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Aunt Sarah's Pension Money

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In the village of Howells, after Mrs. James Griggs became a widow, she was always spoken of as Aunt Sarah. Her husband was a carpenter, and in the last days of the war be enlisted and went to the front to be killed. It was years afterward that Aunt Sarah got her pension, and then it came in a lump sum of \$600. She was fifty-five years old then and living with rela-

There were two brothers, two brothers-in-law, three sisters and four or five uncles and aunts interested in that pension money. It came by the 2 o'clock mail, and by 6 o'clock the news had buzzed all through the village and reached relatives living eleven miles away. That evening there was an assembly at the house of brother Moses. The family had let the dish washing go and dressed up Aunt Sarah in her calico best. She was a \$600 woman now, and brother Moses had said to

"I'll take charge of the money and all you'll have to do the rest of your life is to eat peach preserves and sit with folded hands."

The other relatives, as fast as they approached, made similar offers, and there was hardly a man in the village who didn't offer to borrow the money and pay 10 per cent interest. Aunt Sarah certainly held the center of the stage. She had often been taunted with having no will of her own, but now it was found that her relatives had made a great big mistake. She had a will. She refused to let any one of them take charge of her finances. She refused to lend a shilling. She refused to follow any advice about investing it. She proposed to paddle her own canoe. When she cashed the check she refused to bank the money. but carried the wad of greenbacks around in a pocket made for the pur-

How was any relative to get his hands on that money? This kept several men and women awake nights and gave them shivers in the daytime. It seemed that cajolery or flattery was the only course. They had Aunt Sarah from home to home. She was fed on preserves and lodged in the spare room. She had an alpaca dress and a new bonnet. If she went to feed the hogs or wash the dishes she was chased back into the parlor and told to look at the photos in the family album. She was told that she was growing younger every hour, and she was provided with hair dye and a toothbrush, and after a couple of weeks hints would be thrown out that she had better hand over the money. She was always ready to pass on to the next relative after that.

Things finally got around to Moses again. He had been thinking and trying to decide what his duty was. He had finally made up his mind. didn't even tell his wife about it. He was not secretive as a rule, but in this case he felt that he could do his duty unaided. At midnight, when Aunt Sarah was soundly asieep in the best bed in the house and dreaming of the quince preserves she had eaten for supper, Moses left his own bed and the house and started to crawl into her open window. It was known to him that once the widow was asleep no thunderclap could awaken her. Under the window he deposited an old pair of shoes, and on the grass not far away he left an old hat. Suspicion must be

cast upon a tramp, you see. The loving brother had got most of his body into the room when Aunt Sarah bobbed out of bed and grabbed a chair and brought it down on the head of the intruder with such force as to break the legs and his head at the same time. The chair fell to the floor, and Moses fell to the ground. There was an alarm. He was not a good liar and realized the fact, and so he simply explained that it was a case of sleepwalking. He had gone to bed worrying about the sister's money and in his sleep had tried to crawl into the

window to see if it was safe. After Moses had done his duty, or made a good try at it, the \$600 widow accepted an invitation to pass a couple of weeks with a friend. She was a bit 3rd and High Streets, Stayton afraid that some of her other relatives might try the sleepwalking stunt. Amid all the planning and talking no one had mentioned marriage. Such an idea was preposterous. Fifty-five years and over and no man in sight. They had said she was growing young-

er; that she almost had a girly walk. One afternoon Aunt Sareh took a walk down the highway to a bridge over a creek. She was standing there when Deacon Griscom, sixty years old, came along. He looked at her and halted and asked:

"Mebbe you are a widder woman?" "I am." "And I'm a widder man. Want to

get married?" "Why-why-I hadn't thought"-"Neither had I, but I'm thinking now. Stopping up at Perkins'?"

"Let's go and talk. I'm kinder lonesome, and I kinder like the looks of you."

They had their talk, and when Aunt Sarah asked advice of Mrs. Perkins she was answered: "Say, it will be jest too cute!"

Two days later Moses called the relatives together to say: "Yes, it's true that Sarah has went and got married, and doggone my cats If the lawyers don't say we can't do a

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