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sinewy, knotty strength, of the kind we ascribe to lean and wiry men, but which, in him, because of his heavy build, partook more of the large gorilla order. Not that his appearance he seemed gorilla-like. What I am striving to express is this strength itself, more as a thing apart from his physical semblance. It was a strength savage, ferocious, alive in itself. In short, that which writhes in the body of a snake when the head is cut off, and which lingers in a shapeless lump of turtle-meat and recolls and quivers from the prod of a finger. He was firmly planted on his legs; his feet struck the deck squarely and with surety; every movement of a muscle, from the heave of a shoulder to the tightening of the lips about the cigar, was decisive, and seemed to come out of a strength that was excessive and overwhelming.

Portrayal of Character.

"His eyes," continued the narrator, "were large and handsome... sheltering under a heavy brow and arched over by thick black eyebrows. They were eyes that masked the soul with a thousand guises. He was firmly planted on his legs; his feet struck the deck squarely and with surety; every movement of a muscle, from the heave of a shoulder to the tightening of the lips about the cigar, was decisive, and seemed to come out of a strength that was excessive and overwhelming."

A few days later, after Van Weiden had not only seen other members of the schooner's crew, but had himself been kicked "as a cur is kicked," he got a glimpse of another side of Wolf Larsen.

"Following the cook's instructions, I had gone into Wolf Larsen's stateroom to put it to rights and make the bed. Against the wall, near the head of the bunk, was a rack filled with books. I glanced over them, noting with astonishment such names as Shakespeare, Tennyson, and Poe and De Quincey. They were scientific works, too, representing such men as Tyndall, Proctor and Darwin. Astronomy and physics were represented, and there were a number of grammars. I found between the blankets a complete Browning open at 'In a Balcony,' and I noticed passages underlined in pencil."

Wolf a Regular Devil.

Still more light is thrown on Larsen in the estimate of him uttered by one of his crew, Louis, a Nova Scotia Irishman, who had sailed with him before. "Ah, my boy, 'tis the worst schooner ye could be selected. 'Tis sailing in the sailor's paradise—on other ships than this. The mate was the first, but mark me words, there'll be more dead men before the trip is done with. Hist, now, this Wolf Larsen is a regular devil, and the Ghost will be a hell-ship like she's always been since he had hold 'er. Don't I know? Don't I know? Don't I remember him in Hakodate, two years gone, when he had a row and shot four of his men? Wasn't I a-laying on the Emma L., not 300 yards away? An' there was a man the same year he killed with a blow to his fist. Yes, sir, killed him dead—oh. His head must have smashed like an eggshell. An' wasn't the chief of police, Japanese gentlemen, sir, an' didn't they come aboard the Ghost, as his guests, a-bringing letters along—was and pretty little bits of things like you see 'em painted on fans. An' as he was a-gettin' under way, didn't the fond husbands get left by accident? An' wasn't it a week later that the poor little ladies was put

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Some of the Trials of Old Steady.

Dwight Huss in Old Scout arrived yesterday morning at Burns and is now on his way to Prineville, which he expects to reach tonight or tomorrow morning. Megargel has lost the race, for he expects to reach Boise tonight. Last Sunday the Portland Automobile club made a run to the Twelve-Mile house, where at a meeting all present agreed to take part in welcoming the racer and to give Huss a dinner.

H. L. Keats yesterday at 9 a. m. received a telephone call from Burns, Oregon, that Huss was approaching that city. Shortly before 10 o'clock Huss held a telephone conversation with Mr. Keats. He reported that despite the hard work his little runabout has been subjected to it was still in good condition and that as soon as he got aboard all the gasoline he could carry he would leave Burns. At 10:30 o'clock Huss started to Prineville.

George G. Chipman, chauffeur for Walter S. Martin, arrived in Portland yesterday from his trip in the big Packard car to Ontario. In that place he saw Huss and reported that the little car was doing finely. Mr. Chipman did not go over the route that Huss is following, but says that he learned that for about 75 miles on the road from Burns to Prineville the sand is very heavy, and if this is the case Huss may not make quite as good time as he expects.

Huss has a hard row to hoe in his trip through Oregon. Just after leaving Burns he has a fair stretch of 10 or 20 miles; after that the roads are bad. After leaving Burns Huss will pass through Riley, then cross Silver creek, then on to Camp Curry Springs, through Five, Hilda, Paulina, Mowry, Post, and from there to Prineville. Arrangements have been made so that he can get a supply of gasoline at any one of these towns. After leaving Prineville he will follow the Crooked river to Sisters, and this road is one of the best in eastern Oregon. From the Sisters he has a hard climb over the Cascade mountains. After crossing the divide he follows the Santiam river, passing through Harrison, Lower Soda, Mealey, Sweet Home, then to Lebanon where Mr. Keats and his party will meet him, and from there to Albany, Salem and thence to Portland.

The party which will leave here with Mr. Keats will go in an Olds touring car, and will consist of Mr. Keats, a machinist, and two friends. They expect to leave Portland early tomorrow morning and spend that night in Albany and Tuesday morning meet Huss at Lebanon and bring him to Portland, reaching here in the afternoon. Word will be sent ahead from Albany so that the time to meet him can be fixed and have the welcoming party meet the tourist outside of the city.

The Portland party will start to meet Huss as soon as his departure from Prineville is reported. Percy Megargel, who started from New York with Huss, is now in Idaho. He met with several mishaps, but the most serious was when his companion, Barney Stanchfield, was taken ill and for three days was threatened with pneumonia. He wanted Megargel to push ahead and try to win the race and the \$1,000, but rather than desert his friend, Megargel stayed and nursed him. Yesterday morning A. L. Craig, general passenger agent of the O. R. & N. railroad, received the following telegram from Arco, Idaho, which tells how Megargel is making out:

"Old Steady reached here 3 p. m. and started west at 6 p. m. Driver Megargel expects to make Boise by Sunday. Megargel has fully recovered."

Walter S. Martin of San Francisco, President of the States of Oregon Land company, and his chauffeur, George G. Chipman, arrived in Portland yesterday after a tour through eastern Oregon as far as Ontario. They made the trip in Martin's Packard car and had many trying experiences. Mr. Chipman says that he has driven a car over roads in many states, but nowhere has he encountered such terrible roads as there are in eastern Oregon. The car was shipped to The Dalles and the trip from there to Moro, where he would be better pleased, especially in a position where he would not have to endure the coldness of Washington's winter season, which he is particularly trying to him. He is now abroad on leave, and it is supposed that Washington's next news of him will be the announcement of a change of boat.

With the appointment of the successor to Senator Aspinck, the Mexican ambassador, who died here in March, it looks as if the opening of the formal part of the negotiations for the purchase of the new faces in the ranks of the ambassadors, a greater change than many, many years.

RESIGNS FROM COUNCIL TO GET CITY CONTRACT (Journal Special Service.) Pendleton, Or., June 17.—The contract for city sprinkling next year has been awarded to Walter Wetlik who resigned as a member of the council in order to accept the contract. The bids were not opened in open council, but by the committee at a private meeting earlier in the day.

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