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Marriage--What Is It?

The great Apostle to the Gentiles forcibly enjoins his son Timothy to "Hold fast the form of sound words." For words are things. Give a sophist liberty to affix to them such meanings as suit his purpose, and he will reason God out of the universe.

The word Marriage is thus defined by all the standard English lexicographers whose works are within our reach at this moment.

By Dr. Samuel Johnson: 1. "The act of uniting a man and woman *for life*. 2. State of perpetual union."

By Noah Webster: 1. "The act of marrying, or the state of being married; union of man and woman as husband and wife; matrimony. 2. A feast made on the occassion of a marriage."

By John Craig: "The act of uniting a man and woman *for life* in wedlock; the legal union of a man and woman *for life;* a feast made on the occasion of a marriage."

By Samuel Worcester: "The act of marrying, or uniting a man and woman *for life* as husband and wife; the state of legal union between a man and woman; matrimony; wedlock; wedding; nuptials."

Every one but Webster makes union *for life* essential to Marriage, and Webster intimates no dissent from the general dictum.

Consider now the promise required by the Christian Church of every man who presents himself as a candidate for marriage. [We quote from the liturgy of the Protestant Episcopal Church, but it is essentially the same in all churches:]

Minister—"Wilt thou have this woman to thy wedded wife, to live together after God's ordinance in the holy estate of matrimony? Wilt thou love her, comfort her, honor and keep her in sickness and in health; and, forsaking all others, keep thee only to her, *so long as ye both shall live?*" The man shall answer, "I will."

Now we are not here arguing that the Woodhull-Claflin crowd have not devised or adopted a substitute which is vastly superior to Marriage—we will consider that point in its order. For the present, we only insist on the obvious truth that what they commend and delight in *is not Marriage*, but something quite other than that, which should be called by its own proper name, whatever, that may be. We do not wish to name it; but why should not they? He who has invented something vastly superior to an ax, a hoe, an auger, does not seek to confound it with that which it is intended to supersede; he gives it a distinguishing name, and tries to make the distinction between the old and the new as broad and emphatic as he may. Our new lights, on the contrary, seek to palm off their nostrum for what it is not, and thereby betray their consciousness of its inferior character. No man tries to pass off gold for brass, or silver for pewter; if he tries to deceive at all, he proffers his pewter as silver, his brass as gold, and profit as may hap by the presumed lack of discernment in his customers.

We demand that those who commend the Woodhull-Claflin substitute for Marriage shall commend it *as* a substitute, and under a distinct name. Is not that demand clearly just?

The great professors who can face the battery of a thousand eyes directed to them on the rostrum are frequently the most diffident of men when taken away from their regular sphere of labor. There was Professor Aytoun, who was too timid to ask papa for his wife. When Jane Emily Wilson suggested to him that before she could give her absolute consent it would be necessary that he should obtain her father's approval—"You must speak for me," said the suitor, "for I could not summon courage to speak to the Professor on this subject." "Papa is in the library," said the lady. "Then you had better go to him," said the suitor, "and I'll wait till you return." The lady proceeded to the library, and, taking her father affectionately by the hand, mentioned that Professor Aytoun had asked her in marriage. She added, "Shall I accept his offer, papa? He is so diffident that he won't speak to you about it himself." "Then we must deal tenderly with his feelings," said the hearty old Christopher. "I'll write my reply on a slip of paper, and pin it to your back." "Papa's answer is on the back of may dress," said Miss Jane, as she entered the drawing-room. Turning round, the delighted suitor read these words: "With the author's compliments."

A fair story is told of a recent Iowa hail storm, which they say as bad as a shower of pitchforks, some of the stones enough to be called boulders. The tin roofs, where it occurred, were punched full of holes; all the glass which happened to be in its way, some eight thousand lights, was broken, and innumerable pigs and chickens were killed. As to the crops, there was nothing left of them. The standing corn was chopped up fine enough to be fed to the stock without the necessity of passing it through a cutter, and the ground has been all plowed up for buckwheat and turnips.

French Railway Travelling.

We might copy with advantage many of the customs in vogue on French railways, especially that one in regard to meals. Instead of the hurried exit from the cars, to grab and swollow half masticated a lot of indigestible food, and finish the hasty bite in the cars, we might imitate the French plan with much advantage to our comfort as well as health. Just before the usual time for meals, an agent goes through the cars, takes your orders, telegraphs them ahead, and on reaching the station, what you have asked for is handed in, to be consumed at your leisure on the journey; or, descending into the refreshment-rooms, you find small baskets upon the "buffet," containing, with such refreshments as are most called for, a knife and fork, napkin, plate and glass. On each basket is a label stating the contents and price. The passenger buys the basket, takes it into his carriage, dines or lunches at his leisure, and at the next station at which the train stops hands back the basket, etc., to a waiter, who receives for it a fixed price, which is also set down on the label. This system has just been begun in England on the Midland express. The correspondent of a London paper on a recent journey says that at one of the stopping-places he obtained a neat basket, containing half a fowl, salad, bread, butter, cheese, pint of stout (or claret—optional,) napkin, plate, knife, and fork, and corkscrew—all compactly arranged, the eatables excellent. No deposit was asked—merely a civil request to hand the basket out at the next station; so, instead of rushing frantically about and insanely swallowing the traditional sandwich, he quietly spread and impromptu table, and lunched as comfortably as could be desired. Which of our railroads will be the first to introduce this sensible custom?

Genius and Common Sense.

Genius and common sense are best together. Genius alone runs much to rashness, and common sense by itself not seldom hides behind caution. Consequently genius frequently is out at elbows, and common sense just as often remains only comfortable when it might get rich. Genius invents a thing and constructs an expensive model, and secures a patent before ever making a working, drawing or fully deciding upon the proper arangement of the parts. Common sense shivers before the expense of model, machine, and patent, and lets well-enough alone, untill go-aheadativeness grabs the idea, walks off with it, and leaves common sense out in the cold, neither poorer nor richer than he was before. This is a metaphorical way of starting a solid truth. There is probably not a township in the country in which two inventors might not be found, one a genius daring every thing and losing all, the other priding himself on his common-sense, running no risks and making nothing,

A Good Story.

Olive Logan told a story, in her lecture on "Nice Young Men," at Frederick, Md., the other night, to this effect: "At Middletown, Del., where I spent Sunday, some friends gave me some pretty plants to take home, and some rich dirt from their garden to keep them in. I have carried these plants and this dirt about with me for a week, I am so determined to take them home myself. At Hagerstown, yesterday, Mrs. Dorsey Herbet asked me why I carried that dirt about, and I replied that we had no dirt in New York rich enough for these plants. "Why," said Mrs. Herbert—a life-long Democrat by the way—"You've got Tammany?"

There is a boy in Florida, fourteen years old, named Judson Blount, who saved many lives the other day. He discovered a place on the railroad where the rains had undermined the the roadbed, and ran about a mile and a half up the road to warn a passenger train. As with its precious freight it came thundering down the grade the boy waved his hat. The engineer only looked wonderingly at him, and he then took off his coat and waved that. Of course it was all done in a moment; but the engineer realized that something was wrong, and stopped his train in season to escape a fatal catastrophe.

The natural desire of one feminine to take down another is thus illustrated in the New Bedford *Mercury:* A young woman, gaily dressed in a handsome skirt and bright colored shawl, was coming out of Liberty Hall lately, when a malignant female raised the shawl, showing the crowd that the upper portion of the skirt was composed of many colors as an old fashioned bed quilt.

A new bird cage is in vogue. It is made of wood, such as rustic chairs in parks, and is so ingeniously covered with leaves and flowers growing in the earth at the bottom as to wholly hide the wood and wire. The birds seem within a little bower of natural flowers.

Curious Court.

The court-martial of France charged with the trial of Communist prisoners went through a delectable farce not long since, in that it tried and passed sentence on members of the "Corps of Fighting Infants," who ranged in age from six to eleven years, condemning some to return home and others to confinement for the rest of their minority in a house of correction. Seven judges sat behind a big table, dressed in gorgeous military array, the judge-advocate on their right and the registrar on their left—all in uniform. Below them were two rows of gendarmes with fixed bayonets guarding fifteen little fellows whose heads barely reached up to the prisoners' bar. Eight of these gamins were between six and eleven years of age, and fourteen had, as fully proven, shouldered rifles and fought at the barricades, some of them having remained there to be wounded and knocked over long after their older comrades in arms had run away. They had belonged to *Les Pupilles, or Les Infants de Commune;* being regularly enrolled, and furnished with a uniform of kepis and striped trousers. The poor little fellows, successors of Gavroche, were born, like him to wretchedness and vagabondage, and many were orphans, illegitimate or abandoned children, and pleaded in excuse for having taken up arms that they were driven to do so by hunger and want. At the trial, the parents of those who had parents generally asked the government to do what they would with them, and they were left like lost parcels, in the hands of their finders.

It is not so generally known as it ought to be that a human being is liable to infection from a glandered horse. Numerous such cases have been recorded in medical works; and only a few weeks ago a man named Martin, who lived in Washington county, Md., suffered a horrible death from this cause. While attending to a horse which had the glanders, some of the virus from the deceased animal's nose or mouth found its way into a cut on one of his thumbs, and shortly afterward he was taken with spasms, which were succeeded by severe nausea and utter prostration. Although medical assistance was immediately procured, and the man had every reasonable attention, he lived only a few days after the infection manifested itself. Before dying his body became a mass of ulcers, and at the end the flesh fell in pieces from his bones. When a horse is found to be glandered, it should be killed at once, and proper measures taken to disinfect ever object that has been in contact with the animal,

The great tunnel through the Sierra Nevada is to be five miles long, nineteen feet high, and twenty-one feet wide. Its cost is to be $15,000,000. The contractor for the work, Colonel Von Schmidt, is an engineer of some renown, whose principal works in this country have been the excavation of the famous San Francisco dry dock, blasted in a ledge of solid rock, and the demolition of Blossom Rock, San Francisco Bay, by submarine excavation and blasting. The Sierra tunnel will permit the passage of the Pacific Railroad track and a canal to supply San Francisco with water from Lake Tahoe.

Nature is industrious in adorning her dominions, and man, to whom this beauty is addressed, should feel and obey the lesson. Let him, too, be industrious in adorning his domain, in making his home not only convenient and comfortable, but pleasant. Let him be industrous in surrounding it with pleasant objects, in decorating it within and without with things that tend to make home the abode of neatness and order. Ye parents who would have your children happy, be industrious to bring them up in the midst of a pleasant, cheerful and happy home.

It was found during the trials of life-preservers (so-called) by the Superintending Inspectors at Washington, that they would not sustain a man of one hundred and thirty pounds weight, and they decided that hereafter all life preservrs should contain at last six pounds of cork. Thus it appears that for years past steamboat travellers have been trusting to what are mere shows in the way of life-saving apparatus, and that so far from aiding a person in the water to sustain himself, they would be far more likely to drag him to the bottom.

In many of the manufactories in Massachusetts steam engines are being added, to be used in connection with the water power. A town with a water power can accommodate twice as many mills, and, at the same time, in the event of any drought or other accident to the water power, the mills are guarded against a stoppage which so often materially affects their business.

A cheerful *savant* has discovered that mosquitoes are a providential guard against disease, upon the supposition, that in summer the human system is peculiarly liable to fever, and the insects, by depleting the quantity of blood, get up a counter irritation.

Better Imagined Than Described.

The feelings of a near-sighted man who finds he has kissed his hand to the wrong lady.

The finding your pocket book gone just as you are about leaveing a strange hotel, with no time to spare to reach the train.

The rapidity with which fancy stocks decline, when you go in, and rise when you sell out.

The sensation from a lady's boot heel (present style) when she setps on your foot accidentally.

The prices charged at some hotels on "the European style."

The skill with which the "gentlemanly" bar keeper gives you short change.

Getting on horse-back for the first time in your life.

The amount of your gas and plumbing bills.

Your mother-in-law's remarks if you do not go to the mountain or sea-shore during the season.

The being asked by a person at an evening party, with whom you are acquainted, but whose name you can not recollect to introduce him to your friend, Miss Smuggings, who is coming towards you.

A New York museum proprietor has recently secured two canine curiosities. Both are bipeds, being without fore feet or any portion thereof. It is no work of skillful surgery, as there is an entire absence of shoulder blade or joint. These dogs are remarkably clever in tricks. They walk erect, or lie on the floor in imitation of seals, drawing their heads full down to the shoulders, or where the shoulders should be, and stretching out their hind feet close together, and far behind. They march like soldiers, armed with minature muskets adjusted to their bodies.

One of the latest manifestations of American enterprise is exhibited in the invasion of Kamtchatka by a party of Californians, who are now engageed in exploring that hyperdorean region for gold. Quite a colonly has been established, and though the result of the enterprise has been kept very quiet, specimens of gold dust sent to San Francisco prove that the precious metal exists there. The first detachment of miners left San Francisco last spring, and the colony has since been reinforced.

The substitution of slate for box wood for engraving has been lately found to be both ecomonical and efficient for the desired purpose. Especially is it adapted for engraving in relief. It is stated that while blocks of slate are easly cut, they will wear as well as electrotypes, and furnished over 100,000 impressions without loss of detail. The plates are not affected by oil or water, do not vary with temperature, and never become wraped, which in the grand fault with box wood under certain conditions.

The subject of impression at first sight was being talked over at the teatable when the lady whose duty it was to preside, said, "she always formed an idea of a person at first sight, and generally found it to be correct." "Mamma," said her youngest son, in a shrill voice, that attracted the attention of all present. "Well, my dear, what is it?" replied the good mother. "I want to know what was your opinion when you first saw me?" The question gave a sudden turn to the conversation.

The "devil" has been at it again in the newspaper offices. The New Haven *Register* lately referred in the most touching manner to "alum water," as the types would have *alma mater*, and the "letter press" of the Chicago *Tribune* has been transmogrified into a "setter pup." The substitution of "fanatic" for the plainly written "Democratic" newspaper in the *Journal* office the other day, is only an indication that the devil sometimes appears as an angel of light.

The Berlin *Correspondent*, in an account of the German navy, says: Every ship in the German service, even the smallest gun boat, is provided with detailed drawings and sections of every foreign war ship. Its weak points are especially stated and details given as to the spots to be aimed at with most likelihood to disabling the machinery.

"Now, young people," said a professor of natural history to his class, "now, then, as to hens; a hen has the capacity to lay just six hundred eggs, and no more; and she finishes the job in just about five years. Now what is to be done with her after that?" "Cut off her head and sell her for a spring chicken!" exclaimed an urchin whose father dealt in poultry.

An English farmer possesses a novelty in the form of a cow with a wooden leg. The animal having lamed one of her hind legs, a skillful veterinary surgeon tried the experiment of amputation. The operation was successful. A wooden leg was provided, and the cow walks about very comfortably.

Some Western clergymen have made application to Mr. Morrissey for permission to visit his Saratoga club house.

CLIPTOGRAMS.

A citizen of Wisconsin, on a recent trip to St. Louis, took a sleeping car berth on a through express train. In the night he got up, and clad only in his sleeping garments, went out on the platform of the car to look at the moon. The door closed with a spring lock and the porter was asleep. He says he never enjoyed a fifty-mile ride as he did that one.

One of the silly abstractions of the "health" journals, which greatly damages their usefulness, is that which declares that it is unhealthy for two people to sleep together. A man of ninety-nine died the other day from the effects of sleeping with his wife nearly eighty years or from some other cause.

The inevitable counts have, at this seemingly premature period, made their advent at several of the fashionable resorts. One or two, no doubt, have pedigree and right to title, but the majority are worthless foreign adventurers. The usual silly flutter and fashionable agitation has been created by their arrival.

Says the Louisville Courier Journal: "Some of the Bourbon papers charge that we have 'swallowed the amendments.' We have done nothing of the sort. They were thrust down our throats, and we simply declined to blow ourselves up with nitro-glycerine to get rid of them.

Col. G. W. Dickey of California has issued a challenge offering to match a green horse that has never trotted for money, mile heats, three best in five, to harness, over the Sacramento Race Course, against any horse, mare, or gelding in the world, for $10,000. The challenge has been accepted.

Madame Regina Dal Cin, a famous feminine surgeon of Austria, performed 150 successful operations in the City Hospital at Trieste, and was rewarded by the municipal authorities with a letter of thanks and a purse of gold.

A Norwich man sat down in the Thames thinking that it was his domestic rocking chair. He was fished out after remarking that "some fool was always leaving a pan of water in those chairs."

Mulloney says that the only way to succeed in the grocery business, is to sell cheap and give light weight. The former will bring you customers, while the latter will enable you to skin them.

It is fashionable and eminently the correct thing to do the lakes and Canadas in connection with a tour of the fashionable summer resorts. The sail down the St. Lawrence is very grand.

A "city" out in Nevada, called Bob-Tailed Gulch, has seven dwelling houses and thirty-seven saloons. There is talk of tearing down some of the houses to make more room.

The International Hotel, Niagra Falls, is designated by hackmen and others as "Bride's Retreat," from the fact that it is a great rendezvous for newly married persons.

The Harvard Advocate says that this is the last thing from an impassioned lover to his mistress: "Would you were an exclamation point and I a parenthesis (!)."

At fifteen, girls think that they are perfect, at twenty they believe it a fact, at thirty, they have some doubts, and at forty they have no faith in anything of the sort.

"I was not aware that you knew him," said Smith to an Irish friend the other day. "Know him?" replied the latter, "I knew him when his father was a boy."

"Children not allowed in this room unaccompanied by their parents," is a sign displayed conspicuously on the drawing room of one of the sea-side hotels.

Gough's new lecture is entitled "Will it pay?" Considering that he is to receive $200 a night for it for 200 nights, it is safe to calculate that it will.

A correspondent describes Vinnie Ream in her studio "with her arms bare to the shoulder and her ankles likewise."

Some author says that one of the uses of adversity is to bring us out. That's true, especially at the knees and elbows.

There are twenty-eight gravestones in the Laramie Cemetery, and on nineteen of these the epitaph is simply "Killed."

Forty-seven young women of Waseeon, Mich., charivaried a youth of 18 who had wedded a widow of 46 in that town.

A Burlington young lady says the armless woman of Barnum's show "writes a very good foot."

A good many tradespeople only give fifteen ounces to the pound. It is a weigh they have.

Two Indianians settled which should have a young widow by playing cards for her.