

A Fish Story

But a True One

By LAURA C. BURNHAM

Edward Cotton was the youngest son of the Earl of Edgerton. Between the years of fourteen and eighteen as a member of a noble family he had his full enjoyment of life. He was a tall boy, strikingly handsome and a great favorite. During this period a love affair sprang up between him and Laura, daughter of Sir David Hinchelwood, an impetuous baronet as proud as he was poor. Sir David's main object in life was to marry his daughter to a man who would be able to lift the family to its condition of former years. Edward Cotton, being a younger son in a family all of whose property was entailed on the oldest male heir, must of necessity, as soon as he had grown to manhood, shift for himself.

There was absolutely no hope of his possessing the girl he loved. When he was twenty years old he bade her farewell, being about to sail for Australia. He locked the matter squarely in the face, but the girl with feminine faith would not admit that something would happen to turn their present condition.

"That's the loveliest thing about a girl," said the lover; "she's an optimist in the very face of calamity."

Cotton went to Australia more to break away from associations that would thereafter be impossible for him than the hope of making a fortune. He had not inherited business instincts and had no taste for a business life. He found a position in the counting room of a wool merchant named Oldershaw, but did not retain it long. Building himself a hut beside the ocean, he contented himself with a small remittance sent him quarterly by his father. He was naturally fond of fishing and supplied his table with fish caught in the ocean.

Cotton went to Australia in 1808. One day while out for large fish he caught a shark on his line. There was something in the fish that he needed—possibly a little oil for his lamp. At any rate, he cut it up. A number of articles undigested were in the stomach, among them a folded newspaper, which, though soaked, left the inner sheets in tolerable condition. Quite likely it had been thrown from some ship, the shark was following for food and picked up by the voracious fish. Cotton took it to his hut and spread it out before a fire to dry. In the evening after his supper he took up what there was of it to read, and the first heading that met his eyes was, "France Declares War on Germany."

There were two important facts concerning this first news in Australia of the breaking out of the Franco-Prussian war. First, there was then no cable connecting the island with the mainland; secondly, the shark is a very swift swimmer. Cotton had not heard of the breaking out of the war and did not believe such news had reached Australia. He sat thinking about the matter in his cabin, and it occurred to him from his knowledge of the wool business that a European war would advance the price of wool.

Early the next morning he went into the city, saw Oldershaw and told him that an important event had occurred that would affect the price of wool. Oldershaw agreed that if Cotton would tell him what it was (Oldershaw would give him half the profit on any wool he bought or sold on account of it). Cotton then produced his newspaper.

Wool was selling at 15 cents a pound, and Oldershaw bought as there was at hand. He had scarcely completed his purchases before a ship came in with the news of the declaration of war between France and Germany.

The wool that Oldershaw bought in haste he sold in shillings. He made a fortune for himself and one for Cotton. The war was of short duration and fortunately the wool was sold near the highest point. Cotton received his profits within a few months after he had caught the shark that had brought him his luck and a few days later sailed for England.

He found his love still disengaged, but resisting her father's efforts to induce her to marry the son of a rich brewer. There had been no news received in England of Cotton having suddenly made a fortune, and when he appeared no one dreamed that he was a very wealthy man. He refrained from telling of his wealth, fearing that his explanation as to how he had acquired it would not be believed.

Laura Hinchelwood was delighted with his return, though she had no idea that it meant any change in their relations. When Cotton told his fish story she thought that something had happened to turn his brain but when he showed her his bank account as evidence she was staggered. At last he induced her to believe that he was really rich and had made his money by this streak of sheer luck.

Having convinced her, he was not afraid of any one else. Sir David Hinchelwood when he was assured of the truth, having found the fortune he was looking for, was nothing loath to give his daughter to the young man. Edward Cotton purchased an estate near that of his oldest brother, who had by this time inherited the family title, and he is now the financial mainstay of the earl and Sir David Hinchelwood.

The Rothschilds of London made a large fortune by receiving news in advance of the eventful battle of Waterloo.

Careful John.

A rural storekeeper was greatly bothered by rats which infested his building, says the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. Also he possessed a valuable watchdog which guarded the premises at night. One night just before he locked up, he scattered poison around the place and left a note on the counter for the clerk who opened the store in the morning.

The clerk found the note as was intended. But he nearly dropped through the floor when he read: "Jerry—You take the poison in the morning so the dog won't get it. There is some in the cellar too. John."

The Signal.

"How do you endure listening to Biggins' funny stories? He spoils them by laughing at them himself." "That's what I like about him. You don't have to listen in order to laugh at the right time. All you have to do is to wait till he gives the signal."—Washington Star.

Amended.

An English official once said to Father Henly, the famous Irish wit: "Henly, I've got a crow to pick with you." "Make it a turkey," said Father Henly, as quick as a wink, "and I'll join you at 6 sharp."

His Great Generosity.

"We are getting up a subscription," began the lady who was carrying around the paper. Her voice trembled as she spoke, for the person she was now bracing happened to be the richest fellow in the community. She hoped against hope that she would get something out of him.

"You are getting up a subscription?" echoed the millionaire, with a sweet smile. "I'm sure you'll be very successful. And what can I do?" "Would you—could you"—she nearly fainted at her assurance—"would you p-p-p-ut your name down on this paper for a h-h-hundred dollars?" "There—it was done. He wouldn't have missed a thousand, but she was pretty courageous to ask for as much as she did. His gentle smile reassured her.

"Will I put my name down for a hundred dollars?" said he. "Why, my dear young lady, I don't charge that amount for the use of my name when charity is the cause. I will put my name down, of course, but not for a hundred dollars. I won't charge you a cent for it. It is a slight service."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

The Female Housefly.

A female house fly which has hibernated in a dwelling house, or elsewhere, may produce in the spring, at the lowest estimate, 120 eggs. Assuming that one-half of these hatch as females, and allowing that the breeding goes on without check for four months, we have as the descendants of a single hibernating individual 214,557,844,320,000,000,000,000 flies. Now, a house fly measures exactly one-fourth of an inch in length; the distance around the earth at the equator is said to be 24,890 miles. It would take, therefore, 3,088,312,000 flies placed end to end to go around the world once. Using this number as a denominator, and the number of flies produced in four months from one mother as a numerator, we find she will give rise, in the course of a summer, to enough flies to encircle the globe at the equator 5,000 times and have plenty of progeny to spare.—Professor F. L. Washburn in Popular Science Monthly.

Mission of the Russian Fleets.

A Russian fleet under command of Admiral Lesoffsky lay in New York harbor during the winter of 1893-4, and another was in San Francisco harbor for the same period. Thurlow Weed is authority for the statement that Farragut in his presence at dinner asked Lesoffsky why he was idling the winter away. The Russian answered, "I am here under sealed orders, to be broken only in a contingency that has not yet occurred." In general conversation he allowed it to appear that the particular contingency was that a foreign power should attack the United States. The same authority records a confirmation of this matter by Prince Gortschakoff in St. Petersburg, who showed the Czar Alexander's own order.—New York Sun.

Simple Transposition.

One of the artists had just finished singing "Sally in Our Alley." The song appeared to affect Posson. I gave him a dig in the ribs and inquired: "Upset you, old man?" "That song," he began, "brings to my mind an incident of many years ago which happened when I was a boy. How well I remember the commotion, the wall of the governor's, the shrieks of the mother! I had a little sister named Sally, and one day we were playing marbles (we called them 'alleges') when a sudden Sally swallowed one of my best 'glasses.'" "But what's the connection with the song?" I asked.

"The alley in our Sally," replied Posson as he edged away.—London Answers.

Ebony Backed Brushes.

When you clean the ebony brushes on your toilet table rub petroleum jelly over the backs before you wash the bristles, as this prevents the soda or ammonia in the water from injuring the ebony. The jelly should afterward be removed by polishing the back with a dry cloth.

Entertainment For All.

"A pretty girl can get a lot of entertainment out of her mirror," observes an exchange.

True! So can a plain girl who thinks she is pretty.—Boston Transcript.

Double-Edged Cucumbers.

A vaudeville contortionist was "limbering up" in his dressing room, when a landradyman, who happened to open the door by mistake, stepped across the threshold and stood spellbound watching the performer, who was apparently tied in a knot on top of his trunk.

Noticing the look of consternation on the face of the unintentional intruder and resolving to have some fun at his expense, the contortionist assumed a look of deepest agony and groaned weakly.

"By gravey that's the last time I'll ever eat cucumbers for supper!"—Judge.

Misunderstood.

The baby was slow about talking and his aunt was deploring that fact. Four-year-old Elizabeth listened anxiously. "Oh, mother," she ventured at length, "do you think he'll grow up English? We couldn't any of us understand him if he turned out to be French."—Lippincott's.

Woman's Two Ages.

Jonx—Shakespeare told us all about the seven ages of man, but he didn't say anything about the two ages of woman. Hoax—And what are the two ages of woman? Jonx—The age she says she is and the age she really is.—Philadelphia Record.

Husband and Wife.

Husband means house bound; wife, wearing one; son is the cleaner; daughter is the milkier; spinster is the unmarried sister of husband or wife, who is the spinner.

Fit His Case Exactly.

"When father was sick about six years ago he read an advertisement of Chamberlain's Tablets in the papers that fit his case exactly," writes Miss Margaret Campbell of Ft. Smith, Ark. "He purchased a box of them and he has not been sick since. My sister had stomach trouble and was also benefited by them." For sale by all dealers.—Advertisement.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

By virtue of an execution and order of sale issued out and under the seal of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Jackson, dated the 18th day of December, 1913, in a certain cause therein pending wherein M. L. Hall as plaintiff recovered judgment against O. C. Purkypille for the sum of Seventy-two (\$72.00) Dollars with interest thereon from said 18th day of January, 1913, at the rate of 6 per cent per annum and Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars attorney's fee together with Six (\$6.00) Dollars expended in verifying and filing liens and the further sum of Eight (\$8.00) Dollars costs and accruing costs, which judgment was enrolled and docketed in the Clerk's office of said County on the 15th day of December, 1913. And was directed and delivered to me as Sheriff of Jackson County State of Oregon, commanding me to sell the real property belonging to said defendant and to satisfy the said judgment and costs, and accruing costs. I have levied upon the following described real property to-wit:

Beginning at corner No. 1, a post from which South corner of Red Oak Lodge claim bears south 70 degrees east 100 feet and a pine tree 12 inches in diameter bears north 67 degrees east 20 feet, thence south 70 degrees east along the south line of the Red Oak and Iowa Lodge claim 15-9ft to corner No. 2, a laurel post from which a black oak four inches in diameter bears south 38 degrees west 12.5 feet; thence south 20 degrees west (300 feet post for east center end) 600 feet to corner No. 3, a post from which a black oak 8 inches in diameter bears north 22 degrees east 17 feet; thence north 70 degrees west 150 feet to corner No. 4, a post from which a black oak 12 inches in diameter bears south 45 degrees west 1 feet, and the corner section corner on the boundary of Section 5, Township 27 South, Range 3 West, W. M. bears north 30 degrees east 100 feet west center end post 600 feet to corner No. 7 which is the place of beginning, containing 20.05 acres more or less, the above described mining claim situated in Jackson County, Oregon.

Public notice is hereby given that I will on MONDAY, JANUARY 26th, 1914 at the front door of the Court House in Jacksonville, Jackson County, Oregon, at the hour of 9:30 o'clock A. M. sell at public auction, subject to redemption, as by law provided, to the highest bidder for cash, all the right, title and interest of the above named defendant in and to the above described premises, to satisfy the judgment and costs and accruing costs above mentioned.

Dated at Jacksonville, Oregon, this 18th day of December, 1913.

W. H. SINGLER,
Sheriff of Jackson County, Oregon.
By E. W. WILSON, Deputy.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

By virtue of an execution and order of sale issued out and under the seal of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Linn, in a certain cause therein pending wherein First National Bank of Albany, Oregon, as plaintiff recovered judgment against K. E. Erbe, defendant, for the sum of One Hundred Fifty and no/100 Dollars with interest thereon from May 28, 1912, at the rate of 8 per cent per annum, and the further sum of Twenty-five Dollars attorney's fees and Six and 35/100 Dollars costs and accruing costs, which said judgment was enrolled and docketed in the office of the County Clerk of Linn County, Oregon, on the 5th day of November, 1913. Which execution was directed and delivered to me as Sheriff of Jackson County, Oregon, commanding me to sell the personal or real property of said defendant and to satisfy said judgment and costs. I have levied upon the following described real property, to-wit:

The undivided one-half interest in the following described land and premises, to-wit:—Beginning at the Southeast corner of the John Rankin Donation Land Claim No. 46 in Township 36 South, Range 2 west, W. M., and running thence North on the East boundary 39 chains and 38 links to a point, thence South 85 degrees West 54 chains and 70 links to a point, thence South 81 1/2 degrees West 28 chains and 15 links to a point on the West boundary of the William Hughes Donation Land Claim No. 48, thence South on said West boundary 32 chains to the Southwest corner, thence East on the South boundary of the Hughes and Rankin Donation Land Claim 82 chains and 15 links to the place of beginning, containing 300 acres of land,

Commencing at the Southwest corner of the William Hughes Donation Land Claim number forty-eight (48) Section Twenty (20) Township Thirty-six (36) South of Range Two (2) West of the Willamette Meridian and running thence South Two Hundred Ninety-four (294) Feet, thence East One Hundred Seventy-three and one-half (173 1/2) Feet, thence North Two Hundred Thirty-four (234) Feet, thence East Two Hundred Eighteen and one-half (218 1/2) Feet, thence North Sixty (60) feet, thence West Three Hundred Ninety-two (392) Feet to place of beginning.

Also beginning at the Northeast corner of the John Peninger Donation Land Claim number Seventy (70) Township Thirty-six (36) South, Range Two (2) West of Willamette Meridian and running thence South on the East boundary of said claim Twelve (12) Chains, thence West One and 28/100 Chains, thence North Nine and 60/100 Chains, thence East Eight Links, thence North Two and 40/100 Chains, thence East One and 20/100 chains to the place of beginning, containing One and one-half (1 1/2) acres of land. All of said above described property lying and being situated in Jackson County, Oregon.

Public Notice is Hereby Given that I will on

MONDAY, JANUARY 26th 1914,

at the front door of the Court House in Jacksonville, Oregon, at the hour of 9:30 o'clock A. M. of said day, sell at public auction, all the right, title, interest and estate of the above named defendant in said premises, subject to redemption as by law provided, to the highest bidder for cash, to satisfy the judgment and costs and accruing costs.

Dated at Jacksonville, Oregon, this 12th day of December, 1913.

W. H. SINGLER,
Sheriff of Jackson County, Oregon.
By E. W. WILSON, Deputy.

SUMMONS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF OREGON, FOR JACKSON COUNTY.

Lura Bilderback, Plaintiff,

vs.

W. H. Bilderback, Defendant.

To W. H. Bilderback, the above named defendant:

In the Name of the State of Oregon:—You are hereby notified and required to appear in the above entitled court and cause and answer the complaint of the plaintiff, now on file therein, on or before six weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons, which is the 23rd day of December, 1913, and if you fail to appear and answer within the time required, for want thereof, the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief prayed for and demanded in her complaint, to-wit, for a decree of divorce dissolving the bonds of matrimony existing between plaintiff and defendant, for the care and custody of the minor child of plaintiff and defendant, and for such other and further relief as to the court may seem just and equitable in the premises.

This summons is served upon you by publication in the Jacksonville Post once a week for six consecutive weeks, the first publication thereof being December 20th, 1913, by order of Hon. F. M. Calkins, Judge of the above entitled Court, said order having been made on the 11th day of December, 1913.

GUS NEWBURY,
Attorney for Plaintiff.

Notice to Creditors

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF JACKSON.

In the Matter of the Estate of David Mayham, commonly known and called David Mims, a deceased person.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, by an order of the County Court of Jackson County, State of Oregon, heretofore duly made and entered has been appointed and now is the duly qualified and acting administrator of the estate of above named decedent.

All creditors and persons having claims against the decedent or his estate are hereby notified and required to present the same duly verified with proper vouchers, to the undersigned at his home at Eagle Point, in Jackson County, State of Oregon, or to H. K. Hanna, attorney for said estate, at his office in Jacksonville, in said county and state, within six months from the date hereof.

The date hereof and of the first publication, hereof is December 20th, A. D. 1913.

H. K. HANNA,
JOSEPH MATHAM,
Administrator,
Residing at Jacksonville, Oregon, attorney for estate.

Notice of Sheriff's Sale

By virtue of an execution and order of sale issued out and under the seal of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Jackson, in a certain cause therein pending wherein George F. Hall, as plaintiff, recovered judgment against William A. Atkin for the sum of One Hundred Fifty (\$150.00) Dollars with interest thereon from said 1st day of April, 1913, at the rate of 8 per cent per annum, and Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars attorney's fees and the further sum of Ten (\$10.00) Dollars costs and accruing costs, which judgment was enrolled and docketed in the office of the County Clerk of Jackson County, Oregon, on the 24th day of November, 1913, which execution was directed and delivered to me as Sheriff of Jackson County, Oregon, commanding me to sell the real property levied upon in a certificate of attachment filed with the County Clerk on the 14th day of June, 1913, and which is described as follows, to-wit:

Southeast quarter (1/4) of the Southeast quarter (1/4) of Section One (1), Township Thirty-three (33) South of Range Two (2) East of the Willamette Meridian, Jackson County, Oregon.

Public notice is hereby given that I will on MONDAY, THE 19th DAY OF JANUARY, 1914 at the hour of 9:30 o'clock A. M., at the front door of the Court House in Jacksonville, Oregon, sell all the right, title, interest and claim, of the above named defendant in said premises, subject to redemption as by law provided, to the highest bidder for cash, to satisfy the judgment, interest, costs, attorney's fees and accruing costs.

Dated at Jacksonville, Oregon, this 15th day of December, 1913.

W. H. SINGLER,
Sheriff of Jackson County, Oregon.
By E. W. WILSON, Deputy.

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A prominent New York physician says: "If it were not for the thin stockings and thin soled shoes worn by women the doctors would probably be bankrupt." When you contract a cold do not wait for it to develop into pneumonia but treat it at once. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is intended especially for coughs and colds, and has won a wide reputation by its cures of these diseases. It is most effective and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all dealers.—Advertisement.

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24 Grants Pass Motor	10:22 A.M.
32 Grants Pass Motor	4:27 P.M.
16 Oregon Express	5:22 P.M.
12 Shasta Limited (Mail only)	2:44 A.M.

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