

Oregon Sentinel.

EXTRAORDINARY TALE.

Two Brothers Marry the Same Wife!

Very seldom has a tale of villainy been unfolded which, whether we regard the heartlessness of the offenders, or the misery of the victim, or the fatality of every individual concerned, is more astonishing than that which came to light at the Lambeth Police Court recently. Out of incidents not very different from those which belong to the history of the brothers Wills, the grand old tragedians of Athens, to whom the most wonderful characteristics of human crime were utterly felly, and who could scarcely bring themselves to believe that men are accountable for such stupidity, would have constructed a drama in which every act and every word should bear the impress of a rigid fate and divine decree, and all that at the last avenging fate might overwhelm innocent and guilty alike in one frightful catastrophe.

Sometimes in the summer of '50 John Blair Wills, then a medical student, met a young girl in an omnibus, and was so smitten with her charms that he at once followed her to her residence. By great perseverance he made the discovery that the young lady was a Miss Marion Maxwell, and that her relatives resided in Bath. To Bath the excited lover forthwith hurried; he found out the girl's mother, and at once made an offer of marriage. There was only one bar to the union, and that was impassable for the time—the girl was only 13 years of age. Delay was necessary, and so the matter seemed to end. Here is a fate, as it would seem, from the beginning—love at first sight, passion boiling up in a moment, and apparently gone as quickly. But this so-called fate prevails once more, and by mere accident the pair meet again at the Surrey gardens after a lapse of nearly five years. The passion of Mr. Wills is again excited, he determined to have the lady for his bride, with the consent of her mother they were married at Kensington Church on the 24th of March, 1855, and they appear to live very happily together until at length a child is born. With the birth of a child, however, comes a fever, which ultimately affects the mother's mind, and she is placed in the Bethlehem Hospital, where she remains for a year.

It appears to be one of the regulations of this institution that persons in the position of the patient shall not remain for more than a year, and accordingly a request was made to her husband that, although her recovery was incomplete, she should be removed. Her husband paid no attention to the request, but his brother, Mr. James Fenton Wills, went to the hospital and removed his sister-in-law to the residence of his mother. This took place on the 3d August last, when the complications commenced. Where was the husband all this time that his wife was thus oppressed with the most affecting malady to which human life is subject—a malady, too, induced under circumstances which might well have softened his heart? Mr. John Wills had in the meantime solaced himself with another wife—he married Anne Good in April last. In the meantime the true Mrs. Wills, released from confinement, is anxious to see her husband and child, and after a few days she writes a letter to her, requesting that she would meet him somewhere in the city. The meeting takes place, and he has the effrontery to repudiate his marriage, and not only to confess his bigamy, but also to declare that his first marriage was with Anne Good so long ago as 1851.

Apparently he had calculated on being able to impose on his wife in the weak state of her intellect, and he had calculated correctly; but he never took into account that the very simplicity with which she could receive his statement and follow his direction must ultimately recoil upon himself and prove the instrument of his ruin. "The only and best thing you can do," he said, "is to marry my brother Fenton; he loves you, will marry you, and make you a good husband." The brother, too, professes to have believed the story of a previous marriage—believed it, too, without a title of proof, save the word of the bigamist, and, fatality on fatality! the girl, who seems to have had strength enough only to feel her misery and to appreciate a little kindness, at once accepted the addresses of her brother-in-law, followed his directions, and on the 21st of August, but a few days after the interview with John Wills, commits an incestuous bigamy with James!

She, poor soul, was still under age; and it was necessary for herself and her new husband to make a declaration—which, under the circumstances, was equivalent to perjury—that this marriage was solemnized with the consent of her mother. It was not likely that this second marriage could be long concealed from the lady's relatives. It soon came to the mother's ears. The mother came to town, inquiries were instigated; the register of John Wills' second marriage was found in Somerset house, with the date of April last; the double deception which he had practiced was at once evident, and all the issue of falsehood was laid bare by the oppression of clear intellects into the commission of a crime in which the monstrosity of incest was added to the guilt of bigamy.

Nor did this end the catalogue of the lady's wrongs. The result of the discovery was that James Wills at once threw off his obligations to the lady whom he had led into an accursed marriage, and inhuman hatred seems to have succeeded an unnatural love. He deserted her; she was thrown upon the parish; she was received into the Lambeth Institute; and it is by the officers of the parish that these iniquities have been brought to light.

SENATORS DOUGLAS AND DAVIS.—A chatty female correspondent of the Boston Post has the following lively description of Messrs. Douglas and Davis, of the Senate:

Judge Douglas is a man one cannot avoid noticing on such occasions. When not in debate he looks, as it seems to me, fairer and plumper than before his marriage. Perhaps he lives more methodically. I did not recognize him without my forgetful. But in the excitement of controversy, shaking his heavy head for emphasis, with a large plume of bushy hair waving and nodding over his forehead, rapidly cutting and twisting with his hand working himself to a perspiration, and his eyes flashing, the old Douglas of the Nebraska bill reappears. He is a very restless man. He comes in, drops into his seat, pulls a paper out of his pocket, reads three lines, forces his last cigar on Gwin, who is going out to smoke, crosses over to Benjamin and gets another from him, which he twists in his mouth and chews, offers his right hand to Hale and his left to Pugh, leans familiarly on Jones' shoulder, and strokes that sexagenarian senator's raven beard, with a gentle witticism, drops into the lobby a moment and then into his seat, to read three more lines of another newspaper.

Jefferson Davis has a strange fascination in his tone. He is a slender man, somewhat stooping and not personally prepossessing. Yet everybody listens to him. If a sweet voice is a beautiful thing in woman, I know that to us there are few charms like a mild, firm, gently modulated voice in man. Such is Mr. Davis'. He speaks readily, pointedly, and with that precision of enunciation which marks a scholar. With nothing in his mien of namby-pamby or affected, you see that he is a refined gentleman. They say he is a fire-eater. If so, I know he eats it *a la mode*, with a fork and napkin.

BREVITIES.—Retirement is a prison to fools but paradise to the wise.

Rectitude of mind is the greatest ornament of the mind.

Refrain not from speaking when by so doing you may do good.

Riches cannot purchase mental endowments.

Safe is he who serves a good conscience.

Raise not the credit of your wit at the expense of your judgment.

Rage robs a man of his reason, and makes him a laughing-stock.

Rule the appetite and temper the tongue.

Revenge may gratify a malignant feeling, but it cannot repair a wrong.

To say well is good, but to do well is better.

Scandal will rub out like dirt when it is dry.

Religion is a good armor, but a bad cloak.

Reason must be kept bright by use, or it will rust.

Sell not thy conscience with thy goods.

Reform those things in yourself that you blame in others.

Those who give ear to slander are but one degree better than the slanderer.

WANTED.—A traveler called at nightfall at a farmer's house. The owner being from home, and the mother and daughters being alone, they refused to lodge the wayfarer.

"How far, then," said he, "to a house where a preacher can get lodged?"

"O, if you are a preacher," said the good lady, "you can stay here."

Accordingly he dismounted, deposited his saddlebags, and led his horse to the stable. Meanwhile, the mother and daughters were debating as to what kind of preacher he was.

"He cannot be a Presbyterian," said one, "for he is not well dressed enough."

"He is not a Methodist," said the other, "for his coat is not the right cut for a Methodist."

"If I could find his hymn book," said the daughter, "I could tell what kind of a preacher he is."

And with that she put her hand into the saddlebags, and pulling out a flask of liquor, she exclaimed:

"Lal! mother, he's a Hard Shell Baptist."

YANKEE DOODLE.—During the negotiations at Ghent a festival was given, at which honors were paid to all sovereigns represented on the occasion.

The representatives were to be serenaded with their several national airs, and the sovereign people of the United States were to be honored in the persons of Clay, Adams, Russell, Bayard and Gallatin. But the musicians had never played Yankee Doodle, and could not obtain the notes of the piece.

In this extremity, Mr. Clay's negro servant was applied to; he whistled the air, the band-master jotted it down, and before night, Yankee doodle was heard all over the city, from viol, hautboy, drum, trumpet and cymbal.

Dr. Wistar's Balsam of Wild Cherry.

For the Instant Relief and Rapid Cure of Coughs, Colds, Hoarseness, Croup, Bronchitis, Influenza, Pain in the Breast or Side, etc.

A fair question. Answer it to suit yourselves. Would you prefer to have health restored and life prolonged by (what our physicians say is) quackery, than to die scientifically? You all know of wonderful cures effected by Dr. Wistar's Balsam of Wild Cherry, and yet you entertain a kind of prejudice, because you choose to call it patent medicine. It is only because you do not know Dr. Wistar. If your family physician had made a great medical discovery, could he not seal his bottle and cure a patient in Timbuctoo as well as at home? This is only the fact with Wistar's Balsam. It is important to you, invalid. Throw away your delusions. Wistar's Balsam is performing wonderful cures. It will cure you.

BE CAREFUL! as there are many counterfeits. Look well at the signature before purchasing—take none unless it has the name of Sanford & Park engraved on the outside wrapper, as all others are RARE COUNTERFEITS.

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A. B. OVERBECK, M. D.

I TAKE THIS METHOD OF IN-forming the Public that I have fitted up, at my residence at Pleasant Grove, miles east of Jacksonville, a suitable building for the reception and treatment of persons afflicted with any form of disease.

Patients will be boarded and treated at this Infirmary at prices varying with their conditions and wants. Those who cannot remain in the Infirmary will be examined and provided with medicines and directions peculiar to this system—a mode of treatment by which thousands have been cured and restored to health—at very moderate charges.

I have ample arrangements for the administration of the various kinds of Baths—medicated, vapor, warm, cold, &c.

The distinguishing feature of the Physio-medic Practice consists in the administration of an innocent medication. All agents, whether mineral or vegetable, that are known to act as poisons, are rejected from my practice. This Physio-medic practice signifies the treatment of disease with agents that act in harmony with the recuperative powers of nature.

N. B.—No person will be received at the Infirmary who cannot furnish good guarantee of payment.

BATHS!

The public generally will be accommodated at any time with any of the above specified Baths. The Bathing-room and tubs are lined with zinc, and will be entirely free from taint.

A. B. OVERBECK, M. D.
Pleasant Grove, Sept. 19, 1857. 36f

M. M. WILLIAMS

WILL have completed and ready to grind,

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Connected with his saw-mill, known as the "Bush Saw-mill," situated near Kirbyville. Persons having wheat will do well to get it floured at this mill, as it is situated at the best flour market in Southern Oregon.

He still continues to furnish the best article of lumber at low prices.

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DR. J. C. YOUNG'S

PRIVATE MEDICAL ROOMS,

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TO THE AFFLICTED.—Read the following **EXCERPTS** from the letters and then judge between Dr. Young and those vipers that malign his motives. Avoid such men as you would a pestilence, for **THERE IS DEATH** in their treatment. All afflicted with Diseases of a Private or any other nature should call upon Dr. J. C. Young, and they would then avoid imposition and assist the Doctor in his herculean labor of suppressing quackery and empiricism. Dr. Young's charges are moderate and within the reach of the most humble.

IMPORTANT.—Dr. J. C. Young wishes to call the attention of invalids to his course of practice. The Dr. has long since abandoned the mercenary treatment, and has strictly followed the Vegetable Practice. Patients under treatment with him are not confined to the house, nor taken from their business, but can go about and eat as usual. The Dr.'s mode of treatment of cases of debility, both general and sexual, is not surpassed by any physician, and always results in a perfect removal of their troubles. Dr. Y. has discovered a new mode of treating affections of the Liver, which after a fair trial has been submitted to the Professors of several of the medical institutions of the States, and pronounced by them, as perfectly successful, and has been adopted by them in their practice. In the treatment of incipient consumption, and disease of the blood, the Dr. stands pre-eminent in his profession, and will warrant a cure in all cases. The following testimonial speaks for itself:

DR. J. C. YOUNG.—Sir: Your mode of treating affections of the Liver and disease of the Blood, has proved by repeated trials, to be the best yet offered to the faculty, and has been adopted by the board. Continue to study the human system as you have done, and you will yet stand at the head of your profession.

W. R. HORNER,

Prof. of Anatomy, University, Penn.

HAVE CONFIDENCE.—Dr. YOUNG will guarantee a perfect and permanent cure in the following cases, or charge nothing for his services: Syphilis, Gonorrhea, Stricture of the Urethra, Affection of the Prostate Gland, Weakness of the Genital Organs, Impotency, Sterility, both in male and female, Spermatorrhea, or Seminal Weakness, Nocturnal Emissions, Rheumatism, Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Fever and Ague, Incipient Consumption, and all irregularities in Females, together with all diseases of Women and Children; also Nervousness, Palpitation of the Heart, &c.

Persons afflicted with symptoms after being treated, should consult Dr. Young at once, as no disease is cured unless the general system is perfectly well. If there is a particle of disease left in the system, it will break out at some future time, when least expected, or be handed to an innocent offspring. Persons who have been treated with mercury should be very cautious in believing that they are well, for it is a scientific fact that the mercury will mingle with the venereal, and form disease a great deal worse than the original. All those who have reason to think, by bad feelings, that they have been treated thus, should consult Dr. Young, and he should examine their cases and tell them at once how they stand.

VOLUNTARY CERTIFICATE.—TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.—This is to certify that I, B. F. Luning, applied to Dr. J. C. Young, to be treated for a general debility, brought on by hard work at mining in the water, and a pneumatic affection in my limbs, which almost deprived me of their use, that the above complaints had troubled me for a long time—one of them for several years, and the other about eighteen months. Overcome by the pain and anxiety occasioned by them, I had given up all hopes of ever again enjoying good health. In this condition I called upon Dr. J. C. Young, and after the lapse of five months, I am perfectly well and feel nearly as strong as I ever did. I can recommend every one affected to his care, for he cured me, and has cured several of my friends that I recommended to his care, afflicted with different diseases, some of them had cases, of a very bad and dangerous nature.

Given this my voluntary testimony in favor of Dr. J. C. Young, in hopes that it may induce all those afflicted, to call on him, and avoid the impostors who have robbed me, not only of money, but to a certain extent of my health.

B. F. LUNING.

**GREEN HORN GULCH, Kern River, }
September 2, 1856. }**

DEAR SIR: It is with pleasure that I hasten to answer your letter, enquiring how I get along. I have entirely recovered from the complaint for which your medical skill was required, and I assure you I feel grateful to you for the health I now enjoy. Scattered as I was from the very jaws of death, and saved from an untold amount of suffering. Were I in the city where I could do it, this would have the solemnity of an oath, but I am in a mining camp, there is no Justice of the Peace within several miles of me, and so you must publish without it. I do not like to name my disease, and I suppose it is not requisite, as you treat all kinds of disease.

Yours,
G. LANGDON

To Dr. J. C. Young.

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