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V. A VENTURESOME VISIT.

The preliminary lines of Mrs. Ludlow's match-making campaign had been drawn with such slight difficulty that the small conspirator began to think that there would be no occasion for a go-between. Ringbrand's hospitable welcome by the colonel, and the casy facility with which he ingratiated himself at "The Laurels," left little to be desired; and his infatuation was so very evident that it needed nothing in the way of encouragement. Since his side of the case was beyond the need of prompting, Mrs. Ludlow directed her efforts toward trying to ascertain his standing with Hester-a praiseworthy endeavor which the young girl appeared to take a perverse delight in frustrating. At one time she would praise him with such outspoken frankness that its very unreserve was a most encouraging symptom; at another she would criticise him in a manner that was equally disheartening. She had ridden down to spend the day with Mrs. Ludlow on the morning following Ringbrand's introspective journey down the mountain; and on that occasion she would allow no word of commendation to pass unchallenged.

"Oh. I don't deny that he's a pleasant companion," she said, in answer to one of Mrs. Ludlow's warm eulogiums. "He could be that and much more without being a genius."

"But don't you think his literary work is good?" asked her hostess, with a shade of deprecation in her voice.

"I don't like it much: he's too abstruse and analytical. I never did like an author who insists upon taking his characters to pieces as if they were watches to be repaired."

"What an idea! I'm sure Hugh never thought of doing such a thing."

"He may not think of it, but he does it just the same. Take that last story in the Miscellany; he covers two whole pages trying to tell why Mary doesn't love Horace, when it's perfectly clear that she does love him; and he does it just at the time when you're positively dying to find out what has become of the hero. It's enough to make one skip everything but his conversation."

"What a merciless critic you are, Hester!"

"I'm not a critic at all, but I know what pleases me in a story; and that's one of the things that doesn't." She went to the piano and ran through a brilliant fantasia while Mrs. Ludlow tried in vain to think of something else to urge in behalf of the much-abused

"Then there's another thing I don't like about his stories," resumed Hester, whirling around on the piano-stool. "That's the way he deliberately takes off the top of a character's head so that you can see what the person is thinking about. It's perfectly ridiculous; and I told him so the other evening."

"Why, Hester, that was almost vindic-

"No, it wasn't; he invited it, and then tried to defend himself on the score of being explicit. I told him he ought to give his readers credit for at least half a grain of penetration.'

"What did he say to that?" "He covered his retreat with a wellturned compliment about all readers not being so discriminating as-as some others."

Mrs. Ludlow smiled: "I believe he is quite popular."

"Oh, I don't doubt that in the least, I'm only speaking for myself. I like a story with a good strong motive and plenty of life in it; I can go to church when I want to bear sermons.'

"Hester, you are actually shrewish this morning. One would think, to hear you talk, that Mr. Ringbrand had mortally offended you."

"He has, in a way; he has spoiled all my pretty fancies about authors. I thought they were a superior race, and here the very first one I meet is simply a well-bred gentleman, who reminds you of all the corrrect qualities of his characters. I think it's too bad."

"It certainly is too bad when you can find nothing worse than that to say against him," replied Mrs. Ludlow. "I was in hopes you would like him."

"I do like him, but I'd adore him if he wasn't quite so correct," rejoined Hester, mischievously. "Just think how delightful it would be if he would only do something dreadfully wicked or absurd-just the very thing one of his handsome heroes wouldn't do."

"You're quite too incorrigible, Hester. I'm not going to say another word. Here comes Mr. Ringbrand with Tom, now, and I shall let him fight his own battles."

At the dinner-table the conversation turned upon Ringbrand's stroll on the

"Where did you go, Mr. Ringbrand?" asked Hester.

"I'm hardly familiar enough with localities around here to know, but I think I went as far as McNabb's Cove.' "Then you saw the home of our hereditary enemies," she said. "Did you notice a log house in the bottom of the cove?" "I did."

"I've been telling Hugh the history of the feud," said Ludlow; "he threatens to write it up."

"Why, Ludlow! you know I never hinted at such a thing. Miss Hester, I hope you won't believe anything that he says."

"I'm not at all afraid of your putting the feud into a story," replied Hester, with an air of conviction.

Ringbrand could not let well enough

alone, and he asked: "Why?" "Because the characters are all too dreadfully impulsive and natural. You couldn't possibly tone them down into correctness, if you were to try ever so

Ludlow laughed uproariously: "You don't know how much good that does ne, Hester. I've been telling Hugh all along that he didn't know the first principles of story-writing."

"I'm sure I don't know why you should say that," responded the girl, changing front with an easy facility that made Mrs. Ludlow catch her breath. "I think Mr. Ringbrand's stories are perfectly delightful. I only meant that he wouldn't care to use such rough materials,"

Ringbrand glanced up gratefully and saw Mrs. Ludlow trying to look reproachfully at Hester; then the unconventionality of it all appealed to him like the turning of a new leaf in the book of experience, and he laughed pleasantly. "Do you know it's quite charming to hear one's self discussed in open meeting?" he said. "In all my life I've never heard so much frank criticism as Miss Latimer and Tom have given me in the last few weeks. It's decidedly refreshing, after half a lifetime of meaningless praise on one hand, set off by an equal amount of spiteful abuse on the other. I'll give fair warning now, though, that I mean to turn the tables some fine day, and you'll hear me telling Ludlow how to run an iron-furnace, and—"

"And Miss Latimer how to hold her tongue," interrupted Hester, mali-

"Indeed, I wasn't going to say any such ungallant thing," protested Ringbrand.

"You might as well say it as to think it, "rejoined Hester, meekly. "I know I shall catch myself looking for an impertinent young woman in all your fuure stories."

After that the talk drifted back to he feud, and flester related the incilent of the evening before. "I suppose t must have been one of the Bynums,' be concluded; "though I can't imagine what his object could have been." "Perhaps it was Unete Ephraim

after a chicken," suggested Mrs. Lud-"Uncle Eph wouldn't come around the front of the house when there were

plied Hester. Ephraim?" inquired Ringbrand.

'You've met him," said Ludlow; Yes, sah, please, sah, t'ank yo', sah.' "Oh! the old fellow who carried my alise up from the train. Why, I've een a good deal of him, and he seems believe I'd trust him with my pocket-

book." "You could do that safely enough; he wouldn't borrow a fat chicken if Providence threw one in his way. Uncle Eph is as honest as the day is long, but he'll bear watching after dark." replied Ludlow. "However, I agree with Hester; the intruder wasn't a vagrant or a chicken thief."

"No," said Hester; "I suppose it was one of the Bynum boys; and I wanted to ask you, Mr. Ludlow, if there had been any new developments lately; I can't get anything out of father or

"Nothing that I know of, exceptwell, yes; we've decided to begin work | Harvey W. so much.

"Can it be possible that there have been no witnesses to any of their depredations?" asked Ringbrand.

"Oh, I suppose there are a few, only they won't testify, and I don't know that I blame them much; I'd go on the witness stand myself, if I were morally sure of a conviction, but otherwise it would be risky enough. It takes a heroic love of justice for its own sake to make a man willing to incur the enmity of such people as the Bynums."

"What would be necessary to con vice them?"

"The testimony of one or more relia-

stantial evidence that could not be easily broken." Ludlow's bantering suggestion that he should turn detective came to Ringbrand with a sober meaning in the light of the threatened danger to the Latimers, and in connection with his discovery of the crevice cave. He saw would have turned it to account; a dozen plans for entrapping the criminals flashed through his mind, but they all asked for more or less personal courage on the part of the person who should execute them. Of course there was the alternative that he could efface himself by turning his information over to those who would make use of it; but Ringbrand was only human, and he had already learned enough of Hester's character to make him fear that she might suspect his motive in shifting the responsibility. As a matter of fact, he did her an injustice in this; but when cowardice, or venality, or vice, or any other human weakness or wickedness standing ready to slip unnoticed

through the breach. After they had left the dining table he excused himself, and spent the early part of the afternoon in wandering aimlessly about the village, trying to devise some scheme which offered a indorse the action of the Oregonian in compromise between his weakness and placing in the field a candidate to defeat his determination to win Hester's apthe regular nominee, who, as I considprobation; and with the planning came ered embodies all the true principles of that curiously insistent urging which an honest, true Republican, and who finds a parallel in the desire to see how had never proven a recreant to the trust

near one can creep to the brink of a precipice without being overbalanced. It is the quality which often leads a timorous man to attempt that which would make a brave one hesitate, and when Ringbrand finally yielded to its importunity he turned his steps toward the road he had taken in the forenoon.

To be continued.

WAS MISREPRESENTED. W. H. B. Dufur Believes Mitchell I

the People's Choice. DUFUR, May 10, 1896.

Editor Chronicle, The Dalles, Or. DEAR SIR: - In the daily Oregonian of May 7th there appears an article charging me with having met Hon. O. N. Denny of Portland, apparently appointment on Friday, May let. This information was given, so the Oregonian states, by a wellknown citizen of Wasco county. The article then goes on to state that "the following day a meeting was held at Dufur in which my brother, E. B. Dufur, the Democratic nominee for joint senator of Wasco, Sherman and Gilliam counties, addressed the citizens of Dufur and pledged himself and his colleagues, if elected, for Hon. John H. Mitchell for United States senator." It further states that I was at this meeting and that someone called on me for a speech and that I took up the Mitcheff and other propositions and said that my kind of Republicans were endorsing the position taken by my brother on these questions. Now, Mr. Editor, if you will allow me

space in your columns, I will attempt to answer these base and false charges made by the well-known city of Wasco and the better known brainy editor of the Oregonian. In the first place, I am not, as is well known in Wasco, a politician or political boss, but simply follow tarming for a living, and am what might be termed "one of those poor farmers of the West that assists in feeding that capacious maw of that long, lank cow of Ben Tillman's." Now, as to the meeting of Hon. O. N. Denny and all its efforts to defeat this man Northfour of us sitting on the veranda," re- myself, there were no arrangements whatever. As is known to most of you. "May I ask to be introduced to Uncle I come to The Dalles every Friday to deliver my butter and cheese to my customers and attend to other necessary business. On that Friday I had some business. On that Friday I had some is willing to sacrifice everything in or-business at the First National bank, and der to disrupt the Republican party of as I came out Mr. Denny and some this state. A more vile and degraded as I came out Mr. Denny and some o be quite above chicken-stenling. I other gentlemen stood there talking. Recognizing me, we shook hands, passed the time of day, and I went on about my business, Judge Denny attending to he'd bring it back; but that isn't saying his, I présume, for I think he is competent of doing so without any assistance of the editor of the Oregonian or the "well-known citizen of Wasco county." I afterward met Mr. Denny at the Umatills House as he came from his dinner, and as I was going to mine, I walked up the street a short distance with him, conversing on different subjects. If the editor of the Oregonian will interview ual, says that I have been pledging the judge perhaps he will be kind enough to tell him what our conversa- are entirely off, and are making statetion was, seeing it worries the brain of

well, yes; we've decided to begin work again on the McNabb vein, but I don't see how that could account for your visitor; that's distinctly a company affair, naw."

You may be sure they won't consider it so. I'm afraid it will mean a return of the old days of cut clothesilines, and broken fences, and border warfare generally."

Ringbrand looked shocked, and Ludlow replied, gravely: "We won't have low replied, gravely: "We won't have some way of getting evidence against them."

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We have added to our business a the cause I believe he is the man best fitted for the place and will represent the people and their interests. If my position is worrying the Oregonian I cannot help it." I have always fought and acted for myself, never allowing my brothers nor my family to answer and complaint for want thereof, the plaintiff will take indement and acted for myself, never allowing my brothers nor my family to additionally to answer and control the State of Oregon for Wassoc County.

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We have added to our business a close of the question and water in no way competed with also a custom of the people and their interests.

If my position is worrying the Oregonian or all a cannot help it. I have always fought to answer and answer and they appeared to be highly pleased with the stand taken by Messrs. Dofur and Armsworthy. I did hear this much of my brother's speech relative to the election of a United States senator, and that was this, that if elected and his party was in the minority and could not elect a senator, that in place of allowing a deadlock, as happened two years ago, thereby retarding needed legislation, he would cast his vote for Hon. John H. Mitchell. After they closed Mr. Bingham of Dufur was called upon and talked to the crowd on the issues before ble eye-witnesses, or a chain of circum- the people, handling the financial question in a comprehensive, masterly manner. Then I was called upon. Now, as to my saying that I and my kind of Republicans were endorsing my brother or were supporting him or any other legislative or senatorial candidate of this district, nothing of the kind was said. But his opportunity, and how a braver man I did say that I was for John H. Mitchell for United States senator, for I believed his views on the financial question and on other great questions were more in common with true republican principles and the interests of the masses of the people than were the views of Harvey W. Scott, the self-constituted boss of certain political organizations of Oregon; and I further claimed that the actions of the Oregonian in the present political campaign, in belting the regular nominee of the Second congressional district for congress, was not in keeping with true republican principles, and if carried out would disrupt and destroy once undermines the fortress of char- the Republican party, and that the acacter, there are many uncanny shapes tions of certain conventions, manipulated as they were by self-constituted bosses and bossism, was an insult to the voters of the Republican party, and that I, as a Republican and one who believes in the intelligence of that party, did not

the people had confided in him during Proposals for the Erection of School Buildings. his official career as their representative in congress. I further said that had I legislature, and looking at it as I did, I should have voted for Hon. J. N. Dolph for the United States senate. Not because I agreed with him in his financial views, but because he appeared to be the choice of a majority of the Republicans in that session of the legislature, and I believed in the right of the majority to rule. That now Senator Mitchell being a candidate for re-election, and Mr. Dolph having had his contest and being defeated, I believed it but right and just for him and his friends to allow Mr. Mitchell the field at this time. That I

a large majority of the people. This, Mr. Editor, is about the sum and substance of my talk to the people at the meeting held at Dufur, which is worrying the editor of the Oregonian so much. I have been in Wasco county and voted at every election since the fall of 1876, and can say I believe my record as a Republican is much better than Mr. Harvey Scott's of the Oregonian, as in that time I have voted for but one man on the Democratic ticket, and that was prosecuting attorney once; the editor of the Oregonian during the same time having boited the nominations on several different occasions; at least we, the people, believe so.

If the Oregonian has ever advocated a measure that was to the best interests of the masses of the people, I should like to know when. In the present course which it is pursuing in bringing out the independent candidate, Mr. Northup, if to the interests of the majority of the voters of the Second distance of the united states in case any bidder or bidders receiving a second and sufficient case of the united states in case any bidder or bidders receiving a second and sufficient case of the united states in case any bidder or bidders receiving a second and sufficient case of the united states in case any bidder or bidders receiving a second and sufficient case of the united states in case any bidder or bidders receiving a second any different case of the united states in case any bidder or bidders receiving a second and sufficient case of the united states in case any bidder or bidders receiving a second and sufficient case of the united states in case any bidder or bidders receiving a second and sufficient case of the united states in case any bidder or bidders receiving a second and sufficient case of the united states in case any bidder or bidders receiving a second and sufficient case of the united states in case any bidder or bidders receiving a second and sufficient case of the united states in case any bidder or bidders receiving a second and sufficient case of the united states in case any bidder or bidders receiving a second and sufficient case of the united states in case any bidder or bidders receiving a second and sufficient case of the united measure that was to the best interests trict, or if they think so, let them read the following, which I clip from the Portland Chronicle of May 1st:

Now that H. W. Scott has succeeded in bringing out Northup as an independent candidate for congress against W. B. Ellis, the regular Republican nominee, the Chronicle will concentrate all its efforts to defeat this man Northall its efforts to def streets of this city. There are no com-mon interests existing between him and the people. He is in the field as a candidate simply to gratify the over-loaded ambition of Harvey Scott, who action never took place than that of bringing out this man Northup for a position that, under the laws of God, man and the grand old Republican party, he is honorably barred from accepting. Not one honest Republican vote in the whole state will be cast for this usurping offspring of Harvey Scott's, who is merely seeking higher honors for himself at a sacrifice of party honor and principle. The Chronicle will use every means at its command to defeat this aspiring applicant for unearned po-

In conclusion allow me to say that when Mr. Scott, or any other individmyself to this man or that man, they ments not true. I am a supporter of John H. Mitchell for United States senator, and hope to see him re-elected In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for

Very respectfully, W. H. Durur.

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# Highest Honors at World's Fair.

been a member of the last session of the U. S. Indian Service, Warm Springs Agency, legislature, and looking at it as I did. I U. S. Indian Service, Warm Springs Agency, Oregon, April 11, 1896.

Scaled proposals, endorsed "Proposals for the Erection of School Buildings," and addressed to the undersigned at Warm Springs, Crook county, Oregon, will be received at this Agency until one o'clock p. m. of Wednesday, May 6, 1896, for the furnishing of the necessary materials and labor, and creeting and completing on the sites selected therefor, near this Agency, one frame domaintory building; one frame meas hall and sitchen one frame school and assembly building; one frame laundry building; one frame hospital and one frame school and assembly building; one frame hospital and one frame employes' quarters—all in strict compliance with the plans and specifications therefor, which may be examined at the office of this newspaper and at the Warm Springs Agency.

Considerable quantities of lumber, shingles and laths are now on hand at this Agency, manufactured for the purpose of entering the construction of said buildings, and bidders are therefore requested to submit alternative proposals, first for the construction of each building, the contractor to utilize such of the humber, etc., on hand as may be adapted for the purpose, and to supply the labor and necessary additional materials. A form of proposal is attached to the specifications for each building, and to impect and measure the lumber, etc., on hand as may be adapted for the purpose, and to supply the labor and necessary additional materials. A form of proposal is attached to the specifications for each building. The attention of bidders is invited to the Act of Congress, approved August 1, 1892, entitled, "An Act relating to 'he limitation of the hours of daily service of laborers and mechanics employed upon the public works of the United States and of the District of Columbia," and also to the Act of Congress approved August 11, 1891, entitled, "An Act for the protection of persons furnishing materials and labor for the construction of public works."

Bidders will state in their bids the believed Mr. Mitchell fo be the choice of

CERTIFIED CHECKS.

Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check or draft upon some United States depository or solvent national bank in the vieinity of the residence of the bidder, made payable to the order of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, for at least FIVE PER (ENT. of the amount of the

#### SUMMONS.

fendants:

You see 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 week publication of this summons, beginning on the lith 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 went thereof the plaintiff will take judgment against you and whi supply to the court or the relief rayed for in plaintiff's complaint, to-wit; for a judgment against you for the sum of \$4,450, with interest thereon at the rate of eight per centrper annum from the first day of April, 1896, and for \$400 attor ev's fees and the costs and disbursements of this suit, and a decree of fose-closure of the mortgage mentioned in plaintiff's complaint upon and covering the following described premises, situated in wave County, Oregon, to-wit: The South half of the Southeast quarter of Section 1.20, and the North half of the Northwest quarter, and North half of the Northwest quarter and the Southeast quarter of the Northwest quarter and the Southeast quarter of the Northwest quarter and the Southeast quarter of the Northwest quarter and in Southeast quarter of the Northwest quarter and in the northwest quarter of Section 22, in Township 2 North of Range 10 East of Willamette Meridian, containing in all 320 acres, more or 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. Is Bradshaw, judge of the Saventh Judicial District of the Saven of Oregon, made on the 16th day of April, 1896.

Attorney for Plaintiff.

#### Summons.

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This summon 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 7th day of April 1996.

W. H. WILSON, aplil-ii Attorney for Plaintiff.

### Notice of Final Settlement

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed with the clerk of the County Court 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 t e 1st 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. H! NTINGTON,
Administrator of estate of Silas Prather, deceased.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. LAND OFFICE, The Dalles, Or.,

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the register and receiver of the U. S. Land office, The Dalles, Or., on June 13, 1896, viz.: William A. Doyle,

Hd E, No. 3787, for the NW14, Sec 19, Tp 1 8 R 13 He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, iz: George W. Covert, J. A. Wagner, and Pat Higgins, of Endersby, and Joseph Means, The Dalles.

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#### Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon on the 7th day of May, 1896, in a suit therein pending wherein J. M. Huntington is plaintiff and Wilson R. Winans, Mary Winans and M. V. Harrison are delendants, to me directed and commanding me to sell all of the following described real property lying and situate in Wasco County, Oregon, towit:

The northwest quarter and the north half of the mortheast quarter and the north, half of the southwest quarter of Sec. 36, Tp. 2 north, range 9 cast, W. M.

Together with all and singular the tenements,

southwest quarter of Sec. 36, Tp. 2 north, range 9 east, W. M.

Together with all and singular the tenements, her-ditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise app resining, to satisfy the sum of \$726 and interest thereon at the rate of eight per cent per annum from the 27th day of February, 1896, and the further sum of \$75 actors vs fees, and the further sum of \$75 costs and disbursements taxed to erein; I will, on the 8th day of June, 1896, at the hour of two o'clock P. M. of said day, at the court house door in Dalles City, Oregen, sell to the highest hidder for each in hand, all of said real property, to a tisfy said sums and interest and the costs of such saids.

T. J. DRIVERS, may9-il Sheriff of Wasco Co., Or.

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