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When the Back Aches and Bladder Troubles Set In, Get at the Cause.

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Getting Closer to Heaven.

Once in the Pacific coast forests, the writer came upon a magnificent sugar pine, the only tree of its kind for miles around and a landmark even in that region of giant trees. My guide, as he looked up at the top, which lifted itself almost into the clouds, remarked: "If a man could climb that tree on a Christmas morning he could hear the church bells ringing in heaven."—Exchange.

Find Buried Treasure.

In the immediate neighborhood of the little town of Klingman, in Switzerland, a case was found containing an assortment of 829 gold coins. Most of the coins are of the years from 1602 to 1704. It is thought that the gold was buried at the time of the Spanish war of succession. The gold value of the coins is estimated at 35,000, and the numismatic value at over 100,000 francs.

Bacilli Are Scarce in Egypt.

A German physician has discovered that the air of the Egyptian desert is about as free from bacterial life as the polar regions or the high seas. Tubercle bacilli are killed when exposed six hours in the sunlight. He considers the desert especially suitable for rheumatics and patients suffering from kidney diseases and tuberculosis.

For Growing Girls.

West Pembroke, Me., April 24.—Mrs. A. L. Smith, of this place, says that Dodd's Kidney Pills are the best remedy for growing girls. Mrs. Smith emphasizes her recommendation by the following experience:

"My daughter was thirteen years old last November and it is now two years since she was first taken with Crazy Spells that would last a week and would then pass off. In a month she would have the spells again. At these times she would eat very little and was very yellow; even the whites of her eyes would be yellow.

"The doctors gave us no encouragement, they all said they could not help her. After taking one box of Dodd's Kidney Pills, she has not had one bad spell. Of course, we continued the treatment until she had used in all about a dozen boxes, and we still give them to her occasionally, when she is not feeling well. Dodd's Kidney Pills are certainly the best medicine for growing girls."

Mothers should heed the advice of Mrs. Smith, for by so doing, they may save their daughters much pain and sickness and ensure a healthy, happy future for them.

True Greatness.

True greatness, first of all, is a thing of the heart. It is all alive with robust and generous sympathies. It is neither behind its age nor too far before it. It is up with its age, and ahead of it only just so far as to be able to lead its march. It cannot slumber, for activity is a necessity of its existence. It is no reservoir, but a fountain.—President Roosevelt.

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CHAPTER XXIX.

Less than a week later, one early afternoon, the members of the household at La Tete des Eaux were startled by the booming of cannon in the direction of Lake Borgne.

What had happened was this: An English fleet, with twelve hundred men, had, with the intention of throwing an attacking force across Lakes Borgne and Pontchartrain, sailed into Lake Borgne and opened an attack upon the Americans, whose presence was a surprise to the enemy, as Capt. Lockyer, commanding the latter, had understood that this point was defenseless.

A fierce battle followed, resulting in a partial victory for the English, who were now masters of Lake Borgne.

It was the Shapira who, late in the afternoon, brought this news to La Tete des Eaux.

The house was soon in a bustle of preparation, the inmates packing hastily the few things they were to take with them in their flight, and concealing such property as would be likely to attract thieving bands among the enemy, who would, with little doubt, visit the plantation, as Shapira reported the woods about Lake Borgne to be filled with British soldiers.

Madame Riefet, when not absorbed by other matters, did not hesitate to express her reluctance toward accepting the assistance of this swartly, brigandish-looking man, whom she had never before seen, and whose very existence had been unknown to her.

"I know something of him," spoke up Mademoiselle Rose. "He is the man of whom grandpere rented Kanahana. Didn't you know it?"

"Yes," Lazalie added, before Madame Riefet had time to frame a fitting reply, "and we have seen him many times about the woods here. Rose and I once saw Captain Jean talking with him; and I think he is very obliging."

"But all this he tells us of a cave,

One of his own craft, commanded by Baptistine, was 'tying off the Owl's Point, awaiting the signal which would announce the coming of Lafitte, who, bent upon a private mission in the neighborhood, had not reckoned upon the present denouement.

But now, in view of all the circumstances, he considered this, the boat, a more desirable means for conveying the ladies directly to Shell Island, where now were only old Scipio, Juniper and the boy, Nato.

Waiting therefore until he saw Shapira start for the Colonneh, followed by the now quiet slaves, Lafitte, who had meantime explained his plan to his own charges, told them to follow him, and set out hurriedly in an opposite direction from that taken by Shapira and his dusky retinue.

The forest was darkening with late afternoon shadows as the fleeing party followed, in comparative silence, the tall form that led them.

At length the party emerged from the deeper shadows of their wooded way, and came into a cleared space, where the knoll known as "The Owl's Point" projected into the bayou; and halting here, Lafitte looked about him, while the others stood grouped a little distance away, awaiting quietly his movements.

But before he could give the signal to Baptistine, whose craft was concealed around the bend of the bayou, two men burst from the cover of a thicket opposite Lafitte, a gun was leveled at his breast, and a hoarse voice shouted, "Surrender, you cursed pirate!"

Rose de Cazeneau, with a wild cry, rushed between the weapon and Lafitte, while Barbe, who had been staring—as though he were a ghost—at the holder of the gun, echoed the shriek of her mistress.

"Do not—do not shoot your child!" she screamed; and, at her words, old Zeney, who stood nearest the stranger, gave him one searching look, and rushed in turn between her mistress



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where we can hide, right here on the plantation, yet which no one has ever heard of before, and no one, excepting Captain Jean and himself, seems to know anything about, sounds very strange and incredible. Did your grandpere know of this cave, Mignonne?"

"I do not know, but I think not. I never heard of such a thing. Yet, madame, it surely is safer to trust this man, who tells us that Captain Jean sent him, than to stay here and risk a visit from those dreadful soldiers."

"We dare not stay, and so we must trust him," said Madame, with a weak attempt at resolution, as she slid a jewel-box into the bundle Violet was preparing to fasten.

Old Zeney had come over from Kanahana, having insisted upon being taken away with her beloved young mistress; and now she entered the room to announce that Captain Jean was below stairs.

Never had his arrival at the plantation been so welcome as now. Madame Riefet, catching up her out-of-door wraps from the bed, ordered that the various bundles be brought downstairs; for the phlegmatic Barbe had finished tying up the last one as Chloe handed Senorita Lazalie the lace scarf for her head, while Ma'am Brigida was fastening the long cloak she had insisted that her nursing should wear.

"You may feel yourself fortunate, Madame Riefet, that you are able to leave here by daylight, and not, like some people I know, be roused from sleep to find yourself a prisoner in English hands," said Lafitte, as they joined him on the stairway.

As they were descending the stairs, he called to Shapira, who was standing on the veranda, and then hurrying down, gave the latter some instructions which the others did not hear as they passed out of the house and faced the slaves, now huddled in to a terrified mass, with their faces full of despairing expectancy.

and the gun, just as it shot out a jet of flame.

A second report mingled so closely with the first as to make them seem but one; and Zeney, with the man who had shot her, fell to the ground.

All had happened so quickly that Lafitte, who was, for an instant, unnerved by Rose de Cazeneau's effort to save him, had scarcely time to draw a pistol before his unknown assailant fell, as if from the discharge of his own weapon, which had killed Zeney.

In their surprise and fright, and by reason of the confusion, no one except Lafitte had comprehended any meaning in the words which followed the wild cry of Barbe, who now stood sobbing hysterically, with her arms around her half-swooning mistress, while Lazalie, with dilating nostrils and blazing eyes, sought to release herself from Madame Riefet.

Baptistine, who had heard the shots, reached the shore in a small boat pulled by some of his crew, soon after Shapira appeared at the edge of the thick woods from whence had come the bullet that had killed Zeney's slayer.

The English sailor, at Lafitte's command, now surrendered his arms to Shapira, and was promised freedom, in exchange for a truthful statement of the motive which brought his companion and himself to the spot.

He said that the other man had been unknown to him until that same morning; and all he now knew of him was that he was a scout, picked up from among the Indians, and bought to serve the English. Capt. Lockyer, who was in command of the English fleet upon Lake Borgne, having learned that Lafitte was in that vicinity, had selected this scout to find and capture the man upon whom he longed to execute personal vengeance. His orders had been to bring Lafitte to him, alive, if possible, and dead, rather than not at all; and the sailor, having been one of the crew who rowed the British officers to their mortifying conference at Grande Terre, had been sent with the scout in order to identify Lafitte.

Such was the end of the man in whom Barbe had recognized the brilliant officer of former years—recognized, despite the shock of grizzled hair, and the changes wrought by time and a lawless life in the face and

form that had tempted the new year's elopement.

Meantime, Baptistine had landed; and leaving his men in the boat, he came leisurely to where Lafitte was questioning the English sailor. The Baratarians' shrewd eyes had glanced over the scene; and the fallen bodies, the group of excited women—all that he saw, told his alert perceptions what had presumably taken place, while the sight of his commander, standing unharmed, and Shapira's attitude, as he leaned upon his gun, assured him that the danger, such as it might have been, was past.

Hence his nonchalant, strolling gait to where Lafitte stood.

The latter saw him at once, and interrupted himself to bid Shapira see that the sailor awaited his further orders. Then drawing Baptistine aside, he gave him instructions in regard to placing the ladies and their maids aboard his boat.

"But it seems very dreadful to leave poor Zeney lying there," said Rose, with a tearful backward look, as Lafitte was assisting her into the small boat.

"It is not possible to do otherwise, child," he answered gently, tightening his pressure upon the small hand he was holding. "All that can be done for her now, I will see is done before I join you. Will you not trust me to do that?"

The expression of the tear-stained eyes raised to meet his look answered him without the need of speech.

"You are not coming with us?" she began, when Madame Riefet interrupted her with a shrill—"Not coming with us! Oh, Capt. Lafitte, we cannot go without you. And these strange men! Indeed!"—now angrily—"we will not!"

He had put Rose aboard the boat, and turned to assist Lazalie, while he answered Madame Riefet's outburst calmly, although there was evidence of impatience held in check.

"I intend to escort you personally to Shell Island, madame; but it is best that you all go aboard the boat my captain here has waiting around the point. He will take you to it, and then return for me, as I have a duty here which I cannot very well perform until you and the other ladies have gone. There may be other Englishmen prowling in the vicinity; and the sound of the firing may bring them this way. If this should happen, I can manage matters to far better advantage by knowing that you are out of harm's way."

Madame made no reply, but permitted him to place her in the boat. Ma'am Brigida followed her, Violet coming last; and the sailors pushed off as Baptistine sprang aboard.

"Why does not Barbe come with us?" Madame Riefet demanded abruptly, as she saw the French woman walk to where Shapira was bending over the body of Zeney, intending—as ordered by Lafitte—to carry it into the woods for burial.

Lafitte answered from the shore, "Barbe will come with me; there is something I wish her to do, Madame Riefet, if you will kindly permit."

He had, unnoticed by the others, laid a detaining hand on Barbe's arm, and whispered, "I wish to speak with you; wait here until the boat returns."

She gave no sign of having heard him, but stood silently, until, as Violet was following Brigida into the boat, she turned and walked over to where lay the dead.

(To be continued.)

Duly Qualified Kisses.

Some individual with oceans of time on his hands has conceived the idea of hunting through the works of English novelists for the purpose of finding all the adjectives used to qualify the word kiss. The result is as follows:

Cold, warm, icy, burning, chilly, cool, loving, indifferent, balsamic, fragrant, blissful, passionate, aromatic, with tears bedewed, long, soft, hasty, intoxicating, dissembling, delicious, pious, tender, beguiling, hearty, distracted, frantic, fresh-as-the-morning, breathing fire, divine, stanic, glad, sad, superficial, quiet, loud, fond, heavenly, execrable, devouring, ominous, fervent, parching, nervous, soulless, stupefying, slight, careless, anxious, painful, sweet, refreshing, embarrassed, shy, mute, ravishing, holy, sacred, firm, hurried, faithless, narcotic, feverish, immoderate, sisterly, brotherly, and paradisaical. The task seemed interminable, and he gave up at this stage.

Australia's Rabbit Plague.

The last spell of heat cleared off a multitude of rabbits directly around Broken Hill, and although there are still many about, they are not nearly so plentiful as a few weeks ago. However, apparently there has been no diminution on the holdings a few miles from Broken Hill. At one well-known station the lessee has been trapping the rabbits at the tank when they come to drink. In this way no fewer than 35,000 rabbits have been exterminated at one tank in a fortnight. A cartload containing 700 rabbits, was put on the scales and weighed one ton.—Melbourne Argus.

Historic Thimbles.

In Mrs. Vanderbilt's collection of thimbles, which is the envy of her friends, there are several that are not only very beautiful, but historically valuable as well. Among the latter, and probably most highly valued by their fortunate owner, is one which was originally worn by Queen Elizabeth; another, which shows its royal owner knew its use, was the property of Princess Alice; still another dainty conception in gold and enamel once belonged to the Princess of Wales, while most valued of all is one said to have been used by Queen Victoria when she was a girl.

NEBRASKA STATE NEWS

NEBRASKA BRIEFS.

McCook now has a full-fledged commercial club.

Knights of Pythias of Beatrice have reorganized their lodge.

Barneston sustained quite a loss of fire with not much insurance.

Women of the G. A. R. of Wayne have organized a relief corps.

Alma has authorized bonds for a water and electric light plant.

The United Brethren church at Beatrice has been formally dedicated.

Henry Peters of Fremont has been fined \$25 for selling liquor on Sunday.

Forty residence and a number of business houses are being built at Alma.

Fire bugs continue to operate at Norfolk, keeping the people in much trepidation.

Richardson county's mortgage record shows an increase of about \$23,000 for March.

It is rumored that the Burlington will greatly improve the capacity of its shops at Plattsmouth.

Robert T. Maxwell, a brother of the late Samuel T. Maxwell, former congressman, died at Omaha.

Frank Thompson was bound over by the district court of Dodge county on the charge of horse stealing.

A contract for furnishing fuel for the public building at Norfolk, Neb., has been awarded to C. W. Brasch.

The April term of the district court of Polk county will be short, as there are but twelve cases to be disposed of.

It is said that work on a new Burlington depot for Beatrice will begin as soon as the depot at Crete is completed.

In a free-for-all fight near Adams, one of the participants, Harm Harms, was stabbed in three places and dangerously wounded.

Earl Fairbanks, aged 18, is under arrest at Norfolk, charged with being responsible for the large number of fires which have occurred there this year.

The town of Adams is very much elated over the now assured erection of a new mill and elevator which Messrs. W. E. Bryson and J. A. Miller are erecting.

Complete rural free delivery service has been established in Otoe county. The total number of routes in the county is nineteen, of which route No. 3 (Palmyra) is new.

Beaver City is enjoying a healthful growth this spring, and while it is by no means a "boom," its proportions are gratifying to citizens interested in the welfare of the town.

J. L. Fletcher and David King, two neighbors about four miles northeast of Moorehead, had trouble over stock which resulted in a shooting, in which King was shot through the right hand.

At a number of places in northwest Nebraska the Northwestern has begun, or is arranging to begin line straightening and grade reduction; newer and more modern bridges will follow.

It is the intention of the men who will build Fremont's new auditorium to have the work commence about June 1. The company has not yet been organized, but enough money for the carrying out of the project has been subscribed.

Ten of the old soldiers' graves in the Osceola cemetery are now marked with stones received from the government. Through the efforts of the senior commander of the Grand Army of the Republic post of Osceola these monuments were secured.

The lighting machine which operates the acetylene plant in McDowell & Ramsey's drug store at Tecumseh exploded without serious results. Occupants of the building were not near when the explosion occurred, otherwise results might have been serious.

Nebraska university debaters were given the decision over those of Washington university of St. Louis. The representatives of Nebraska were John D. Ringer, Albert M. Lavy and Joseph Swensen. Washington's debaters were Fred Armstrong, Jr., Graham C. Stevens and Henry T. Ferris.

Indications point to a success in the movement to establish a new brick plant at Humboldt. Investigation by experts regarding the deposits of clay have without exception proven the adaptability of it for the purposes required and it is expected the promoters will soon take active steps toward the organization of a stock company.

Philadelphia dispatch: Because she intended leaving the theatrical company of which both were members, Edward Smedes shot Bessie Helen Davis at a theatrical hotel where they were both staying, inflicting a probably fatal wound near the heart, and then attempted to kill himself. The woman was known on the stage as Bessie Dale. She was 25 years old and her home is in Hebron, Neb.

The State Journal company filed a demurrer in the supreme court to the suit filed by the state for the recovery of \$82,500, alleged to be due the state because the Journal sold supreme court reports to that amount.

The supreme court has affirmed the decision of the district court of Douglas county in the damage suit of Victor G. Lindgren against the Omaha Street Railway company, finding for the street railway company. The action was a suit for injuries received in a collision between a street car and buggy in which the plaintiff was riding.

BROADWELL WILL REMAIN.

Bingham Loses in Contest for Clerk of District Court.

LINCOLN—William W. Bingham has lost out in his contest for the office of district clerk of Douglas county, which is now held and will continue to be held by Frank A. Broadwell. The supreme court so decided. The opinion is written by Commissioner Ames and concludes as follows:

"Whatever may be said of individuals and of special interest, it will not do to presume that the mass of the voters are fraudulent or corrupt. When, if ever, the time shall come that such a presumption shall be just, the only means, if any, of the preservation of society will be the abandonment of the experiment of free government. In the present instance no specific charge or pretense of corruption or of fraudulent intent is made, but we are asked to infer such an offense from apparently accidental or awkward, or ignorant marking, or mutilation of some 150 ballots selected from some two score precincts, a part of them varying from one to six or eight, and the average being about four or five, or else we are expected to hold them constructively fraudulent. We doubt if the doctrine of constructive fraud is applicable to such cases, but if it were so, the presumption would be rebutted by circumstances. The very fact that the ballots were collected from such scattered sources in such small number precludes the idea of combination or design, or that they were cast with other than an honest intent."

BARTLEY BOND CASE AGAIN.

Attorney General Asks Court to Finally Dispose of Litigation.

LINCOLN—After having dragged itself through the supreme court three times during the last seven years, the Bartley bond suit is again before the judges of that tribunal, and in his brief the attorney general asks the court to make this the final appearance of the case by basing its opinion on the facts and definitely establishing the rights of the state in the matter. The case was brought up by the state from the Douglas county district court and this morning was advanced on the docket and submitted on briefs.

The suit was originally brought in 1897 in Douglas county by the state against Joseph S. Bartley, ex-state treasurer, and the sureties on his official bond. The amount alleged as shortage was in round numbers \$550,000. During the several trials the case has been adjudicated as to all surety defendants and Joseph S. Bartley the principal, except the defendants W. A. Paxton, E. E. Brown, John H. Ames, Amos Swobe, C. C. McNish and Cadet Taylor, who are the defendants in error in this proceeding. The state seeks a reversal of the decision of the lower court, which ordered the case dismissed.

Attorney General Brown holds the evidence before the lower court was entirely insufficient to sustain the verdict. He divides the shortage into three divisions, as follows:

- First—Excessive deposits in state depositories, amounting to \$18,000.
- Second—The conversion of state funds on deposit in the Omaha National bank on the 2nd of January, 1897, amounting to \$201,884.05.
- Third—School or trust funds unaccounted for, amounting to \$326,934.58.

Life Loses Its Charm.

Infatuated with Mrs. A. F. Foreman, has landlady, Oscar Hansen of Lincoln committed suicide by taking a dose of morphine. He was an electrician, about 25 years of age, and has relatives, a mother and a sister, living in Wahoo.

David City Chautauqua.

DAVID CITY—The fifth annual session of the David City Chautauqua assembly will be held July 21 to 30 inclusive. H. H. Harmon of Columbus, Indiana, continues as superintendent. E. Williams and G. W. Gates, managers, and L. B. Fuller, secretary. The management assures the public that this session will be far superior to that of any previous assembly.

Goes Back to Germany.

COLUMBUS—Having made sufficient money in this country to live in luxury in the old world Louis Dandler, who has resided for many years near Shelby, left for Lechinich, Germany with the expectation of making that place his permanent home in the future.

Dan Wilson of Broken Bow is laid up with a broken leg received while playing base ball.

PAPILLION—James H. Preston, a about a year ago examined by the insanity board and sent to the St. Bernard hospital at Council Bluffs, was up before the board again and pronounced insane. He will be taken to the asylum at Lincoln.

BRADSHAW—A change will take place in the business managers of the farmers' shipping association at this place. Mr. James W. Graham, who has been agent for the company ever since its organization will retire, and Mr. George E. Steadman will take his place.