

LIFE ON THE OCEAN

Fine Description by Salem Young Man Who Is in Australia

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Mason have received a letter from their son Clyde, who is on an American ship. The letter was mailed from Newcastle, New South Wales and is as follows:

Dear mother, "dad" and all—"We were delayed so long waiting for coal that a second mail has arrived and with it your letter of the second of June. We expect to clear before the 25th of July and with an average passage arrive in San Francisco sometime near the middle of October.

"Still it is not uncommon at this time of the year for vessels to be out over one hundred days which would make us some later.

"It is like our first passage—a fair weather one. In a few weeks after we leave port we will be clear of the nasty winter weather of the Australian coast and right into 'fine weather' which will likely mean days and probably weeks of 'Paddy's hurricane'—that is the wind will be up and down the mast—dead calm.

"During this time the skipper will be impatiently pacing the poop, looking for a sign of a breeze and then when a 'doldrum' squall does come along it will rain like the deluge and possibly blow a little for about three minutes and then its the same old calm again while you watch the squall cloud vanish in the opposite direction.

"What does our menu consist of? Huh! Guess we don't quite starve for between salt beef and pork and salmon, cod, mackerel, apud, beans, tinned meats, vegetables and fruits, curry and rice, 'duff' puddings, pies and cakes, cheese, garden, chowchow, piccalilli and drinks we manage to have a little 'snack' occasionally and in port we have fresh meat, fresh vegetables and milk.

And flowers—well the butler brings a nice bouquet every week in port and a bunch of the sailors on Saturday night raided a back yard and brought away several pots of flowers.

"Besides this, the skipper has a young garden over the door of the companionway.

"Pancakes at sea twice a week—the same days that we have fresh tinned meat and 'duff'.

"As to Mrs. Donaldson's aunt, I was in Sydney several weeks ago but of course at that time I knew nothing about anyone's relations there and now its out of the question to go and too late to inquire.

"Does the sea become monotonous? No, decidedly not. The appearance of the sea is seldom the same for any length of time. There is always motion and its not always the same motion.

"One day the wind will be on the quarter and the swell the same. Perhaps the next day the swell will roll on the beam, then she will roll more. Another time the swell—a heavy one—will be ahead, then she will pitch. But the worst of all is to have the wind dead aft and a heavy swell on the beam for then as there is no side pressure in the wind the vessel rolls both ways and heavily too.

"No I didn't go to Cape Town for the distance by rail is 900 miles from East London and besides the trains—they are all owned by the government—are so miserably slow that they take 4½ days each way.

"Since we have been in Newcastle I have become acquainted with some of the details of British civilization as far as sea-faring goes.

"Britannia may rule the sea but when you come to know some of the methods the distinction doesn't seem to be so enviable.

"Only under extraordinary circumstances can a sailor be paid off a British ship in any port outside of England proper. Then the 'feed' is so miserable and scant that they are continually under the temptation of 'clearing out' and leaving their pay day behind.

"Furthermore while in port they can only draw money at the skipper's option and you may rest assured that they don't receive much.

"We were lying alongside a London jacket at the ballast wharf here and while we of a Saturday night went to our skipper and told him how many £ we wanted—and got it too without question, their skipper told them how many shillings they might have and it was three.

"Just fancy a man starting out on a Saturday night with three shillings.

"But as the old man says 'A sailor is a fool' and certainly he is when he lingers around a ship like that when he can go in one like ours and receive nearly twice as much money

for every month's work and not work any harder either.

"Then there are some queer harbor laws here. One must have 'rat preventing'—metal discs—on all mooring lines and also a gangway with a heavy rope not stretched under it from the ships side to the wharf.

"The general supposition is that this is done so that the plague infected rats may come and go with out danger of falling into the water.

"This is the worst month here—mid-winter. And while it isn't cold it is more or less 'nasty' interspersed with lovely days.

"According to my calculations you should receive this about Aug. 10 at which time we should be somewhere past the Fiji Islands.

"Yes of course we are going to keep right on around the globe. I have more souvenirs than sovereigns just now, but that isn't necessarily saying much for sovereigns melt as easily here as eagles do there.

Swore Off Painting.

Fred Fish of the Willamette had an idea that he was a first class painter. He was a good hand to "smooth things over" in the ordinary course of business and why could he not become an artist with a brush? It looked so easy in fact it was a dead snap. Landford Conner conceived a new key rack and proceeded to construct it. When the rack was completed it looked a little bare and needed a dab or two of paint. Fred volunteered to do the job and he is sorry that he spoke. He procured the necessary outfit, but failed to array himself in a painter's suit.

What he really needed according to later developments was Capt. Sorcho's diving regalia, but Fred had never painted very much and didn't know. The work progressed very well, until Fred's knee struck the stool on which he was painting. Then the brown fluid started out on a butterfly trip. Up in the air, across the office counter, and here, there and everywhere it had business and plenty of it. The hotel register still bears unmistakable signs of a hurried visit, the floor in nearby spots took on all kinds of "dog," but Fred was the principal object of attack. He was attired in dapper style, ready to see the "best what is" and the way that brown paint trickled down over his garments was a shame.

The result was a two days job for the clothes renovating parlors and a firm determination on the part of Fred to leave all kinds of paint alone.

Ringling's Circus.

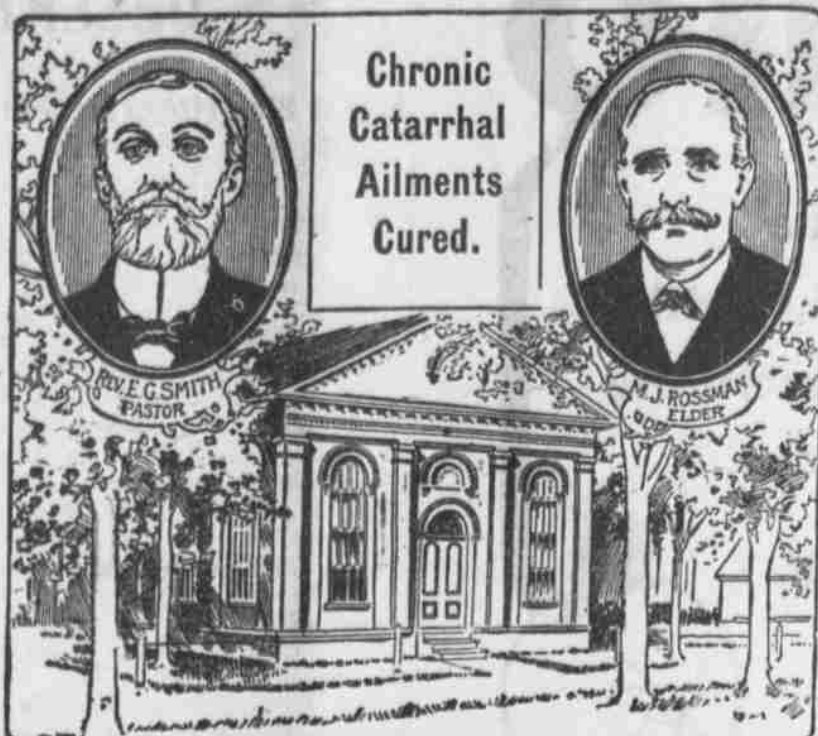
Ringling Brothers' worlds greatest show are due in Salem, Wednesday, August 31.

The pick and flower of the circus profession are to be found in the huge ring program of Ringling Brothers' World's Greatest shows this season. Gymnastic and riding celebrities from every civilized country of the earth are in the assembly. Never before was there gathered on a single occasion so many magnificent types of physical culture. Many of the artists appear in this country for the first time, and all are premieres in the lands from whence they came. The women are mostly young and pretty, and compare with the men in feats of skill and daring.

Appearing in America for the first time are the six Glimmerettes, whose original acrobatic exploits have placed them in the forefront of all competitors in European countries. In the same high class are the Dolard troupe fresh from German triumphs, the eight Collin-Charmes, the DeVenes, the three Rios, the Fortune Brokens, the Tybell Sisters, and Genaro and Theod. The main act of the latter two is incomparably the most wonderful contortion performance ever presented. The Flying Fishers, the Dacoma family, Capeta-Tasmania troupe, and Smith family, lead the transcendent list of aerial artists. The gymnastic feats of the Dacoma family upon and from delicate apparatus fixed near the dome of the immense tent have never been equaled, and the graceful ease with which the hazardous acts are performed is simply astounding. The last work on trick bicycling is uttered in the original and daring wheeling of the renowned Kaufman family and Jackson family. In the many new equestrian acts there is a distinction of style and beauty to be found with no other show. The nerve quickening bare-back riding of circus tradition is there in its most perfect expression, but there are also many innovations in the art of masterful equestrianism. Shapely horses of delicate breeding are directed through the rhythmic movements of fashionable dance, and at the simple word of command are made to do amazing tricks, illustrating in marvelous ways the almost human understanding of the horse.

In the company of remarkable artists that justify the title of the "World's Greatest show" are sixty acrobats, sixty aerialists, forty riders, forty jumpers and vaulters, fifty clowns, thirty equilibristas and sixty gymnasts of different ground specialties.

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The highest men in our nation have given Peruna a strong endorsement. Men representing all classes and stations are equally represented.

A dignified representative of the Presbyterian church in the person of Rev. E. G. Smith does not hesitate to state publicly that he has used Peruna in his family and found it cured when other remedies failed. In this statement the Rev. Smith is supported by an elder in his church.

Rev. E. G. Smith, pastor of the Presbyterian church of Greensboro, Ga., writes: "Having used Peruna in my family for some time it gives me pleasure to testify to its true worth."

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"For a long time I was troubled with catarrh of the kidneys and tried many remedies, all of which gave me no relief. Peruna was recommended to me by several friends, and after using a few bottles I am pleased to say that the long looked for relief was found and I am now enjoying better health than I have for years, and can heartily recommend Peruna to all similarly afflicted. It is certainly a grand medicine."—M. J. Rossman.

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ADVANCEMENT OF THE INDIANS

Salt Lake, Utah, Aug. 10.—J. A. Robb, an officer of the interior department of the United States government and a half blood Indian, is stopping in Salt Lake with his family at the Wilson hotel. Mr. Robb, who for five years has been clerk in charge of the Ourway agency, is on his way to Wadsworth, Nev., to which place he has been recently transferred by the department of the interior.

In speaking of the conditions and the outlook for the Indians as a race, Mr. Robb said: "The Indians of the United States cannot be classified as a whole. The northern tribes, the Utes, the Sioux, the Crows, the Cheyennes and Arapahoes, are much more backward than the southern tribes. They do not seem to be able to adapt themselves to civilized customs or to adopt modern methods as readily as their brothers in the south.

"The Cherokees are the tribe that has shown the greatest advancement in civilization and agriculture, but they are closely followed by the Choctaws, Creeks and Chickasaws.

"The government has done too much

in some directions for the good of the Indians: It supplies them with food, blankets, ponies and ammunition. The result is that they are kept in idleness without any incentive to do for themselves. This method may be all right for the older ones, those forty years of age who are too old to learn new ways and customs. The children, however, should be given a good agricultural education and then should be left to drift for themselves.

"This supporting men in idleness is a curse to the race. It unfit them for any useful occupation and encourages them to live lives of laziness. If the government would expend the same amount in establishing agricultural and industrial schools, and then compel the young Indians to make a living for themselves it would be a blessing and a far greater kindness to our race than the policy that has been pursued in the past.

"There are today a little over 300,000 Indians in the country. Of this number not over 75,000 are engaged in agricultural pursuits; the remainder simply living as wards of the nation."

Farewell Reception.

A farewell reception was tendered Rev. and Mrs. J. H. B. Royal yesterday afternoon and evening by the Ladies' Aid society of the Leslie M. E. church and friends at the pleasant home of Mrs. Amelia Miller on South Commercial street. The time was most pleasantly spent. Rev. Gordon gave an interesting address, in which he spoke of the deep regret of all over the departure of Mr. and Mrs. Royal, who have been in this community for so many years, and taken an active part in all the church work. He was responded to by them, and both told how pleasant their residence had always been here, and how they would miss their many friends, and the work which had always been a pleasure. Mrs. Botsford spoke in behalf of the society.

Refreshments were served during the afternoon and evening. About 40 were present.

Mr. and Mrs. Royal leave in a few days for Portland, where they will hereafter reside. They have lived in this city for many years. Rev. Royal was a former pastor of the Leslie church, where they will be greatly missed. Their children reside in

Portland and it was for this reason they go to that city, so they will be together. The best wishes of all go with them.



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SURVEY COMMENCES ON ELECTRIC ROAD

Manager L. B. French and Party of Surveyors Will Run Line for the Portland Company

L. B. French, manager of the Portland Southern Electric company arrived in Salem this morning with a crew of eight surveyors and this afternoon commenced to stake out the line for the new railroad.

The survey commences at a point within the city limits near Capital and Court streets and grade stakes will be placed every 100 feet. Few minor changes may be made in the survey later, but it will be practically the permanent survey.

The surveyors are in charge of H. E. Abry, an experienced civil engineer and he expects to occupy almost a month in the work.

Mr. French was at the Cottage when the Journal reporter talked to him and he spoke very encouragingly of the prospects for the new road. He said: "The road will be built. It will be a one track, electric road fully equipped for business and we will have it in operation just as soon as we can get the necessary material on the ground for construction purposes.

"We are not making any particular noise, but I have contracts for the complete right of way, except in one instance and I think that we will be able to yet arrange with that gentleman. We know just what it would require before we ever made a move and we are in a position to carry out our agreements."

Referring to the reports that the Southern Pacific might buy the right of way, or even purchase the road if it was built, Mr. French said: "You can say for me in the Journal that I am willing to enter into a contract with any person granting us the right of way that in the event that the Southern Pacific becomes the owner of the road either directly or indirectly that the right of way will revert back to the original owners. In fact I have already made a number of such inter-connections in contracts and I think this should settle the question. All we desire is for the people to give us a show and we will do the rest."

"We have purchased the ties for the road and if we can get the rails, we will have the road into Portland before winter. Otherwise it will be useless to commence grading this fall as the winter rains would destroy the grade in many places and the work would require an extra expenditure of money in the spring. I believe that we will be in a position to get rails and if we do then active construction work will commence at once. We are as anxious as the people along the line, as we figure that we are losing money every day that we are staying out of the territory.

"With the tools and machinery that we expect to operate in construction work we will be able to put down three quarters of a mile a day and as the distance to Canemah is about 35 miles it will only require about 45 days to put the road through. Our people are experienced railroad builders

and know just exactly what they have to overcome."

The surveying party will stay at towns along the line and will not attempt to carry provisions. They will make this city their headquarters while they are within reach of it and then move to the next town.

STRIKE NEARING THE END

Sioux City, Ia., Aug. 10.—President Donnelly of Chicago wired to the local officials of the butchers union today that negotiations for a settlement of the strike were progressing satisfactorily, and the strike is likely to end within a short time.

DIED.

BARR.—On Wednesday afternoon August 10, at her family home in this city, Louise M. Barr, widow of the late J. G. Barr, aged 67 years and 2 days.

Deceased was born in Germany, had resided in the United States since childhood. She was married at an early age and lived for many years in DeWitt, Iowa, coming to Oregon about 29 years ago. Mr. Barr died in 1902 and Mrs. Barr enjoyed her usual health until she met with a severe accident by falling, suffering a broken hip. Since then she has been confined to the house, but aside from the suffering caused by the fall she was cheerful and patient.

Mrs. Barr was a splendid woman combining all the good qualities that make a fond mother, an affectionate wife and a dutiful neighbor. Her friendship was lasting and constant when once established.

She leaves the following children: John H. Barr, of Ft. Collins, Col.; F. Schoettle, Mrs. M. J. Petzel, Theodore M., Hermann W., C. L. and Gertrude J. of this city, Dr. F. J. Barr and Dr. Anna M. Barr of Portland, and Rev. Father Barr of Mt. Angel.

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