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A Brother's Error.

After recounting Captain Brandon's crimes Sim Bliss proposed that Bouton should act as presiding officer of the court, and that all the men present should consider themselves jurors in the case he was about to call up. In all this there was not even the semblance of legal method, but he was the only man present aware of the incongruity, and the forms were accepted with the solemnity.

The fact that some of the jurors were called as witnesses struck no one as being at all out of order. Indeed, nothing that Sim Bliss could have done or suggested would have been thought irregular. He was a lawyer, and they reasoned, as other men do about doctors, that he should know everything pertaining to his own calling.

Sim Bliss had been duly posted by Bouton as to the captain's offenses against the gang, and as there were witnesses ready to prove anything that might be charged, there was no trouble in establishing all that was asserted.

"Before asking you, gentlemen and friends," said Sim Bliss, after concluding the facts of taking testimony, "whether the prisoner at the bar is guilty or not guilty, I think it would be only right to ask the prisoner at the bar if he has anything to say in his own defense." Sim turned to the captain, and nodded to show that he was at liberty to speak if he so desired.

"I have nothing to say," replied the captain. "I have no favor to ask."

"That being the case," interposed Bouton, with a smile of malignant triumph on his olive face, "I'll ask the boys if they think Brandon guilty or not guilty."

He rose and looked at the men, and the men with one accord sprang to their feet and shouted:

"He is guilty!"

"What shall we do with him?" asked Bouton.

"Hang him!" was the response.

"Don't you think we had better shoot him?" suggested Bouton. "That will give every fellow a chance to get in a little work."

"Yes. Shoot him!" they answered, and more than one hand was reached back to the revolver stock.

"When?" came the thundering response, and the men crowded forward.

"I think," said Sim Bliss, "that to execute him now would be a little irregular. It is customary to give the condemned an opportunity to make their peace."

"Then we'll give him till sun up!" shouted Bouton.

This suggestion was acted upon, and the condemned man was at once placed under a special guard.

CHAPTER XXVII.

The Prophet did not seem more excited than usual. He was always intensely in earnest, but not more so now than was his habit. After the meal was over he replenished the fires on the altar, and telling the people to withdraw the chamber in which was the furnace he knelt down and so remained some minutes with his head bowed down and his hands clasped. He uttered not a word, but to God, whom he worshipped, his prayers were louder than the musical thunder of all the earth's organs. He rose hastily, and going to where the people were gathered waiting by the light of the torches he said to Howard Blanchard:

"I am going to leave."

"Going to leave us?" exclaimed the people in a gasp of agony and surprise.

"Yes; it is necessary that I should leave, and I ask Howard Blanchard to take charge during my absence. Are you all willing?"

The men and women coughed and nodded, and I ask Howard Blanchard to take charge during my absence. Are you all willing?"

"Let the women and children stay in this place until I return; they must not venture nearer to the entrance. Do you understand, Howard Blanchard?"

"I do, and shall carry it out," replied the spirited young man.

The Prophet raised his cap reverently and gazed up as if his blue eyes were piercing the roof and looking through all obstacles to the source of all power. Then he covered his head, threw his rifle into the hollow of his left arm and strode down to the

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Stygian labyrinths of the cave. In a few moments he was in the home of eternal darkness, yet without increasing his speed he kept on, avoiding every obstacle and turning every angle with as much certainty as if the midday sun shone full on his pathway.

Gradually the hoarse, solemn roar of the subterranean waterfall broke on his ear, and a faint glow, like the specter of a dying light, fell on the dense shadows in front, making them all the darker for the contrast. The man in charge of his herds had orders to appear at the falls with a torch whenever there was danger in the outer world, so the Prophet expected this. But he was not prepared to see the light of half a dozen torches and as many torch-bearers behind the fall. As was his habit, he uncovered and stood behind the glowing illuminated curtain of water, all the torch-bearers came by one came and stood before him.

"Why are you all here?" he asked.

"Because our herds have been seized and we have been driven away," said the man who, it will be remembered, met the Prophet at the same point on a previous occasion.

"Who was the foe?" asked the Prophet.

"Black Eagle and his friends," replied the man.

"Black Eagle! Ah, I knew he would not dare enter the valley sacred to the Great Spirit. So he wants to show his white allies that he is still working for them by attacking me away from the place he dreads. Let it be so." The Prophet waved his arm, and the torch-bearers, forming in single file, with their flambeaux held high over their heads, preceded him through the galleries and chambers of the cavern that led to the upper world.

The first burning in Bouton's camp served the Prophet for a guide, but he was so familiar with every inequality of the ground that he could have made the journey blindfolded. He had not gone half the distance, and had reached a point from which he could see the dark figures of the outlaws between the fires and himself, and he was in the act of sitting down with the intention of remaining there until daylight, when he heard the low murmur of voices near by. The murmur came gradually nearer until he could catch the words and recognize in the speakers Henry Kyle and Kuehat.

"Here," said the Sioux girl. "You must be weary."

"I can never feel weary nor rest again, but you are wearying yourself out, Kuehat. Leave me, for the end is nearing. Leave me before it comes," said Henry Kyle.

"Leave yourself," she exclaimed. "Is my love a thing that grows weary with my body? Shall I leave you now when you most need companionship? Oh, Henry Kyle, you know not the heart of Kuehat!"

"I cannot explain, Kuehat, but I feel as if all my past life were drifting back to this moment, and I am before the sunny wind or the darkness and mists roll away before the light. The end I speak of is the time when by one act I shall make a man full of reparation for the evil I have done and the suffering I have brought to others."

"It is the voice of human love that speaks," said the Prophet, rising and going toward them. "Next to the love for a race which only God can feel is the love which a woman gives to the idol of her physical affection."

"Is that the Prophet?" asked Henry Kyle, and the click of his rifle lock told that he was ready to attack or resist.

"I am so called by men. Happy shall I be if I have won, when my life, done, the name of faithful servant, replied the Prophet, and he went over and stood before Henry Kyle.

"What news from the valley? What of my father and mother?" asked Henry.

The Prophet told him of everything that had transpired since he last saw him and the condition of affairs in the valley, adding in conclusion:

(To be Continued.)

FROM VICTORY TO VICTORY.

Fresh Triumphs of the Great South American Remedies—John Lee Made a New Man by South American Nervine—Twelve Years a Sufferer from Rheumatism—Mrs. F. Brawley Is Cured by South American Rheumatic Cure—A Quebec Lady Tells of Relief in Six Hours by the Use of South American Kidney Cure.

In a practical everyday sense it might be said that this is still the age of miracles. At least, in many cases where people have looked upon death as imminent, the disease has been removed and they have been made whole.

Records like the following lead to this belief: John Lee, of Pembroke, Ont., says: "I was run down in flesh, had lost appetite, suffered intensely from indigestion, and feared fatal results would follow. The skill of several physicians and the use of many patent medicines resulted in no beneficial results. I was induced to try a bottle of South American Nervine Tonic, and continuing its use I am a new man today."

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Western Ontario.

Horse Cholera Prevalent Around Malden.

A Yarmouth Farmer's Fatal Fall—Barley and Oats Damaged by Rain.

Rust is damaging the oat crop in Huron.

The flax crop around Harrington is a great one this year.

Several carloads of prime cattle were shipped from Exeter this week.

Robert Bell, a farmer near Hensall, had four fine cattle killed by lightning Tuesday.

Brantford has been asked to grant a \$500 bonus to a firm which will cultivate mushrooms.

A number of horses have died in the vicinity of Malden since the local "vets" say it is horse cholera.

F. Waldron and W. Roff left Brucefield the other day with three carloads of fat cattle for the English markets.

The month's effect of waiting on Friday of Mrs. Peter Dodd, after a painful and somewhat lengthy illness.

Farmers around Dresden report a lot of barley and oats damaged owing to the recent rains, and the high winds are said to have hurt the clover seed.

Rev. J. W. Hoyt, pastor of the Dresden Baptist congregation, has resigned, to accept of the pastorate of St. John's, he leaves on Sept. 13.

Mr. Hicks, storekeeper at Mar, a hamlet eight miles from Warton, died on Friday in a fit. He was subject to epileptic fits, and had been suffering several years ago.

A very destructive fire occurred at Thamesford the other night. Mr. Oilman's place, lost his barn, crops, ten head of cattle and four horses. Lightning was the cause.

The next penitential saengerfest will be held at Berlin in 1888, that city winning the contest by secret vote. The Saengerbund elected Hermann Brecker, of Detroit, president.

The Windsor Oddfellows showed their superiority over the brethren in Detroit by carrying off the tug-of-war trophy, a handsome silver water pitcher, at the Leamington picnic.

Mr. Andrew Miller, one of the best known and most prominent residents of Yarmouth, as well as one of its earliest settlers and oldest residents, passed away Thursday night, aged 81 years.

In the course of a quarrel over a boat at Wallaceburg, Ben Weltman received a wound in the back with a pair of scissors in the hands of a lad named Rana. The boys are under 10 years of age.

Andrew Clark, of Tilbury, fell into a ditch half full of water, and, being 84 years of age and a partial cripple, he was unable to extricate himself. He was four hours in the water before a passerby discovered and rescued him.

Leo Waldt and Lizzie Burton, pickpockets, were up for sentence before Judge Chisholm at Berlin on Thursday, and each got eighteen months. The former will go to the Central Prison and the latter to the Mercer Reformatory.

Word has been received in St. Thomas of the death at St. Stephen, Ontario, of Charles Crane, contractor, who formerly lived on Wellington street in St. Thomas. The cause of death was a fall from a building which was in the course of erection.

Property at Bothwell is going up every day. One farm was sold on Friday for \$4,000, which was offered for sale by the owner, and all the wells are pumping large quantities of oil, and many new ones are under way. Hiram Walker has five drilling rigs at work.

Two weeks ago Thursday Mr. James Wright Haight, one of the best known and most respected citizens of Yarmouth, fell from a loaded barrel which he was helping to unload, and on Thursday he died from the effects of his injuries. He was a kind husband and a valued citizen.

A quiet wedding took place on Friday afternoon at the residence of Rev. W. D. Cunningham, St. Thomas, when Miss Mary Ann and Miss Ethel Mill, of Simcoe, were united in matrimony. The bridesmaid was Miss Jennie Flaxen, sister of the groom, and the groom was attended by H. Brooks.

Mrs. Lillie Parsons, of Windsor, who was on trial for the abduction of 15-year-old Lillie Bissett before Judge Horne, was sentenced to four years in the penitentiary for her crime. She is the daughter of a well-known farmer, and was married to a man named Parsons, who was a partner in the Central Prison.

Judges Bell and Doyle have divided Perth into six county council divisions, as follows: First division, townships of Wallace and Wallace; second division, townships of Logan and Elgin; third division, townships of Ribbert and Fullarton; fourth division, townships of Blair and Blair; fifth division, townships of North and South; sixth division, townships of Blair and Blair.

COMMENDABLE PROMPTITUDE

A Resident of St. John, N. B., Makes a Successful Trial of Dodd's Kidney Pills.

St. John, N. B., Aug. 3.—Mr. Robert Moore, residing in Indian town, a suburb of this city, has recently made what is allowed by all who are acquainted with the facts to be a most remarkable recovery. He has been suffering from a serious complaint of the kidneys for over seven years, and during that time has suffered excruciatingly. He has also suffered considerably in pocket, having paid large sums for medical advice.

Recently he happened to read of the many cures effected by Dodd's Kidney Pills, and with commendable promptitude made a trial of them, with the result that after taking three boxes of the remedy he was entirely restored to health.

The origin of soap is a mystery, but we have many evidences of its antiquity. It is mentioned at least twice in the Bible, under the name of "bath," at a period corresponding to several centuries before Christ.

LIFE SAVED.—Mr. James Bryson Cameron writes: "I was confined to my bed with inflammation of the lungs, and was given up by physicians. A neighbor advised me to try Dodd's Kidney Pills, and I did so. My wife had used it for a throat trouble with the best results. Acting on this advice, I procured the medicine, and after taking a few boxes, I certainly believed it saved my life. It was with reluctance that I consented to a trial, as I was reduced to such a state that I feared the power of any remedy to do me any good."

Losing by Wheels.

How the Bicycle Has Affected Other Business Interests.

Demoralization in Some, but Lasting Disadvantages Not Likely to Enslave.

In the current number of the Forum some interesting data have been collected by Mr. J. B. Bishop to show the economic and social influence of the bicycle. He estimates that since the passion for wheeling got under full headway, less than five years ago, at least \$100,000,000 have been spent in the purchase of bicycles in the United States alone. The output for the present year is computed at from 750,000 to 1,000,000 machines, at an average retail price of \$30 each. Obviously, 800,000 people cannot buy bicycles at the average price named and continue to supply themselves with as many other things as they would otherwise have bought. What are the other kinds of business which have been most seriously affected by the remarkable development of the new branch of manufacturing?

The makers of watches and jewelry are said to have been the first to feel the effects of the diversion of money to bicycles. It was formerly on Christmas Day or a birthday the favorite present to the male members of a family was a watch; now it is a bicycle. The same girls on their part were accustomed to save their pin-money for the purpose of buying earrings or a brooch; now they heard of or a bicycle.

So far, only the direct economic consequences of the bicycle craze have been considered. Mr. Bishop proceeds to discuss some of its indirect effects. The journals of the tobacco trade assert that the consumption of cigars has fallen off during the past year at the rate of a million cigars a day; this they ascribe to the fact that, as a rule, wheelmen do not smoke while riding. Salvomaniacs say that they also suffer, because their rooms are deserted on pleasant evenings, even the wheelmen who visit them avoid strong drink, because riding requires a steady head. A large restaurant in this town which makes a specialty of table d'hôte dinners has incurred this summer a loss of half its business through the desertion of wheelmen. Railway and steamboat men report that excursionists prefer to go to the country or to visit friends on the bicycle rather than by rail or water. Trolley and other street car lines from cities to their suburbs have had their receipts sensibly diminished. In cities the theaters are said to be injured by the bicycle even in winter, and to be ruined in summer. On the other hand, in country villages the churches are fast losing the attendance of young people on Sunday, and are trying to lure them back by providing storage room for their wheels. Shoemakers complain that they suffer materially because persons who formerly got their exercise by walking have taken to the wheel, upon which they ride in low-priced shoes, which are subject to little wear and tear. The haters say they are injured because bicyclists wear cheap caps. The tailors aver that their business has been damaged at least 25 per cent, because their customers do not wear out their clothes as rapidly as formerly, spending much of their time in cheap ready-made bicycle suits. Dealers in dry goods say that the predilection of young women for the wheel has reduced their sales of dress goods and expensive costumes from 25 to 50 per cent because so many girls prefer an evening ride in bicycle garb to strolling in more elaborate apparel. Finally the boot-sellers declare that much riding prevents much reading, and that their trade suffers. One great news agency in New York city, which deals in novels and periodicals, asserts that its loss this year in bicycle competition does not fall far short of a million dollars.

Some of the economical effects of the widely extended use of the bicycle will no doubt be lasting, but others the certain to be transitory. As Mr. Bishop remarks, people are not going to get on permanently without pianos or watches because they ride upon bicycles. As soon as a given community becomes stocked with bicycles and the changes and improvements become so unimportant as no longer to require the purchase of new machines every year, money will begin to flow back into some of its former channels.

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