

INK SLINGS.

-Very funny things are being suggested in a political way in Centre county these days.

-The fellows who, last fall, were longing for an old fashioned winter are more than satisfied with results.

-The snow was deep but it was so light as not to be hard on the backs of those who had to shovel it.

-Anyway, the longer you have to heave the snow shovel the fewer will be your parades behind the lawn mower.

-VANCE McCORMICK reserves the right to bolt the ticket if he is not nominated for Governor. That's exactly the kind of a Democrat he always was.

-The principal reason VANCE McCORMICK fought BRYAN when he ran for President was because BRYAN is a friend of the common people and VANCE is anything but common.

-A warm rain is all that is needed now to bring about a repetition of that great flood on the 22nd of February, 1904, or the larger one we had on the 28th of February, 1902.

-Mr. VANCE CAMERON McCORMICK'S platform looks amazingly like a bid for a place on the Prohibition ticket for Governor, in case his grip on the Democratic nomination should slip.

-Science tells us that the big dipper is to disappear from the skies some of these days. No, dear reader, it isn't the new law against public drinking cups that is going to make it disappear.

-Gen. COXEY'S second "army of the unemployed" will start from Massillon, Ohio, for Washington on April 16th, just fifteen days later than the proper date to launch such a fool pilgrimage.

-Our Democratic State committee is sending out appeals for funds just now and then using the funds to further the interests of favorite candidates. That's a fine example of fair play to show before a primary.

-If all reports be true a good bit of second growth, sap pine, worm-eaten, wind-shattered, woodpecker holed political timber is being veneered up to be offered on the primary market in Centre county in May.

-The Mayor is making a noise in the council chamber every two weeks like he means to do something. More power to him, of course, but don't mar what otherwise might prove to be a great record by asking him to take that dam splash board off.

-The wise Republican will keep one lamp burning and shining right on HENRY CURT. Don't you think he resigned the office of chairman of the Republican county committee because he is too busy with other things. He never was and never will be too busy to play a little in the political game, hence this advice to keep an eye on him.

-ROOSEVELT has laid down the law for Pennsylvania Progressives. He will not speak for any Progressive who has the Republican endorsement; in fact, he declares, he will denounce him from the stump. As ROOSEVELT is all there is to the Progressive party it looks like three tickets for sure in all the Congressional districts of the State.

-The Hon. A. MITCHELL PALMER has opened up enough to let us all know that 4,000 Democratic voters made up the sum the so-called Democratic State committee had for party purposes. He might have told also, that whatever this sum amounted to it had already been expended for the personal interests of two men; himself and VANCE CAMERON McCORMICK.

-Technically it may not be "embezzlement" but it looks wonderfully like it when the money contributed for the general needs of the Democratic party is used exclusively for the benefit of Mr. A. MITCHELL PALMER and Mr. VANCE CAMERON McCORMICK in their primary campaigns. Really the "longer we live the more we find out," and the less some people appear.

-While Mr. VANCE CAMERON McCORMICK is rated as a several times millionaire, he seems to have no hesitancy in asking the Democratic voters to finance his primary campaign for him. An appeal has just been sent out for more funds for his State committee, which means that PALMER and McCORMICK expect the public to foot the bill, and the party to take care of itself.

-CASTILLO, the Mexican bandit who was responsible for the Cumbre tunnel horror has escaped the vengeance of the rebel leader VILLA, by throwing himself into the custody of the United States. Really, in just such an emergency as this it is a pity that we are as enlightened a christian nation as we are. The Cumbre murders by CASTILLO can scarcely be expiated with anything else than mediaval means of torture.

-When VANCE McCORMICK explains to the real Democrats of Pennsylvania why he never voted for BRYAN and why he actually fought the Great Commoner every time he ran for office there might be some of them who will turn in for him for Governor. But VANCE will never explain. He doesn't have to. He thinks he owns the Democratic party in Pennsylvania now and it will do exactly what he orders it to do. And it probably will.

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Problem Difficult to Solve.

The Democrats of the House of Representatives in Washington are "between the devil and the deep sea." The Secretary of the Interior has recommended an appropriation of \$35,000,000, or thereabouts, to construct and operate a railroad in Alaska. He declares that it is the only way to develop the resources of that frigid section of the public domain and prevent the immeasurable wealth of an empire from falling into the greedy hands of a pack of human wolves who are preying upon it. To the average Democratic mind this looks like a step in the direction of government ownership of railroads, which is obnoxious to the principles and traditions of the Democratic party.

At this crisis the Hon. WARREN WORTH BAILEY, Representative in Congress for the Nineteenth district of Pennsylvania, came forward with a proposition that there be no appropriation for the expenses of building and operating the Alaskan railroad, but that the money be raised by levying a special tax upon the land abutting upon the right of way or adjacent thereto. Mr. BAILEY reasons with characteristic force that the land in question will be greatly enhanced in value by the construction of a railroad and that consequently it would be only just and right that such a tax should be levied. But it is looked upon as an insidious effort to inject the single tax scheme into the policies of the party.

Government ownership of railroads is unquestionably abhorrent to the traditions of the Democratic party. Competition by the government in any enterprise in which citizens as individuals or by combination are able and willing to perform the service faithfully and well, is subversive of the interests of the people. But where such service cannot be obtained otherwise, the government may provide it without impairment of the rights of the people or the principles of Democracy. It is for this reason that the Postoffice Department was established and because of it that the parcels post is justified. Possibly the Alaskan railroad might be undertaken for the same reason. The vast wealth of that region must be preserved for the public.

Mr. BAILEY'S plan would certainly work an acceptance of the fundamental principle of the Single Taxers and so far as we are able to discover, could achieve little else. The objection is not so much to the payment of the expenses of construction and operation out of the public treasury, as it is to the right of the government, under the constitution, to own and operate railroads. Mr. BAILEY'S plan wouldn't avert that evil. Even if the money were obtained by an unequal taxation of property, the government would still exercise the dangerous power of ownership and operation of the road. Some better scheme must be devised if the traditions of the party are to be preserved.

Creasy and the Palmer Ticket.

An esteemed contemporary has expressed the apprehension that Farmer CREASY was so disappointed because MITCHELL PALMER selected VANCE C. McCORMICK for Governor, instead of himself, that he will refuse a place of lesser importance on the ticket. Our valued contemporary may compose its perturbed spirits.

The other day while the New York Bull Moosers were in conference upon the question of nominating Colonel ROOSEVELT for Governor of that State, his nephew, Mr. DOUGLAS ROBINSON, was asked whether he thought the Colonel would run. According to the published reports Mr. Robinson smiled and said: "Run? Yes; he would run for anything from constable up."

That is precisely the case with CREASY. He so lusts for office that he would accept a nomination from any party for anything. It wasn't always so. There was a time when he had to be paid to run for office or at least his expenses had to be guaranteed. But that was when he was in office and was "farming the farmers" in the interest of the party machine. But he has been absent from the crib for a considerable time.

There is no danger of Mr. CREASY refusing to accept any nomination that is handed out to him by Mr. PALMER or anybody else. He would like to get the first choice, of course, but he will take the second, or third or last place if it holds out the shadow of a promise of attachment to the pay roll. But if he gets no nomination, then Mr. PALMER would better look out.

No doubt Mr. PALMER would have been glad to give Mr. CREASY the place on the ticket he wanted. CREASY imagines that he carries the votes of all the farmers in his vest pocket and possibly PALMER thinks CREASY can deliver the goods. But PALMER had to have a rich man on the ticket for Governor. He needs an "angel." And he thinks McCORMICK will prove one. For this reason CREASY has been compelled to accept what is given him.

Republican Senatorial Candidates.

The announcement of ex-Mayor DIMMICK, of Scranton, as a candidate for the Republican nomination for United States Senator is important only on account of the possibilities it involves. For example, it makes the withdrawal of Senator PENROSE, without stultification, entirely possible, in which event the disintegration of the Bull Moose party would probably follow and the restoration of the Republican party of the State might ensue. The Bull Moose party is composed of two elements. One is the worshippers of ROOSEVELT and the other the enemies of PENROSE. Senator FLINN expressed the sentiments of one, the other day, when he told CHAMP CLARK that if ROOSEVELT were eliminated he would become a Democrat. Dozens express the other view, inferentially, every day.

But if Mr. DIMMICK'S candidacy doesn't result in the withdrawal of PENROSE, it means nothing. The candidacy of Mr. AINEY, as we suggested a couple of weeks ago, is nothing more than a joke. But he will get a considerable number of votes, nevertheless, and they will all be drawn from the element of the party which might have been expected to support DIMMICK against PENROSE. With the leaders of the party a practical unit for PENROSE he is certain to be nominated in a three-cornered fight at the primaries and he would probably be successful even if the opposition were united. The Bull Moosers are registered as such and will be excluded from participation in the Republican primaries so that they can neither help DIMMICK nor hurt PENROSE.

In view of these facts the announcement of Mr. DIMMICK'S candidacy is interesting, if not of great importance. He is a gentleman of high character and fair ability and if PENROSE should withdraw and leave him a free field to fight AINEY he would probably be nominated. Without experience in public life he would be of little service to the State for a time and if OLIVER retires at the expiration of his present term, Pennsylvania would cut a poor figure in Senatorial affairs with two greenhorns in commission. But political exigencies may force such a condition. It is practically certain that PENROSE cannot be re-elected and realizing that fact he may be partisan enough to get out of the way of another Republican who would have a better chance.

The Philippine Assembly has passed a general appropriation bill and judging from the sentiments of President WILSON on the subject it must be without a "pork barrel."

Misappropriating Party Funds.

The Democratic State Committee is levying a tax upon federal office holders in the State to provide money for the expenses of the PALMER and McCORMICK primary campaign. With all Senator QUAY'S political iniquities he never descended to as low a level as that. Senator PENROSE would hardly dream of such a crime against political ethics. If the late WILLIAM A. WALLACE, SAMUEL J. RANDALL or JAMES KERR had undertaken such a palatable misuse of party power, they would have been execrated from the Delaware to Lake Erie. If Colonel CURFEY had so prostituted the functions of leadership, he would have been denounced from one end of the State to the other as a political recreant.

The Democratic State Committee maintains a "literary bureau," from which, at the expense of the party treasury, plate matter is supplied to the country papers. During the last three months all the energies of this bureau have been expended in fulsome praise of those who participated in the reorganization movement and in malignant abuse of those who protested against the methods by which the organization was stolen from those who had been legally chosen to administer the affairs of the party. Paying for such service out of the party treasury was as clearly a misappropriation of funds as the use of a bank's funds by an officer of the institution, for personal purposes.

Since the meeting in Washington of A MITCHELL PALMER, VANCE C. McCORMICK and ROLAND S. MORRIS and the selection by them of candidates of Governor and United States Senator for the Democratic party of Pennsylvania, this literary bureau has been laboring to create sentiment in favor of the ratification of the edict of the bosses. It is for the purpose of continuing this nefarious work that the federal officers, appointed at the instance of PALMER and McCORMICK, are now being taxed to provide funds to pay the expenses. Obviously Mr. McCORMICK has taken lessons in political financing from his uncle, the Hon. J. DONALD CAMERON. It is equally certain that Mr. PALMER wisely selected Mr. McCORMICK as his "angel."

McCormick Makes Two Statements.

The Hon. VANCE C. McCORMICK, who has been appointed Democratic candidate for Governor of Pennsylvania by A. MITCHELL PALMER and ROLAND S. MORRIS, has made two important announcements since that event. The first is that he will not support for election any Democrat who might defeat him for the nomination and the other that he will conduct his campaign for the office on the lines pursued when he was elected Mayor of Harrisburg. Both these declarations are significant, in a way. They are alike characteristic. Mr. McCORMICK has never supported any Democrat, for any office, unless he felt reasonably certain that his election would give him some personal advantage.

It is true that he subsequently qualified his statement that he will not support at the general election a candidate who may defeat him at the primaries. The statement looked bad on its face and probably PALMER ordered a modification of it, whereupon Mr. McCORMICK said that what he meant was that he wouldn't support any other candidate than himself unless the other candidate were honestly nominated. But he reserves the right to determine for himself what is an honest nomination and it may be set down as a settled fact that he will conclude that no nomination is honest that doesn't come to him. He imagines that he, PALMER and their satellites are the only honest Democrats in the State.

With respect to his plan of campaign there is comfort for the "boodlers" of all parties. His campaign for Mayor of Harrisburg reached the high-water mark of political corruption. On the day of his election money was as free, about the polling places, as water was abundant in the Susquehanna river at the highest flood tide in its history. Men stood at the polling places with fists full of bank bills, bidding for votes and the McCORMICK agents drove all others from the contention because of the abundance of their funds. Of course Mr. McCORMICK can afford this sort of campaigning while others can't but the beneficiary of political auctioneering should remember that others can withhold support from the winner as well as he.

Where the "Watchman" Stands.

Understand us here and now. The WATCHMAN is not for anybody for Governor, United States Senator or any other office before the primaries. It is a Democratic paper and is always for the best interests of the Democratic party and therefore for the best interests of the masses. The primary elections were designed so that the people might select their own candidates and not be interfered with by bosses and we believe it to be the duty of Democratic papers to stay out of the fight until the nominees have been made, then to espouse their cause. It is a duty, however, of newspapers of the faith to inform its readers as to the eligibility of the men who are seeking to become the party's nominees and for that reason the WATCHMAN, much as it disapproves his methods in the attempted reorganization of the party, takes this opportunity of informing you that A. MITCHELL PALMER has always borne the reputation of being a staunch Democrat. A charge of bolting the party's tickets cannot be maintained against him. VANCE McCORMICK, on the other hand, is not that type of Democrat at all. He has repeatedly publicly repudiated the nominees of the Democratic party and each time WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN ran for President Mr. McCORMICK fought him with all the energy at his command.

There are a good many Senators in service at Washington who could be spared better than AUGUSTUS O. BACON, of Georgia. He was a capable, conscientious and courageous legislator and though he boasted little of his labor, he was a wise counsellor and safe guide of the President in the exercise of his most difficult administrative functions. But "death loves a shining mark," and in laying his cold hand on BACON he bereaved the whole country.

It must be admitted that the PALMER-McCORMICK method of selecting candidates is cheaper than the old convention system but that is the only advantage which can be claimed for it. Shoddy is cheaper than wool, for that matter, but it isn't half as satisfactory.

In the partnership between the Standard Oil company and China our sympathies simply surge toward the Orient. When JOHN D. gets the right cue the balls will fly fast and furiously.

The ground hog is all right but when you come to think about it the odds are greatly in his favor about ground-hog-day.

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One "Re-organizer" Who Wants Democratic Unity.

Ryerson W. Jennings in Philadelphia Record. A leading editorial with a misleading heading appeared in one of your "esteemed contemporaries" yesterday morning. It called upon Senator Penrose to effect himself, and the article was headed "Next Republican Senator from Pennsylvania." It reminded the writer of the story of the urchin eating an apple. He was asked for the core by his boy companion. The answer was: "There ain't a goin' to be no core." By the same token there is not going to be a "Next Republican Senator" from Pennsylvania. Your contemporary was quite right in its contention when it declared Mr. Penrose cannot succeed himself, but Mr. Penrose thinks that he can, and that settles that question, and at the same time it will settle Mr. Penrose.

The Democratic party in Pennsylvania has an opportunity at this particular time that occurs but once in a lifetime. If that wing of the party which hugs the title of "reorganization" so fondly to its breast, seeing no situation beyond its personal wishes, could but realize it, the Democrats who oppose their narrow and destructive policy are just as much in favor of good government, as is evidenced by their asking Michael J. Ryan to be their candidate for Governor.

They knew that he would make an ideal Governor. They knew that he was unassailable as a citizen. They knew his record as a public servant. They knew that he was not, or ever would be, any man's man. Yet, knowing this, why did they not name him as their choice for Governor when they indulged in their state-making? He was first in the field; his platform was a model of clarity, brevity and constructive statesmanship. Had they named him as their choice for Governor, with A. Mitchell Palmer for Senator and "Farmer" Creasy for Lieutenant Governor, there would have been heard a mighty shout of acclaim from the entire Democratic party of this State, a shout that would not have ceased until the polls had closed on election day, only to be resumed after the ballots had been tabulated. And its not too late.

Roosevelt Boom for Constable.

From the Harrisburg Star-Independent. Theodore Douglas Robinson, nephew of Colonel Roosevelt and chairman of the Progressive State Committee in New York, was asked recently whether the Colonel would run for Governor next fall, and he is quoted in the morning newspapers as saying: "Of course Colonel Roosevelt will run for Governor. He will run for anything from constable up." We do not know with what authority Mr. Robinson speaks nor do we believe that Colonel Roosevelt, former President of the United States, will ever be called upon to pin a big star on his chest, swing a hickory nightstick and patrol the outlying precincts of Oyster Bay of nights rounding up drunks or interfering with the avocation of those who make a living by prowling around the chicken coops in the neighborhood of the one-time summer White House.

But who can tell what the versatile Colonel might or might not do? He has tried almost everything from hunting lions in Africa to hunting crooks in Washington. He has told foreign potentates how to run their governments and good-naturedly kissed dirty-faced babies held up to him by proud mothers during campaign tours. He has run political machines and smashed others. He has fought Spaniards and displayed his teeth for the benefit of the moving picture men.

The Colonel must never be without something to do. Just now he is somewhere in South America alternating between hunting wild animals, telling the folks his ideas on race suicide and talking notes for the "Outlook," but when he comes back he must find some new diversion.

Doubtless the accommodating Colonel will run for Governor of New York if they ask him, or for that matter, for constable of Oyster Bay, and he would stand a good chance of being elected to either office. The Colonel will attract a much attention in one post as another, and enjoy himself just as much, just so it provides something new and plenty of action.

Simply a Straw.

From the Johnstown Democrat. The Democratic party seems about to accomplish the hitherto impossible by revising the tariff and being returned to Washington as the majority party in the House. Since the Civil war any party that has touched tariff legislation has been defeated at the next succeeding election—with one exception, in McKinley's administration, when there was a foreign war to complicate the political situation.

The reason is that not a single previous revision has been done in good faith. The people have always been deceived, and they have showed their resentment at the polls.

The Underwood-Simmons revision was an honest one, and Democratic strength, instead of waning, has held its own. The several recent bye-elections have shown the Democrats polling as heavily as they did in the Presidential election of last year.

The best example is the recent election in the second Iowa district, in which Henry Volmer, a Democrat, was elected to be the successor to the late Irvin Pepper. Here was an evenly balanced district showing normally a slight Democratic majority. It was the sort of district in which any anti-Democratic sentiment caused by the tariff legislation would be sure to show. Volmer was elected by a comfortable majority.

This election was an index to show how the political wind will blow next November.

Have your Job Work done here.

SPAWLS FROM THE KEYSTONE.

-The Wightman glass plant at Punxsutawney is nearing completion and will soon be ready for machinery.

-Curwensville is reported to have had twenty mad dogs in the past few days. All unmuzzled dogs are to be shot.

-Scarlet fever and other contagious diseases are on the increase in Sunbury despite the closing of the schools and keeping children away from all gatherings.

-In a three days' membership campaign in a contest with the DuBois and Punxsutawney Y. M. C. A., the Clearfield association last week landed 400 new members, DuBois 244 and Punxsutawney 177.

-Blake Nearhood, believed to be Clearfield county's tallest resident, died on Saturday night at 11 o'clock at his home between Kylesburg and Winburne. He lacked only one inch of being six and a half feet tall.

-The career of three "boy bandits" was cut short at Dunlo when they were arrested for a black hand scare. They had posted a notice stating that any child passing that way would be kidnapped and held for ransom.

-Mrs. Fanny Kelley, of Mt. Union, was awarded \$119 by a jury for injuries sustained in a fall on a broken sidewalk. The verdict included \$50 for personal injuries, \$60 for doctor's bill and \$9 for domestic help while incapacitated.

-W. S. Patterson, returning from Johnstown to his home at Indiana, climbed the fence instead of going through the subway at the station at Blairsville Intersection and was struck by a through train. He was 65 years old.

-A stranger giving his name as Faber and his occupation as school teaching attempted the check swindle on Williamsport merchants a few days ago and police there would like to locate him. He is aged about 50 years, weighing about 200 pounds, five feet eight inches tall, has sandy mustache, wore gray overcoat and soft hat.

-While cutting down a large sugar maple near Muncy, Ralph Seid had his foot caught under the tree. His wife and her sister made heroic but unavailing efforts to rescue him, but he was a prisoner for an hour until the mail carrier came along. He raised the tree by means of ropes and the ice had to be chipped away from the foot.

-The case of John Wilkinson, indicted on two charges in connection with the recent brutal assault upon Miss May Fidler, the pretty young Madera school teacher, was settled at Clearfield Monday afternoon on the basis that Wilkinson pay the girl \$1,500 and costs of prosecution; undergo an imprisonment of 70 days in the Clearfield county jail and give a bond for good behavior for a period of one year.

-Health authorities at Conneville on Monday discovered that a tramp who had been sleeping in an abandoned coke oven for more than a week, was suffering from smallpox. He was hurried to the pest house where he told attendants that while he occupied the oven no less than fifty tramps had called there, many of them sharing it with him. Precautions were at once taken to prevent the spread of the disease.

-The Saxton Vitified Fire Brick company, of Saxton, in which a number of prominent Bedford countians are interested, has confessed judgment to Miss Emma Little, S. E. & D. M. Stoler, of that place, A. L. Little, Esq., of Bedford, and several other parties, for various sums amounting to about \$31,000. Executions have been issued and placed in the hands of sheriff Grant Dodson, who has levied on the defendant company's real and personal estate.

-A singular accident foiled the recent attempt of three burglars to rob the railroad station at Cresson. The men knocked the receiver off the telephone and the operator, knowing that no one was supposed to be at the office at that hour, called the agent. When he arrived the burglar alarm was ringing, the thieves having managed to pry open the money drawer a fraction of an inch. But they had gone, leaving as souvenirs a satchel full of tools.

-The explosion of a frozen water-frost in the cook stove at the residence of J. E. Shultz, in Chester Hill about 8 o'clock Friday morning completely demolished the stove, shattered the windows in the kitchen and dining room and inflicted a very painful wound near the temple to Mrs. Shultz. Mr. Shultz was stirring the fire when the explosion occurred, but escaped without any injury. The children were still in bed, and also escaped injury.

-Fire destroyed the borough school building at Flemington last Friday, leaving the town without a school. The 250 pupils marched from the burning structure in a few seconds after the discovery, but a teacher, Miss May Fletcher, barely escaped by jumping from a window. The firemen of the neighboring towns of Lock Haven and Mill Hall, who responded to the alarm, were unable to fight the flames because of the lack of water, all the plugs being frozen.

-Mark L. Swab, of Sunbury, former deputy treasurer of Northumberland county, was found guilty Tuesday of aiding and abetting and misappropriating more than \$10,000 of the county's funds. His attorneys have filed notice of appeal for a new trial. Swab was indicted about two years ago. William M. Loyd, of Shamokin, former county treasurer and Swab's superior officer, was found guilty on the same charge. His appeal for a new trial is now pending before the State Supreme court.

-Two large buildings owned by the West Penn Powder company at Tunnelton, were wrecked and turned; Daniel Daugherty, an employee, was instantly killed; two other men are missing, and an Italian laborer, also employed by the concern, was probably fatally injured Tuesday morning, when an explosion occurred shortly before ten o'clock. The cause of the accident has not yet been determined. Local officials said that they were unable to make a statement as to the cause of the accident.

-Lehigh University will receive about \$800,000 and St. Luke's hospital, South Bethlehem, about \$22,000, under an adjudication of the eleventh account of the executors and trustees of the estate of Asa M. Packer, confirmed by the Orphans' court in Philadelphia. Mr. Packer, who was the builder of the Lehigh Valley railroad, died in 1879, leaving an estate of several million dollars. He was the founder of Lehigh University and the hospital and the further provision was made for them in the will which devised life estates to his three children.

-Frank Huff, who shot his wife at Penfield in September last, it will be remembered was tried at Clearfield in December and found guilty of murder in the first degree. He was granted a new trial, which took place last week. Judge Singleton Bell finished his charge to the jury at 10.30 on Saturday night. The jury on Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock rendered a verdict of second degree murder, and on Monday Judge Bell sentenced Huff to not more than nineteen years and six months nor less than seventeen years in the western penitentiary.

-A romance occurred at the Pennsylvania railroad station at Latrobe a few days ago that beats much of the fiction of the day. A pretty German girl came from New York to meet a man from Wilpen with whom she had arranged for a wedding by correspondence. He didn't show up and she found him sleeping in the station. At first he was for calling off the wedding. Then, perhaps thinking of the \$2,700 she was carrying, he allowed himself to be persuaded. But about the time the preliminaries were arranged the bride took a notion to change her mind and went back to New York with her money but without a husband.