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When you see "The Unloved Wife," that gripping and dramatic sensa tional success in three acts, which comes to the Aylmer Opera House for one Night Only, Thursday, January 5th., 1922, you will know what to tell HIM.

The **Blazed** Trail

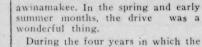
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and direct. The tactiturnity of his mood redoubled in thickness. He was less charitable to failure on the part of subordinates. And the new firm on the Ossawinamakee prospered.

CHAPTER XXXV

Five years passed. In that time Thorpe had succeeded in cutting a hundred million feet of pine. The money received for this had all been turned back into the Company's funds. From a single camp of twenty-five, with the horses and a short haul of a half-mile, the concern had increased to six large well-equipped communities of eight to a hundred men apiece, using nearly two hundred horses, and hauling as far as eight or nine miles.

Near the port stood a /mammoth sawmill capable of taking care of tweaty-two million feet a year, about which a lumber town had sprung up Lake schooners lay in a long row during the summer months, while busy loaders passed the planks from one to the other into the deep holds. Be-sides its original holding, the company had acquired about a hundred and fifty million more, back near the headwaters of tributaries to the Oss-



Morrison & Daly Company shared the stream with Thorpe, the two firms ived in complete amity and understanding. Northrop had played his cards skillfully. The older capitalists had withdrawn suit. Afterwards they kept scrupulously within their rights, I know it. I want you to try; and if and saw to it that no more careless openings were left for Thorpe's shrewdness. They were keen enough business men, but had made the mistake, common enough to established power, of underrating the strength of an apparently insignificant opponent.

Once they understood Thorpe's capaity, that young man had no more nance to catch them napping. And as the younger man, on his

ide, never attempted to overstep his wn rights, the interests of the rival Mr. Daly singularly anxious to please. In the desire was no friendliness howry and could hardly believe the afair finished when at the end of the emainder of its pine to a firm from Manistee, and transferred its operaions to another stream a few miles ast, where it had acquired more conderable holdings.

"They're altogether too confounded anxious to help us on that freight, Wallace," said Thorpe wrinkling his

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brow uneasily. "I don't like it. It isn't natural."

'No," laughed Wallace, "neither is it natural for a dog to drew a sledge. But he does it-when he has to. They're afraid of you, Harry: that's all.

Thorpe shook his head ,but had to acknowledge that he could evidence no grounds for his mistrust.

The conversation took place at Camp One, which was celebrated in three states. Thorpe had set out to gather round him a band of good woodsmen. Except in a pinch he would

employ no others. "I don't care if I only get in two thousand feet this winter, and if a boy does that,' he answered Shearers expostulations, "it's got to be a good boy."

The result of his policy began to show even in the second year. Men were a little proud to say that they had put in a winter at "Thorpe's One." Those who had worked there during the first year were loyally enthusiastic over their boss's grit and resourcefulness, their camp's order, their cook's good "grub." As they were authorities, others perforce had to accept the dictum. There grew a desire among the better class to see what Thorpe's "One" might be like. In the autmn Harry had more applicants than he knew what to do with. Eightcen of the old men returned. He took them all, but when it came to distribution, three found themselves assigned to one or the other of the new camps. And quietly the rumor gained that these three had shown the east willing spirit during the previous winter. The other fifteen were sobered to the industry which their importance as veterans might have impaired.

Tim Shearer was foreman of Camp One; Scotty Parsons was drafted from the veterans to take charge of Two: Thorpe engaged two men known o Tim to boss Three and Four. But in selecting the "push" for Five he displayed most strikingly his keen appreciation of a man's relation to his environment. He sought out John Radway and induced him to accept the commission. 'You can do it, John," said he, "and

you don't make her go, I'll call it nobody's fault but-my own." "I don't see how you dare risk it,

after that Cass Branch deal, Mr. Thorpe," replied Radway, alomst broken-ly. "But I would like to tackle it, I'm dead sick of loafing. Sometimes it seems like I'd die ,if I dont get out in the woods again.'

"We'll call it a deal then," answered Thorpe.

The result proved his sagacity. Radvay was one of the best foremen in irms rarely clashed. As to the few the outfit. He got more out his men, sputes that did arise. Thorpe found he rose better to emergencies, and he accomplished more with the same resources than any of the others, exever. Thorpe was watchful for treach- cepting Tim Shearer. As long as the work was done for someone else, he was capable and efficient. Only when ourth year the M. & D. sold out the he was called upon to demand on his own account, did the paralyzing shyness affect him.

But the one feature that did more to attract the very best element among voodsmen, and so make possible the practice of Thorpe's theory of suc-cess, was Camp One. The men's acnodations at the other five were o different and but little better than those in a thousand typical lumber camps anywhere on both peninsulas. They slept in box-like bunks, filled with hay or straw over which blankspread; they sat on a nar row hard bench or on the floor; they read by the dim light of a lamp fastened against the big cross beam; they warmed themselves at a huge iron stove in the centre of the room aronud which suspended wires and poles offered space for the drying of socks; they washed their clothes when the mood struck them. It was warm and comparatively clean. But it was dark, without ornament, cheerless. The lumber-jack never expects anything different. In fact, if he were pampered to the extent of ordinary comforts, he would be apt at once to conclude himself indispensable; OF THE COUNTY OF ELGIN

In the Matter of the Estate of William Roloson, late of the Township of Bayham, in the County of Elgin, Yeoman, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given pursuant to R. S. O. 1914, Chap. 121, Sec. 56, and amending Acts (if any), that all persons having claims against the Estate of September, A. D., 1921, are required to send by post prepaid or to deand a full statement of particulars of certified and that after the said day the Administrator will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have notice. Dated this 12th day of December

A. D., 1921. CICERO McCONKEY, Administrator

Straffordville, Ont., R. R. 1 By W. HAROLD BARNUM,

His Solicitor. 12-15-22-29:1-5. ----

whereupon he would become worth-Thorpe, however, spent a little mon-

ey,-not much-and transformed Camp One. Every bunk was provided with a tick, which the men could fill with hay, balsam, or hemlock, as suited them. Cheap but attractive curtains on wires at once brightened the room and shut each man's bedroom from the main hall. The deacon seat remained, but was supplemented half-dozen simple and comfortable chairs. In the centre of the room stood a big round table over which glowed two hanging lamps. The table was littered with papers and magazines. Home life was still further sug-gested by a canary bird in a gilt cage, sleepy cat, and two pots of red geraniums. Thorpe had further imported a washerwoman who dwelt in a separate little cabin under the hill. She washed the men's belongings at twenty-five cents a week which Thorpe deducted from each man's wages, whether he had the washing done or not. This encouraged cleanliness. Phil scrubbed out every day, while the men were in the woods.

Such was Thorpes famous Cam One in the days of its splendor. Old woodsmen will still tell you about it, with a longing reminiscent glimmer in the corners of their eyes as they recall its glories and the men who worked it. To have "put in" a winter in Camp One was the mark of a master; and the ambition of every raw recruit to the forest. Probably Thorpe's name is remembered to-day more on account of the intrepid, skilful loyal men his strange genius gathered about it, than for the herculean feat of having carved a great fortune from the wilderness in but five years'

But Camp One was a privilege. A man entered it only after having proved himself; he remained in it only as long as his efficiency deserved the honor. Its members were invariably recruited from one of the other four camps: never from applicants who had not been in Thorpe's employ. A raw man was sent to Scotty, or Jack Hyland, or Radya, or Kerlie. There he was given a job, if he happened to suit, and men were needed. By and by, perhaps when a member of Camp One fell sick, or was given his time, Tim Shearer would send word to one of the other five that he needed an axeman or a sawyer, or a loader, or teamster, as the case might be. The best man in the other camps was sent up. So Shearer was foreman of a picked crew. Probably no finer body of men was ever gathered at one camp. In them one could study at his best the American pioneer. It was said at that time that you had never seen logging done as it should be until you had visited Thorpe's Camp One on the Ossawinamakee. Of these men Thorpe demanded one thing-success. He tried never to ask of them anything he did not believe to be thoroughly possible; but he ex-pected always that in some manner, by hook or crook, they would carry the affair through. No matter how good the excuse, it was never accepted. Accidents would happen, there as elsewhere; a way to arrive in spite of them always exists, if only a man is willing to use his wits, unflagging energy ,and time. Bad luck is a reality; but much of what is called bad luck is nothing but a want of careful foresight ,and Thorpe could better afford to be harsh occasionally to the genuine for the sake of elminating the false. If a man failed, he left Camp One. The precedure was very simple Thorpe never explained his reasons even to Shearer. "Ask Tom to step in a moment," he requested of the latter.

IN THE SURROGATE COURT merely transfered to one of the other they went away; but it was worth it. foremen.

order that the reader may understand

were all pioneers. They had the independence, the unabashed eye ,the | truth. Some people thought Camp One insubordination even, of the man who, must be sort of hell-hole of roaring, has drawn his intellectual and moral fighting devils. Others sighed of the said William Roloson, who nourishment at the breast of a wild made rapid calculations of the numdied on or about the Fifteenth day nature. They were afraid of nothing alive. From no one, were he chore-boy or president, would they take a liver to Cicero McConkey, Strafford-ville, Ontario, R. R. No. 1, the Admin-ways of Tim Shearer and Thorpe. The fifth day of January A. D. 1922, their names, addresses and description their picturesque guild he was a mas-ter craftsman. The latter they adored and quoted and fought for in distant, maintained a light sleigh and a pair their claims and the nature of the saloons, because he represented to f of bays, often, when the snow be-security (if any) held by them duly them their own ideal, what they came deep, he was forced to snowwould be if freed from the heavy | shoes. gyves of vice and executive incapacity that weighed them down.

> And they were loyal. It was a deserted in the hour of need was not they were, ready to attempt anything their commander ordered, devoted, enthusiastically admiring. And, it must be confessed, they were also hardy somewhat on the order of a band of pirates. Marquette thought so each spring after the drive, when, hat-tilted, they surged swearing and shouting down to Denny Hogan's saloon Denny had to buy new fixtures when

It is necessary to be thus minute in Boast! the fame of Camp One spread abroad over the land, and was believexactly the class of men Thorpe had about his immediate person. Some of anecdotes detailed of it—which was them had the reputation of being the near enough the actual truth. Anechardest citizens in three States, oth- dotes disblieved, the class of men from ers were as mild as turtle doves. They it would have given it a reputation. The latter was varied enough, in

ber of logs they could put in, if only they could get hold of help like that. Thorpe himself, of course, made his headquarters at Camp One. Thence he visited at least once a week all the other camps, inspecting the minutest details, not only of the work, but of the everyday life. For this purpose he

During the five years he had never crossed the Straits of Mackinaw The rupture with his sister had made point of honor with them to stay repugnant to him all the southern "until the last dog was hung." He who country. He preferred to remain in the woods. All winter long he was only a renegade, but a fool. For he more than busy at his logging. Sumthus earned a magnificent licking if mers he spent at the mill. Occasionever he han up against a member of "Fighting Forty." A band of soldiers on business. He became used to seeing only the rough faces of men. The vision of softer graces and beauties lost its distinctness before this strong northland, whose gentler moods were like velvet over iron, or like its own summer leaves veiling the eternal darkness of the pines.

He was happy because he was too ousy to be anything else. The insist-Continued on Page Nine



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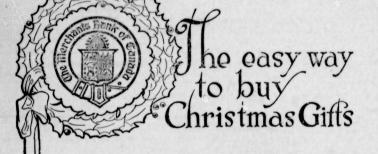
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TREASURER'S SALE OF LAND FOR TAXES

Town of Aylmer, County of Elgin, Province of Ontario, to Wit:

By Virtue of a warrant issued by the Mayor and under the seal cf the Corporation of the Town of Aylmer to me directed, bearing date the 28th day of September 1921, commanding me to levy upon and sell the lands mentioned in the following list for arrears of taxes and costs, due there-on, I HEREBY GIVE NOTICE, if such arrears of taxes and costs are not sooner paid I shall proceed to sell by Public Auction the said lands or so much thereof as may be necessary for the payment of the said taxes and costs at my office in the Town of Aylmer on Thursday, the 12th day of January 1922, at the hour of three o'clock in the afternoon. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that

the list of lands for sale for arrears of taxes is being published in the "Ontario Gazette" on the 8th day of October 1921, and that copies of the said list may be had at my office-Town Lot Number 13, North on Sydenham Street East in the Town of Aylmer, containing One-Quarter of an acre more or less. Years ; 1917, 1918, 1919, 1920; Taxes \$50.44 Costs \$35.00. Total \$85.44. H. E. ARMSTRONG,

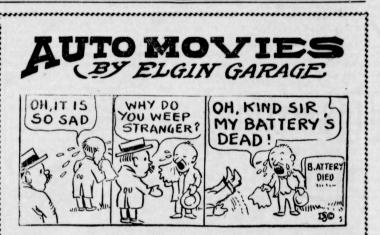
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"Tom," he said to the individual, "I think I can use you better at Four. Report to Kerlie there."

And strangely enough, few even of these proud and independent men ever aswed for their time, or preferred to quit rather than to work up again to the glories of their prize camp.

For while new recruits were never accepted at Camp One, neither was a man ever discharged there. He was

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