

The Sandman Story

by Martha Martin

WITCH-HAZEL FLOWERS

"IN THE fall of the year," said the Sandman, "there are yellow flowers to be seen on bushes which have large and thick leaves.

"These flowers are alongside of the twigs of these bushes and they are known as the Witch-Hazel flowers.

"There are some that flower in the spring but the ones of which I'm speaking flower in the fall.

"Miss Witch-Hazel Bush was dressed up in her very best, and very, very proud was she.

"I'm going to have an exciting time next summer," she said.

"Instead of wearing a flower dress I shall think only of fruit and I will

recognize me—which means that I hope you will always be able to know who I am when my leaves are falling.

"My leaves are broad and have straight veins. My leaves and bark go to make up my namesake in the medicine chest.

"Yes, you've all heard of witch-hazel. Well, witch-hazel got its name from our family, for we make witch-hazel.

"We're not the kind either that creatures turn up their noses at as they do at old castor oil and some of those disagreeable things.

"We're not to be swallowed. No indeed. That's where we are so nice.

"We don't go about with that manner which castor oil has as though to say:

"'You'll be sick if you don't take us. Maybe we'll make you sick for a while, but in the end we will make you well.'

"We don't make anyone sick first. No, we're not like that. As I said, we don't want to be swallowed—I mean my Medicine Closet relative doesn't want to be swallowed.

"Witch-hazel was never supposed to be swallowed. No, it can be used for burns and sprains and all kinds of sore places. But it is never to be swallowed. Never, never.

"We help gentlemen after shaving—they can put our Medicine Closet Cousin over their faces and so keep their faces from feeling rough.

"Oh, we're very useful. Homes, in my opinion, aren't homes without us.

"We help headaches. We don't do people any harm either the way some horrid medicines will do.

"No, we're cool and pleasant when some of the drops of the Witch-Hazel family are put upon a big handkerchief and then put upon the aching head.

"No horrible swallowing of us! We're to be used outside and not taken inside!

"So," said the Sandman, "you may see Witch-Hazel shrubs some day and you will know that it is from the witch-hazel plants that witch-hazel comes and that Miss Witch-Hazel is going to shoot forth seeds from her fruit pods this summer. And, too, that she is already looking forward to that day!"



"Yes, You've All Heard of Witch-Hazel."

shoot forth seeds as my fruit pods burst and in this way more witch-hazel shrubs will be able to grow up.

"I really live for that wonderful time when I can shoot forth these seeds. I shoot them some distance. It is most exciting.

"I hope you will always be able to

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THE WHY OF SUPERSTITIONS

By H. IRVING KING

GOATS AND HEALTH

A SUPERSTITION fairly common in this country and practically universal in England as well as in certain continental countries of Europe, is that, if one keeps other animals, it is a good thing to have a goat or two around also. The goats keep the other animals healthy.

This is in accordance with the character assigned the goat as a bearer of the afflictions and sins of others from time immemorial. Witness the scapegoat of the Jews. Among the early races of India goats were sacrificed by the thousand at certain festivals as offerings to the deities of the lower cult and the goat as a substitute for the human sacrifice of a boy was offered to Dionysus, the wine-god, by the Greeks. In being thus sacrificed it will be seen the goat played his characteristic part, a part well expressed by a modern slang phrase voicing an old idea. When anyone is made to bear the blame for the derelictions of others we say, "He is the goat," or "It seems I am the goat."

So we can see why it is well to have a goat or two about the place to take upon themselves the diseases which otherwise might be attached to the other domestic animals and to absorb our bad luck. And the goat is especially dedicated to "being the goat" for animals from the fact that he is sacred to the great god Pan, the god of the fields and farms and of the flocks and herds. In fact Pan was represented in Greek art as having the upper part of his body like that of an elderly man while the lower part was like the hind quarters of a goat.

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"A hick town," says Sophisticated Sophie, "is a place where the only charge they know about is the undertaker's."

For Meditation

By LEONARD A. BARRETT

HUMAN STORAGE BATTERIES

THE battery refused to turn the engine over. The wiring was found to be in first-class condition, all contacts were properly made, and yet the engine would not start. Of course not; the battery had run down. One thing about an electric storage battery—you can get out of it only what you put into it.

Some persons start the venture in life with the idea that all depends upon luck and chance. If one succeeds in life's undertakings it is because favorable circumstances created opportunities. Failure is due to the absence of a chance; and that chance is a matter of sheer luck.

Those who have succeeded in life know the folly of this argument. Their experience has taught them that opportunities are not created for people so much as people create their own opportunities. The man who sits down and waits for something to turn up soon finds failure staring him in the face.

The person who succeeds in life is the one who is prepared to seize the opportunity after he creates it. Many persons have splendid chances but they lack the ability to take advantage of them. The successful man is the ready man, ready with the necessary materials at his hand.

Fifteen minutes of time have decided the fate of many an adventurer. Opportunities come on the wing. In the flash of the moment, sometimes only after a long period of time spent in creating them. He is a wise man who is able to recognize an opportunity even after he has succeeded in creating it.

Whatever is worth having in this world costs something. The most expensive price one can pay for life's success lies not in creating an opportunity but in preparation for it. There is no short cut to the shining goal of success. This preparation consists not only in becoming conversant with the principles of our chosen profession and how to apply them, but in making human contacts. In order to succeed with people we must first know them. Much time is given to the study of arts and sciences, but too little to the study of personality or which some call the human soul. This is a basic value, for upon it everything else depends. We get out of life no more than we put into it.

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Temporary
He—When you promised to obey at the altar you waived certain rights.
She—Yes, but it wasn't a permanent waive.



Natalie Kingston

The large hat has unusual possibilities in the wardrobe. Trimmings appear to impart a more feminine touch to the hats. Flowers and feathers frequently soften rather trim outlines. Side treatments are much used while in some cases the trimming appears at the back at the nape of the neck.

Natalie Kingston, the "movie" actress, whose rather large hats introduce this type into favor, wears several charming models in the film, "Diamonds in the Rough."

How It Started

By JEAN NEWTON

CAPTAIN KIDD

WHETHER it is through a grown-up who attends a masque as Captain Kidd, a small boy exhibiting his prowess with a toy sword and calling himself "Captain Kidd" or one of those periodic revivals of the legend of Captain Kidd's buried treasure, we are never without some reminder of this character who has come down to us not only in legend and tradition and fiction, but in history.

For Captain Kidd, though a highly colored and romantic figure, is no fictitious character out of a fable or old play, as many people who are unfamiliar with his origin may imagine. The authentic ancestor of the modern masquerading Captain Kidd was William Kidd, a British navigator who lived from 1650 to 1701. He was a well-known trader out of the colony of New York and during the war between England and France became famous for his bravery and his skill as a seaman.

In 1695 Captain Kidd received commissions from the king to capture pirates, and when, after sailing forth in his famous galley, the Adventure, he did not return with ships, it was rumored that he himself had turned pirate and was roving the seas with his stolen treasure. Learning of this, he sailed boldly into Boston harbor and delivered to the governor a great hoard of treasure which he had captured. Nevertheless he was arrested, and history tells us, unjustly tried and hanged in London on May 23, 1701.

After Captain Kidd's death it was rumored about that he and his crew had buried immense treasure along the coast of the United States. A part of the booty of the ship Quedah was actually found secreted off Gardner's island, off Montauk Point, Long Island.

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Do You Know That:???

"EUREKA," meaning "I have found it out," is an exclamation attributed to Archimedes, the Syracuse philosopher, upon discovering a method of determining the purity of the gold in King Hiero's crown.

The story is that Hiero delivered a certain weight of gold to a workman to be made into a votive crown, but suspecting that the workman had alloyed the gold with an inferior metal, asked Archimedes to test the crown. The philosopher went to bathe and in stepping into the bath, which was quite full, noticed that some of the water ran over. It immediately struck him that a body must remove its own bulk of water when immersed. When the idea flashed across his mind, the philosopher jumped out of the bath exclaiming, "Eureka, Eureka," and then ran home to try his experiment on the crown. He reasoned, silver is lighter than gold, therefore a pound-weight of silver will be more bulky than a pound-weight of gold, and being of greater bulk will remove more water.

Hence "Eureka" signifies an expression of triumph concerning a discovery. It is also the motto of the state of California.—Anna S. Turnquist. (© 1927, by Western Newspaper Union.)



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FAMOUS MINING STRIKES

By THOMAS E. STEWARD

Search for New Mining Methods

THE government's study of the Mesabi Iron district ends with 1902 and gives the shipments in that year as 13,320,933 tons of ore. Seemingly the author considered this a tremendous figure, perhaps one that would not easily be surpassed. Yet in the years of the World War Minnesota shipped as high as 45,000,000 tons of ore in one year, and duplicated that record in 1923. The iron ranges of the entire Lake Superior district, including Wisconsin and Michigan, have shipped an aggregate of 67,000,000 tons in a single year.

This is the increase of a mining industry that began in 1802 with the modest shipment of 4,245 tons from the Mesabi range, jumped to 4,275,000 tons in 1907, to 7,800,000 tons in 1900, and, as has been pointed out, to 13,320,000 in 1902, 10 years after its opening.

Notwithstanding the immense amounts of ore that have been taken from the iron mines of Minnesota, hundreds of millions of tons of high-grade ore remain.

Estimates look forward to the exhaustion of the high-grade ore supply in something like 30 years.

Meanwhile the mines experiment station at the University of Minnesota is bending all of its energies to the task of finding methods for "beneficiating" low-grade ores so that they may profitably be shipped. One method has been developed that makes it perfectly possible to use the rocklike "magnetite" ores of the eastern range, but the method is expensive and can be used only in years when the price of ore is so high that these mines can be operated at a profit. The state of Minnesota is now appropriating something like \$20,000 a year for use in experiments looking to the separation of iron from low-grade ores by a roasting or "metallizing" process that could be carried on near the spot where the ore was mined. This will be important if it is developed because most of the smelters using this ore are far away, at Chicago, Gary, Cleveland, Toledo, or elsewhere. Cost of transporting the ore is great. The rich ores, some of them containing from 60 to 65 per cent in actual iron, can always be shipped, but from 45 per cent iron on down to 25 per cent iron, the ores are so lean that the shipper is paying an inordinate amount of freight on mere waste material that must be thrown away at the other end.

If the Minnesota School of Mines experiment station succeeds in accomplishing the method of "metallizing" it will add millions of dollars to the wealth that state will derive from taxes and with indefinitely prolong Minnesota's mining industry. Estimates place the supply of low-grade ores on the iron range at many billions of tons.

Spanish Strike in Arizona

THE region now known as the State of Arizona was a remote mountain area in the northern section of Spain's American possessions back in the Eighteenth century. As early as 1690 Spain had sent expeditions into the districts now known as California, New Mexico and Arizona, and some gold and silver had been found. In 1738 a remarkable deposit of silver nuggets was discovered in Arizona, but it was exhausted in three years.

The celebrated and rich silver strike in the Santa Rita mountains of Arizona, made in the year 1760, has been described in an old Spanish work entitled "Apostolic Labours of the Society of Jesus." It says:

"In the year 1760 a region of virgin silver was discovered on the frontier of the Apaches, a tribe exceedingly warlike and brave, at the place called Arizona.

"News of such surprising wealth attracted a vast multitude to the spot. At a depth of a few yards masses of fine silver of a globular form and 25 to 50 pounds in weight were found, and one lump, discovered by a government official, weighed 3,500 pounds. Many persons amassed huge fortunes, while others, equally diligent in the search, found nothing."

Under the pretense that he was acting for the safety of the treasure that had been discovered, the captain general of the district sent troops who escorted the silver train bearing this wealth to his own headquarters. When he had his hands on it he seized it in the name of the crown, claiming that it had been found on crown property. The discoverers had little liking for this procedure and appealed to the Mexican authorities at Guadalajara, but they were unwilling to take action and referred the whole matter to the royal court at Madrid. Seven years dragged by before an order came from the Spanish crown, and even then it dashed the hopes of the miners. The crown claimed the entire property and whatever it had produced.

This discouraging situation, together with repeated attacks by hostile Indians, finally put an end to mining in the Santa Rita mountains and no further important mining was done in Arizona until about 1879. Then came the silver strike at the town of Tombstone, so named, it is said, because of the frequent demand that arose for something to decorate a grave.

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Because She Took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound



The fertile valleys of Oregon help to supply the tables of America. This is possible through the magic of the humble tin can.

In one of the canning establishments, Julia Schmidt was employed. It was complicated work because she did sealing and other parts of the work. It was strenuous work and she was not a strong girl. Often she forced herself to work when she was hardly able to sit at her machine. At times she would have to stay at home for she was so weak she could hardly walk. For five years she was in this weakened condition.

She tried various medicines. At last, a friend of hers spoke of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and she gave it a trial.

"Everyone says I am a healthier and stronger girl," she writes. "I am recommending the Vegetable Compound to all my friends who tell me how they suffer and I am willing to answer letters from women asking about it." Julia Schmidt's address is 112 Willow St., Silverton, Oregon.

Girls who work in factories know just how Miss Schmidt felt. Perhaps they, too, will find better health by taking the Vegetable Compound.

Young Missionary

Mother—Stop! Didn't I tell you that it is very wrong to fight?
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ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE

Plagiarism

Ethel—But, papa, he says he cannot live without me.
Father—Tell him to think up a new one; I told that to your mother. —Boston Transcript.

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Professor Forgot All About Dinner Party

The absent-minded professor who, starting to dress for a formal dinner, thought he was getting ready for bed and was found there by his wife, has a rival for wool-gathering honors in a certain English dean. This dean had invited some friends to dine at his house, and on their arrival a little ahead of time he suggested that in the interval of waiting they might like to walk through the grounds.

After spending a quarter of an hour admiring the flowers, shrubs and greenhouses, they came suddenly upon a door in the wall. "Ah," said the dean to his astonished guests, "this will be a much nearer way home than going back to the front," and all unconscious of his invitation he opened the door and bowed them out.—Boston Transcript.

Both Johns Honored

When Mr. and Mrs. James Calamuss of Bristol, Conn., welcomed their first baby, the father decided that the child should be named John, after the father's older brother, who had been very kind to the family. In two years another boy arrived and Mrs. Calamuss said it was his turn. She, too, had a brother John, who had been a boon to her family. So the second boy also was named John.

For bloated feeling and dressed breathing due to indigestion you need a medicine as well as a purgative. Wright's Indian Vegetable Pills are both. Adv.

Still Falling

At school at Lankershim the other day, the teacher asked Buddy Cohen if he knew what a falling out meant. "Sure!" exclaimed Buddy, "we have one in our family right now!"

"Why, Buddy, you don't mean your father and mother are not getting along?"

"Sure they do! But daddy's getting bald!"

Roman Mosaic

The British museum is soon to receive a fine example of Roman mosaic pavement. In 1793 some laborers discovered it at Orkistow hall, on the River Humber, where it remained until the owner recently agreed to its removal. Composed of small colored cubes, it depicts various Roman scenes.

Mammoth Pail

A Keene (N. H.) concern has completed a pail for a preserve manufacturer. The pail holds more than a ton of jelly and will be displayed at an exhibit in Madison Square garden, New York. The pail, with cover, weighs 225 pounds.

Nobody

Simons—I had a real time at the dance last night.
Edwards—But you can't dance.
Simons—Well, did anybody?—Pathfinder.

Good Reason

Len—Yeah, Frank left his home for her.
Jim—Why?
Len—Oh, hers was a better one.

A Feminine Test

Grace—Why did you refuse him?
Gertie—Well, he said he'd die for me and I'm curious.

Sometimes, it may be, a plenty is got up for the pleasure of not inviting somebody.

Happiest people are those who go what they like and somebody decides to pay them for it.

After "Be It Resolved" always comes "Get out and work" if anything is to be accomplished.



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