

**PASTIME.**

A beat amid the ripples, drifting, rocking.  
Two idle people, without cause or aim;  
While in the ominous west their garments  
Flashed with flame.  
A haycock in a hayfield, backing, lapping.  
Two drowsy people pillowed round about;  
While in the ominous west across the darkness  
Flame leaps out.  
Better a wrecked life than a life so aimless.  
Better a wrecked life than a life so soft;  
The ominous west glooms thundering,  
With its fire  
Lit aloft.

—Christina Rossetti.

**Dolores Drummond's Secret Sorrow**

If there was one thing more incongruous about Dolores Drummond than her name it was the generally accepted feeling among her friends that her life was blighted by a secret sorrow.  
Her name was certainly a misnomer. It was always a mystery to the uninitiated that Mrs. Drummond, wholesome, handsome, sensible and cheerful, should have chosen Dolores as a fit name to be given to her pretty little blonde daughter. But christened with it she was, a tiny, red-faced morsel, with no pronounced characteristics. But in a few months she had developed into the daughter she might have been expected to be. If that mother ever regretted the dolorous name selected for her child, she would have been the last one to say so. And if, again, with her daughter grown to womanhood, she had a slightly superstitious feeling that the name had something to do with the troubles which came to her still she said not a word.

Strangers looked a second time at Dolores for pure pleasure. It was not that she was a beauty, but she was so wholesome and healthful, and, to all appearances, so perfectly happy and contented with life that it was restful to see her. And why of all people she should have been chosen as the victim of a secret sorrow it was hard to tell.

It came about in this way. As Dolores grew to womanhood lovers came to her as they will to every attractive girl. Not so many as to some, perhaps, for she was what her friends called "a marrying girl." While she was a general favorite there was never a long line of admirers following in her wake, but the few who were devoted to her loved her with a serious purpose. One of these was Jabez Marx, professor of Latin and Greek in the college of the town.

There were other younger men who found Dolores fair to gaze upon, and while Marx was more frequently at the house, Dolores was more often with the others. Among these was young Dr. "Dick" Richmond, who lived next door to the Drummonds and whom Dolores had known all her life.  
Matters were in this state when, one day, while Dolores was away from home on a visit, Marx, who was of apoplectic build, died suddenly. Dolores came home for the funeral, wept bitter tears of regret at her treatment of this lost friend, and then there, it was said, made vows of eternal maidenhood. It was a great surprise to every one. If she had loved Jabez Marx she had concealed it well; but then, who can read the heart of a girl?

No one ever advised Dolores when it was known that her mind was made up. Still it was a shame, and young Dr. "Dick" said something of the kind one warm February morning as he jumped the fence and sauntered into the Drummonds' yard. The expression of his mouth looked as if he had something else between his teeth, but if he did no one else heard about it.  
Dolores was cooking. Mr. and Mrs.

you never speak of Marx? Don't you think it would be better for you; don't you think it would relieve your feelings a little?"  
Dolores gasped. It was not often that she had lost her equilibrium, but the pie she was holding trembled violently, and to save it she set it down heavily upon the table. She turned red and white, then red again. She took the pie in trembling hands and carried it to the oven.

"He was a fine fellow," continued the doctor, apparently unnoticing. "I knew him in some ways better than you did, Dolores. I remember him when he first came here when I was a little fellow. Then he taught me all the Latin and Greek I know. He was a good instructor. He would rather read Latin and Greek than eat his dinner. Made you feel something the same way. Why, I could read Horace by the hour with that big fellow sitting in the chair before me. Then that nice little house of his in the professors' colony on the college grounds! We fellows used to go over and see him sometimes. That was before I lost my college leading strings and could look upon a professor as an ordinary man. We used to smoke pipes with him. The whole house was saturated with pipe smoke. You would have made short work of those pipes, Dolores."  
It looked as if Dolores would make short work of the pies. Her fingers



"I've been a stubborn goose."

had suddenly become thumbs. She overturned things needlessly, her face was very red, and there were tears in her eyes which might have been tears of grief; they looked more like those of anger.

"It must be hard for you to pass the little house, Dolores," continued the doctor, "and think that if things had not been as they were you would be living there now, perfectly happy, with perhaps a little Marx—"

"Dick!" Dolores' eyes were blazing now, but the light went out, leaving an expression of hurt and wounded delicacy upon her face. She had grown very white now, and she sat down trembling.

"You won't mind telling about him after a little," said the doctor encouragingly, "and it will really be a relief to your feelings, you will find it would be a comfort to you to talk to some one who knew him well. There is a great deal in the familiar name of any one you love. His was a good old-fashioned name, Jabez—"

"Dick!" the word came with almost a shriek. "You know I never did call him by such a name; you know I never would, you know—I never could—"

"Never could, Dolores, never could?" For an unathletic young man Dr. Dick had made quick work of getting into the window. "Never could, Dolores?" he repeated, and his voice was very deep and tender.

"No," said Dolores, slowly, as she looked up with a great light on her face, as if a sudden revelation had come to her. "No, Dick, I never could."  
Dolores put her arms on the table and hid her face in them. Dr. Dick's arms were also occupied.  
"Dick," said Dolores, after a minute, "I've been a stubborn goose. I felt so sorry and it seemed to me I had treated him so badly that I thought—I thought—"

"I know you too well, Dolores," said the doctor, with a face very close to hers, "to believe that you ever really loved that man. And we have lost three whole years."

The wedding anniversary celebration was a great success and friends and relatives came from far and near. Dolores looked as pretty as a picture and more unlike her name than ever. Never had she been so gay and lively.  
There was to be a repetition of the marriage ceremony, it seemed, later in the evening, for suddenly the company was silenced by the strains of the wedding march. In through one door came the minister in his gown, and down the stairs came Mr. and Mrs. Drummond, and following them Dolores and Dr. Dick.  
"Dolores has on her mother's wedding gown and veil," whispered one of the relatives.

"Who giveth this woman to be married to this man?" read the minister from his book, and the astonished guests saw that the father and mother had separated, leaving the young couple in the center, and it was the hand of Dolores which her father was giving to Dr. Dick.  
"Well, did you ever?" gasped the flighty young cousin. "It takes Dolores Drummond to do things in a hurry, whether it is to be an old maid all her life or to be married without a wedding card of a wedding present."—M. A. Taft in Philadelphia Ledger.



Dolores was making pies.

Drummond were to celebrate a wedding anniversary, and the relatives were coming from far and near to be present, and there would be a household.

Dr. Dick leaned against the window and Dolores looked out with a smile. Again Dr. Dick's lips came together, and he seemed to be saying something between his teeth, though he made no sound. For nearly ten minutes he stood without a word. Then he spoke, and there was a grim look about his chin which made it look more determined than Dolores' own. "Dolores," he said, "why is it that

**BILLY'S BEATTITOODS.**

Blessed iz thee mann with no arms for hee duzzent haf to shuvll snow.  
Blessed are thee heethuns for they do not haf too lisen too long surmons.  
Blessed ar dogs for when they dye they are not askarft of hadeez or enny uther troppikal reegun.

Blessud iz thee drunkird for hee iz happy at least haf of thee time, ennyhow.  
Blessud iz thee mann with whiskurz for people cannot see hiz week chin.

Blessud are thee hoboos for they doo not haf to ware boilled shurts and dress soots.

Blessud iz thee engaged cuple for they can begin to kwarrel just like married folks.

Blessud iz thee kid whoze fathur iz ded for hee doo not haf to ware enny made-ovur trowzers.

Blessud iz thee woman whoo haz bin married twice for shee haz turned not to bee peactickler.

Blessed iz thee mann whoze wife iz a poor cooker for hee iz not haf so apt to git dispepsie az thee other mann.

Blessud iz thee yung mann with a homely sweathart for every uther yap inn thee town iz not hankering after hir.

Blessud ar thee ignomirt for they never haf to buck up against Browning and Count de Montesquion and Ibsen and thee uther littly dubs.

Blessud ar thee common dubs for they doo not git intow thee noospuruz and hav ther family skeletun dragged out for exhibhison every littul while.

Blessud iz thee mann with a divorce for hee can goe rite out and try itt agin.—"Willie Smartweed" in Chicago Chronicle.

**ROCKEFELLER PHILOSOPHY.**  
When the hungry man asks for bread give him a kind word.

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God taketh away long locks to save the expense of a barber to the shorn magnate.—Chicago Journal.

**WHERE'S.**  
The new word "anywhere" has been accepted and is now used anywhere.

The running of slot machines in the different smokewhere has been stopped.

In Utah candidates for office are questioned as to the location of their wifewhere.

The New York police authorities raided another lot of pokerwhere night before last.

Two of Kentucky's whiskywhere closed last week owing to the shortage in the supply of corn.

A new ballet in one of the theaters has caused an unusual demand for seats in the baldheadwhere.

Letters addressed to Sioux Falls, Divorcewhere, will be properly transmitted by the postal authorities.

A man who wandered on the auto-where late yesterday afternoon said afterward that he wished he had a chance to select a better fallwhere.

Supreme Court Justices Stroll.  
Nearly every pleasant afternoon the justices of the United States Supreme court walk down Pennsylvania avenue from the capitol to Fourteenth street, about a mile. Newcomers on the Supreme bench are expected to join in this parade. Justice Holmes, who recently took his seat, fell into line really, being fond of walking, but Justice Day, who will soon be one of the august body, does not like it. It is quite likely, however, that he will be broken in before a couple of weeks have passed.

Full of Detail.  
An American woman in Japan bought a can of mushrooms and found the directions translated into English as follows: "Directions—If several person will be to eat this in that manner they shall feel satisfied nutrition and very sweet or it can put in the hot water for the half hour and then take off the lid. They shall be proper to eat. It can be supply without putridity for several years."

Wiser Than Race-Horse Betting.  
A reliable, quick method to earn \$100 and have that much at the end of a year is to put \$2 in a savings bank every week for fifty weeks. It is also a good method to insure peace of mind and conscience. This advice is not given to help the banks, but to turn the eye of people to something wiser than turf investments.

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The government herd of reindeer in Alaska, which is expected in the future to supply food and draught animals for the natives, now numbers 10,000, and is to be increased by another thousand now contracted for in Siberia.  
Lord Dudley a Keen Golfer.  
Lord Dudley is showing a keen interest in golf, and Dublin is interested in the fact that he will later on hold a kind of golfing carnival at the Portmarnock links, where he is building himself a private clubhouse.

**F. E. & M. V. Railroad**  
TRAINS DEPART:  
GOING EAST.  
Passenger east, No. 4, 9:57 A. M.  
Freight east, No. 24, 12:01 P. M.  
Freight east, No. 28, 4:00 P. M.  
GOING WEST.  
Passenger west, No. 3, 10:06 P. M.  
Freight west, No. 27, 5:33 P. M.  
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**SALE OF PUBLIC LAND.**  
Department of the Interior, United States Land Office.  
O'Neill, Nebraska, Feb. 25, 1903.  
Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of instructions from the Commissioner of the General Land Office, under authority invested in him by Sec. 2465, U. S. U. S., as amended by the act of February 24, 1905, we will proceed to offer at public sale on the 22nd day of April, next, at the public office, N. W. 1/4 Sec. 28, T. 31 N., R. 12 W.  
Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described land, are advised to file their claims in this office on or before the day of sale, otherwise their rights will be forfeited.  
S. J. WEEKES, Register.

**SHERIFF'S SALE.**  
Notice is hereby given that by virtue of an order of sale issued to me by the clerk of the district court of Holt county, Nebraska, in case of County of Holt vs. Justic-McCarty, sr., Elizabeth McCarthy and Corby, the following real estate situated in said county and state, to-wit:  
The south half of the southeast quarter of section 14 and the north half of the southeast quarter of section 23, in township 25 north and range 10 west of the 6th p. m., except 1/4 acre out of the northeast corner of said north half of the northeast quarter of said section 23 to satisfy a decree entered in said cause December 31, 1900, for the plaintiff for \$41.90 and now owned by defendant Cornell Colego on its answer and cross-petition filed in said cause for \$862 and costs \$50.28 and accruing costs.  
C. E. HALL, Sheriff of Holt County, Neb.

**BLIDGE NOTICE.**  
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The southeast quarter of section seventeen (17) in township thirty (30) north of range nine (9) west of the 6th p. m. in Holt county, Nebraska.  
And will offer the same for sale to the highest bidder for cash, in hand, on the 6th day of April, 1903, at 10 o'clock a. m., in the Court house, in O'Neill, Holt county, Nebraska, and when due attendance will be given to the undersigned.  
Dated at O'Neill, Holt county, 5th day of March, 1903.  
C. E. HALL, Sheriff of Holt County.

**LEGAL NOTICE.**  
To Samuel L. Knapp, Julia A. Minor, widow, R. J. Flak and the unknown heirs of Mary J. Doellite, deceased, L. G. Doellite, and husband, defendants, will take notice that on the 20th day of January, 1903, Charles Vandogder, Plaintiff, filed his petition in the district court of Holt county, Nebraska, against us, each of you, the object of said action being to foreclose a certain mortgage executed by the said Samuel L. Knapp, Julia A. Minor, widow of his late husband, to the County of Holt county, Nebraska, to secure the payment of a promissory note of \$400 due August 1st, 1893. Plaintiff prays that he is the owner of said note and mortgage and there is due him thereon the sum of \$400 and interest thereon, and that the defendants be required to pay the same or that said land be sold to satisfy said debt and for other equitable relief.  
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**NOTICE.**  
To Patrick Cannon, William R. Parks and J. F. Williams, R. Parks and Solomon Hirsch.  
You and each of you will take notice that Charles Vandogder has been appointed in the district court of Holt county, Nebraska, to foreclose a mortgage given on the southeast quarter of section twelve (12), township twenty-nine (29), range fourteen (14) west of the 6th p. m. in Holt county, Nebraska, by Patrick Cannon to secure his note to said dated May 9th 1883, and upon which there is now due the sum of \$150 with interest at 7 1/2 per cent from May 1st, 1899. Plaintiff alleges that he is the owner and holder of said note and mortgage and that the same are lost and prays for a foreclosure of the same and that the defendants be required to pay said amount or that said premises be sold to satisfy the amount found due the plaintiff and for other equitable relief. You are required to answer said petition on or before the 30th day of March, 1903.  
R. R. DICKSON, Attorney for Plaintiff.

**NOTICE.**  
To Handkerker Neehoff, widow, S. M. Bunnell and J. M. Neehoff, her husband, plaintiffs, versus H. C. Tracy and Mrs. H. C. Tracy, first and full names unknown, Nelson Tracy, widow, and the county of Holt, defendants.  
You and each of you will take notice that Michael Lyons as plaintiff has filed his petition in the district court of Holt county, Nebraska, against you and each of you, to quiet the title and pray for a decree to foreclose a certain mortgage executed by the deceased John Neehoff, deceased, to the Mortgage Company and now owned by the plaintiff upon the northwest quarter of section twenty-five (25) township twenty-seven (27) range twelve (12) west of the sixth p. m. in Holt county, Nebraska, said mortgage being given to secure the payment of her promissory note of \$200 due August 1st, 1875, and due five years after date. Plaintiff alleges that there is due him upon said note and mortgage the sum of \$100.00 which sum with interest from this date he prays for a decree that the defendants be required to pay the same or that said premises be sold to satisfy the amount found due the plaintiff and for other equitable relief. You are required to answer said petition on or before the 9th day of March, 1903.  
R. R. DICKSON, Attorney for Plaintiff.

**NOTICE.**  
To H. N. McKee and wife, Mrs. H. N. McKee, W. J. Coen and wife, Mrs. W. J. Coen, Hugh E. Coen and Mrs. Hugh E. Coen, Nebraska Mortgage and Invest Co. Company, Charles F. Wright and Mary C. Wright, defendants.  
You and each of you are hereby notified that on the 24th day of February, 1903, G. A. Hamilton, Plaintiff, filed his petition in the district court of Holt county, Nebraska, against you, the object and prayer being to foreclose a certain mortgage upon the northeast quarter of section eight (8), township thirty (30) north of range ten (10) west of the sixth p. m. of Holt county, Nebraska, given by Tom Morrow to Nebraska Mortgage and Invest Co. Company, his mortgage of \$400 due August 1st, 1893. Plaintiff prays that he is the owner of said note and mortgage and there is due him thereon the sum of \$400 and interest thereon, and that the defendants be required to pay the same or that said land