

### A BRILLIANT MATCH.

The Marriage of Beatrice Mills and the Earl of Granard.

The latest international match to attract general attention is that of Miss Beatrice Mills, daughter of Ogden Mills and granddaughter of the New York multimillionaire philanthropist, D. O. Mills, to the Earl of Granard. The bride being a Protestant and the groom a Roman Catholic, a special dispensation from the authorities of the latter church was obtained for the ceremony, which was performed on Jan. 14.

When the British lord and his fiancée went to the New York city hall to obtain a license for the marriage he signed his name in bold letters as "Granard" and at the top of the affidavit styled himself as the Earl of Granard. He said his full name was Bernard Arthur Williams Patrick Hastings Forbes, earl of Granard, and he gave his age as thirty-four years. His home, he said, was the Castle Forbes, Newtownforks, Ireland, and his occupation "master of the horse to his majesty King Edward VII."

In the affidavit it was said that his birthplace was Dublin and that his father was George Arthur Hastings Forbes, earl of Granard, and his mother was the Hon. Frances Petre.

Miss Mills said her full name is Jane Beatrice Mills and that she is twenty-five years old. Besides being master of the king's horse, Lord Granard represents the admiralty in parliament, is assistant postmaster general and a privy councillor. He served in the army through the entire Boer war. He

### SIRES AND SONS.

Benjamin Harrison McKee, who was the "Baby McKee" of the White House, is now a Yale senior.

H. H. Rogers has ordered a \$20,000 pair of brass doors and a font for his church in Fairhaven, Mass., and has given it a massive communion set in memory of his mother.

Clarence B. Cralle, a policeman of Louisville, Ky., at a recent sale of rifles discarded by the government purchased one which proved to be the identical gun he had carried through the Spanish war.

Henry W. Taft, brother of the president elect, was chosen president of the Ohio Society of New York at a meeting held in the Hotel Manhattan New York city. Colonel John J. McCook, the retiring president, had held the position for five years.

The deposed president of Haiti was the oldest of living rulers, for his years are estimated to be anywhere between ninety and a hundred, the exact date of his birth being unknown.

Greenleaf Whittier Pickard, a grandnephew of the famous poet, is named as a second Edison for his discoveries in wireless telegraphy. He lives in Amesbury, Mass., and since 1902 has received thirty-one foreign and domestic patents and has twenty-eight others pending.

Dr. William S. Bigelow, who is responsible for the cutting of the new United States gold coins in intaglio instead of in relief, a new departure in coinage, is neither a sculptor nor a numismatist, but the author of the recent book on "Buddhism and Immortality." He has given years of study to the literature of the far east.

### Church and Clergy.

Deaf mutes in northern Indiana have a Christian Endeavor society of their own that was organized three years ago.

Rev. Charles Hoag, who superintended the first Methodist Sunday school in Toledo, O., is still preaching as vigorously as ever.

Every missionary society with over \$10,000 income per year will be asked to send delegates to the world conference at Edinburgh two years hence.

Only eighteen of the original members of St. Ann's Catholic church in Buffalo, which has just been celebrating its fiftieth anniversary, are now living.

An original idea is that of a Methodist church in Cleveland, O., which has a "business manager" whose duty it is to look after the finances, collecting all dues and paying all expenses.

### Birds of a Feather.

Mrs. David D. Coolidge of Athol, Mass., has a rooster that beats the ducks swimming.

Henry Johnson of Beacon Falls, Conn., says he has a white hen that says "Hello!" like a well trained parrot.

A parrot recently taken to North Adams, Mass., can converse with equal facility in French, German and English.

A gander belonging to Marguerite Van Dune of Passaic Valley, Ind., can answer questions with a polite "Yes" or "No."

A dozen hens were frightened at Bayonne, N. J., by an automobile, and one in flying over the car dropped an egg in the lap of one of the female occupants.

### Train and Track.

The deepest underground railway in the world is the Hampstead "tube" of London, which at one point is 251 feet beneath the surface.

British railroads are not allowed to emit from their engines an excessive amount of smoke, every town and district having laws allowing it to inflict penalties for violations.

The steepest railway in the world, with a grade of 70 per cent at its upper end and an average grade of 66 per cent, is the Virgibahn cable up the side of a mountain in southern Tyrol, Austria. The length of the line is 945 feet. The cars seat thirty passengers each. The road and equipment cost \$100,000.

### Not Rural.

Knicker—Does Jones think himself some pumpkins?  
Bocker—No. By the way he runs in debt he thinks himself a city.—New York Sun.

### Odd.

The girl who has a new fur coat is always chilly, and, behold,  
The girl whose furs are out of date was never known to feel the cold.  
—New York Telegram.

### Knowing.

"Does he know much?"  
"Well, he not only knows that he doesn't know much, but he knows enough to keep others from knowing it."—Judge.

### One of the Wise Virgins.

The young man whispered soft and low,  
"Dear, I never loved another."  
Said the maiden fair, "I didn't know that Ananias had a brother."  
—Detroit Tribune.

### A New Food.

"Did you see where a child swallowed a moth ball?"  
"That's what one might call butterfly grub."—Baltimore American.

### The Mind and the Larynx.

The man who thinks both long and low is often lost amid the crowd.  
While one who hasn't much to tell Wins out because his voice is loud.  
—Washington Star.

## THE GRANGE

Conducted by J. W. DARROW, Chatham, N. Y., Press Correspondent New York State Grange

## IN NEW ENGLAND.

Maine, New Hampshire and Rhode Island Patrons.

Interesting Features of the Work as Shown in the Reports of the State Grange Meetings.

One of the most active grange states in the Union is the old Pine Tree State, which has a membership of 55,000 and is active in everything that pertains to the interest of the great Order. Without going into a detailed report of the last meeting, it will be sufficient to note some of the resolutions that were adopted. Dr. Leon S. Merrill, for the dairy committee, said that new laws were needed covering the dairy interests and demanded of the grange to present the subject to the incoming legislature. Dairy herds must be improved and sanitary rules enforced. He believed that the sweet cream industry should be encouraged and that farmers should co-operate with the national immigration commissioner in securing good farm help. B. Walker McKee, for the committee on education, said, "There is an unbridgeable chasm between the schools and the college, and we should try to discover some way to bridge it." He believed that normal school institutes would be a great aid, but they should be an auxiliary to the farmers' institute. Agriculture should be taught in rural schools. Sanitary inspection of the schools was advocated, and the committee urged that the legislative committee use its influence in this matter. The grange placed itself on record as opposed to any change in the present arbitration clause of the insurance law. The committee on co-operation emphasized the importance of getting together to buy and sell and urged that this subject be given its proper place in the lecturer's hour in each subordinate grange. A class of about 500 took the sixth degree. Invitations for the next meeting were received from Augusta and Bangor.

### NEW HAMPSHIRE GRANGE.

Excellent Reports From State Meeting Held at Portsmouth.

What is considered to have been one of the most successful meetings of the New Hampshire state grange ever held was its December meeting this year. There were fully 1,500 Patrons present on the busy day of the session. A sixth degree class of 284 was initiated. The only election this year was to the executive committee, which resulted in the re-election of A. J. Richardson of Littleton.

The report of the lecturer showing the literary work done in the subordinate granges during the year was replete with information. Until we look at these figures one can scarcely comprehend the amount of work that is done during the lecturer's hour in the various subordinate grange meetings. During the year there have been delivered in the subordinate granges of New Hampshire 4,891 vocal and 4,117 instrumental selections of music, 9,024 readings and recitations, 1,371 essays, 823 addresses, 87 dramas, 286 farces, 563 tableaux; there have been 2,629 discussions participated in by 14,691 disputants, and the total attendance at these exercises was 160,716; 203 granges had 962 disputants discuss the articles of business in the town warrants; they were heard by 7,000 people. The 172 essays on "Practical Forestry" in April were given before 4,011 persons; 187 discussions on "Advertising Natural Attractions," participated in by 623 speakers, were listened to by 3,775, and 191 granges considered the advisability of a permanent home for the state grange, with an adverse sentiment. Fifty-seven granges have property valued at upward of \$1,000, and fifty-six own halls. The total value of subordinate grange property in the state is \$159,925.

### RHODE ISLAND GRANGE.

Order Growing in Influence—State Master Marchant Re-elected.

Rhode Island is a small state grange, but it has a very active state grange organization under the leadership of State Master Marchant, who at this session was elected for the fourth term. The Order has become quite a decided influence with the farmers and with state legislation.

One question that was discussed with considerable vigor related to the state board of health, which was quite severely criticized by the state master in his annual address and by many other speakers because it was not more in touch with the farmers. The criticism was largely based on the fact that the department of health had charged that the epidemic of typhoid in the city of Providence had emanated from a farm in West Kingston which had been officially inspected and given a clean bill of health. Then after a cursory investigation it was stated that the farm was the source of typhoid infection.

The secretary reported the total grange membership in the state at about 8,000 in thirty-two granges. The other matters discussed were the protection laws against deer, forest fire protection, grange fire insurance, parcels post and rural free deliveries.

### NEW SHORT STORIES

#### The Trial of Leary.

Joseph M. Patterson, Chicago's millionaire novelist, was discussing a judge whom he believed to be corrupt. "The way he conducted that trial," said Mr. Patterson bitterly, "reminded me of the trial of 'Red Face' Leary, the Tombstone horse thief."

"There was tremendous excitement in Tombstone when Red Face was captured. A dozen men were hustled into the poker room of the Lone Dog and commanded to consider themselves a jury and to pass a verdict on the notorious thief."

"The men went into the accusations pretty thoroughly. There was no evidence against Red Face in this case. He was a villain, but in strict justice they must pronounce him innocent at this time."

"After banging a long time on the poker room door—the town was full of noise and excitement—the jurymen



"NOT GUILTY, EH?" SAID THE JUDGE were let out. They found themselves in the bar amid a crowd of boisterous citizens.

"What's yer verdict, gents?" Judge Townsend asked.

"Not guilty," said the foreman.

"An ominous, growling sound arose. Frowning glances were exchanged. Bronzed hands fingered pistol butts nervously.

"Not guilty, eh?" said the judge. He bit his lip and hesitated in a puzzled way. Then he smiled and said:

"Gents, you'll have to go back to the poker room and reconsider that their verdict o' yours."

"That's right! Back with 'em, the fools!" roared the crowd.

"And the jury was thrust unceremoniously back into the poker room again.

"They knew now what was expected of them, and they soon came forth and declared that they found Red Face Leary guilty."

"At this a murmur of relief passed around the bar, and the judge said contentedly:

"Guilty, eh? Well, that's more like it. Gentlemen of the jury, you can now disperse. We hanged the prisoner two hours ago."

#### A Discussion on the Fly.

Ian MacIaren used to tell a story of two Scots worthies, douce elders of the kirk, who found themselves alone in the compartment of a railway carriage traveling in Perthshire, and, thrown upon each other for company, they fastened on a knotty point in theology to beguile the time. The subject of controversy was whether a man is saved by faith or works. The discussion became heated, and the train drew up at the destination of one of the debaters not a moment too soon. Loath to give up the argument, they continued to wrangle until the train began to move out of the station, and the discharged passenger had to run along the platform to eke out the precious moments left for a last word. The subject seemed to hang fire for a perilous moment—the train was accelerating its speed—when back from the figure leaning far out of the carriage window came the cry, "Hebrews—ten—thirty-eight!" ("The just shall live by faith.") Quick as lightning the other lunged after the receding anti-nomian, "James—first—twenty-four!" ("By works a man is justified and not by faith only.")

#### Served 'Em Right.

Dr. Smith Jelliffe, the alienist, was talking about campaign oratory.

"Blank," he said of a certain senator, "is such a thoroughgoing, painstaking and wital tedious campaign orator that whenever I hear him I am reminded of an old fashioned minister of my boyhood."

"This minister one Sunday morning spread before him on the reading desk a very thick packet of notes and launched into a long, dry, heavy sermon."

"The reading of the sermon absorbed him. He did not once lift his eyes. On toward the end, however, happening to glance up, he perceived almost the entire congregation to be sound asleep."

"The minister frowned and paused. He struck the desk a resounding blow that awakened his parishioners. Then he said:

"My good friends, this sermon cost me a great deal of labor, and I do not think you have given it the attention it deserves. I shall therefore repeat it from the beginning."

### Law Points.

The burial of a dog in an adjoining lot is held in *Hertie versus Riddell* (Ky.), 106 S. W. 282, 15 L. R. A. (N. S.), 796, to violate the property rights of a lot owner in a cemetery set apart for the burial of the white race and for cemetery purposes only.

The rule that a servant cannot recover damages for an injury he could have avoided by ordinary or reasonable care is held in *Berghald versus Auto Body company*, 149 Mich., 14, 112 N. W. 691, 14 L. R. A. (N. S.), 600, to apply to cases of negligence in law arising from the violation of a statute.

### Science Siftings.

The average velocity of chimney gases is 600 feet per minute.

Seventy square feet of belt surface per minute will transmit one horsepower.

The energy stored up in a gram of radium is said to be sufficient to drive a fifty horsepower automobile around the world at the rate of thirty miles an hour.

Photography enables us to see the invisible. By exposing for a long time a dry gelatin plate it shows the images of stars too dim to be seen through the most powerful telescope.

### A Singular Misfortune.

"You consider yourself a good golf player, I suppose?"

"Yes, I do. But I am very unfortunate."

"In what way?"

"I never play my best when the scores are recorded."—Cleveland Plain Dealer

### Misplaced Sympathy.

A traveler passing through a mountain district in northern Pennsylvania last summer came across a lad of sixteen cultivating a patch of miserable potatoes. He remarked upon their unpromising appearance and expressed pity for any one that had to dig a living out of such soil.

"I don't need no pity," said the boy resentfully.

The traveler hastened to soothe his wounded pride. But in the offended tone of one who has been misjudged the boy added: "I ain't as poor as you think. I'm only workin' here. I don't own this place."—Everybody's Magazine.

### The Auto on Cow Crick.

The dood who bought the Two Bar ranch last fall  
Has got a bronk that feeds on gasoline,  
And he's been takin' her in that machine,  
And my cayuse ain't in the game at all.  
When he sticks up and dons a necktie  
And then he meets her comin' like sixteen  
And one swift nod is just the cowboy's haul.

It seems some tough when I, who up and rode  
Old Steamboat at the Cheyenne buckin' show,  
Have got to give way to that Two Bar boss,  
Oh, Fate, you sure have packed me with a load—  
A rival who would fall off, and I know,  
If he should try to ride a rockin' horse!

—Arthur Chapman in Denver Republican.

### Defined.

Stella—What is the rule of three?  
Bella—That one ought to go home.—New York Sun.

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