

AS IT IS IN REAL LIFE

True Story That Differs Materially from "Plot" of the Average Novel.

A favorite "plot" of western story writers is the "nester" or homesteader, who is persecuted by neighboring ranch "barons" until he relinquishes his home and leaves the range to his assailants, or perchance stands his ground and suffers a mysterious disappearance or is hung from a cottonwood tree. No doubt instances of this kind have occurred, but it is a safe assertion that they were very few and far between. One who has an acquaintance among the large ranchmen of today will have a hard time conceiving of them engaged in driving homeless families into the desert.

One is more inclined to credit the story told of a ranchman now living who for many years had thrived as a sheep raiser with an unmolested range. After a year of plentiful rains, dry farming was proposed in his vicinity, with the result that his usual range was reduced over half by homesteaders' claims. For over two years the ranchman cursed his unwelcome neighbors with all the expressiveness of his lurid vocabulary. The third season brought a drought, bankrupting many of the dry farmers. The ranchman assured those who held on that they too were doomed to failure, but his words were not heeded and a number of families suffered actual privation. One day it was learned that the ranchman had bought out a general store in a nearby town and was crediting the dry farmers on his books. His only comment was that "somebody had to keep the damn nesters from starving."—E. D. Ewers in the Los Angeles Times.

Life on a Battle Ship.

To the "landlubber," one of the peculiar and oftentimes discomforting elements of life on a warship during target practice is the necessity for numerous baths. After each volley all the men on deck must take a bath. Sometimes there are four or five baths a day. This becomes quite monotonous. The Japanese inaugurated this practice. A bath is taken before and after shooting, to guard against possible infection of open scratches and cuts from the flying powder. When the big guns go off, the landsman on deck is thrown into consternation. A horrible, sickening wrench makes one feel as if each limb was separately grasped and pulled in various directions, and it is a long time until he gets his "sea legs" again. Life aboard ship is not the ordeal that rumor has characterized it. The hardtack legend is erroneous. The sailors are well fed, with the best viands procurable, and their bread, far from being hard tack, is as good as that which is served in any high class hotel or restaurant. There is a spirit of good fellowship among the men below decks. Each man has his separate duties definitely designated and there are no petty jealousies.—J. W. Aids in Leslie's.

One of His Little Sips.

Mr. Makinbrakes made another futile effort to light the cigar his host had just handed him. "These matches," he said absently, "seem to be lacking in the—"

"Those are toothpicks," politely explained the host.

"Why, of course," said Mr. Makinbrakes, smiling genially at his blunder; "any blame fool ought to know that. Though to be sure I didn't mean that—I had no intention—I wasn't referring, you know—not for world would I have you understand—Mr. Grimsbaw, did you ever read Rollin's Ancient History?"

Railroad for Children to Play With.

What boy that has ridden on a miniature railway at Coney Island or elsewhere has not longed to have just such a toy in his own garden? There are some children in England who own just such a railroad. They are the children of the duke of Westminster, and their road runs over their father's estate and that of C. H. Bartholomew at Blakesley Hall. The engine works with gasoline, and was evidently made in America, as it is of a type unknown in Europe.—New York World.

Be Cheerful Always.

Cultivate cheerfulness if only for personal profit. You will do and bear every duty and burden better by being cheerful. It will be your consoler in solitude, your passport and recommendation in society. You will be more sought after, more trusted and esteemed for your steady cheerfulness. The bad and vicious may be boisterously gay and vulgarly humorous, but seldom or never truly cheerful. Genuine cheerfulness is an almost certain index of a happy mind and a pure, good heart.

A Shock Absorber.

"Didn't you feel timid about kissing your beau at first?"

"Those things come about gradually," explained the dear girl. "I began by kissing Ferdinand through my veil."

A Shame.

Warden—No'm; the guy that killed his family ain't here no more. The governor pardoned him.

The Visitor—What a shame; I've brought a lot of roses! What other murderers have you?

FELINE AVIATOR AND HER MASTER



EXCEPT for the cat that started with Walter Wellman on his futile attempt to sail across the Atlantic in a dirigible balloon, the only feline aviator is John B. Moisant's pet pussy "Paree." He carries her around with him wherever he goes. When he flew from Paris to London puss was in his aeroplane, and during the recent aviation meet at Belmont park he took her up into the air several times. She seems to like it.

LOST FOR CENTURY

Musty Records Point Way to Famous Gold Mine.

With Newly Discovered Directions Shaft Where Millions of Dollars' Worth of Gold Mined May Be Found.

Arizpe, Mexico.—The famous Santa Teresa mine, which has a record of having produced ore to the value of more than \$10,000,000 gold during the latter period of Spain's control of Mexico, may again come into prominent notice after being lost for more than 100 years.

The musty records of this mine were found a few months ago in the government archives at Madrid, Spain, by Pablo Resaza, who forwarded a copy of them to Miguel Longorio, a mining engineer employed by one of the companies operating in the Cananea district, this state. The existence of this rich mine has been a matter of common knowledge to many mining men in this part of Mexico, almost from the very time that its location was lost. Scores of attempts have been made to rediscover the property, but these expeditions have all proved fruitless up to this time.

Mr. Longorio has organized a party of mining men, all of whom are Americans except himself, to go in search of the mine. It is said that the copy of the record of the property's production also contains a complete description of its location, and it is thought that it will not be difficult to find it. It is stated that there are four men in the exploring party, and that they have employed guides who are familiar with the country where the mine is supposed to be situated.

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ancient mine in the government archives at Madrid is due to the fact that all mines operated in Mexico during Spanish colonial days had to contribute a part of their output to the crown. A careful record was kept of the output of each mine. Its location was a matter of official record with the government. Duplicates of these ancient records are to be found in the archives of many of the old towns and cities in Mexico.

It is said that the output of the Santa Teresa mine was so large that several hundred pack mules were constantly employed carrying the ore to Guaymas, from which point it was shipped by boat to reduction works. The underground system of workings is extensive.

For Cheaper Funerals.

London.—The bishop of Birmingham, preaching at a friendly society's parade at Birmingham, said he wished all classes of society would spend less money on funerals. He should like to see a thorough reform in this matter. It was most lamentable to see how much money even poor people would devote to funerals.

whole large intestine in certain diseases. He further claimed that the absorption of the poisons produced by intestinal germs was the chief cause of premature degeneration of the organs of the body.

Dr. A. Distaso, Professor Metchnikoff's assistant, who has been conducting further experiments in the laboratories at St. Mary's hospital, explains how the great savant had proved his assertions.

"One of the chief degenerative changes one finds in old age, whether premature or natural," he said, "is in the condition of the arteries. Instead of the vessels remaining soft and elastic, they become hard and twisted and brittle. This condition constitutes the disease known as arterio-sclerosis. The true cause of this degeneration has never been known. Professor Metchnikoff, however, was convinced that the disease bore some relation to the bacilli in the large intestine."

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WEIGHT OF A SOUL

ALLEGED DEMONSTRATION IS RIDICULED BY WRITER.

Experiments of Dr. Macdougall of America in Weighing Dying Persons Declared Inconclusive and Not to Be Taken Seriously.

"There is a popular notion that the weight of the living body is less than that of the dead one," says a writer in the Lancet. "In a recent issue of the Pioneer Mail a correspondent discusses this question in connection with the behavior of a crocodile which he shot dead while it was basking asleep on a quiksand.

"When shot the crocodile began to sink and almost disappeared before it could be reached. The correspondent is clearly inclined to accept the popular notion of an increase in weight at death but for the fact that recent experiments undertaken by some learned authorities in America have proved that a dead body was lighter than a living one. From this they (the learned authorities) deduce that the soul had a definite weight in pounds avoirdupois.

"It is possible with the experiments to which the correspondent of the Pioneer Mail refers. They were made and recorded a few years ago by Dr. Duncan Macdougall of Haverhill, Mass. Patients were weighed in the act of dying. The scales used recorded any increase or decrease beyond the fifth of an ounce—not a particularly delicate instrument for estimating the weight of that part of the living body which is usually regarded as immaterial and impermanent.

"In the first of a series of six experiments, Dr. Macdougall placed a man dying from pulmonary tuberculosis on the scales. The patient lost weight at the rate of one-sixteenth of an ounce per minute until the moment of death, when the beam end dropped a sudden decrease of three-quarters of an ounce in weight. What was the cause of the sudden decrease? Dr. Macdougall, after excluding the loss due to escape of breath and fluid contents of the body by evaporation or other natural means, concluded that the marked and sudden decrease was due to escape of the 'soul substance.' In this particular instance the soul was evidently a very material one, weighing three-quarters of an ounce.

"The experimenter extended his observations to dogs, but the results gained were negative. At the moment of death, the dog's body refused to show any alteration in weight. We are of the opinion that the correspondent of the Pioneer Mail in seeking to explain the disappearance of the shot crocodile in the quiksand need not take his 'learned authorities' too seriously. Dr. Macdougall's observations are to be explained by a peculiar bias on the part of his scales or on the part of his friends, who assisted him. At least the scales used by other investigators have refused to reveal any sudden diminution in the weight of the body at death.

In the actual acceptance of the term death occurs when respiration and circulation have ceased, but in a more strict sense the death of the body is gradual, the muscular system, for instance, being really alive some hours after the apparent death of the individual."

The Formula.

Willis—"So the play will appeal to all classes?"

Gills—"Yes, indeed, it's three-quarters full of up-to-date slang to catch the young people, and one-quarter full of old, reliable cuss words to get the old fellows."—Puck.

That Was the Trouble.

The young man (burning with musical ambitions)—I'd like to sing, awfully.

The young lady (tartly)—You do!—Stray Stories.

Plants in a Room.

We cannot esteem too highly the value of plants about a room. They become in time real friends. Hardest and best is the aspidistra, for neither draft nor gas affects it, and if a little neglected in the matter of watering it shows no malice, and summer or winter its glossy green leaves bear witness to the care bestowed upon it. Palms, though graceful and very ornamental, are delicate and disappointing plants. Ferns need constant attention, but always repay care.

For the center of a springtime dining table nothing can be prettier than a china bowl planted with small ferns and hyacinths, or ferns and tulips; as bulbs die off they can be drawn out, and the gaps can always be filled with cut daffodils. There is no limit to the delight given by flowers. In joy or sadness they are our constant friends.

A Distinction.

"You were no spring chicken when I married you!" shouted the husband.

"No, but I was a goose," she answered disdainfully.

Grand Combination Sale

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25 Automobiles, 25 Carriages, 20 Broughams, 10 Station Wagons, 15 Victorias, Opera Busses, Handicars, Park Traps, Phaetons, Runabouts, Buggies, Wagons, and 50 sets Single and Double Harness.

45 Head General Purpose Horses, and about 60 Head of Speed Horses, with mark pedigree and description entered in special speed catalogue, to be assigned to sale on or before November 19th.

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ALMOST A MIRACLE.

Health Completely Restored After Case Was Pronounced Incurable.

Mrs. J. Tilghman Wright, 519 Goldsborough St., Easton, Md., says: "I cannot begin to describe my suffering from Bright's disease. I constantly felt as if I were dying. My back pained me intensely and was so weak that for weeks I could not walk across the floor. My condition became critical and physicians pronounced me incurable. I started taking Doan's Kidney Pills as a last resort and soon received relief. When I began with them I weighed only 64 pounds. I now weigh 109 pounds and feel like a new woman."

Remember the name—Doan's. For sale by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

A Touch of Family Life.

When the country youth proposed to the city girl, he received the conventional assurance that she would be his sister. It happened that this youth had sisters at home and knew exactly his privileges. So he kissed her. At this juncture she availed herself of the sisterly right to call out to father that brother was teasing her. Father responded in good, muscular earnest. Then the new brother-and-sister relation was dissolved by mutual consent.—Judge.

Important to Mothers

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of *Wm. C. Little* In Use For Over 30 Years. The Kind You Have Always Bought.

Where He Fell Down.

Mr. Crimmonback—I see Budapest has a school where the students are taught the art of eating.

Mrs. Crimmonback—You ought to arrange to go there, John.

"What for?"

"And take a course in spaghetti eating."—Yonkers Statesman.

DR. MARTEL'S FEMALE PILLS.

Seventeen Years the Standard. Prescribed and recommended for Women's Ailments. A scientifically prepared remedy of proven worth. The result from their use is quick and permanent. For sale at all Drug Stores.

What the Editor Has to Stand.

Indignant Caller—Your paper, sir, refers to the man charged with entering my house as "the alleged diamond thief."

Editor—Well, sir.

I. C.—Well, I want you to understand that I had no alleged diamonds on my premises; they were all genuine.—Boston Evening Transcript.

TRY MURINE EYE REMEDY for Red, Weak, Watery Eyes and Granulated Eyelids. Murine Doesn't Smart—Soothes Eye Pain. Druggists Sell Murine Eye Remedy, Liquid, 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Murine Eye Salve in Aseptic Tubes, 25c, \$1.00. Eye Books and Eye Advice Free by Mail. Murine Eye Remedy Co., Chicago.

No Place to Put It.

Knobby—What makes you so sure that the old Roman senators were honest?

Lobby—Simple enough. Togas didn't have pockets.—Puck.

Constipation causes and seriously aggravates many diseases. It is thoroughly cured by Dr. Pierce's Pellets. Tiny sugar-coated granules.

There are more opportunities than there are young men to take advantage of them.—James J. Hill.

Many a fellow marries because he is too bashful to get out of it.

DRINK WATER TO CURE KIDNEYS AND RHEUMATISM

The People Do Not Drink Enough Water to Keep Healthy, Says Well-Known Authority.

"The numerous cases of kidney and bladder diseases and rheumatism are mainly due to the fact that the drinking of water, nature's greatest medicine, has been neglected.

Stop loading your system with medicines and cure-alls; but get on the water wagon. If you are really sick, why, of course, take the proper medicines—plain, common vegetable treatment, which will not shatter the nerves or ruin the stomach.

To cure Rheumatism you must make the kidneys do their work; they are the filters of the blood. They must be made to strain out of the blood the waste matter and acids that cause rheumatism; the urine must be neutralized so it will no longer be a source of irritation to the bladder, and, most of all, you must keep these acids from forming in the stomach. This is the cause of stomach trouble and poor digestion. For these conditions you can do no better than take the following prescription: Fluid Extract Dandelion, one-half ounce; Compound Kargon, one ounce; Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla, three ounces. Mix by shaking well in bottle and take in teaspoonful doses after each meal and at bedtime, but don't forget the water. Drink plenty and often.

This valuable information and simple prescription should be posted up in each household and used at the first sign of an attack of rheumatism, backache or urinary trouble, no matter how slight.