

STORIES OF BIG FORTUNES.

Some That Came to Beneficiaries by Surprise.

In novels people are often made to pick up fortunes out of the chance newspaper advertisement, and the incident is dismissed by the reader as growing out of the author's imagination. What should cause surprise is that not only are fortunes thus obtained, but that millions of pounds sterling are held in trust by government and other departments which are due to persons who have dropped out of sight, or for some reason fail to claim what is legally their own. Yet in some instances officials and others succeed in tracing the missing heirs, and fortunes of more or less value are literally thrust upon the lucky ones.

Only last week a tailor's cutter residing in Vienna received information through the American Consulate that his uncle had died in America leaving him a fortune of no less than \$2,400,000. The uncle, it appears, emigrated to New York, where he bought forest land, and afterwards became owner of a gold mine from which accrued his fabulous wealth. His nephew was his sole heir.

An old man apparently poverty-stricken, was found dead in bed last year. The police, on taking charge of two trunks which, so far as was known were all deceased man possessed, found enclosed securities worth \$80,000 and a bank book showing a deposit of \$17,000. There was also a will appointing an executor, with directions for him to hand over the \$97,000 to the testator's sister, who resided in Dumfries, Scotland, and who was entirely ignorant of her brother's wealth.

In 1888 a Sheffield joiner named Platt received news of a large fortune due to his wife. Many years ago Mrs. Platt's uncle left England and went to California. There he invested his savings in the purchase of land, which became very valuable, for much of it was built on. He died without making a will, and as he was unmarried his relatives were advertised for. Eventually some of them were found at Birkenhead, and Mrs. Platt at Sheffield. The value of the estate was estimated at \$4,000.

A pleasant surprise in the shape of a windfall befell Thomas McGuinness, an old man who lived at a colliery in Durham a few years ago. McGuinness received a letter from a firm of Sunderland solicitors enclosing a copy of a letter with documents received from their New York agents by which it appeared that he and his brother were entitled to share in a sum of \$1000. The money was left by William McGuinness, their brother, who emigrated to New York, where he died about twenty years ago. The testator left his property to his wife, and on her death it was to be equally divided among his brothers. Edward McGuinness, who shared the money, was a mason's laborer.

Mr. Alexander Forbes, of Aberdeen was bequeathed five hundred pounds and a magnificent medal for a life-saving act performed a long time since. While on a voyage from Australia to England, Forbes jumped overboard and saved the life of Mrs. Macintosh. Mr. Forbes was traced by an advertisement in a newspaper.

BEQUEATHED A MILLION AND DISAPPEARED.

The mysterious disappearance in 1888, of a journeyman printer at Versailles, who awoke one morning to learn that he was the happy possessor of a million sterling, bequeathed to him by an old gentleman whose life he had saved many years before, was the subject of considerable speculation. It transpired that, besides the legatee's relatives and acquaintances, there were many persons who took the deepest interest in his fate. For on the strength of the windfall, the journeyman printer had borrowed considerable sums of money, respecting which the minds of the lenders were greatly exercised. The judicial authorities were communicated with on the subject, with the result that diligent search was made for the missing man, but without success. Various theories prevailed as to the

disappearance of the lucky legatee, the most popular being that the bank notes and gold he carried about him tempted some false friends to make away with him after a festive supper.

An elderly woman, named Grundy, died last year at Astley, South Lancashire. Her husband, a small farmer and gardener, upon examining a lumber room after her death, found close upon \$1,100 mostly in sovereigns and half-sovereigns, which had been hidden there by his careful wife. It was mentioned in the Lancashire Chancery Court recently that several children, supposed to be tramping the country, were believed to be entitled to an estate worth \$7,000. The vice-chancellor expressed his surprise that such windfalls were advertised in the London Gazette. He wondered how many tramps ever read the Gazette.

James Russel, a machinist, in humble circumstances, at Vancouver, B. C., told his wife five million dollars left him by a bachelor cousin. A London banker's advertisement was published in a Canadian local paper announcing that \$1,000,000 was waiting for Russel and his wife if they would communicate with the advertiser. Half an hour later Russel appeared, in his working clothes, with the required marriage certificate, and when the proof was apparently found correct, Mrs. Russel, overcome with joy, fainted, and Russel spent the day in celebrating the advent of prospective fortune.

A man named Bernard Reilly died in Ireland in 1871, and, owing to the failure of charitable bequests mentioned in his will, and there being no known next of kin, over \$6,000 was escheated to the Crown. A lady claimant, Mrs. Crawley, appeared in 1882, but failed to prove her claim. Quite recently it was discovered that an aunt of the claimant was alive on the date of Mr. Reilly's death, and would have been the next of kin. The aunt died intestate and without issue, and Mrs. Crawley, who was in poor circumstances, took out letters of administration. The Crown has handed her the money.

A MONTREAL LADY WHO INHERITED FINE ESTATE.

Canadian despatches received a year ago contained the intelligence that a Mrs. Madden, of Cote St. Paul, a suburb of Montreal, had received information from Australia to the effect that she and another sister were sole heiresses to an estate worth \$30,000,000 left by their uncle, Mr. Michael Conlan, formerly of Roscommon, Ireland. Mrs. Madden, who is the wife of a stonemason, was formerly a Miss Conlan, and emigrated to Canada from Roscommon.

In view of the fact that from time to time claimants appear to the Blythe estate in America, it may be useful to record the fact that this case was disposed of by the American courts as far back as 1890. Mr. T. H. Blythe died intestate in San Francisco in 1883, leaving property worth \$4,000,000.

One hundred and ninety-seven claimants sought this prize, along twenty-two lines of descent. Among the number were the English families of Williams and Savage and some Scotch gipsies, who traced Blythe's ancestry to Sir Walter Scott's Jean Gordon. In the judgment of the courts awarded the bulk of the property to Miss Florence Blythe, who claimed the estate in the absence of any will as the sole recognized and adopted child of the deceased. It was alleged that the Californian law, on sufficient evidence, allows such a claim, even against the next of kin.

James Crannis, of Wymondham, Norfolk, late landlord of a village inn near Bury St. Edmunds, a few years ago was informed by a firm of solicitors that he was entitled to nearly nine thousand pounds as next of kin to Robert Reeve, who left Wymondham in 1852, and who acquired wealth in Manitoba ultimately retiring to New York. Mr. Reeve died in 1860, since which time the solicitors had been endeavoring to discover an heir to the property.

MANUFACTURERS WANT SCHOOLS.

Canadian Association Asks Premier for Further Aid to Technical Education—His Reply.

Ottawa Free Press:—Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Hon. L. P. Brodeur Friday morning heard a delegation from the Canadian Manufacturers' Association asking the government to appoint a commission on technical education. The delegation consisted of S. M. Wickett, Toronto; Lt.-Col. J. H. Burland, Montreal; G. A. Vandry, Quebec; E. G. Whitehead, Montreal; J. J. McGill, Montreal; J. P. Murray, Toronto; and G. M. Murray, secretary of the delegation.

Mr. Wickett presented a memorial detailing what technical education had done for Germany, Switzerland, United States, England and France. In England the University of Buckingham afforded an example of a school of technical colleges. Mr. Wickett contended that the most progressive governments of the world have been compelled to actively aid national industrial development. It was pointed out that the smaller manufacturers in Canada exemplified most owing to the lack of technical experts, who could not be trained except at large expense. The alien labor law prohibited business men from import-

ing technically trained help from the United States. The delegates expressed appreciation for the recognition the government had already given their claims in the establishment of experimental farms, engineering instruction at the military college, biological research stations, lectures on metric system, national museum, and various other institutions.

Sir Wilfrid made no attempt to reply definitely to the representations. He expressed regret at the absence of three or four other ministers whom he had hoped would be present, but they were occupied elsewhere.

"I will present your petitions to my colleagues," said the Prime Minister in conclusion.

VISIONARY.

Jiggson—If a man could only sell coal at the north pole or ice in the South Sea.
Wiggson—But that's out of the question.
Jiggson—I know, but gee! just think of the prices he could get!

TOLD TO "MOVE ON."

The Central News says: The demonstration in the Ladies' Gallery in the House of Commons was preconcerted and carefully planned. In all about a dozen women were concerned in it, and the officials of the House were totally unprepared for it.

When Mr. Lowther gave the order for the gallery to be cleared, a most amusing scene took place. Mr. Erskine, jun., the Assistant Deputy Sergeant, accompanied by Inspector Scantlebury and a number of police, proceeded to the gallery. At first the ladies refused to budge, in spite of the courteous invitation of the overwhelming force of police. One or two of the refractory females, however, were taken by the arm and removed with as little force as possible outside the gallery. Many of them found that they had left their hats and coats behind. For a while they pleaded in vain to be allowed to return, the police, suspecting it was only a feminine maneuver to repeat the demonstration, refusing to listen to the appeal. Amid cries of "Move on, ladies, the lift is waiting," the suffragists were hurried to the ladies' lift and taken into Palace Yard.

Chief Inspector Scantlebury took the names of some of the demonstrators. Miss Millington, 45 Park Walk, was noted down. Immediately her friends recognized that there was a new form of martyrdom. They surrounded the Inspector and implored him to take their names down also. Miss Ranny, Miss Miller, Miss Pankhurst, and a few others were accommodated, but the Inspector's good nature at length became exhausted, and to the disappointment of most of the demonstrators he announced that "he had enough," and refused to take any more names.

The next incident was a demand for the hats and coats. One or two daring females endeavored to find their way back by the staircase on the pretext that they wished to get these articles of apparel, but eventually one of the attendants emerged from the Ladies' Gallery with a mangled bundle of hats and cloaks, and distributed them to the best of his ability to their rightful owners.

Not the least entertaining part of the incident was the mingled amusement, alarm, and disgust of a few ladies in evening dress, who, although they took no part whatever in the demonstration, were removed from the gallery by the police, and until their friends from the House came up and rescued them were in danger of being ignominiously ejected from the House with the disturbing suffragists.

MAILS CLOSING.

6 a.m.—For St. John, etc., St. Stephen and Charlotte Co., Carleton, Victoria and Madawaska Counties, and United States.

7:00 a.m.—Woodstock and Gibson Branch Stations, daily.

WAY MAILS—East Side St. John River.

7:00 a.m.—For Keswick Ridge, Southampton, etc., Mondays and Thursdays.

7:00 a.m.—For Springhill, Kingsclear, Prince William, etc. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

7:30 a.m.—St. John River via Steamer—For Oromocto, Sheffield, Gagetown, etc.

8:45 a.m.—St. John, etc. C. P. Railway Stations, East Nova Scotia and P. E. Island.

10 a.m.—For St. Marys Ferry, Gibson and Marysville.

WAY MAILS.

2 p.m.—For Nashua and St. Marys Ferry, New Brunswick, Hanwell, Lower St. Marys and Royal Road. Wednesdays and Saturdays.

3:30 p.m.—For Gibson, Marysville, Boiestown, Doaktown, Blackville, etc., Chatham and C. P. Railway Stations north and south.

4:30 p.m.—For St. Stephen, Woodstock, United States, Montreal, Toronto, Ottawa and North West Provinces.

8:15 p.m.—For St. John, etc. Nova Scotia and P. E. Island.

4 p.m.—British Mails via New York, Mondays and Thursdays.

MAILS RECEIVED.

9:00 a.m.—From St. John, etc., and Nova Scotia.

From Hamtown, Royal Road, etc.

11:00 a.m.—From Nasonworth and New Maryland. Wednesdays and Saturdays.

11:30 a.m.—From Montreal, Ottawa, North West Provinces, etc., and United States.

1:05 a.m.—From I. C. Railway Stations, North Shore and Quebec.

5 p.m.—From Oromocto, Sheffield, Gagetown, etc.

9:05 p.m.—From Woodstock and Gibson Branch Stations. Daily.

8:45 p.m.—From Nova Scotia, P. E. Island and St. John.

WAY MAILS.

7:00 p.m.—West Side River St. John—From Meductic and Way Offices. Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

9:05 p.m.—East Side River St. John—From Woodstock and Way Offices. Tuesdays and Fridays.

Things that don't happen are usually the ones that give us the most trouble.

THE HERALDS FASHION PLATE.



A PRETTY SAILOR MODEL.

White mohair makes this new and attractive waist model for wear with a full circular skirt of the same material. The plain back is drawn in at the waistline with slight fullness, and the full fronts are tucked for about two inches above the bustline to a shallow yoke, beameath the square sailor collar, the edges of which are stitched with heavy white silk. White silk-covered buttons are

set down the front pleat, stitched on both edges and fastened invisibly with small hooks and eyes. Sleeve is of three-quarters length, tucked down for several inches on the lower part of the arm and finished with a turn back cuff of the mohair. The skirt is a very full skirt of the circular mohair, finished with a deep stitched hem, and the belt is of white taffetas drawn through a buckle of mother of pearl.

and after the speech a friend of Landis approached him, and, repeating the phrase said:

"Fred, what in the name of heaven does that mean?"

Putting his arm around his friend's shoulder Landis replied:

"I don't know really but it gets 'em every time."

Sunlight Soap is better than other soaps, but is best when used in the Sunlight way. Buy Sunlight Soap and follow directions.

"Yes, perfectly," the young man answered.

He held it a foot from the applicant's ear.

"Still hear it?" he asked.

"Yes, sir."

"Now stand back three paces."

The young man did so.

"Now," said the examiner, "do you hear it from that distance?"

Then he smiled and nodded.

"I still hear it, sir," he added.

"You have the most wonderful hearing I ever came across," said the examiner. "That watch has not been running for three weeks."

Bill Jones is a country storekeeper down in Louisiana, and last spring he went to New Orleans to purchase a stock of goods. The goods were shipped immediately and reached home before he did. When the boxes of goods were delivered by the grayman his wife happened to look at the largest; she uttered a loud cry and called for a hammer.

A neighbor, hearing the screams, rushed to her assistance, and asked what was the matter.

The wife, pale and faint, pointed to an inscription on the box which read as follows:

"Bill inside."

A certain Leavenworth man came down to his office the other day, grinning all over his face, says Albert T. Reid. All morning long he hummed and whistled till his partner asked him what he'd had.

"My wife told me this morning that I am a model husband," he answered promptly.

"I don't call that much of a compliment," said the other.

"I'd like to know why not."

"Well, you just look that word model up in the dictionary," was the answer.

To the dictionary he went and this is what he read:

"Model, a small pattern; a miniature of something on a larger scale."

Two Irish farmers who had not seen each other for a long time met at a fair. They had a lot of things to tell each other.

"Sure, it's married I am," said Murphy.

"Faix, yes!" said Murphy, and I have got a fine healthy boy, which the neighbors say is the very picture of me."

"Moran looked for a moment at Murphy, who was not, to say the least, remarkable for his good looks, and then said:

"Och, well, what's the harm so long as the child's healthy."

Congressman Fred Landis, of Indiana, has apparently determined to make a reputation for himself as an orator. A year or so ago Landis spoke at the unveiling of a monument to Abraham Lincoln, in which speech, he employed a number of beautifully rounded periods and somewhat obscure phrases, among them: "Abraham Lincoln, that mystic mingling of star and cloud."

The sentence was loudly applauded.

DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS

have a way to cure backache, a way that's all their own—the right way. They're made for the kidneys only. When the kidneys fail in their work of filtering the blood the back aches because they are situated in the small of the back; backache is the kidney's warning of trouble, and every day you let the warning go it brings you nearer to urinary disorders, Diabetes, Bright's Disease, etc.

Doan's Kidney Pills cure every form of kidney ills and that's why they bring such quick relief from backache. Mr. Fred Gray, Good Corner, N. B., writes: "I was greatly troubled with pain across my back. I procured a box of Doan's Kidney Pills, and received so much benefit from them that I consider them the best remedy for kidney trouble I have. I would not be without them in my home."

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A RIGHT WAY and A WRONG WAY

Many people have many ways to bring about the same result. Most of them are mistaken ways, but this is not known until the test of time points plainly to the error. Practically there are but two ways to accomplish anything: a right way and a wrong way. Take, for instance, a man with a bad back, there are lots of them, and of various kinds, some with stitches and twinges, others with cricks and twinges; then there's the dull, heavy continuous kind that lasts all day and doesn't sleep at night. They're all bad enough, they're all hard enough to get rid of. Some people rub the back with liniment, others cover it with plasters, either or both means often bring relief, but the pain comes back—it's the wrong way to cure the trouble.

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No. 304 Mixed for Chatham, Campbellton, Loggieville..... 16:20

No. 317 Suburban for Marysville..... 8:15

No. 321 Suburban for Marysville..... 11:15