

A Genius

But a Genius In His Own Way

By EVERETT F. CLARKE

Ned Meacham was born to a singular career. As a child he was called Dombey...

His next fancy was the stage, not as an actor, but inventing devices in the matter of stage properties.

One would suppose that Ned Meacham would have turned his faculties to account. But a genius is liable to fire of what he has accomplished...

This saving of the manager's life laid the latter under a great obligation to Ned Meacham...

But just as the young contriver was about to perfect his invention the Boxer movement in China broke out...

One day Ned went to the commander in chief—a German general—and volunteered to bring him such information...

Ned, by no means discouraged, went to the commander of the United States forces and repeated his offer.

Ned spent some time fixing up a few contrivances in the property line with which he had long been familiar.

Meacham was seen sallying from the allied lines just before dark by an outpost of Chinamen.

The superstition of the Chinese is equal to if not greater than that of any other race.

With such men to deal with Meacham had but to move forward, spit a little

fire and the whole outpost broke and ran.

The Yankee had by this means got within the Chinese outposts, but being at some distance from the city it was essential for him to proceed...

Suddenly he stumbled upon one of these groups where there was no fire and the men were asleep.

Thus did Meacham work his way during the night toward the city. At midnight he was directly under the walls...

Meacham, after various adventures, found himself among the besiegers of the embassies. Being a nondescript...

Meacham asked to be conducted to the American minister and told his story. He was directed, if he could make a return...

He now had some miles to go by daylight which rendered some of his devices useless and he was obliged to rely on others.

The Chinamen raised a gun, and Meacham, uttering a loud "Ha, ha!" whirled his cane about his head...

The cloud of smoke drove off all but their brave leader and three other Chinamen.

The Chinaman was rising for another attack when his comrades clung to him to prevent his trying to conquer the devil.

Soon after this escape he came upon a Chinaman who had been killed in a fight with a European outpost...

Meacham made his report to the commander of the United States troops and delivered to him the ambassador's message...

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AFTER A TRANSFUSION OF BLOOD

By DONALD CHAMBERLIN

John Runlet was a fine, sturdy fellow until he fell ill with impoverishment of the blood.

Drs. Hammersly and Phipps, his physicians, consulted on his case and came to the conclusion that they had better resort to transfusion of blood.

Maud Scarborough and Della Thorne were the women and Ned Summerfield and George Smith the men.

Runlet became well again, thanks to these devoted friends, but not himself. There was very little of his own blood left in him—indeed, he was four other persons in turn.

When he regained his health and strength the baseball season was opening, and he resumed his position as pitcher, but he was found to be unreliable.

But few of those present knew the cause of Runlet's cowardice, though none could understand why a man should be afraid of a mouse.

The next time a game of importance came off Runlet took his place among the spectators instead of in the box.

Not a man of his old chums would speak to him. They remembered his desertion of his post at a former game.

Runlet's club had not found a pitcher to take his place. It lost steadily, and by the end of the fifth inning all hope of winning the game left them.

It is a disputed point what caused a sudden throwing off of Runlet's femininity. The doctors who transfused the blood into him contended that a quantum of woman's blood, which had been thrown through the heart...

The doctors are now consulting how to get him back to the unbroken masculine condition he was in before it became necessary to put new blood in him.

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KITTERY TO CARIBOU.

The prohibition State convention will be held in Portland, Tuesday, May 26.

The Bridgton house, a summer hotel at Bridgton, was burned Sunday, with a loss of \$50,000.

Clifford P. Sherman, of New Bedford, Mass., a U. of M. student, was drowned by the capsizing of a canoe in the Stillwater river at Orono Sunday.

Jerome S. Maling, of Brewer, dealer in timberlands, shot and killed himself in his room at a hotel in Lincoln last Wednesday.

Oscar Walker, aged eighteen, of Belfast, was drowned in Swan lake Sunday. With his brother and a cousin he was fishing from a small boat.

At the annual session of the nobles of the Mystic Shrine in imperial council at Atlanta, Ga., J. Putnam Stevens, of Maine, was unanimously elected deputy imperial potentate.

The largest fur farm in the country is to be established at Phillips by the Northwestern Fur Co. A farm of 235 acres has been purchased and will be used entirely for raising fur-bearing animals.

W Scott Libby, of Lewiston, died suddenly Sunday at his cottage at Wayne pond, where, with members of his family, he was passing the day.

Three Great Northern Paper Co. river drivers were killed and five injured by an explosion of dynamite in a batteau on Elm pond, seventeen miles above Moosehead lake, Tuesday of last week.

SURRY.

Sunday, May 10, was the eighty-third birthday of Mrs. Emma Haskell. She received many post-cards, presents and bouquets from friends near and afar.

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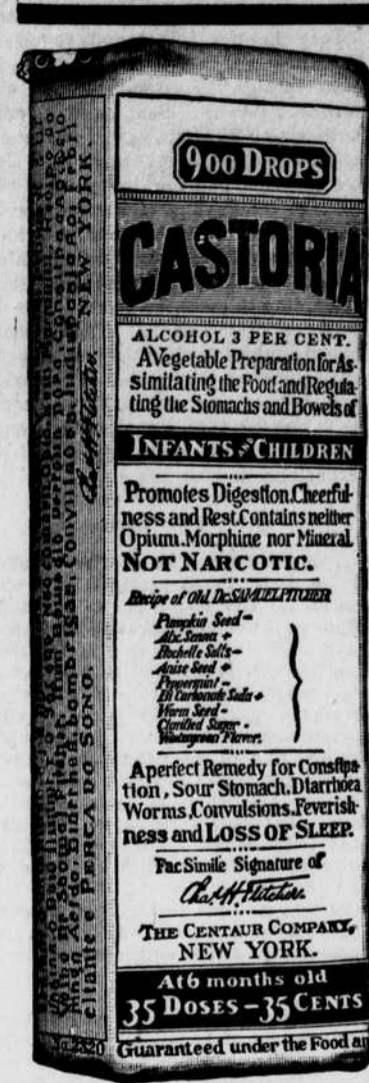
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Advertisement for William Tell FLOUR featuring an illustration of a flour bag and a pie. Text describes the flour as 'famous pie-crust flour' and provides contact information for Whitcomb, Haynes & Co. and C. W. Grindal.

