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**CHRONICLES OF A BOOM.**

**CHAPTER I.—THE BOOM RISETH.**  
 In the second year of the reign of Grover certain ten wise men journeyed to the desert.  
 And these men joined themselves together and in divers ways and by uncertain methods secured a goodly portion of the public domain, lying in the midst of the desert.  
 And they were two, yea, even three days' march from the nearest hamlet.  
 And they said unto one another, let us here build us a city.  
 And they drove into the earth four stakes, even one stake at each corner of their holding.  
 And straightway they laid out streets and alleys thereon.  
 And they did set aside plots and squares for public buildings, and did call one the courthouse square, and one the postoffice square, and did in the generosity of their hearts set aside grounds for seminaries, asylums, hospitals and factories.  
 And furthermore city parks were allotted and boulevards did lead to the four points of the compass.  
 But no people nor buildings were there.  
 Then did they make costly drawings of the city and buildings on paper, yea, even upon parchment paper.  
 And magnificent hotels and other grand edifices were built, and railroads constructed, and vast public improvements effected—upon paper.  
 And pictures of all these were given upon stone, yea, even upon stone in seven colors, and very many thousands of copies were printed therefrom.  
 And then those wise men met together and said, lo, we have builded a city.  
 Now let us lie ourselves forth, for the harvest is ripe and the suckers be many.  
 And they journeyed afar.  
 One went to the south.  
 One went to the west.  
 One went to the north.  
 And six gat them to the east.  
 But one tarried behind to furnish abstracts.  
 And the suckers did nibble; yea, the suckers did bite, yea, the suckers exalted themselves and bit freely, and the tender feet did swallow even the hook.  
 And the town boomed.  
 And they sold much lots, and seized much lacre.  
**CHAPTER II.—THE BOOM COLLAPSETH.**  
 But one day, even one summer's day, a purchaser of daring and courage, journeyed towards the city, yea, towards the paper city.  
 And his spirit waxed wroth.  
 For the city was not there.  
 But where the city should be found but a single tent, and seated therein, even one man, solitary and alone, drawing deeds and certifying abstracts, gazing the while on a seductive flapjack sizzling over a fire of buffalo chips.  
 And this man was mayor, alderman, councilman, landlord, abstractor, postmaster, judge, clerk of the court, recorder, treasurer, marshal, and citizen.  
 And the stranger fell upon that multifarious official, and smote him hip and thigh; yea, verily, did he mop the earth with him, and with his carcass even wrecked the tent and destroyed the city—on paper.  
 And the boom collapsed.  
 And now, yea, even until this day, the original builders of that city are across the border, even in the Queen's dominions, engaged in the mighty task of attempting to make two small pair oat a flush.  
 And the desert shall know them no more forever. Selah.

**Pray for the Stranger.**  
 BY SOJOURNER.  
 Two experiences of recent date have left such an impression upon my mind, that I have hoped some one might put them into words for others, but no one has done so to my knowledge, and I send them myself, with a hope that the suggestion may not be altogether valueless.  
 I was a stranger. I sat in a strange church. Unfamiliar though pleasant faces were about me. A bit of homesickness stole over me as I remembered the dear home church, with its dear home pastor. Hymn and Scripture readings served only to moisten the eyes and fill the heart with sad thoughts. The voice of prayer was heard. I bowed my head reverently, and took the opportunity to wipe the eye that would almost overflow. As I listened there came these words: "Bless the strangers who may be among us today," and then followed sweet and loving requests for the hearts that found themselves among unacquainted scenes on God's day of rest and worship.  
 I appropriated the loving remembrance and was once more at home. Among strangers I was no more strange. Among the children of a common Father I, too, was a child.  
 Another Sunday I was in my own church home. Familiar faces greeted me with friendly "Good mornings." A sweet, delicious homeliness pervaded everything. At my side sat a brother from a distant city. He was now, as I had been, a stranger in a strange church. Remembering the sweet experience of comfort and peace that had come to me, I waited confidently for the prayer. So tenderly always were the sick and sorrowing remembered by our pastor, I was sure of the kindly thought for the stranger.  
 But though the sick and sorrowing, the shut in ones, and the tempted and tried were all borne upward on the lips of the pastor, there were no words for the stranger at my side with full heart.  
 And then I attempted to call to mind how many times in the pulpit and prayer circle I had heard the petition: "Bless the stranger within our gates today;" and lo! they were very few. And then I remembered that my voice had never been lifted in the prayer meeting for the sometime stranger, and there lodged in my mind a thought that has grown into a longing. That we might more frequently hear the words of prayer suggesting loving remembrance of those whose hearts beat with a bit of homesickness for the home church, and its familiar Sabbath scenes.  
 Let us remember to pray for the stranger children of our great King,  
 Obeying Orders.  
 The Pope once stopping for the night in a small village of Italy, the inhabitants resolved to send him a deputation. The Mayor also suggested to present his holiness with the chief produce of the country, consisting of pineapples, figs, and cream. The pineapples, however, were dispensed with, and each member was to carry figs and cream in silver basins.  
 "Now," said the Mayor, with all the gravity of office "you are not accustomed to appear before these high personages, therefore let us have no nonsense; do what you see me do, neither more nor less."  
 The deputation was arranged accordingly. The Mayor placed himself majestically and magisterially at its head, armed, like his followers, with a basin of figs in his left hand, and of cream in the right. At this time it was the custom to wear beards.  
 The door opened, and the Mayor repeated his caution, "Neither more nor less, I beseech you."  
 There was a step down into the room, but the Mayor not thinking of it, the shock plunged his beard and face into the cream basin, and brought him upon his knees, with his hands and basin under him, and his creamed face (richly ornamented with a well lathered and dripping beard) raised, as it were imploringly, toward the representative of St. Peter. The members of the deputation, thinking this a grave matter of form, simultaneously ducked their bearded faces, prostrated themselves on their marrow-bones, and significantly cast a half-inquiring and confident look at their leader, as though to say: "You see we are all right." The Pope was at first (and well he might be) astounded, but burst into a genuine fit of laughter as his lowest menial could have indulged in.

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 What people call the eye of the oyster is scientifically known as the adductor muscle.  
 George Washington was very fond of the little red oyster crab, numerous in southern oysters.  
 The eggs of the female oyster, one authority says, number 128,000,000, but Professor Rice said that 50,000,000 was as many as he cared to estimate.  
 In analyzing the contents of the stomach of an oyster nothing but vegetable matter has ever been found.  
 The food of an oyster consists of such microscopic organism and organic particles as float freely in the water.  
 There are thirty oyster beds in Tangier sound, whose united area is 17,976 square nautical miles, with twice as much additional bottom where oysters are occasionally caught.  
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