

THE BOY HERO. In heartless Paris, to foreign eyes...

SAVED BY A SINGLE STRAND

The Swallow was running before a steady breeze on her way to join the allied English and French fleets...

The Swallow had left Hong Kong some time before, and had been delayed by contrary winds.

The day drew to a close, and the Chinese began to light fires, evidently prepared to spend the night on the shore.

The cutter ran rapidly toward the land, and the ship lay until her return. They had brought three axes to cut the wood, and were well armed.

The men set to work to gather wood, and to cut up the dead branches into logs of convenient length.

When they had gathered a small supply of wood, they turned towards the shore.

The wind began to lull somewhat; but it was not until noon that the sea, though still surging savagely, ceased to break over the boat.

The two officers and the sailor, however, had spent a night of suspense sufficient to exhaust the hardest.

The day dragged wearily on. All were exhausted and almost anxious for the fatal moment, which they now despaired of escaping to come.

Towards four in the afternoon the mate fancied the wind blew less steadily and faint hopes of a shift in its direction began to overcome his despair.

Once there was a very proud Khan of Tartary. He had not a house to dwell in; he lived in a tent.

brightened up at the prospect of a prey, and when everything was ready they were set to work to haul in the hawser.

The anchor was lifted from the bottom, the waves drove the boat towards the shore.

The sail was rapidly hoisted, the wind caught it, and the shoreward rush of the boat was checked.

With a heave, he swung the anchor over the gunwale, and fell backwards into the bottom of the boat.

On examination, it was found that the rocks had chafed through the stout hawser, leaving the anchor attached by a single strand.

The boat, freed from dragging the anchor, now began slowly to move forward in the water.

The Chinese, as they saw their prey slowly but surely creeping out of danger, raised a howl of execration.

After many a tedious task, the cutter succeeded in beating out of the bay, and making her way to the ship.

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The exhausted party thankfully made their way on board, where the relief of moving their cramped limbs after sitting so long in a small boat was a pleasure to them.

They all turned in, and found deeper pleasure in the warm bunks and hammocks, to which they retired after being provided with hot soup.

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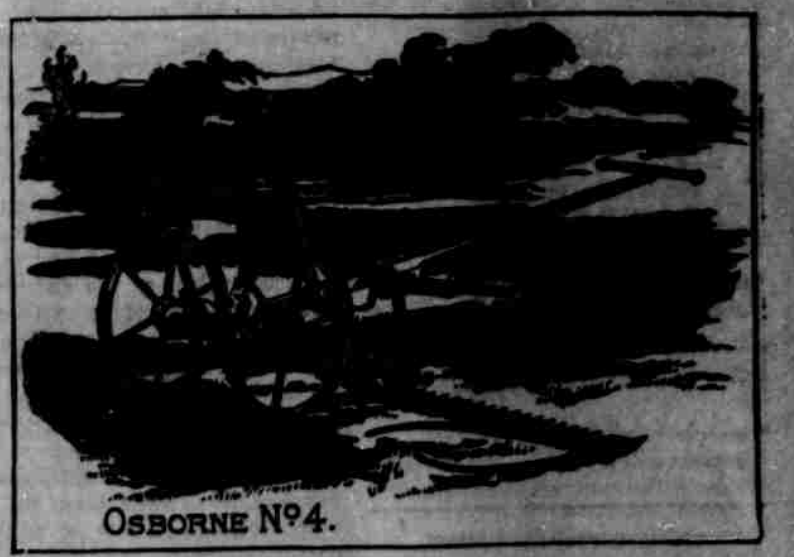
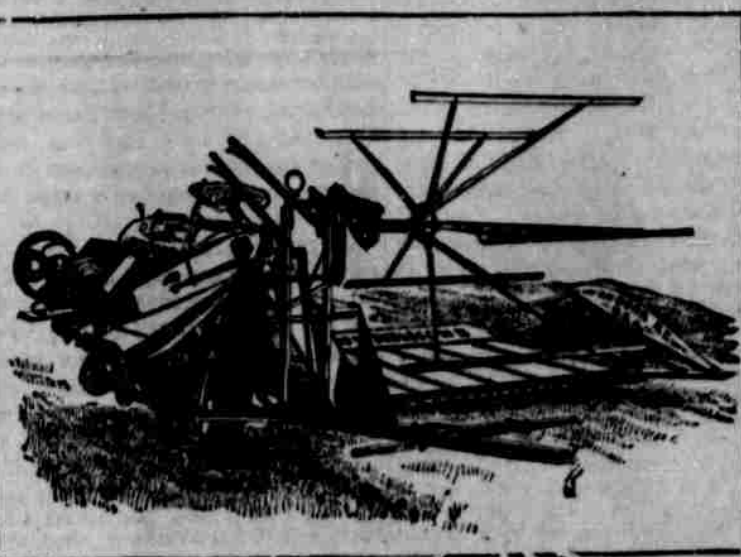
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