs. Grant arrived at this disagreeable conclusion, the shop bell rang.

'Somebody for a yard of five-cent ribbon,' she muttered, going languidly to the door and opening it.

A bright, sweet-faced girl of twelve years or thereabouts, came in and asked for a straw hat. While the milliner showed her assortment the child explained that she also wanted a bonnet made for their baby, little Sally.

'She's two years old,' added the customer, and I want something suitable.

'Why don't your mother come and bring little Sally?' asked Mrs. Grant.

'We haven't any mamma; at least, not here in this world. She died two years ago when baby was born.'

'And who keeps house for you?' 'I do,' answered the child quite simply.

'You!' 'Yes. Papa is too poor to hire a housekeeper. Aunty Baker, mamma's sister, wants him to break up, and let her have the baby; but papa and I can't bear to, and so I'm housekeeping, and papa helps me. Aunty says it is ridiculous; but we would rather have our own home—wouldn't you, ma'am?'

'Indeed I should my dear,' answered the widow, her eyes glistening.

'You see,' said the girl, growing quite confidential in Mary Grant's sympathetic atmosphere, "my papa's a minister. He preaches at Hunt's Corner. His church is small and and they don't pay him much.'

'And there's nobody at home but you and papa and baby?'

'No. We had Harry once, but he went to war. Papa thinks mamma was never so well after that. He thinks if Harry had staid at home mamma have lived. You see she used to lie awake nights and think about him, and she cried so hard whenever she heard of a battle.'

'And Harry was killed at last?'

'Yes, at Fredericksburg. He was very badly wounded there. Papa went to him; he died the same day, and papa brought him home. Poor Harry!'

'So that is the Harry whose grave I saw,' thought the widow, as she laid her hand tenderly on the child's head, and kissed her cheek.

'Now I must go,' said the little mother. 'Papa will like this hat, I think; and you will have baby's bonnet by Saturday, won't you?'

'Yes, dear. But you must tell me your name before you go.'

'Ruth Fredericks. Papa is Reverend Henry Fredericks. I wish you could come and hear him preach. I think his sermons are beautiful, and mamma used to think so too.'

Ruth went away, and the milliner stood in the door looking after her, and smiling at her sweet naivete.

The status of Mary Grant's affairs were not changed when she went back into the little shop, but somehow her heart was lighter, her spirit more hopeful. She selected some silk and lace

and began making a Normandy cap for Baby Sally, humming a tune as she worked.

Her thoughts were busy with the lonely and its sad history; with the young soldier, the sorrowing wife, and the patient, brave young housekeeper playing mother so sweetly, and loving her father with such simple reverence. 'Life is not all a sham,' she said. 'There are true hearts, noble and unselfish. God is still with us in human love, and in the beautiful world that He has created.'

The slanting rays of the sun fell into her room, a robin sang outside in the elm, a pot of roses blossomed in her window, and she knew that crocuses and violets were awakened from their death-like sleep in the bosom of the earth.

The old ladies' caps were not taken down that night. Indeed, they had changed their appearance and seemed to smile benevolently; and in the early evening a veritable old lady came in and bought one, paying a good price.

She expected company Decoration Day, she remarked, and wanted to smart up a little. It was a neat, tasteful head dress, and other old ladies, seeing it, came for more. The tide seemed to be setting with a faint, yet perceptible motion, toward the neglected shop.

Mary Grant took courage. 'I will have an opening,' she said, one bright, electric May morning. 'I will make the prettiest things I can think of, if it takes my last cent to buy material. And it will, I am sure of that. Never mind, there is still the fine washing left.'

So she went out and bought silk and lace and white chip bonnets and pale blue and rose pink ribbons of Sarnet & Co.

When she got home with her purchase she had twenty-five cents in her purse. Her rent was paid for a quarter in advance, and she could live on eggs and mush, with an occasional roast potato. So she was secure against homelessness and starvation for a short time at least.

Her delicate fingers flew, and dainty fabrics grew beneath them. She was full of inspiration for her work, and in a short time the little shop-window was full of fresh, artistic designs.

She smiled when she thought of her past discouragement, and attributed all her new courage to the advent of Ruth and the making of Sally's Normandy cap.

In some way it 'got out' in Allan-dale that Mrs. Grant had beautiful new styles. Minnie Ferguson, the rich manufacturer's daughter, heard this rumor, and rode thither in her carriage.

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(Conclusion in our next.)



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1. All that tract, piece or parcel of land, situate on Lot Eighteen, and bounded and described as follows: Commencing at a stake fixed on the shore of Indian River; thence by a line running south twenty degrees west until it meets the boundary line dividing Lots of Townships Numbers eighteen and nineteen; thence running due east on said division line for the distance of thirty-two chains; thence by a line running north twenty degrees east until it reaches Indian River, aforesaid; thence following the course of the River to the place of commencement, making and including fifty-five (55) acres of land be the same, a little more or less, in Prince County, aforesaid.

2. Also, all that other tract, piece or parcel of land, situate on Lot or Township Twenty-five, in Prince County, aforesaid, and bounded and described as follows, that is to say: Commencing at a stake fixed on William McMurdy's eastern boundary line at the south-east corner of Joshua Harding's Lot; from thence running south for the distance of forty-four chains; thence east eleven chains and fifty links; thence north forty-four chains; thence west eleven chains and fifty links, to the aforesaid stake or place of commencement, making and including fifty (50) acres of land, a little more or less, being the southern moiety of one hundred acres of land; and being bounded on the north by the northern moiety thereof, known as Joshua Harding's lot; on the east by Gay's land, on the south by Kerfe's land, and on the west by the said William MacMurdy's land.

3. Also, all that other tract, piece or parcel of land, situate on Lot or Township Number Nineteen, bounded and described as follows, that is to say: Commencing at a square stake fixed in the south-west angle of land in the occupation of Peter Gillis; thence running north six degrees and forty-five minutes, east fourteen chains and two links to division line between Lots Nineteen and Eighteen; thence along said line westwardly twenty-six chains and sixty-nine links to the entrance of Barbara Weit River; thence along the course of the said river to the place of beginning, containing twenty-nine acres and forty perches, be the same, a little more or less.

4. All that tract, piece or parcel of land situate on Lot or Township Number Eighteen, and bounded and described as follows, that is to say: Commencing at a stake set on the shore of Richmond Bay in the centre of a road on the line of Lots Eighteen or Nineteen; thence northwardly along said shore such a distance as shall make fifteen chains and sixty-five links (15 chains and 65 links) at a right angle from said division line; thence north eighty-nine degrees east or parallel with the said division line forty-eight chains and fifteen links (48 chains, 15 links) or to lands the property of the said William Thomas Mill, thence south twenty degrees west to said division line to the stake at the place of commencement, containing seventy-eight acres of land, a little more or less.

5. Also all that other tract, piece or parcel of land situate on Lot or Township Number Twenty-five (25), in Prince county, and bounded and described as follows, that is to say, commencing at a stake set in the north boundary line of land in possession of the widow Keiff or Lawrence Malone, being the southeast angle of fifty acres of land the property of William T. Mill, from thence by a line running north twelve chains and fifty links, thence east nine chains and fifty-five links or to the east boundary line of land in possession of William Gay, thence south to the first mentioned land, thence westwardly along said land to the stake at the place of commencement, containing eleven and nine-tenths acres, a little more or less.

6. Also all that other tract, piece or parcel of land situate on Lot or Township Number Nineteen, in Prince County, bounded as follows, that is to say, commencing at the southeast angle of land in the possession of Neil McDonald, from thence running west along said land twelve chains and twenty links (12 chains, 20 links) or to the southwest angle of said land, and from thence two points running two parallel lines south thirty-one (31) chains or to the south boundary line of plot G containing thirty-seven and one-half (37½) acres of land, be the same a little more or less, together with all buildings and improvements thereon and appurtenances to the same belonging.

For further particulars apply at the office of Messrs. Hodgson & McLeod, Solicitors, Charlottetown.

Dated the 13th day of January, A. D. 1879. JOHN BRECKEN, FREDERICK DE ST. C. BRECKEN, R. R. HODGSON, By E. J. HODGSON, their attorney. Jan. 13—law's prog

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ALL that tract of land and premises situate lying and being as follows, that is to say: Commencing on the north side of the Fort Augustus Road, at the south-east angle of a farm of land in the possession of Thomas Ceerley; from thence north fifty chains, or to the northern boundary of the said John Henesy's land; thence east five chains; thence south to the said road, and from thence west to place of commencement, containing by estimation Twenty-five acres, a little more or less, and being part of Lot or Township Number Thirty-six, in Queen's County, together with all rights, members and appurtenances there-to belonging.

For further particulars apply to Messrs. HODGSON & McLEOD, Solicitors, Charlottetown. Dated this Twenty-seventh day of November, A. D. 1878. FRANCIS KELLY, Mortgagee.

Dec. 2, 1878—law t sale

THE above Sale is hereby postponed till TUESDAY, the Twenty-fifth day of February 1879, then to take place at the hour and place above mentioned. FRANCIS KELLY, Mortgagee.

Prince Edward Island. IN CHANCERY.

SILAS BARNARD, Executor of the last Will and Testament of James Coles, deceased, Complainant.

—AND— THOMAS REILLY, CATHERINE REILLY and MARY G. REILLY, by her Guardian, Hannah Reilly, Defendants.

In pursuance of a decree made in this suit by His Honor the Vice Chancellor, bearing date the nineteenth day of November, instant, A. D. 1878, there will be sold by PUBLIC AUCTION, on Monday, the twenty-fourth day of February next, A. D. 1879, at twelve o'clock, noon, at the Supreme Court House in Charlottetown, in Queen's County—

ALL that Tract, Piece or Parcel of Land being part of Town Lot Number Eighty-nine the third hundred of Town Lots in Charlottetown, commencing at the northeast angle of said Town Lot, on the southeast edge of Kent Street; thence, following the course of the same, westwardly for the distance of eighty-six feet and eight inches; thence, by a right-angle line with said Kent Street, south-eastwardly for the distance of forty-eight feet and six inches; thence, by a line parallel with said Kent Street, eastwardly for the distance of thirty feet; thence, by a right angle thence, north-westwardly for the distance of six feet; thence by a line running north-eastwardly to the southwest angle of the dwelling house; thence, by a line at right angles with the course of Prince Street, eastwardly thirty-one feet to the westward edge of said Prince Street; thence, following the course of the same, north-westwardly thirty-one feet to the place of commencement; together with the buildings and improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereunto belonging.

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