

THE HISTORY OF A FEUD. Places, like persons, have characters to keep or to lose. From the time beyoud which fireside tradition fades into the less authentic record of legendary tales. McNabb's cove had shared with its scanty population the evil report of a bad neighborhood. Topographically, it is a mere gash in the side of Murphy mountain, with a few acres of arable land in the center shut in on three sides by steep wooded hills, whose summits are the cliffs of the mountain. Practically inaccessible on three sides, entrance by the fourth is scarcely less difficult. A narrow wagon road winds up the sharp ascent which measures the height of the cove above the level of Harmony valley; and besides this there are no means of ingress or egress for vehicles, and none for pedestrians save such as are afforded by two or three rocky trails up the sides of the moun-

The isolation of McNabb's cove had much to do with its unsavory reputation. For many years the Bynums, whose log farmhouse of "two pens and a passage" was the only human habitation in the small valley, had acted as go-between for the illicit distillers on the mountain and their customers in Harmony valley. In consequence of this, the cove had been the scene of several encounters between the revenue officers and the moonshiners; and although the Bynums had usually maintained an outward show of neutrality. there was little doubt that they had always given the secret aid to their neighbors on the mountain. It was during the life of Col. Latimer's father that the Bynums had first brought themselves within the pale of the law. A revenue officer had climbed the steep road leading to the cove one afternoon, and the next morning his dead body was found at the foot of the declivity with a bullet hole in the skull. Old Squire Latimer was justice of the peace at the time, and he was especially active in pushing the inquiry which finally fixed the crime upon one of the Bynums. As the evidence was mostly circumstantial, the murderers got off with a life sentence; but for the squire's part in the prosecution the Bynums declared war upon the Latimer family, instituting a series of persecutions which culminated in the burning of the manor-house in the valley. The ex-Virginian was a law-abiding man, and, although there was little doubt as to the identity of his enemies, he refused to retaliate in kind. With each fresh depredation he redoubled his efforts to obtain proof which could be produced in court; but his persecuters were shrewd and crafty, and he was never able to get conclusive evidence against them. After the burning of the manor-house the squire built "The Laurels" on the plateau of Murphy mountain; but he did not live long to enjoy his new home. The plateau farm was reached by a road which climbs the face of the ascent from Tregarthen. Beyond the Latimer estate it skirts the brow of the mountain, following the line of the cliffs and doubling around the head of McNabb's cove. One morning when the squire was riding along this road at a point where it comes out upon the edge of an abrupt precipice commanda view of the cove, rifle-shot rang out, and the frightened horses galloped riderless back to "The Laurels." When the searchers found him a short time afterwards the squire was quite dead; and before noon John Bynum was in jail at Tregarthen, charged with the commission of the crime. At this distance of time there appears to be at least a reasonable doubt of his guilt. He was seen in the village, and in fact was arrested there. within two hours of the time when the murder was committed; and while the distance from the head of the cove to Tregarthen by the road leading past "The Laurels" is only three miles, it is six by the way he must have gone to avoid meeting the searching party. This, and other facts, might have been brought out in a trial, but the Bynums were unpopular and their feud with the Latimers was well known. The news of the squire's death spread rapidly through the valley during the day, and at night an armed mob broke into the jail and secured the hapless prisoner, who was hurried to the scene of the murder and hanged to the nearest con-

venient tree. With the death of John Bynum the feud smoldered for several years. His only brother, Jed, who was absent at the time of the lynching, moved to Texas a short time afterwards, and there were left only the widow and her four children on the small farm in the cove. It is to be supposed that the woman, who was a Bynum by blood as well as by marriage, did not fail to teach her children the catechism of vengeance; but, however this may be, hostilities were renewed as soon as the boys were old enough to follow in the footsteps of their elders.

Col. Latimer, the squire's son and heir, inherited little of the peace-loving temper of his father. The first time he found his fences thrown down and the cattle in his fields, he armed himself with a heavy riding whip and went about nursing his wrath till his opportunity should arrive. Meeting Jeff Bynum in the street of Tregarthen, the

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indignant colonel proceeded to mete

out to the younger man such a measure of chastisement as he thought the case demanded, paying for his satisfaction a few days later with a broken arm, shattered by the bullet of an ambushed enemy. This incident was conducive to another interval of peace, for two reasons-it taught the colonel that unless he were willing to adopt the unscrupulous tactics of his antagonists he was likely to lose his life in an unequal contest; and the Bynums were restrained from further immediate aggressions by a fear of some such conse quences as had overtaken their father. Col. Latimer was quite as popular in his way as had been the squire; and there had been ominous threats of another outburst of public indignation after the breaking of the colonel's arm -threats which were loud enough to cause the elder Bynum to disappear for a time, rumor said in Texas.

The fire of enmity, however, was never suffered to die. There were fitful bursts of flame from time to time, and fresh fuel was added when the sleepy village of Tregarthen awoke one morning to find itself the headquarters of the Tregarthen Coal & Iron company. All of the coal and iron land on the mountain belonged originally to the Latimer estate, but the Bynums had disputed with the colonel the ownership to one of the coal veins which cropped out near the boundary of Me-Nabb's cove. They were defeated in the litigation that followed, and the old feud lost none of its rancor by the decision of the courts. When its right to the McNabb vein had been established the company had endeavored to open it, but the overhanging stratum of sandstone proved to be singularly intractaable, and the further development of the vein was postponed until such time as the depth of the other workings would make it less costly to timber the Mc Nabb tunnel. Opinions varied as to the cause of the difficulty in the McNabb. Expert mining engineers had declared that the sandstone forming the roof of the tunnel was as

tenacious as that overlying the other

cins, and that there was no apparent

reason why it should require timbering; but the indubitable fact remained. While the work of development was in progress, the miners frequently found the labor of a week undone in a single night by a caving of the roof which filled the tunnel with broken rock. Ludlow had its own theory about these mysterious accidents, but he kept it to himself. It was suggested by the smell of black powder which he detected one morning when he was examining the debris that had fallen during the previous night. It struck him as being curious, because he knew that the miners were using dynamite: and it led to a series of casual inquiries among the dwellers in Harmony Valley nearest to the entrance to McNabb's Cove. The replies were not entirely convincing, because the nocturnal poises heard by the valley folk might have been nothing more than the concussion of the falling rock; but Ludlow heard enough to make him believe that when it became necessary to take coal from the McNabb vein a night-guard at the tunnel would possibly avert disaster more efficiently than the most elaborate system of timbering.

It was during the progress of the law-suit that Jeff Bynum returned to the farm in McNabb's Cove; and the rumor which had pointed to Texas as the objective of his migration was confirmed by his own story of his wander-Not contented, however, with this tribute to its veracity, gossip again busied itself with his affairs, and there were vague hints of a lawless sojourn in the Lone Star state, coupled with a still more indefinite intimation that his career in the west had terminated in open crime.

One other element of discord had been added by the passing years to the Latimer side of the feud, in the person of the colonel's son Henry. The boy's mother, to whose gentle influence the fireside gossips of Tregarthen ascribe the cessation of feudal strife during her short life at "The Laurels," died while Hester and Henry were children; and the boy had early learned the lesson of vindictiveness from the lips of overloyal servants. Uniting with a hasty and imperious temper a contempt of restraint curious in a descendant of the conservative old Virginian, his rashness became a constant menace to the precarious truce existing between the two families; and as Henry grew to manhood, the colonel was often reluctantly compelled to take the side of peace for the sake of setting an example before his son.

In the case of the daughter, education in a boarding-school, where she is very slow.

had spent the greater portion of her girlhood, and, later, association with the Ludlows, had done much to modify her childish ideas of feudal vengeance; but she was still enough of a partisan to be very warm in her defense of the Latimer rights, and, in common with her brother, she could never believe that anything but vindictive malice actuated the doings of the family in McNabb's Cove.

"Don't you think you are a little in-clined to judge them harshly, my dear?" Mrs. Ludlow had once ventured to ask, when Hester had been expressing her contempt for the Bynums and everything connected with them.

them as well as we do, you wouldn't ask such a question." "I don't know them at all, but from

"No, ma'am, I'm not. If you knew

what you tell me I gather that they are poor and ignorant, and that they have had much the worst of the fight all along. Can't you be a generous en-

"They never give one a chance to be generous. You've no idea how mean they are. I've heard old Aunt Betty tell how mamma tried to make peace when old Mrs. Bynum was sick. Mamma sent a basket of jellies and dainties down to the cove, and the next morning the basket and everything in it was found on our doorstep, smashed into bits."

"That was certainly vindictive-and childish. Still I think you might forgive even that."

"It isn't a question of forgiveness. You don't understand, because you've never been brought in contact with such people. And as to their having had the worst of it, there is a question about that. They made poor Grandfather Latimer's life miserable, and I shall always believe that John Bynum killed him at last. Besides that, they've always been annoying and worrying us in ways that forbid retaliation because we couldn't demean ourselves to pay them back in their own coin. No. I don't think they've had the worst of it.'

To be continued.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Wednesday Dr. Siddall went to Portland yester-

Mr. F. W. Helm went to Portland

Prof. Rasmus leaves for Portland in

the morning. The arrival of Hon. J. H. Cradlebaugh is daily expected.

Mr. Thos. Wood, the butcher, went to Portland today.

Mr. T. A. Van Norden took the local train today for Portland.

Mr. W. H. Biggs' condition is improving rapidly. He is now sitting up.

Messrs. W. C. Allaway and Hugh Glenn spent the day at the Locks.

Mr. Julius Fisher left for San Franisco Monday, to remain for some time. Misses Mollie and Blanche Cartwright

of Portland, who have been visiting their uncle, Mr. F. W. Helm, left for Mr. Charles J. Nickelsen of Washing-

ton county, Penn., is in the city and will probably make his home in Wasco county. He is a brother of Mr. J. A. Nickelson, who owns a ranch sixteen miles south of the city. Thursday. . .

and Mrs. C. W. Rice went to Colins Landing this morning.

Mr. Thos. McCov returned from Hood River yesterday after a short absence.

Mr. W. S. Cram, a former Dalles citizen, returned to his home in Portland this afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Bocci of the Cascades,

who have been visiting in the city, returned home this morning.

Mr. M. S. Jameson, formerly U. S. deputy marshal at The Dalles, who has been in the city, went to Portland on the local train today. Rev. L. Gray and wife returned to the

ity last night and will remain permanently. Mr. Gray will immediately take charge of Lutheran church affairs here. Friday.

Dr. Siddall came in from Portland to-Mr. Bancroft, the portrait painter, is

again in the city. Hon. A. S. Bennett took the 2:30

train for a flying trip to Portland. Mrs. V. C. Brock and Miss Mildred

Larsen are visiting in The Dalles this Mr. L. Henry of Hood River is in the

city and will attend the Populist county convention tomorrow as a delegate. Mrs. and Miss Sherman of Elgin, Ill. and Mrs. Martin of Nebraska are in the

city, the guests of Mrs. S. L. Brooks. Mr. Fred Gottfried of San Francisco, a brother of Carl Gottfried, has been visiting him for several days, and returned home this morning.

Hon. W. H. H. Dufur and wife of Dufur were in the city today. He re-ports the serious illness of Mrs. Wood-fard, who is not expected to live.

Thos. Yates and wife and A. L. Lee and wife of Spokane have been in the city three days. The gentlemen were here looking for a location in business and incidentally touring the country. They left this morning, and with them a famous parrot, which has been singing, talking and laughing almost the entire time during their stay. Messrs. Yates and Lee are engaged in the mining busi-

A NEW COMET.

PASADENA, Cal., April 16 .- Just ten days ago Professor Swift, of the Mount Lowe observatory, discovered an object in the heavens which he suspected to be a new comet. On Monday night the suspicion was partially verified, and last night fully so. The visitor is in right ascension 3 hours 38 minutes, declination north, 15 deg. 40 min. The comet is bright, with a short tail. Its motion

ANOTHER PROMISE.

Senator Mitchell Says Ample Provision for Lock Walls Will Be Made.

On Monday The Chronicle Publishing Company wired to Senator Mitchell re- as Ayer's Cathartic Pills, every dose garding the \$20,000 appropriation, claimed to be due to Messrs. Day by Capt. Fisk. In view of the conversation held by Mesers. Mac Allister, Judge Bradshaw and Capt Gray with Capt. Fisk, a very unsatisfactory state of mind resulted in the minds of the people in

dorsed a letter to Senator Mitchell which he asked the committee from The Dalles Commercial Club to sign, and which asks Senator Mitchell what is the best course of procedure for the people to take. This letter has been signed and will be forwarded to Washington. Following is the communication from Capt. Gray and below that Capt. Fisk's epistle. Read it and get what comfact. epistle. Read it and get what comfort you can out of it. There isn't much

ASTORIA, April 15, 1896. Messrs. W. L. Bradshaw and A. S. Mac

Allister, The Dalles, Or.: GENTLEMEN-I send you enclosed herewith Captain W. L. Fisk's letter (a copy of which I have retained) with a letter to Senator Mitchell, informing him of the status of the matter. If you think advisable, please sign the letter. If not, strike out the reference to The Dalles Commercial Club and forward my letter, with Captain Fisk's enclosed.

Hoping we may yet pound this place open before I die, I remain

Very truly yours,

J. H. D. GRAY.

PORTLAND, April 14, 1896.
Messrs. I. H. D. Gray, W. L. Bradshaw and A. S. Mac Allister: GENTLEMEN-Your letter of the 10th

inst., making certain inquiries regarding the work at Cascade Locds, was received

this morning.

In reply I have to say, as stated to you verbally the other day. I know nothing beyond newspaper report of the \$20,-000 petitioned for. As I understand the item, there was to be, with the consent of the present contractors, a temporary transfer of funds available at that time from one part of the work to another, but as practically all funds in hand have

there is no such sum available for the proposed transfer. No detailed project for the expenditure of the appropriation now pending before congress has yet been made, nor will there be until official instructions as

aiready been earned by the contractors,

to the action of congress are received. Every effort will be made with any money appropriated to hasten to the utmost the completion of the work. As the contract gives the present contractors one year from the date of any appropriation in which to earn it, you will see that my power over them is very limited. Very respectfully, W. D. Fisk,

Captain Corps of Engineers, U. S. A. Robert N. Stanfield of Umatilla died of heart failure yesterday.

Call It a Craze.

AN ALARMING STATEMENT CONCERNING WOMEN.

HOW BAD HABITS ARE FORMED.

The New York Tribuns says: "The habit of taking 'headache powders' is increasing to an alarming extent among a great number of women throughout the country. These powders as their name indicates, are claimed by the manufacturers to be a positive and speedy cure for any form of headache. In many cases their chief ingredient is morphine, opium, cocaine or some other equally injurious drug having a tendency to deaden pain. The habit of taking them is easily formed, but almost impossible to shake off. Women usually begin taking them to relieve a raging headache and soon resort to the powder to alleviate any little pain or ache they may be subjected to, and finally like the morphine or opium fiend, get into the habit of taking them regularly, imagining that they are in pain if they happen to miss their regular dose."

In nine cases out of ten, the trouble is

In nine cases out of ten, the trouble is in the stomach and liver. Take a simple laxative and liver tonic and remove the offending matter which deranges the stomach and causes the headache. Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets are composed entirely of the purest, concentrated, vegetable extracts. One Pellet is a dose; sugar-coated; easily swallowed; once used, always in favor. They positivally one sick beadcache. tively cure sick headache and remove the disposition to it.

Mr. E. Vargason, of Otter Lake, Lapeer Co., Mich., writes: "I not infrequently have an at-tack of the headache.

It usually comes on in the forencon. At my dinner I cat my regular meal, and take one or two of Doctor Pierce's Pleasant Pellets immediately after, and in the course of an hour my headache is cured and no bad effects. I feel better every way for having taken themnot worse, as is usual after taking other kinds of pills. 'Pleasant Pellets' are worth more than their weight in gold, if for nothing else than to cure headache."

Henry Ward Beecher once informed a man who came to him complaining of gloomy and despondent feelings, that what he most needed was a good cathartic, meaning, of course, such a medicine being effective.

Proposals for the Erection of School Buildings.

resulted in the minds of the people in regard to these appropriations. An answer was received this morning. Following is the text of both dispatches:

"It Hon. J. H. Mitchell, Washington, D. C. Captain Fisk claims \$20,000 appropriation tion unavailable for building walls in inner lock at Cascades. Does river and harbor bill contain other appropriation for building temporary or permanent walls. Wire answer.

"THE CHRONICLE."

Here is the reply:

The Chronicle, The Dalles Oregon:

Ample provision will be made either in sundry civil or river and harbor bill to build walls in inner lock.

JOHN H. MITCHELL.

MR. GRAY'S EFFORTS.

He Hopes We Will Yet He Able to Pound the Locks Open.

As stated some time 100 steps had been taken to verify the statement said to have been made by Captain Fisk of the board of engineers to citizens of the board of engineers to citize U. S. Indian Service, Warm Springs Agency, Oregon, Ap il 11, 1896.

CERTIFIED CHECKS.

For any further information, apply to
LIEUTENANT C. W. FARBER,
april-ii Acting U. S. Indian Agent.

SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Wasco. A. S. B.owers, Plaintiff,

the County of Wasco.

A. S. B.owers, Plaintiff,
vs.
P. A. Snyder and Claude Markham, Defendants.
To P\$ A. Snyder, one of the above-named defendants:
You se hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against yon in the above-entitled cause by the first day of the next term of the above-entitled court following the expiration of six week publication of this summons, beginning on the 11th day of April, 1896, to wit, on or before Monday, the 25th day of May, 1896, and if you fail to answer said complaint, for want thereof the plaintiff will take judgment against you and will apply to the court or the relief rayed for in plaintiff seomplaint, to-wit; for a judgment against you for the sum of \$4,450, with interest thereon at the rate of eight percent per annum from the first day of April, 1896, and for \$400 attorney's fees and the costs and disbursements of this suff, and a decree of foreclesure of the mortgage mentioned in plaintiff seemplaint upon and cov ring the following described premises, situated in Wasco County, Oregon, to-wit: The South half of the Southeast quarter of Secti n 20, and the North half of the Northwest quarter, and the Southeast quarter of the Northwest quarter, and the Southeast quarter of the Northwest quarter of Range 10 East of Williamette Meridian, containing in all 320 seres, more of less, and for such other and further relief as may be equitable and just.

This summons is served upon you by publication thereof for six weeks in The Dalles Weekly Chronicle by order of Hon. W. L. Bradshaw, judge of the Seventh Judicial District of the State of Oregon, made on the John day of April, 1896.

april-if Attorney for Plaintiff.

Attorney for Plaintiff.

Summons.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Waseo County. Mattie E. Moody, Plaintiff,

willis E. Moody, Pinintin,

Willis E. Moody, Defendant.*

To Willis E. Moody, the above-named defendant:

You are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled cause by the first day of the next term of the above entitled court following the expiration of six weeks rublication of this summons, beginning on the 11th day of April, 1896, to-wit, on or before Monday, the 25th day of May, 1896, and i you fail to answer said complaint for want thereof, the plaintiff will take judgment against you and will apply to the Court for the relief prayed for in plaintiff's complaint, to-wit, for a decree of divorce, and for the care and custody of her minor child, agues, and for such other and further relief as may be equitable and just.

This summons is served upon you by publica.

This summons is served upon you by publica-tion thereof for six weeks in The Dalles Weekly Chronicle, by order of Hon. W. i. Bradshaw judge of the Seventh judicial district of the state of Oregon, made on the 7th day of April 1896. W. H. WILSON, Attorney for Plaintiff. aplii-ii

Notice of Final Settlement

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed with the clerk of the County Cor rt of the State of Oregon for Wasco County his final account as administrator of the estate of Silas Prather, deceased, and that said County Court, by an order made and entered on tellst day of April, 1896, has fixed Monday, the 4th day of May, 1896, at 2 o'clock p. m. as the time and the County Court room in Dalles City. Oregon, as the place for hearing said final account and objections thereto and to the settlement of said estate.

J. M. HUNTINGTON, Administrator of estate of Silas Prather, deceased.

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Peoples Party Voters Take Notice.

The Peoples Party county convention is hereby called to meet in the cour house at The Dalles, Saturday, Apr 18, 1896. The convention shall consist of 62 delegates. The appointment to be as follows: One delegate at large for each precinct and one for each 10 votes cast for Nathan Pierce for governor in 1894. The several precincts are entitled

to the following number of delegates: Falls 9 Deschutes West Hood River 6 Right Mile East Hood River .. 5 Nansene Baldwin Mosier..... West Dalles. Bakeoven 5 Tygh Valley.... 6 Oak Grove.... East Dalles Trevitt Wamie Bigelow 3 Kingsley. Columbia 3 Antelope 3 Kingsley

Primaries will be held Saturday, April 11, 1896.

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