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HOISTING THE WHITE SIGNAL

By H. M. EGBERT
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"Changes!" repeated my friend the fisherman thoughtfully. Yes, I reckon there has been some changes since you were here last year. Folks come and go. Maybe they'll skip a year and come back the year after next. You remember young Mr. Eversleigh and that Miss Sadie Beauchamp? Well, there's a story in that.

"You remember how thick they was last year. Folks said that they'd get married for sure. But you went away before the fun started. Nope, I don't know what started it, but by the time the fall leaves began to fall, as the poets puts it, they wasn't no longer on speaking terms. And so they went away when the hotel closed, one at a time, and still not speaking.

"Well, that's the last I thought to see of them. But no! Up pops Miss Sadie this spring, quite early, and what do you think she wanted? To camp out on Old Man's Head. I told her the camp on the island hadn't been occupied for five year and more, and was falling into pieces, but she would have it that that was just the place for her.

"I'm studying nature," she says to me, "and next month one of the girls of our sketching club is coming to stay with me. So we want a nice lonely place where there aren't no men."

"From the way Miss Sadie shot out the word 'men,' you'd have thought she might have been speaking of crabs or mice, or any of them creatures that the ladies find so objectionable in general. However, I fixed up the shack somehow, and put on a new piece of tin here and there, to make it water-tight. Then I rowed her over with her box of provisions, and I looked to see her signaling for me to come and take her off next day. Said signal was to be a white handkerchief tied to the top of a pole, in token that Miss Sadie had had enough of loneliness.

"Had enough? Not much, sir. She fairly reveled in it. When she did hoist the handkerchief, five days later, and I went over, I found all she wanted was some more flour. She'd fixed up the place as comfortable as you can believe. She'd chopped about two cords of firewood, and done a couple of canvases besides, and when I pulled ashore she was sitting over the fire, making toast.

"Yes, I think I shall spend the whole summer here," she says to me. "And maybe Miss Jones will join me later. I can't tell you how obliged to you I am for sending me here. Fine views, fine sunsets, good fishing, plenty to paint, and no insects or men! Yes, that's the way she put it to me. It kind of bowled me over, and I rowed back feeling sort of melancholy, to think a little quarrel between two young people should have driven the girl to become a hermit.

"When I got back you could have knocked me down with a feather, for the very first person I set eyes on was young Mr. Eversleigh. I didn't know what to make of it at all.

"Glad to see you back again," I told him. "Staying at the hotel, I suppose, Mr. Eversleigh?"

"Well—yes," he answers, dubious like. But I ain't thinking of staying there very long. The fact is, I've come down to spend the whole summer. I'm writing a book of poems about melancholy—now I'm not sure he said melancholy, or whether I took the idea from his manner, but that was the impression he gave. 'Do you happen to know a nice lonely place where a man can enjoy himself? A nice place there aren't any women to come bothering one, you know,' he asked.

"I gassed, as you can imagine. 'No, Mr. Eversleigh, I don't,' I answered him. 'The fact is,' I continued, 'there's apt to be women almost anywhere to where the men are, you know.'

"Don't I know!" said young Mr. Eversleigh. "However, I suppose I'll just have to stay on at the hotel."

"I told my missus about it when I got home, and she giv me the worst language I ever heard from her. 'Sl, you're a perfect fool!' she says, which was hard, you'll admit. Besides, it ain't true.

"Prove that, Marian!" says I, peevish like.

"I will," she says. "Don't you see that that young senseless girl has come back in the sneaking hope of seeing that young imbecile again this year? And don't you see that that young imbecile has come back in the hopes of meeting that young fool of a female person?"

"No, Marian, I don't see as I do," I answered. "Because, you see, each of 'em told me and she wanted to be in a nice, lonely place, where there wasn't any of the opposite sects around."

"Well, Sl, when I said you was a fool I was speaking only from nine and thirty years' experience," she says. "But now I'm speaking out of the experience of just about a hundred millions of women. I guess you won't understand that, Sl. But anyhow, this is what you're going to do."

"She told me what I was going to do, and, having had experience of what comes from not doing it, I went and did it. I stopped young Mr. Ever-

sleigh the next morning, as he was waking up and down in front of Ned Granger's cow-shed, thinking over a poem.

"Why, Mr. Eversleigh," I said, "I didn't go and forget about Old Man's Head. There's a nice lonely place if you like. And there's a camp there, too. Only, you see, once you're there, you can't get off unless you send me a signal to come over with the boat."

"The very place," says he, jumping at the idea. "When can you take me over there?"

"This afternoon, I suppose," I answered.

"And if I shall have reason to want to run ashore, you'll come over the minute I put up the signal? he asks me. And I think to myself that he means to keep his eyes peeled for Miss Sadie, after all.

"Surely," I answers. "Just hoist a white rag or something on the flagpole. I'll be over in about half an hour."

"It's a bargain," says young Mr. Eversleigh. And with that he didn't give me no peace till I'd got out the boat and filled it with stuff from Jim Littlefield's store, and started to row him across to Old Man's Head.

"I knew Miss Sadie would be sketching on the south rocks that time of the day, so I rowed him round to the north end on pretense of the tide being strong, and I showed him where the camp was in the distance. Then I pulled back as hard as I could and waited.

"The day wore on toward afternoon, and I reckoned that them two ought to have found each other, and I was looking to see the signal hoisted in a frantic sort of way. But there didn't come no signal. I asked my missus about it, but she didn't seem to encourage me, and so I started out about four o'clock rather in a panic and wondering what I ought to do.

"First man I met was Reverend Stodgers—you remember him, don't you? Sort of humorous chap, with a gray beard and a twinkle when he looked at you. He'd come down by the afternoon train.

"The very man I wanted to see," he says, catching hold of me. "Can you tell me—"

"Of a nice lonely place where you can write a few sermons without being disturbed," I says.

"Now how in thunder did you know?" he inquired, letting go of me and gapping at me.

"Never mind," I answers him. "What you want is Old Man's Head, over yonder. I can get you a box of provisions and row you over afore sundown. Only there ain't no way of getting back unless you hoist the signal—which the same is a white rag on a pole."

"Take me there," says the reverend. "I want to breathe the balmy sea air this night, after being cooped up in—"

"Not a word," I answers. "I know just how you feel. But I'll be watching till it grows dark, and if you've forgot anything, or want me, just hoist the signal and I'll be over in a jiffy."

"Well, sir, I calculated that by that time young Mr. Eversleigh and Miss Sadie would have decided that it was signaling time, and I didn't want to see the flag just then. So I got the reverend and the provision box into the boat and pulled round to the north end, and I pulled for the shore again, reaching it just about sundown. And there I sat and waited.

"It was nearly too dark to see when the signal went up.

"Off I goes, and the three of them was on the beach, waiting for me. I hadn't hardly got out of the boat than young Mr. Eversleigh catches hold of me like a madman.

"What do you mean by this infernal trick you've played on me?"

"Trick? I asks, but I hadn't time to go no further.

"Trick, I said," he shouted. "Do you mean to maroon my wife and me in this confounded place all night? Pull your hardest, Sl, for if you don't make record time we'll never catch the night train for Boston."

"And, as for me," says the reverend, "I shall seize the opportunity to compose a sermon."

"They caught the train all right, I guess, for they didn't show again. But Joe Sikes, up to the hotel, has had a letter from him asking if he'll reserve a room for them. They ought to be along some time this month, sir."

STATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

Prineville.—Two hundred and fifty tons of hay belonging to A. P. Jones, prominent Crook county sheepman, burned at his ranch on McKay creek, six miles north of here, late Friday night.

Mill City.—W. H. Davis and Frank Flatman have been awarded the contract for building the new gymnasium for the Gates high school. Work has been started and will be rushed through to completion as fast as possible.

Mill City.—Logging camp No. 24 of the Hammond Lumber company started operations Monday following a shutdown since the first of July. The entire camp will be opened, running four sides and employing approximately 160 men.

North Bend.—The Standard Pacific hoop factory began operation on a small scale at its local plant this week. The company was organized last spring by J. E. Wright and Frank Rowe. Practically all the stock is owned by Coe, Bay business men.

Forest Grove.—Forest Grove will have a complete and up-to-date sanitary sewer system before many months have passed, whether it be through purchase of the contract on the existing sewer or through construction of an entirely new system.

Monmouth.—E. M. Ebbert, mayor of this city, has received a communication from Governor Pierce sanctioning the holding of the west side highway celebration on Defense day, September 12, at Helmick park, five miles south of Monmouth and combining the programmes of both.

Albany.—Linn county citizens paid \$481,512.97 last year for operating the county schools. Total receipts for the year amounted to \$548,181.04, leaving a surplus of \$66,668.07, whereas last year the surplus was \$87,834.74, according to the annual report of the county school superintendent.

Sweet Home.—The fall plowing has started at Sweet Home this week. Some of the farmers are going to be sure of a better crop next year than they had this year. Since the late rain, however, the potatoes are growing fine. Cucumbers are all right now and late garden stuff is taking on a new appearance also.

Harrisburg.—The false work erected by the Portland Bridge company, contractors for the Pacific highway bridge across the Willamette at Harrisburg, has considerably more than spanned the width of the river now, and is within a short distance of the site where the end pier on the western bank, or Lane county side, will be sunk.

McMinnville.—The death of William L. Toney of McMinnville on August 18 removed one of Yamhill county's earliest and best beloved pioneer citizens, and probably its oldest resident. Mr. Toney was more than 97 years of age and had lived in this county 77 years. William Litten Toney was born in Callaway county, Missouri, on January 30, 1827.

St. Helens.—The annual report of Elizabeth Perry, county school superintendent, shows that for the school year ending in June 3554 pupils attended county grade schools, 697 the high schools. Except for the first grade, peak attendance is in the fifth grade and decreases to the eighth. About one-third who enter high school complete its courses.

Eugene.—The merchants of Drain, in the northern part of Douglas county, are maintaining a man at either end of the town on the Pacific highway to warn motorists that the city traffic officer will arrest them if they exceed the speed limit, according to George O. Brandenburg, state manager and publicity director of the Oregon State Motor association.

Salem.—Classification and prize lists for the night horse show to be held in connection with the 63d Oregon state fair, that opens in Salem September 22, will be off the press soon and will be mailed out immediately from the office of the secretary of the fair board, Mrs. Ella S. Wilson. Aside from the liberal prizes offered this year cups, ribbons and championship trophies will make participation in the show interesting and profitable.

Astoria.—Estimates of the Columbia river salmon pack up to the close of the summer fishing season Monday noon, August 25, indicate that 500,000 cases, as they run, or about 290,000 full cases have been packed. The mild cure pack is estimated at 1842 tierces. On the whole, the pack was about 12 per cent below that of last year, but of exceptional quality. Indications are that on account of the light pack of second-grade fish that a number of canneries will operate during the fall season.

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Aid Pledged for Dam.
Washington, D. C.—Additional funds will be requested at the coming session of congress to carry on the work at the Umatilla rapids dam project in Oregon, members of the Oregon delegation in congress said here Saturday. Some \$50,000 was appropriated by the 67th congress to conduct a temporary survey of the development and its importance has been "recognized to that extent," they pointed out.

Good Model.
Tommy entered the village store with an assured air and said to the man: "I want a lamp globe, and mother says she would like it as strong as the bacon she bought here yesterday."—Good Hardware.

Her Birthday.
It was the first day of school in the first grade. Names, ages, and birth dates were being secured from the children. "And when is your birthday?" was asked of a tiny girl. "Every August," was the prompt reply.

Improving and Improving.
"De world," said Uncle Eben, "is gittin' better. Whatever doubts you may have 'bout de folks in it, dar ain't no question concernin' de real estate improvements."—Washington Evening Star.

Our Work.
We ought really to think much more of our work and of what comes next to our hands to do day after day than of our affections and the proportions in which they are distributed.—John Addington Symonds.

Ask for Mr. Hutchinson.
"A best seller and a pipe are alike in one respect," says a writer, "they both have to be puff'd or they'll go out." But the best seller is no pipe to write, take it from us.—Boston Evening Transcript.

Creature With Three Eyes.
Some of the islands off New Zealand are the homes of creatures known as tuataras, supposed to be the oldest living type of animal, distinguished by a quaint organ on the top of the head, which is in reality a third eye.

Abe Says:
When my guests start yelling, "Stop thief!" I look in the pocket of the one that's yelling the loudest, and find my spoons!—Richland Times-Dispatch.

British Parliament Houses.
The houses of parliament cover an area of eight acres, and have a river frontage of 940 feet. They contain more than 500 rooms, and about 18 residences, the resident population being about 200.

Tree Pest Has Bothered Europe.
The Douglas fir tree chalcid, an insect introduced into Denmark from American seed, is a much greater pest in Europe than in this country.

Hope Leads Onward.
Fear of evil may keep men from going backward, but only hope of something better carries them on.—James Freeman Clarke.

Gives Services Freely.
Few men understand the art of love-making, but women are always ready to afford them an opportunity to practice.—Chicago News.

Find Coal in Old Mine.
Below what was thought to have been the bottom of an old mine in Spitzbergen there have been discovered more extensive deposits of coal.

First Example of Rickets.
The bones of an ape which had been confined in a Theban temple some 2,000 B. C. have furnished the first known example of rickets.

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