

LITTLE LOVE GOD STILL ON HIS JOB

CUPID WATCHES OVER ABRUZZI-ELKINS ROMANCE

Francois de Tessan Calls Love Match Charming Bit of Life Interest of Two Continents, Europe and America.

Paris.—The love romance of the Duke of Abruzzi and Miss Katherine Elkins, daughter of United States Senator Elkins is attracting increasing attention in Paris due to recent developments that indicate that Cupid is strictly in the job.

And strange to behold the comments on the subject are unusually friendly toward the probable union of the two. Usually, in similar affairs this isn't so. The Frenchman usually scorns the American; he hates the English and he loathes the German; but he scorns the American. The thick necked cab driver, who beats his poor horse to death cheats the eye teeth out of his fare, and then goes home to salt his money down and choke his wife insensible, calls the American a pig. The American only fares for dollars; he has no refinement.

So usually, when Paris and France comments upon the marriage of a red faced, dissipated, bankrupt and dissolute nobleman of Europe, with an American heiress, it is with some such remark as "He would have done better to marry his mother's cook."

The Duke of Abruzzi is well thought of in Europe. He appears to be an uncommonly clever sort of chap. And when one takes his good qualities into consideration, it is all the more wonderful that France should take such a really keen delight in the report that the wedding is a sure thing.

Francois de Tessan has written an article on the subject for LALiberta. He says:

"It is charming, this romance, and exquisite in its varying phases. It takes us from the shores of flowery Florida to the Himalayas; through the court of Italy and into the balm of Turin. It is interesting all the way.

"The most varied people mix in this story, which has for its chief characters a really likable prince and a decidedly charming American. There is a king and count of Turin and a queen and without doubt a collection of grand dames fussing and tumbling for and against the match. There are two camps: The old fashioned folk who wish to uphold the traditions of nobility, and the more modern ones who see nothing out of place in the marriage with an American. Rome and Washington have become two seething centers of news; almost daily one hears that the engagement is off or that the marriage is imminent; or that the pretty girl is affianced to another and the duke is in exile.

"But love watches. The romance is not broken and the mysterious denouement is preparing in the shadow. Today we know that the lovers are always in correspondence with one another and are only awaiting a more favorable time. Only the last chapter 'Constancy triumphs over all obstacles,' needs to be written. The king of Italy has withdrawn his objections, which were never more than protocolary.

"The duke will go to Washington in November as the guest of the Italian ambassador. He will deliver some lectures on his travels. But he is soon to be promoted to a rear admiralty and it is then understood that he will then formally ask his cousin the king, for permission to wed his sweetheart for whom he has been waiting for two years. Everywhere everyone seems willing that the American girl shall come into the Italian court as a full royal princess.

"As to Miss Elkins herself, she has

well won her title of Duchess of the Abruzzi by her faithful tenderness toward the prince. All in all it is a very beautiful romance!"

SUMMER SEASON BRINGS AMERICANS TO LONDON

London—London is just now given over to visitors, chiefly American and continental.

Drawn blinds at mansions in West End squares are the rule rather than the exception, and there are busy scenes daily in the railway stations in connection with the departure of people for the moors and the seaside.

On the other hand the hotels have been full for some time. From May onward Americans arrive in London in large numbers, and though they make frequent excursions into the provinces they are not absent for more than a few days at a time.

The manager of one of the largest hotels in London stated today that the number of American visitors is increasing year by year. They bring their families with them, too, which was not always the case, and they stay as long as business engagements permit. "They seem loath to leave London," he added, "and most hotels are sorry when they go, for the average American spends sensibly and freely."

The large drapery and millinery establishments in the West End bear testimony to the shopping value of the American lady visitor. "She is not at all difficult to please," said one manager, "and unlike her Canadian neighbors is not particular as to price."

The Americans are more interested in the historic features of London than its parks and squares. They consult their guide books daily, and make out an itinerary. Few show places of the metropolis escape their observation.

The Abbey, St. Paul's cathedral and the houses of parliament are perhaps the most popular resorts of visitors, and all day long there is a constant stream in the direction of Westminster. A policeman on duty outside the Abbey counted 50 taxicabs which set down fares within 20 minutes.

Restaurants in the West End are reaping a harvest just now during luncheon hours, and places of amusement in the evening have a large proportion of American and continental visitors among their patrons.

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CLEARING LAND.

Char Pit Process Demonstrated to be Cheap and Effective.

Portland, Ore.—Experiments just conducted in clearing land by the char pit process at Chehalis, Wash., is of vital interest to the whole Northwest. The success of the new method has been demonstrated in the tests just made and it offers a cheap and effective way to rid cut over land of stumps leaving it ready for the farmer's plow.

Experts took up the subject and directed the tests at Chehalis. Secretary Merrill of the Citizens' Club, Chehalis, arranged for the experiments and secured the attendance of Harry Thompson of the United States department of agriculture, and Prof. H. W. Sparks, farm demonstrator at the State College, Pullman, who showed considerable interest in the results.

One hundred fir stumps, from two to four feet in diameter, were kept burning in this test and an accurate account kept of the labor required. Stumps were completely destroyed and roots burned out at an average cost of 50 cents per stump.

Distinct advantages of the char pit system are that it can be operated successfully without the high priced skilled labor required for blasting stumps and it is much less expensive than the donkey engine method. The char pit system leaves the ground in good condition for the planting of crops, whereas the more expensive blasting method tears large holes in the ground and lifts the hardpan to the surface, lessening the productivity of the soil.

Mr. Thompson's report on the case will be issued later in a bulletin by the department of agriculture and copies may be had by addressing the Chehalis Citizens' club. Secretary Merrill has arranged with Mr. Thompson and Prof. Sparks to hold further demonstrations at various points in western Washington, calculated to educate the people along the line of clearing up logged off lands. If the new method facilitates the clearing of the thousands of acres of idle stump land in the Northwest, it will accomplish great good.

MYSTERY TERRORIZES LITTLE FRENCH TOWN

Paris.—The little village of Pogomas, near Frasso, has again been terrorized by another of those extraordinary crimes committed by people of whom nobody in the village has been able to catch sight.

The prefect of the Alpes Maritimes has gone to Pogomas to look into the matter and a special meeting of the municipal council has been called. Twelve gendarmes will patrol the little village every night until the criminals are discovered and all the inhabitants have been ordered to submit any weapons they possess to careful examination.

Here are a few of the crimes recently committed by the "phantom bandits"—as the people of Pogomas call them. A man named Risso was playing cards in a cafe when a bullet whistled into the room and went through the hands that held the cards.

In a house 200 yards away a boy of 16 was shot on Sunday night as he was going to bed. The boy, whose name is Musse, had noticed somebody lurking near the house. At the moment the shot was fired he stooped to pick up his gun, which was under the bed, and so doing saved his life.



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MONEY IN APPLES AT WHITE SALMON

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Three years ago there were not more than 250 people who made their homes in the neighborhood. Today the population is close to 1000. The frame schoolhouse is soon to give place to a \$16,000 brick school, which is under construction.

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BEAUTIFUL GIRLS IN STATION OVER NIGHT

Pittsburg.—Two of the most beautiful girls that have ever been the guests of the Pittsburg police station were confined in Central police station Wednesday. They are Anna McLaughlin, who also confesses to the name of Summers, whose home is in Nome, Alaska, and Hilda Cornell, of Seattle, Wash.

Neither is more than 18 years old. They were arrested in a Pittsburg department store by two detectives, who allege that they were stealing shirt-waists.

In the room of the girls on Federal street, there was found Wednesday night data which proves the remarkable story told by the girls that they were the daughters of rich mine promoters of the Northwest.

The McLaughlin girl asserts that she was born in Juneau, Alaska, and that her father is a rich operator at Nome.

With the Cornell girl she agrees that they lived until two years ago in Seattle, and that at that time they were placed in a private school at Chinawana, Ore., by their parents. They stated that within the last year they both escaped from this school and joined an opera company, and since have gone all over the country.

Their last employment was as song and dance girls with the Butler Brothers' Carnival company which went on the rocks several days since. The girls have retained all their correspondence, and the police have asked that the police of Vancouver, B. C., get into communication with Nome regarding them, and that Seattle also investigate.

Patrick McLaughlin of Nome, the father of one of the girls, is said to have immense wealth. James Cornell of Seattle is given as Hilda Cornell's father.

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PARISIAN SHORT WEIGHT DEALERS TO BE WATCHED

Paris.—A new municipal department has just been opened which will go far to kill the legend that in Paris everything is false. The function of the new department is to examine the weights and measures used by traders, and, further, to see that certain articles are not adulterated or fraudulent, such as mineral waters, etc.

There will be 8 districts each with its own inspector, while another inspector will be charged with the special duty of milk inspection. The other officers will visit the shops, warehouses, markets, etc., and inspect meat, fowl game and fish. A great deal of interest is shown in the new department and people are wondering what will be the fate of those traders who are found to be in fault.

The assumption is that there must be a good deal of fraud going on if the authorities find it necessary to go to the expense of establishing such a service of inspectors.

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