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A ROMANCE OF THE SEA.

The records of our law courts are full of strange incidents, and the history of insurance has contributed very liberally to them; but no stranger story has ever been told than that which has cropped up now and again with reference to the adventures of the *Ferret*. This was a screw steamer which belonged to the Highland railway company, and was chartered for a short cruise by an individual named Henderson. She left Greenock on a short trip, and went straight for Cardiff, whence she proceeded to the Mediterranean without any reference to the will and pleasure of her proper owners. After passing through the straits of Gibraltar, she suddenly changed her appearance. Her cream-colored funnel assumed a black hue, the color of her boats was changed, her name was altered from the *Ferret* to the *Douton*, and each of the crew had a slip of paper handed to him with a name and history upon it. Every seaman was ordered to assume this name and this history, so as to be thoroughly acquainted with it, under penalty of having his brains blown out. The ship's papers were altered, and at Santos, in Brazil, where she next appeared, she took in a cargo of 400 tons of coffee, and started for Genoa. She then eccentrically changed her course and turned up at the Cape of Good Hope under a new title, namely, the *India*, and with the supposititious character of having cleared from Guayra, in Brazil. This marvellous vessel now suddenly appears at Melbourne, where the cargo is sold for about £10,000, and it is with the view of getting hold of some, at least, of this money that sundry actions have recently been brought by the owners and consignees of the cargo and ship as well as by the insurers, who paid upon a total loss, the *Ferret*, of course, being missing.

Mr. Henderson seems to have cleared about £2,000 worth by the transaction in cash, but the remaining £8,000 were paid into the bank to meet the sundry bills which were also handed to him in part payment for the sale of the cargo of the *Ferret* alias the *Douton*, and more recently known as the *India*. It was to attach this sum of £8,000 that actions have been brought by the insurance companies and the owners, and as regards £4,000 of the amount they have been successful. The balance is held over to ascertain whether the bills against which this money was deposited are held by owners for bona fide value or not. The disposition of the money is, however, but a prosaic proceeding compared with the marvellous and kaleidoscopic changes of this vessel. It is almost incredible, that in an age when the electric telegraph practically unites all parts of the world, a ship can enter any port in the world with false papers. A vessel which arrives, say, from Rio Janeiro, must presume to have left that place, and it is somewhat surprising that the various lists did not supply purchasers of cargo of the *India* with the information that no such vessel of that name had left the port of La Guayra in Brazil. It is not improbable, however, that the mere audacity of the proceeding disarmed suspicion. Here was a ship with a valuable cargo on board, and with her papers apparently in order, the captain of which was prepared to hand over the said cargo to any bona fide purchaser. Hence, the contents of the good ship *India* were promptly sold, and the money paid over with equal promptitude to Mr. Henderson. It is some satisfaction to learn that this talented gentleman, with two accomplices, is now undergoing penal servitude in Melbourne. The Highland Railroad company will probably be more careful in the future as to whom it lends its steam packets on hire for pleasure trips. The *Flying Dutchman* of ancient days was

but a bungler as compared with the modern *Ferret*, which belonged to that most prosaic of all undertakings—a railway company.

Governor Newell returned from a tour through the Pacific coast country. He states that many new comers are settling on new land in Pacific and Chehalis counties, on the river bottoms and on Shoalwater Bay and Gray's Harbor flats, and are very much encouraged with the prospects. Oysters of superior quality are becoming abundant in Shoalwater Bay. Commerce is largely on the increase on the Chehalis river in lumber and general merchandise. Montesano is flourishing, new buildings are being constantly erected, but restrained for want of mechanics and lumber. Elma is very prosperous. Fourteen new buildings are under contract, in addition to as many more recently completed. The new saw mill of Mr. Goodell runs with relays of hands eighteen hours a day without intermission, with more orders than he can fill ahead. All people look anxiously for railroad connection between the Harbor and the Sound.—*Transcript*.

When Rev. P. S. Knight was looking over some of his old papers, he ran across the first *Oregon Statesman* ever printed. It was dated and postmarked Oregon City, O. T., March 28 1851. It was published weekly at \$7 a year by Asahel Bush, with the motto "No favor sways us, no fear shall awe." Rev. Knight also found among his papers a proclamation of Governor Geo. L. Curry to increase the army in the field by three companies of mounted volunteers expressly for service in Southern Oregon. This proclamation was signed and sealed on the 11th day of March, 1856.—*Statesman*.

Detroit is amused by the decision of a Justice respecting the meaning of a statute which declares that all saloons shall be closed on Sunday, and that "the word 'closed' shall be construed to apply to the back door as well as to the front door." The Justice ruled that if the door was closed, even if unlocked, then the letter and spirit of the statute were unbroken. Thus, if an officer were forced to turn the knob and use a little exertion in opening the door, the dealer was on the safe side of the law.

"How delightful the country air is this morning," remarked Miss Fitzjoy, as she stepped to the threshold and looked toward the rising sun. "I should like to live here always." "Well, I guess Josh won't object," said farmer Robinson, with a sly wink. And then Josh scud around the corner of the house and began yelling at the cows, and Miss Fitzjoy started inside to take down her crimps so as to look as pretty as possible by breakfast time.

The New York *Sun* has invented a new war cry, viz: "Turn the rascals out." The *Commercial Advertiser* moves to amend by naming the rascals who are to be turned out, and also the patriots who are to be put into their places. Mr. Dana's paper has not yet complied, and probably thinks that to do so would take all the snap out of the thing.

"Mine is a remarkable case," says Postmaster J. E. Bonsall of Liverpool, Pa. "At 15 years of age, I was seized with a fearful attack of rheumatism which lasted for twenty-five weeks, resisted medical treatment until my physician said I would never get well, and finally left me with my system liable to frequent recurring attacks. In the winter of 1879-80, I was so used up with rheumatism that I could scarcely walk from my house to my office. When I was worst, I happened to hear of that wonderful substance St. Jacobs Oil. I obtained a supply, used the article as directed, and was entirely cured. Its action in my case was almost miraculous, as I am now perfectly free from rheumatism after being afflicted with it for thirty-four years."

The Fires.

In a conversation with one of the largest loggers on the Sound, the *Transcript* is considerably enlightened in regard to the true inwardness of forest fires. It is a common thing for farmers to set fires in the most reckless manner, ostensibly for legitimate land clearing. It has been ascertained that some of the most mischievous fires this season, involving the destruction of property which can only be estimated by thousands of dollars, have spread from insignificant fires kindled by ranchmen for the purpose of clearing a potato patch, measuring a few square rods, to rid themselves of a troublesome brush-heap, or to reduce a small slashing, the whole value of which, many times duplicated, would not pay a tenth part of the loss incurred by some adjoining logging camp into which such fires had carelessly been suffered to run. There is a law imposing a severe penalty for willfully or carelessly setting fires in the woods during the dry season. It is a poor comfort, however, after a farmer's crops or a logger's timber have been destroyed to the amount of a year's earnings, to find that the dire conflagration started from the log-heap of some rancher, who owns nothing but a cabin and a pair of blankets, or perhaps from the camp fire of an irresponsible tramp.

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O. F. Day, plaintiff, vs. Jane S. Day, defendant.

To the above named non-resident defendant, Jane S. Day, in the name of the State of Oregon you are required to appear and answer the complaint of the above named plaintiff filed against you in the above entitled court and suit on or before the first day of the next term of said court, which is on the 7th day of August, 1883, and if you fail so to appear and answer said complaint the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief therein prayed for, which in substance is, a decree dissolving the bonds of matrimony heretofore and now existing between plaintiff and defendant and that the care and custody of the minor child be awarded to plaintiff. This summons is published by virtue of an order made by His Honor A. S. Bennett, Judge of said court at chambers, on the 12th day of June, 1883.

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