

SALEM BANKS.

FATE OF FORTUNES.

It Doesn't Take Long to Scatter Them in America.

There Are Not More Than Three Generations Between Shirt-Sleeves and Shirt-Sleeves - A Commercial Failure About Great Possessions.

Much apprehension is felt and often expressed concerning the concentration of enormous wealth in the hands of a few persons, the idea being that a sort of plutocracy will be established which will tend to destroy republican institutions in time and to subvert the liberties of the people.

The danger of a dynasty of plutocrats is rather imaginary than real. Large fortunes become scattered in much less time than might be imagined; or, to put it as it has been already expressed by an American writer, "there are not more than three generations between shirt-sleeves and shirt-sleeves."

This is reducing the case to the simplest possible terms, for it must be apparent that with a family of sons and daughters the acquired fortune will be dissipated even more speedily. Take a few figures by way of further illustration: One imaginary representative of the second generation dies young, let us say, \$2,000,000, but he leaves two sons and two daughters. His fortune is then divided into four equal parts, giving \$500,000 to each child.

America has presented thus far but two exceptions to this rule, in the families of the Astors and the Vanderbilts, and the time has not yet fully run with certainty that they are exceptions. But even if they prove to be they do not destroy the force of the proposition as a general truth.

Of course the absence of the law of primogeniture and of the law of entail makes his dissolution of fortune more probable in the United States than it would be where those laws prevail. In Great Britain landed estates descended from generation to generation because so strictly entailed that successive holders have what in reality is only a life interest in the land.

Again, there is a common fallacy about great fortunes which often leads to confusion. A man, Jay Gould, for example, is spoken of as being worth \$50,000,000 or \$75,000,000 and we picture him to ourselves as sitting in front of his strong box and counting on a mass of gold coin which he has withdrawn from circulation, and which he might throw into the sea if he pleased.

Blowing Bubbles.

A Solution from Which the Best Results Can Be Obtained.

Next to white Castile the mottled Castile gives the best results, says Thomas W. Chittenden in St. Nicholas. The soap being obtained, a friendly druggist must carefully weigh out sixty grams (for exactness in proportions is essential) for each ounce of water.

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AN OCEAN HEROINE.

She Conquered Mutiny on Shipboard and Saved Her Husband.

On the river Byram, a little stream which divides the States of Connecticut and New York, in the village of Fort Chester, in a pretty cottage, resides a little woman of unassuming manners, whose deed of heroism, says the New York Press will live as long as stories of the sea are read and deeds of prowess cited for the emulation of others.

January 3, 1888, a little after midnight, and on the ocean near St. Helena, was the good American ship Frank N. Thayer, commanded by Captain Robert K. Clark.

He fell to the floor beneath, where the Indians followed him and plunged their knives into his side, leaving him for dead. The carpenter, the lookout man and mate were killed. The balance of the crew were locked in or terrified, and the captain, his wife and daughter were left to the mercy of the infuriated Manila Indians.

The captain, faint from the loss of blood, was assisted to the cabin by his wife. One of the lungs of the officer was protruding. The brave woman, with a nerve as firm as adamant and with a calm as grand as that of the skilled physician, forced the vital parts back and sewed up the frightful wound. She then bandaged his face and head and set herself to the task of making their position safe by securing the windows to the cabin, arming herself, and placing the captain in a position to defend or assist in the defense of the cabin.

The precaution was taken just in time, for, during the vigil they had kept, but the captain's cabin, they determined to finish him. But he and the intrepid woman at his side repelled the mutineers, who had broken open the cabin window.

What words can describe the courage of the wife who stood with firm hand by her husband's side, ready to do or die, hearing meanwhile the tread of the Indians thrashing for his blood.

The skulking crew, by the courage of the wife and captain, were at last urged to action. One of the Indians jumped overboard. The other sought refuge in the hold, and when dislodged it was found that he had been struck by a ship's gun.

Then came tender heroism on the part of the wife. Tenderly the loved captain was placed in a boat, and after a long and tedious sail of seven hundred miles they reached the island of St. Helena, having been nine days adrift in a boat insufficiently provisioned with a man almost cut to pieces. But the brave woman was the master spirit of the shipwrecked, and to day she is pointed out as the brave wife of the equally brave Captain Robert K. Clark.

A CALMUCK'S YARN.

How Schamy's Scimitar Came Into the Possession of a Russian.

Here is a story told by an esteemed fellow-citizen to a New York Star reporter: "When I sat down to breakfast in Belmont's I noticed at the other side of the table a queer-looking, austere old man, who did not seem at ease in his suit of New York clothes. After a time I made a friendly approach to him by offering him a small courtesy at the table, accompanied by a few words. He did not understand English, but I found that he spoke French in a curious way. We struck up an acquaintance, and before our coffee pots were empty we were on confidential terms, which seemed to give him great pleasure. He was a stranger in New York, to which place he had just come, and did not know any body in the city.

"He grew so friendly that after breakfast he invited me to a room which he had taken the previous day. He there told me that he was a Calmuck in the Russian service, and that during a leave of absence he had come to New York, which he had been anxious to see. I noticed a pair of Turkish trousers hanging on the wall, and beside them a scimitar, the ultimate of peculiar form, and destitute of the regulation bit or handle. As I looked at it he said: 'Take it down, draw out the scimitar, and you'll find a thumb ring by which it can be used.' I did as he directed, found the ring spoken of, grasped the weapon and began to handle it.

"One day," he said, "forty years ago, when I was in the Caucasus under Voronoff, a cloud of Circassian cavalry under Schamy suddenly came upon us in a pass. A Circassian with a drawn scimitar galloped toward me, and I raised my sword to guard my head, but he cut it in twain with a single stroke as he would have cut a carrot. At that moment his brain was pierced by one of our Calmuck bullets, and I sprang from my horse to get his scimitar. Next morning Schamy sent a messenger to our camp to ask General Voronoff for the body of my brother, who had been killed in the previous day's fight, and he asked also for the scimitar, which, however, could not be found. That is it. It had been an heirloom in the family of Schamy, the Mohammedan prophet, was said to be seven hundred or eight hundred years old, and had probably been made in the Caucasus out of Damascus steel."

Irving's Sincerity.

Washington Irving was good-natured and delighted to do little deeds of kindness; but he was also a sincere man and would not pay even conventional compliments unless they were merited. Once, while in London, he and a literary friend were invited by a merchant to drive to his country house and spend a day or two there. The carriage stopped at the gate of the merchant's park. The host awaited, and asked his guests if they would walk through the grounds to the house. The friend started to get out, but Irving held him down by the coat, and they both drove on to the house; the merchant followed on foot. "I make it a principle," said Irving, when they were out of hearing, "never to walk with a man through his own grounds. I have no idea of praising a thing whether I like it or not. You and I will do that to-morrow by ourselves."

How to Expel Mosquitoes.

Those living in a locality in which mosquitoes are troublesome may make trial of the following recipe for expelling these pests from the house: Take a piece of gun camphor, in size about the third of a hen's egg, and slowly evaporate it by holding it in a shovel or tin vessel over a lamp, taking care that it does not ignite. The smoke will soon fill the room and expel the mosquitoes, and it is said they will not return even though the windows should be left open all night.

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