



A SONG OF COURAGE.

An Incident in the Wreck of the Steamship Queen.

There are times when the mind must be called away from present danger or anxiety, and not allowed even to contemplate the serious and deeper aspects of an emergency.

When the Queen, with two hundred souls aboard, was about thirty miles off Tillamook, fire was discovered in the after cabin.

When the life-boats were launched that dark and stormy morning, the women and children were terrorized in the face of the threatening tragedy.

Then, strong and clear, a cheery voice made all sit up and listen.

"What is the matter with you people?" it said. "We're not going to die. The fire is growing smaller. We shall all be in our bunks in an hour. If you must sing, sing 'Bedelia.'"

The young woman then started the jaunty popular song, and in a few moments, to the amazement of the workers aboard the steamer, every one in the boats was singing "Bedelia."

From that it was an easy step to other airs of a lively nature, and long before the boats were recalled their occupants were almost enjoying the novelty of their stern situation.

The Pacific Steamship Company decorated with gold and silver medals the captain and men who risked their lives to save the ship and passengers. They also presented a token to the brave singer. On it is engraved, "For Singing 'Bedelia.'"

MIGHT HAVE SAVED IT.

A Lot of Trouble From Too Much Starchy Food.

A little boy of eight years whose parents did not feed him on the right kind of food, was always nervous and suffered from a weak condition of the stomach and bowels.

He rapidly recovered and about two months thereafter, his Father states, "He has grown to be strong, muscular, and sleeps soundly, weighs 62 pounds, and his whole system is in a fine condition of health."

It is plain that if he had been put on Grape-Nuts at an earlier period in his life, and kept from the use of foods that he could not digest, he never would have had appendicitis.

Grape-Nuts is made of the selected parts of wheat and barley and by the peculiar processes of the cooking at the factory, all of the starch is turned into sugar ready for immediate digestion and the more perfect nourishment of all parts of the body, particularly the brain and nerve centres.

Read the little book, "The Road to Wellville," found in each package.

WORLD'S STEEL POOL.

British and Continental Firms May Join Forces.

The negotiations which for months past have been going on between British and continental steel rail manufacturers, with a view to forming an international combine, are stated to have resulted in a definite agreement being arranged.

Large contracts in connection with important railway extensions in America and on the continent are expected to be given out this year, and manufacturers are seeking to avoid a loss of possible profit by a suicidal competition or cutting of prices.

So far the manufacturers within the "ring" include all the most important firms in Great Britain, Germany, Belgium, and France. According to the "Iron and Coal Trades Review," the minimum price at which orders shall be booked has been fixed. All the orders are to be pooled, the allotment to each country on the following basis:

British 53.50 per cent.
German 28.93 per cent.
Belgian 17.67 per cent.

A small deduction from each will be made in order to send about 5 per cent. of the orders to France, the output of French manufacturers being very small.

The chief difficulty in the way of the combine lies in the attitude of the United States Steel Corporation. Mr. J. Farrell, the head of the corporation's exporting agency, has been in Europe for some weeks past. He is leaving for America immediately, and upon his report depends the inclusion or otherwise of the corporation within the combine.

HIS DIABETES IS ALL GONE NOW

DONAT LAFLAMME FOUND A CURE IN DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS.

They Always Cure all Forms of Kidney Disease from Backache to Bright's Disease.

Ste. Marguerite, Dorchester Co., Que., Jan. 23—(Special).—That the most serious forms of Kidney Disease cannot stand before Dodd's Kidney Pills is being daily proved in Quebec, and one of the most convincing proofs is given right here in Ste. Marguerite. Donat Lafamme whom everybody knows had Diabetes. This is one of the extreme stages of Kidney Disease and it baffles ordinary medical skill.

GOING, GOING, GONE.

Crowd in a British Auction Room Show How.

During an auction sale of furniture which was being conducted in a shop in Victoria street, Wolverhampton, England, recently, the auctioneer was "knocking down" a writing desk with the familiar words, "going, going, gone," when it seemed that the walls were rising up to overwhelm the numerous company present.

A cry of alarm went up, and everybody clutched at everybody else, when all at once the crowd of buyers, the auctioneer and his desks, found themselves in a heap in the cellar below. The floor being too rotten to support the great weight of people and furniture, had given way and collapsed like a trap-door.

For some moments everybody was bewildered and unable to realize what had happened. Then, picking themselves up, the company tried to find a way up to the street. At last somebody came across a door and through it they all streamed. In the darkness, the subterranean explorers stumbled upon some steps, a trap-door was opened, and the company found themselves safely in daylight again. The most serious injuries consisted of bruises and scratches.

'NO' IS UNIQUE.

"It seems odd that the English alphabet, out of which can be constructed several thousand of words, contains just one word formed by the letters in their present order," remarked the observant young man. "That word is 'No.' You can look the alphabet over and you won't find any other combination of vowel and consonant characters that will form a word. The nearest approach is 'Ab,' which by straining a point might be considered an abbreviation of 'Abraham,' or 'Hi,' which might answer as short for 'Hiram.' But 'No,' one of the shortest words in the language, is the only bona fide word formed in the arrangement of the alphabet's twenty-six characters."



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An admirable food, with all its natural qualities intact, fitted to build up and maintain robust health, and to resist winter's extreme cold. It is a valuable diet for children.

COCOA

The Most Nutritious and Economical.

ONE WOULD BE ENOUGH.

Cynthia—"I tell you what it is, Maudie, I'm sick of running about with these young fellows who've got no intention whatever of marrying. I shall advertise for a husband, and have done with it."

Maudie—"Do as you like, old girl, but I don't think you'll get many applicants."

Cynthia—"Oh, one will be plenty, thanks."

MESSRS. C. C. RICHARDS & CO., Gentlemen.—Last winter I received great benefit from the use of MINARD'S LINIMENT in a severe attack of La Grippe, and I have frequently proved it to be very effective in cases of Inflammation.

"I came to ask for your daughter in marriage, sir," said the young man. "Have you any money of your own?" asked the careful father. "Oh, you misunderstand me, sir! I do not want to buy her."

Minard's Liniment Cures Colds, &c.

"Papa, I wish you wouldn't look so fierce when young gentlemen call to see me. It frightens them." "How would you like me to look—meek?" "Well, not too meek; that might frighten them away."

For Over Sixty Years Mrs. Wise's Suffering from Rheumatism has been cured by Minard's Liniment. It regulates the stomach and bowels, and is a remedy for all kinds of ailments.

Jinks—"How's your wife, Binks?" Binks—"Her head troubles her a good deal." "Neuralgia?" "No; she wants a new hat."

CANADIANS APPRECIATE PICTURES.

The enormous demand for the series of Marguerite pictures issued by the Tuckett Company has induced the Company to acquire all Canadian rights in Snowman's celebrated picture of the King and Queen in their coronation robes in Westminster Abbey. The pictures were painted by command of their Majesties and the reproductions are being made by their Majesties' special lithographers.

If you are tired reading Blue Ribbon Tea advertisements, take a cup of the tea itself and you will be in a good humor again.

POULTRY THE LAWSON COMMISSION CO., Limited

307 West Market and Colborne Sts., TORONTO.

A VALUABLE DOG.

"Well, I wouldn't have believed it!" exclaimed Jones, in astonishment, as he dropped in to see Smith the other evening, and was met in the hall by a St. Bernard dog.

"Wouldn't you have believed what?" asked Smith.

"Why, that you'd have a dog in your house," continued Jones. "It belongs to one of your neighbors, I suppose?"

"No, sir; that's my dog," replied Smith, proudly.

"You don't really mean it, old man. Why, I've known you now for five years, and you've always had a marked aversion to dogs."

"Yes, I did until lately; but I wouldn't be without one now. This brute is a noble, faithful fellow, and I wouldn't take—"

But at this juncture he was interrupted by his wife calling down the stairs—

"Henry Smith, who was it that scattered these cigar ashes all over my table?"

"It must have been the dog, my dear," was his reply.

"And who was it that dropped these apple peelings on the floor?" she demanded.

"The dog, my dear," answered Smith.

"And there's a bottle of gum spilled on the carpet up here, too! Is that some of your work, Henry?"

"No, my dear, the dog's to blame for that."

"Well, it's a burning shame the way this house is disordered. Your collars and ties are scattered all over the room!"

"Are there, my dear? That dog's been up there again, then. Yes," continued Smith, as he drew his friend into the parlor, "I would not take a big pot of money for that dog. Why, the noble fellow saves me about twenty scoldings a week."

CALIFORNIA EXCURSIONS.

The Chicago, Union Pacific and North Western Line runs through first class Pullman and Tourist sleeping cars to points in California.

Personally conducted excursions from Chicago every week. Lowest rates. Choice of routes. Finest scenery. Special attention given to family parties. For maps, illustrated folders and rates address B. H. Bennett, General Agent, 2 East King St., Toronto, Ont.

"It must be a great satisfaction to have such a palatial residence," said the old-time friend. "It is," answered Mr. Cumrox; "it's a heap of comfort to have a house big enough to wander away and get lost in when mother and the gals are giving a musicale or a reception."

Minard's Liniment Cures Distemper

"That was a great sermon you preached this morning," said the old churchwarden, "and it was well timed, too." "Yes," rejoined the parson, with a deep sigh, "I noticed that?" "Noticed what?" asked the puzzled warden. "That several of the congregation looked at their watches frequently," answered the good man, with another deep sigh.

Piles

To prove to you that Dr. Chase's Ointment is a certain and absolute cure for each and every form of itching, bleeding and protruding piles, the manufacturers have guaranteed it. See testimonials in the daily press and ask your neighbors what they think of it. You can use it and get your money back if not cured. 60c a box, at all dealers or EDMANSON, BATES & CO., Toronto.

Dr. Chase's Ointment

FOUR MARRIED AT ONCE.

It is not every father who can see four of his children married on the same day, so no one need feel surprised if M. Girard, a farmer of the village of Huguetiere, in the Vendee, England, on such an event occurring in his own family, determined to celebrate it in style. On the day of the weddings Huguetiere gave himself up to rejoicing, as did numerous guests from the surrounding countryside who had assembled to see the four couples and the imposing procession which accompanied them. At midday a banquet was held, at which more than 400 guests sat down.



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If a girl wants to get rid of an undesirable suitor, all she has to do is to appear on the scene of action with her hair done up in curl-papers.

Minard's Liniment Cures Garget in Cows

"Do you read much fiction?" "No, I get all the fiction I want listening to my husband's excuses for coming home late!"

Minard's Liniment Cures Diphtheria

"Did you ever long for death?" asked the soulful, dyspeptic young man. It was the fourth long call he had made on her that week, and she was sleepy. "Whose death do you mean?" she asked, in a dry, discouraging tone.

Advertisement for Shiloh's Consumption Cure, The Lung Tonic, and the cough will stop. Try it to-night. If it doesn't benefit you, we'll give you your money back. Prices: S. C. WELLS & Co. 307 25c. 50c. \$1 LeRoy, N.Y., Toronto, Can.