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The Silver Horde

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"She go see my sick brother," said the Indian girl, recalling Cherry's mention of the child ill with measles. "She all the time give medicine to Aleut babies," Chakawana continued, "all the time give, give, give something. Indian people love her."

They were still talking when they heard the jingle of many bells, and the door burst open to admit Cherry, who came with a rush of youth and health as fresh as the bracing air that followed her. The cold had reddened her cheeks and quickened her eyes.

"Good morning, gentlemen!" she cried, removing the white fur hood which gave a setting to her sparkling eyes and teeth. "Oh, but it's a glorious morning! We did the five miles from the village in seventeen minutes."

"And how is your measly patient?" asked Fraser.
"He's doing well, thank you." She stepped to the door to admit Chakawana, who had evidently hurried around from the other house and now came in, bareheaded and heedless of the cold, bearing a bundle clasped to her breast. "I brought the little fellow home with me. See!"

"I dare say Kalvik is rather lively during the summer season," Emerson remarked to Cherry later in the day.

"Yes; the ships arrive in May, and the fish begin to run in July. After that nobody sleeps."

"It must be rather interesting."

"It is more than that; it is inspiring. Why, the story of the salmon is an epic in itself. You know they live a cycle of four years, no more, always returning to the waters of their nativity to die. And I have heard it said that during one of those four years they disappear, no one knows where, reappearing out of the mysterious depths of the sea as if at a signal. They come by the legion, in countless scores of thousands, and when once they have tasted the waters of their birth they never touch food again, never cease their onward rush until they become bruised and battered wrecks, drifting down from the spawning beds. When the call of nature is answered and the spawn is laid they die. They never seek the salt sea again, but carpet the rivers with their bones. When they feel the homing impulse they come from the remotest depths, heading unerringly for the particular parent stream whence they originated. If sand bars should block their course in dry seasons or obstacles intercept them they will hurl themselves out of the water in an endeavor to get across. They may disregard a thousand rivers one by one, but when they finally taste the sweet currents which flow from their birthplaces their whole nature changes, and even their physical features alter. They grow thin, and the head takes on the sinister curve of the preying bird."

"Why, you just ought to witness the run!" These empty waters become suddenly crowded, and the fish come in a great silver horde, which races up, up, up toward death and obliteration. They come with the violence of a summer storm; like a prodigious, gleaming army they swarm and bend forward, eager, undeviating, one purposed. It's quite impossible to describe it, this great silver horde. They are entirely defenseless, of course, and almost every living thing preys upon them. The birds congregate in millions, the four footed beasts come down from the hills, the Apaches of the sea harry them in dense droves, and even man appears from distant coasts to take his toll, but still they press bravely on. The clank of machinery makes the hills rumble; the hiss of steam and the sighs of the soldering furnaces are like the complaint of some giant overgorging himself."

"How long does it all last?"

"Only about six weeks; then the furnace fires die out, the ships are loaded, the men go to sleep, after which Kalvik sags back into its ten months' coma, becoming, as you see it now, a dead, deserted village, shunned by man."

"But I don't see how those huge plants can pay for their upkeep with such a short run."

"Well, they do, and, what's more, they pay tremendously, sometimes 100 per cent a year or more."

"Two years ago a ship sailed into port in early May loaded with an army of men with machinery, lumber, coal, and so forth. They landed, built the plant and had it ready to operate by the time the run started. They made their catch and sailed away again in August with enough salmon in the hold to pay twice over for the whole thing. Willis Marsh did even better than that the year before, but of course the price of fish was high then. Next season will be another big year."

"How is that?"

"Every fourth season the run is large; nobody knows why. Every time there is a presidential election the fish are shy and very scarce; that lifts prices. Every year in which a president of the United States is inaugurated they are plentiful."

Emerson rose.

"I had no idea there were such profits in the fisheries now."

"Nobody knows it outside of those interested. The Kalvik river is the most wonderful salmon river in the world, for it has never failed once. That's why the companies guard it so jealously."

It was evident that the young man was vitally interested now.

"What does it cost to install and operate a cannery for the first season?"

"About \$200,000, I am told. But I believe one can mortgage his catch or borrow money on it from the banks, and so not have to carry the full burden."

"What's to prevent me from going into the business?"

"Several things. Have you the money?"

"Possibly. What else?"

"A site."

"That ought to be easy."

Cherry laughed. "On the contrary, a suitable cannery site is very hard to get, because there are natural conditions necessary, fresh flowing water for one, and, furthermore, because the companies have taken them all up."

"Ah! I see." The light died out of Emerson's eyes; the eagerness left his voice. He flung himself dejectedly into a chair by the fire, moodily watching the flames licking the burning logs. All at once he gripped the arms of his chair and muttered through set jaws, "God, I'd like to take one more chance."

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TO MAKE MT. VERNON TRIP CHEAPER

Washington, D. C., Mar. 13.—A large delegation of the Mount Vernon Ant-Fee Association, organized to fight the practice of charging admission to the home and tomb of Geo. Washington, was present today before the Inter-State Commerce Commission, when the appeal of the association for a reduction in the electric railway fare between Washington and Mount Vernon came up for a hearing and argument. The fare is now 75 cents for the round trip, 16 miles, and 40 cents of the total is charged for the journey back and forth over three-quarters of a mile of road between Millers' Station, Va., and Mount Vernon. The association demands that the charge of forty cents for that short trip be abolished entirely.

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