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THE "HERMIT" OF FLOTSAM CASTLE

Driftwood Home of Louis C. Dart, Redondo Beach, California

An innocent little spring trickling into the sea from out of the Palo Verde Hills, a short stroll down the strand just south of Clifton Heights at Redondo Beach, where the surf fishers and summer resorters stop to partake of its pure, sweet waters, is now modestly moving into prominence and may soon reach fame, for here may now be seen the unique residence of the interesting subject of this sketch.

Louis C. Dart, once a prosperous attorney of western Nebraska, suddenly lost his voice that enabled him to successfully plead at the bar of justice, and then later came a break in his general health caused him to move to Southern California as have thousands of others done under like conditions. Serious renal troubles brought him almost to the undertaker when an old lady advised him to try the waters of the above-mentioned spring. Grasping at this straw, Mr. Dart, last September, in poverty and weakness, arrived and contrived a pitiful little camp near the spot pictured below and began his brave fight for life and his former health.

Drinking freely of the magnetic waters and living thus quietly from the jazz of modern civilization, busy gathering up the drift material which the ever-recurring tides deposit high upon the beach, our hermit began the construction of the home he has appropriately christened "Flotsam Castle." A natural depression in the point or dike which the young people have designated "Autograph Rock," gives quite a sheltered living room. Day after day, like DeFoe's hero of old, he labored, patiently cementing into deep anchorage the timbers and logs he found and floated to the spot, until a foundation was made safe and high above the splashing waves, and week after week saw the rustic home taking form.

Then came Thanksgiving Day and the solitary companion of the pelicans, cormorants and seagulls, aside from gratitude for his growing strength and weight, would have been more thankful for a better supply of needed equipment, clothing and nourishment with which to face the gales.

Were there no ravens to bring food to this modern Elijah? Two young men coming down from the north, had purchased the yacht Genevieve and fitted it up as a fishing boat and on the initial trip, anchored near the kelp beds and prepared to take in half-bait by a new process they had invented. A high wind broke their moorings and being unable to start the motor, they were drifted ashore where they barely escaped death and were obliged to witness the destruction of their only financial asset, as their pretty craft broke to pieces on the rocks on Thanksgiving morning. Assisting in retrieving the contents of the vessel and its parts, Mr. Dart was rewarded with many needed articles and parts of value which helped to tide over the rainy season.

Today, this hermit, as some have chosen to dud him, has so far recovered that he boasts of having gone back from 65 years to 45 years and is so tough and hard that if a mule were to kick him he would not know it except by change of location. He now makes a good living by selling soft drinks, cigarettes, candy and delicious little pies of his own make. Oh, girls! He also sells souvenir photographs of his castle, upon the back of which he expresses his optimistic philosophy thus:

"To Youth—You have been provided with a brain, develop it and you may command all the forces of nature; neglect it and they will command you. Think, don't be a mental guzzler and swallow all you hear. Do not be a mental clam and close up at every approach. Do not pay somebody else to do your thinking—do it yourself. Thus, life for you may be one long-drawn-out revelry."—F. L. Kern.

TRADE AT HOME WEEK

This is "Trade at home week" in Torrance and special effort and inducements are being made by Torrance Merchants to stimulate the idea.

BEWARE

Beware of the man with the short cut to wealth. "Something for nothing" is found only in the swindler's vocabulary.

HAGGARD AT FORTY

It is not work that exhausts people. It is the mental condition that makes them haggard and old at forty.

TEN POINTS FOR THE WORKER

- 1.—Honor the chief. There must be a head to everything.
- 2.—Have confidence in yourself and make yourself fit.
- 3.—Harmonize your work. Let sunshine radiate and penetrate.
- 4.—Handle the hardest job first each day. Easy ones are a pleasure.
- 5.—Do not be afraid of criticism—criticize yourself often.
- 6.—Be glad and rejoice in the other fellow's success—study his methods.
- 7.—Do not be misled by dislikes. Acid ruins the finest fabrics.
- 8.—Be enthusiastic—it is contagious.
- 9.—Do not have the notion that success means money making.
- 10.—Be fair and do at least one decent act every day in the year—Selected.

The man who advertises a little and then says advertising does not pay is like unto the man who burns one match beneath a five-barrel kettle of water and then says fire will not heat water.

DIRECTORY FOR LOMITA

- The Odd Fellows Lodge of Lomita, Tripple City, No. 333 meets every Tuesday evening at the Masonic hall, Lomita.
- Torrance Lodge, F. and A. M., No. 447 meet every Friday evening, at Lomita.
- The Business Men's Association meet the second and fourth Monday evening in the month.
- Chamber of Commerce meet the first Thursday evening in the month.
- The Lomita athletic club meet every Thursday evening at the Chamber of Commerce hall.
- The Ladies Aid society of the Lomita church meet every first and third Thursday afternoon of the month in the church.
- of the Lomita school, meet the second Tuesday afternoon of the month in the school auditorium.
- The Boy Scouts meet every Thursday evening at the church.
- The Camp Fire Girls meet every Saturday afternoon.
- The Blue Birds meet every Thursday afternoon.
- The Parent-Teachers Association

NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT NO 12

Narbonne Ranch Water Company No. 2, Lomita, County of Los Angeles, California.

Notice is hereby given that, at a meeting of the directors of said corporation, held on the 11th day of January, 1921, an assessment of Three (\$3.00) per share was levied upon the Capital stock of said Corporation, payable immediately to the Secretary of this Corporation, at the office of the Company at Lomita, Los Angeles County, California. Any stock upon which this assessment shall remain unpaid on February 11, 1921, will be delinquent and advertised for sale at public auction, and unless payment is made before will be sold on March 14, 1921 at 8:00 o'clock p. m. to pay the delinquent assessment, together with costs of advertising and expenses of sale.

JAS. FRYER, Secretary.
Pub. Jan. 14, 21, 28, Feb 4, 1921.

NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT

Narbonne Ranch Water Company No. 5, Lomita, County of Los Angeles, California.

Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the directors of said corporation, held on January 3, 1921, an assessment of One (\$1.00) Dollar per share was levied upon the Capital Stock of said Corporation, payable immediately to the Secretary of this Corporation, at the office of the Company, viz., Pump House of said Company, at Lomita, Los Angeles County, California. Any stock upon which this assessment shall remain unpaid on February 8, 1921, will be delinquent and advertised for sale at public auction, and unless payment is made before will be sold on February 28, 1921, at 12 o'clock noon, to pay the delinquent assessment, together with costs of advertising and expenses of sale.

R. GEIST, Secretary.
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