

JACK LONDON'S

THRILLING STORY

"The Unexpected" Founded on Fact and Hundreds of People Knew the Woman Who was Judge, Jury and Executor ...

Jack London wrote a story that is veritable human document, when he penned "The Unexpected" in the August issue of McClure's Magazine. So true has been the story...

In Seattle at the present time are two men who were the employers of the persons who figure in London's magazine tale. To these two men and to many other men who have lived in Juneau and Atlin...

L. O. Lukan, a citizen of Seattle interested in mining at Latuya Bay, the scene of London's story, is only one of many who is willing to vouch for the truth of the main details around which London wove his magazine tale. Mr. Lukan has been to Latuya Bay and is familiar with the entire country...

Mr. Lukan tells the following story:

"When the remainder of the party left Latuya Bay, the four left behind occupied a cabin about eight miles inland from the bay. The four occupants of the cabin formed a strange household. Hans Nelson was a Dane over six feet tall, huge of build and mighty of sinew. He had gone to Alaska from Chicago. His wife was a delicate, frail English woman of nervous temperament. Martin Dennin was a Norwegian, in physical attributes like Nelson, but in good humor and wit of a Celtic type. 'Sammy,' now a familiar figure on the streets of Juneau, was a good natured miner, liked by all. Of Chester Applequist I know little. 'So close did London adhere to the truth that even in his tale he gave most of his characters the names they bore in flesh. After the main party had left Latuya Bay the party of four did much prospecting on their own account. Before November they had collected some \$8,000, the amount named in London's tale. Each one of the four had an equal interest in the money.

Dennin Kills Applequist. "Early one morning in November, while the four were eating breakfast, Dennin excused himself, saying he was going to Yukata, ninety miles distant. His three companions wished him luck on the trail and he left the cabin. The rest of the party continued with their breakfast. In a short time, before the meal could be finished, Dennin pushed the cabin door open. He had in his hand a .38-caliber revolver, and not a shotgun as London says. "Before the party could jump to

their feet Dennin fired, shooting Chester Applequist dead. The bullet had passed through his heart. The second shot from Dennin's revolver knocked Sammy off his feet with a wound in the neck. Mrs. Nelson sprang to her feet and with a dishrag in her hand jumped behind Dennin. Before Dennin could fire again Mrs. Nelson had the dishrag around his neck. Her husband struck at the revolver in Dennin's hand, causing it to explode, shooting Dennin in the leg. Dennin, wounded as he was, attempted to wrestle with Nelson, but Mrs. Nelson choked him until he collapsed. Her husband fell on top of him and it was but a few minutes until Dennin was tightly bound. Say Dennin Must Be Executed. "Firmly bound Dennin was placed on a cot. Applequist's corpse was covered with a blanket. 'Sammy' was placed in a bunk to await the result of the wound in his neck. Nelson and his wife were left alone with the murderer on their hands. They finally decided to take him down to the lower cabin, four miles distant from the scene of the murder. For two weeks Dennin lay on a cot tightly bound suffering from his wounds. The Indians at length became tired of guarding him and declared that he must be disposed of. Mrs. Nelson and her husband decided that the fatalism must be vindicated even in the wilderness. Dennin was told that he must hang. He asked spiritual consolation, and Mrs. Nelson read to him from the Bible. Two weeks after the shooting Dennin was led to an improvised scaffold behind the cabin and executed. On the first boat in the spring Mrs. Nelson, her husband and 'Sammy' went to Juneau and gave themselves up to the authorities for taking the life of Dennin. They were exonerated."

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In the fall of 1899 he went into Latuya Bay with the party that included Nelson, his wife, Applequist and Sammy. After working out the summer he left them there, coming out to the exterior. Mr. Blakemore said this afternoon:

"No one who would take the time to investigate would give circulation to a report that London's story is pure fiction. The facts upon which the story is based is known to a hundred men at Juneau and at Atlin. Nelson and his wife were tried before United States Commissioner Malcolm at Juneau in the spring of 1900 for the hanging of Dennin. Sammy, who was shot by Dennin, is now driving a beer wagon at Juneau and is known to every man, woman and child in that place. Nelson and his wife are at Atlin. The story of the hanging was published in the newspaper at Atlin and I read of the story there. Two years ago I stood on Pioneer Place and heard the story from Nelson's own lips.

"I know personally all of the persons who figure in London's story. Every one of them was on the payroll of the Latuya Bay Mining Company, of which I am a director. When I left Latuya Bay I left Nelson, his wife and two companions behind to guard the company's property. They were given the privilege of getting what gold they could out of the company's claims.

Dennin Plans Murder. "By November they had accumulated \$8000. All four had an equal share in it. Dennin decided to murder all the party, burn the cabin, take the money, leave for the exterior and when we entered the country again in the spring naturally suspicion for the murder would fall on the Latuya tribe of Indians, headed by Chief George.

"He took a morning in November as the proper time to carry his scheme into execution. He left the cabin while the breakfast was unfinished, saying he was going to Yakutat. He was gone but a few minutes when he returned, throwing open the cabin door. As his form was revealed to his surprised companions, he commenced shooting a revolver he had in his hand. One of the party, whose name I do not remember fell to the floor dead. 'Sammy' fell with a wound in his neck.

"Mrs. Nelson, who had come up behind Dennin, threw a dishrag around his neck and started to choke him. Her husband struck Dennin's arm, causing him to shoot himself in the leg. Mrs. Nelson then choked Dennin to the floor. She and her husband bound him.

"Sammy and Dennin were placed in cots to have their wounds dressed. Within a few hours after the shooting Mrs. Nelson and her husband decided to carry the body of the dead man and the two wounded men to the cabin four miles distant that lay on the shores of the bay. Here they buried the man who had been murdered.

Woman Is Executioner. "Nelson and his wife decided to signal the steamer Dora when she passed by on her last trip and take the murderer to Juneau for trial. Dennin's wound in the leg had begun to mortify and he begged that he be shot. Mrs. Nelson read the Bible to him. The flag that was to attract the Dora's attention as she passed was flying from the flagpole when the steamship went by. The Dora, however, did not stop.

"Nelson and his wife did not know what to do. The Indians who were guarding Dennin refused to watch over him any longer, fearing they would get into trouble. At last Nelson and his wife held a consultation. They both decided Dennin must be hanged for the murder of his companion.

"Dennin was in such pain that he heard of his sentence with joy. Mrs. Nelson swung a rope over a tree, a box was placed under it. Dennin was taken forth, supported by two Indians. He took his position on the box and Nelson placed the rope around his neck. Nelson's nerve then failed him. He refused to kick the box from under Dennin. Mrs. Nelson, however, still maintained her composure and with a well-aimed kick the box was thrown from under Dennin's feet and he was left strangling in the air. Death relieved him in a few minutes."

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STRONG GRID IRON

Willamette University Will Have Splendid Football Team Next Season

Bright indeed are the prospects for a strong football team at Willamette University this fall. Besides the battle scarred veterans of the past two years there will be several additions of experienced players. Among these will be Nutley, who captained the Tacoma high school last season, and who is one of the most formidable tackles that ever donned the moleskin. While the boy may be a little light for Willamette's heavy line, he will be able to make good most any field position he may be placed.

When the great opening rally of the football season is given there will be the wildest enthusiasm for the great college game and the heroes of past conflicts who are pondering over the question whether to play or not to play will be swept on by the tremendous enthusiasm of the hour and will again put on the canvas suits and do battle for the old school. Several new players are also coming from Portland and other high school graduates from various parts of the state have signified their intention to attend the university. Ralph Rader, the captain of the team will play at his old position at full, Curtis Coleman too will be back. Marker will be found at his old position at guard, and Nace and Long at half can be relied upon to do some fierce work. Philbrook, the big guard has gone to the Philippines. Patton and Henkle will not return and Pollard has not yet decided whether he will play, this being his senior year. Glen Unruh, who has been chosen manager, is making arrangements for games and a well graduated schedule is expected.

As to the trainer, no one as yet has been chosen as coach, the old players are eager to have Chauncey Bishop to act as coach. It might be said that Willamette's splendid gridiron record of the past two years is due in a large measure to the efficient and scientific coaching of Bishop. It is hoped by the football enthusiasts that Bishop will see his way clear to train the Willamette team during the coming season.

SEALED BIDS WANTED.

Sealed bids will be received by the State Board of Public Building Commissioners, at the Capitol building, Salem, Oregon, until 12 o'clock M., August 14th, 1906, for building additional lavatories and baths at the Asylum, and infirmary buildings and additions to the Quarantine building at the Oregon State Insane Asylum, Salem, also painting the outside of the main and other buildings located at the Asylum and Asylum farm, also for paint mixture.

Plans and specifications can be seen at the office of the Clerk of the Board, also at the office of the Asylum Superintendent, and the office of Delos D. Neer, architect, 133 1/2 First street, Portland, Oregon, from whom forms for bids may be obtained.

Bids must be accompanied by a certified forfeiture check as required by the specifications, otherwise will not be considered. By order of the State Board of Public Building Commissioners. (Attest.) W. N. GATENS, Clerk.

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REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Marion County Land That is Changing Ownership - Prices That Obtained.

Real estate transfers have been filed with the county recorder as follows: T. C. Smith to T. M. Harris, lot 9, blk. 21, Silver Falls city. Catherine Benson to Grace Taylor, lots 15, 16, blk. 2, Morningside add., city of Salem. C. E. Lennon to Grace Taylor, lots 13, 14, blk. No. 2 Morningside add., city of Salem. F. M. and A. J. Henderson to Ann Klein, lot 6, blk. 2, University add., city of Salem. O. A. Olsen to Emma Olsen, land in city of Woodburn. J. H. Settlemeier and wife to M. M. Henderson, lots 1, 4, 5, blk. 1 add. "C" city of Woodburn.

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