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STATE OF MICHIGAN—SUIT PENDING IN the Circuit Court for the County of Oakland. In Chancery.

Paul F. Lange and Theresa Lange, complainants, vs. Daniel L. Davis, and the unknown heirs of William Papp, Edwin Jerome and James H. Jerome, defendants. Upon due proof by affidavit that William Papp, Edwin Jerome and James H. Jerome are all dead, and that the names, residences and whereabouts of their heirs are unknown, on motion of Elmer R. & Charles P. Webster, solicitors for complainants, it is ordered that said unknown defendants enter their appearance and answer the bill of complaint in said cause within six months and one day from the date of this order, and in default thereof, that said bill be taken as confessed against said unknown defendants; and further, that within twenty days from the date hereof this order be published in the Birmingham Eccentric, a newspaper printed and published in said county, and that said publication be continued once each week for six successive weeks, or that a copy of this order be served on said unknown defendants at least twenty days before the time above prescribed for their appearance.—Dated October 5, 1909. GEORGE W. SMITH, Circuit Judge.

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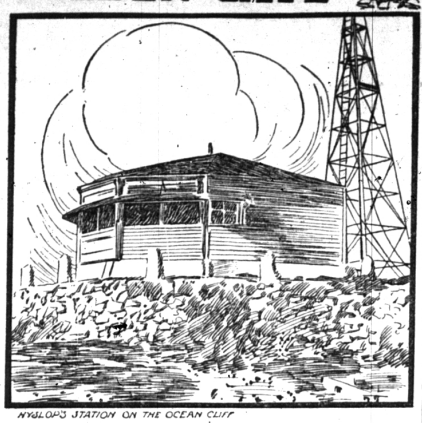

HYSLOP'S STATION ON THE OCEAN CLIFF

WHEN the sailor nears land his real troubles commence. Strange as it may seem to the landsman, land is the sailor's greatest menace, especially when beset by fog. Mdre wrecks are caused by straidings than by any other cause or by all other causes combined.

Hence the continual effort of governments to better their systems of lighthouses, fog signals and other aids to navigation.

San Francisco is one of the most admirably equipped seaports of the world in this respect, and numberless are the wearied mariners who heave a sigh of relief when the lights, first of the Farallones, then of Point Bonita and Fort Point, come in sight, are "picked up," as the sailor himself says, or, in case of thick weather, their fog signals heard. Glad, too, are tidings of a ship's arrival that are heralded by the lookout of the San Francisco Merchants' exchange stationed, day and night, in his little sentry box overlooking the Cliff house and Mile rock and the sea for miles beyond.

The keepers of the Fort Point light and of the Merchants' exchange signal station are interesting characters. They may well be termed the "keepers of the Golden gate."

For 30 years John Hyslop has been the lookout of the Merchants' exchange. He is to the port of today what old Telegraph hill was to the forty-niners. With the aid of his big telescope, a finely adjusted instrument costing thousands of dollars, Hyslop can sight a vessel far out at sea and classify and name her while she is yet miles away. He knows every liner, every steamer, every ship, every lumber carrier, every fishing boat, every schooner that passes his post. A look at a vessel's rigging is enough for him to identify her; and remember he is a landsman, or, lacking that, the sound of her whistle or note of bell. For 30 years he has trained his powerful telescope on the ships of 20 different countries.

"Jim" Rankin has been the lighthouse keeper at Fort Point for 35 years. His hair was brown when he first entered the government service and undertook the responsible task of warning vessels off the rockbound shores of the Golden gate and guiding them safely to the commodious anchorage within. He is now grizzled, but his eye is as keen and his nerves as steady and his devotion to duty as stern as a quarter of a century ago. In his period of service he has seen wondrous changes in the maritime life of San Francisco.

When a gale is on there is always an oil clad figure and a ruddy face under a lowered oilskin cap climbing the steps from the lighthouse tower to another one just opposite, where a flaring mouthed trumpet hangs over the rocks below. Every 30 minutes the big lamp must be visited. Every 30 minutes the big machine which blows breath into the steel and iron lungs of the hoarse voiced trumpet must be examined and tested that it may be ascertained if it is working to its full capacity. The duplicate machine which stands ready to take up the work should any part of its twin suddenly fail is kept in perfect condition by daily inspection; but it is seldom called on to perform extra duty.

Changes as great as in the topographica and architectural surroundings have been observed by both Hyslop and Rankin in the maritime and commercial conditions of San Francisco bay during their long terms of service. The decline in sailing tonnage and the increase of steam tonnage entering and leaving the port, the great

THE POINT POINT LIGHTHOUSE

expansion of Pacific ocean trade and many other events have taken place in the last three decades.

Twenty big grain carrying vessels used to sail out the gate in a single week. At the present time there are not that number in a year. They have been replaced by the big freighters each of which can carry as much grain as ten of the old-time sailing ships. Oh the China steamers a dozen passengers used to be registered as a fair list. A China steamer's passenger capacity is tested to the utmost to-day by lists running as high as 250 names. Perhaps a dozen sailing vessels pass through the gate in a month's time. Lookin out over the bay in early days one could perceive 30 or 40 sail in a glance. Thirty years ago 1,400 tons was considered good carrying power for a sailing vessel; 3,000 tons carrying capacity is the recognized standard now. Three decades ago a 2,000 ton steamer was held a first rater today anything smaller than 20,000 tons is hardly second class.

The displacement of the sailing vessels by steam propellers has about caused the towboat business to pass out of existence. When every vessel has a smokestack, towboats are no longer needed. Occasionally a big vessel will use one in docking, but the few towboats remaining are used mainly as fishing boats and are owned by two or three companies, who employ 50 men or more on the boats, which usually work in pairs. The great fishing nets, 200 and 300 feet long, are dragged through the water by being spread out between two of the boats, attached to each boat's stern. In this way fish are caught by the ton. The change from the familiar fifteen sailed fishing boats, which used to be such a picturesque sight on the bay, is marked.

Fleets of sailing vessels passed through the Golden gate in the early days. Nearly all the coasting trade was carried on by means of barks and ships. The bay was full of two and three masted schooners in the latter part of the 80's.

Interesting indeed, not only to the layman, but even to the seafaring man supposed to be familiar with them, are the things told by Hyslop and Rankin, these two weatherbeaten friends of the mariner. Monotonous their life may seem, but to the marine world they are men whose duties are of vital importance to commerce.

Reliability and devotion to duty are personified in these two guardians of the Golden gate.

LUCY BAKER JEROM.

An Ungrateful Sufferer.

Steady nerves, strength and gentleness had all been included in nature's gift to Miss Harmon, and she made an excellent nurse. But when she saw a patient in what she called "the glums" she never failed to speak a few admonitory words.

"Now see here," she said, in her clear, pleasant voice one morning to Squire Lathrop, slowly recovering from an attack of gout which had been severe enough to send him to bed, "see here! I know you've had quite a siege, but you just look at some o' your mercies, square."

"What, for instance?" demanded the squire, who knew her ways.

Miss Harmon bent an accusing gaze on him.

"Take this bed, for instance, she said. "Have you thought how few there are that have the privilege of being sick on a handsome black walnut bedstead like yours, an' have their clean sheets taken out o' such a mahogany linen-press as you've got? That ought to cheer you up some, anyway, to think of such privileges."—Youth's Companion.

Vegetable Milk.

The Japanese have discovered a cheap substitute for the milch cow in the form of a tiny bean. The juice, which is extracted by a special process from the bean, is said to be an excellent vegetable milk, the properties of which render it highly suitable for use in tropical countries. The preparation, according to the Java Times, is obtained from the soja bean, a member of the leguminous family of plants, and a popular article of food among the poorer classes of Chinese and Japanese. In making the vegetable milk the beans are first of all softened by soaking and boiled in water. The resultant liquor is exactly similar to cow's milk in appearance, but is entirely different in its composition.

Parisian Demand for Snails.

During the winter of the year 1900 French epicures consumed over 800 tons of snails in Paris alone. The consumption has diminished since then, but it still touches the estimated figure of 80,000,000 snails per annum for Paris.

TWO SOCIAL FRAUDS

BOSTON CLUB MEN WHO "WORK" THEIR FRIENDS.

Successfully "Fish" for Invitations to Spend Afternoon and Maneuver It to Cover Dinner, Bed and Breakfast.

The most bare-faced rogues in all Christendom dwell in Boston. These chaps are not porch climbers nor are they malefactors of great wealth, although their performances partake of the most evil qualities of both. The twain of which I speak are nominally and ostensibly, even ostentatiously, members of good society, and are not usually recognized as the frauds they are. All the greater shall be their reward—when it comes.

The particular episode into which all the malevolent venom of these parasites was quintessenced occurred just the other day. Here is the story stripped of all obscuring and foggy covering. These two are tennis talkers. As to their skill—let that pass. By much talking on the subject they enlisted the attention of an unsuspecting companion one day at the lunch table. This person lives outside Boston, of course. Otherwise he would not have been ensnared. Hearing their talk and being himself a genuine lover of the game, he was thoughtlessly generous enough to invite this couple to spend an afternoon at his tennis club about forty or fifty miles from the Hub. Their acceptance was instantaneous and correspondingly greedy. Yet the countryman did not suspect. The pair were promptly on hand and ate their host's luncheon with enthusiasm. Then all three, together with an obliging club member, went out upon the tennis court and started the game. "A pleasant time was had." Suddenly, alleges one of the guilty pair, the sun went down and lo! to their consternation, they discovered it was seven o'clock. Mine host, who had probably made several double faults watching that sun's decline was "game," and ignoring the fact that his guests were invited for the afternoon and not the evening, insisted that they take dinner with him. Loud were their protestations. Oh, no, they would go to town at once, they would by no means inflict themselves upon him, etc. In fact, their protestations and graceful acquiescences took up a good thirty minutes. Later dinner was served, followed by other things, of course. These Boston sponges exerted themselves to their utmost to please and amuse the man who was paying the bill. One of them actually tried to sing. Meanwhile the clock kept ticking away, kept ticking away, kept ticking away, until at last, when, talked dry, they rose to go, they were informed that the last train for Boston had gone! Again their host was game. He saw he was sold, his pocket rifled, and his good-will marketed, but he did not whimper. "Stay all night at the club, of course." Of course.

Next morning about ten o'clock two young men, upon whose countenances the plain impress of guilt still lingered, might have been seen alighting from a train at the station in Boston. And in the memorandum book of each the police might have found carefully checked off: "Aug.—, Luncheon, dinner, lodging, and breakfast, $00.00."—Boston Transcript.

All the Same to Father.

"Come here, Bates!" roared Dr. Bigwig, head and only master of the Cranton village school. "I have today received a—ahem!—a letter from Mr. Johnson, informing me that his son is unable to attend school in consequence of a thrashing you yesterday inflicted upon him. Is this a fact, Bates?"

"N-n-no sir!" quailed Bates. "I never touch 'im!"

But Dr. Bigwig did not believe. And two minutes later Bates was asking for permission to stand up in class, the benches being of wood.

On the following day Johnson returned and Dr. Bigwig sought justification of his act before the whole class.

"Did you tell your father that Bates thrashed you?" he asked.

"No, sir," piped the youth.

"But your father wrote to me, saying that Bates did it!" he thundered.

"I know he did!" snivelled Johnson. "It was Billy Beauchamp did it, sir; but father couldn't spell Beauchamp, so he wrote Bates."

House Names in Holland.

In few of the affairs of life does the Englishman display such a lack of originality as in the choice of a name for his house. Often enough it would seem that he does not choose at all, but meekly accepts whatever designation an unimaginative builder cares to place above the door. In Holland they do this thing much better. A recent traveler in the land of dikes and windmills has been at pains to make notes of the names bestowed by the Dutch merchants upon their country houses. Here are a few examples, translated: "Our Contentment," "Joy and Peace," "Leisure and Happiness," "My Desire Is Satisfied," "Friends and Quiet," "My Wife and I," "Not so Bad." To say the least, any one if these would seem to indicate more of the genuine sentiment of the householder than can possibly be expressed by the "Belle Vues" and "Cedars" of Suburbia.— Westminster Gazette.

How They Kiss in France.

The French kiss, unlike its counterpart in the United States and England, is implanted on the cheeks instead of the mouth. Children greet or bid good-by to parents, husbands to wives and fiances to fiancees by kissing first one cheek and then the other.

Frenchmen apparently go on the principle that if it is well to kiss at all it is well to kiss in public, for the sight of couples embracing each other or walking with arms about each other in the streets in broad daylight is so common as to attract no attention. This is true of thoroughly respectable folk and, particularly of the working classes, who pay little regard to the conventionalities. And, when it comes to kissing, everybody follows the scriptural injunction and "turns the left cheek also."

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