

A Revenue of Old Jamestown

By DWIGHT NORWOOD

Coming from Fort Monroe northward by the James river, the boat stopped at Jamestown. There are two most important spots historically in the United States, Jamestown and Plymouth rock, the former being the more important from its age. I was curious to see it and, leaving the boat, remained there long enough to lose myself in a reverie concerning it.

There is nothing there today to dream about unless it is the tower of the church built by the inhabitants of the settlement who went there a little over 300 years ago. No more uninteresting spot in itself exists in America. It is an open flat space on the northeast bank of the river, whose yellow waters have eaten away a considerable part of the site of the town.

And now for my dream.

The report of a gun fired out on the bosom of the yellow waters. I looked and saw a miniature ship very high in the stern and forward, much ornamented and the sail on the main mast bearing the arms of England. From the shore a boat was about to put out bearing a huge cask. I got aboard and was pulled to the ship.

"What's going on?" I asked of one of the sailors, who, by the bye, all wore doublets with broad collar, knee breeches and hose.

"Sale of redemptions," was the reply.

When we boarded the vessel, the Royal James, rum was served from the cask, and the sale commenced. There were twenty men and four women to be sold to whomever would pay their passage money from England, with a handsome bonus to the person who had advanced the funds. They were to be bound to their purchaser till they had worked out the amount he had paid and until then were held as redemptions, which meant a limited period of slavery.

Several men were sold for sums ranging from £50 to £100, though the amount was paid in tobacco. All the women were sold for wives with their consent. There was one damsel not twenty years old who was so comely that I approached and asked her what had induced her to come out to so melancholy a place as Jamestown.

"Please sir," she replied. "I come from bonnie Scotland. My mother likes it because I wouldn't marry old Roderick MacTavish and shut me up. But I got out and a man with gold aplenty sent me out as a redemptioner. He must be paid £50 for my passage and at the profit there is £1."

"And if I pay the £50 will you marry me?"

"That I will," replied the girl, "because you're so much better than old Roderick MacTavish, and I'll have to work out the money owing for sending me here."

And so I paid the £50 in tobacco, which went back to England in the ship, and the girl was carried ashore with me. On landing we went up a path leading to the church. I and the parson, and we were married.

This was when Captain John Smith is indefatigable in keeping the colonists together and supplying our wants, after a time he left us to make explorations of the coast and then to England. Our men became disgraced and would not work. Food had to be got by hunting or tilling the land, and the people would do neither, hunger and sickness came upon us, we diminished rapidly. Some went back to England, and some, leaving Jamestown, went back from the river to the country.

Then I saw that Jamestown was made, taking my Scotch wife with me. I went back from the river into the interior and, settling myself on a piece of land, built a house and raised tobacco. I prospered, and other like settlers near me, in time we became a community. Though my wife and I grew old, our children grew after us to be men and women, the country about us lost its primeness. But the river was always the same. At times I was obliged to it for the purpose of shipping tobacco, and it always gave me the

same pride and satisfaction at each other's sake, when our children danced, for we were not the most of us when we settled at Jamestown. Some proud families had met with reverses, others sons, also the Cavaliers who were beaten by Oliver Cromwell, over and settled among us. We then welcomed and a helping hand, in time they became like our successful planters.

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Saw with some apprehension look.
Satisfied she seems to be.
For the yawns and sees a book
Next a peck of pins she takes
From the jungle of her hair.
This from tangos then she shakes
And rests on it as a chair.

Then she sits upon the floor,
Where she finds a printed scrap,
Reads it closely, turns some more,
Puts her stockings in her hair.
Yawns, gets up and takes a brush,
Brushes her own native locks
For an hour—she will not rock
For the midnight telling clocks.

She her falling bed lets down,
Looks beneath it for a tiled,
Then, discarding, puts on her gown
With a sigh of great relief.
Goes in a whirl of lace.
She her mirror tells good night,
Puts some cold cream on her face.
Says her prayers—out goes the light
—Chicago News.

One of the Relics.

A tourist "dining" one of the many old inns of England had ordered tea and a sandwich. The waiter was serving him with his verbose descriptions of the historic connections of each piece of furniture and the legends surrounding every article in the house. "So everything in the house has a legend connected with it!" she remarked when he paused. "Well, do tell me about this quid of old ham sandwich."—Everybody's.

Osculatory.
He printed on her lips a kiss,
And from his own confession
He thinks he has the proof to show
A very good impression.—Yonkers Statesman.

The maiden seemed to like the type,
And, heading his petition,
She said she thought the time was ripe
To print a large edition.—Yonkers Telegram.

And then said she, "It's time, I guess,
To print the old folks' number
And that edition's off the press,
To print a special number.—Detroit Free Press.

Fashion Comment.

"You don't seem to hold me in the same regard that you did when you married me," said the sentimental wifey.

"You must remember," replied her tactless spouse, "that you don't look the same as you did then. Fashions change so remarkably that I don't see how any man and woman can feel really well acquainted."—Washington Star.

A Desperate Case.

Quoth she: "I've gone to lake or beach
For summer home or ten
To flourish as a summer peach
And flirt with summer man."

"In summer things are just sublime,
The men would flirt and joke,
But autumn always came in time
And ended things in smoke."

"There's nothing in a beach career,
Nine bunks complicate I've waded
I think I'll stay in town this year
And try to get engaged."—San Francisco Chronicle.

Very Dangerous.

Friend—Why, Elvira, what's the matter?

Elvira—Oh, I don't know; only I'm worried to death! I've had the same girl six weeks and she doesn't talk about leaving yet.

Friend—She doesn't?

Elvira—No, not a word. She must be in love with my husband. —London Opinion.

Family Jars.

Jars of jelly, jars of spice,
Jars of poached beef and ham,
Jars of early gooseberry nice,
Jars of mincemeat, jars of spice,
Jars of orange marmalade,
Jars of pickles, all homemade;
Jars of cornstarch, homemade wine;
Jars of honey, superfine—
Would the only jars were these
That were found in families!

—Brooklyn Eagle.

The Horrors of War.

"My country calls, darling, and I have enlisted for the war."

At these words the beautiful girl burst into tears.

"And you had just begun," she said.

"To do the maxixe half decently."—New York Press.

A Mystery.

"I thank you for the flowers you sent," she said.

And when she said it smiled and dropped her but as we walked and talked beneath those bowers I wondered who it was had sent those flowers.

—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

In Error.

"He's never made any effort to support himself."

"Oh, yes, he has. To my certain knowledge he's proposed to every girl with money he knows."—Baltimore American.

It was on the peninsula between Liver and the bay were a merry lot, oftentimes at each other's side, when our children danced, for we were not the most of us when we settled at Jamestown. Some proud families had met with reverses, others sons, also the Cavaliers who were beaten by Oliver Cromwell, over and settled among us. We then welcomed and a helping hand, in time they became like our successful planters.

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Except for the fools the wise guys would starve.

Never tell a woman you're unworthy of her; she knows it.

Only a fool would trade all his valables for a watchdog.

We never take a man's word for the deed in a real estate transaction.

Perhaps it is better to take chances as they come than to take chances.

The world goes around, but many a man feels that he doesn't get his share.

There is nothing new under the sun except tomorrow, and that never comes.

A failure of \$10,000,000 gives further evidence of the modernization of Berlin.

The man who has no secrets from his wife has either no secrets or no wife.

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Some people are satisfied to take what they can get, and others get what they can take.

Numerous morals being drawn from modern plays may explain why so few are left in 'em.

An original person is one who does the sort of things you've always wanted to do, but never dared.

A copy of Keats' poems recently brought \$7,000, but a lot of living poets can't give theirs away.

Already man, proud man, is running to cover. A new transatlantic liner has special bachelors' quarters.

It is said that "fresh" eggs are known to be fresh because they have been tested under the incubator.

A Savannah man climbed a tree to propose to his girl. After she marries him he'll soon come down to earth.

Intuition is the faculty by virtue of which a woman can understand her husband without listening to what he says.

The New York police must now learn to swim. Perhaps this is to fit them to their struggles with the submerged tenth.

Occasionally a woman is so contrary that she will not fall in love until she discovers that the fellow isn't worthy of her.

A lecturer may be right about the debt we owe to ancient Greece, but he's being gradually collected at 5 cents a shilling.

What a blow to Parisians will be the 1,000-foot wireless telegraphy tower at Brussels. It tops the Eiffel structure by 100 feet.

Some girls are not satisfied when they get hold of a good story that is true. They want to tinker with it until they spoil it.

No one who knows New York believes the two course dinner recently introduced from Paris will ever become popular.

Probate: June 20 set for final account estate Conrad Gilbert, deceased; June 22 set for final account, estate John Tiltberg, deceased; estate Benj. Smith closed; A. H. Wolf appointed guardian of Lizzie and Conrad Wolf, minors.

The Boeker Basket Factory commenced work in the Donegan building new quarters, Monday morning. Mr. Boeker Sr. will arrive tomorrow with five new men to work in the shop, and the payroll will be some help to Hillsboro. The factory has a big lot of contracts ahead.

A delightful surprise party was tendered Miss Kathryn Dooler, at the Dooler home, last evening, about twenty-five young people attending. Games were played on the lawn, there was dancing, and light refreshments were served.

Sheriff Reeves has secured both the democratic and republican nominations, scores of republicans having written his name in on their ballots. Mr. Reeves has made a faithful, efficient officer, and it is a sign of good judgment of voters when they use their ballots as an endorsement, regardless of party.

W. G. Hare must feel gratified at the splendid testimonial given him in the recent primary. Mr. Hare was the highest of all on the legislative ticket in voting average, and he was the recipient of three nominations—the republican, democratic and progressive.

He assures the Argus that he feels grateful for the confidence thus voted, and states that if elected—and of this there is no possible doubt—he will do all in his power to show his constituency that he is worthy of the honor. Mr. Hare is a young man of ability, and that his selection is a wise one goes without saying.

John Humphreys, of Gaston, escaped from the state asylum two weeks ago, and was brought in this morning by J. H. Hoffman. He was taken back to Salem this morning by Guard Harrington.

Dr. Robt amputated one of the toes of the little Douglas boy, on the T. H. Tongue place, the last of the week. The youngster had about severed the member with a spade.

Ernest Johnson, of this city, and Miss Pauline Landor, of Portland, were united in marriage, in Portland, May 20, 1914. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. W. H. Vose and John Doe Allen, officiating.

The federal authorities have instructed the income tax collectors to be at all times polite. Train robbers frequently are, but it does not lessen the victim's pain.

An English advocate of peace says it would take 47,000,000 Japanese soldiers to subdue the American people. He should have added, "and then they wouldn't."

But if Mr. Asquith were the shrewd politician his supporters think him to be, instead of taking it himself, have handed over that war secretaryship to Mrs. Pankhurst?

He Could Do It.

"Next time you call," said the editor to the correspondent, "bring something happy."

"All right," replied the man. "I'll bring my wife."—Yonkers Statesman.

Bold and Curious.

We're told Lot's wife turned into salt

And Lot began to blabber.

"I'm not afraid,"

And then she turned to rubber.

—Philadelphia Ledger.

He Should Worry!

Ted—How was it you didn't object to her wearing the necklace the other fellow gave her?

Ned—Why, old man, she let me fasten it on—judge.

Sitting on the floor is suggested as a new cure for obesity. But for those who need the cure it will be wise to have a derrick handy.

A Chicagoan shot his wife because she would