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A STRANGE STORY.

REMARKABLE BREAK OF NATURE

A Young Woman Finds It Necessary to Change Her Garments.

From the quiet rural district lying between the towns of North-east and Erie, on the line of the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern railroad, intelligence is received of a remarkable and intensely interesting freak of nature, the development and culmination of which has been kept a profound secret by those cognizant of the facts until now, because of the standing of the family and out of respect of their feelings. The story is as follows: William P. Baxter is a farmer and has for many years owned a large farm situated between Northeast and Ripley. He is frequently in Erie, and is well known to the Erie reporters and to Erie county farmers, all of whom speak of him as a man of unimpeachable integrity. Near the Baxter farm there lives a family by the name of Fear, highly respected by their neighbors. About twenty-five years ago there was born in this family a little girl, a sweet little cherub, that became the pet of the neighborhood. They named her Rose, and those of the Erie references seen by your correspondent say she was one of the sweetest little girls they ever saw. Rose grew up to be a lovely child and in due time she was sent to school. Here she distinguished herself by the most extraordinary precociousness. Her aptitude exceeded that of scholars 10 years older than herself, and in less than two years she had passed every other pupil and stood at the head of the school, the holder of all the honors competed for. At the age of 14 she entered the services of Mrs. Baxter, the first wife of the farmer referred to above. Rosa proved to be as good a girl for farm house duties as she had been a student. The Baxter family liked her so well that she was treated in every respect as though she were one of the family. She continued to live there, and when she had attained the age of 18 her hand was sought in marriage by a young farmer from a neighboring village. For some reason, unaccountable at the time to her friends, Miss Fear declined the honorable offer, alleging that she had no desire to quit the roof of her kind friends. About this time it began to be noticed that Rosa's features were losing their feminine softness, and that the effeminate contour of her hitherto symmetrical form was vanishing and giving place to masculine angularity. Her hands, that were once so well shaped, began to grow large and course, and a down appeared upon her upper lip. The presence of this latter greatly distressed her, and as it continued to grow in spite of all her efforts to prevent it, she became so ashamed that she refused to accompany the Baxters to the family pew in the village church, or to mingle in any of the parties in which she had once been the most courted belle. The family, while deeply regretting the loss of Rosa's personal attractions, tried to laugh her out of her sensitiveness, but the girl appeared to be consumed with a secret grief. Her mind was somewhat diverted from its silent sorrow at this period by the approaching sickness of Mrs. Baxter. In the few days preceding the latter lady's accouchment Rosa shared her bed, and when the baby was born she waited upon her mistress as a nurse, performing the various womanly offices

incidental to such occasions. About six months after this Rosa did not appear as usual one morning. No answer came from her room and when it was broken open it was found to have been unoccupied that night. All Rosa's clothes were there hanging up, even to those she was accustomed to wear about the house. Mr. Baxter sent his son Charles to look into the barn, dreading to go himself, for a suspicion of suicide was uppermost in his thoughts. But Rosa was not in the barn, neither was she on any part of the farm. At last the searchers found two letters in the trunk—one addressed to Mrs. Baxter, the other to her parents. The contents of Mrs. Baxter's letter created the utmost consternation. It said that the writer had gone away; that it would be useless to follow her; that her life had become unbearable; that within a year nature had worked a complete metamorphosis, unsexing her, and making it necessary to change her home and name. The astonished Baxters discovered that she had left all her female clothing, down to the minutest article, and that she had attired herself in a suit of clothes belonging to Dr. A. A. Freeman, at this writing an alderman of the first ward of Erie.

Dr. Freeman was a yearly visitor at the Baxter farm and he frequently spends a day or two there, and he was well acquainted with Miss Fear when she was little Rosa, and he often saw her when she lived with the Baxters. He had been visiting there a week before she disappeared and had left a suit behind by mistake. A month passed away and a letter came, in Rosa's fine hand. It informed the family that Rosa was well, and was working as a farm hand in Ohio, but the stamp of the letter gave no clue to her address. Two years elapsed, and one morning a fine-looking young man with a sun-burned face, magnificent beard and heavy, dark moustache, stood at the gate of the Fear homestead.

"Do you not know me, Mary?" he said to the young lady who came out to ascertain his business. The tones were deep and manly and there was a familiar tone in the stranger's voice.

"It is Rosa," said the girl, and the next moment the spectators of that scene were regaled with a sight of Miss Mary Fear clasped in the arms of a young fellow, giving back as many kisses on his moustache as he showered on her upturned face.

"Not Rosa, but Charles Fear, now," said the willow housemaid, and then he told them how, after that wonderful change, he hired out as a male help; that he had made a little money and had come home to live and work on the farm. Mr. Charles runs that farm to-day, and Ripley has no citizen held in higher estimation than he. Since his return he has twice been appointed a teacher in the public schools, and he can be seen on the Fear farm every day of the week.

Such is the remarkable story. The references given were hunted up, and although there was a reluctance to speak about it, all confirmed the story and indicated that their reluctance to speak of it arose from an apprehension that Mr. Fear's family would not like to have the story published. Dr. Freeman vouched for the story about the suit of clothes, stating that he was well acquainted with all the circumstances connected with the case.

Blanks, Promissory notes, bonds for deed, quit claim deeds, mortgage and warranty deeds, at this office.

Teller's Indian Policy.

We are slowly but surely evolving from a sad experience improvement in the treatment of the Indian tribes. Secretary Kirkwood decidedly favored grants of land to the Indians in severalty. Secretary Teller agrees that this is the proper way as to such as are civilized enough to adapt themselves to labor in the fields, but not good as to the wild tribes. He is probably right. There would be nothing gained by giving land in severalty to most of the Sioux, Cheyennes, Apaches and Crows, who still retain the nomadic instinct, and will not work. As to their children, it will doubtless be different if the plan for the general education of young Indians mooted in the Senate shall be put in operation.

One suggestion by the new secretary from Colorado has a meritorious look. It is that the reservation system shall be abolished, and that, as a substitute for it, each tribe shall have land patented to it, securing to them precisely the same title which the Government conveys to incorporations of white men. This is fair and just to the tribes, but it also, like the plan of grants in severalty, is only applicable to civilized tribes, who are capable of business and the management of a large real estate property. It is the plan pursued toward the Cherokees, Choctaws and Chickasaws, and extended to all other tribes. It leaves the appointed rulers of each tribe to enact the local law for the distribution of the land among the families, and affords the amplest possible protection against "jumpers," and white interlopers and land thieves. The reservation plan has everywhere failed the moment the land covered by the reservation became of sufficient value to tempt this class of whites to steal it or cause the Indians to be legislated out of it. Their title should be placed on a par with that of any incorporation of whites to land patented to them—above the reach of demagogues in congress.

Put on Another Plate

A good story is told of a couple of farmers who lived a few miles apart. One day one called on the other, happening around at dinner time. The person called upon, by the way, was a rather penurious old fellow. He was seated at the table enjoying his dinner. The visitor drew up to the stove, looking wistfully at the table, expecting the old farmer to ask him to dine. The old man kept on eating.

"What's the news over your way, neighbor? No news over there, eh?"

"No, I believe not." Presently a thought struck the visitor. "Well, yes, friend, I did hear one item of news worth mentioning."

"Ah! what is that?"

"Neighbor John has a cow that has five calves."

"Is that so? Good gracious! What does the fifth calf do when the others are sucking?"

"Stands and looks on—just as I do, like a fool."

"Mary, put on another plate."

Pat the Agreement in Writing.

How many misunderstandings arise from the loose way in which business matters are talked over, and then when each party puts his own construction on the conversation the matter is dismissed with the words "All right, all right." Frequently it turns out all wrong, and becomes a question for lawyers and the courts. More than three-fourths of the litigation of the country would be saved if people would put down their

agreement in writing and sign their names to it. Each word in our language has its own particular meaning, and memory may, by the change of its position in a sentence, convey an entirely different idea from that intended. When once reduced to writing, ideas are fixed, and expensive law suits avoided.

Rooms to Rent.
Anyone who wants a nicely furnished room in a pleasant house can be accommodated at Mrs. Denny Curran's, near the Congregational church.

Take Notice.
On after this date an additional cent per cord will be charged on all orders for sawed wood not accompanied by the cash, at Gray's wood yard, July 1st, 1882.

"Bachmann's."
New, quiet, complete cure for urinary affections, snoring, frequent or difficult micturition, kidney diseases, etc. at Gray's wood yard, July 1st, 1882.

For sale.
Having other business that demands my attention I offer for sale my elegant house, situated in this city.
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Treat Your Teeth.
Rather than have them pulled, let your dentist save them for you. You do not have to have trouble because you have not used Sotozoni. When properly used, then rub on the Sotozoni, and keep them all night for time to come.

Not Lost.
Fifty or sixty fathoms, 46 miles deep, of No. 12 Scotch twine was lost on the night of May 2nd, at a point on a sand bar in the middle channel. The twine is marked "C. C." Return to L. G. Arnold.

Attention Fishermen.
Use Nichols' Bait of Gilead oil for sore or chapped hands, for sale by J. G. Charles. The bait is free to all.

For the finest table in the city go to the Orient building, rooms, opposite Holden's auction store.

To Families and Housekeepers.
I have opened a large stock of furniture and bedding on the corner of Main and Squemoque streets, and will sell at San Francisco prices. You will save money by buying of me.
MARTIN OLSEN.

Attention L. G. of G. T.
After the regular session of Astoria Lodge, No. 40, I. O. of G. T., on Tuesday evening, May 30th, a degree meeting will be held, when any wishing degrees and all degree members are requested to be present. GEO. E. PARKER, W. C. T. FLORENCE E. BROWN, W. S.

Buy the Weekly.
THE WEEKLY ASTORIAN for this week is full of just such information and news of the country as your friends in the east want to see. It has very few advertisements, and is chosen to the muzzle of information that no family can successfully ignore, doing without. Two dollars will buy the whole year for a year, \$1.25 for six months, or ten cents per copy.

War! War! War!
Water front offered free to any person who will build a saw mill in the city of Astoria, Oregon, and will sell at San Francisco prices. The water front is running order at present. Quite a number have already located homes in this city, and they are all ready to sell on time to suit purchasers. Located one mile south of Astoria, on the sunny side of the hill, on Young's bay.

Will Remove.
Mr. C. H. Cooper, of the I. X. L. store, has moved his store from the corner of Main and Squemoque streets, and will remove his stock on or about the first of May. Being overstocked and wishing to reduce his present stock he will offer a special discount on all goods, and a discount to all cash customers buying goods to amount of \$10 or over. Remember that in patronizing this sale that the discount will be handed back in cash.

Peruvian Bitters.
The Count Cinciona was the Spanish Viceroy in Peru in 1830. The Countess, his wife, was prostrated by an intermittent fever, from which she was freed by the use of the native remedy, the Peruvian bark, or, as it was called in the language of the country, "Quinquina." Grateful for her recovery, on her return to Europe in 1832, she introduced the remedy in Spain, where it was known under various names, and called it Cinciona, in honor of the lady who had brought them that which was more precious than the gold of the Indies. To this day, after a lapse of two hundred and fifty years, science has given nothing to take its place. It effectively cures a morbid appetite for stimulants, by restoring the natural tone of the stomach. It attacks excessive use of liquor as it does a fever, and destroys both alike. The powerful tonic virtue of the Cinciona is preserved in the Peruvian Bitters, which are offered against malarial fever to-day as they were in the days of the old Spanish Viceroy. We guarantee the ingredients of these bitters to be absolutely pure, and of the best known quality. A trial will satisfy you that this is the best bitter in the world. "The proof of the pudding is in the eating," and we willingly abide this test. For sale by all druggists, grocers and liquor dealers. Order of Loebe & Co., agents for Astoria.

Furnished Rooms to Let

At Mrs. Munson's lodging house.

Found.
A cork line, about 150 fathoms, on May 1st, at the Cape, near Kinney's net-works.
SAMUEL ERICHSEN.

Notice.
Ice cream, ice cream, at Roscoe's refreshment saloon, Saturday and Sunday evenings. Germania block.

Don't Die in the House.
Ask druggists for "Rough on Rats." It kills out rats, mice, bedbugs, roaches, vermin, flies, and house flies. Ice per box.

Notice.
The Astoria Shirt and Oil Clothing Factory has moved next house to O'Brien's Hotel. Persons wishing good oil clothing to keep them dry will please call.

Shaving Men.
Wells' Health Renewer. Absolute cure for nervous debility and weakness of the generative functions. \$1 at druggists. Oregon Dispensary, DAVIS & CO., Portland, Or.

Sherrman Bros. Express.
Will receive orders at the store of I. W. Case for upper Astoria or any other part of the city. Leave your orders on the table and they will be promptly attended to.

Not Found.
Not picked up, about forty feet mark, "K. K." on the lead line "No. 12." The owner can have it by applying at Theo. Backler's cigar store and paying charges. It was picked up between Smith's point and the black buoy.
JAS. FRIEDMAN.

The Weekly Astorian.
Is a mammoth sheet, double the size of the Daily. It is just the paper for the fireside, containing in addition to the current news, choice miscellany, agricultural matter, market reports, etc. It is published to single subscribers at \$2.00 per year in advance.

The Peruvian Bitters has cured those who were suffering from dyspepsia, indigestion, liver complaint, boils, hemorrhoids, rheumatism, etc. It makes the hair grow, and restores the hair to its original color. It makes the scalp white and clean. It cures dandruff and humors, and falling out of the hair. It furnishes the nutritive principle by which the hair is nourished and supported. It makes the hair moist, soft and glossy, and is unsurpassed as a hair dressing. It is the most economical preparation ever offered to the public. It is effective in a long time, making only an occasional application necessary. It is recommended and used by eminent medical men, and is endorsed by the State Assayer of Massachusetts. The popularity of Hall's Hair Renewer has increased with the test of many years, both in this country and in foreign lands, and it is now known and used in all the civilized countries of the world.

FOR SALE BY ALL DEALERS.
Mothers! Mothers!! Mothers!!!
Are you distressed at night and broken of your rest by a sick child suffering and crying with the excruciating pain of cutting teeth? If so, go at once and get a bottle of Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Depend upon it there is no mistake about it. There is not a mother on earth who has ever used it, who will not tell you at once that it will regulate the bowels, and induce a healthy action, and give relief and health to the child, operating like magic. It is perfectly safe to use in all cases, and pleasant to the taste, and is the prescription of one of the oldest and best female physicians and nurses in the United States. Sold everywhere. 25 cents a bottle.

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