### City and County **Brief News Items**

Mrs. William Daisley spent Wednesday at Lostine.

First class shine at Calvin's bar-

J. H. Manley and family left Friday morning for Couer d'Alene, Ida., to spend the winter.

John L. Hammack returned to his home near Lostine, Wednesday, after other Eastern points a short business trip here.

of Wm. Miller of La Grande, brother of A. C. Miller of this city.

John Pratt and sister, Miss Grace, left Wednesday for Portland where he will receive medical treatment.

George Wachtel, Mnotype operator in this office, went to Pendleton Friday to spend Christmas with home

Burnaugh & Mayfield and the Enter prise Creamery are among the firms giving their customers handsome cal-

John S. Hodgin, referee in bankruptcy, who had been here on the Rankin matter, returned to LaGrande Monday.

The Women's Union Missionary Society has been postponed indefinitoly. Time and place of meeting announced later. The E. M. & M. company present-

ed their patrons with thermometers this year, a departure gladly welcomed by them.

Don't forget Jackson & Weaver's, the ideal gift store, when looking for suitable Xmas gifts. Read their Adv. in this paper.

Mrs. John Bowman returned home to Lostine Wednesday. She had been here with her husband, who had business in the referee's court.

S. V. Cray left Friday for Philomath, Oregon, where his wife is staying for the benefit of her health. He expects to be gone about a month

Orville D. Shirley and Calvin Mahaffey of this city filed homestead applications in the land office at La Grande, Monday, according to the

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Fred S. Ashley is distributing the newest thing in matchboxes, one that takes the cardboard box the match es come in, matches and all with out unloading.

W. D. Hiltsley of Snoke river came to Enterprise Tuesday to meet Mrs. Hiltsley who returned Wednesday from a long visit in Chicago and

Mrs. J. F. Johnson of Wallowa A son was born Monday to the wife and Miss Edith Schultz of Lostine, returned home, Wednesday, They had been guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles McAlister, and the wonderful baby down there.

You can't afford to let your children or yourself miss the joys of indstmas when it costs oo little at the Fair store to make them and yourself happy.

Enterprise Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, elected the following officers: High Priest, Daniel Boyd: king, C. E. Funk; scribe, W. C. Boatman; captain of host, C. H. Zurcher; principal sojourner, J. A. Burkelgh; royal arch captain, W. T. Bell; secretary, C. G. Billyeu; treasurer, W. R.

Worse than an siarm of fire at night is the metallic cough of croup, bringing dread to the household, Care ful mothers keep Foley's Honey and Tar in the house and give it at the first sign of danger. Accept no substitues. Burnaugh & Mayfield.

Aaron Olmsted's class of boys in ie Presbyterian Sunday school gave pleasant surprise for a fellow momer, Robert Steel, Salurday evening. The boys invited the girls of iza Amy Olmsted's class making merry party at Robert's home. Dalkcious refreshments were served, games enjoyed and a good time genarally resulted.

Mr, and Mrs. C. O. McReynolds and baby left Wednesday for La Grande and after a brief visit there will go on to Woodstock, near Portland, where Mrs. McReynolds and child will spend the winter, Mr. McReynolds will go on to Lakeport, the new seacoast town in Curry county where several local people have investmnts.

# LOUIS TRACY

Author of the "Pillar of Light," "The Wings of the Morning" and "The Captain of the

Kansas."

Copyright, 1909. by Edward J. Clode Synopsis of Previous Chapters.

CHAPTER I-Overhearing a conspl acy between her uncle and the capain of his ship to sink the vessel and collect insurance, Iris Yorke secretes herself aboard the Andromeda just before it sails for southern seas. Her uncle, who is her guardian and has commanded her to wed old Dicky Bulmer, thinks she has run away to avoid the distasterul marriage. II-Philip Hozier, young and hadnsome second officer of the Andromeda, disovers Miss Yorke aboard, III-Iris tells Hozier of the plot to sink the essel, and he keeps watch on Capain Coke. Mysterious defect in the steering gear discovered, causing the ship to veer from her course. Coke treats the matter lightly. IV-While putting into a harbor at an unknown island the Andromeda suddenly is shelled by a mysterious foe on shore. V - Shots wreck ship. Hozier is wounded and his life saved by Iris.

CHAPTER X. (Continued.)

He glanced at Iris. Vanity being his first consideration, it is probable that he would have refused to be made ridiculous in her eyes had not a knock on the door galvanized him into a fever of fright. He sprang up and glared wildly around for some means of eluding the threatened scrutiny of a search party. Luisa Gomez flung him a rough skirt and a shawl. He huddled into a corner near the bed and draped the two garments over his

Then the woman unbarred the door. A man staggered in. He was alone. and a swirl of wind and rain caused the lamp to flicker so madly that no til the door was closed again.

But Iris knew him. Though her eyes were dim with tears, though the newcomer carried a broken gun in his hands and his face was blood stained,

With a shrick that dismayed the other women, who could not guess that joy is more boisterous than sorrow, she leaped up and threw her arms around him.

"Oh, Philip, Philip!" she sobbed. "He told me you were dead, and I be-

Heved him!" The manner of her greeting was delightful to one who had faced death for her sake many times during the past hour, yet Hozier was so surprised by its warmth that he could find never a word at the moment. But he had the good sense to throw aside the shat-

tered rifle and return her embrace with interest. When they parted in that same squalld hut at midnight he took with him the intexication of her kiss. Yet he scarce brought himself to believe that the night's happenings were real or that they two would ever meet again on earth. And now here was Iris quivering against his breast. He could feel the beating of her heart. The perfume of her hair was as incense in his nostrils. She was clinging to him as if they had loved

through all eternity. San Benavides supplied a timely tonic.

Throwing aside the rags which covered him, he tried to rise. Philip caught a glimpse of the uniform, the sheen of the naked sword. He was about to tear himself from Iris' clasp and spring at this new enemy when

the Brazillan spoke.
"Mil dlabos!" he cried in a rage. "This cursed Inglez still lives, and here am I posing before him like an old

His voice alone saved him from being pinned to the floor by a man who had adopted no light measures with others of his countrymen during the past half hour, as the dented gun barrel minus its stock well showed. But the captain's mortified fury helped to restore Philip's sanity. Lifting Iris' glowing face to his own, he whispered: "Tell me, sweetheart, how comes it

that our Brazilian friend is here?" "He ran away when some shots were fired," which was rather unfair of Iris. "He said the launch had been

sunk by a man-of-war"-"But he is wrong. I saw no manof-war. We captured the launch. By this time she is well out at sea. Unfortunately Marcel was killed and Domingo badiy wounded. There was no one to come for you, so I jumped overboard and swam ashore. I had to fight my way here, and it will soon be known that there are some of us left on the Island. I thought that perhaps I might take you back to the Grandpere cavern. These people may give us food. I have some few sovereigns in my pocket."

"Oh, yes, yes!" She was excited now and radiantly happy. "Of course



Captain San Benaviges must accompany us. He says the soldiers will shoot him if they capture him. I, too, have money. Let me ask him to ex-plain matters to this dear woman and her daughter. They have been more than kind to me already."

She turned to the sulky San Bena vides and told him what Hozier had suggested. He brightened at that and begau a voluble speech to Luisa Gomez. Interrupting himself, he inquired in French how Hozier proposed to reach the rock.

"On a catamaran. There are two on the beach, and I can handle one of them all right," said Philip. what is this yarn of a warship? When last I sighted the launch she was standing out of the harbor, and the first clouds of the storm helped to screen her from the citadel."

Iris interpreted. San Benavides re peated his story of the rockets. In her present tumult the girl forgot the touch of realism with regard to the firing that he had heard. Certainly there was a good deal of promiscuous rifle shooting after the departure of the launch, but warships use cannon to enforce their demands, and the boom of a big gun had not woke the echoes of Fernando Noronha that night. Philip deemed the present no time for argument. He despised San Benavides and gave no credence to him. Just now the Brazilian was an evil that must be endured.

Luisa Gomez promised to help in every possible way. Her eyes sparkled at the sight of gold, but the poor woman would have assisted them out of sheer pity. Nevertheless the gift of a couple of sovereigns, backed by the promise of many more if her husband devoted himself to their service, spurred her to a frenzy of activity.

There was not a moment to be lost. The squall had spent itself, and a peep through the chinks of the door showed that the moon would quickly be in evidence again. It was essential that they should cross the channel while the scattering clouds still dimmed her brightness, so Manoela and her mother collected such store of food and milk and water as they could lay hands on. Well laden, all five hastened to the creek, and Hozier, Iris and San Benavides boarded the larger of the two

When the catamaran rounded the ast outlying crag and they were all straining their eyes to find the sentinel pillars they became aware that a small boat was being pulled cautiously toward them from the opposite side

of the rock. Iris gasped. She heard Hozier mutter under his breath, while San Benavides revealed his dismay by an oath and a convulsive tightening of the hands that rested on the girl's shoul-

Hozier strove with a few desperate strokes of the paddle to reach the shadows of the passage before the catamaran was seen by the boat's occupants. He might have succeeded. But there was even a greater probability that the unwieldy catamaran might be caught by the swell and dashed sidelong against one of the half submerged rocks that thrust their black fangs above the water.

Happily they were spared either alternative. At the very instant that \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* their lot must be put to the test of chance Coke's hoarse accents came to their incredulous ears.

"Let her go, Olsen," he was growl-"We've a clear course now, an' that infernal moon will spile everything if we're spotted."

In this instance hearing was believing, and Philip was the first to guess what had actually occurred. "Boat ahoy, skipper!" he sang out in

a joyous hail. Coke stood up. He glared hard at the reef. "Did ye 'ear it?" he cried to De

Sylva. "Sink me, I 'ope I ain't a-copyin' pore ole Watts, but if that wasn't Hozier's voice I'm goin' dotty." "It's all right, skipper," said Philip,

sending the catamaran ahead with a mighty sweep. "Miss Yorke is here-Captain San Benavides too. I was sure you would look for us if you cleared the harbor safely."

Then Coke proclaimed his sentiments in the approved ritual of the high seas, while the big Norseman at the oars swung the boat's head round until both craft were traveling in company to the waiting launch. Before anything in the nature of an explanation was forthcoming from the occupants of either the boat or the catamaran a broad beam of white light swept over the crest of the island from north to south. It disappeared to return more slowly until it rested on Rat island, at the extreme northwest of the group. It remained steady there, showing a wild panorama of rocky heights and tumbling sea.

"A searchlight!" growled Coke,

"Then there really was a warship!"

murmured Iris. "Ha!" said San Benavides, and his tone was almost gratified, for he had gathered that Hozier was skeptical when told of the rockets. But in that respect at least he was not mistaken. A man-of-war had entered the roadstead, and her powerful lamp was now scouring sea and coast for the miss-



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ing launch. And in that moment of fresh peril it was forgotten by all but one of the men who had survived so many dangers since the sun last gilded the peak of Fernando Noronha that were it not for Iris having been left behind and Philip's mad plunge overboard to go to her and the point blank refusal of the Andromeda's captain and crew to put to sea without an effort to save the pair of them the launch would not now be hidden behind the black mass of the Grand-pere

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