

The Three Mrs. Jenkinss

Their Husbands Lied to Them, but Were Forgiven

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There is a mission station on an island in the Pacific ocean where clergymen work among the aborigines. Not long ago Dr. Snively, the head of the mission, a married man with a family, suddenly awakened to the fact that there were four bachelors on the island who could no longer be kept there on account of the loneliness of their situation. True, they had one another for company, but there were no women except natives, and men cannot expect to live without women's society.

There was a mission consisting entirely of women on a neighboring island, and Mrs. Snively advised her husband to learn if wives could not be imported from that station. Mr. Jenkins, the principal one of the assistants, had precipitated matters by resigning.



WILL JONES

Mr. Jenkins was a man of forty, while the other three assistants were youngsters. It was determined to make an experiment of getting wives for the bachelors of the mission and to begin with Mr. Jenkins. Mrs. Snively informed him as delicately as possible that she would write to the lady superintendent of the neighboring mission, asking if any of the young ladies at work there could be induced to come over and marry him. Mr. Jenkins thought well of the proposition and said that if the plan could be carried out to his satisfaction he would withdraw his resignation.

Mrs. Snively sent a letter by a vessel that ran irregularly between the islands, propounding the plan and recommending Mr. Jenkins very highly. It so happened that the young women missionaries had tired of one another's exclusive society and no difficulty was met in securing a wife for Mr. Jenkins. Miss Amelia Edmonds, twenty-two and comely, volunteered to go and look into the matter.

It so happened that Mr. Arnold, one of the younger of the assistants, was at the dock when the lady arrived. He had not seen a white girl for a year. Indeed, so lonely was he for woman's society that he was meditating putting in his resignation. He approached Miss Edmonds, lifted his hat and asked if he could be of assistance to her. The girl stammered, blushed and finally told him that she had come to marry Mr. Jenkins.

"I am Mr. Jenkins," said Arnold. The accusing angel who flew up to heaven's chancery with the lie blushed as he gave it in, and the recording angel who wrote it down dropped a tear on it and blotted it out for ever.

The next day Jenkins told Snively that a ship had arrived from the woman's mission and a girl had come, who had been married to Arnold. He didn't think this was treating him fairly. Snively told him that there must be some mistake, but he would make inquiries, and if it were so he would send for another girl. This satisfied Jenkins, and he agreed to wait Snively sent at once for a second girl.

Another of the youngsters, Chippendale, was very thick with Arnold, and Arnold told him how he had fallen heir to a wife. The same day Chippendale heard Mrs. Snively tell her husband that she had written for another girl for Jenkins. Chippendale thought he could do what Arnold had done, and the day the ship bearing Miss Winterton arrived was on the dock, introduced himself to her as Mr. Jenkins, and she disappeared in the same manner as Miss Edmonds.

As soon as Jenkins heard of the second lady's arrival and marriage he went in high dudgeon to Mr. Snively and protested against such treatment.

"Already," he said, "two of my wives have been kidnaped."

"Neither the law nor the church allows but one," replied the superintendent.

"Accept my resignation at once."

"Suppose we try it again. This time you'd better be on the dock when the lady arrives."

"I'll do it," snorted Jenkins.

The third lady who was sent for to be the wife of Mr. Jenkins was Miss Larkins. By this time Mr. Swinton, now the only unmarried man on the island except Jenkins, had heard that wives were to be had for the first

time and that another girl would soon arrive. On the morning this third lady was to arrive, pacing the dock, Swinton saw Jenkins there waiting for the ship to come in. Swinton hired a boat and pulled far out into the harbor. Presently the ship bearing Mrs. Jenkins' third wife hove in sight. When the vessel came up abreast of Swinton he hailed her.

"Who are you and what do you want?" asked the captain.

"My name is Jenkins, and I'm expecting a lady."

A young woman leaning over the ship's side blushed and told the captain she thought she was the lady expected.

"Do you wish to join him?" asked the skipper.

"I suppose so."

Steps were lowered, and the girl went down into the boat with Swinton.

When the ship reached the dock and Jenkins inquired for the third wife that had been sent for him and he was informed that a lady had got into a boat with a man in the offing, although a clergyman, he broke the third commandment and, going to Mr. Snively, abused him so roundly that the superintendent was obliged to call in Mrs. Snively to mollify him.

Mrs. Snively told Jenkins that since all the juniors now had wives there would be no further trouble and promised to send for another wife for him. She did so and was informed by the superintendent of the woman's mission that no more wives could be spared for Mr. Jenkins. Three had already been sent him, and it looked as if some Bluebeard business was at the bottom of the matter. She added, however, that she was greatly in need of a man on the island and if they had one to spare—one past middle age—she, a widow, would be glad to marry him.

Mrs. Snively at once communicated this information to Mr. Jenkins. He was very much disgruntled, but thought he had better go and explain the "Bluebeard business" and at the same time take a look at this fourth wife. He took the next ship to the woman's island and wrote back that he had found the superintendent a very attractive woman and he was now provided for, for the fourth and last time.

Mr. Snively ordered a Te Deum to be sung in the chapel to celebrate Mr. Jenkins' nuptials.

Meanwhile there were three Mrs. Jenkinss at Mr. Snively's mission whose husbands, having lied to them in the beginning, were waiting a favorable opportunity to make confessions and let their wives know their right names. After Mr. Jenkins left the island Mrs. Snively concluded to invite the three brides and grooms to a tea party. She wrote each bride a note of invitation, addressing her by her proper married name. But there were three husbands, each guarding his wife that she should not receive information as to the deception that had been practiced on her till he was ready to impart it himself. When Mrs. Snively's servant arrived with the invitations he was received by each one of the young clergymen, who took the invitations from him at his door.

The newly made grooms met for conference, hoping to unite on a plan, so to speak, of information. Unfortunately they could not agree. Each man went to his home resolved to make a clean breast of the matter, but no one of them was able to screw up his courage to a confession. The consequence was that when Mrs. Snively's tea party was assembled there were three ladies present, each supposing herself to be Mrs. Jenkins. The business was much embarrassed and introducing the brides got their names so mixed that it was positively laughable. The trouble came when she poured their tea.

"Mrs. Arnold," she said, addressing the lady who bore that name, "do you take cream and sugar in your tea?"

"Both, please. But I must correct you as to my name. I'm Mrs. Jenkins."

Mr. Arnold looked about him for a crack to drop through, and Mrs. Snively saw that the storm was about to burst.

"And you, Mrs. Chippendale?"

"Jenkins, please; sugar, no cream."

Chippendale was trying to look through the ceiling. Mrs. Snively, having poured out tea for the first and second Mrs. Jenkins' intended wives, asked Mrs. Swinton how she liked hers.

"Neither sugar nor cream, please. It's really laughable how you call us by the wrong names."

Meanwhile Mr. Snively began to get the true elements of the situation through his head and glanced at the three grooms.

"Mr. Arnold," he said sternly to the man he knew had married Miss Edmonds, "I should like an explanation of how you came to marry the first wife of—I mean the lady who was intended for Mr. Jenkins."

Arnold stood up nobly.

"I saw her on the dock, sir, and she was so lovely and I wanted her so badly that I lied to her. I told her I was the man she had come to marry."

He looked at his wife as though he wondered if she were going to hurl him over a precipice. She gave him a look of reproach, which broke away before a smile. He threw his arms around her neck.

"And you, Mr. Chippendale?" asked the superintendent.

"Same here," he piped in a high key.

"Swinton?" turning to the last of the grooms.

"I'll do penance," Mr. Swinton's voice was a basso profundo.

"Ladies," said Mr. Snively impressively, "your husbands have broken the ninth commandment, but it was because of a desire to possess you. Mrs. Jenkins—I beg pardon, Mrs. Arnold and Mrs. Chippendale and Mrs. Swinton—I trust you will each and all forgive your husbands, and during next Sunday's service they shall receive the customary absolution from me."

PROTECTS UNIONS

Bill Under Consideration in New York Legislature.

WHAT MEASURE PROVIDES.

Makes Orderly Boycott Lawful and Penalizes Attempts to Coerce Workers to Refrain From Joining a Labor Organization.

Trade unionism has the public ear open and attentive to its pleadings for relief by law from unnecessary burdens and gross injustice bound on its back by the employing class and the courts. This is proved by numerous facts. Among the most significant and hopeful of these is the quickened consciences of legislators in many parts of the country with reference to laws for the protection and assistance of labor in its struggle for the betterment of its own legions and the whole people of the country.

A striking case in point is this: The legislature of New York has before it and is seriously considering a bill providing for the addition of five new sections to the state labor law, all relating to the rights of laborers.

The bill makes it a misdemeanor for any person, company or the officer or agent of such company to compel persons to refrain from joining any labor organization as a condition of such persons securing employment with the company or person. Violation of this provision is punishable by a fine of not less than \$500 nor more than \$1,000 or imprisonment for not less than ninety days nor more than twelve months, or both.

It permits boycotting. It provides that agreements or contracts between persons to do or not to do any act in contemplation of or furtherance of any trade dispute between employers and employees in the state shall not be deemed criminal unless such acts would be criminal if committed by one person. Such acts are not to be considered in restraint of trade and may not be enjoined. Violence is prohibited. It also prohibits employers from bringing in employees from other states or from other parts of the state by means of false or deceptive inducements or representations as to work to be done, the conditions and the compensation to be paid. Failure to state in an advertisement that there is a lockout at such place of employment is to be deemed a false advertisement. Violation of this provision is punishable by a fine of not less than \$500 nor more than \$2,000, or imprisonment for not less than one month nor more than one year or both.

Strike breaking is also prohibited. It provides that any person who shall hire or aid in hiring persons to guard with arms or deadly weapons other persons' property and persons coming from without the state so armed for that purpose without the consent of the governor shall be guilty of a felony and upon conviction shall be imprisoned for not less than one year nor more than five years. But no person is to be prohibited from protecting and guarding his property, as is now provided by law.

The provision regarding strike breaking and false advertising is to apply only to workmen brought into the state or induced to go from one place to another within the state. Workmen so brought in are given certain rights to recover damages sustained.

A similar measure has been introduced in the Oregon legislature also in which the same course of legislation is proposed. There has been no conference or agreement between the eastern and western states, but the new labor bills they are considering are almost identical in what they contain. This is a strong indication that the sentiment of the people east as well as west is aroused and insistent on the subject.

Milady's Mirror



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Beauty rides on a lion. Beauty rests on necessities. The line of beauty is the result of perfect economy. The cell of the bee is built at that angle which gives the most strength with the least wax. The bone or quill of the bird gives the most alar strength with the least weight.

"It is the purgation of superfluities," said Michelangelo. There is not a particle to spare in natural structures. There is a compelling reason in the uses of the plant for every novelty of color or form, and our art saves material by more skillful arrangement and reaches beauty by taking every superfluous ounce that can be spared from a wall and keeping all its strength in the poetry of columns. In rhetoric this art of omission is a chief secret of power, and in general it is proof of high culture to say the greatest matters in the simplest way.—Emerson.

Recipe For Beauty.
If you have a hurry call to be beautiful without the time to work up to the permanent affair here's your chance: First wash your face with warm water and almond meal. Make a sort of paste of those things and wash off with warm water and dry lightly. Then apply your skin food. There be any reaction from the drastic treatment to follow. Now take a piece of lemon and rub it over the face till the skin smart. Rinse again, this time with water that is gradually brought down from cool to cold.

You are then ready for the final ceremony. Hold a good sized piece of ice in a towel and iron your face with it. Then look in the glass. This has been found an absolutely reliable recipe before asking for the coveted new bonnet.

Viscountess Wears Huge Earrings.
Viscountess d'Arx, wife of a distinguished French naval officer, who recently was in Annapolis, wears rings in her ears which are round and large as a silver half dollar. She has a seemingly endless variety of these huge ornaments, certain ones Tuscan gold set in rubies, others diamonds and aluminum, others pearls and emeralds in filigree old gold. One of the most bizarre combinations is worn with a costume of cerise satin and mechin lace and shows three pigeon blood rubies depending one over the other in a hoop of thin Tuscan gold. There are similar ornaments on her bodice and a big belt buckle in the back made in the same way. Six battens of exact design as the earrings adorn the big black beaver trimmed with cerise plumes and a bird of paradise.

HEALTH AND BEAUTY.

The egg shampoo is one of the best to be obtained. It is cleansing and at the same time provides food for the scalp and hair, making it fine and glossy.

Use may be made of the almond meal jars and cream jars of good size by filling these with medicated cotton, which is employed for applying powder and liquids for the toilet use.

Excellent for sprains is the starch poultice. Four boiling hot water on starch, spread on linen and apply hot. Poultices may also be made of hops, hemlock or charcoal. Medicated poultices may contain any drug ordered.

If instead of drinking a strong cup of tea or coffee when suffering from a bad headache a woman would drink a cup of hot milk she would be more apt to cure the pain, not because hot milk has medicinal properties, but because it is more easily digested than tea or coffee and soothes instead of stimulates the nerves.

A clear, healthy complexion is an impossibility for a woman who stays much indoors in winter. Women should understand that the pores as much as the lungs need fresh air, and failure to give it will simply make them larger in their effort to breathe. The fact of living in badly ventilated rooms is frequently the cause of large pores in the face.

In bathing the hands tepid water and a bland soap should be used, and always dry them thoroughly. If they are inclined to chap it is a good plan to use a lotion composed of glycerin, one ounce; rosewater, one ounce, and tincture of benzoin, five drops. Rub a few drops into the hands whenever they are bathed. Use also before retiring and draw on a pair of large, soft gloves.

People who are told to use smoked or colored glasses in the house sometimes find this impracticable because they interfere so greatly with vision. This objection does not apply to ordinary white glass set in cuplike frames so shaped that they cut off all light save that which comes from the front. The protecting part may be of wire gauze, vulcanite or such like. Glasses to suit the vision may be set in such frames, and the latter, even without the glasses, are of use when one reads by a light placed at the right or left of the head. Another good protection for the side of the eye is a pair of lensless spectacles with hinged side pieces of black glass.

FIRST BASEMEN IN BIG DEMAND

Major League Team Managers Scour Country For Material.

NEW ONES BEING TRIED OUT.

Six American League Clubs Are Experimenting With Youngsters at Training Camps—Boston and Pittsburgh in National Week.

A glance at the makeup of the sixteen clubs in the two major league organizations will disclose the fact that few teams have the initial bag covered as the requirements of the position demand.

The conditions are worse in the American league than in the National, for, with the exception of the Athletics and New York, the teams in the junior organization are weak at first, and the managers are having considerable trouble finding men to fill the positions.

The National league is considerably stronger in first basemen than the American league, Pittsburgh and Boston being the only teams that are really weak at the initial sack. The Phillies have a veteran in "Kitty" Bransfield, who is slated to play first again this year, although Manager Doolin has two other men who are candidates for Bransfield's place.

Chicago is pretty well supplied, with Frank Chance and Jimmy Archer. McGraw is satisfied with how Merkle played last year and will play him there this year. McGraw has a promising recruit in Gowdy, but says he will try to make a catcher out of the youngster. Cincinnati has probably the best first baseman in the National league in Hoblitzel when ability and youth are considered, and Konechny of St. Louis and Daubert of Brooklyn look to have their jobs safe. Pittsburgh will have to do some more experimenting this year, and Fred Tenney will try to prove that he can "come back" with Boston.

Aside from the Athletics and New York, the American league is very weak at first base, and every manager except Connie Mack and Hal Chase has been scouring the country for new material. Hugh Jennings hopes to secure a successor to Tom Jones in the bunch of recruits he has signed. Ness and Gaynor will be tried out, and if neither man proves satisfactory George Moriarty may be found on the initial bag.

Hugh Duffy is going to give Jiggs Donohue another chance and has Tex Jones, a youngster, as a promising candidate. Hohbest is the most likely candidate for George Stovall's place on the Cleveland team, but has yet to prove that he has the makings of a major league first sacker. Patsy Donovan has selected no successor to Jake Stahl and is experimenting with a bunch of players. There are three or four candidates for Unglaub's place on the Washington team. The St. Louis Browns are worse off than any of the other clubs. Bobby Wallace, recently appointed manager, has been trying to make trades to build up his team, but has not yet landed a man to cover first.

The New Yorks are well fixed with Hal Chase, although many figure that managerial duties will affect his playing. Still, he outclasses them all. The veteran Harry Davis will again hold bag No. 1 for the Athletics the coming season. Manager Mack says Harry is good for many more years, and unless some accident happens to him he will hold his position.

FOREIGN ATHLETES COMING.

Australian Team May Compete in This Country Next Fall.

There is every possibility that some Australian athletes may pay a flying visit here next fall. A team of athletes, swimmers and other performers, is going to England for the empire celebration, and the plan is that they will return home this way. There will be men for all the distances up to a mile as well as hurdlers and jumpers. Among the probable members figured on is Guy Haskins, who attended the University of Pennsylvania and won the intercollegiate in record time. He is now living at Christchurch, New Zealand, and though he was said to have forsaken the path, he never gave up a little practice now and again and, it is claimed, can move as fast as ever.

BASEBALL CHIRPS

Is Jimmy Callahan being groomed to manage the Chicago White Sox to succeed Hugh Duffy?

Lajoie, Stone and Cobb are the only players who have ever made 200 hits in one season. Lajoie's 227 in 1910 is high water mark.

Wufl, the newest of the Detroit recruits, is a Swiss. Hard lines. Remarks about Swiss cheese will fairly dent the skies any time the kid makes an error.

A printer, a newspaper man and an umpire run organized baseball. Garry Herrmann, printer; Ban Johnson, sporting editor, and Tom Lynch, umpire, is the combination.

The Cubs will wear dark blue uniforms next summer. Any significance in that color? Maybe the Reds and Giants will make Chance's coats feel blue before the season is half over.

WILL GO TO SALEM.

Has Been a Charge on the County for Some Months.

Mrs. Isabella Woolsey, who is 80 years of age, was adjudged insane Tuesday by Dr. J. W. Norris, and she was taken to the asylum last evening. Mrs. Woolsey has been taken care of by the county for some time, and has been making her home at the residence of Mrs. Rose Nehren of Seventh street. The woman's insanity is caused by her old age, alcoholism and too much tobacco. She is a cripple, and walks with the aid of crutches.

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