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TREASURES BEYOND PRICE.

Asked for a fortuitous guess as to what man during recent years most nearly tasted the complete joy of existence, one might venture the name of the late John Gerard Heckscher of New York, and not err greatly. Heckscher was an enthusiastic angler and a bibliomaniac, and he possessed the wherewithal to gratify his paramount passions. The gods sometimes must have envied him his absolute happiness.

In New York City recently Heckscher's library, comprising over 2,000 volumes, chiefly dealing with out of door pastimes and the noble art of fishing, was disposed of at public auction. Book lovers from Europe and from all part of the United States were present, and they bid on most of the rare old volumes with the eagerness of men who understood the untainted pleasure which might come with the possession of the best friends of a thoroughly contented being.

Needless to say, beloved Izaak Walton was present in spirit, besides being tangibly represented by several wonderful old volumes bearing his name. "The Compleat Angler" was disposed of in eight or ten different editions to enthusiasts who had been longing for years for that delicious moment of possession. A copy of the first edition of the greatest fisherman's book was sold for \$3,900. Four other volumes of Izaak's book, of four succeeding editions brought respectively, \$780, \$400, \$350 and \$150. A large number of rare books on the same subject, written by the lesser anglers of history, were sold for large sums.

The man who obtained the copy of the first edition of Izaak's work may count it as a growing asset if he is sordidly inclined; for a few years ago the same book might have been purchased for a couple of hundred dollars. It will continually increase in value—not at this astonishing rate, to be sure—but at least rapidly enough to make the investment a good one from a commercial point of view.

But in all probability, the happy new owner of the cherished copy does not measure its value in mere dollars. The book is said to be in a perfect state of preservation. It is a curious volume, elaborately gotten up, and bearing the imprint of Master Richard Marriott, a book seller, and the publication date of 1653. On the title page are four wonderfully made dolphins, and swimming complacently about its margins is an entire school of little fish which resemble grayling. The decorative scheme sets off a quoted verse from St. John: "Simon Peter said, 'I go a-fishing;' and they said, 'We also will go with thee.'"

It is to be hoped that the man who now owns "The Compleat Angler" is a fisherman and a philosopher and a dreamer—one who will listen humbly to Izaak's marvelous dissertation on baits and baiting, and who, at the same time will appreciate and understand the quaint, refreshing views of life written by the charming gentleman who borrowed his sermons from the fish and the streams and the heart of nature.

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WHAT-SOCIETY-IS-DOING



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LOVE'S THE OIL.

When the old machine is cranky, and it doesn't seem to run; When your fortune is but pranky, and your living isn't fun; When you're really up against it, as you mention to a friend, And your "pile," though you've re-trenched it, sadly dwindles to its end;

When your sky is clogged with vapor, and you feel somebody lied; When he mentioned—proper caper—"Silver's on the other side;" When, in short, you're very weary of the bog through which you roam, Shape your course unto your dearie and the lovelight of your home.

For I tell you, man and brother, Of the all-dejected mien, Here's a truth, if there's no other: Love will oil the old machine.

Faith, the way is often dreary, as the best of mortals know, And our eyes sometimes are teary as we wander to and fro. Hope has castles time will shatter as we pass upon our way, And the dream that most would flatter was the dream we saw decay.

Weary? Don't I know it, brother? I, myself, have borne a load, And full oft must bear another ere the ending of the road; So let's make the moments cheery, when the stars light up the dome.

As we hasten to our dearie and the lovelight of our home, If the old machine does wobble As it journeys day and night Through the swamp or o'er the cobble, Love's the oil to set it right.

A. J. WATERHOUSE.

The reception given last Saturday afternoon by Mrs. J. E. Oren in honor of Mrs. C. A. Smith and Miss Adeline Smith of Minneapolis, was one of the most elaborate and enjoyable functions of the kind ever given on Coos Bay. The Oren home was beautifully decorated and more handsome costumes were worn than have graced any occasion here in many months. Huckleberries and Oregon grape were used artistically in the general decorations of the home. In the reception room, yellow jonquils and acacia predominated while the dining-room was resplendent in pink white as a centerpiece a basket of moss with pear blossoms proved most effective. The guests were admitted by Mrs. Ward Blake while in the receiving line were Mrs. Blake, Mrs. Smith, Miss Adeline Smith and Mrs. A. H. Powers. Refreshments were served at small tables, the Misses Kathleen Bennett, May Bennett and Lucy Horton assisting in serving. The hours were from 3 to 5 and the guests numbered about seventy-five. Among those invited were the following:

- Mrs. Herbert Lockhart, Mrs. R. T. Durrett, Mrs. E. L. C. Farrin, Mrs. I. S. Kaufman, Mrs. E. K. Jones, Mrs. H. S. Tower, Mrs. C. E. Nicholson, Mrs. G. W. Kaufman, Mrs. Wm. Horsfall, Miss Anne Flanagan, Mrs. C. F. McCullom, Mrs. R. Wernick, Mrs. J. Smith, Miss Confort, Mrs. Barry, Mrs. Parsons, Mrs. Miller, Miss Jessie Chase, Mrs. J. H. Flanagan, Mrs. W. A. Toye, Mrs. E. Kammerer, Mrs. L. J. Simpson, Mrs. Thos. Keene, Mrs. Wm. Grimes, Mrs. D. M. Kretzer, Miss Kathleen Bennett, Mrs. Wm. Lawlor, Mrs. W. H. McPherson, Mrs. Stanfield Arnold, Mrs. Perry, Mrs. J. W. Flanagan, Miss Saddle Hogan, Mrs. R. G. Gale, Mrs. Walter F. Rau, Mrs. Elmer Todd, Miss Mamie Mahoney, Mrs. David Stafford, Miss May Bennett, Miss Evelyn Anderson, Mrs. E. E. Straw, Mrs. J. S. Coke, Mrs. T. W. Rennie, Mrs. Arthur McKeown, Mrs.

- Milner, Miss Lucy Horton, Mrs. Mills, Miss Mable Mills, Mrs. W. M. Blake, Mrs. M. C. Horton, Mrs. E. Mingus, Mrs. Hazard, Mrs. McKnight, Mrs. W. F. Squire, Mrs. F. A. Golden, Mrs. C. E. Nicholson, Miss G. Sengstacken, Mrs. Sengstacken, Mrs. Houseworth, Mrs. McDonald.

M. C. Maloney and wife are expected home early next week from their eastern and southern trip.

Following the conferring of the Rebekah Degree on Mrs. A. E. Seaman, the Marshfield Rebekah Lodge enjoyed a delightful luncheon at their lodge rooms Wednesday evening. Only members were in attendance.

A farewell reception was tendered Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Pratt by members of the Methodist Episcopal church at the parsonage Wednesday evening, about sixty friends of the couple being present. The Rev. H. I. Rutledge acted as master of ceremonies during the evening while F. C. Burch made a brief talk, expressing the regrets of the couple's many friends over their coming departure. Milo Summer recited an original poem adding much to the evening's program while Mr. Pratt in a brief talk expressed the regrets of himself and wife over having to break the pleasant ties that marked their residence here. Refreshments were served. Mr. and Mrs. Pratt, Mrs. White and Miss White will leave on the M. F. Plant next week for Long Beach, Cal., to make their future home.

The friends and schoolmates of Miss Adelaide Clarke tendered her a birthday surprise party at her home in North Marshfield, Saturday afternoon, March 6th. Prizes in the various games were won by the Misses Florence Powers, Virginia Clarke and Dorothy Horton. Those present were: The Misses Frances Golden, Ruth Horton, Alice McLain, Jamesina Hibbard, Bessie Douglas, Marie Seaman, Frieda Holm, Grace Williams, Elsie Tates, Mary Kruse, Dorothy Horton, Isabelle Ferguson, Florence Powers, Lillian Seaman, Adelaide and Virginia Clarke.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom James entertained a few friends at their home in North Bend informally at cards Monday evening. Refreshments were served.

M. C. Smith, foreman of the local railway shops, left today for Portland to arrange for removing his family to Marshfield. He has leased the residence on West Central avenue, formerly occupied by A. M. Prentiss. He will return with his family about April 7.

A. M. Prentiss will arrange this week to establish his home on the ranch at Ten Mile, which he purchased from T. J. Lewis. Mrs. Prentiss will spend practically all her time there and Mr. Prentiss expects to spend three or four days a week there directing extensive improvements which he plans to make on the property, converting it into a fine country home.

C. A. Smith and wife and daughter, Miss Adeline, who have been spending a few weeks on the Bay, plan to leave on the Nann Smith the first of the week for San Francisco from where they will proceed to their home in Minneapolis.

Dr. R. G. Gale and wife, returned this week to their home in North Bend from Jacksonville, Oregon, where they have spent several months. Mrs. Gale went to Jacksonville in the fall expecting to remain only until after the holidays. Dr. Gale having arranged to spend the holidays at the home of her parents there and to return to North Bend about the first of the

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year. However, he was taken ill and has been having a severe siege of it. He is now much improved and his recuperation promises to be rapid.

The A. N. W. Club was delightfully entertained by Mrs. Fannie Hazard at her home Thursday afternoon. At the business session, it was decided to enroll the husbands of all of the members as honorary members in order that the organization might take more effective steps in a civic improvement campaign which it has proposed to launch. Col. Wm. Grimes and Mayor E. E. Straw were also added to the list of honorary members of the organization. Mayor E. E. Straw was to have been present and outlined to the ladies the conditions of a fund of about \$250 which he has on hand to be used for civic improvement and which he wished the A. N. W. Club to direct, owing to the organization's recent gift of a handsome public drinking fountain to the city. An unexpected call to Coquille prevented him attending and he will meet with the club later and the question will then be taken up. Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by her mother, Mrs. McKnight.

Coos county ladies have been given marked recognition by Mrs. Sarah A. Evans of Portland, president of the Oregon Federation of Women's Clubs, in selecting the hostesses for the Oregon days or Oregon week at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition in Seattle the coming summer. The Oregon Federation is to have charge of the social side of the Oregon program at the fair and Mrs. Evans has selected about two scores of prominent women of the state to act as hostesses and assist. In the list are Mrs. L. J.

Simpson of North Bend, Mrs. I. S. Kaufman and Mrs. J. T. McCormac of Marshfield, and Miss Inez Lusk of Coquille.

Wednesday will be St. Patrick's Day and will offer one day's respite for the Catholic observers of Lent. It will probably be made the most of by many on the Bay, several functions and dances being arranged for the afternoon and evening.

Mrs. J. E. Oren has been compelled to recall her invitations for next Wednesday afternoon owing to the fact that she and her son, Donald, will accompany Mr. Oren on his eastern trip. Mr. Oren has been feeling poorly for some time and recently his physical condition has grown worse so rapidly that it was decided he must return to his old physician in Minneapolis for treatment. They will leave Monday and consequently the functions that Mrs. Oren had planned for Wednesday afternoon and Saturday afternoon have had to be called off. That Mrs. Oren will secure speedy and permanent relief is the ardent hope of their host of friends on Coos Bay. Their absence will depend entirely on the time required for Mr. Oren to fully recuperate his health.

One of the most enjoyable of the week and for that matter of the season in the men's social circles was the initiation and social evening enjoyed Wednesday evening by the members of the Minneapoma Club in their club rooms. The fun they had cannot be adequately described by mere words. Judge A. S. Hammond of Coquille, and J. D. Goss of Marshfield were the stars of a little program in which Ray Kaufman, E. R. Tower, O. L. Hopsom, G. W. Kaufman, Claude Nasburg, Harry Butler, D. Y. Stafford and J. E. Warner also assisted and W. U. Douglas, Dr. Toye and C. E. Nicholson were among the "victims" of the good natured raffles. The new members admitted to the club were: Captain Peters, Guy Warner, C. A. Smith, A. C. Gabernsche, J. C. Jones, H. C. Marvin, Jos. Schilling and C. F. McKnight.

Great preparations are being made by the Board of Directors for the next dance of the Swastika Club, which will be held St. Patrick's Day, on the 17th day of March in the I. O. O. F. hall. The members are to wear Shamrock and green ties. The hall is being artistically decorated with Japanese lanterns and green tinsel paper. After the dance, the ladies will serve refreshments in the banquet hall upstairs. A limited number of invitations have been issued by the Board of Directors to parties outside of the club. Members of the club who desire to bring

a friend may do so by applying to a member of the Board of Directors and secure an invitation for the same.

Master Will Hutchison will entertain about twenty-eight of his young friends at cards at the home of his grandmother, Mrs. Hutchison, this evening. The decorations will favor of the approach of St. Patrick's Day.

Mrs. R. T. Street will be hostess at Bridge at her home Monday afternoon, March 15.

Mrs. Et. E. Straw and Mrs. Wm. Lawlor plan to leave on the next M. F. Plant for California where they will visit for several weeks.

Mrs. J. M. Blake expects to leave next week for California to visit her parents.

Mrs. McCurdy entertained the ladies of the Minne-Wis Club at luncheon Thursday afternoon at her apartments on 'C' and Front street. The following ladies were present: Mesdames Holmes, Downs, Ray, Kellogg, Brown, Bonebrake, Carr, Green, Lund, C. La Chapelle, Cook, Going, J. LaChapelle, Frizeen, Umstadt and Shelley.

Mrs. A. H. Powers was hostess at a delightful luncheon this afternoon at her home in honor of Mrs. C. A. Smith and Miss Adeline Smith of Minneapolis. The decoration scheme was in yellow, Oregon grape and yellow Acacia predominating. Yellow tinted handpainted place cards were used while the dining-room

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"More, Please!"



That is the usual cry, from young or old, after the first helping of our pure and delicious Ice Cream. The very sight of it tempers the appetite, and the first taste begets a longing for a dishful. No bad results from eating plenty of this Cream. Every ingredient is pure, and it is produced with scrupulous cleanliness and care. All flavors.

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