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Everybody spotted them for a bridal couple as they landed at the Erie Depot in Jersey City, and there was a good deal of winking and nodding among the passengers on the ferryboat crossing to New York.

"Are you grinning at us, sir?" "Oh! no, no, no," replied the grinner as he instantly sobered up.

"Well, Tillie," said the husband, as he looked all around and then sat down beside the blushing bride.

Up to Date.

A story is going in England of a man who took a book manuscript to a publisher with the statement that it was the greatest novel of the century.

Well, the author took it away, and was somewhat disheartened, until he suddenly recollected that he had an aunt who had lived in Scotland, and had mastered the language so that she could go through Edinburgh without the aid of an interpreter.

Where He Shoots.

Baron Hirsch, the Jewish millionaire, has just issued the shooting of the estate of Cardinal Vaszary, Prince Primate of Hungary, which extends over 75,000 acres.

A BIKING LOVE SONG.

Oh, come, my love, and bike with me! The moon is in the sky, We'll wheel through all eternity; Together let us fly.

We'll take the steep hills hand in hand, And on the thank-you-marm Your lover true, pray understand, Will keep you far from harm.

If you perchance you tumble off, And blacken your sweet eyes, Though all the world shall jeer and scoff, I'll tumble off likewise.

I'll smash my head for your sweet sake, I'll break my neck for thee, I'll take a header in the lake, No matter how muddy.

If you will only take your wheel Out on life's rough turnpike, And, come what may, of woe or weal, With me, your lover, bike.

MATRIMONY.

Thomas (a Rustic), Eliza (a Belle). Scene—A Cottage Kitchen. Eliza (washing up tea-things, with coquetry and a smile)—Law, Mr. Thomas, how you take a girl back to be sure!

Thomas—I've come to be ast to set down, to start on. Then I've come to hev a few words with Lizer Potter, as my hands hev binned with, and nobody ain't forbid.

Eliza—Forbid! Law, Thomas, who's to forbid 'em, and my gowd and bonnet all ready and waiting upstairs? Joe, he were a bit upset, to be sure.

Thomas—And Joe were about right, Lizer. I come to-day—seeing as how I tried to write it in a letter, but the words were long and the ink a-drying up because of the heat—say as how matrimony don't answer, which is gospel and were in the noospaper.

Eliza (fanning herself with a handkerchief)—Law, Thomas, whatever are you driving at? Thomas—Put down that there wipe, Lizer; and be your sensible. I've been a-thinking. I don't do much on it, usual. It wastes time and don't lead to nothing except troubles.

Thomas—We hev, Lizer. Spoken true. But what is walking out? Walking out is a-putting your arm round a waist, and a-looking up at the moon or down at your boots, as you feel disposed, and a-saying nothing.

Eliza (weeping)—And us hev—walked out—two years—come Michaelmas. Thomas—We hev, Lizer. Spoken true. But what is walking out? Walking out is a-putting your arm round a waist, and a-looking up at the moon or down at your boots, as you feel disposed, and a-saying nothing.

Eliza (between sobs)—And my gowd and bonnet—and the neighbors as will live to say that Lizer—Potter—es—were—thought—such—a sight on—were jilted by a stupid—old—chap—like—yoo!

Thomas—Seeing as how you're what's called upset, and means in a temper, I won't give it yer back, Lizer. I hev thought of the bonnet and gown as is poms and vanities, and of the neighbors, as isn't worth it. You can say, Lizer, as you jilted me. And the gown and bonnet, if you don't want 'em wasted, you can marry Joe in.

Eliza (with sudden hopefulness followed by renewed sobbing)—Joe! Thomas—Joe, Joe is one of them chaps es thinks marriage 'll be like Heaven. Joe thinks as two can do as comfortable as one on fourteen shillings. Joe's that sort. He's fond of you, Lizer. Joe don't think don't, as your 'air won't be a-sitting in curl, as you won't be a-sitting in curl, and a-bending and a-fable as an angel on that fourteen shilling. I've spoke to Joe and he'll marry you ter morrow, ef you'll take him. And things 'll be comfortable all round.

It costs 120,000,000 pounds annually to pay the expenses of the armies of Europe.

WASHINGTON.

From our Regular Correspondent. WASHINGTON, Sept. 3, 1895.

Secretaries Carlisle and Lamont are the first members of the Cabinet to return from their vacations and settle down to work. They found things moving nicely in their respective departments.

Boss Quay, in the eyes of republican politicians, began his "second time on earth" when he knocked out his enemies and got a new and strong hold on the republican machine in Pennsylvania.

Ex. Gov. Gulick, of Arizona, who has been spending the summer on the Atlantic coast, is now in Washington. Speaking of National politics he said: "In my judgment the strongest man the democratic party can have at the head of its ticket is Ex. Secretary William C. Whitney.

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It is understood that the report of the Nicaragua Canal commission, which is now in the hands of Secretary Lamont, is favorable to the Canal, but bears somewhat heavily on the methods of the canal company, particularly as to estimates of the amount needed to complete the canal.

Time brings changes. Under the Federal election laws, repealed by a democratic Congress, one John I. Davenport, as U. S. Supervisor of elections for the city of N. Y., was for many years a sort of republican boss.

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VOORHEES' SLAP AT QUAY.

The Combine Agent Says There'll Be No Investigation in Philadelphia—Senator Penrose Talks Very Differently, and Tells What He Knows About the Proposed Inquiry—Colonel Quay to Carry His War in to Allegheny County.

Senator Quay does not intend to have anything that can be called an investigation in Philadelphia. Why, he dare not do it. Do you think he is going to make his own friends suffer? He can't expose them. The investigation business is a bluff; the only thing the Penrose committee will do is to meet, and probably discover that there are some defects in the Bullitt act, under which Philadelphia is governed.

Charles E. Voorhees, of Philadelphia, formerly chief clerk of the house of representatives, gave utterance to these words. Voorhees was feeling very badly over the defeat of the combine. He was one of its shrewdest managers and is credited with handling much of its cash.

Senator Penrose, the author of the resolution for the investigation, talks very differently from Voorhees. The young Senator wants an investigation in Philadelphia. He believes it will drive out of politics David Martin and other combine men in that city who aided in his defeat last January for the mayoralty nomination.

"I do not hesitate to declare that there will be an entirely complete investigation of the government of Philadelphia," said Senator Penrose "and that a report of the greatest importance will be submitted by the Senatorial investigating committee to the next legislature. It is going to take a long time to get through with this business, because everything that has been wrong in the government of Philadelphia will be exposed. Senator Quay means what he says when he declares the investigation is to go on."

"But, suppose some of your or Senator Quay's friends are found to be implicated in the municipal wrongdoing?"

"Our friends will not be found that way. You must remember that none of our friends have had for a good while anything to do with the Philadelphia government. They had no chance to be implicated. Our friends do not manage the municipal affairs of Philadelphia. The committee will go to work in a couple of weeks. The investigation could not be stopped now if we wanted it stopped. The Citizens' municipal league has it in charge and the league will have the most eminent counsel. It has also assured Chairman Andrews it will defray the expenses."

"Do you think the committee should extend its investigations to Pittsburg?" "From what I hear it ought to. That city seems to need it. It would be a good thing. I will not, however, say now that it will be extended to that city; nor will I say just now that it has the authority. But the public can rest assured that Philadelphia will at least be investigated. We cannot get out of it. We must and will investigate it."

There was a great deal of talk during the early part of the week among many Allegheny county people and Philadelphia supporters of Senator Quay, who were at the state convention, relative to Senator Quay's plans to effect an organization in Pittsburg in opposition to the ring in control there. The matter was discussed at a conference of the Senator and his lieutenants, and it was determined to go on with it Senator Quay has received assurances of powerful support.

A friend of the "old man" said that the Senator is going to make the same fight for the control of Allegheny county as he did against the administration of Governor Hastings. The issue will be reform in municipal affairs and he expects to create a public sentiment that will result in the complete overthrow of the domination of the Pittsburg ring, which so bitterly opposed him in his fight for state chairman. Lieutenant Governor Lyon, of Allegheny, will be earnestly enlisted in the fight. He is jealous of Chris. Magee, Senator Flinn and others in control of Allegheny county politics and would gladly aid in a cause which meant their political downfall.

There will be some highly interesting politics in Pennsylvania the next twelve months.—Patriot.

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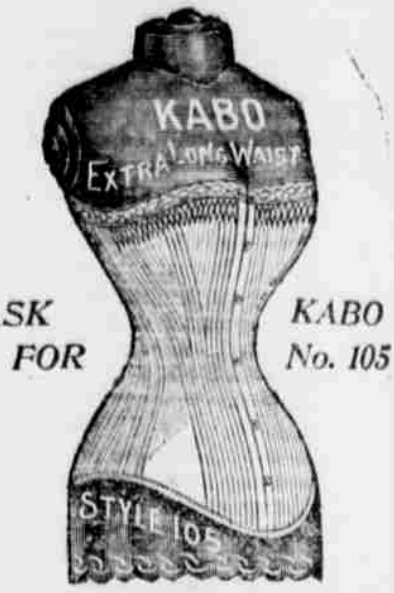
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