

TWIN STORIES

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Japanese Twins Meet Their Teacher.

"I know you are dreadfully hurt, poor Taro," Take said, "because a son of the Sathurai never complains, no matter how hard his lot."

"The water was colder now. Taro's head disappeared below the edge of the tub. He splashed a minute, then he said:

"I guess a real truly Samurai would scold a little if he were holed."

"Pretty soon it was Take's turn. She climbed into the tub. She splashed, too, but she didn't scream. Then she stuck her head over the edge of the tub.

"In boiled, too," she called to Taro, "but I'm not going to cry."

"Then the water isn't hot," was all Taro said.

"When they had finished their baths they were dressed in clean kimonos. Then they had their breakfast and at 7 o'clock they were all ready for school.

Their mother gave them each a paper umbrella in case of rain. She hung a little brocade bag, with a jar of rice inside it, on the left arm of each Twin. This was for their luncheon. Then she gave them each a brand-new copy-book and a brand-new soroban. A soroban is a counting machine.

It is a frame with wires stretched across it and beads hung on the wires. The Twins felt very proud to have sorobans and copybooks.

"Now trot along," the Mother said.

The Twins knew the way. They marched down the street, feeling more grown up than they ever had felt in all their lives. Their mother watched them from the garden gate.

"When they turned the corner and were out of sight, she went back into the house. She picked up Bo'Chan and hugged him. "Don't grow up yet, dear Sir Baby Boy," she said.

Taro and Take met other little boys and girls, all going to school, too. They all had umbrellas and copybooks and sorobans. The children got to the schoolhouse before the teacher.

They waited until they heard the clumpy-clump of his wooden clogs. Then all the children stood together in a row. Taro and Take were at the end. The moment the teacher came in, the children bowed very low.

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OMAHA SHRINERS REACH PORTLAND FOR CONVENTION

Tangier Temple Members Make Great Showing in Parade Through City's Streets.

Portland, Ore., June 20.—(Special Telegram).—No temple that reached Portland today for the great shrine convention attracted more favorable attention than Tangier of Omaha, which rolled into the union station this morning. The Nebraskans had a great trip across the continent and are prepared to have the time of their lives this week.

As soon as they had arrived the Omaha contingent started a parade of the business section that brought a burst of cheers wherever they went. The party in its cream uniforms made a splendid showing and the band won much applause for its maneuvers while playing.

Although one of the smaller bands to arrive, the playing was so good that Oscar Leibner and his musicians were invited to play at the first luncheon to Queen Claire of the Rose festival, Portland's annual floral show which is to merge in with the last day of the shrine convention. The luncheon is to be held Tuesday noon at the Multnomah hotel where Tangier has its headquarters.

Earl R. Stites, potentiate of Tangier, was enthusiastic over the preparations that have been made for the Portland session. More than \$200,000 has been spent on entertainment and the city has been transformed into a fairland. The fun throughout the week will be fast and furious with events scheduled for almost every hour, day and night.

Chicago delegation is expected to arrive on special trains. Seventy-seven temples, or more than 65 specials are scheduled to get in tomorrow and the attendance will be the largest at any imperial council ever held. Imperial Potentate Kendall was one of the arrivals today and the regular program of the week begins Tuesday.

Through Hours. How long I sat there watching him I do not know. I remember the first getting low and the infinite pains I took to replenish it for fear that my movements would distract my father's attention. But after I had completed my task I saw that he would have noticed no ordinary noise, so completely absorbed was he.

I suppose it was my overworked nerves, but as I sat there, eyes fixed upon my father's face, I could not rid myself of the feeling that even as his eyes followed the lines of my mother's old-fashioned writing down the yellowed pages other visions followed his, that another presence—filled with love and forgiveness—hovered near him.

Out of the Past. It must have been midnight when he began the last letter of the last packet. I wondered fearfully what he would do when he came to himself and saw that there were no more missives underneath his hand. Alone at that moment instead of pre-arranging the word "father," as I usually do. At the words my father looked up wildly, and the next moment he had crushed my hands in his, and with a look of awe upon his face was murmuring over and over again: "Sweet! Sweet! Sweet!"

I realized in a second the hallucination that had come to him. I am said to be marvelously like my dead mother in her youth. My voice even resembles hers. And I knew—how I do not know—that the favorite pet name which my father had given her in the long, hurried time, and by which he invariably addressed her, was the diminutive "Sweet." I guessed that it had fitted her perfectly. After hours of close communion with my dead mother's letters the sudden sight of me had for a moment completely unhinged his brain.

I stood motionless in his clasp, for I feared the effect of a single enlightening word. But in another minute the reaction came.

With a wild glance of realization my father sank back into his chair, and with head bowed upon his hands burst into the choking, heart-rending sobs which come to a man but once or twice in a lifetime.

And as I held him close, smoothed his hair and brought him gradually back to calmness again there came to me the feeling that I was not alone in my ministrations.

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HOLDING A HUSBAND

Adele Garrison's New Phase of Revelations of a Wife

What Madge Did When Her Father Read the Last Letter.

I drew an easy chair close to my sewing table as unobtrusively as I could manage the action, slipped my arm through my father's and pushed him gently into it. I don't think he even noticed what I was doing, so absorbed was he in the packet of my mother's old letters which he held in his hand.

Almost spent with weariness, I sat down in the chair opposite him, and with my hand shading my face, ostensibly from the fire in the grate, watched him fascinated. Even if the moment had not concerned me mentally, personally, I could not have kept my eyes from his face.

For he was a man transformed, rejuvenated. It was as if I watched the years slipping from him till the face he bent toward the yellowed packet of letters in his hand was no longer that of an old, sorrow-stricken man, but that of a youth hastening to meet his beloved.

He had looked at the dates on the letters closely and selected one—intuitively realized that he must mean to read them through in chronological order—and was perusing it as if it had just come to him fresh from the post.

He read eagerly; feverishly; and as soon as he had finished he put one letter tenderly to one side and took up another avidly. Carefully, he smoothed the envelope and pushed the table and pushed another packet close to his fingers that he might find it there when he should have finished the first. It seemed to me suddenly of the utmost importance that nothing should break the continuity of his past which seemed to envelop him.

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I'M THE GUY!

I'M THE GUY who drives past you without batting an eyelash when your automobile is stalled by the roadside and you don't know how to fix it.

I can see that you're in trouble and that's why I hurry by without letting you catch my eye.

Probably I could help you locate the trouble and fix it for you, but that would mean stopping and going to a little trouble and perhaps selling my hands. And that is precisely what I don't want to do.

It doesn't matter to me how long you'll be stuck there waiting for some good-natured motorist to help you out, so long as I don't have to take any time from my own pleasure. I'd rather let you walk a mile or two to a telephone and call up a garage. That's what garages are for.

Anyway if you're a big enough sump to drive a car without knowing all about its insides you've only yourself to blame. Tell your troubles to a mechanic—don't annoy me.

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Parents' Problems

I. Should a child be allowed to own a canary?

If the child is old enough and sufficiently responsible to care for the bird properly there is no reason why she should not own a canary. It should be made plain to her that, while wild birds would be unhappy in a cage, the canary knows no other home and would be unhappy if let loose in the woods.

Mistake in Advertisement.

Due to an error in composition in the Burgess-Nash advertisement in The Bee Sunday all books of popular fiction were advertised at a price of 25 cents each. The price should have been 69 cents each.

Experiments in Norway with textiles made from 75 per cent paper and 25 per cent cotton have been so successful that their manufacture will be undertaken on a large scale.

URGES CHANGE IN METHODS OF APPROPRIATIONS

Assistant Secretary of Navy Roosevelt Recommends Revision of Work of Various Departments.

Washington, June 20.—Revision of the present method of making appropriations and redistribution of the work of the various executive departments are recommended by Assistant Secretary Roosevelt, in a letter to Representative Ireland, republican, Illinois, which was made public today at the Navy department.

Mr. Roosevelt wrote in reply to an inquiry from Mr. Ireland as to whether any reorganizations, reforms or consolidations could be made in the Navy department. The assistant secretary did not confine himself to that department. He recommended that congress:

"Create a true budget system, not the small beginning already attempted.

"Consolidate the appropriations in one general committee, with sub-committees to deal with separate subjects.

"Put into law the general principles recommended by the reclassification committee's report together with the authorization of adequate salaries to government employees.

"Invite a conference with the executive branch of the government, looking to a reclassification and redistribution of the work of the departments.

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these heads more directly responsible for the successful administration of their work.

"Mr. Roosevelt said the entire system of relationship which exists between congress and the executive departments is fundamentally wrong.

"After seven years down here in an executive position," he continued, "I cannot help the conclusion that our government methods are cumbersome and wasteful. I am a fully frank in telling you that I think the first improvement must come in what is after all the source of governmental activities, i. e., the legislative branch. I hope you will not take it as a criticism of any individual or this particular congress when I call attention to the very unwieldy, inadequate and unbusinesslike methods under which the house as a senate of the executive states conduct their business. For instance, the Navy department has to go before the navy affairs committee for its main appropriation, it also has to go before the appropriation committee for the money to run the force in Washington."

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ton, and I can cite numerous instances where the department has fallen between the two fires of the two committees."

Telephone Employee Hurt. C. L. Dunham, telephone installer, 1022 Park avenue, was slightly injured last night when he was struck by an automobile driven by J. H. McDonald, Beaton apartments, 3169 Farnam street, at Twenty-sixth and Farnam streets.

Gas producing plants using peat fuel are being operated in England, Ireland, Sweden, Italy, Russia and Germany.

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What Do You Know?

(Here's a chance to make your worth money. Each day The Bee will publish a series of questions, prepared by Superintendent J. H. Beveridge of the public schools. They cover things which you should know. A complete list of correct answers received will be rewarded by \$1. The answers and the name of the winner will be published on the day indicated below. Be sure to give your views and address in full. Address "Question Editor," Omaha Bee.

By J. H. BEVERIDGE.

1. What other name is sometimes given to Mt. Kame?

2. Why are the Pribilof islands valuable?

3. Where do the Incas live?

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