

COME WITH ME TO HONGKONG

WHEN YOU STROLL IN HONGKONG YOU MUST DANCE THE VIRGINIA REEL

DICK WOOD AND HIS CHINESE FRIENDS AT THE ENTRANCE TO CHINA—FREE, OPEN-AIR THEATERS—BEAUTIFUL CITY

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Hongkong: For three or four days prior to entering Hongkong harbor Tom Kee (together with one "Patty"), retired Chinese dealer and casekeeper of gambling games in Prescott, Ariz., has been constantly informing and reminding me of the fact. When some big ship come Hongkong harbor, way up topside mountain shoot 'em big gun. Who-ee! Make 'em big noise!

Tom Kee introduced the big gun seems to be the center of attraction. To my mind the fleet of Chinese fishing and trading junk, which wait to encounter the ship out at sea, is far more interesting. But sure enough, as we draw into the harbor, Tom's prediction comes true. There is a loud white smoke from the mountain peak, and after many seconds, it seems, comes a faint, dull "boom!" to our straining ears.

Launches and sampans are swarming all around us. The baggage is all packed and tagged, and down in the Asiatic steamer, where Lum Jun and "Old Man" live, each passenger is holding onto and guarding his belongings for dear life. And now the anchors are cast.

In an instant we are besieged. A horde of Chinese "big-hat men," solicitors and boarding house runners, seems to have taken possession of the very ship.

Down in the Asiatic steamer confusion reigns supreme, as the "big-hat men" pounce upon their prey. They shout and yell and hold their arms, shouting all the time the name of their firm, whose Chinese calligraphies are strewn in square feet around their monstrous brims.

"Let go of my arm, you heathen!" "Oh, excuse me. It's you, it's you, it's you!"

It's Old Man, and he manages to make known, with frantic efforts, that Hak-way Wong is here, and ready to look after us.

Wong is a member of the firm of Quong Yee Wing, 388 Des Voeux road. To him falls the task of meeting incoming steamers from the United States and looking after the comforts and interests of any of the firm's friends or customers who may desire such attention. Wong lived in the United States 23 years. I have known him for the last eight. And I bear a letter to him, from his brother, Jap Tom of St. Louis.

In the shuffle of landing Lum Jun is lost sight of. After we have deposited our baggage at Quong Yee Wing's and have wiped our perspiring faces with a hotel towel, I ask Old Man concerning Lum, and am informed that Lum has chosen to go to Quong Dak Leung's place. Well, goodby, Lum.

After a rest and supper, we go for a stroll. And such a stroll as it is. It is more like dancing the Virginia reel, for all sorts of figures are being executed to worn-out ways through the nightly crowd around the wharves and lower streets of Hongkong. The first figure is a man in a white shirt and dark trousers, with your eyes in front of you all the time. To look around is fatal. In that steady, straggling, steaming sea of humanity, which seems composed of streams of burden-bearing coolies, all emptying into you, caution is necessary. If you wish to make headway, don't stand still; just keep going the way you are looking.

There's no use trying to remember what you see the first night in Hongkong. Just tell them when you get back that there are two open-air theaters in full blast on the waterfront. No admission is charged. They are supported by subscriptions from the resident Chinese. They do not run all the year. They are only temporary treats to the poor, in honor of the festival season of "the snakes," which is now on. The greater part of the audience stands.

Hongkong has been called "The beautiful," and that is the right term for it. It is the most even and best built city I have ever seen. True, there is no sanitary sewerage, as we understand that to be. But the natural lay of the land and the waters in carrying off and into the sea the vegetable decay and animal pollution of the city. It is a marvel of architectural symmetry in Hongkong. It is fantastic in its decorations. It is solid, almost monotonous, in the character of its stores and dwellings. Yet how

admirably are they adapted to and how carefully have they been designed to suit all requirements.

Those streets following the contour of the land between harbor and hills are comparatively level and superlatively well made. Those streets running up hills are successions of steps and breathing places.

The level streets present the solid practical business side of Hongkong; the stair-steps streets the picturesque.

The next morning we go to the mountains, upon the side of which the city is built. Stand on the intersection of almost any level and oblique street in Hongkong, gaze upward, and through the shade you will see trickling drops of yellow humanity coming down; perspiring atoms of human heat laboriously ascending; while across the glistening sunshine flash gay silks and satins of pedestrians on the intersecting streets above.

From bedecked roadways lead to the heights. Hindu soldiers, tall and be-turbaned, like chess men, dot the approaches. A sweet scent greets the nostrils at the approach of Ice House road, and never leaves until the salted breeze of Hongkong's peak is reached. And all there is sunshine; sweet, glorious sunshine.

Step aside. Here comes the governor, borne in state. Eight coolies carry his chair. Step aside!

Wouldn't that call you? But when you are in Hongkong you must do as the "Hongkong-ians" do—Rats!

Yes, the Chinese eat rats. In that respect they have not been maligned. Excepting, of course, you must exclude house rats; for the Chinese eat only field rats—just the same as we eat partridge, which lives on grain, instead of a buzzard, which lives on carrion.

I had almost forgotten the open-air kindergarten; the picture tells the story. DICK WOOD.

Go to Spinnings for bicycle repairs.



MORTALITY RECORD

A. S. Tucker, father of State Senator O. A. Tucker and Mrs. E. T. Pope of Seattle, died Saturday night at the Monod hospital of Bright's disease, after an illness of a week. Mr. Tucker was born in New York in 1853 and was a graduate of Geneva college. In 1883 he came to Seattle and engaged in contracting until a year ago.

The funeral of George W. Wilkinson was held this morning from the family residence, 388 E. Venetian avenue, Fremont, where he died yesterday morning at 10 o'clock. Mr. Wilkinson was

a member of Company A, Eighty-ninth Illinois volunteers, and served in the Civil War with the Army of the Potomac. The funeral was under the auspices of John F. Miller post, G. A. R., of Seattle.

Union Savings & Trust Co., open all day Saturday, until 8 o'clock. Deposits received in any sum, from \$1.00 up; 4 per cent. interest paid on time deposits. 112 Cherry street.

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The best quality all wool, in medium and heavy weights—

Fancy Stripe, all wool, medium satin trimmings, pearl buttons, worth \$3.50; Globe sale price **\$2.40**

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Heavy All Wool Brown Ribbed, never-wear-out, regular value \$2.25; Globe sale price **\$1.39**

Genuine Cravenette Coats Worth \$20 and \$18, all shades, your choice \$12.50

BATH ROBES

\$0.50 Bath Robes, splendid quality; Globe sale price **\$0.85**

\$0.50 Bath Robes, for **\$0.85**

SWEATERS

\$5.00 All Wool Sweaters, in plain and fancy; Globe sale price, **\$3.35**

Furnishings

35c Fancy Hose, for **23c**
 Fine Medium Weight Cashmere Hose, worth 35c, for **25c**
 50c and 75c Ties, for **29c**
 \$1.00 Ties, for **65c**
 25c Bow Ties, for **12c**
 Fancy Shirts, stiff bosom, all the new patterns, worth \$1.75; sale price, **\$1.15**
 Fancy Shirts, worth \$1.50, for **97c**
 Fancy Shirts, worth \$1.00, for **73c**
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Mail Orders
 Order your Christmas gifts from us by mail. If you cannot visit the store, you will find it easy to shop with us in this way. Send us a trial order and let us fill it for you.

A Letter From Santa!

North Pole,
 Nov. 29, '08

Dear Seattle Children,

I have opened my Toy Shop, this year, at McCarthy's, Second Avenue and Madison St. I will esteem it a great favor if you and your mamma will come tomorrow and view the many wonderful things I have brought from the frozen North.

Yours truly,
 Santa Claus

Some of the Things in Santa Claus' Shop

Stuffed Animals

Such interesting things as these are what every small boy likes—gentle-looking Horses and Cows, Donkeys that move their long ears sagely back and forth, Cats and Dogs as natural as life, Goats with long beards and horns and eyes that glare savagely, and life-sized Rabbits that nod their heads while they nibble at a carrot as naturally as you please. All these animals are covered with natural fur, and the prices are all the way from **10c to \$1.00**

Mechanical Toys

Here is a wonderful indeed for boys and even most grown-up people cannot resist investigating the products of the ingenuity of Santa Claus' toy experts. Steamboats, Trains, Locomotives, Engines all running like the large ones we see every day, Dogs and other animals that trot off naturally on their own legs, Walking Dolls and long-armed Musicians with drums and tamborines that make music fit to set all Toyland to dancing. Prices on these mechanical novelties run all the way from **25c to \$10.00**

Toy Furniture

This is the grandest assortment of the kind ever shown in Seattle. Santa Claus is very proud indeed of his furniture shop, and he has brought his best specimens here for Seattle children.

Tables, Bureaus, Sideboards, Morris Chairs, Chiffoniers, Rocking Chairs, High Chairs, Wash Sets, Commodore Beds, Cradles—all in pure, white, enamel or plain oak finish.

Also a grand line of Rocking Horses, Shooftles, Blackboards and Shooting Galleries.

Steel Wagons

All-Steel Express Wagons, at each **59c to \$1.98**
 SPECIAL TOMORROW—A Steel Wagon, regularly valued at \$1.50, on sale at **59c**

Tool Chests

A great variety of sizes, at prices from **19c to \$4.98**

Rubber Toys

Rubber Balls, Animals, Dolls and Rattles, at each **5c to \$1.00**

New Purses

We have just received our large, new Holiday assortment of Novelties in Wrist Bags, Chatelaines, Hand and Carriage Bags, fitted and without fittings. Also Opera and Automobile Bags with the latest attachments and handsome designs in the newest shades of red, blue, tan, gray and black.

LADIES' FANCY WRIST BAGS

ten different styles to select from, on sale tomorrow at each **\$1.98**

CHILDREN'S FANCY WRIST BAGS

in assorted leathers, worth 50c each, on sale tomorrow, at each **35c**

Iron Toys

Here again we have a great variety—Trucks, Hook and Ladder Trucks, Fire Engines, Police Patrols, Lumber Wagons, Jockeys and many novelty vehicles in iron, with rubber tired wheels.

Ranges, Stoves and Novelty Iron Banks of every description, Air Rifles and Swords and many other articles.

SPECIAL—Mechanical Iron Train on Track, tomorrow, at each **23c**

Toy Pianos

A beautiful collection, ranging in price from **25c to \$5.00**

Magic Lanterns

Machines that are a real pleasure in operating. Prices from **25c to \$2.50**

Toy Trunks

All sizes, well made and nicely finished, at **25c to \$2.50**

Pocket Knives

A SPECIAL—Boys' Pocket Knives, such as are regularly sold at 10c each, on sale at **5c**

Portia or Juliet

Which is the Prettier Doll?

There's a great contest on in the store. All the dolls have had a dispute as to which of the two Queen Dolls is the prettier. A French soldier doll declares that "ze Mademoiselle Portia is ze prettier," and a German soldier speaks vehemently in favor of "der Fraulien Juliet."

We have decided, with the permission of Santa Claus, to leave it to the public. Both dolls are now displayed in our window. Ballot boxes will be provided, and all purchasers in the Toy, Fancy Goods or Stationery Departments will have an opportunity to vote for their favorite.

Both Dolls Will Be Given Away Christmas Eve.

Each voter will have an equal chance with the others of obtaining one of these beautiful dolls. You are entitled to a vote, no matter if your purchase amounts to but one cent. See our window and pick out your favorite.

Dolls

Such a cosmopolitan assemblage would be hard to duplicate. There are big dolls and little dolls—rag dolls—beautiful little bisque babies, Indians from our own prairies, negroes from Africa, Eskimos from Alaska, Japanese dolls from Tokio, Filipinos from Manila—in fact, dolls from every nation under the sun. But best of all are the two Queen Dolls—fair daughters of Italy with classic names—Portia and Juliet.

DRESSED DOLLS

beautifully costumed, cost all the way from **5c to \$10.00**

KID BODY DOLLS

with moveable joints and eyes and natural wigs, from **19c to \$5.00**

"ROYA" FRENCH JOINTED DOLLS

with moveable eyes and natural wigs, the most beautiful dolls we have ever seen, cost from **19c to \$25.00**

DOLL HEADS

sizes to fit any body, prices from **10c to \$1.00**

Tin Toys

Whole platoons of little Tin Soldiers, a great variety of Horns, Tin Trumpets, Tin Chimes, Tin Horses and Tin Animals of all kinds; beautiful toys at very small prices.

Tea Sets

FULL SET OF DISHES—Just like grown-up people's dishes—and just what every little girl wants for the dolls' tea parties. All sizes and prices.

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Ladies' Suits

Just Ten More Days of the Great Discount Sale

Ten days in which you may choose any Suit in the store at a fourth less than regular prices. We've been telling you all season that our prices are the lowest in Seattle. We meant it. People who looked elsewhere and came here to buy tell us it is true. Our selling has been tremendous—away ahead of any previous season. Our buyer got enthusiastic. He placed too many new orders, and now our stock is far too large. We must close out this surplus at once. It's business. That explains why we are selling all Ladies' and Misses' Suits now, in the height of the season, AT

25 Per Ct. Discount

NOTE—Our stock contains only stylish, durable, well-made garments. We wish you to visit other suit stores before coming here. You will at once see the difference in our favor, both in quality and price. The reduced price marked on every garment.

McCarthy Dry Goods Co.

Second Avenue and Madison Street.