

THEATRE ROYAL

Volume 1

Disc 1

1 The Country of the Blind

Laurence Olivier plays Nunez, a mountaineer in Ecuador, in the adaptation of H.G. Wells' classic short story, "The Country of the Blind", first published in 1904 in The Strand Magazine. One day, Nunez falls into a lost land where all of the inhabitants are blind.

2 Bartleby

Laurence Olivier plays the narrator, a successful Manhattan lawyer, in this adaptation of Herman Melville's "Bartleby, the Scrivener: A Story of Wall Street", first published in Putnam's Magazine in 1853. One day, he recruits a new clerk for his growing practice, the strangest man he has ever met.

Disc 2

1 The Luck of Roaring Camp

Laurence Olivier tells the tale of Thomas Luck in this adaptation of Bret Harte's "The Luck of Roaring Camp", first published in Overland Monthly in 1868. During the Californian gold rush a child is born to the only woman in the camp and, for a short time, he indeed brings luck.

2 The Outcasts of Poker Flat

Laurence Olivier tells the story of the outcasts in this adaptation of Bret Harte's "The Outcasts of Poker Flat", first published in Overland Monthly in 1868. In the second of his tales of the Californian gold rush, Poker Flat is a mining settlement in a downward spiral.

Starring Laurence Olivier

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The recordings were carefully remastered so as not to detract from the ambience of the original performances.

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