



THE STORY OF A MAN WHO IN HIS OWN LITTLE WORLD ABOARD SHIP WAS A LAW UNTO HIMSELF

SYNOPSIS

Humphrey Van Weyden, critic and dilettante, thrown into the water by the sinking of a ferryboat, on coming to his senses, finds himself aboard the sealing schooner Ghost, Captain Wolf Larsen, bound to Japan waters. The captain refuses to put Humphrey ashore and makes him cabin boy "for the good of his soul."

CHAPTER XVII—Continued.

Then they were gone astern. The spritsail filled with the wind, suddenly, careening the frail open craft till it seemed it would surely capsize. A whitecap foamed above it and broke across in a snow-white smother. Then the boat emerged, half swamped, Leach flinging the water out and Johnson clinging to the steering-ear, his face white and anxious.

CHAPTER XVIII.

The remainder of the day passed uneventfully. Miss Brewster, we had learned her name from the engineer, slept on and on. At supper I requested the hunters to lower their voices, so she was not disturbed; and it was not till next morning that she made her appearance. It had been my intention to have her meals served apart, but Wolf Larsen put down his foot.

CHAPTER XIX.

The chagrin Wolf Larsen felt from being ignored by Maud Brewster and me in the conversation at table had to express itself in some fashion, and it fell to Thomas Mugridge to be the victim. He had not mended his ways nor his shirt, though the latter he contended he had changed. The garment itself did not bear out the assertion, nor did the accumulations of grease on stove and pan attest a general cleanliness.

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the poop and along the poop to the stern. So great was his speed that as he curved past the corner of the cabin he slipped and fell. Nilson was standing at the wheel, and the cockney's hurtling body struck his legs. Both went down together, but Mugridge alone arose. By some freak of pressures, his frail body had snapped the strong man's leg like a pipestem.

Parsons took the wheel, and the pursuit continued. Round and round the docks they went, Mugridge sick with fear, the sailors hallooing and shouting directions to one another, and the hunters bellowing encouragement and laughter. Mugridge went down on the fore-hatch under three men; he emerged from the mass, bleeding at the mouth.

The battle was over, and Wolf Larsen rove a bowline in a piece of rope and slipped it under his shoulders. Then he was carried aft and flung into the sea. Forty, fifty, sixty feet of line ran out, when Wolf Larsen cried "Belay!" Oofty-Oofty took a turn on a bit, the rope tautened, and the Ghost, lunging onward, jerked the cook to the surface.

I had forgotten the existence of Maud Brewster, and I remembered her with a start as she stopped lightly beside me. It was her first time on deck since she had come aboard. A dead silence greeted her appearance.

Her eyes lighted on Oofty-Oofty, immediately before her, his body instinct with alertness and grace as he held the turn of the rope. "Are you fishing?" she asked him. He made no reply. His eyes, fixed intently on the sea astern, suddenly flashed.

"Shark ho, sir!" he cried. "Heave in! Live! All hands tail on!" Wolf Larsen shouted, springing himself to the rope in advance of the quickest.



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TIMBERING MINES IS COSTLY

Owners Compelled to Put Millions of Dollars Underground Every Year of Operation. Nearly 90,000,000 cubic feet of timber are placed in the anthracite mines of Pennsylvania every year, if an estimate in the Colliery Engineer, lately acquired by Coal Age, that the amount of timber in anthracite mines is approximately one cubic foot for every ton of coal mined, is correct.

A billion tons of water, or over 11 times as many tons as the coal produced during the year, must be pumped out of the anthracite mines every year. According to the chief of the Pennsylvania department of mines the timbering is an even greater expense than the pumping. The cost of placing this vast forest below ground is staggering.

The cost of the material is given as about 65 cents per cubic foot for round timber and 20 cents per cubic foot for sawed timber. At the lower figure this would make 90,000,000 cubic feet cost \$5,850,000. In addition to this, there are millions of mine ties, and heavy white oak is used for the mine cars. The use of steel timbers, which are being adopted on account of their longevity, for main gangways, turn-outs, pump rooms and shaft and slope bottoms, will add to the total cost of mining for the next few years, but will effect a final saving. Most of the timber now used in the anthracite mines is yellow pine from the South.

Successful Brain Amputation. The Paris Journal cites a surgical miracle. Doctor Guepin expounded before the Academy of Science the case of a soldier of twenty-two years of age, who had to undergo a partial amputation of the brain. The wounded man has so far recovered that he will not be discharged from the active army. The doctor verified the fact that the rapid removal of a part of the cerebral matter has been productive of no appreciable trouble. The operation depends for its success on speed and boldness.

Kind Words. Belle—I think the short skirts are so becoming to most girls, and that's why I like them. Nell—That's real noble of your dear, with your feet, too.

Principle, Program or Person By REV. J. H. RALSTON Secretary of Correspondence Department, Moody Bible Institute of Chicago

TEXT—Verily, verily, I say unto you, he that believeth on me hath everlasting life.—John 6:47.

The end of salvation, as the apostle Peter puts it, is the saving of the soul. Literally millions are much interested in that salvation, but Satan has been too successful in keeping multitudes of them confused as to how it is obtainable. There may be three answers to the question, How is a man to be saved?



Saved by Principle. First, some seem to think a man is saved by adopting certain theological propositions; certain religious dogmas or teachings. The weakness of this position is quite easily seen by the majority and they immediately say that the theory must eventuate in practice; there must be a program of conduct, and that program must be carried out in actual life.

Saved by Program. For such a program the moral law of God is put to tribute. The ethics of wise men of Old Testament times; the best ethics of seekers after truth of the first centuries; the ethics of the Sermon on the Mount and of Jesus himself and his apostles, are all put to tribute, and if it can be carried out, salvation will ensue. This belief is in the face of much teaching of the Word of God that man's righteousnesses are as filthy rags. Yet, with all this, there are thousands of men and women today who are trusting some program of living to be their passport to eternal salvation. But sincere students of the principles and the ethics of Jesus have found that other teachings of Jesus take the foundation from under this program.

Unique Religion. The religion of Jesus Christ is unique, being different from all other religions in that those who are to receive its benefits are not to do so as the result of their belief in its principles, nor an alignment of their lives with its program of conduct. Neither Buddha nor Confucius nor Mohammed comes with such a claim. They give the principles and the program, but keep themselves in the background. Not so with Jesus Christ, and, strange as it may seem, his religion is, in a sense, the most egotistic of all the religions that the race of man has ever received. He makes most astounding claims for himself: He is equal with the Father; he is the son of God; he has all power given to him in heaven and on earth; he can raise the dead; he can lay down his life, but he can take it up again; he can forgive sin; he is worthy to receive all honor and worship, both of men and of angels; in short, he claims to be God. He clearly teaches that salvation is not in assent to, nor in belief in his principles, nor in following a program of conduct that he gives, but in living union with himself.

Personality of Jesus Christ. We may note that in the text we find that belief is referred to, but no hint is given of principles, or a program of living. The belief here, however, is not to be a mere intellectual exercise, but a soul movement. This teaching is frequent: "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved;" "He that believeth on the Son of God hath everlasting life;" "Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest." Now all this teaches that religion is not a matter of principles or program, but of personal contact with Jesus Christ. He is represented as the head of the body, of which saved men are the members. He is the chief part of the great spiritual building known as the church of God, of which his believers are parts. He is the vine in which believers are the branches. It is intimate, personal contact all the way through. One has very properly said: "Much of the deadness that has come to modern Christendom has resulted from loose ideas of the personal element in proclaiming the gospel; in presenting a creed instead of Christ; in presenting a plan of salvation rather than a person who saves."

How to get this personal contact with Jesus? Study Jesus, as he is presented, especially in the gospels and epistles of the New Testament, as the Son of God. While no one can say Jesus is Lord, except by the Holy Spirit, yet by following the Holy Spirit in his teaching in the Scriptures, we may believe that he will give light upon light as man goes on honestly and sincerely seeking to know truth at this point.

Then let there be an utter and complete surrender of the soul to Jesus Christ. When Saul of Tarsus cried: "What shall I do, Lord?" as he lay prostrate on the earth by the gate of Damascus, he made the great surrender which brought him to personal salvation, but as well to the adoption of principles that gave him a program of conduct pleasing to God.

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"Good God, Sir, What Kind of a Craft is This?"

tom show black in a breaking crest. At the best, that was all. For Johnson and Leach the travail of existence had ceased. The men remained grouped amidships. No one had gone below, and no one was speaking. Nor were any looks being exchanged. Each man seemed stunned—deeply contemplative, as it were, and not quite sure, trying to realize just what had taken place. Wolf Larsen gave them little time for thought. He at once put the Ghost upon her course—a course which meant the seal herd and not Yokohama harbor. But the men were no longer eager as they pulled and hauled, and I heard curses amongst them, which left their lips smothered