

AN IDEAL.

All friendship should be true and fast and strong, Not chary of its words and loving deeds.

—Isabel Bowman Finley.

A PROVIDENTIAL ISLAND

Had it not been for the excitement of the first year of the civil war the queer adventures of Capt. Harsen of the Boston merchantman, American Chief, would have gone the rounds and been much discussed.

In the spring of 1861, while I was second mate aboard of the English brig Enchantress, and when three days out of Zanzibar, bound for the Gulf of Bengal, we spoke the American Chief, homeward bound and loaded with Indian products.

In August, 1867, I was first mate of the Sea King, a small but staunch ship plying between Cape Town and Melbourne.

One morning in the month I have named, the hour being about 8 o'clock, with wind and sea light, the lookout reported a man in a boat dead ahead and only half a mile away.

"Captain, I am Capt. Harsen of the Boston ship American Chief,"

"But where's your craft?"

"I hope you will—in the right way."

"I shall not go into business," said the young man.

"I congratulate you, Mr. Wallace, on your prospects," said Mr. Fog.

"I should not think your life would be very satisfactory," said his cousin John to him one day.

"I wouldn't exchange with you at any rate, John."

ever left it he must do so by his own efforts. Now and then there was a storm, but for the most part the weather was perfect.

When Capt. Harsen had been on the island ten months he ate some fruit which poisoned him, and made him almost helpless for the next three months.

It was only after the raft had been completed that Capt. Harsen began to dread a voyage on it.

The Captain's provisions for the voyage consisted of roasted birds and fruits.

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THE UNCLE'S ORDEAL.

James Wallace, a salesman in the dry goods store of Messrs. Fog & Millett, was electrified one morning by receiving the following letter:

Sir—In accordance with the provisions of the will of my late father, Mr. Anthony Wallace, I am directed to inform you that you have fallen heir to the sum of fifty thousand dollars, not payable, however, till the expiration of a year.

"I don't want any advice," said James, haughtily.

"I am afraid it will do you little good. May I inquire the amount of your salary before this inheritance came to you?"

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"Well, suppose I have. Shan't I have a pile coming in at the end of the year?"

"I am only afraid that will lead to fresh extravagance on your part."

"I think it will be some time before I am a candidate for the poor house."

"It ought to be; but I'll tell you what, James, though you have fifty thousand dollars, and I have saved only four hundred, I will guarantee, in case you do not change your course, that at the end of ten years I will be the richer of the two."

"What's four hundred dollars?" exclaimed James contemptuously.

"Not much, I grant, but it is a nest egg, and as I may fairly count on an increase of salary, it will steadily increase."

"Very well, you may go your way and I will go mine. By the way, why don't you drop in on an evening? I generally have a little company."

"To be frank, I am afraid I shouldn't enjoy it, James. I usually spend my evenings in reading. It is all the time I have, and I don't like to lose it."

At the end of six months, James Wallace had not only spent his semi-annual income, but as much more, so that he was now two thousand dollars in debt.

This did not trouble him much, however. He thought of the fifty thousand dollars, and had already formed plans for disposing of it.

One morning about this time—or afternoon rather—for it was 1 o'clock—James Wallace was told that a gentleman was below who wished to see him.

"Show him up," said the young man.

An old gentleman, apparently about sixty-five, in an old-fashioned costume, was ushered in by the servant.

James Wallace had given an entertainment the evening before, lasting till a late hour, and the effects were plainly perceptible in his haggard face as he leaned negligently against the mantel, smoking a cigar.

Just behind him was an ornamental French clock, and the entire department was elegantly furnished.

"I come from Mr. Podd," said the old gentleman, very quietly.

"He had received a request from you to advance a portion of the money you were to receive at the end of the year. He is surprised at such a request. He supposed your income ample to defray your expenses."

"Well," said the young man, "I have been at considerable expense to fit up these rooms."

"Not over a thousand dollars, I should say," said the old gentleman, looking about him.

"That is about the figure."

"And the other thousand I should suppose would have been sufficient to maintain you during six months."

"Then you suppose wrong. The fact is, old gentleman, you don't know how much it costs to support a young man in style."

"Probably not; but it is a good rule not to exceed your income."

FUN AT A PHOTOGRAPHER'S.

An Odd Incident that Occurred in a Chicago Gallery.

"There are funny incidents in the life of a photographer," said one recently.

"I told him if he would indicate what he wanted that I might arrange it."

"I don't know as you kin," he said, "for I don't see nothin' here at all like what I want."

"I repeated what I had already said. He asked me to sit while he told me."

"You see it's like this," he began. "I had a girl that I loved and we were going to get hitched up. She had her things made up, and we were all but ready when she was taken down sick, and kept pining like till she died. And what I wanted was a picture of me settin' on her grave weepin'."

"I was touched at the homely story of grief, and told him I could send a man with him to the grave and have the picture taken as he desired."

"It's some distance out," he said. "It's over in Michigan, and takes two days to get to it. I reckon it'd cost er pile to send over your fixin's for what I want."

"I said it would."

"I thought," he answered, "that maybe you could rig up a grave here in your shop and I could weep on it, and it would do just as well. It's no trouble for me to weep enywhere."

"Poor devil. I had a mind to do it, but the ludicrousness of the thing kept me from it. As he went out he said he 'would look around' and see what he could find."

—Chicago Tribune.

Throat and Lung Troubles.

Boston is often abused without cause, as being the natural home of more cases of throat and lung troubles than any other part of the universe.

That disease was an epidemic of bronchitis, influenza or catarrhal cold, and as every one knows tended to seriously affect every weak part of the patient's system and augment any natural weakness or disease.

Reports from all parts of our country show that the number of persons who have been left with a sort of chronic catarrh laryngitis, catarrhal sore throat and bronchial affections likely to cause serious throat and lung troubles if not checked, is in proportion to the population about the same the country over.

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