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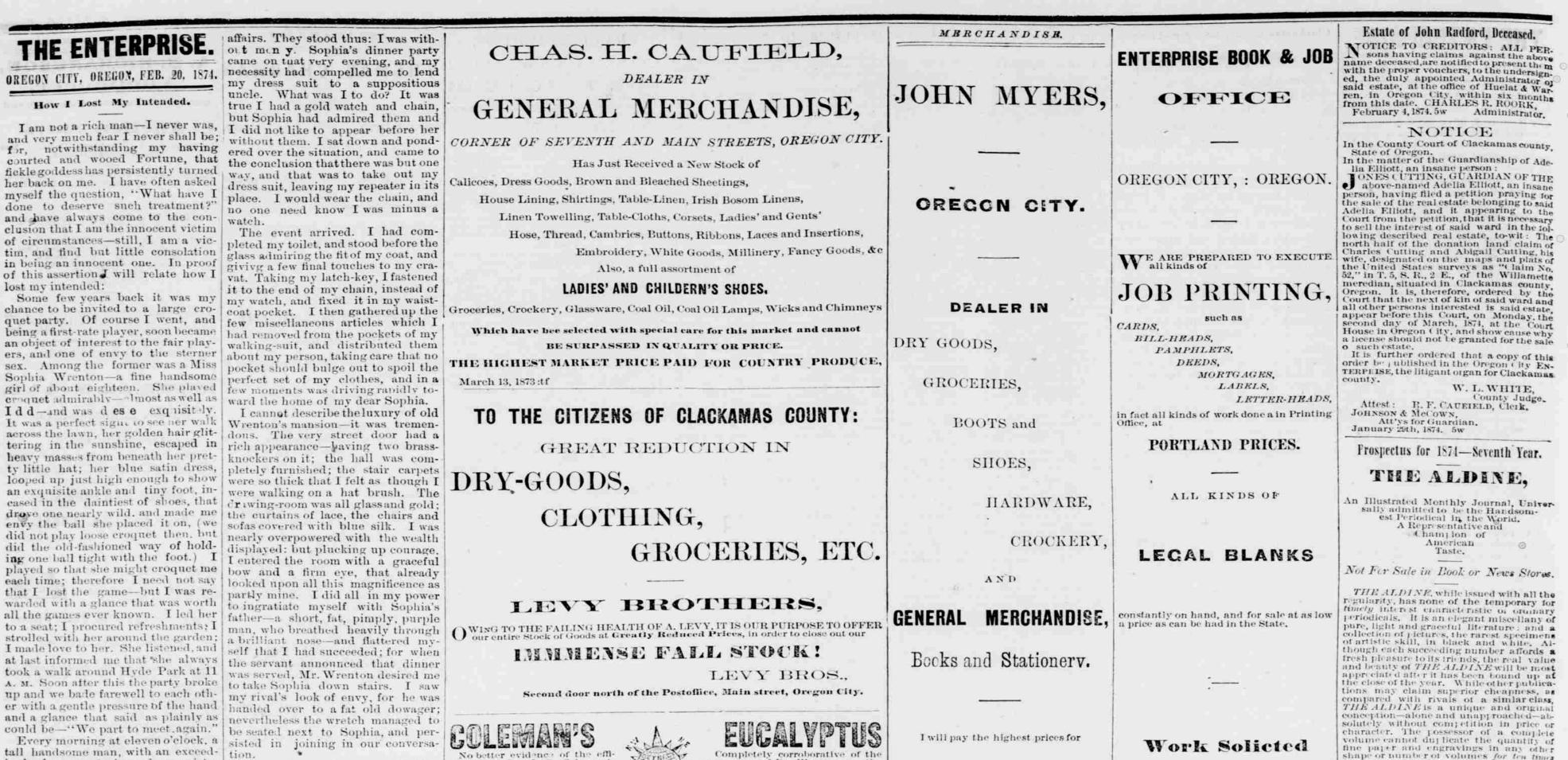
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How I Lost My Intended.

I am not a rich man-I never was, I did not like to appear before her and very much fear I never shall be; for, notwithstanding my having courted and wooed Fortune, that fickle goddess has persistently turned her back on me. I have often asked myself the question, "What have I done to deserve such treatment?" and have always come to the con- watch. clusion that I am the innocent victim of circumstances-still, I am a victim, and find but little consolation in being an innocent one. In proof of this assertion J will relate how I

lost my intended:

Some few years back it was my my watch, and fixed it in my waistquet party. Of course I went, and few miscellaneous articles which I being a first-rate player, soon became had removed from the pockets of my an object of interest to the fair play- walking-suit, and distributed them ers, and one of envy to the sterner about my person, taking care that no sex. Among the former was a Miss pocket should bulge out to spoil the Sophia Wrenton-a fine handsome perfect set of my clothes, and in a girl of about eighteen. She played few moments was driving rapidly tocroquet admirably-lmost as well as ward the home of my dear Sophia. Idd-and was dese exquisitely. I cannot describe the luxury of old It was a perfect sign, to see per walk Wrenton's mansion-it was tremenacross the lawn, her golden hair glit- dons. The very street door had a tering in the sunshine, escaped in rich appearance-baving two brassheavy masses from beneath her pret- knockers on it; the hall was comty little hat; her blue satin dress, pletely furnished; the stair carpets looped up just high enough to show were so thick that I felt as though I an exquisite ankle and tiny foot, in- were walking on a hat brush. The cased in the daintiest of shoes, that drawing-room was all glass and gold; drove one nearly wild, and made me the curtains of lace, the chairs and envy the ball she placed it on, (we sofas covered with blue silk. I was did not play loose croquet then, but nearly overpowered with the wealth did the old-fashioned way of hold- displayed: but plucking up courage, ing one ball tight with the foot.) I I entered the room with a graceful played so that she might croquet me bow and a firm eye, that already each time; therefore I need not say looked upon all this magnificence as that I lost the game-but I was re- partly mine. I did all in my power warded with a glance that was worth to ingratiate myself with Sophia's all the games ever known. I led her father-a short, fat, pimply, purple to a seat; I procured refreshments; I man, who breathed heavily through strolled with her around the garden; a brilliant nose-and flattered my-I made love to her. She listened, and self that I had succeeded; for when at last informed me that she always the servant announced that dinner took a walk around Hyde Park at 11 was served, Mr. Wrenton desired me A. M. Soon after this the party broke to take Sophia down stairs. I saw up and we bade farewell to each oth- my rival's look of envy, for he was er with a gentle pressure of the hand handed over to a fat old dowager; and a glance that said as plainly as could be—"We part to meet.again." Every morning at eleven o'clock, a tall handsome man, with an exceed- tion. ingly long mustache and an aristo- The party was a large one, the dincratic air, might be seen wending his ner excellent, and the wines superb. compound extract that the following way beneath the branches of the no-ble trees that verdant with foliage ble trees that, verdant with foliage, shed their shadows over that most turned on traveling; and I was loud this remedy alone, by that emished their shadows over that most in condemning the English railways, ter, in the U.S. Marine Hospital, San Fran- Medical Journal, July, 1872. celebrated equestrian way, named comparing them to those of the con- cisco, reported in the August No. (1872) Pa-"Rotten Row." Gentle reader, I tinent, of which I had a large expe- cific Med. Jour. rience, having had at different times | Remittent Feyer. was that man. At the same hour, approaching to seek in foreign lands that protec- Chills and Fever from the opposite direction, a tall, tion denied me by my own countryhandsome girl of about eighteen men. Summers could be observed. Her "It may be as you say," said my shows anxiety to reach the beloved my part I prefer the English lines. object of her search. A gentle flush | You get more attention and civility spread over her peach-like cheeks as | from the officials." she drew near the gentleman before "I am sorry to say that I do not mentioned. That sweet girl was So- agree with you," I replied, "and I phia We met, and-but no; I can- am sure you would own I am right not describe the rapture of our meet- had you been with me when I was going to Marseilles; or even more so ing! Things went on in this way for a had you been traveling with me to couple of months. I found Sophia Baden Baden. all I could wish, and I was all that As I spoke I saw Sophia glance at she desired. She scorned wealth; I me with pride. was poor and therefore escaped her "Things may have altered," said scorn. She doted on mysteries; I Jenkins, "but I traveled both France was a complete one, therefore she and Germany for ten years, when I doted on me. She loved romance; I was junior partner to Print, Calico had a particular reason for roman- & Co., but I never had any civility cing. What two people in the world that I had not to pay heavily for." could be more suited to each other? I placed my eye-glass in my eye, During our walks I discovered and surveyed Mr. Jenkins with a that Sophia hated anything common- look of contempt, at the same time place or low. Thus, she would have observing that I traveled for pleashad no objection to my poverty fore- | ure, not business. ing me to abstain from dinners for a "I didn't," replied Jenkins; "I week or a fortnight; but she would traveled for the firm, and very well have hated me had I dared to men- it paid me. One thing you must tion that I was unromantically hun own; our men are quicker and more gry, or expressed Mr. Pickwick's de- correct." sire for "chops and tomato sauce." I "Not at all," said I triumphantly. also found that I had a rival, but "Only last week I had to go home to luckily a rich one-therefore Soubia Reading, and on leaving the train I scorned him, but at the same time entered the refreshment room, and used him to make me jealous and our had a cup' of coffee, after which I situation more romantic. I muttered | left the station, forgetting to give up his name, which, by the way, was my ticket, as no one asked me for Jenkins, in deep sepulchral tones it.' that made Sophia tremble. I al- "You must excuse my scarcely lowed my hair to grow, loosened my | crediting that sir," said Mr. Jenkins. necktie, pulled down the ends of my "Are you sure you did not give np mustache, and sighed like an Ameri- the ticket before entering the recan goat-sucker. freshment-room ?" Sophia had, on her part, learned "I am positive of that," I replied, my address-indeed, I had made no | "and to prove what I said is correct, secret of that, for it was a good one, I will show you the ticket, which I being Bernard st., Russell Square, have with me. She thought I had the drawing- As I spoke I cast a glance of scorn rooms; I knew I had the back-attic, at Jenkins; then turning disdainfully



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given him that horrid ticket in mem- Portland, San Francisco and Oregon City; My journey to Reading had proved ory of my repeater, instead of the unfortunate, and I returned nome to railway one. I tried to laugh it off, my apartments (always put thes to but it would not do. My disguise it, it sounds better), a sad, if not a was seen through, and I was comwiser man; my heart full of care, my pockets void of money. Lighting a pletely undone. candle which I found placed ready A week afterwards I read in the newspapers that Sophia had become

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luxury that belonged to her, and them to even cross a field where the Circulation in the most populous part of which I devoutly hoped would soon sheep were grazing after the trial. belong to me. Overcome with hap. Try it.

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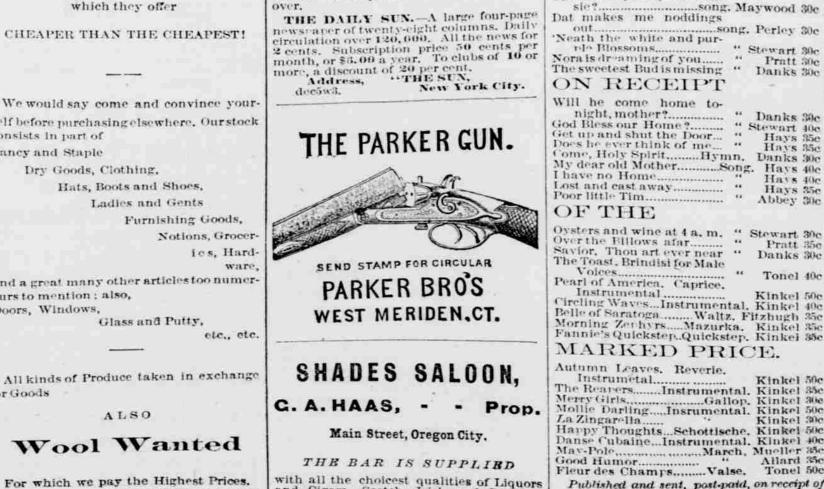
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