WAR EASIER THAN WOMEN

CHARLES CHRISTENSEN OF NEW YORK DECLARES THAT BATTLEFIELD HAS NO TERRORS EQUAL TO THOSE OF MATRIMONY—HE HAS TRIED BOTH.

NEW YORK, April 9.—"War and matrimony are the same thing. I've been through both, and if I had my choice I'd take the cannon game for mine. Yes, I've heard Gen. Sherman's definition of war, but he must have been a bachelor."

It isn't to be supposed that these disparaging remarks will have a deterring effect on persons about to interview the parson, but they go a long way toward proving that even Cupid turns out a poor job occasionally. They also prove that when Charles Christensen and his good wife Julia married and settled down, they didn't live happily forever after.

Thirty-four years have elapsed since Charles and Julia consolidated. For six years they lived as one; for next twenty-five they lived as ten Julia being the one and Charlie the cipher of the combination: for the last three years of the journey each has been making an independent parade. Charles had sixty-nine candle in his last cake, while his wife's called for eight less. The climax of their domestic difficulties was reached when his wife had him before Magistrate Higginbotham in a Brooklyn court on the charge of non-support.

Justifies His Course.

Mrs. Christensen secured the floor early in the proceedings and blocked her husband's efforts to tell his troubles, with the result that the Court directed him to pay his wife $3 a week until the case comes up for disposition next week. When seen by a World man at his store on Gates avenue yesterday Christensen was more than willing to tell his troubles. He is a slightly-built little man with a Joe Cannon hedge around his countenance. Steel-rimmed glasses mounted on a stubby nose and fastened behind a set of extra size listeners give him a studious appearance. What he does to the English language is entirely uncalled for.

"Julia had all the best of it in court," he began, "but if I ever get a chance to tell just a little bit of my story I'll have the judge and jury suffered could never be told in one afternoon."

"Is it true that you have an assortment of affinities?" he was asked.

"Do I look like that kind of a man?" he demanded, with a show of heat.

"As for my running around to dances and parties, I haven't been to one in a year. I'll admit I'm one of the boys, but I'm one of the good kind."

"She says you are anxious to marry again?" suggested the reporter.

"She knows better than that. I've told her seven thousand times that if I ever got free I'd keep my name for my own use. Marry again! Ha! ha! I wouldn't marry the Statue of Liberty if President Roosevelt gave her away and she had the United States mint for a dowry."

"What started all the trouble?"

"It doesn't matter now, but it started right after we moved to Brooklyn from New York in 1880. I don't blame Brooklyn for it.

Has a War Record.

"And don't think I haven't any backbone," he added; "wait till I prove it to you."

Christensen stopped talking long enough to go to a drawer and drag forth a bag of medals. Several of them were for bravery in the Danish war and one was given him by the King of Denmark. The others were emblems of the different orders to which he belongs.

"The King doesn't decorate a coward," said the old man proudly.

"Don't you think you deserve a medal for living with a wife?" asked the reporter.

"A medal!" shouted Christensen, "I deserve a monument. As compared with marriage war is a picnic. I went through the Danish war and I was shot up till I looked like a window screen, but the only marks I have to-day are souvenirs of my married life."

Christensen says he is perfectly willing to support his wife, but insists that she shall take what he is willing to give her.

"She left me three years ago," he said, "but she'll find the latch string on the outside if she comes back. We're both getting along in years now and a few more disagreements can't hurt anything."

RICH WIDOW'S CHOICE.

Heiress to Business Blocks Falls in Love With a Hack Driver.

UTICA, N. Y., April 10.—Robert Williams, a hack driver, and Mrs. Sarah McGarvey, the widow of William McGarvey, who, when he died a few years ago, left her several business blocks, private residences and a goodly amount of cash, applied at the Marriage License Bureau for a license to wed. She is fifty years old and Williams is a few years her junior.

Williams, who is shy one leg and who has devoted the greater part of his life about livery stables in various capacities, met Mrs. McGarvey while working here. She would frequently have occasion to drive about the city, and occasionally Williams would be sent out with the team as her driver. Their friends assert they were married by a Welsh clergyman today.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.

A CARD.

To the Republican voters of Coos county, Oregon. — Gentlemen: I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of sheriff of Coos county, subject to your approval at the primary election to be held April 17th, 1907.

LEVI SMITH.

A CARD.

To the Members of the Republican Party of Douglas, Coos and Curry Counties:

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the nomination for District Attorney for the Third Prosecuting Attorney District, comprising the counties of Douglas, Coos and Curry, subject to the approval of the Republican voters at the primary election to be held April 17, 1908.

GEORGE M. BROWN.

A Card.

To the members of the Republican Party of Coos County, Oregon:—

Gentlemen: I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of County Superintendent of Schools, subject to your pleasure in the primary election to be held April 17, 1908.

Respectfully yours,

W. H. BUNCH.

A CARD.

To the Members of the Republican Party of Coos County, Oregon.

Gentlemen: I hereby announce my candidacy for the nomination for County Commissioner, subject to your pleasure in the primary election of April 17, 1908.

M. J. KRANTZ.

CARD.

To the members of the Republican party of Coos county, Oregon—Gentlemen: I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of County Commissioner, subject to your pleasure in the primary election to be held April 17, 1908. Respectfully yours,

H. E. WILCOX.

A CARD.

To the Republican voters of Coos County, Oregon:

Greeting: I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the nomination for School Superintendent of Coos county, subject to your pleasure at the Republican primaries.

ROBERT GOETZ.

A CARD.

To the Republican voters of Coos county, Oregon.—Gentlemen: I desire to announce myself as candidate for the office of county commissioner subject to your approval, at the primary election, April 17th.

W. TAYLOR DEMENT.

A CARD.

To the Republican voters of Coos county, Gentlemen: I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the nomination to the office of Representative for Coos county, subject to your approval at the primary election, April 17, 1908.

GEO. N. FARRIN.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for representative in the legislative assembly, subject to the approval of Coos County Republican electors at the primary election, April 17, 1908, and respectfully solicit the support of all Republicans.

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For Prosecuting Attorney.

To the Republican voters of Douglas, Coos and Curry counties: I desire to announce myself as a candidate for prosecuting attorney of the Third Prosecuting Attorney District of the State of Oregon, subject to your approval at the primaries, April 17, 1908.

W. W. CARDWELL.

Spoiled Their Waltzing.

In her memoirs Mme. de Boigne gives some interesting glimpses of English social life. For instance, she writes:

"In 1816 no young English lady ventured to waltz. The Duke of Devonshire returned from a tour in Germany and observed one evening at a large ball that a woman was never seen to better advantage than when waltzing. I do not know whether he was anxious to play a trick, but he repeated this assertion several times. It was passed from mouth to mouth, and at the next ball all the young ladies were waltzing. The duke admired them greatly, said that it was delightful and gave proper animation to a ball. He then added carelessly that he, at any rate, had decided never to marry a lady who waltzed. It was to the Duchess of Richmond and at Carlton House that he saw fit to make this revelation. The poor duchess, the most clumsy of matchmaking mammas, nearly fell off her chair with horror. She repeated the statement to her neighbors, who passed it on, and consternation spread from seat to seat. The young ladies continued to waltz with clear consciences. The old ladies were furious, but the unfortunate dance was concluded. Before the end of the evening the good Duchess of Richmond was able to announce that her daughters felt an objection to waltzing which no persuasion of hers could ever overcome. Some few girls of more independence continued to waltz, but the majority gave it up."

SUICIDE DUE TO FISHING

HUSBAND SUCH AN ARDENT ANGLER THAT MRS. RUTZ FOUND LIFE TOO LONELY, AND ENDED HER LIFE IN NEW YORK—A SAD GOOD-BYE.

NEW YORK, April 10.—Mrs. Herman Rutz, wife of Albert Rutz, of No. 398 South Fifth street, Brooklyn, committed suicide with carbolic acid besause her husband persisted in going fishing. Rutz is a prosperous salesman and the father of three children.

When Rutz came home for dinner he found his little ones playing in the street. They said they had not seen their mother for a long time. The husband found his wife dead on a bed with an empty carbolic acid bottle in her hand. On a nearby table was a note which read:

"Good-by to all. Kiss Pauline and Emma. Give Pauline my watch, and all my other things to Walter. My life is too lonely to live. Albert, you can go fishing now as much as you like. I ain't in your way any longer. I love you and only you. You told me you woudl not go out with me any more, so my heart is broken. Today I feel too bad to live. You are away too much. I have nobody in the world."

Rutz told the police that in the morning before going to work he had told his wife that on Sunday he intended to go fishing. He said that she did not raise any objection.

"I have a weakness for fishing," he said, "and I have often brought my wife back good catches, which she used to distribute around among the neighbors. I don't see why she killed herself because I like to fish."

WOMAN HAS SLEPT MANY DAYS.

All Attempts to Awaken Mrs. Hawkins Prove Futile.

LOS ANGELES, April 10.—Mrs. Beulah Hawkins has surpassed all records for long sleeps in this State, according to the authorities at the county hospital here. She rests on a cot in a cataleptic trance.

Mrs. Hawkins was removed to the hospital on February 7th, and has spoken only two words since. A score of attempts made to awaken her have been without success.

HORSE KNEW SIGN OF DEATH.

Old Dan, Pensioned Off, Drew Up at Curb When He Saw Crape.

NEW YORK, April 10.—Dan, the black hearse horse owned by School Trustee Thomas M. O'Brien, of Bayonne, was pensioned off and sent to spend the rest of his life in ease and luxury on the Sugar Loaf Farm in Orange county, N. Y.

In the last twenty years Dan drew more than 1,000 persons to the several cemeteries. He knew the route better than most drivers.

The horse had a bad habit which often caused its owner trouble. Whenever he saw crape hanging from a door Dan would draw the wagon up to the curb whether his owner had the job or not.

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