

THEY LIVED HAPPILY EVER AFTER.

There with the story... And who is not content... The prince in those days...

The Great Hesper.

BY FRANK BARRETT.

CHAPTER I.

We landed at Southampton, September 14, 1885, and a ragged crew were...

The "Judge," Joe Brace, led the way—a great giant man, with long, long leg, a stoop in his shoulders...

I followed with Van Hoesek. He held my arm, not for support, but for guidance, because he was stone blind.

It was now well upon three o'clock, and we felt the need of food, having eaten nothing since six, when our last rations were served out to us...

The "Kid" had given us a deal of trouble—had we forgotten how much I do not think Van Hoesek or I would have put in that postscript to the agreement which her father, the Judge, induced us to subscribe.

We came up with the judge at the door gates, where he stopped to address a policeman stationed there.

CHAPTER II.

We found a bank and streamed in, a small crowd collected a round the door, as it swung to behind the kid.

"Is the manager of this concern in?" asked the Judge. "Hands off," he added, in a roar, as the kid, slipping her lithe hand under the brasswork protecting the counter, began to finger the scales.

"I am the manager; what do you want?" asked the clerk. "Let up, Israel," said the Judge, falling back a step, and waving his hand significantly toward Van Hoesek.

"We were disgusted with Southampton, and had we possessed the means, should have gone on at once to London, where we might have found some former acquaintance to help us out of our present difficulty.

"Well, there was nothing better to be done so we got the inspector to give us a more definite direction, and then started off in search of the Abbey. The Judge swinging along ahead at a good four miles an hour, the kid had to trot to keep up with us; but I gave her my hand, and she did not complain—it was not in her nature to show suffering in the ordinary way.

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"We had it tested at Natal," said Van Hoesek; "it is a white diamond, and if not of the first water, is certainly of the second; it weighs 820 carats."

"Is it possible? Come with me, Eight hundred and twenty carats!" said Sir Edmund, in great excitement. "Bring a light into the library at once," he called to one of the servants.

"Good, good!" cried the baronet. "With skillful cutting, a diamond of such a form as this need not lose 10 carats. Heavens!" he exclaimed, turning to us, "you have the greatest treasure in the world."

"Now, let us understand the position of things to begin with," said Sir Edmund, taking a cigar, after handing the box to us.

"May I ask which is the judge?" "That's me," said Brace, with some pride; "appointed by the Long Pike vi. lance committee '56."

"Yes," I replied, "if you can buy it; it is a diamond."

BIG TRADE REVIVAL.

DISPATCHES REPORT BETTER TIMES.

Stocks of Goods All Out—Factories Reopening or Increasing Their Forces—Little Men Put to Work by Thousands—New Enterprises Projected.

NEW YORK, Nov. 9.—Telegrams from all over the country indicate a trade, industrial and general revival.

CHICAGO, Nov. 9.—The announcement is made on good authority that orders have been placed by the railroads of this country since the election for 50,000 new freight cars and 200 locomotives.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Nov. 9.—Andrew Carnegie attended a meeting of the managers of the Carnegie Steel company yesterday and ordered the expenditure of \$7,000,000 in the improvement of the plant.

LONDON, Nov. 9.—The election of McKinley as President of the United States has had a most favorable effect on financial and commercial interests here.

LOUISVILLE, Nov. 9.—As a result of the election nearly all of the idle factories here have started up and many big new enterprises have been started, giving employment to many thousands of men.

CARLISLE FOR SENATOR.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Nov. 9.—The Times today says: "John G. Carlisle will be J. C. S. Blackburn's successor as United States senator from Kentucky if he will accept."

MISS CORBIN MARRIED.

NEW YORK, Nov. 9.—Miss Annie Corbin, daughter of the late Austin Corbin, was married today to Hallett Alsop Borrower of Drayton-Vanderbilt divorce fame.

The New Royal Academy's Chief.

LONDON, Nov. 9.—The election of Edward J. Poynter, director of the National gallery, to the presidency of the Royal academy, was somewhat of a surprise to the friends of the other candidates.

The Cascades Locks Opened at Last.

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 7.—The locks at the Cascades of the Columbia have been formally opened for traffic.

A Preacher's Son Sent to Prison.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Nov. 7.—Carlos Martyn, jr., son of the noted Chicago preacher, has been sentenced to five years' imprisonment in the state prison.

Loss of Fortune Causes Suicide.

FREMONT, Neb., Nov. 9.—Joseph D. McDonald, a prominent and wealthy citizen of Fremont, shot himself, causing his almost instant death.

ABOUT THE NEXT SENATE.

The Republicans Will Not Control It—Are Short Two Votes.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 9.—The next Senate, it is believed, will stand: Republicans, 41; Democrats, 31; Populists and Independents, 29.

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INTEREST IN ENGLAND.

LONDON, Nov. 9.—The election in the United States completely overshadowed all other events during the week in Great Britain.

California Returns.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 9.—Complete returns from all but 111 precincts in California give McKinley a majority of 4,548.

Objector Holman Returned.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Nov. 9.—The official returns show that the Democrats have elected four out of thirteen members of Congress.

South Dakota Decidedly Close.

YANKTON, S. D., Nov. 9.—With the state complete except Hamlin and McPherson counties and three unorganized counties on the Sioux reservation, Mr. Bryan has a plurality in South Dakota of 45.

Arton Again Convicted.

VERMONT, France, Nov. 9.—The second trial of Emile Arton on the charge of embezzlement and fraudulent bankruptcy ended in a verdict of guilty of embezzlement and he was sentenced to eight years' imprisonment and to pay the Society du Dynamite a sum of money to be fixed by the state.

Stephens' Majority Growing.

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 9.—There are yet ten counties in Missouri to hear from, but the indications are that Bryan will have from 60,000 to 65,000 plurality and Stephens, Democrat, for Governor, from 45,000 to 50,000.

FAILED OF RE-ELECTION.

Defeat of Linton in Michigan and Haines of Nebraska.

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ALL OFFERS DECLINED.

Mr. Bryan Declares That He Will Devote His Time to Bimetallism.

KENTUCKY.

Partial Official Returns Give the Republicans a Small Majority.

Bryan to Lecture in Denver.

DENVER, Col., Nov. 9.—William J. Bryan is to lecture in Denver before the end of this month on a date yet to be fixed, on "The Centennial State."

Mexico Rejoices Over the Result.

CITY OF MEXICO, Nov. 9.—No previous presidential election in the United States created such interest among all classes in Mexico.

Major Warner for the Cabinet.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Nov. 9.—The election of McKinley makes it extremely probable that Major William Warner of Kansas City will realize an ambition, which his intimate friends say he has long cherished—to become a member of the President's cabinet.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Senator Quay does not believe that McKinley will call an extra session of Congress. Two Methodist Episcopal churches at Washington have offered the use of a pew to Mr. McKinley.