

CARRIED BY STORM.

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The Von Puttkamers were one of the most respectable families in Germany. Their customs, their manners, their daily occupations, were the same as they had been several hundred years before, when the first Puttkamer was permitted to prefix Von to his name. They lived on the family estate at Reinfeld, arose in the morning at a certain hour, attended to their duties, household and social, during the day and went to bed and to sleep at the same hour every night. Nothing had ever occurred to disturb the serenity of their lives, and it did not occur to any one of them, especially to Herr von Puttkamer and his good wife, that any disconcerting episode would ever occur to them.

But where young women are growing up destined to become wives there is always a skeleton in the family closet. The mother may realize that a pretty daughter will mate and leave the family nest, but the father, if such a thought comes into his head, either banishes it or considers it likely only to happen in the far future. The time came, as it must inevitably come, when the whole Puttkamer family was startled as if by the shock of an earthquake.

An application arrived from a young officer in the Prussian army for permission to pay his addresses to Johanna Puttkamer. This was equivalent to asking for her hand. At first only the horrible proposition to take away one of the lambs was considered. Then note was taken of the wolf who had broken into the fold. Who was he? A Von, an officer, a member of an excellent family. But with this the list of recommendations ended. At the university where he had studied his wild ways had fastened upon him the sobriquet of "Mad." A big man, with long legs, he strode through German customs, trampling them at every step. He never did anything as any one else would do it. He had no reverence, no fear. He smoked big black cigars and drank casks of beer. Terrible as it was to give up the maiden, it was excruciating to risk her happiness with such a man.

A family conclave was called—that is, a conclave among the older members. The applicant's position, talents, habits, were discussed and testimony regarding them taken. On the one hand was the young officer's family and social status, on the other his mad pranks, his contempt for established forms. It was not deemed wise to positively decline what might prove a good match nor to accept what might prove a very bad one. Better temporize until an acquaintance with the suitor could be gained. The final decision was to invite him to the family domain and look him over. If he were much in love, he would wait; if not, well, perhaps they would be well rid of him. So Herr von Puttkamer wrote the young man permission to pay the family a visit of inspection, just as a church congregation permits a candidate to preach them a sample sermon.

Word having reached the Puttkamer home of the hour at which the suitor would arrive, preparation was made to receive him according to the sacred traditions of the first families of Germany—suits and uncles were invited to be present during the visit that the benefit of their observations might be obtained. He was to be permitted to remain till some estimate of his promise as a husband had been secured, then to be sent away for further deliberation, perhaps other visits and a final decision, which would be communicated to him in due form.

Meanwhile the girl applied for demurely waited for the result of all this investigation.

When the day came round and the hour approached for the suitor's arrival at the Puttkamer family and the oldest and most trusted relations were lined up to receive him to protect the lamb from any sudden dash of the wolf Johanna was stationed in the center of the group between her father and mother, while the others extended as wings on either side. A clatter of horse's hoofs was heard coming up the driveway at a gallop, and a moment later a tall, lank young man threw himself to the ground. There stood the father and mother glaring solemnly, between them the blushing Johanna, with her eyes cast on the ground. Without a moment's hesitation the lover ran forward, flung his arms around her, drew her tightly to his breast and covered her face with kisses. Meanwhile the scandalized parents stood flashing lightning from their eyes at this annihilation of all their plans, all their precaution.

But the victory was with the young man, who had carried the position by storm. It was not long before the father and mother realized that the matter was settled. What! Prevent their daughter to remain unbetrothed to the man who had embraced her! Never! The inspection was ended at its beginning; the probation did not take place. It was a settled fact that little Johanna was to be given over to her lover though he were a monster. Before he left Reinfeld the pair went through the forms of betrothal.

Years after this triumph, with the same whirlwind decision, the man who made it achieved others in a far different field—that of statesmanship and diplomacy. For years he directed the policy of the king of Prussia, he humbled that king's enemy, France, and from the palace of Versailles proclaimed his chief emperor of Germany. His name will be handed down among the greatest of European statesmen. It was Otto von Bismarck.

The Answer.

A professor at a well known engineering college says that but for occasional innovations in the application of learning, such as the following, he would find it hard to judge the extent of his usefulness, says Everybody's Magazine.

This question was asked upon an examination paper: "What steps would you take in determining the height of a building, using an aneroid barometer?"

The answer was, "I would lower the barometer by a string and measure the string."

TO THE PUBLIC

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Pen and Brush.

John T. McCutcheon, the artist and cartoonist of Chicago, has gone to Africa, where he is to paint wild animals.

Mark Twain has been ordered by his doctor to cut down his smoking to four smokes a day. He is suffering from "tobacco heart."

Turner's picture, "Mortlake," was sold last year in London for 12,600 guineas, the highest price ever realized for an English landscape in the auction room.

Ernest Thompson Seton, author and lecturer, is an Englishman by birth who lived in the Canadian backwoods and on the western plains to get "local color" for his work.

Science Siftings.

The diameter of the moon is about three-elevenths that of the earth.

Professor Arthur Korn of Berlin has perfected an invention which proves the theories of gravitation.

Before photography was applied to stars the highest number catalogued was 457,847. The number of stars the camera will show is estimated at over 30,000,000.

So sensitive are some of the new seismographs that if two were mounted on opposite sides of a busy street they would show that the buildings bent slightly toward each other when traffic is heaviest.

Waves of Water.

The River Rhine flows three times as fast as the Thames.

The Pacific ocean covers 40% per cent of the water surface of the globe, the Atlantic 21 per cent and the Antarctic 19 per cent.

Wastwater, in Cumberland, is the deepest of English lakes. Its bottom is far below sea level, though its surface is over 200 feet above the sea.

There are but two rivers in the United States whose beds are higher than the surrounding country. These are the Yukon river in Alaska and the North Canadian river in Oklahoma.

Train and Track.

The Chicago and Alton railroad is testing automatic stokers on thirty-six of its largest engines.

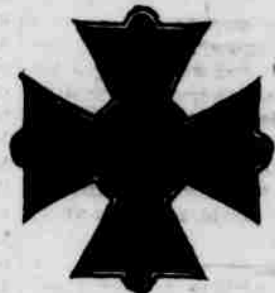
No passenger was killed on the English railroads in the year 1908. The number injured was 283.

With a view to supplanting the horse cars of crostown lines in New York the receiver of the Third avenue railroad is experimenting with two cars, one an electric storage battery car and the other a gasoline electric car.

Wanted—Parties to clear 15 acres of land. Will pay \$40 to \$50 per acre.—Fred Haase, 6 miles south of Hillsboro, Cornelius, Ore., Route 2. 324

Do not forget that Greer keeps all kinds of field seeds. 294f

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When you can buy a 10 quart, 14 quart, or 17 quart dishpan for 25 cents you are getting a bargain, so go to Greer's and take advantage of a good thing. 303

Geo. Robinson, of beyond Laurel, was in the city Tuesday.

HOLBROOK LODGE MASONS CELEBRATED

Fiftieth Anniversary Exercises at Forest Grove

HILLSBORO SENDS BIG DELEGATION

Dr. F. A. Bailey Gives Address on Amory Holbrook

A large delegation of Hillsboro Masons attended the Fiftieth Anniversary of the founding of Holbrook Lodge A. F. & A. M., of Forest Grove, Monday evening. Dr. F. A. Bailey, of Tuality Lodge, Hillsboro, which was organized several years prior to the instituting of Holbrook Lodge, was Hillsboro's speaker, and his address was in commemoration of Amory Holbrook, after whom the Grove lodge was named. The three original charter members of the institution, Almoron Hill, 90 years; Isaac Myers, of Portland, now in his 80th year, and Rev. W. D. Ewing, well known in this city, and who was the first minister in the Greenville section, were all present. Masons from Oregon City, Salem, LaFayette, Beaverton, Portland, Hillsboro, and other valley points were in attendance, and over 300 of the mystic votaries were present—the largest number ever in attendance at a like celebration in the Northwest. In his discourse on Mr. Holbrook, Dr. Bailey pointed out that the gentleman had been editor of the Oregonian prior to H. W. Scott's incumbency on the noted journal.

H. J. Goff, worshipful master of Holbrook Lodge, was master of ceremonies and introduced the speakers who responded to toasts as follows: "Mission of Masonry in Oregon," Grand Master Norris R. Cox; "Duties of the Mason to His Own Lodge," Past Grand Master W. E. Grace; "Ancient Free Masonry," A. Ben. Kent; "Masonry as a Universal Institution," John F. Carroll, of Portland; "Amory Holbrook," Dr. F. A. Bailey, of Hillsboro; "Personal Reminiscences," by M. E. Dilley, E. W. Haines, of Forest Grove, and George H. Himes, of Portland.

M. E. Dilley has held the position of tyler in Holbrook Lodge for 30 years, 27 of which he has served consecutively.

The lodge was instituted October 19, 1859, when a dispensation was granted by Grand Master Amory Holbrook to a number of residing Masons. The lodge is named after him, and six days later he presented the lodge with the Bible that has ever since graced its altar.

The lodge was chartered by the grand lodge December 21, 1860. Until 1878 the meetings of the fraternity were held in the upper story of a small frame building, known as the Western Hotel to the old settlers, which stood on the lot now occupied by the Forest Grove National. In 1860 Holbrook Lodge had a membership of 12.

In 1872 the agitation for more adequate lodge quarters came up for discussion, and on June 15, 1878, a contract was entered into between the officers of the lodge and the trustees of the estate of Michel Vert, to build a hall, jointly and exclusively by the Masons. This hall was dedicated by Tuality Lodge, No. 6, on St. John's day, December 27, 1878, the late Congressman Thomas H. Tongue being the orator for the occasion.

Of the original charter members only three are now living: Almoron Hill, Oregon pioneer of 1843, nearly 90 years old, residing in the Gaston neighborhood; Isaac Meyer and W. D. Ewing. All three were in attendance at the banquet. W. H. Galvani, of Portland, was also one of the speakers.

In 1906 the local lodge became sole owner of the hall in which its sessions are now held. The lodge rooms were recently renovated and furnished anew. Those present from Hillsboro were, Dr. F. A. Bailey, Dr. A. B. Bailey, Thos. Bailey, Chas. L. McKin, Jas. Magruder, B. W. Barnes, Dr. W. D. Wood, L. A. Rood, E. L. Moore, Dr. W. E. Pittenger, C. E. Deichman, Dr. J. E. Adkins, W. J. Gregg, G. A. Patterson, J. A. Imbrie, Hon. W. N. Barrett, Cal Jack, Jr., Peter Roscow, W. G. Hare and M. C. Case.

E. L. Moore's laundry Maud Stole to the home plate the other day in a manner that shows she knows the game. The vehicle was standing on the street in front of the Tualatin, and E. L. was talking with some one when Maud started to run. It was impossible to catch her and Moore looked for a wrecked conveyance instead of making down the street the colored turned into the Main Street livery and stopped at the rear, asking to be unhooked. There's nothing like good training and a good baseball manager as coach.

Notice to the Public

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D. R. Wheeler, who has lived near Reedville for many years, at one time owning a big farm, has seen all that section cut into small tracts. He still retains nearly seven acres for a home. Mr. Wheeler was in the city yesterday, and called on the Argus.

Mrs. Chas. Koontz returned Sunday from an extended visit with relatives at Arlington, The Dalles and Portland.

John Kamna, the Farmington rancher, and who will get big prices for his extensive timothy crop, was in town Monday.

Fred Beach, of Glencoe, and Wm. Imler, of Cornelius, were county seat visitors Tuesday afternoon.

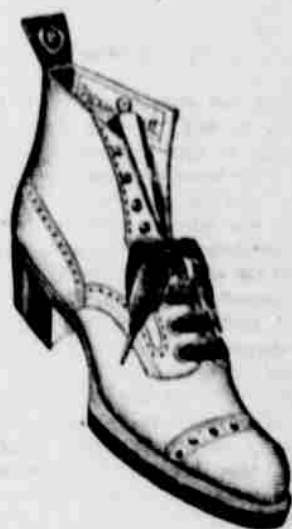
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