

A STRANGE PASSENGER

When my pocket ship, the Hermione, was preparing to sail from Liverpool for New York I was warned to take precautions against receiving as passenger a certain Mary Youngson...

lady should appear at breakfast in the morning, when he might see for himself. Two hours later the second mate came up to advise Tom, who then went below...

"Why, ha'lo! Who are you? Where did you come from?" I cried. "Pray don't excite yourself," he coolly answered.

"Here is my warrant," he interrupted, handing me a paper, which, on reading it by the lantern's light, I found was a signed document...

"What!" I exclaimed, almost as much surprised as before, when I saw that stout young lady who was in the room with me...

"Why, Tom, you don't say so?" I cried, rather startled. "Of course," he answered, "why not? We are engaged, and it ought to be the same about money matters as if we were married."

"I was the only one who noticed her at that time, and on meeting my gaze she drew back as quick as a flash and vanished in the cabin. The strange phenomenon I had witnessed for a moment almost took away my breath.

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my previous observation of the strange shortening of the woman's stature it seemed to me to partake almost of the supernatural. "May she not have gone on deck last night and fallen overboard?" inquired one of the passengers.

"Impossible!" I answered. "It was clear moonlight. I was on deck all night, and besides, I had good looks posted about the ship. The thing could not have happened without me to see."

"Give me time," he said solemnly, "when I had finished, and I will solve this mystery. In a few days I may be able to do it—perhaps not for a week."

"I don't suspect," he interrupted, "I know her to be the criminal." "But she is young, plain and stout; the accused woman was slender and fair."

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height now answered to the description I had of her, and we found while looking for my son's bond in her carpet bag, some articles bearing her name, and others marked with that of her victim. In fact, afterward, while ill, she confessed to being Mary Youngson.

"On the night she so astonished me she was on the deck, and she had her hair cut and her dress changed so that she was no longer the woman I had known."

"I did so, but my words had an effect I had not expected. Reflecting a moment, he cried out: 'Father, I believe that man is a detective or not, I now suggest that he is a thief and a murderer; that he knew Miss Merwin's having that \$5,000 bond, and that in order to possess himself of it he has killed her and thrown her body overboard.'"

"The Great Austrian Lottery." LONDON, May 9.—Petitions have been presented to the Austrian government asking for the suppression of the lottery system by which people in Austria, Germany and all over the world are swindled by the Austrian government.

"The Hehring Sea Matter." LONDON, May 9.—The Times, in an editorial this morning on the Behring Sea correspondence, says: "Secretary Blaine's important concessions make it possible for the arbitration award to be given long before the current case is decided; therefore it is scarcely necessary to discuss his last argument."

"A Merchant Found Dead." ALBANY, Cal., May 9.—T. E. Stephens, merchant and well-known pioneer resident, was found dead at his residence this morning. He had fallen from his seat in such a way as to strangle himself. An inquest will be held.

"A Record Demolished." PRINCETON, N. J., May 9.—At the annual handicap game, open to all amateurs, this afternoon Luther H. Carey ran 75 yards in 7 3/5 seconds, breaking the world's amateur record.

SHE IS A FRAUD.

A Spiritualist Who Makes a Business of Being. CHICAGO, May 9.—Col. Blandly, editor of one of the leading spiritualistic publications in the country is skeptical of the death of Mme. Blavatsky, high priestess of theosophy.

"IT IS GETTING WORSE." The Italian Consul at New Orleans Talks Unreasonably. NEW ORLEANS, May 9.—On the 7th inst. Mr. Corte, Italian consul to this city, addressed a communication to Foreman Chaffee, of the grand jury, charging among other things, the "Youngson Case," as it is called, gave place to a fresher sensation—Edward Heins in New York Press.

"CONDITION OF CROPS." Frosts Injure Fruit in the Eastern and Southern States. WASH. DC., May 9.—The weekly weather crop bulletin says: The weather during the past week has been generally unfavorable to growing crops, owing to an unusually low temperature and a deficiency in rainfall over the greater portion of all the agricultural districts east of the Rocky mountains.

"WILL HE APOLOGIZE?" AN OREGON EDITOR THREATENED BY VIGILANTES. Walls Walls Soldiers Are Insulted by the Gervais Star and Tell the Editor What He Can Do. GERVAIS, Or., May 9.—Editor McCollum of the Gervais Star, has received a letter from Vancouver, Wash., signed "Vigilance committee," calling upon him to apologize for a certain alleged insult to the United States army through the columns of his paper.

"A SEVERE REBUKE." The Governor of Nebraska Sent Down Old Harp. OMAHA, May 9.—The city council has tonight adopted the following resolution: Resolved, That he be treated as a private citizen and not as governor of Nebraska, and that he be considered a usurper of the office he now holds."

"Little Giant and Cowley." Bros. Hayes, misses and children's shoes—different styles—all sizes and widths made solid all throughout. Try a pair—nothing better—medium in price. Every pair warranted.

"America Takes the Lead." America now takes the lead as an iron producing country, united with China, we could do the washing and ironing of the world. Mueller and Garrett are taking the lead in the grocery business of Albany, as their cash figures please every one.

NICARAGUA CANAL.

Its Great Importance to the United States. IT WILL YET BE COMPLETED. The Secretary Tells of the Value It Would Be to the Chilian Affairs—An Estimate of Its Cost.

New York, May 9.—Warner Miller, who has just returned from Greytown, Nicaragua, says in regard to the canal, "Few people have any idea of the value of the canal to the country, but thinking men know it is an absolute necessity. I had a long chat with Secretary of the Navy Tracy, and he spoke of the imperative necessity of the canal."

"SPEEDING HOMEWARD." The Journey is One Continuous Ovation. CLEAR CREEK, Utah, May 9.—The fun of the presidential train from Salt Lake over the Rio Grande Western railway, was one continuous ovation, the people at each point visited being very demonstrative in their welcome.

"WILLIAM IS MASTER." And Bismarck Will Not Be in It.—The Reichstag Adjourns. LOS ANGELES, May 9.—The school children were drawn up in line. The president, postmaster-general and Secretary Rusk spoke. A cordial reception also accorded the party at Springville.

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"Arrested for Murder." BOSTON, May 9.—The Globe will say to-morrow: By order of the Colorado authorities Dr. Thatcher Graves is tacitly under arrest for the murder of Josephine A. Barnabee.

"The Markets." SAN FRANCISCO, May 9.—Wheat shipping, \$1.70@1.72 1/2 per cent; milling, \$1.82 1/2@1.85 per cent. Good Results. Our cash system of business is just what every one is now taking advantage of. Our goods are the purest and our prices the lowest. People who pay cash for their goods will find it to their advantage to buy of Mueller & Garrett's cash groceries.

IN A LEAKY CONDIT.

Bark Carrolton Reaches San Francisco in Bad Trim. SAN FRANCISCO, May 9.—The bark Carrolton, Captain Lewis, twenty-seven days from Port Angeles, bound Omalaska, put into port last night leaking, and with her cargo shifted. She left Port Angeles April 11, with a cargo of 2200 tons of coal and piles, but on the 22nd, in latitude 50 north, longitude 141 west, she was struck by a heavy gale from the southwest that forced her to heave to under lower main topsail for twenty-four hours.

"A LONELY RIDE." A Newsboy Killed at Tacoma by an Electric Car. TACOMA, May 9.—Frank Carolan a ten-year-old boy from Hastings, Minn., ran away from home and arrived here yesterday. He made the trip in four days with only fifty cents.

"SHE IS CAUGHT." THE ROBERT AND MINNIE BROUGHT INTO PORT. THE ARMS SAID TO HAVE BEEN ON BOARD HER HAVE MYSTERIOUSLY DISAPPEARED. WASHINGTON, May 9.—It was not apparent this morning that the navy department was exercising itself greatly to recapture the Chilian steamer Itata. Secretary Tracy left the city early this morning in company with Commodore Polzler, to inspect officially the new ordnance-proving ground at Indian Head, about forty miles down the Potomac, without leaving any trace of an order relating to the matter. If there is any serious disposition on the part of the navy department to send the Charleston in chase of the Itata it would appear to have abandoned, but there is reason to believe there is some hope entertained by the government officials that the Itata did not start at full speed for Chile.

"SHE IS CAPTURED." LOS ANGELES, May 9.—The schooner "Robert and Minnie" was captured this afternoon about three miles from San Pedro by deputy Marshal Anderson on board the tug Falcon. She made no resistance and was towed into San Pedro harbor and tied up to the wharf. The arms said to have been on board her had disappeared, and it is believed they have been transferred to the steamer Itata.

"A Long Fight." FORT WADSWORTH, Ind., May 9.—The much advertised fight between George Siddons and Tommy White took place in this city this evening. It was declared a draw at the end of the 40th round. Siddons injured his hand in the 48th round and his left eye was closed. White's upper lip is badly swollen and he was weak.

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A SWEEPING FIRE.

Whole Counties a Solid Mass of Blaze. IN THE PATH OF THE BLAZE. Fears Are Entertained That More Towns Will Be Burned—An Extraordinary Loss of Property.

Detroit, May 9.—A fire is raging in the upper central counties of the peninsula to-day, the like of which was never known. The line of flames reaches almost without break, from Missou county on Lake Huron, and the forests of Lake Oscoda, Clare, Gladwin, Ogemaw and Alcona are all a blaze. Another fire of scarcely less magnitude exists in the upper peninsula. The incline of the Duluth, South Shore & Atlantic railroad, through Marquette, Houghton, Baraga and Ontonagon counties, is in the path of the flames. Two railroad bridges are already gone, and the telegraph lines are in a bad shape. Fears are entertained that the fires will reach some of the towns. Last night the flames swept into Oscoda and burned \$300,000 worth of property. Great apprehension is felt at Alpena. An appeal for help has been sent to Alpena. It is feared that the city will be swept away if the wind shifts.

"THE PRECIOUS METAL." THE UNITED STATES HAS MORE GOLD THAN ANY OTHER COUNTRY. WASHINGTON, May 9.—Director of the Mint Leach has been watching the flow of gold from this country to Europe, but sees nothing in the United States that is worth a mention. Within a few weeks Germany has drawn on us for \$3,950,000 in gold bars and \$9,528,000 in coin. France has called for \$6,100,000 at the ruling rate of exchange. According to Leach it is unnecessary to look further for causes of gold shipments. The United States, he says, has more gold than any other country on hand at this time.

"New York Lumber Boycott." NEW YORK, May 9.—In view of the fact that a boycott was declared against one of the lumber dealers of this city by the labor union because his men refused to go out when the recent strike went into effect, the united lumber trade of New York, Brooklyn, Jersey City and Atlantic City has determined not to deliver any lumber to any building in New York City after Saturday, May 9 until the boycott is raised. About 100,000 men are affected.

"Destitute Strikers in Europe." LONDON, May 9.—A dispatch from Berlin says that there is a serious break among the striking miners of Westphalia, and that many are willing to go back on the owners' terms. The destitution in the Dortmund district is most touching, and contributions are being taken up among all classes to prevent actual starvation among the strikers' families. The owners are not willing to employ isolated seceders, but wish all the strikers to come back at once.

"Is She Going to Chile." SAN DIEGO, May 9.—The United States man of war Omaha steamed out of the harbor to-day and stood out to sea in a south-easterly direction.

"New and complete stock of spectacles and eye glasses just received at F. M. French's. Every pair fitted by Johnston's Patent eye-meter, every pair fairly warranted to fit. We are the people! Who carry the most complete line of hardware, stoves and ranges in the valley, Matthews & Washburn. Call early and secure the best patronages to order at cost. Zaches, the tailor, opposite post-office."

