

A Broken Promise

"Reuben, you don't go back to Tennessee to see the Baxters?"

"That's what I'll do, see ole Tom's ole maw, 'eh?"

"Why not?"

"You never heard tell 'bout Miss Bell, I reckon. She was Miss Bell du Bose. They place wuz two plantations down the river from ours. Miss Bell wuz Mistah Clay Baxter's sweetheart. They wuz allus sweethearts, even when she wuz uh little gal an' rig ahil. Mistah Clay tell me he poned tuh school. Evidently 'round' tuh neighborhood know they gwine tuh git married some day, an' they sho' did leve no 'nother. That's how come I made this promise tuh Miss Bell."

"When the war break out, Mistah Clay say he gwine go. They git up uh big company right thar in the county, an' Mistah Clay he's cap'n. You see, when Mistah Clay wuz uh boy, I kindah take kerr uh him; saddled his hoss an' rade tuh school fah him an' tuk him possum huntin' an' fishin' an' wuz gen'ally 'sponsible fah his readin'. When he come home talkin' 'bout the war, natchally I wuz uh go too. So I beg an' beg an' beg, tell by an' by he say all right of Mas' Gawge say so. Mas' Gawge he say he don't kerr, an' that's how I come tuh be wif Mistah Clay."

"Thud day we start evahbody what know us wuz ovah at our house watchin' us start. Miss Bell she come ovah early an' she an' Mistah Clay come ovah down by the front fence, whah nobody leah 'em an' talk uh whole lot. When they come up to the front porch whah Mas' Gawge an' the res' wuz standin', Miss Bell's eyes sho look sof. You don't know 'bout Miss Bell's eyes. They's great big brown eyes thar look at you like they see clear through you an' ovah on the othah side. Miss Bell she come ovah tuh me an' she say:

"Reuben, you're gwine wif Mistah Clay?"

"I say, 'Yessum.'"

"Thah's daugh ovah thah whah you gwine, Reuben?"

"Yessum."

"Mistah Clay might git hurt?"

"Yessum."

"Ef he does, you'll tek good keer uh him an' nevah leave him?"

"Yessum."

"Cross your heart an' nody?"

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Final Settlement.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE UNDERSIGNED has filed his final account in the matter of the estate of F. W. Plimbeck, deceased, January 6, 1902, at the hour of 1 o'clock p. m., has been appointed by the court of the state of Oregon, for the county of Polk, as the hearing of objections to said final account and the settlement thereof, all persons who therefore wish to appear at said time and show cause why said account should not be approved and the administrator of said estate and bondsman discharged.

Dated this 20th day of November, 1901.

D. W. SEARS, Administrator of the estate of F. W. Plimbeck, deceased.

Townsend & Hart, attorneys.

Citation.

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

In the matter of the estate of Cornelius P. Unruh, deceased.—Citation.

To Anna Unruh, Katie Unruh, Maria Unruh, Claude Unruh and Walter Unruh, heirs of said deceased, greeting:

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON, you and each of you are hereby cited and required to appear in the county court of the state of Oregon for the county of Polk, at the court room thereof, in Dallas, in the county of Polk, on the 6th day of January, 1902, at 1 o'clock p. m., of said day, then and there to show cause, if any there be, why the petition of David Peters, administrator of said estate, filed in this court on the 7th day of November, 1901, praying an order to sell the following described real property belonging to said estate and administrator's title and deed be granted, to-wit: Beginning at a point on the north boundary line of the donation land claim of Pleasant Orchard and wife, notification No. 1,908, claim No. 58, in township 6 south, range 5 west, of the Willamette meridian in Polk county, state of Oregon, which said 12.36 chains, thence north 8.23 chains to the place of beginning, containing 206.25 acres of land, more or less.

WITNESS the Hon. J. E. Sibley, judge of the county court of the state of Oregon, for the county of Polk, with the seal of said court affixed, this 8th day of Nov., A. D., 1901.

Attorn: U. N. Longhary, clerk. Published by order of J. E. Sibley, county judge.

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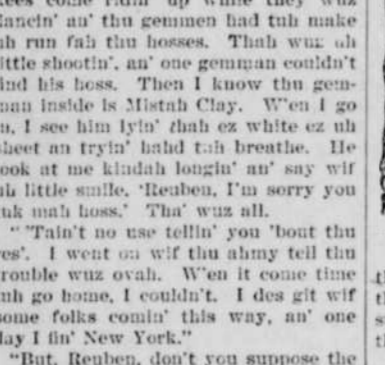
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GENERAL BULLER.

Buller was forgiven for sacrificing his men in South Africa, but when it came to talking indiscreetly—never!—New York World.

It appears that the London war office was doing its very best to induce General Buller to utilize the soft pedal.—Washington Post.

General Buller has once more thrown the British war office into hysterics by the announcement that he will have something to say at an early date.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

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HOME COMFORTS.

What May Be Done With Poultry on the Farm, Large or Small.

There are many home comforts that can be had with little extra care. All such delicate surroundings help to make our lives more pleasant, and in addition to this it lifts us above the everyday common routine that is so very laborious. The man or woman of family who simply spend their time in following the plow or milking the cow or in work about the barn or in butter making or kindred occupations about the farm and who depend upon pork and potatoes with coffee and bread as their daily rations are simply one step outside of close confinement.

Among our most prosperous farmers the mode of living has its refining influence. This is not of necessity a believing that must be confined to those who have wealth. All can have the same surroundings to a limited extent. It will not cost as much to have a lot of hens well kept and cared for as it does to keep the hogs that make your pork, and surely the profit from the well kept hens is greater than can be gained from the hogs, and the meat of the hen and her eggs are far more healthful for all than so much pork and fat.

Nothing brings the ready money to the home like the product of the hen. Eggs are spot cash at all times; so is the well fed fowl or young chicken.

The keeping of a few turkeys is a simple matter that brings much pleasure as well as profit in return for the care bestowed. The eggs of the turkey hen can be placed under our chicken hens that will often hatch and care for them better than the turkey hen. These turkey eggs can be bought if turkey hens are not kept, and thus a few fat turkeys are at hand all the winter for a Sunday or holiday feast for the family, adding as it does a pleasant attraction to the home, besides making us proud of our home comforts.

It is quite as easy to raise turkeys as to raise young chickens; if a few simple rules are followed they give but little trouble. First of all, never keep the young pullets or turkeys where they must run with the young chicks. Keep them separate and feed them alone. Never allow them to run or live together when young. For some reason they will not do well together. You must keep the young turkeys absolutely free from lice. Lice and damp are most destructive to young turkeys. When kept perfectly free from lice and dampness and alone, it is a very simple task to grow them very fast.

In addition to these place some duck and geese eggs under your hens so as to have a few of these birds for your winter eating. It is a very simple task to handle a few ducks and geese. When hatched, keep them alone, not with other fowls, till three or four weeks old, when they can be allowed to go with them. They must have protection from the wet and damp till well started to grow. After they are well started and strong ducks will not injure any crops, but geese will eat and often destroy any growing plants or vegetables that a cow will eat. A few will do but very little damage, and for this reason would advise the purchase of the eggs so as simply to have a few for winter use and never keep old geese unless prepared for their keeping.

Many who have an old loft in an outbuilding could keep a few pigeons for squabs. A dozen pairs of pigeons will provide at least two splendid meals for your family each month from the squabs they will raise. Nothing is more attractive than an old fashioned baked pie made of squabs. They are also beautiful to broil or bake or smother in the oven, and for the Sunday noon meal when we gather to enjoy the only quiet meal of the week some little delicacies are most attractive. All these little additions to our family comfort help to make our home the most attractive spot on earth.—Feather.

Not to Be Made Fun Of.

Much fun is poked at New Jersey as the headquarters of mosquitoes and malaria, but according to Frederick L. Hoffman, an expert on the comparative mortality of different countries, New Jersey has the lowest death rate of any civilized country, excepting Norway only.—New York World.

Exposure to Wet

dampness and cold, invariably results in a sudden chill, which if not attended to immediately will cause a cold. By mixing a teaspoonful of Perry Davis Pinkettes in half a glass of warm water or milk, the whole system will be heated and the danger of cold avoided. Avoid substitutes, there is but one Pinkette, Perry Davis. Price 25 and 50 cents.

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MEN AS THEY PASS.

Adjutant General Corbin wears his uniform while on duty in the war department, and his example is being followed by other army officers on duty there.

President Roosevelt is 5 feet 8 inches tall, weighs 185 pounds, has a chest measurement of 42 inches and keeps himself in almost athletic training. He does not smoke and prefers simple food.

Frank H. Buhl, ex-president of the Sharon Steel company, has promised to give \$200,000 for a public building at Sharon, Pa. The town must provide for its maintenance, and it must be kept open seven days a week.

Francis A. Gill of Philadelphia, it is declared, has two hearts pumping blood for him. The discovery was made by Dr. C. P. Brady after Gill had entered Northern dispensary to have the bruises caused by falling from a coal cart attended to.

The oldest drummer, it is thought, in the United States is Colonel E. Du Daurens, who travels for an ink house. He is seventy-nine years old and for thirty-four years has been known to printers all over the country. The colonel earned his title in the French army.

F. A. Sampson of Sedalia, Mo., who has given his entire library to the State Historical society, has been interested for thirty-three years in collecting books, periodicals and materials bearing upon Missouri history. His collection aggregates upward of 7,000 titles.

Samuel R. Callaway, president of the American Locomotive company, was more than thirty years at the head of the shorthand writers of this continent. He kept up his practice and today could take a trick at an important assignment with the best stenographers.

Those who admire Dumas' famous novel "The Three Musketeers" may be pleased to know the descendants of D'Artagnan are still in the flesh. The Comte d'Artagnan, who sometimes acts as a correspondent for leading Paris journals, is the present representative of the family.

Good Prices in England.

Extraordinary prices were realized at the sale of the prize poultry and pigeons of Lyttam, says an English exchange. A black Orpington cock fetched £150, three Orpington hens £90 and black eckers hatched this year £17. In pigeons a white African owl bred this year fetched £50, and others ranged from £25 to £15.

Through the multiplication of ships the ocean ceased to be trackless. Through the Marconi marvel it has ceased to be a solitude.—New York World.

A new fast train will reach San Francisco from New York in four days. Only the slack time in crossing the continent these rapid days.—New York World.

New Mexico's production of 1,217,530 tons of coal for the year contains more of promise for its early admission to statehood than the scheming of its politicians.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

THE REVIEWER.

The automobile is beating out football in the race for the fatality stakes.—New York Press.

With one of our jockeys riding for the king the "American invasion" begins to wear a purple hue.—New York