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Title "The Sea Rider's,"

Story by Wallace MacDonald.

Scenario by E.H.Griffith

Directed by E.H.Griffith

Featureing Edward Phillips and Betty Bouton.

Supported by Charles Eldridge, Edward Lawrence,

America Chedister, Major Maddin, Mike Brennan.

Six reels.

Five hundred and seventy five feet.

Completed September 5th 1922.

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Brief Synopsis of Story.

Robert Campbell the dessolute son of a wealthy fish dealer, is put on shore off a small passenger and freighting packet on the wharf of a small fishing village on the Northen Coast of Cape Breton. He has no means of support, and in endeavoring to procure food, meets Mary Burke, Grand-daughter of the Captain of the fishing fleet, who is also owner of the only store in the village.

Mary, because of the distinguished Service Ribbon she sees Robert is wearing becomes interested in him, and is instrumental in securing him a berth in one of the fishing boats, and permits him to board at her Grandfather's home, much to the disgust of the foreman of the fleet, Marty Simpson, who sees in Robert a possible suitor for Mary, who he, Simpson intends eventually to marry, thus to get control of the old Captain's business and fishing interests.

Robert finds the work unpleasant, but sticks much to the satisfaction of Mary and the Captain.

A few weeks after Campbell's arrival the Captain is surprised to receive through the mail a notice offering a reward for information leading to the arrest of Robert Campbell.

About this time, Elsie, the weak minded girl who is mourning for her sweetheart lost at sea, and who has been very friendly with Simpson, who has abused her confidence in him, complains to the Captain and to Mary, and advises Mary to have nothing further to do with a man she does not name, but who the Captain and Mary believe is Robert Campbell. Campbell who has been induced to drink to excess by one of Simpson's friends, is already in disfavor and because of the supposed relationship with Elsie, and his evident criminal record is asked to leave the Captain's house.

Simpson, having been repulsed by Mary and still trying to gain possession of the fishing interests, decides to steal the very profitable fish trap location, owned by the Captain, the regulations requiring the owner of the location to be in possession of the location at six O'Clock on a certain morning. The day before possession is supposed to be had Simpson in his position as foreman, sends all the boats out to the banks fishing, leaving none in the vicinity to carry the Captain to the trap location, and taking Mary with him in his schooner keeps her over night and in the morning sails to the trap, intending to be in possession at Six O'Clock, and to register it in his own name. The Captain, however has been made aware of the plot the previous night, and Robert Campbell the only man then in the port, rows ten miles in a dory to another Port where he secures a fast motor boat and returns with it in time to take the Captain out to the trap location.

They meet Simpson there, who holds them off with a shot gun. Robert Campbell goes over the side of the Motor Boat, swims under water to the schooner, climbs on the deck, without being noticed by Simpson, succeeds in getting the gun from ~~him~~ Simpson and after a brisk fight throws him off the boat, the Captain then sails in on the location and is in possession of it at the hour appointed.

A stranger is wating for Capt. Burke at his store, who on Burke's arrival tells him he has come for Robert Campbell the man Burke has written the Montreal police about. The Captain is anxious to assist in clearing Campbell. The stranger then tells him he is Campbell's father, the owner of the plant where their fish has been sold.

Elsie who has committed suicide, has been found, her body is carried through the village on a stretcher, and the minister to whom she has confided the name of the true author of her trouble tells Mary Burke and the Captain that they were wrong in blaming Campbell.

Campbell, Robert's father, speaks to the fishermen, and tells them

he will establish a Branch packing plant in the village, and make his son resident Manager.

Robert and Mary again united, leave the crowd hand in hand, much to the gratification of the old Captain.

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