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We Have Many  
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For February.

We will during this Month Make  
**GREAT REDUCTIONS**

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**P. M. ZIEROLF.**

## DIVORCE COLONY.

### CONSTERNATION AMONG THEM BY COURT DECISIONS IN DAKOTA.

Fear That Divorce Granted and Subsequent Marriages may be Illegal—Two Boys that Weigh More Than a Quarter of a Ton.

Sioux Falls, S. Dak., Jan. 30.—The "divorce colony" here is panic stricken. Men and women who have lived in this city for almost half a year for the sole purpose of obtaining a legal separation now see their hopes dwindling.

What these people are saying about the recent decision of the United States supreme court would not make choice reading for a Sunday-school class. The ruling that "short term" divorces in South Dakota are void is looked upon as far worse than a hardship.

If it were not for the scores of cheerful lawyers in Sioux Falls the misedited ones wouldn't find life worth living. The attorneys are telling every one that the supreme court's decision will not affect South Dakota divorces in general.

On the day the opinion was announced a dozen persons who are seeking divorces besieged the offices of one of the most prominent local attorneys.

"What's going to become of us?" they asked. "Have we got to go back to our husbands and wives again? Is this the kind of treatment we get when we come out here with the assurance that everything would come off all right?" The lawyer ran his fingers through his hair and asked them to wait outside for half an hour.

Then he waded through a mass of law books, and when the thirty minutes had elapsed he summoned his clients.

"Things are not so bad as they seem," he said. "Now, this decision was given in the case of Chas. S. Andrews, of Massachusetts, because he had not really lived six months in South Dakota. In other words the divorce was fraudulently obtained.

"All of that is perfectly correct. But the supreme court's decision cannot possibly apply to divorce applicants who have established a bona-fide residence by remaining within the boundaries of the state for the six months required by the state law."

"Then, if we serve our six months will we get our divorces all right?" asked the unhappy ones.

"You certainly will," replied the attorney. "Just keep up courage, serve out your time, and you will get what you came for."

This assurance quieted the anxious clients, and they returned to the "divorce colony" with the consoling news. Every lawyer in Sioux Falls is now telling his clients that the supreme court's ruling applies only to persons who have tried to evade the Dakota laws.

Two days after the decision was announced here an aged man called at the office of a lawyer who boasts that in the last five years he has parted six hundred couples. "You obtained a divorce for me three years ago," said the visitor. "Since then I have married a second time. The woman from whom I was divorced has been hounding me ever since the decree was granted, and now she has retained a lawyer and is threatening to prosecute me on the charge of bigamy."

"According to my interpretation of the supreme court's decision I don't believe she can do anything to you," responded the lawyer. "You lived in South Dakota six months, in accordance with the provisions of the state law, and therefore your separation was wholly legal."

"But the lawyer in my home town in Iowa tells me that the supreme court's ruling is liable to cause me a whole lot of trouble, and for that reason I have come here to see you," pursued the old man.

"Well, let her enter her suit, and then we'll see whether she can put you in jail or no," and with this consolation the old man left.

Mrs. Molineaux came to Sioux Falls last November. She has become very popular.

Puerto Cabello, Venezuela, Jan. 31.—Two Americans, James Cooper

and Grovie Allen, have arrived here in a sloop, after having forced the blockade. Cooper is an ex-Confederate major of cavalry and Allen is a military engineer. They have come to serve with Venezuela against the allies in the event of hostilities. They left here for Caracas today.

New York, Jan. 31.—An interesting side of the offer of La Popular Bank to President Castro to aid Venezuela financially, is, says the Herald's Buenos Ayres correspondent, the fact that the bank was recently established and has not as yet started operations. Moreover, the promoters, are Germans and capital invested is exclusively German.

Caracas, Jan. 31.—News has reached here that a German warship, supposed to be the cruiser Falke, was seen this morning near the bar at Maracaibo making soundings. She had landed men in her small boats.

Springfield, Mass., Jan. 31.—Orders have been received at the United States Armory to rush the shipment of 100,000 Krag-Jorgensen rifles to arsenals over the country. The original cause of the order was the passage of the militia bill, but the rush feature of the order apparently has a special cause.

Hamilton, N. J., Jan. 24.—Golgate University has two students who weigh together 513 pounds. They are Frank Horr, who weighs 265 pounds, and Edward Burnside Simmons, who tips the scales at 248.

Horr is a husky football man, who has lived twenty one years and is five feet ten inches high.

Simmons is twenty, stands five feet nine and a half inches, and has had appendicitis ten times, for which he has been operated on each time. When he grows up and stops having appendicitis he expects to be a medical missionary in South Africa. His father and brother are ministers and were Colgate men. The brother died last September from appendicitis. One of his sisters, Miss Flora Simmons, is a teacher in the Huguenot College in South Africa, and another sister is Dr. Hannah Simmons, resident physician of Sherborn State Prison in South Farmington, Mass.

Washington, Jan. 31.—Senator Mitchell is slowly recovering from a severe attack of stomach and bowel trouble, having been confined to his bed since January 20. He is now able to be about his room, and expects to resume his seat in the senate by Tuesday or Wednesday. Although his condition was very serious at one time last week, there was no occasion for alarm. His recovery would no doubt have been more speedy had his general condition not been weakened as the result of two close confinements to work since his arrival in Washington last November.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 26.—The "oray of counsel lined up in defense of the trust in Mr. Hearst's coal conspiracy suits indicates that "the railroads are alive to the danger of a real investigation."

The burden of their opening arguments was: "What does it all amount to anyhow? We have been doing it for years and no one has bothered us."

When brought up abruptly by the attorney-general's pointed questions as to how the price of coal was fixed and how it happened that it had been uniform among all the companies from month to month before the strike, they came out in their true colors as defiant law-breakers and insolently asked what could be done about it, inasmuch as they could defy and nullify any decree by going to New Jersey and doing there things declared illegal in New York.

They overlooked two or three things, however, in the successful working of this plan of defiance, one that the attorney-general is an astute and experienced lawyer as the best of the trust's staff; and they will still be within Federal jurisdiction where another of Mr. Hearst's suits is pending and finally the power of outraged public sentiment. All that is required to bring this litigation to a successful issue is a determined and aggressive prosecution.

Yaquina Bay Celery

Constantly on hand at Zierolf's.

## IN VESSELS HOLD.

### SPOTTED DEVILS THERE CAUSED TWO GANGS LONGSHOREMEN TO STRIKE.

And Almost Made Crew Mutiny—Lizards two Feet Long—What Scalded Newsboys to Death Man Died Because They wouldn't let him Work.

New York, Feb. 2.—The presence of two Mexican lizards, of guengas, in the forehead of the British steamship Vittoria, now lying near the foot of Montague street, Brooklyn, gave Capt. Mackenzie target practice during his voyage from Mexico and caused two strikes of 'longshoremen.

To slayers the dark olive, scaly, double-collared creatures, with long, flattened flexible tails, are known as "devils."

John Paul Jones Hawkins the Vittoria's cook, on Jan. 13, met the first "devil" in the hold. He did not stay to argue with the lizard, but climbed through the hatchway very nimbly, and informed Capt. Mackenzie. The crew almost mutinied when ordered below to engage in mortal combat with the poisonous reptile, so the captain withdrew his order.

The skipper is a crack shot. Revolver in hand he crept gingerly along the sticks of mahogany and cedar until he could draw sight on the creeping monster, which measured about two feet. Capt. Mackenzie fired seven shots but failed to kill the lizard. Then he clapped down the hatch and enjoined secrecy on all hands.

When Boss "Bill" Kenney and his gang began work on the cargo on Friday out came the lizard from its place of concealment. The longshoremen fell upon one another in their haste to gain the deck.

"I'm not afraid of them kind of devils, nor of any other kind," said Kenney who picked up a stick, faced the reptile and despatched it. But the gossip cook had told of the presence of a second guenga, and the longshoremen would not go back yesterday the second "devil" was discovered and a new band of 'longshoremen struck. Foreman Kenney was taking a day off, and at last reports the surviving Mexican monster was in charge of the Vittoria's hold.

Baltimore, Jan. 28.—George W. Deems, who was buried this morning, died at the age of seventy years from worry because he was no longer permitted to work. Under the rules of the Pennsylvania Railroad "Cousin" or "Cap" Deems, as he was variously called, was retired on a pension after thirty-eight years of service.

He did not want to be retired on a pension, but the officials concluded that, willy nilly, Deems must take the rest and pension to which his long and faithful work entitled him. His birthday was early in December, but Deems' plaintive pleading prevailed to the extent of allowing him to work to the end of the year. From the moment the date was set for his retirement Deems' health began to fail, and when he finally quit on Jan. 1 he collapsed completely. Gradually he faded until Tuesday when he peacefully passed away.

Shock due to his enforced retirement was the cause given by the physicians. But the old man really was heartbroken by his separation from his work.

"For thirty-eight years "Cousin George was foreman of the Mount Vernon Machine Shops of the Northern Central Railroad. He made a record unique in the history of industry, for he worked throughout that whole period seven days in every week and without a holiday of any kind or intermission on account of sickness. He was a perfect glutton for work, and would really rather work than sleep.

About ten years ago Mr Deems worked from one Thursday night to the following Monday morning and only two years ago worked two days and nights without rest. During the week he worked as foreman of machine shops and on Sunday he took charge of the round-house at Mount Vernon.

Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 1.—Three

newsboys, Fred White, 14; Fred D. Reck, 12; and Harry Hess, 12 were so seriously scalded shortly after midnight that White and Reck will die. They were sleeping in an areaway belonging to The First National Bank, when some unknown person threw two buckets of scalding water upon them. Hess is the only person who can talk, but he is unable to give the name of the person who threw the water.

Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 1.—The Pennsylvania Railroad will send out checks this week to employes who served during the anthracite coal strike as members of the National Guard in full payment for their wages on the railroad during the several months the strike was in progress. The distribution will come as a complete surprise.

Raleigh, S. C., Jan. 30.—The General Assembly of North Carolina today formally elected Lee S. Overman, the nominee of the Democratic caucus, as United States Senator to succeed Senator Pritchard. The joint vote was 138 for Overman and 21 for Pritchard.

New York, Feb. 1.—Having tramped over the continent seeing more of the world than many travelers of twice his years, Benjamin Kirshner, a boy of seventeen has returned to visit relatives in Plainfield N. J. Since the time he left his home two years ago his aunt Mrs Edward Baker had lost all trace of him.

With \$10 in his pocket he left Plainfield on his bicycle in search of adventure, and when he returned he had a largesum of money. When seen by a world correspondent young Kirshner said:

"I wasn't going to sponge on my relatives here, so I decided to shift for myself. I went to Philadelphia first. At Princeton I fell in with another fellow. It took us three weeks to get to California. After working in Northern California I struck a job on a 20,000-acre ranch in Sacramento Valley. I had to ride 500 miles in the spring when we put the cattle out, and 500 in the fall when we rounded up."

"That worried me and I got a job on a vessel at San Francisco, bound for Panama. When we landed I went over the Panama canal route, and settled down at Colon. I got homesick after a while and sailed for New York. I'm going to see some relatives in Brooklyn, and then I'll start out again."

Baker City, Jan. 30.—Detectives, who have been quietly at work for weeks, have secured the details of a conspiracy to rob the Columbia, North Pole and other well-known gold mines. The richest kind of ore in the aggregate valued at one hundred thousand dollars has been taken from the mines and sold by a system that was supposed by the operators to be proof against discovery. Peter Peterson, a miner employed in the Columbia, was arrested yesterday at Bourne by Deputy Sheriff Snow and lodged in jail.

When arraigned this morning before Justice Messick, he made a confession of the whole plot and exposed the methods of the thieves. Peterson gave information that will probably land the remainder of the gang behind prison bars.

Peterson has agreed to turn state's evidence against the accomplices.

It is said that men higher in the social scale than Miner Peterson will be caught in the toils as a result of the prisoner's confession. Ten men besides himself are implicated. Some of these are miners and others are influential men of Sumpter and elsewhere.

At least \$10,000 has been stolen from the Columbia mine alone. Even more was taken from the North Pole. All of the stolen ore was very rich.

The gold-laden rock was disposed of through agents of the gang in Sumpter, Portland and San Francisco.

Henry T. Hendryx, republican politician and now candidate for registrar of the land office at La Grande, purchased some of the stolen ore and a suit is now pending against him for its recovery.

He is now being asked in the courts to pay over \$1,400 as the value of ten pounds of ore which he is said to have purchased.

It is said that Hendryx has been playing the part of a detective at the instigation of Managers Baillie of the Columbia and Meltzer of the North Pole. A private detective is here also.

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