

Anne's Mistake.

BY CLIO STANLEY.

"I must and will!" cried Anne Mortimer, throwing down the letter she was reading, and looking up with an angry glance at her cousin Belle, who stood by the window carefully folding and putting away some rare old lace, which she had been mending.

"You! Mr. Graham's card!" "Even so. See! Here is her note—a lovely bit of prose—you may read it if you like."

A DEMAND FOR WOMEN. The demand for women in the northwest is only exceeded by the demand for rain. Out in Wagon Wheel, Idaho, recently, a couple of old maids were called to attend a dying brother. The brother died, but before the girls could get away the whole male population was after them, including the mayor, justice of the peace and other notables.

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"Fiddlesticks!" said Anne. "But your honor, Anne?" "I cannot be always thinking of my honor, either. I said I would marry Harry when he made a fortune to match my own, but five years is long enough to wait for any man. I tell you I shall disappear before he comes back in time to welcome Norman Hildreth."

"You have never seen him?" "No," she said, "I have never seen him, for he went away the summer before I came to live here; but I have heard much of him, not from Anne alone, but from other friends. 'I think,' she continued slowly, 'he must be a very good man—a noble man—and oh, I am sorry that Anne—'"

IT WAS FLEAS. He was making his first call, and all the formalities of the season were in full blast. She toyed with her fan as she conversed about the gayeties of the winter time. Leisurely strolling into the elegant drawing-room came the family dog, a large and intelligent type of the Newfoundland breed. It was a warm evening, and the dog came in with his mouth open and his tongue protruding from his mouth.

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"I met him when I was at Edge Hill a month ago, but it was only a brief acquaintance, for he left the next week to visit his mother and sister."

"And so you are really Norman! I liked the name so much," Belle stammered, blushing under his eager gaze.

A QUESTION OF PRONUNCIATION. "Can you direct me to the Chatougay hotel?" asked a lady on the platform at White Bear station on Sunday afternoon.

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