

**RUDYARD KIPPLING'S "RHYMES OF THE THREE CAPTAINS."**

[Very few of those who have ever read Kipling's vigorous lines below are aware that they are a ter-lis denunciation of the Harpers. In 1891, Kipling, almost unknown, landed in New York and sought the Harpers. They laughed at his literary pretensions but were not above publishing some of the writer's early work which he had neglected to copyright. They charitably forwarded him a cheque for \$50 which was promptly returned. Later, Mr. Kipling related his Harper experience at a literary gathering in London, where were present Walter Besant, Thos. Hardy, and William Black, (whose names you may discover near the close of the poem). These "three Captains" defamed the N. Y. firm, and it was this fact that inspired the clever lines below. Kipling likens himself to a simple trading brig who has fallen in with a privateer and who brings his story to the first assembled at London. "The Gridiron and the Jack" is a slap at the Harper imprint, "New York and London." The occurrence took place before the days of International Copyright, but Kipling evidently thought that the mere absence of a law was no excuse for literary piracy. Now that he "lives as a ship of the Line," he has been pouring some heavy legal shot into other publishers' hulls.]

Rhymes of the Three Captains.  
At the close of a winter day,  
Their anchors down, by London town,  
Three Great Captains lay,  
And one was Admiral of the North from Solway Firth to Skye,  
And one was Lord of the Wessex coast and all the land there,  
And one was Master of the Thames from Limehouse to Blackwall,  
And he was Captain of the Fleet—the bravest of them all.

Their good guns guarded their great grey sides that were thirty foot in the sheer,  
When there came a certain trading-ship with news of a privateer.  
Her rigging was rough with the clotted drift that drives in a Northern breeze,  
Her sides were cloag'd with the grey weed that grows in the Eastern seas.

Light she rode in the rude tide-trail, to left and right she rolled,  
And the skipper sat on the scuttle-bank and stared at an empty hold.  
"I had paid for dues on your Law," quoth he, "and where is the Law ye boast?"  
"It's all unaccounted for on a Christian coast."

Ye have smoked the hives of the Locusts as we burn the lice in a bunk,  
We took not now to a Gallang row or a plunging Pei-ho junk;  
I had no fear but the seas were clear as far as a sail might fare,  
Till I met with a fine-washed Yankee brig that rode off Lime-water.

There were canvas billows to his bow-gun ports to screen the weight he bore,  
And the signals ran for a merchantman from Sandy Hook to the North.  
He would not fly the Rover's flag—the bloody or the black,  
But now he floated the Gridiron and now he flaunted the Jack.

He spoke of the Law as he trimmed my crew—  
"He swore it was only a loan;  
But when I would ask for my own again, he swore it was some of my crew."  
He has taken my little parakeets that nest beneath the Lime,  
He has striped my ralls of the shaddock-trails and the green unripe pine,  
He has taken my bale of dammer and speckled won beyond the sea.

He has striped my grinning bearded gods—and what would he want of these?  
My foremost mast he mends his boom, my deckhouse patch his board;  
He has whittled down my Yankee Yahoo, to peddle for shop-pog cats,  
I could not fight for the falling light and a rough beam-sea beside.

But I bulled him once for a clumsy crimp and twice because he lied.  
Had I had guns (as I had goods) to work my Christian law,  
I had run him up on his quarter-deck to trade with his own yard-arm;  
I had nailed his ears to my captain's head, and ripped them off with a bay.

And sowed them in the bigwater, and served them to him raw;  
I had hung him blind in a rudderless boat to rot in the rocking dark,  
I had towed him ast of his own craft, a bait for his brother shark;  
I had lapped him round with cocoa husk, and drenched him with the oil,

I had shaved him fast to his own mast to blaze above my spool;  
I had striped his hide for my hammock-kid, and tasselled his beard in the mesh,  
And spitted the crew on the live bamboo that grows through the gangplank deck;  
I had hove him down by the mangroves brown, where the mud rots snags and draws.

Moored by the heel to his own keel to wait for the lander's claws,  
He is lazier within and time without, ye can nose him far enow,  
For he carries the taint of a mucky ship—the reek of the slave's show!  
The skipper looked at the tiering guns and the bulwarks tall and cold,  
And the Captains Three sat courtiously peered down at the gutted hold.

And the Captains Three called courtiously from deck to scuttle-butt—  
"Good air, we've dealt with that merchantman or ever your teeth were out.  
Your words were of a lawless race, and the Law is tenfold thus;  
He comes of a race that have never a Law, and he never has boarded us.  
We've sold him canvas and rope and spar, we know that his price is fair,  
And we know that he weeps for the lack of a Law as he rides on Flinstere.

And since he is damned for a gallow's-thief by you and better than you,  
We hold it meet that the English Fleet should know that we hold him true.  
Skipper called to the tall tariff: "And what is that to me?"  
"Ver you hear of a privateer that rifed a Seventy-three?"  
Do I loom so large from your quarter-deck that I lift like a ship of the Line?"  
He lay, learned to run from a shotgun and herry such craft as mine.

There is never a Law on the Ocean Keys to hold a white man in,  
But we do not steal the riggers' meal, for that is a nigger's sin;  
And he have his Law as a quid to chew, or laid in brass on his wheel;  
Does he steal with tears when he hoo-canoeers? Fore God, then, why does he hoo-canoeer?  
The skipper bit on a deep-sea word, and the world it was not awed,  
For he could see the Captains Three had signalled the Fleet.

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**A TIGHT MONEY MARKET REFLECTS BUSINESS ON WALL STREET.**

London Sells American Securities on Every Rise to Strengthen England's Financial in Case of War—Disturbing Conditions Likely to Continue.

New York, Sept. 23.—In my advice of last week, I suggested that there were factors in the Wall street situation not very assuring and which called for caution and prudence in buying. The subsequent course of affairs has justified those forecasts. The fall in the surplus reserves of the banks to the verge of the legal limit and the more threatening position of the Anglo-Bank question have affected adversely both the home and the London markets, with the result of heavy realizations and sales on Monday aggregating upwards of 1,000,000 shares resulting in generally heavy declines in price. The district was encouraged by extensive selling and large declines upon certain speculative specialties which have long been a weak spot in the market and have encouraged timidly among conservative buyers.

Monday's break was followed on Tuesday by a sense of relief. The drop in price, added to the continued decline of last week, had made many stocks appear fairly cheap; the pardon of Dreyfus was therefore more hopeful, and the local market showed some abatement of its stringency. Under these circumstances, the stock market recovered tone; Monday's break was construed as a culmination of the adverse influences, and among large purchases to cover "shorts" and free buying by strong operators on long account, the day's business summed up 750,000 shares, with advances upon 110 listed stocks ranging from 1/4 to 3/4 points and averages of 1/2 to 3/4.

At the close of the meeting the ladies adjourned to the parlors of the church, where a most enjoyable tea was served by the ladies of the Graceland Street Church Society.

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After singing of a hymn Miss D'Prazz was introduced, and she delivered another very eloquent address. Many people took occasion to personally greet the returning missionaries and bid adieu to Miss D'Prazz.

Verdict of the Jury in the Case of William Ponton, Accused of Robbing the Napanee Bank—Others Sentenced.

Concord, Ont., Sept. 23.—The jury in the celebrated case of the Queen vs. Wm. H. Ponton, charged with the theft of \$33,000 from the Dominion bank of Napanee, where he was employed as teller on August 28th, 1897, yesterday returned a verdict of "Not guilty," and Ponton was at once discharged, receiving the congratulations of the court and of hundreds of friends. Fare was sent to the Kingston penitentiary for three years. Hoiden got four years and Beach was released on suspended sentence.

A woman handles the mails in the smallest post office building in the United States. It is in San Diego county, Cal., between San Diego and Escondido. The structure is a plain box, and is six feet high. There are five private boxes on one side, fastened by Yale locks, and two stages stop daily to take and deliver mail.

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**FROM THE BORDER CITY.**

St. STEPHEN, Sept. 20.—The following border borers have been entered for the month of September: St. Stephen, W. J. Eaton, Calais, Jack Down, H. Haley, Milltown, L. L. O'Brien, St. Stephen, J. M. O'Brien, Calais, J. M. O'Brien, Calais, J. M. O'Brien, Calais.

A large number of horsemen and others from the border will attend and show their friendship for Mr. H. E. Gallagher and his family, who were largely and badly damaged the grocery wagon, which was being driven by Mr. H. E. Gallagher, who was injured last week by being thrown from a wagon, and is rapidly improving.

The heavy rain falling today is welcomed by all after the long spell of dry weather. The walls and brooks throughout the country districts had become very low.

Deaths and Burials.

The deaths last week numbered 14. The funeral of Mrs. E. B. Ewing was held Saturday afternoon from her residence, Queen street, and was largely attended. Services were conducted by Rev. W. T. Thompson, pastor of the Reformed Presbyterian Church. The pall-bearers were Messrs. R. A. H. Morrow, John Baxter, James Manson, John Janop, William Young and G. W. Plamondon. Interment took place at Fernhill.

At Ottawa on Friday evening, Sept. 22, the death occurred of Jane E. Ewing, widow of William C. Ewing, who was engaged in business on Water street in this city before the St. John fire. Mrs. E. Ewing was 65 years of age. She was a devoted and kind mother, and had been an invalid for some years. The remains will be brought here for burial Tuesday.

Sunday School Convention.

October will be a specially interesting month for the Sunday school workers. Early in the month the St. John city S. S. Association will convene here. Then beginning October 3rd, the P. E. Island annual convention will be held. Prof. Hamill, the noted Sunday school worker, who has graced with his knowledge and eloquence several New Brunswick conventions, will be the guest of the P. E. Island meetings. He will be in St. John on Sunday, October 1st, and address mass meetings afternoon and evening. He will be at Moncton on the 2nd, and at Miramichi on the 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st.

English Cricketers in New York.

New York, Sept. 24.—The East Indian Prince Kumar Shri Kanjilal and his picked team of English cricketers, who came to play cricket American teams, arrived today on the Cunard liner Etahia. A committee representing the Associated Cricket Clubs of New York, met at the pier to welcome the visiting cricketers, and the entire party immediately took a train for Philadelphia, where the first game will be played. It is expected they will play at Livingston, S. I.

To Float the Cherokeee.

PASCOE ISLAND, Mass., Sept. 24.—The cargo of the steamer Cherokee, ashore at Nahoon, is being rapidly taken off, and the forward hatch has been battered down to hold the water confined in the lower hold. The other compartments are under control of the pumps. It is believed the steamer will be floated within 24 hours and it is expected that the work will be accomplished at midnight tonight.

Big Fire in Maine.

VAUGHAN, Me., Sept. 24.—At 11 o'clock Saturday night the St. Dodge store, stock and fittings of the place, together with his house, stables and sheds, with their contents, were burned at an estimated loss of about \$15,000. The fire is said to have started in the store. Insurance \$7,000.

Inflammatory Fires.

ELLSWORTH, Me., Sept. 24.—There was an incendiary fire here late last night, but little damage was done. The fire was soon under control of the pump. There have been several fires in the city during the past six months, and they are attributed to the work of an incendiary.

Coal Mines to Resume.

HUNTINGTON, W. V., Sept. 24.—The large Dinges coal mines that have been idle for ten years will resume to-morrow. The general strike in the New River field has brought this about.

**A SCIENTISTS' CAMPAIGN.**

**BURROWING AMONG BONES IN THE STATE OF WYOMING.**

Representatives of Forty-Eight American Colleges Have Evidently Unearthed a Fossilized Circus—Animals of All Sorts Assembled Here in Ages Past.

LARAMIE, Wyo., Sept. 19.—Forty-eight American colleges and universities will be enriched at the opening of the college year by unprecedented accession of fossils, professors and students from as many institutions having just spent more than a month collecting bones and vegetable remains from the hillsides of Wyoming. Almost a hundred antiques came to this city as the guests of Wilbur C. Knight, of the State University, and the work of unearthing was done under his direction. Late in July a lone cavalcade wound its way out of Laramie for a forty days wandering in the Wilder-

ness. The first field of consequence was encountered at Cooper Creek. Fossils were found abundant in red sandstone of the Fox Hills formation. Several species were obtained that are believed to be permanent mammals. The collection varied of peccot, and Professor Couille and Todd discovered pieces of coral—an extremely rare occurrence in this tier of deciduous leaves.

While in camp next day the expedition enjoyed an experience not customary in geologic expeditions. The geologists picked Alpine flowers on the edges of snow fields and peled one another with snowballs at an elevation of 9,000 feet. The scientists studied with intense interest the classic Como knif, whence Yale has drawn her dinosaur treasures. In spite of the previous thorough prospecting along the Como exposure, several remarkable finds were made. The party from the Gustavus Adolphus College of Minnesota, opened the grave of a huge dinosaur. Professors Edgworth and Kempe jointly posted a formal claim to their discovery, which is sufficient to hold it against other scientific prospectors.

Professor Chandon and his assistants from Baylor University in Texas, located another dinosaur, which becomes the distinctive property of their institution. They also unearthed a peccot, the first to be reported from this formation in Wyoming. Other scientists opened a bed of palm leaves, which yielded some splendid examples of fossil plants related to our present trees, and over a half dozen new fossil invertebrates, chief among which was a beautiful starfish, discovered by Prof. Peck of Lafayette College. Professor Knight found at this point a saurian of large dimensions that remains as yet unidentified. None of these animals can be removed till next season.

A choice saurian tooth was picked up by Prof. Brown of Virginia. This tooth was black and brilliantly polished, with both edges definitely serrated. Every member of the party secured a section of a pre-historic rug, the "fish called the Belemnite." This black conical fragment, resembling a torpedo, once common in the sea, is a relic of the pre-historic age. Specimens of this saurian have been found in Wyoming, still preserving the ink through millions of years. Professor Bowser, of Yale, gave a label for such a specimen, using the ink it had preserved so successfully.

The expedition moved on to the Fries Hill and spent several days in the heart of the dinosaur region. At sunrise each morning the hillsides were covered with enthusiastic scientists hammering at the exposed rocks or excavating for bones. An hour later they were struggling down the hills with a huge fragment of a femur rib. Among those who were successful in prospecting at this point were Professor Yates and Brown, of Coe University, and Prof. Collier.

Prof. Knight and Barber made a joint discovery of great importance. It consisted of new fossils in the fresh

Many men understand women. When a woman is sick, sickly, nervous, fretful, irritable and despondent, the average husband imagines that she is simply out of temper. An average husband will probably simply go out and leave her alone for awhile, "to let it out with herself." A bad husband is liable to go off and grudge. The fact is that the poor wife is suffering from illness of a description that breaks a woman down sooner than anything else. Her back is weak and aches. Her "sides stitch." She has pains and a dragging sensation in the abdomen. Her appetite is touchy and she suffers from nausea. She has sick headaches, giddiness, dizziness, cold chills, flushings of heat, shortness of breath, palpitation, disturbed sleep, frightful dreams, irregularities and nervous and trembling sensations. Her pain-racked nerves are a continual torture.

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water Jurassic. Up to this time no fossil except dinosaur had been found in this formation, but those discovered at this camp included Lamia branches, Gastropods, fish bones and teeth. These throw new light upon this period and are regarded as among the most important results of the expedition's work.

Just north of the Platte canyon Dr. Couille of the Northwestern University, Omaha, made a remarkable discovery of a huge animal, and remained several days behind his associates that he might take out the remains. Professor Peck, of Lafayette College, found the grave of a huge ichthyosaur, and many of the party collected valuable Jurassic materials.

Many scientists are yet at work on their quarries, and will not give up the pursuit until the snow falls.

The Carnegie Museum collectors are devoting their attention to a "double raft-red" creature with a long neck, tall and hindlegs, and short forelegs, the whole length of the animal being sixty feet. It stood twenty feet high at the hips, the thigh bone, or femur, being six feet long and fifteen inches in diameter. Its head was as flat as a frog, and it had relatively no greater brain capacity.

The animal was found near the surface, and the prospectors have already secured the vertebral column, the centrum of the largest vertebrae being twelve inches in diameter; eighteen ribs six feet long, and the entire pelvis girdle, almost unique in its completeness. The bones of the legs and feet were largely disintegrated, and the collectors have also in hand nearly all of the cervical vertebrae, and are following the lines into the buff in the hope of securing the bones of the head. These bones are embedded in a matrix of clay, which, when dry, breaks up under the geologist's pick into small cubes, but when wet sticks like jigsaw puzzle.

One of the permanent results of this year's pilgrimage will be the establishment of a permanent museum of geology and paleontology at the University of Wyoming. Eastern students will be enabled to spend their vacations in field work under the eyes of men familiar with the Wyoming formation.

**A ROYAL WELCOME.**

For President Diaz, of Mexico, When He Goes to Chicago.

CHICAGO, Sept. 24.—The governors of six states, each attended by his military staff, will be in the escort of President Diaz, of Mexico, by the time he reaches Chicago to attend the fall festival. When the long special train carrying the distinguished guest and his attendants reaches Joliet, Mayor Harrison will be accompanied by a delegation from the city council and other city officials, and when the train with the chief executive of the Southern Republic arrives at the Elk street depot in Chicago, a large reception committee including the Federal officials in Chicago, will be there to receive him as the guest of the city. This committee will be accompanied by a squadron of cavalry and the bands of the city, and the carriage and the bands will form a procession to the hotel.

The reception plans for President Diaz are the most elaborate that ever have been made for a visitor to Chicago. When President Diaz is ready to leave the city of Mexico he will find a special train to take him to New York, and the Santa Fe at his disposal. A committee consisting of Paul Morton, Geo. Cook and Col. W. B. Roberts will be there to form the escort. The Governor of Texas, and his military staff will receive the president and join the party for Chicago. At every station the President Diaz crosses after that, he will be similarly received and another governor and a addition to the train. Governor Tanner will go to Fort Madison, Iowa, to meet the train and welcome the Mexican visitor as soon as he has crossed the Mississippi river.

Wrecked Sailors Arrive.

New York, Sept. 24.—The Quebec Line steamer Madine, which arrived today from the West Indies, brought as passengers Captain G. W. Heath and wife and seven members of the crew. The schooner Newton, of Boston, which was abandoned at sea on September 13, during a hurricane, and rescued by the steamer Fontabelle, Capt. McKay, of New York for West Indies, and landed at St. Thomas on the 15th. Capt. Heath reported that he sailed from Ship Island for San Juan, P. R., on Aug. 15, with a cargo of lumber. On Sept. 13, in lat. 22.50; long. 66.13, he encountered a hurricane from E. N. E. to south, accompanied by a tremendous sea, in which the vessel became waterlogged and was ho down on her beam ends. Fearing the vessel would be lost, Captain Heath ordered the spar cut away, when she partially righted. The hurricane lasted 48 hours, and on the 11th, when it moderated, the vessel was a complete wreck. On the 13th, the steamer Fontabelle fell in with the wreck, launched a boat and rescued all hands, landing them at St. Thomas on the 15th.

The Newton registered 499 tons, and was built at East Boston in 1874; cargo and vessel partially insured.

The Columbia's Movements.

BRISTOL, R. I., Sept. 24.—The ship defender Columbia left here this morning shortly after nine o'clock for New Rochelle, the home of Mr. C. Oliver Ives. The tender St. Michaels took the yacht in tow and went down the bay around the east end of Hog Island, where a stop was made at Newport. The yacht will not return here until after the race, unless an accident occurs.

On Thursday next, the Columbia will be docked in Erie Basin for the purpose of having her underbody cleaned. Messrs. Ives, Leeds, Kane and Thorpe are to be obtained on Monday by Sir Thomas Lipton, on the Erin.

Dreyfus is Ill.

LONDON, Sept. 25.—The Paris correspondent of the Standard says: "The statement of meeting his children has produced a serious reaction in the confidence of Dreyfus, and it is feared that it may be necessary to send him to Males or Madeira."