

TWO FRIENDS AND TWO COATS

Not alone were Maurice and Paul friends from childhood, not alone had they followed the same studies in the same colleges, not alone had they married two cousins in the same year, but they also possessed a brown overcoat each of the very same make and very same shade.

On a certain morning as Maurice, after an affectionate goodbye to Marthe, went alone to business a messenger boy, who evidently had been watching for him, slipped a note securely and quickly into his hand.

Quite mystified, Maurice opened it. Written in rather bad handwriting were the lines:

"Dear Old Friend—Come and dine with me tomorrow evening. You know the address. Yrs. 'Fid, Fid'" He could not recall the name.

Then suddenly light broke on him. He remembered now—an actress who had a big share of his boyish devotion. But of what could she be thinking to imagine he, a sensible married man, with the most charming wife in Paris, would accept such an invitation? With a gesture of contempt he stuffed the billet into his coat pocket and took the envelope into little pieces as he threw it to the wind.

When he arrived at his office, Paul was already there. But so busy were the two friends that, except the moment taken to arrange to make a party for the theater that evening, there was no opportunity of speaking all day. Paul left first in the evening, and as Maurice was finishing up business for the day he began to think of his billet.

After all, what harm would it be if he went to see an old friend? He could easily, he was sure, learn through her of the destinies of youthful friends whom he had not seen for years, perhaps meet them at her home. He could easily make a pretext of business to Marthe. Surely he would love his wife none the less because he had a few hearty laughs with old friends about old times.

And, standing up, he reached for his coat and hat. When putting on the coat, he felt the sleeves a trifle narrow.

"Paul," thought he, "has taken mine. We'll exchange this evening at the theater."

Some hours later the young couple were in a box at the Vaudeville. The piece was well acted and was of captivating interest. Seated behind Marthe, who had never looked prettier, Maurice forgot all about the adventure of the morning.

Seated in the carriage which was to take them home, the door had hardly closed when Marthe turned to her husband.

"Look at that! 'Fid, Fid,'" exclaimed she, with indignation, holding out with a trembling hand the billet of 'Fid, Fid.'"

"Atrocious!" answered he energetically and sincerely. There was a moment of silence.

"Poor Valentine!" sighed Marthe. "Valentine! Why, Valentine!" "Oh, that is a man all over! Her husband invited to dinner with Mrs. Fid, and I'm asked, 'Why, Valentine?'"

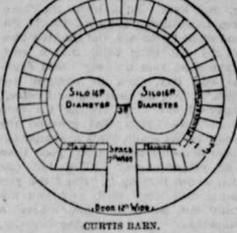
"Yes, Paul, your bosom friend. It was during the last entr'acte we made the discovery. Valentine had scratched her finger fixing her brooch, and not liking to soil her handkerchief, she asked me to get her Paul's from his pocket. Instead I pulled out this note. Do my best, I could not get an exclamation of surprise."

ROUND BARN.

Advantages Claimed For a Round Barn Inclosing Round Silos.

Drawing some comparisons between the round and the square barn, Colonel F. D. Curtis of Wisconsin writes to The National Stockman and Farmer as follows: A neighbor is building one of the square order 30 by 60 feet, stone basement, stalls for 36 cattle, frame about 20 feet high to roof, requiring 7,000 feet of lumber for frame. It is 180 feet around it and has an area of 1,800 feet. A round barn 60 feet in diameter may have a stone basement and same height above, more or less. It will not take half as much lumber for its frame nor half as much labor to frame and put it up and be vastly stronger when completed. The area or space it incloses is 2,700 feet—half as much again as the square one compared with, and the area of the walls will be the same. It will give space for 40 to 45 cattle stalls instead of 36 in the square barn, room for two round silos 16 feet each in diameter, if properly filled holding not less than 300 tons, located as near as possible in the center of the circle of the stock to consume the silage, saving more than half of the labor of feeding silage when stored outside the stable.

The plan of basement here proposed is designed to make 30 to 36 cattle comfortable in winter. The outside circle represents the wall of the barn. Preferably I would have a circular row of stalls around the outside, but this is broken in upon to give room to drive in a horse and cart—drive around and out the same door to clean out the stable. The stall partitions are to be hung to a 2 by 10 piece of studding in the manger and the back end is to be



ROUND BARN.

held in place by a sort of stud button, a 2 by 4 with one bolt to confine it to the partition, the ends of the stud to slide into slots in the floor above and below, confining the cow in the stall by a chain behind her.

Preferably I would grade into a bank 30 feet high above the basement, which would give space for a room between the stable and the floor above. It will be well if we can get an eight foot bank to drive in over the basement, better if we can get 10 feet and still better if we can get 24 feet to the gable. If a ridge roof with a third pitch, it would give us about 20 feet to the ridge of the roof where we would have a hay carrier. Our silos going into the earth ten feet below the stable could stop at the top floor or could go some ten feet more to the support of the purline, "high enough to weight itself."

A silo located as here recommended is scarcely more than 20 feet from any of the stock.

Sowing Timothy.

In my opinion there is no better way of getting a good stand of timothy than to put the ground in good order and sow the seed about the last week in September or first of October, one bushel to six acres. I have sown in corn the last time worked the corn and got the best kind of a stand of timothy and clover, remarks a correspondent in National Stockman.

Official Crop Returns.

The August report of the government statistician shows the following averages of condition upon Aug. 1: Corn, 57.5; spring wheat, 54.4; oats, 85; barley, 71.6; spring rye, 76; buckwheat, 37.9; potatoes, 88.2; timothy hay, 70.9. The average condition of corn declined two points during July, and on Aug. 1 it was 2.4 points lower than at the corresponding date last year, but .5 point higher than on Aug. 1, 1908, and 1.3 points above the mean of August averages for the last ten years. The conditions in the principal states are as follows: Ohio, 10; Indiana, 9; Kansas, 7; and Nebraska, 83. During July there was an improvement of 8 points in Ohio, 9 in Indiana, 4 in Illinois and 3 in Iowa. On the other hand, there was a decline of 2 points in Missouri, 8 in Nebraska and 22 in Kansas.

The average condition of spring wheat improved 1.2 points during July, but on Aug. 1 it was 27.2 points lower than at the corresponding date last year, 40.1 points lower than on Aug. 1, 1908, and 27.8 points below the mean of the August average for the last ten years. The conditions in the principal states are as follows: Minnesota, 38; North Dakota, 25; South Dakota, 10; Nebraska, 64; Iowa, 91. During July there was an improvement of 10 points in Minnesota, 5 points in South Dakota and 1 point in Iowa. On the other hand, there was a decline of 5 points in North Dakota and of 2 points in Nebraska.

The average condition of oats declined .5 point during July, and on Aug. 1 it was 5.8 points lower than at the corresponding date last year, but 3 point higher than on Aug. 1, 1908, and 2.7 points above the mean of the August averages for the last ten years. The conditions in the principal states are as follows: New York, 84; Pennsylvania, 82; Ohio, 60; Michigan, 101; Indiana, 94; Illinois, 97; Wisconsin, 77; Minnesota, 57; Iowa, 90; Missouri, 100; Kansas, 87, and Nebraska, 78.

men. Lincoln anticipated the question which was about to be put by the group, and, taking his figure of speech from practices with which they were so familiar, said, "Gentlemen, I entered this coat, but he kicked around so I had to withdraw him."

HAS A VARIED CLIMATE.

Curious Meteorological Conditions of the Island of Saghalien.

Saghalien, off the eastern coast of Siberia, presents a very curious anomaly of climate. The island is bathed by two cold ocean currents, and in winter nothing protects it against the icy northwinds coming from Siberia. At the sea level the snow falls continually and stays on the ground till the end of May, and the seashore is very cold. Further inland, however, especially as we go higher up, the climate is modified—just the opposite to what is observed elsewhere. It has often been observed in Siberia and in central Europe that in winter the cold is greater in the plains and the valleys and that the highlands have a sensibly milder temperature; it is as if the denser cold air accumulated in the lowlands.

The cold air accumulates in the low regions of the island, and on the coast the higher regions have a more elevated temperature. So it happens that the lower parts have an arctic vegetation, while the intermediate altitudes have the vegetation of a temperate zone, sometimes subtropical. The birch, the pine, the fir, abound in the low regions and form often impenetrable forests, but toward the center of the island appear bamboo, hydrangea, azaleas and other plants that one is greatly surprised to meet, and whose presence can be explained only by the altogether abnormal climate (English Chronicle).

The End of the World in 1914.

A famous scientist predicts that the world will come to an end in 1914, basing his calculations on the revelations of the bible. If this is so, it is well to get ready to leave. We can out of the few years that remain for us to live. One of the surest ways to enjoy life is the possession of good health and a well regulated stomach. Hostetter's Stomach Bitters will enable anyone to obtain this. It is a great remedy for the cure of all that arise from a bad stomach. It cures dyspepsia, constipation, fever and ague, malaria, rheumatism and indigestion. No other medicine can show a record equal to Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, the standard medicine of the American people for over 50 years.

His Shortcomings.

"How does your new bookkeeper suit you?"

"As a bookkeeper he's great, but as a human being I don't take to him."—Chicago Record.

A Case In Point.

Mr. Grouch: "You women think too much of your clothes." Mrs. Grouch: "I don't think much of these—Indignation Press."

Repeating School French.

"What sort of French does Cousin Barbara speak?" was asked. "Frenchless French," was the reply.—Detroit Free Press.

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Summons.

In the circuit court of the state of Oregon for Polk county.

Vida T. Morton, plaintiff,

vs.

Wm. G. Morton, Jr., defendant.

Whereas, the above named defendant, in violation of the laws of the State of Oregon, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit on or before the 29th day of November, A. D. 1909, and if you fail to answer, or want thereof, the plaintiff will take a decree against you as prayed for in her complaint in the above entitled suit, to the effect that the same of matrimony now existing between plaintiff and the defendant herein is dissolved and that plaintiff be declared a single woman, and that she be allowed her share of the community property and disbursements herein and for such other and further relief as to the court may seem most equitable.

This summons is published by order of the Honorable J. E. Silbey, judge of the county court of the state of Oregon for Polk county, duly made and entered on the 9th day of October, 1909. The date of the first publication of this summons is October 12, A. D. 1909, and of the last publication is November 23, A. D. 1909.

J. H. THOMPSON, Attorney for plaintiff.

Executor's Sale.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT by virtue and in pursuance of an order of the county court of the county of Polk, state of Oregon, made and entered on the 5th day of March, 1909, in the matter of the estate of Chas. A. Sawtelle, deceased, the undersigned will, on the 10th Day of November, 1909, at the hour of 12 o'clock, p. m., of said day, sell of public auction at the front door of the county court house in Dallas, in said county of Polk, to the highest bidder for cash in full, the following described real property belonging to said estate or to such thereof as may be necessary for the purpose of raising funds with which to pay off the indebtedness of said estate and the charges and expenses of administration, to-wit: Lots 1 and 2 of section 17, township 8 south, range 6 west, of the Willamette meridian in Polk county, Oregon, containing 37.09 acres. Also the northwest 1/4 of the southwest 1/4, the west 1/4 of the northwest quarter and the northwest quarter of section 16, township 8 south, range 7 west, of Willamette meridian in Polk county, Oregon, containing 97.50 acres. For information apply to Dr. W. H. Parrish at Monmouth, Polk county, Oregon, administrator with will annexed of said estate.

Dated at Dallas, Oregon, this 6th day of October, 1909.

W. H. PARRISH, Administrator with will annexed of estate of Chas. A. Sawtelle, deceased.

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Their Business.

Gas Man—Hello, Tom, what are you doing these days?
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BAD COLDS.

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Notice of Final Settlement.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT J. E. COOPER and N. M. COOPER, the surviving co-trustees of the late and deceased of SASKIA COOPER, deceased, have filed their final account as such trustees in the county court of Polk county, Oregon, and that they have, by the 10th day of October, 1909, at the hour of 12 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, in a court room of said county court at Dallas, Polk county, Oregon, been freed by Hon. J. E. Silbey, judge of said court, so the time and place for the hearing of objections heretofore set and the settlement thereof.

TOO MUCH ZEAL.

BY BARRY FAIR.

The two tramps reclined on the hay that they had pulled out of the new made stack and spread in the shade. Roused from somnolence by the slipping of his clay pipe from his mouth, the younger man sat up. He tightened his leather belt, rolled his pipe and supposed that he must be off. He was a strong, gypsy looking man.

"What for?" asked his companion.

"Because I want to get took on for tomorrow, and if I don't go now it will be too late."

"Ah!" said the old man. "Hard graft, middling pay and now 'twixes—and that's harkening. You wouldn't catch me running after it. That's no proper work for a man."

"Well," said the old man, "the last job I had was a good un."

"Checked it?"

"No, zeal; doing too much."

Degenerate Redskin. The red man was plainly going the pace.

"Holdrup!" we urged earnestly. "Can you not hold up?"

Different Breaths. Down in southern Georgia two widows were conoling with each other over their troubles.

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