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Well, August is the eighth month this year. From August to Christmas is only four months.

This being the case, we might as well recall the conclusion of the previous chapter.

Jim and his lovely wife Pearl, were captives aboard the pirate ship. So was Pearl's old man. And so were Detective and Mrs. Gumshoe.

Our darling girl had poked the captain in the eye. The dern captain was going to make Jim walk the plank for it.

But Jim was peeling spuds and couldn't get away to walk the plank.

Jim peeled the spuds as slowly as he could. There were only a few left. When they were gone, the captain would kill him.

Old man Handle and Detective Gum realized the situation. With a fiendish glee, they peeped as fast as they could. It wasn't their funeral.

Meanwhile, our darling girl was thinking fast. Most of these men aboard were college men. Perhaps she could reason with them.

"Cap," said she, smiling sweetly, "could I reason with you?"

"No," replied the captain, biting off the point of a cutlass and spitting it out. "I am not to be reasoned with."

Our adorable girl realized she must resort to strategy. "Cap," said she, "I hear you used to play football."

The captain perked up at this, as did all the members of the pirate crew who could hear the conversation.

Pearl, the sweet young thing, knew she was on the right track. "Tell us about the time you made touchdown from wick-off."

The captain grinned from ear to ear. "Well," he began, "it was just like this—"

Every single member of the crew came running up and joined in the conversation. They waved their arms wildly, each telling of his own experiences on the grid-iron.

Half an hour later the entire crew fell upon the deck, exhausted. It was a simple matter to throw them into the dungeon and assume charge of the ship.

Days passed. Our gay little party sailed for California. Handle cast wicked glances at Jim now and then, but he dared say nothing. Every man was needed to help with the strenuous work.

The pirate crew in the dungeon had to be fed three times daily. This however, was a simple matter. Jim would open the door quickly and roll a keg of rum down the chute. That was his meal.

Detective Gum stood upon the bridge and steered the ship. It was a risky business. He had never been upon the Pacific and didn't know the traffic regulations.

But traffic cops were scarce, and things went well. Came the dawn. Then came the day. Then came a few bells, two or five, or eight, it doesn't matter.

Pearly was asleep between aft and fo'ard, just abaft of the mizzen mast, which is directly over the galley. She had her head on a half-yard, her feet upon another nautical term, and in either hand the darling grasped a belaying pin.

The three men of the party and one of the pirates, who had been freed to help roll the kegs of rum, were below singing "Rocked in the cradle of the deep."

"Pine down there," shouted our adorable girl. Came silence. Came peace and quietude at last. Came an idea into our little girl's head.

Hopping up, she danced a hornpipe, then called all hands on deck. "What do you want?" asked Jim, coming up the gangway. "Do you want us to swab down the deck?"

"Blas't me for a blooming land lubber if I do," piped our darling, who was feeling quite nautical ere this.

"Then what do you want?" asked her old man, as she climbed up a hatchway. Detective Gum emerged from a companionway. Mrs. Gum arrived on deck, anyway.

"I have a bright idea for you blasted land lubbers to cast your blooming neepers over," cried our adorable girl.

"Out with it," cried the blasted land lubbers. "We are going to California," spoke the sweet maiden. "What do the people in California do?"

"They brag on the climate," chorused her audience. "Yes," cried the blasted girl. "And they make movies. We are going into the movies."

When her husband heard this, he burst into tears. "Let's don't go into the movies, darling," went he. "Why are you so adverse to the movies?" asked the idol of his heart. "I don't want to go into the movies. I don't do it." That was all the wife could get out of her husband. "Come," said she, taking his

Sensational Free Acts On For Big County Fair

Sensational free acts recruited from the leading theatrical circuits of the country have been engaged for the big entertainment program to be presented at the coming Cleveland county fair, Shelby, September 28 to October 2, announces Secretary Dorton.

New stunts combining greater skill and more daring than ever before engaged by the fair will feature this year's program. No expense has been spared by the entertainment committee in booking the thrillers that will be staged in front of the grandstand each day. Among the topnotch acts that will play the fair are of the highest class procurable.

A well balanced entertainment program will furnish all visitors, no matter how exacting, a variety of thrills has been arranged. There will be horse racing, pony racing, fireworks, midway attractions, livestock parade, saddle horse show, mule races in addition to the vaudeville numbers on the program.

The entire fair program promises to appeal to all. The management has not lost sight of the fact that the purpose of the fair is to educate, and its educational program is in keeping with the entertainment features arranged.

Of especial interest to visitors will be the livestock section, featuring pure-bred cattle, horses, sheep and swine. Animals valued at thousands of dollars will be shown. The agricultural exhibits, the work of the women, including cooking, sewing and canning, and the activities of the boys and girls, will interest every one

Poultry Discussion On Over Entire State

Cabarrus Farmers Are Cited Poultry Progress of Cleveland County Farmers

Concord Times. Poultry raising is beginning to get started in North Carolina. Farm people are beginning to see that poultry handled with the same care that is given crops pays as much as crops.

We want to see more poultry farms in Cabarrus county, and more pure-bred fowls on these farms. There is money in the business. One Cleveland county man, who has passed the experimental stage, says he sold 300 broilers last year for 94 cents. It had cost him 34 cents to raise them. That's not a bad profit.

In this connection it is of interest to know that Wayne county has hired a full time poultry expert to devote his entire time to the leadership of the movement in that county. The Goldsboro News has the following to say about the movement:

"What the poultry industry will eventually mean in Wayne county and in the state at large can be had from a comparison of the industry in North Carolina at present.

"Nebraska has only one-half the population that North Carolina has and a climate that makes poultry raising much more difficult than in this state, but in 1925 Nebraska produced \$32,000,000 worth of chickens and eggs as compared with North Carolina's \$20,000,000.

"With the population of North Carolina twice as much as that of Nebraska—not to mention the all important matter of climate—our state should have at least produced \$64,000,000 last year. For we are days nearer the eastern markets than is Nebraska.

"V. W. Lewis, of the state division of markets, makes some interesting observations that are timely to readers of The News in that Wayne is now taking the lead in the industry of the state.

"If the average flock in North Carolina were doubled, which they would make but 54 hens to a farm—the 1920 census gives but 27 head to a farm—and if the average hen produced twice as many eggs, which is possible with proper attention, this state could increase its egg crop four times. Then, by using artificial incubation, the commercial poultry crop could easily be advanced far beyond what it now is. With the state marketing work going on for the last five years, and the disease control work now offered the poultrymen of the state, it looks as if the state could attain a poultry industry worth \$100,000,000 a

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—Mrs. J. W. Critchett, 2 Hammond Street, Cambridge, Mass.

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North Carolina—Cleveland county. In the Superior Court. Before the Clerk.

Mull Patterson, widower; Sallie Lovelace and husband, C. N. Lovelace.

vs. M. Pink Patterson and wife, Laura Patterson; Lindsay Patterson and wife, Annie Patterson.

The defendants M. Pink Patterson and wife Laura Patterson, and Lindsay Patterson, will take notice that a special proceeding entitled as above has been begun before the Clerk of the Superior court of Cleveland county for the sale of certain land held by some of the plaintiffs and defendants as tenants in common, for partition, which land was inherited from Rebecca E. C. Patterson, deceased; and said defendants will further take notice that they are required to appear before the clerk of the Superior court of Cleveland county, N. C., on or before October 25, 1926, and answer or demur to the petition in said special proceeding, or the petitioners will apply to the court for the relief asked for in said petition.

This September 20, 1926. O. P. WEBB, Clerk Superior Court.

O. M. Mull, Atty. for petitioners.

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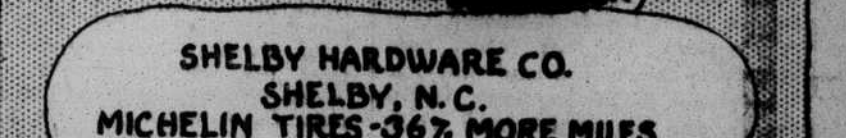
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