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Sunday, August 23

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This is the Through Excursion from Willamina, Sheridan, Dallas, Monmouth and Independence, to Newport and return.

SPECIAL TRAIN SCHEDULE:

Leave Willamina 5:00 a. m.	Monmouth 6:35 a. m.
Leave Sheridan 5:20 "	Independence 6:45 "
Leave Broadmead 5:40 "	Parker 7:00 "
Leave Perrydale 5:46 "	Suver 7:15 "
Leave Dallas 6:15 "	Wellsdale 7:22 "

LEAVE CORVALLIS 8:00 A. M. ARRIVE NEWPORT 12:35 P. M.
Returning: Leave Newport 6:00 p. m., Corvallis 10:25 p. m.
Arrive Willamina 1:00 a. m.

Train will stop on both going and return trips at all intermediate points.

Monster Clam Bake

The citizens of Newport have prepared for this occasion one of their famous clam bakes, which will be free for all excursionists. Six hours of fun and pleasure at the Beach.

Full particulars from nearest Southern Pacific Agent.
JOHN M. SCOTT, General Passenger Agent, Portland, Oregon.

LOCAL NEWS

Phone the news to Main 1621.
Mrs. N. B. Ecker was a week end visitor at Estacada.

Frank Wilson of McMinnville was in the city Tuesday.

Doctors McIntyre and Duganne were in Salem last Saturday.

Mrs. Hitebrand and daughter Vale visited at Suver last week.

Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Taylor returned from an outing last Friday.

The Leader Millinery parlors are being renovated and beautified.

Prof. and Mrs. Waltman returned from Agate Beach last Friday.

The fire bell tingled "right smart" Saturday night all because a chimney turned out.

D. D. Davis returned from Salem Monday where he has been in a hospital for a week.

Mrs. George C. Gerlinger of Dallas, has been appointed as a regent of the state university.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Wilson have had as their guests Mrs. Clasion and daughter of The Dalles.

Miss Jewell, head book keeper at the Independence creamery, has returned from a pleasant vacation at Barview.

Miss Ella Robinson, who has been vacationing at Barview is again behind the counter at Conkey & Walker's.

The cases of Independence saloon men for alleged illegal selling have been postponed until the November term of court.

\$500 to loan for one year at ten percent. \$2000 to loan for two years at eight percent.

R. J. Taylor.

Mrs. E. M. Stanberry returned last Saturday from a ten weeks visit in the Airline vicinity. She reports country life the best in the world.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ney, who have been at the home of Mrs. Ney's parents for two months, have gone to their home in Kitscaty, Alberta.

Mrs. John McArthur, after an eight weeks visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Dickinson, left last Saturday for her home in Paola, Kansas.

Brownsville Times: Charles Nelson of Independence spent the fore part of the week in Brownsville looking for investments and visiting his friend R. W. Tripp.

Monmouth Herald: Most of the young men of the town have been making regular trips to the Willamette river at Independence during the hot weather. They report the water as being fine for swimming.

R. J. Taylor and E. M. Dietze went over into Lincoln county last Saturday to look at a farm. Mr. Dietze was pleased with what he saw and on his return to Independence Monday traded his residence property here for the farm.

If reports are true, W. A. Prenzix, who was Monitor foreman for awhile, has purchased the Halsey Enterprise. If "Bill" looks after the editorial and business ends as well as he does the mechanical part, Halsey is assured of a No. 1 paper.

Dallas Observer: Notwithstanding the opposition to the improvement, the work of paving C street in Independence is now underway, men and teams being engaged in grading that thoroughfare. Independence is making something of a record in street improvements, and will find them one of the very best assets the city can have.

W. T. Greene, Hopkinton, N. H., writes the following letter, which will interest every one who has kidney trouble "For over a year, Mrs. Greene had been afflicted with a very stubborn kidney trouble. Foley Kidney Pills done more to complete her recovery than any medicine she has taken and I feel it my duty to recommend them." Williams Drug Co.

A Reversal

A Love Story of Wealth and Poverty

By F. A. MITCHEL

Edward Ferguson was a very good fellow, but all good fellows have their faults, and Ned has his. His father was at the head of the firm of Ferguson & Co. and understood to be rich. At any rate, he and his family lived in fine style. Ned was to take his father's place at the head of the firm and was looked upon as an excellent catch by all the young girls of his acquaintance. He could have married any one of several with a fortune in her own right.

This he would have liked to do, for he was ambitious to take a high position in the world—that is, such a position as great wealth brings—but unfortunately he fell in love with a girl who could not aid him in this respect. Marcia Fossdick was the daughter of a man who was a born experimenter. He had tried so many experiments and failed so many times that whenever he launched a new scheme it was dubbed another of Fossdick's follies.

Ned must either relinquish the plan of adding to his prospective fortune by marriage or suffer and cause Marcia to suffer, for the affair between them was mutual. I have said that he was a good fellow. He showed it by giving up so much of his ambition as pertained to an addition to his fortune by marriage. I have said that he had his faults. The way he showed one of them was this:

He wished Marcia to appreciate the sacrifice he was making in marrying a girl who could not aid him in his desire for that power which wealth is capable of giving. But how could he transmit a statement of the fact to her? It was a very delicate matter for him to handle. He was a much better writer than talker. In a letter he could say just what he wanted to say and no more; in speech he did not



express himself well and was apt to say too much. It occurred to him to make his formal declaration to Marcia in a note. Under cover of this greatest compliment a man can pay a woman he might impart the fact that he had resigned one of several fortunes for her. This, instead of making him appear to honor her by marrying her, would show that he loved her better than worldly goods.

He wrote a number of notes, trying his best to give this impression, but do what he would an appearance of coarseness on his part would crop out among his most carefully chosen words. He hid the letters aside and in a few days read them over, choosing the one that he considered smacked the most of honoring the girl he was asking to be his wife. But to another it would certainly not have been an ideal proposal, for every one knows that a lover must be nothing more than a beggar.

Ferguson laid the letter on his writing desk in his room, intending to post it the next morning when he went to business. But before leaving in the morning he read it over and concluded not to send it till his return in the evening. He put it in an unaddressed envelope and locked it up. During the day he had a good deal of business correspondence with parties in San Francisco about a matter that occupied his whole attention. On returning to his home in the evening he took out the letter with the intention of reading it again but, being ashamed of his vacillation, refrained, addressed it, sealed it and after dinner took it out and put it in the letter box.

When several days had passed and he received no reply to his proposal he began to worry. Could it be that, after all, the letter had appeared to Marcia as if he considered himself altogether too good for her? Every day after that added to his terror, and

when a week had passed and he received no answer he was completely demoralized. Then followed periods of sensitive fear, cynicism, shame and pride. Why could he not have gone to see Marcia and said simply, "I love you—be my wife?"

Instead of taking a train and going a dozen miles to the suburban town where Marcia lived and having it out with her he undertook to analyze her feelings on receiving his note. He could see her lip curl on reading his so called delicate reference to what he had given up for her. Then he fastened her indignantly tearing the note into little bits and tossing them into the wastebasket.

Instead of going to Marcia and throwing himself on her mercy he listened to the dictates of pride. A man, he argued, conscious of right, of superiority, defers to a woman. She receives his deference and appreciates it as homage. But let him beg forgiveness for a wrong he has done her and he will only add to her contempt for him.

This reasoning decided him to stand on his dignity. He would await some word from Marcia if it killed him. It certainly wore on him dreadfully. He had been used to calling on her at least once or twice during each month. They seldom met except when he called upon her, for she seldom came to the city, and when she did there was a very slight probability of their passing each other. However, a couple of months after Ned had written his proposal they did meet in a crowded street. Marcia passed him with a constrained bow.

One day Ned's father fell and was picked up unconscious. He never spoke again and died within two days. Ned now became the head of Ferguson & Co. and began his administration of its affairs by making a thorough investigation as to its finances. One reason for his overhauling its accounts was that he had noticed shortly before his father's death that he had appeared worried, and it was suspected that the cause had brought on the stroke that had resulted in his death. What was Edward Ferguson's surprise to find that his father had been engaged in speculations that had caused an enormous gap in the firm's finances. Had he lived he would have been obliged to face a failure within a very short time.

There was nothing to do but for Ned to wind up the affairs of the concern. Fortunately he was not a member of the firm and was not loaded with its debts. But now, instead of thirsting for the power that wealth gives, his only ambition was to pay the debts left by his father.

While Ned was awakening from a dream of wealth, Marcia Fossdick was awakening from a dream of poverty. Her father had at last struck a scheme that paid him very largely. He had invented an attachment for an automobile which sooner or later all such machines must have. He was selling the right to use it to all manufacturers, and his royalties were already considerable.

Ned Ferguson saw in the newspapers an account of the invention and the change it made in Marcia's affairs. When he had written that condescending letter he was rich and she was poor. Now the conditions were reversed. He had lost his fortune and the girl he loved. He did not expect a continuance of the favors he had received from any of the wealthy girls he might have married. They were quite sympathetic, but none of them gave him any further encouragement.

One morning Marcia Fossdick received a letter postmarked San Francisco. Withdrawing it from the envelope, she found two letters. One was from a lady whom she had met several times socially, who said: "The inclosed has been going the rounds of this state for a long while and has finally come under my notice. I think it must be intended for you. At any rate, I send it to you."

The moment Marcia saw the address on the inclosure, covered with stamped finger pointers, "try this" and "try that place," she recognized Ned Ferguson's handwriting.

Ferguson came home one evening with a heavy heart. He had placed the affairs of Ferguson & Co. in liquidation and had offered the family home for sale. He found a letter in the hall awaiting him and, taking it up, saw at once that it was from Marcia. He opened it and read it:

Your lovely letter was only received this morning after having traveled all over the state of California. I regret that it did not come to me in time to show you how deeply I have felt for you from the moment I heard of your affliction and misfortune. I give you all the consolation I can—my own unworthy self.

Ferguson stood dazed. In an instant the fabric he had built up about his relations with Marcia Fossdick had collapsed. He had nothing to fear from her on account of his confession. In offering to marry her. But the fact that he had so considered it came down upon him with sudden hammer force. Singular it is that, while he had then considered her poverty a barrier between them, he now considered her affluence the same light.

However, Marcia Fossdick had no desire for anything more than the comfort and comparative independence that wealth can give. She loved Ned Ferguson with her whole heart, and she would accept no withdrawal of his proposal.

Ferguson often thinks of the day that he wrote his proposal and was corresponding with parties in California at the same time. He blesses the fact that the two fell together and an interval elapsed between the writing of the note and its reply. What occurred during that interval doubtless gave him an acceptance instead of a refusal.

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