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MARRIAGE.

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Don't you see the heavy burdens
Daily she is wont to bear,
Bring the lines upon her forhead—
Sprinkle silver in her hair?

Daughter, don't let mother do it!
Do not let her bake and broil;
Through the long, bright, summer hours
Share with her the heavy toil.
See, her eye has lost its brightness,
Faded from her cheek the glow,
And the step that once was buoyant,
Now is feeble, weak and slow.

Daughter, don't let mother do it!
She has cared for you so long,
Is it right the weak and feeble
Should be toiling for the strong?
Waken from your listless languor,
Seek her side to cheer and bless;
And your grief will be less bitter
When the sods above her press.

Daughter, don't let mother do it!
You will never, never know
What were home without a mother
Till that mother lieth low—
Low beneath the budding daisies,
Free from earthly care or pain—
To the home so sad without her
Never to return again.

Tales and Sketches.

MA'S OLD BEAU.

The recent revelations concerning deed forgeries at a criminal trial at Chicago, reminded me of an incident that occurred a few years ago, in the vicinity of St. Louis, which seemed to me to be worth relating.

Clara and Mary Merwin, sisters and orphans, were in the sitting-room of their pleasant home, on the edge of a village near the Missouri. Their mother had been dead several years; their father had lately died, leaving them an estate, as they supposed, of the value of some forty thousand dollars, but they had learned quite recently that the property was encumbered to such an extent that they were likely to be deprived of it all. This discovery, as may be supposed, filled them with sadness and anxiety, and they were seated in silence, unable to read, to converse, to work, to do anything but brood over their great misfortune.

While they were thus occupied with sombre thoughts, a buggy drove up in front of the house, and a man alighted, and the buggy drove away.

The man must have been a little on the shady side of fifty, to judge from his gray hairs, although his face was unwrinkled. He was dressed with remarkable neatness, and his maners indicated briskness as well as percision. In one hand he carried a small valise, and in the other an umbrella, and he stepped quickly to the door and rang the bell. In a few minutes he was ushered into the presence of the young ladies.

'I'm obliged to introduce myself,' he said, smiling and bowing in a courtly manner—'Abner Pierce. Here is my card—professional card. You will perceive that I am a lawyer in St. Louis, and presumably a respectable man. Don't be afraid; I am not here to hurt you, but to help you. I have the honor to call myself a friend of your family—that is to say, although it is many years since I have seen any member of said family, I always had the highest possible regard for your now sainted mother, and nothing would please me better than to be of some service to her children.'

'We are happy to meet you,' murmured Clara.

'Thank you. I happened to hear—no matter how—that you are in trouble, and have come up here in the belief that I can assist you. I hope you will feel that you can trust me. I am actually an honest man, although a lawyer, and I mean well, although I may express myself clumsily.'

'I am free to admit,' said Clara, 'that we need assistance and advice, and that we have not known to whom to look for it.'

'Very well. It is a good thing, no doubt, that I have come. Now, sit down, and tell me all about it.'

Clara Merwin, who was the elder of the orphans, and leader in everything, told how she and her sister had taken out letters of administration upon their father's estate, when a man of whom they had never before heard put in an appearance, and presented a mortgage, with bond included executed by the late Mr. Merwin, upon his real estate, for the sum of forty thousand dollars. Not content with prohibiting them from attempting to sell anything, he had tied up their money in bank, leaving them absolutely penniless. They had used their credit, but tradesmen were becoming impatient, and some had refused to supply them any further, without pay.

'That is a bad case,' said Mr. Pierce. 'You need money—that is the first thing to be attended to. You must let me act as your banker until I get you out of this scrape, and that won't be long I hope. How much do you owe?'

'More than one hundred dollars,' answered Clara.

The old gentleman counted out two hundred dollars from a well-filled pocket-book, and handed it to her.

'For your mother's sake,' he said, when she refused to receive it, and he forced it upon her in such a way that she could not help taking it. He then accepted the young ladies' invitation to make their house his home during his stay, and went into dinner with them.

'Is their any place where I can smoke?' he asked, when they had returned to the sitting room.

'You can smoke here,' said the impulsive Mary. 'Pa always smoked here, and we are used to it.'

So he took a meerschaum and some tobacco from his valise, and was soon puffing away with an air of great contentment.

'I can think better when I smoke,' he said. 'Did you have any legal advice in the matter of that mortgage, Miss Merwin?'

'Yes, sir,' replied Clara. 'Our lawyer said that that it was a plain case against us, although it was strange that we had never heard of the mortgage before.'

'Very strange. What is the name of the man who holds it?'

'Alexander Campbell.'

'Hum. A good name, but a bad man, I am afraid. When and where can I see him?'

'He will be here this afternoon,' answered Clara. 'He proposes if we will make him a deed of the real estate, to give up the bond and mortgage, leaving the money in bank, and the rest of the personal property.'

'Very liberal. Introduce me to him when he comes, as an old friend of the family, and not as a lawyer.'

Mr. Alexander Campbell called in the course of the afternoon, and was made acquainted with Abner Pierce, at whom he looked suspiciously; but his eyes fell when he met the old gentlemen's intent gaze. Mr. Pierce glanced but slightly at the deed that was offered for consideration of the ladies, being occupied in studying the countenance of the man in whose favor it was drawn.

'I can't decide upon it just now,' he said, at last. 'As a friend of these young ladies—standing, as I may say, *in loco parentis*—I must make a few inquiries concerning the value of this property. Suppose you come after supper, Mr. Campbell, and suppose you bring that mortgage with you. I have no doubt it is all correct, but I would like to see it.'

Mr. Campbell assented to this and withdrew. Abner Pierce filled his pipe with nervous haste, but also with tobacco, and Mary brought him a light.

'I know that you have some good news for us,' she said, 'I can see it in your face.'

'Not bad, my child. I hope and trust that it is very good. A good name, but a bad man, I said, and that is true. I think I see my way out of this difficulty, and the money that I lent you is safe. But you mustn't interfere with me, young ladies, or be surprised at anything I may say or do, or object to it. You must trust me, and let me work in my own way.'

After supper when Abner Pierce had enjoyed another comfortable smoke, and conversed with the girls concerning their mother as he had known her in her youth—a subject upon which he grew quite eloquent—Alexander Campbell came in, bringing the deed and mortgage, both of which he handed to Mr. Pierce for examination.

'I have made inquiries concerning the property,' said the old gentleman, 'and am satisfied that it is not worth more than the amount of the mortgage and would probably bring much less if sold at foreclosure. Your offer is a liberal one; but I must look at the mortgage. This appears to be correct,' he continued, when he had examined the instrument. 'It is properly acknowledged, and signature is undoubtedly that of Philip Merwin. I suppose the young ladies will have to go to the county seat to execute the deed.

The girls' countenance fell at this sudden surrender on the part of their champion.

'This reminds me,' said the old lawyer, picking up the mortgage again, 'of an occurrence that fell under my observation in Tennessee. Not that the two cases are alike, as the Tennessee case was undoubtedly a fraudulent affair; but there was a similarity in the circumstances. Don't look so disheartened, young ladies. What will be must be, and it is useless to cry about what can't be helped. I was about to say, a man died in Tennessee, leaving a widow and one daughter. The widow was about to administer upon his estate, when a man who was unknown came foreward, and presented a mortgage similar to this, and for exactly the same amount. It was examined by lawyers who were familiar with the signature of the deceased, and pronounced correct. Although there was something strange about the affair, they could find no flaw in the instrument. It was particularly puzzling to one of them, who thought that he had transacted all the law business of the deceased. He got hold of the mortgage and brought it to me when I was in Nashville. I happened to have in my possession a very powerful magnifying-glass that had been presented to me—the most powerful single lens I have ever seen. With this I examined the mortgage, and soon discovered that 'forty' had been raised from 'four.' There was no mistake about it. I could easily see marks of chemical erasure, and the difference in pen and ink, between the 'raised' and the rest of the instrument. How the rascal got into the Register's office, I don't know; but the record there had been altered in the same manner. He ran away and it was not considered worth while to follow him. Strange circumstance, was it not, Mr. Campbell.'

Mr. Campbell was fidgeting uneasily in his chair, and made no reply.

'Here is the glass,' continued the old gentleman, taking it from his pocket, 'and you can see for yourself how well it magnifies. Now, as I look at *this* 'forty'—why, bless me, the same signs are visible that I saw in my Tennessee mortgage! I think you will be obliged to drop this, Mr. Campbell. My Tennessee man's name was Alexander Bell, and he has added a Camp to it since he came to Missouri.'

Campbell, his face red as flame reached out his hand for the document.

'I believe I will keep this, Mr. Campbell, for fear of accidents. What, do you think you could take it by force? Here is something that shoots five times. Going, are you? Very well, I don't think you will be molested, if you will leave this part of the country and never return to it. It is barely possible that the estate of Philip Merwin may really owe you four thousand dollars. If so, I advise you not to try to collect the debt, as such an attempt would land you in the penitentiary. Good-night, Mr. Campbell, and farewell.'

'What is it? What does this mean?' asked Clara, as Mr. Pierce, rubbing his hands and smiling, bustled about to fill his pipe.

'Are you so dull, my child? Why, the fellow is a swindler, and has been found out. I guessed as much when I first heard of the affair, and was sure of it when you told me his name. You will soon be able to pay me my $200, and then we will straighten up matters. Thank you, Mary, you are very kind to give me a light.'

'Don't you mean to punish him?' asked Mary.

'It would hardly pay. We could put him in the penitentiary, but you might lose four thousand dollars by the job. By trying for forty thousand he has lost the four that may have been justly his due. He will be far from here by morning, I have no doubt, and good riddance to him. Ah! this is comfortable. I know that I feel better, and I hope that you do.'

The girls were sure that a great weight had been lifted from their minds and hearts. Alexander Campbell, alias Bell, decamped, and Abner Pierce stayed a week with the orphans, during which time be arranged all their affairs satisfactorily, and won their lasting gratitude and love.

'How can we ever thank you for all you have done for us?' said Clara, when he was about to leave.

'It was for your mother's sake, my child. And for her sake, if I can ever help you, all I have is at your service.'

Abner Pierce has made visits to the orphans frequently since the event above narrated, and they have always had a cordial welcome for 'ma's old beau.'

Miscellaneous.

TROUBLE.—Trouble is the foe of a man's peace of mind. But half of our troubles are imaginary, the creation of our brains. Things that trouble us are not as bad as they seem, and most of them are only mists or passing clouds. We should treat our troubles as we would intruders into our houses—put them out and lock the doors against them. When men are worn out by over-work, or are sick, then trouble has the advantage. At such times, a man's friends should contrive means of diversion to find out ways of rest. There is no better relief for trouble than travel and new scenes. When men begin to feel that busines and care are robbing them of sleep, and each day increases the burden, they should put the will in exercise and throw them off or put themselves in the hands of their physician and obey his directions. It is suicide for them to go on after they begin to feel the grinding action of work on the body and brain. But precaution is in using means of prevention. Give a certain number of hours each day to active employment, and never allow your work to break over the bounds. Take a portion of your time for recreation. Make real, solid enjoyment your medicine. Above all, interdict everything that will tax, excite, or exhaust the nervous system. Sleep, "tired nature's sweet restorer, balmy sleep." When trouble drives sleep from the eyelids and gloomy, depressed feelings possess the mind, it is high time for a man to pause and seek relief, for there is no telling what such a condition will lead to unless overcome. There is danger in going on after the strain begins to tell on the health, for every turn of the machinery brings the final crash nearer. There are events that come, and are liable to come in every man's life, which he cannot foresee, and over which he has no control. But men should be like mariners, who do not know whether the winds will be fair or foul, but they go prepared for whatever may come, be it calm or storm. Nor do they give up the ship until she goes down. Men should treat trouble in this way, and never give up until death enters and tells them the voyage is ended.

ABOUT ALDERNEYS.—The Alderneys is a well known breed of cows which is yearly becoming more popular in this and surrounding counties. The cattle are so called probably because the first ones exported were from Alderney island although now very few that are sold as Alderney cows, are directly from there. Those of that breed actually exported from these islands are generally from Jersey, where the cattle are much the same as those of Alderney—small, with tapering heads, and of a delicate fawn color. The Guernsey cow is esteemed by some even more highly than the Alderney; it is rather larger, and more of a red, brindled in color. The cows are milked three times daily, and the milk is churned without skimming; one pound of butter per day is by no means an uncommon yield for a good cow. The cow cabbage is made to reach a size so large that the leaves are used to wrap the butter in for market, while stalks are varnished and armed with ferrules, and extensively used at St. Helier's for canes. The cows are very carefully coddled. The grass they feed on is highly enriched by the vraic, a species of seaweed gathered from the reefs at low tide. There are two vraic harvests appointed by the government—one in the spring, the other in August—although it is gathered at other times in small quantities. All hands turn out in the season with boats and carts, frequently at night, and it is a very lively, picturesque occupation, though often attended with risk and loss of life from the overloading of boats or sudden rising of the tide. The cows are always tethered when feeding; they eat less in this way, really giving more milk than if glutted with food, and while they are cropping the grass on one side of a field it has time to spring up on the other side. When they have done eating, they are at once removed from the sun into the shade. The breed is preserved from intermixture with other breeds by strong and arbitrary laws very carefully enforced. No cattle are allowed to enter the island except for slaughter within a certain number of days, with the exception of oxen for draught.

THE 'HOPPERS.—The devastating plague known at the west as grasshoppers, but what are really a variety of the locust, seem to be the resulting punishment of a people who have slaughtered by countless thousands the prairie fowl which lived on these insects. Twenty thousand prairie-chickens killed and sent to market in a single season, would, if left alone, have cleared away the grasshoppers and grown fat on them. We see here fairly illustrated the heedlessness and recklessness of the western pioneers. They have rushed into cattle-raising and the production of wheat and corn and the fattening of pork, and have regarded the prairie fowl as nuisances to be exterminated to protect their grain-crops. They have raised few domestic fowls, and consequently the opportunity thus provided for the grasshoppers to obey the injunction to "increase and multiply" was enough to make the mouth of the great original old grasshopper fairly water for joy.

This grasshopper plague afflicted the Mormons in Utah more than twenty years ago, and probably from the same cause, the Indians and the Mormons having between them exterminated the wild fowl of our edible kind. But in Utah the multitude of gulls swarming about Salt Lake descended upon the grasshoppers and feasted to their heart's content, so that they made as clean a sweep of the 'hoppers as the 'hoppers had made of the growing grain-crops. The sovereign cure for the 'hoppers in Kansas, Iowa, Missouri and Nebraska is to punish out-right every man or boy caught shooting prairie fowl, and for the railway companies to levy a prohibitory freight tariff on their transportation east.—*Germantown Telegraph.*

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First. It is mean. A man of high moral character would almost as lief steal a sheep as swear.

Second. It is too vulgar; although too low for a decent man.

Third. It is cowardly; implying a fear of not being believed or obeyed.

Fourth. It is ungentlemanly. A gentleman, according to webster, is well bred, refined. Such a one will no more swear than throw mud with a clod-hopper.

Fifth. It is indecent, offensive to delicacy, and extremely unfit for any human ear.

Sixth. It is foolish; a want of decency is a want of sense.

Seventh. It is abusive; to the mind which conceives the oath, to the tongue which utters it, and the person at whom it is aimed.

Eighth. It is venomous; showing man's heart to be a nest of vipers, and every time he swears one of them stick out his head.

Ninth. It is contemptible: forfeiting the respect of all the wise and good.

Tenth. It is wicked: violating the divine law and provoking the displeasure of Him who will not hold him guiltless who taketh His name in vain.

AFTER MARRIAGE.—A philosopher writes: 'The girl is generally educated on novels, and her first disappointment comes in on the quiet indifference of the husband after the honey-moon. 'You love me no longer,' said a bride of a few months to her better half in his gown and slippers. 'Why do you say that, Puss? he asked quietly, removing a cigar from his lips. 'You do not caress me nor call me pet names; you do not longer seek so anxiously for my company,' was the tearful answer. 'My dear,' continued the aggravating wretch, 'did you ever notice a man running after a car? How he does run—over stones, through mud, regardless of everything till he reaches the car and seizes hold and swings on. Then he quietly seats himself and reads his paper.' 'And what does that mean?' 'An illustration, my dear: the car is as important to the man after he gets in as when he is chasing it, but the manifestation is no longer called for. I would have shot any one who put himself in my way when in pursuit of you, as I would now shoot any one who would come between us, but as proof of my love you insist upon my running after the car. Learn to smoke, my dear, and be a philosopher. The two combined clear the brain, quiet the nerves, open the pores, and improve the digestion.'"

GROWING OLD.—How strangely our ideas of growing old change as we get on in life. To the girl in her teens the riper maiden of twenty-five seems quite passed. Twenty-two thinks thirty-five "an old thing." Thirty-five dreads forty, but congratulates herself that there may still remain some ground to be possessed in the 50 attained. But fifty does not by any means give up the battle of life. It feels middle-aged and vigorous, and thinks old age a long way in the future. Sixty remembers those who have done great things at three score; and one doubts if Parr when he was married at one hundred and twenty, had at all begun to feel himself an old man. It is the principle of immortality in us which makes us feel young so long. We wear out our bodies as we do our garments; but by the time their fashion has grown quite obsolete will not the celestial robe which shall clothe our souls for the new life be ready?

A WIFE'S DEVOTION.—The Washington *Star* says 'Cha-pink-pa-lu-ta, or 'Red Bud,' the only woman accompanying the Sioux delegation, is rather comely in appearance, and is about twenty-five years of age. She is the wife of Bad Wound, to whom she is much attached, as the following incident will show. The Indian agents were restricted in the number of chiefs they were to bring to Washington, and were forbidden by the Commissioner of Indian Affairs to bring any women. The latter, however, were as anxious to come as the braves, and when told of the order of the Commissioner there was weeping and wailling among the dusky maidens of the forest. Cha-pink-pa-lu-ta quietly made up her mind that she would go at all hazards, and several hours after the departure of the wagon containing her husband for the railroad, she mounted a swift horse, and with her raven treses streaming in the wind, went flying across the country in pursuit of the party. She came up to them when near the station, and leaping from her steed, which she turned adrift, mounted the wagon, and clinging to her husband, with tears and entreaties besought him to allow her to accompany him. He endeavored to persuade her to return, and some of the braves were inclined to use violence to compel her to do so. She firmly declined, however, to trust her husband to the seductions of Washington society unattended, and even the efforts of Agent Saville to induce her to return were wholly unavailing. She seems to greatly enjoy her visit to the pale faces, and keeps an eye on 'the old man' at all times, invariably accompanying his walks about town. This incident serves to illustrate the truth of Bryant's couplet, slightly modified—

'Skins may differ, but affection
Dwells in white and red the same.''

'IS HE RICH?'—This is the question that floats around the circle of matrimonial ladies. Poor giddy fools, who seek happiness where there is neither brains nor morality—good sense or high honor. Yes he is rich—he has strong arms, a pure heart, a clear head, a brave soul! 'Aye, but has he cash and bonds, real estate and stocks, for new bonnets, fine clothing, costly houses and elegant equipages are needed.' Go to, you generation of vipers, you curses of humanity, who cannot make an honest man's life and fate your own, and with him toil and live, that happiness and virtue may dwell under your roof, be it ever so lowly, that the next generation may, if they will, be better than the present, and the world lifted and moved forward heavenward.

AT a ball lately in Paris, a very stout gentlemen, with a catarrh and a very charming wife, insisted, very inconveniently, at the close of a waltz, that madame should return to the bosom of her family. "Never mind," she said to her partner; "ask me to dance in the next quadrille all the same; I will find a way to stay for it." Slipping out while the sets were forming, she went into the gentlemen's dressing-room, found her husband's hat, and threw it out of the window; then returning, and requesting her spouse first to find his hat and call a carriage, she accepted partners for the next six dances, quite sure of two hours before the hat could be found.