The Big Dredger All Right

The government dredge Chinook d some good work in the lower harbor at Astoria recently and will in the future work daily there when it is impossible to work on the bar. 400 tons of sand were removed from the river opposite Smith's Point and taken across the river near Point Ellice and dumped in 18 feet of water. This was done in eight hours and the distance traveled during that time was 72 miles.

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Provoking.

"Yes, dear, he caught me in his arms"—

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—"and was just going to kiss me"—

"How awfully horrid!"

—"when ma came in the room."

"Oh, how provoking!"

A Little Glutton.

Papa—Tommy, you mustn't eat so much. Everybody will be calling you a little "glutton." Do you know what that is?

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AUGUST W. PETERSON.

of Lutsen, County of Cook, State of Minnesota, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 5681 for the purchase of the SW¼ of Section No. 20 in Township No. 25 South of Range No. 10 West, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the Register and Receiver of this office at Roseburg, Oregon, on Monday to 15th day of February, 1904.

He names as witnesses: J M Weatherby, Wm Felloes, Charles Thom, John Thom, all of Roseburg, Oregon.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 15th day of February, 1904.

12 5 J. T. Barnes, Register.

A RESCUE AT SEA

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The brig Foam, bound from Liverpool to the West Indies and having on board 250 English emigrants, had been for four days a drifting wreck when sighted by the Dolphin of Bremen. It so happened that an American man-of-war to which I belonged as an enlisted man put into that port for some slight repairs, and twelve of us deserted to go aboard of the Dolphin. It does not excuse our action to say that the captain brought this desertion about by the promise of high wages. He wanted a crew and did not care how the men came to him.

We had been twelve days out when we sighted the Foam as she lay wallowing in the trough of the sea, a complete wreck aloft. After a brief look at her through the glass the captain began cursing his ill luck. As a matter of fact, we had neither room, water nor provisions to spare, and the ship was loaded down to the mark with cargo, but when we heard our officers propose to pass the wreck without notice every man of the twelve was ready for mutiny. We demanded that communication be opened with the unfortunate people, and after a good deal of growling the Dolphin ran down to the wreck and sent a boat to her.

The report of the mate when he returned was to the effect that the people were on quarter allowance, with much sickness among the women and children, and that they desired to abandon the wreck and be taken aboard of the ship. We had spare spars aboard, and the captain offered to sell three or four sticks for about three times their value, the payment to be made in gold on delivery. The brig declined this "generous" offer, as the crew was satisfied that the shattered hulk could never be worked into port, even if fully provisioned besides.

Our captain was holding off, not wishing to take the unfortunates and yet afraid of us, when a squall came on, and he attempted to sail away. The whole crew, including the second mate, at once refused duty. The captain and first mate then declared their authority at end and went below, but we were not to be bluffed. The second mate was installed as captain, and two hours later all the people on the wreck had been transferred. It was in good time, too, as a gale came on that lasted for three days and must have sent the brig to the bottom.

We had mutinied and taken possession of the ship, but we felt that circumstances justified it. Neither insult nor harm was offered the two officers. They made many threats as to the punishment we should receive when the ship arrived in port, but we stood firm and kept clear of any further quarrels. Our craft had no accommodation whatever for passengers, and you can imagine the mess we were in when that crowd was taken aboard. The captain not only flatly refused to take charge of the navigation, but would have nothing whatever to do with the unfortunates. He could have sheltered many women and children in the cabin, but not even the sick ones were invited to make use of it. Everybody aboard had to be put on short allowance at once, and a shift was made whereby the women and children were at least sheltered.

After a general consultation it was decided to make for the Bermudas, and on the fourth day after taking the people off the wreck we sighted an American ship and secured from her a fair supply of water and a quantity of flour and biscuits. It was a run of seven days more to the islands, and during the last three days no adult had food enough to keep down the pangs of hunger. None of us believed that we could be punished for taking the ship out of the captain's hands to save human life, and I am sure we would not have been meddled with but for the presence of a British man-of-war in port. As soon as our captain could board the craft and report all of us were arrested and flung into prison to await the action of the law. I never found out just where they intended to send us for trial, but presume it was Bremen.

For some reason or other there was a long delay, and at length matters were complicated by our being claimed as deserters from an American man-of-war. The people whom we had saved were grateful enough, to be sure, but all others looked upon us as a lot of pirates who ought to have been hung as soon as captured. When we had been in jail five months we got word from an American who was pretty thoroughly posted on the case that we should soon be sent away for trial and that we might expect at least five years' imprisonment apiece.

This news decided us to make an attempt to break jail, and one night a week later, using tools which a guard had been bribed to pass in to us, we sawed away the bars of a window and gained our liberty. Proceeding to the harbor, we found an American vessel ready to sail, and before our escape was discovered we were miles at sea. Five of us afterward surrendered to the naval authorities as deserters and took our punishment, but what became of the others I do not know.

To save the lives of almost 300 fellow beings we were driven to mutiny on the high seas, and while it would seem to have been both a noble and heroic action, and one that we should have received credit for, nothing but misfortune and disgrace grew out of it. The contemptible action of our captain even found excusers though it was plain that had he had his way the wreck would have taken every soul to the bottom with her.

M. QUAD.

Ant Robbed by Lizard.

While walking along the road on the outskirts of Bordighera I noticed a strange looking insect moving across it in a peculiar way. On getting nearer I saw that what had attracted my notice was a black ant about an inch long with brown wings dragging a cricket bigger than itself. It held the cricket by the head, and as the ant moved backward it drew the cricket toward it. While doing so it entered the shadow cast by my umbrella and instantly released its hold and got out of the shadow; but, finding there was no danger, it returned and seized its prey again by the head and recommenced its backward movement. A low wall ran alongside the road, and when the ant got within six feet of it a common brown lizard appeared on the top of the wall and evidently soon caught sight of the ant, for it ran quickly down the wall and to within two feet of it, where it crouched for a second or two like a cat ready to spring and then charged the ant, apparently butting the cricket free with its head. Before the ant could regain its hold the lizard seized the cricket in its mouth and darted up the wall in the direction from which it originally appeared on the scene, leaving the ant running round and round, moving its wings in an agitated manner, vainly searching for its lost prey.—Nature.

The Judgment of Hall Caine.

Before the hand of fame dropped her laurels lightly on his brow, to speak poetically, Hall Caine was a publisher's reader and in that capacity held in his hands the fate of many a book. That his good judgment was not altogether infallible is shown by the fact that he read and, so it is said, rejected "The Romance of Two Worlds," which soon afterward was published and became the success of the year.

On one occasion a budding author managed to gain access to his office for the purpose of submitting a book to him.

Hall Caine took the manuscript from the man's hands and glanced over it for perhaps twenty minutes. Then he gave it back, with a few words of suggestion and criticism.

"I do not think, Mr. Caine," said the ambitious writer, "that you should dispose of my ideas in this summary fashion. That book cost me a year's labor."

"Indeed!" said Mr. Caine. "My dear fellow, an impartial judge would give you at least ten!"

The Sensation of Hunger.

The sensation of hunger has not been easy to explain. The new theory of a German physician is that it is due to emptiness of the blood vessels of the stomach, and it is pointed out that hunger is appeased with the rush of blood to the stomach following the taking of food and beginning of digestion. In many anæmic persons who have no appetite when the stomach is empty the blood vessels are really congested instead of being empty. Lack of blood in the stomach in health acts on a special nerve, which is a branch of the same nerve trunk as the nerves of the mouth and tongue. A stimulus applied to the tongue, as by a spice, thus increases appetite, while disease affecting the nerves of the tongue may produce loss of appetite even when the stomach is empty.

Whippers.

In the Press of New Zealand may be read this startling advertisement: "A father desires the services of a trustworthy lady to administer corporal punishment to his three girls. State salary, references and experience."

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Inviting a Repetition.

One Sunday a teacher was trying to illustrate to her small scholars the lesson, "Return good for evil." To make it practical she said, "Suppose, children, one of your schoolmates should strike you and the next day you should bring him an apple—that would be one way of returning good for evil." To her dismay, one little girl spoke up quickly, "Then he would strike you again to get another apple!"

A Wager Lost.

"She's a treacherous thing," asserted the girl in blue.

"How is that?" asked the girl in gray.

"Why, we fixed it up between us that she was to refuse him if he proposed, and then I made a bet with him that she would."

"Well?"

"Well, she didn't."—Chicago Post.

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