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**ROMANCE OF THE PICNIC AND PEASLY**

What Happened When the "Old Man" Went for an Outing.

BY LOUISE OLNEY.

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The office was sorry for Peasly, but sorry in polite silence. Even the crass unthinkingness of youth does not tell a man that he is nearly past what is called "marrying time," that his shoulders begin to stoop from desk work, that his hair is thinning at the temples, that a boarding house is no home—finally, height of woe—that he has no "girl." The office would have known just how to put it, either, so its silence was inarticulateness as well as courtesy. Not that Peasly noticed them particularly. If he thought of them at all it was that they were a giggle lot—if the boss happened to step out, and that sometimes he had to add a column of figures up twice because of their chatter.

This afternoon Harrington was leaning over the typist, and sharpening her pencils while she turned her fresh young face up to him and spoke of dancing somewhere. Then Norton and Miss Farley chinned in, and even Saunders relaxed from his managerial task and listened.

They planned a Saturday afternoon office "force" and "friends"—picnic, and Peasly felt left out. Nobody thought of or included him. He bent his kind, rugged face over his work. What did he care? He had not been to a picnic for ages. He did not want to go now—but they might have asked him; he was human.

Then it happened—and Diana Farley spoke: "Mr. Peasly, you'll have to come along, too. You mump over your work. You'll dry up and blow away some day. Come on with the rest of us." The others almost gasped, covertly watching the girl. Was it one of her sudden jokes? He looked at her demure brown eyes and calm face.

"All right," he said. "I'll be glad to go." He had surprised himself—and the office.

An hour later Harrington on leaving the office stopped to whisper to Miss Farley as she pinned on her hat. "What made you ask him?"

The girl gave him an amused look from her deep eyes. "The romance of it—and of him," she said.

Harrington went his way with a shrug. Diana Farley was always a little beyond him—Nora was more his sort—bloomy and understandable and young. Diana must have been twenty-seven and had a wise little look that



"I Couldn't Leave the Office."

somehow made Harrington uncomfortable, somehow doubtful concerning his own wisdom, beauty and desirability.

Saturday, despite its reputation for rain, came off fair. A laughing dozen people, all young but Peasly, basket-laden, laughing and chatting, took a suburban car and made for a picnic ground near a small, tree-begirt lake. They were all in pairs, and before Diana Farley knew it, Peasly had charge of her. The others had assigned him to her as her due punishment, but she was apparently taking it as a joke. Harrington, literal creature, thought "romance" meant nothing but falling in love, and being but twenty-one himself, thought that thirty-five had no heart.

Robert Peasly shone that day. He renewed his youth. His very shoulders seemed to straighten, his eye was bluer and brighter, his kindly, rugged face alive with interest. He was everywhere at once, amusing, interesting, a self the office had hitherto not suspected. He made coffee over a campfire, and told stories that sent everybody into a laugh. What had happened to old soberstades? They glanced inquiringly at each other.

When the sun set the men were calling him "old man," and other good-fellowship turns, Nora was trying to flirt with him tentatively, but Diana was demure and quiet as always. It was after the moon began to sail up, like a great white bubble, that the pairing off began again. It was a mile to the car line, and they all set off on the walk, stragglingly, for who

can hurry on a summer evening? It was then that Robert Peasly and Diana fell behind, according to his will and plan.

It was then that something really happened. It took the girl off her guard, and left her speechless, and a little white, for she was tender of heart, and would not have hurt a fly.

"So you asked me—for the romance of it—and of me?"

She had not a word to say but he searched the sincere face turned bravely to his look in the bright moonlight, and found only truth and kindness there.

"Do you know what the romance of me is?"

She shook her head and faltered out, "It is romance to discover a new person—a new friend, to find the things that are hidden in people. I meant nothing—but kindness—pleasure to myself and you and the rest! You know that! You were always at the desk, but silent. I knew you could not be unlike other people—I knew you were really interesting—and—you are."

"You—have found me, certainly," he interrupted; "you were bound to do that, you couldn't have helped yourself. But do you know what you have found? You couldn't even guess at the romance of it!"

He stopped a moment, and bade her sit beside him on a fallen tree. The summer breeze rustled the leaves, a night-bird whistled and the moon shone. Diana was very still—she had long known that which she dared not admit to herself. She waited for him.

"Well," he said, "I am your punishment for the day—I am at least discerning—and you take it to like a sportsman. You meant to be kind to an office-ridden wretch who might have been free six months ago—but for you."

"What do you mean?" she asked, seeing that he waited for a question.

"I mean that it is not easy to leave an office where you have been for ten years, when you like everybody, and your work has made a rut in your brain. I don't know how—to use it."

"Use—money." His simple words left her unlightened, but he went on. "I don't know how to use—leisure. And I couldn't leave the office—while you were in it. I never showed you how I felt about you, did I? I had pride enough not to do that, especially when the boss—and you—when he intended to ask you to marry him."

She flushed. "Are you utterly crazy?" she asked. "You must know—that I never could think of—Mr. Hartley—"

Robert Peasly began to talk. "I think I can put the case plainly, Diana. In short, six months ago a relative left me a lot of money and a home. It should have been mine as an orphan child, but I was cheated out of it. I have lived a drudge's life. The relative was a woman, and because she was what she was, I have hated women. That was until two years ago when you came to Hartley's, I loved you—I loved you, but I knew nothing about love, nor how to tell you, and I knew you could not love me. I made myself content with seeing you every day. I have done utterly romantic things. Can you believe that I have picked up withered flowers you have worn and followed you home and passed your house at night, wondering which window was yours, for all the world like a boy in a story? Did you know?"

She shook her head.

"And when this money came I had hope for a day or two. Then—I happened to overhear what wasn't meant for me—I knew how the boss—"

"He wouldn't—dare to love me—I—the tears came, and as she turned to him he put an arm about her. It came very easy and naturally. He found that love-making does not have to be learned, and drew her close to him and held her there.

"Forgive me," he said, "but it's heaven to me—"

"What—do you—think it is to me— you foolish, foolish—" She lifted her head and pushing him away sprang up and stood lightly before him holding her hands clasped like a happy child.

"I think," she said "that I have been as good at keeping a—romance to myself as you are. I think we are both stupid—especially you. Can't you guess my romance?" He rose and reached for her, but she evaded him.

"Tell me," he pleaded. "I dare not guess! The guess would be to please myself, Diana."

"That might not be—far wrong."

"Diana—do you—care?" She came to him willingly enough this time, but not for long. She jumped up and pulled him with her.

"We mustn't miss that car." He wondered why they mustn't. He did not care about the car, but a woman always has her reasons. He meekly accepted her decision—for this occasion.

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**WEATHER REPORT.**

Report of the weather for the week ending January 1, 1913, at 6 o'clock p. m., showing highest and lowest temperature, also precipitation as compared with same period one year ago, 1912-13—

Date	Max.	Min.	Prec.
26.....	38	26	T. snow
27.....	34	18	T. snow
28.....	51	20	.00
29.....	43	30	.00
30.....	40	30	.15 rain
31.....	41	33	.00
January	45	23	.00

Average—Maximum, 41.7 degrees; minimum, 26 degrees; total precipitation, 0.15 of an inch.

1911-12—

Date	Max.	Min.	Prec.
26.....	40	28	.13 rain & snow
27.....	40	14	.01 rain & snow
28.....	25	4	.00
29.....	36	20	.00
30.....	35	32	.44 rain & snow
31.....	34	12	.07 rain & snow
January	36	5	.00

Average—Maximum, 33 degrees; minimum, 16.4 degrees; total precipitation, 0.65 of an inch.

This week's report marks the close of the month and year. Generally, the weather has been mild and pleasant during the month. The mean temperature, 33.8 degrees, was 5.3 degrees above normal and 1 degree warmer than December, 1911. The total rainfall, 0.83 of an inch, was 0.91 below normal and 1.44 less than one year ago. No snow of measurable proportions fell during the month, an unusual occurrence for this latitude and in marked contrast with 9 inches of snow December, 1911. Owing to the extreme cold weather during the months of January and February the mean yearly temperature, 49.6 degrees, was 1.7 degrees below normal. The total precipitation (including rain, hail, sleet and melted snow) of 29.05 of an inch, was 3.13 below the yearly normal. The maximum temperature, 99 degrees, was recorded on the 5th day of September; the minimum, 17 degrees below zero, on the 7th of January. 24.8 inches of snow fell during the first three months of the year.

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Congregational Church—Rev. F. F. Farrington, pastor. Services for Sunday January 5: Sunday School, 9:45 a. m. Morning service at 10:45; communion service. "Children's service," "Lessons from the Familiar Things." C. E. Society meeting, 6:45 p. m. Evening service at 7:45. A welcome for all.

St. Peters Danish Lutheran Church—Rev. J. C. Aaberg, pastor, (corner Lincoln and W. Chippewa streets). Sunday School, 9 a. m.; morning church service at 10:30 (except third Sunday); evening services at 7:30 p. m. first and third Sunday; Holy communion, first Sunday; Young Peoples meeting, 2nd and 4th Sunday, 2:30 p. m.; Ladies Aid meeting last Wednesday in each month, 2 p. m.; choir practice, Friday 8 p. m. Confirmation classes every Tuesday at 9 a. m., and every Saturday at 1:30 p. m. A welcome for all.

Bedell Danish Lutheran Church—Rev. J. Simonsen, pastor, West Seminoles St. Sunday school, 9:30 a. m., every Sunday. Services at 10:30 a. m., and 7:30 p. m., first and third Sundays in the month, and each Friday evening previous to first and third Sundays at 7:30 p. m. Everybody welcome.

Danish-Norwegian M. E. Church—Rev. Bagne, pastor. Beginning Nov. 17, services will be held every third week at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Everybody welcome.

**Public Sales**  
Henry Christman having rented his farm, will sell at public auction Wednesday, January 8, 1913, at his residence 1 mile south of Dwight, 16 head of horses and colts, 7 head of cattle, 12 fine Poland China sows, 1 Poland China boar, and various farming implements. Usual terms of sale. C. E. Bute, auctioneer. Lunch served on grounds by Joe Wright.—Adv.  
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**Farmers' Institute.**  
The program for the Farmers' Institute which is to be held on January 9th and 10th is about complete, although some of the minor details and some arrangements for program numbers given purely to entertainment are yet to be determined.

The main part of the program will be substantially as follows:  
THURSDAY, JANUARY 9.  
Frank I. Mann—"Soils."  
L. S. Griffith—"Forage Crops."  
Mrs. George James—"Domestic Science."

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10.  
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The address to be given by Mrs. George James will have special interest for the ladies and they are urged to attend and invited to organize a Domestic Science Institute to meet in conjunction with the Farmers' Institute. Mr. L. S. Griffith is one of the ablest speakers appearing before Farmers' Institutes and is a recognized authority on farm products. He will judge the corn and oats in the contests.

Mr. Frank I. Mann is from Gilman, Illinois, and is a soil expert. He is thoroughly familiar with his subject and all know its great importance in connection with common sense farming. Mr. Roger's subject deals with the education of boys and girls in rural life and he will have a message which no one should miss hearing.

The one particular subject in which every citizen whether farmer, merchant or of any other vocation is perhaps most interested is that which will be taken by Mr. A. N. Johnson of Springfield on "Good Roads." Mr. Johnson is well known in Dwight and will give a stereoscopic lecture on this engrossing subject.

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