

COOK DISGUISED

HIMSELF AND LEFT

Chas. Wake, Explorer's Friend, Tells Story of Disappearance—Is in Europe

New York, Dec. 20.—Charles Wake, Arctic explorer, member of the Explorers' Club and friend of Dr. Cook, says that Dr. Cook, on leaving New York, had his mustache shaved off, changed his derby hat for a soft felt hat, and otherwise disguised himself, and from Toronto wrote Mrs. Cook, asking her to meet him in Europe. Mr. Wake, long one of Cook's staunchest supporters, tells of the self-discovery of the North Pole, and his rapid exit from New York. Wake, who remained loyal to Cook after the first announcement from Copenhagen, has finally deserted the explorer. He does not say where Dr. Cook is, except that he has gone to Europe, and while aware of Mrs. Cook's whereabouts, he declines to give it. Stating that Cook has had ample time to express himself since the Copenhagen decree was made public, Wake announces his defection from the Cook adherents. Nor does he know the amount of money Cook made from lectures and publications since his return from the frozen north.

Mr. Wake tells of an arrangement made to meet with Cook and Lonsdale at Wake's office to arrange for Lonsdale's sailing for Europe with the typewritten copies of the records. Cook and his wife were to sail on another steamer, under an assumed name, for Ceylon with the originals, which Lonsdale was to receive there and take to Copenhagen. But Cook failed to meet Wake, sending Lonsdale with the story of his (the explorer's) sudden leaving to escape the eyes of the detectives shadowing him, leaving word with Lonsdale to have Mrs. Cook look up the proofs, and follow him if she could escape the watch of the shadows.

From Toronto Dr. Cook wrote his wife on November 27, telling her to care for the records which were in Wake's hands. These were given to her by Wake with the advice that she send them to Lonsdale at once. Mrs. Cook then sailed for Europe, taking the records with her. In his letter to Mrs. Cook he used the following words:

"My life is of more importance than the polar matter, which can wait, if necessary."

After Mrs. Cook called Mr. Wake had an inquiry from Dr. Cook as to his wife's whereabouts, and Wake supposed that the explorer wished to meet her, care the records and hasten with them to Copenhagen, there to place them before the university before the examination was completed, but the fact that he had ample time to reach Copenhagen before the university committee made its announcement, and had not done so, convinced Mr. Wake that his confidence in Dr. Cook had been sadly misplaced.

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United States to Zelma Correll; 40 acres in sec. 24, tp. 23, r. 2 w. Patent.

United States to Frank Correll; 80 acres in sec. 25, tp. 23, r. 2 w. Patent.

John Moffatt et ux to Jennie L. Frederick; lots 1 and 2, block 6, Unionville ad to Eugene; \$2290.

O. C. Miller et ux to Laura M. Fennell; lot 5, block 1, town of Creswell; \$250.

J. A. Stephens et ux to J. S. Burnett et ux; 1 acre in sec. 27 and 28, tp. 28, r. 3 w.

Harbor Sound Inv. Co. to C. A. Detlefsen; lots 16 and 17, block 50, Miller's part of Florence; \$290.

John A. Welborn to J. H. Welborn; 120 acres in tp. 14, r. 5 w., less 1 1/2 acres; \$4000.

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AGED HUMORIST

BEARS HIS GRIEF

WITH STOUT HEART

This picture of Mark Twain, the humorist, was taken in his famous white dress suit. Just now the entire world is sympathizing with the man who has lost his only son. The death of his daughter, Jean Clemens, Sunday afternoon, Samuel L. Clemens accompanied the body of his invalid daughter, Jean Clemens, through the snow to his resting place beside the grave of his wife, who died in 1904. Aged and doubly alone through death and through the absence of his only remaining daughter, Mrs. Ossip Cabrilowitch, who is on her way to Europe, Mark Twain was a pitiful figure.

The philosophy that has carried him through many reverses—deaths of a daughter and a wife, loss of fortune and troubles of many sorts—did not desert him at this time, and while feeling keenly his bereavement, he bore up well.

The death of his long invalid daughter, who had been friend, companion and amanuensis, it was feared, might cause a breakdown of Mark Twain's health, which has been poor for some time. His physicians forbade his going with the body from "Stormfield," his Redding, Conn., home, to the grave at Elmira.

But the aged humorist insisted, and accompanied by several servants and a few intimate friends, after a brief service at his home, left last night on the sad trip. This was the saddest Christmas in all Mark Twain's 74 years, but he was composed and grateful for the great sympathy given him.

The funeral today was held at the residence of Charles J. Langdon, a



MARK TWAIN.

brother of Mrs. Clemens. He was the nearest relative with Mark Twain.

Ivanhoe Commandery No. 2 K. T. Special Conclave Wednesday evening, December 29, 1939. The order of the Temple will be conferred by Temple Commandery of Albany. All Sir Knights urged to be present. Visitors made welcome. 229 E. O. POTTER, E. C.

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THIRTEEN WANT JOB

IN NEW YORK MORGUE

Unlucky Number of Candidates Appear Before New York Civil Service Board

New York, Dec. 28.—Thirteen candidates, including four professional humorists, three dramatic critics, two saloon keepers and four ordinary persons, appeared before the Municipal Civil Service Commission today to take the examination for the engaging and fascinating job of keeper of the morgue. It is to be hoped that a selection may be made in time for the New Year rush. Officially declare that the morgue is one of the most delightful tasks possible, as the people with whom the morgue boss has to deal are always quiet and peaceful, the trade of a morgue is entirely transient, and the constant change gives a pleasing variety to the work.

At the examination of the candidates, the duties of a morgue keeper, experience and character were the three subjects on which they will be examined. The first counts six points and the second and third two points each, the successful candidate being required to have at least seventy per cent. A physical examination is required also. The salary ranges from \$1800 to \$2400, and depends entirely upon the approval of persons who report to the commission from time to time as to the keeper's efficiency. All applicants have submitted evidence which they believe qualifies them for the job.

The critics pointed out the names of scores of plays which they have seen, and the humorists sent long samples of their wit, and the saloon keepers sent lengthy lists of "dead ones" they have been carrying on their books.

LINCOLN SCHOOL NOTES

"It is more blessed to give than to receive."

"Christmas morning, and I wonder what I can do to make some one happy," said Mickey McGinn, a little New York boy, as he trudged along toward the paper office.

It was a very chilly morning, but despite the fact that his shoes were worn and his coat very ragged, the little boy looked out from under the old brown cap, which was many sizes too large, wore a cheerful and contented look. "Oh, I know," he suddenly exclaimed, "I know what I'll do; I'll take all of the money that I earn today and I'll buy Jimmy and his mother something nice for Christmas."

Jimmy was a little newboy who had been severely wounded by a runaway horse, while he was selling papers, and he was now in the hospital. His mother had to work so Jimmy was left alone all day, in a dismal old attic, which was the only home he knew.

Mickey took the papers that the editor handed him and stepped out into the crowded street with a bright smile on his face.