Henry Welch, an Irishman, Rapidly Turning Into a Black Man.

WHAT SIX MONTHS HAS DONE.

He First Became a Light Yellow and Is Grewing Darker.

BILE IS THE EXPLANATION GIVEN OF IT

NEW YORK, May 16.-There have been negroes whose skins turned white in spotsfor revenue and exhibition chiefly. There have been negroes whose skins were so slightly tinted anyway that they readily passed for white men. There have even been negroes entirely white, if we may trust veracious travelers. But who ever heard of a white man with not a drop of African blood in his veins who turned negro? And an Irish white man at that?

Yet this singular phenomenon is now being observed in a well authenticated case at the Presbyterian Hospital.

The history of this extraordinary patient, verified in a great part by inquiry among his friends, as set down on the hospital records and gathered elsewhere runs thus: His name is Henry Welch. He is 50 years old, and the son of Thomas and Mary Welch, of County Down, in Ireland, where he was born. He has been in America 35 years, most of the time employed as a waiter. He came to New York ten years waiter. He came to New York ten years ago, and has been employed in many restaurants, uptown and down. Up to six months ago no one had questioned that Welch was a white man any more than that a horse has four legs. Some time last November he began to be troubled with an intermittent pain in the region of his stomach, at times very severe. He had a lan-guid feeling and a bilious look, and along in December his face began to take a slight tinge of yellow, as if he had an attack of

The pain continued and so did the yellow tinge, and the color steadily got darker. By Christmas he was about the shade of a typical Italian. By the end of January he was as yellow as a Chinaman. A month later he would be taken for a quadroon.

Two weeks ago he was like a mulatto and still growing darker. Then Welch, being convinced that Providence for some mysterious reason had elected to make a full powers out of a descendant of an Irish king.

be taken for one anywhere by any person, his straight iron-gray hair and long iron-gray mustache to the contrary notwith-Still his exact tint was not quite that of a

colored man, though it took close and ob-servant inspection to see the difference. He was of a very dark brown, as dark as the wrapper of a strong cigar, but the shade had a slightly dead and inky black look, not like that of a man with African blood. This was chiefly noticeable in his feed of the control of the con was chiefly noticeable in his face, where the Caucasian flush shone a little through the dark tint and gave him an unnatural look for a colored man. The insides of his hands, too, were also of nearly the same color as

Ordered From a Restaurant.

On May 7, having been in the hospital two days and feeling encouraged, he thought he would like to go out for a walk. He walked around through the park and on the Westside until about 1 o'clock. Then he drifted into a restaurant near the park to get a dinner. He sat down at a table and the waiters looked askance at him, but no-body came to get his order. He hammered on the table with a plate, and after he had exercised himself in this way for awhile the roprietor, who had been eyeing him over be top of his desk with the hope that he would take the hint and get out, came up

"Now stop that and light out. We don't dored people here.

"But Oi aiu't no colored man," said Welch, who still talks with a burr in spite fo his long years on America's free soil. "Oi'm no more colored than yisself. Oi'm as white a man as you are," said Welch, "and ye've got no right to put my out."

But the proprietor was not going to admit any equivocation about the evidence of his own eyes, so he said that if Welch didn't go and at once he would call his waiters and have him put out. So Welch said he would go, but the proprietor had made the great-

est mistake of his life,
"Oi tell yez Oi'm white," he shouted.
"O'im white as yisself. Can't you tell a
white man when you see one? Look at my

hair and see for yourself."
But the proprietor wouldn't look at anything but Welch's mahogany face, and out he went with a bevy of grinning waiters making merry over his discomforture. Probably that made Welch madder than all the rest, having been a waiter himself and grinned at other people.

Another Deadly Insult.

He sought another restaurant, and the He sought another restaurant, and the proprietor this time mot him suavely at the door and told him firmly, but kindly, that he could not afford to have the custom of colored people. Welch protested again, but the proprietor was unmoved.

"Well, look at my hair," said Welch.

"You can see from that Oi'm no magur."

The proprietor looked at the hair, but wasn't convinced by that either. "Why," he said, "I've seen lots of niggers with straight hair. You can't play that on me."

Welch said he was Irish. But the restaurant man said he didn't care if he was the

rant man said he didn't care if he was the Grand Duke of Ireland, he couldn't come in

The next attempt was the last. After tha Welch gave it up. Here he was received in grim silence, and after a while a waiter came and put down in front of him an odd-looking bill of fare and went away. On this bill of fare the cheapest viand was "liver and bacon," \$3 75. Coffee was \$1 a cup and brend 75 cents a slice. A sirloin steak cost 87 50. Mr. Welch had been around restaurants too much not to know the significance of all this. He got up and went out. That day he dired at the hospital and has been content to stay there ever since.

His condition has not varied much from day to day, but he has not got any better. His color has gone on slowly growing darker. The change is just perceptible from one week's end to another. He is now about two shades darker than he was when he reached the hospital. If he liver long enough he will be totally black.

The Cause of It All.

The real trouble with Welch and the cause of his extraordinary change of tint is, being translated, a trouble with his gall duct, and is something like a very extreme case of jaundice. To the extent with which he is afflicted with it it is very rare, though

such cases have been recorded.

The scat of the difficulty lies in the gall duct, which connects the gall bladder with the liver, which it supplies with the bile used in the process of digestion. In cases of diseased liver or deranged stomachs a gall stone sometimes passes from the gall bludder to the liver. The gall stone is a hard fragment something like a piece of coral, with little spurs sticking out all over it. The gall duct is very small and the

stone passing along tears and scratches the walls of the duct producing great suffering.

It is usual in cases of severe pain to give morphine, and after a few days the gall stone gets through the duct and the patient is relieved. It is possible, however, for the little spurs on the gall stone to catch so firmly in the duct that the stone sticks there and becomes impacted. The bills. there and becomes impacted. The bile thereupon flows into the system, producing jaundice or a disease analagous to it, and finally death, unless the obstruction works

It is the opinion of the hospital surgeon that this is what is the matter with Welch, only in his case the flow of the bile into the system has gone on very much longer than

AN AMAZING CHANGE, in any previous case that they have observed.

Welch Doomed to Death.

The hospital records show two previous cases of a somewhat similar nature. Both of these were women who were brought in as suffering from jaundice. In each case a gall stone was found to have become impacted in the gall duct. The color of these patients, however, was no darker than that ordinarily found in cases of jaundice; that is to say, a distinct yellow tinge over all the body. It grew slightly darker as the case went on, but was not at any time dark enough to particularly attract attention.

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Both of these cases ended fatally. In fact, there is scarcely any chance for a patient in such a condition. The doctors at the hospital are doing their utmost to save Welch, but they have not much hope. Nothing but an operation in all probability can remove the stone that has lodged in his gall duct, and an operation to a point at such a depth would be out of the question. The present object of the doctors is to set up an action that will clear the system of bile, but the fact that Welch continues to grow darker is looked upon as evidence that he is not getting better.

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He may nevertheless live for weeks or months. He has already gone so far beyond the usual limit for persons in his condition that his hold on life seems to be extraordinarily strong. Originally he must have had a powerful constitution.

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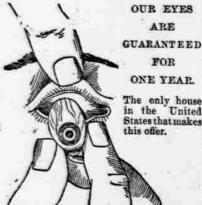
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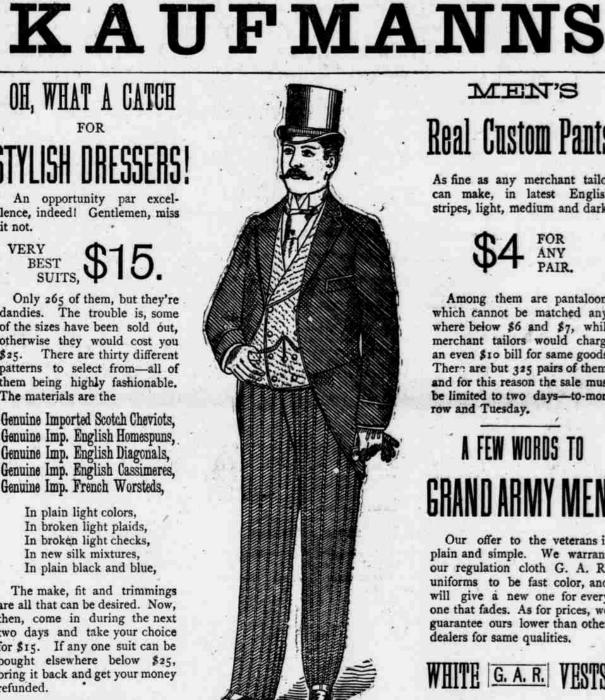
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