

THE PRINCESS IRENE
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The king was troubled. The chosen prince had come to a marriageable age, and it seemed quite probable that there was no one coming within the law of the land for him to marry. He must unite if at all with one of royal blood, and it so happened that among the unmarried daughters of some of the nobles there was scarcely one of suitable age for the heir to the throne. Some of these girls had died in infancy, some had retired to convents and some had grown to be old maids.

The prince was a fine fellow, the idol of the people and a distinguished soldier. At the time of his coming of age he was in the army on the frontier fighting the battles of his country. He had given himself no concern at taking a wife, preferring the tented field to "capering nimbly in a lady's chamber." His father, not knowing the condition of the royal matrimonial market, instructed one of his ministers to find a wife for his son. The minister looked the field over and was astonished to find that among all the royal families there was but one princess a suitable match for the crown prince, and she was not of royal blood on her mother's side. A proposition for an alliance was dispatched to her father, and the king, not dreaming of a refusal, wrote his son informing him that a wife had been provided for him.

What was the king's astonishment and disappointment to receive a reply from the lady's father saying that his daughter declined the alliance, since she was bent on devoting her life to the poor and would not marry. The king sent several embassies to endeavor to alter the princess's determination, but each and every one of them came back foiled. Finally his majesty was obliged to write his son that the intended marriage had fallen through.

The princess-Irene was her name—was really a devoted woman. Every morning she visited the poor and the sick, ministering to both, and every afternoon she held a reception of those who were able to come to her to ask for assistance. At one of these receptions a young man appeared, his arm bound in a sling, walking with a crutch, his face pale and emaciated, his dark eyes forming a marked contrast with his white cheeks.

"What can I do for you?" asked the princess.

"Nothing—that is, nothing more than what you are doing in permitting me to gaze on you. I am a soldier who has been grievously wounded and, having also contracted disease by exposure, am rapidly going down to my grave. I have heard of your charities and have seen your portrait. It occurred to me that if I could look upon your face I might recover."

"If a mere trifle like that will cure you," said the princess, "you are quite welcome to come here every day at my reception hour and gaze upon me to your heart's content."

"Then in a short time I shall be strong again," said the soldier.

He remained till the audience was over, then withdrew. The next day he came again and the next—indeed, every day when the princess entered the audience chamber there was the young soldier sitting among the supplicants, his large, lustrous eyes turned always upon her. The palfrey gradually left his face, he divested himself of his sling, threw away his crutch and in time stood erect. Then suddenly he appeared to lose all he had gained, and while his wounds had healed his health seemed to have suffered a relapse that would likely soon put him in his grave. The princess noticed the change and asked him if there was anything she could do to restore him.

"You can make me well," he said, "but you could not do that without making a great sacrifice, and that, even if you should consent, I would not permit."

The princess urged him to tell her what was this sacrifice, but he would not. Nevertheless he grew weaker and weaker every day and at last could only drag himself to the audience.

"Farewell," he said, "this is the last visit I shall ever be able to make you. I have not enough strength left to come again."

"I implore you," replied the princess, "to tell me of the sacrifice that will save your life."

"I will tell you," said the invalid, "but it will make no difference. I am dying of a desire to possess your love as I love you."

The blood came slowly into the princess's face, for she had discovered the young man's malady before he had spoken it. Their eyes met, and they understood each other.

One day the king, who had proposed to the princess for his son's wife, received a letter from the prince. He told his father he had been wounded and had been ill. His life had been saved by a woman who had promised to marry him. He enjoined his father to prepare for the wedding.

The king, notwithstanding his disappointment that his son could not marry the only woman suitable to his rank, made the preparations. The prince returned from camp the day before the ceremony, and his intended wife arrived at the same time. The help-apparent led the lady to his father and introduced her;

"The Princess Irene."

GREAT NATURAL BRIDGE.
Justice Marshall Called It "God's Greatest Miracle in Stone."
The great natural bridge, which is one of the natural wonders of the United States, overlooks the James River valley, being on the western slope of the Blue mountains. It is just about the center of the state. It is a single arch of limestone, and approaches Niagara and awful mystery. It is a single arch of limestone, with many shades of color. The walls are smooth, as if cut by chisels, and there is no sign of a placement.

The visitor follows a tumbling cascade down a deep fissure in the mountain under some of the largest arbutus trees in the world and, turning down a line of steps cut into the precipice, suddenly finds himself by a swift stream in a dark canyon and the great bridge far above him.

Washington when a surveyor for Lord Fairfax visited the Natural bridge and carved his name, where it may still be seen. The original bridge tract was granted by King George III, to Thomas Jefferson in 1774. After he was president Jefferson visited the place, surveyed it and made the map with his own hands. Jefferson spoke of the place as "a famous place that will draw the attention of the world." Chief Justice Marshall wrote of the bridge as "God's greatest miracle in stone." Henry Clay wrote of "the bridge not made with hands that spans a river, carries a highway and makes two mountains one."

FOOT OF THE BEE.
Strong Claws and Flexible Pads For Rough and Smooth Surfaces.
The seeming miracle of insects walking nonchalantly on a ceiling is explained by Tickner Edwards, chairman of the British Beekeepers' association, in his book on "The Lore of the Honeybee." Insects owe such power, it appears, to an ingenious device which is well illustrated in the foot of the bee.

She has a pair of short, strong double claws, which will take her securely over all but the smoothest and shiniest surfaces, and it is with these claws that bees form themselves into dense clusters and knots and cables within the hive, holding hand to hand, as it were, in all directions. But when there is nothing for the claw to hold by another part of the foot comes into play. This is a soft, flexible pad, which is always covered by a thick, oily excretion. In walking the bee puts her feet down three at a time, the pads adhering instantly they come into contact with the smooth surface. At the next step the other three pads come into play, while the first three are stripped off. But each foot is capable of attaching and detaching itself independently of its fellows.

In this case, we learn, "the stripping is accomplished by downward pressure of the claws of the same foot."

Saxons.
Saxon is from "sax," a sword, and so the "Men of the Sword." In the early days the Saxons took for themselves such names as "Bloody Ax," "Skull Cleaver," "Death's Head," names which in no way belied their original character. The "berserker rage" of the old Vikings spread death and destruction all around the coasts which they haunted, and by the terror of their name they led the Christians to put into their litany the prayer, "Deliver us, O Lord, from the fury of the Northmen." Very terrible were these old Saxons, and to this day the most dreadful of all the people on the face of the earth, when they are thoroughly roused, are the descendants of the same Men of the Sword—New York American.

End of Altruism.
Because he was too soft hearted to ask his poverty stricken landlady to buy new rugs for his room the altruistic young man bought several small rugs and spread them over the floor. Immediately after the next sweeping day she presented a bill for the week's expenditures: Items—Room rent, breakfasts, laundry and beating rugs, 25 cents.

"Hello!" said the altruistic young man. "What does this mean?"

"Just what it says," she returned. "If folks must cover their floor with extra rugs they'll have to pay for beating 'em, that's all. I can't afford to do it for nothing."

And from that moment altruism lost a disciple.—New York Times.

Persian Ware.
True porcelain was never produced in Persia, but hard paste porcelain in Persian forms and styles of decoration was made in China for the Persian market. Wine ewers with powder blue glaze and gold overglaze decoration, small vases, and bowls with bronze luster glaze and designs reserved in white are found in collections of Persian ware, but these are unquestionably of Chinese origin.—Argonaut.

Homelike.
Mamma—Why are you hiding from your little brother, Lizzie? Lizzie—Oh, we are just playing. I'm the lady of the house, and Tommy is the butcher come with his bill.—Chicago News.

Woman's Intuition.
Mrs. Crabshaw—I can't understand why I didn't see those faults in you before we were married. Mr. Crabshaw—It's quite plain, my dear. I don't possess them.—Judge.

Property has its duties as well as its rights.—Thomas Drummond.

SECOND SUMMONS.
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON, FOR THE COUNTY OF JACKSON.
Anna Caten Hopper, Plaintiff,
vs.
Emery Douglas Hopper, Defendant.
To Emery Douglas Hopper, the above named Defendant:
In the NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled Court and cause, on or before the last day of the time prescribed in the order for publication of summons herein, to-wit: on or before the 22nd day of January, A. D. 1912, said date being the expiration of six weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons. And if you fail to so appear and answer, for want thereof the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief prayed for in said complaint, succinctly stated as follows:
For a decree, to-wit: permitting the bonds of matrimony to be dissolved between the parties hereto, and the marriage hereinafter to be annulled, and for such other and further relief as the Court may seem just and equitable.
This summons is served upon you by publication thereof in the Jacksonville Post, published in Jacksonville, Jackson County, Oregon, in accordance with the order for publication thereof signed by the Hon. F. M. Calkins, Judge of the above entitled Court, said order being dated on the 4th day of December, A. D. 1911, and requiring said summons to be so published at least once a week for six consecutive weeks, in said paper, the date of the first publication hereof being Saturday, the 9th day of December, A. D. 1911.
F. J. NEWMAN,
Attorney for Plaintiff, Medford, Oregon.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.
IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON, FOR JACKSON COUNTY.
In the matter of the estate of James A. Baird, a deceased person.
Notice is hereby given that H. K. Hanna Jr., the administrator of the estate of James A. Baird, deceased, has rendered, presented and filed for settlement in the above entitled court and matter his final account and report of his administration of said estate; and that Saturday the 26th day of December 1911, at the hour of ten o'clock a. m. of said day at the courtroom of said court at the court house in Jacksonville, Jackson County, State of Oregon, has been duly appointed and fixed by the order of the Judge of the above entitled court as the time and place for hearing objections to said account and report and for settlement thereof and of said estate.
All persons interested in said estate are hereby notified that all objections to said account and report or any item thereof must be filed on or before the date and time aforesaid, to-wit: December 26th, 1911 at 10 o'clock a. m.
Date of first publication hereof is December 2nd 1911.
H. K. HANNA JR.,
Administrator of the estate of the above named decedent.

SUMMONS.
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON, FOR JACKSON COUNTY.
G. Loud, Plaintiff,
vs.
The Gold Ray Realty Company, a corporation, The Grants Pass Banking and Trust Company, a corporation, The Enterprise Mining Company, a corporation, Condor Water and Power Company, a corporation, Walter S. Brown, C. E. Ray and Frank H. Ray, W. A. Jones and W. C. Hale, Defendants.
To The Enterprise Mining Company, a corporation, and Walter S. Brown:
In the NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit within ten days from the date of service upon you if served within Jackson County, Oregon, or within twenty days from the date of service if served within any other county within the State of Oregon, and if service upon you be had by publication of summons, then within six weeks from the date of the first publication of summons upon you, which date of first publication is Saturday, December 2, 1911, and the last date of publication and the last date for your appearance herein is January 13, 1912, and you are notified that if you fail to appear and answer to the complaint filed against you in said Court and cause within the time aforesaid, the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief prayed for in the complaint, viz:
For judgment against the defendant, Walter S. Brown, on the twenty-seven causes of suit in the complaint set forth for the total sum of \$2908.53, principal and attorney's fees, besides interest as in the complaint set forth, and that the liens set forth in the complaint be foreclosed and that the real property therein described, viz: The North 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 and the South 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4, all in Section 16, Township 35 South, Range 4 West, Willamette Meridian, in Jackson County, Oregon, and the personal property, equipment and appurtenances connected with said real property be sold in the manner provided by law for sale of real property on lien foreclosure, and that the proceeds thereof be applied to the payment of the sums found due to the plaintiff, principal, interest, attorney's fees and his costs and disbursements, and that upon such sale each of the defendants be forever barred and foreclosed of all right, claim and equity of redemption in and to said premises and every part thereof, and that the plaintiff have such other and further relief as is equitable.
This summons is published by order of the Honorable J. R. Nell, County Judge for Jackson County, Oregon, made and entered November Dec. 2, 1911, ordering publication thereof in the Jacksonville Post, a newspaper of general circulation published at Jacksonville, in Jackson County, Oregon, for a period of six successive weeks.
Dated this 2nd day of December, 1911.
H. D. NORTON,
Attorney for Plaintiff.

Notice of Application for U. S. Patent.
L. W. SMITH, Applicant.
U. S. Land Office, Roseburg, Oregon.
November 10, 1911.
Mineral Application No. 67284.
Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of the Act of Congress approved May 10, 1872, L. W. Smith, whose postoffice is Gold Hill, Oregon, has made application for a patent to the Stansell Consolidated Group of Placer Mines, originally located as placer ground by Wm. Ludington January 12th, 1888, said location notice being of record in Volume 10 of Mining Records of Jackson County, Oregon, at page 121 thereof, and amended location thereof made by W. R. Stansell January 23rd, 1905, as the Stansell Consolidated Group of Placer Mines, numbered from One to Five inclusive, said location notices being of record in Volume 15 of Mining Records of Jackson County, Oregon, at pages 6, 7 and 8 thereof, same being surveyed land situated within the Foothills Creek Mining District, Jackson County, Oregon, in the Roseburg Land District, and which is more fully described according to the official U. S. Survey thereof as follows, to-wit:
The Northeast quarter of the Northwest quarter of Section twenty-five (25), Township thirty-seven (37) South of Range Four (4) West of the Willamette Meridian, Jackson County, Oregon, containing eighty acres, the said group of placer mining claims being of record in the office of the Recorder of Jackson County, Oregon, at

Jacksonville, in the said county and state as aforesaid.
There are no adjoining or conflicting claims. Any and all persons claiming adversely any portion of said placer mine or surface ground are required to file their adverse claims with the Register of the United States Land Office at Roseburg, Oregon, in the Roseburg Land District, during the sixty days period of publication hereof or they will be barred by virtue of the provisions of the statute.
BENJ. F. JONES,
Register.

Notice for Publication.
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
U. S. Land Office at Roseburg, Oregon.
November 17, 1911.
Notice is hereby given that Theodore J. Mattingly, of Jacksonville, Oregon, who, on May 21, 1909, made Homestead entry Serial No. 5065, for N 1/2 N W 1/4, Section 18, Township 35, south, Range 2, west Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Commutation Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before W. H. Canon, United States Commissioner, at Medford, Oregon, on the 5th day of January 1912.
Claimant names as witnesses: John Crump, of Jacksonville, Oregon, Charles Dunford, of Jacksonville, Oregon, Charles Dunford Jr., of Jacksonville, Oregon, Richard Ford, of Jacksonville, Oregon.
BENJAMIN F. JONES,
Register.

Administrator's Notice.
IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON, FOR JACKSON COUNTY.
In the matter of the Estate of Rebecca Eggleston, deceased.
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned have been appointed by the County Court of Oregon for Jackson County administrators of the estate of Rebecca Eggleston, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present them duly verified, to the undersigned administrators at Glendale Oregon or to their attorney J. A. Lemery at his office in Ashland, Oregon on or before six months from and after the first publication of this notice.
The date of the first publication is November 11, 1911.
JOSEPH A. JACQUES,
SIDNEY JACQUES,
Administrators of the estate Rebecca Eggleston, deceased.

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