

PRINCE MARRIED BY PROXY

Ex-Queen Maria Sophia of Naples, Wedded Heir of King Bomba, Parents Making the Bargain.

We need not accompany Colonel Sanders back to Plantagenet times for examples of marriage by proxy, says the London Chronicle, nor agree with Sir John Simon that under the system princes always chose their wives. Ex-Queen Maria Sophia of Naples, who still lives, was invited by the infamous King Bomba to wed his heir. The young people had never met, and neither of them had a voice in the matter until their parents had concluded a bargain. Not till then was the Bavarian princess shown a portrait of her future husband. "Is he really as ugly as he is represented?" she repeatedly asked on her way to Naples.

The marriage by proxy was performed at her own home, the late Prince Leopold of Bavaria being the dummy husband. When bride and bridegroom eventually met she found herself more unfortunate than her sisters, the Empress of Austria and the ill-fated Empress of Mexico; for her bridegroom, a poor, loutish creature, was frightened of her. He could not speak German; she had no Italian. When she entered a room he would skip behind an arras, waiting to creep out unnoticed. If caught he would stand dumb before her. So much for marriage by proxy.

AS EFFECTIVE AS DYNAMITE

Liquid Oxygen, Manufactured Cheaply, to Be Prepared in Test Plant on Commercial Scale.

If used within ten minutes after the saturation of the cartridge, liquid oxygen is as effective as dynamite for blasting purposes, according to experiments of the bureau of mines. In view of the successful work done with this explosive, a large liquid-air manufacturing company has agreed to erect a test plant on a commercial scale. This will be at a large mine or quarry, to give opportunity for determining the extent of the value of liquid oxygen as a commercial explosive.

The bureau of mines is studying the best methods of handling the substance and the development of satisfactory containers, says the Engineering and Mining Journal. The cost of the carbonaceous material composing the stick, the liquid oxygen for one cartridge and the container is insignificant. The problem is largely that of reducing waste and securing the requisite standardization.

HE MUST DRINK FAIR.

"Germany's mouth for conquests and annexations is as big as ever it was," said an actor at a luncheon. "Germany is like the second heavy."

"A second heavy had a very, very large mouth. One evening the company gave a party, and on toward the small hours the refreshments began to run out. It was a long time between drinks. Finally, though, a fresh pint of whisky was brought in. "What'll you have?" the chairman asked the second heavy.

"A mouthful of whisky," said he. "No, you won't, son," said the chairman. "You'll have just the same as the rest of us."

HENS.

A schoolboy, writing a description of hens, said:

"Hens is curious animals; they don't have no nose, nor no teeth, nor no ears. They swallow their wittles whole, and chew it up with their crops in their chests. The outside of hens is generally put into pillows or made into feather dusters."

WAR TALK.

Parents—Johnny, you can't have a second helping.

Johnny—What's the matter? Don't you feed neutrals?—Puck.

NOT NOW.

"Life in Washington whets one's appetite for excitement."

"I understood life in Washington just now was very dry."

ACCOUNTING FOR IT.

"That forger sings thorough bass in the prison quartette."

"I suppose that is how he came to utter forged notes."

AT THE TABLE.

"Do you know anything about camouflage?"

"No, I never eat foreign cheeses."—Lamb.

MADAME GRUNDY IS NO MORE

Great World War Is Alleged to Be Responsible for the Collapse of Her Throne.

One highly significant personage has quietly disappeared from public view in the course of the war—a very great and powerful lady who, though a commoner in name, style and title, exercised a more royal sway upon our lives and our opinions not long since, says the London Gentlewoman.

True, her dictates and rulings had, of late years, become of lessened regard, and her pertinacious authority had met with some ridicule instead of the almost universal reverence of former days; still this silent resignation, this complete retirement from the arena, is surprising, and more surprising still is the fact that nobody seems to have noted it. Can it be that Mrs. Grundy is definitely defunct? In the strictest confidence, almost in a whisper, let us agree that she has had a long inning, and that we will try to manage to get along as best we may without her.

With womankind working in male attire, and doing all sorts of things of the most ungrudging description; with a sort of grownup feeling that we can manage our own lives by the light of our own good sense and good taste, and with a profound conviction that the future must be better than the past, let us trust that she has gone and left no issue.

VICE VERSA



"When the doctor began to practice on me he said I was all in."

"How were you when he finished?"

"All out."

OLDEST EUROPEAN ROYALTY.

Though the late Emperor Francis Joseph was the oldest reigning sovereign in Europe, he was not the oldest royalty, says London Tit-Bits. The Empress Eugenie is four years older, while the dowager grand duchess of Mecklenburg-Strelitz, the grandmother of the grand duke, was eight years older. Thus the last surviving grandchild of George III was the oldest royalty in Europe, the elder sister of the late duke of Cambridge, and consequently the aunt of Queen Mary of England. It was on June 28, 1843, that her marriage took place at Buckingham palace. She received an annuity of \$15,000 a year from the British exchequer, which, being paid since for the period of 73 years, would amount to the tidy sum of \$1,095,000. But when the war broke out it was announced that the annuity, as the lady was living in Germany, would be stopped.

NOT WORTH WHILE.

"I just axes 'em for the money now," said the street beggar. "I don't spend no more time telling hard luck stories."

"How's that?"

"What's the use? The best one I ever thunk up I could never capitalize for more than ten cents."

A TENDER THOUGHT.

He—May I tender you some chicken?

She—I wish you would. It's too tough to eat the way it is.

ON THE ROAD.

"Believe me, I'm going to feather my nest."

"Yes? I see you have already feathered your hat."

NO WONDER.

"There was a packed jury in that case."

"Naturally. It was a trunk murder mystery."

HIS KICK

"Are you fond of amateur theatricals?"

"Yes, but not at professional prices."

GIRLS MAKE GOOD IN MILLS

Pittsburgh Women Assert They Would Not Think of Returning to Their Previous Positions.

The experiment of employing women in Pittsburgh mills is no longer an experiment as far as the women are concerned, according to the Pittsburgh Dispatch. At least 200 are employed at the Schoen Pressed Steel Car works in McKees Rocks and most of them wouldn't go back to scrubbing washing and bed making, or to work in stores, cigar or box factories—not if their wages were doubled. So numbers of them declare. The women like the work, and they say in the offices of the company that they are making good.

"It's fine," said one handsome American girl, who wore the uniform that the women generally have adopted, a khaki-colored blouse of coarse twilled material with overalls that are gathered bloomer style and reach almost to the ankles. "Go back to a cigar factory! Why, some of us are getting \$48 every two weeks in our pay envelopes. And the work! Why, it's easy. I always knew the men were bluffing about being worked to death."

NURSES ONLY WHEN NEEDED

No More Unnecessary Service to Be Rendered Because of War's Demand for All of the Profession.

Trained nurses will hereafter be more of a luxury than ever. From now on there will be no soothing of fevered brows unless the brows are really fevered. No nervous patients, convalescents or infants need apply, observes a Gotham correspondent.

So great has been the rush for the battlefields among the women of this profession that many of the big hospitals find their staffs crippled. In order to meet the demand of those who really need their services the available nurses may be obliged to limit their work to those who absolutely require it.

To one who witnessed the Red Cross procession in New York it might seem hard to believe that there will ever be a dearth of nurses. Thousands of them in their neat blue uniforms and scarlet capes passed down the avenue and it seemed as though the supply was inexhaustible. But thousands of these women are already pledged for service on the other side and since the war began many thousands have already gone.

INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH.

Industrial research fellowships have given American manufacturers laboratory facilities and an expert investigator on providing an endowment of a few hundred dollars, and many problems have been worked out. In Great Britain, the privy council for scientific and industrial research proposes dividing the cost by establishing trade research associations, to be aided by certain available government funds. A research association for cotton is being organized, and will be followed by others for the wool, flax, oil and photographic industries. The privy council's researches have already produced three kinds of optical glass, information on light alloys for aircraft, a new hard porcelain from British material, and a large prospective saving in recovering tin.

NO STATUE FOR HIM.

"Perhaps posterity will place your statue in the public square."

"I hope not," protested Senator Sorghum. "I have started enough arguments during my lifetime. I don't want to be a source of perpetual contention among future art critics."

NOT PROFESSIONAL.

"My neighbor surprised me by wishing me well."

"Why did that surprise you?"

"Because he is a doctor."

BY BITTER EXPERIENCE.

Blink—Are you familiar with "Paradise Lost?"

Blank—Oh, yes, ever since I got married!—Town Topics.

DIDN'T MIND TELLING.

He—At what age do you think women should marry?

She—At about my age, I think. Mr. Bashful.

CUTTING EVERY WAY.

"James found himself cut out by William."

"Then, I suppose, he feels quite cut up."

RABBINICAL LAWS OF HEALTH

Purity, Aim of Most of the Sanitary Mandates, Was to Be Not Only Physical, but Also Moral.

Among the rabbis who expounded the law to the old-time Jews, the "neglect of one's health was regarded as a sin," writes Dr. Joseph H. Marcus, attending physician to the Jewish Seaside home, Atlantic City, in the Medical Record.

"Purity, which was the aim of most of the Biblical sanitary laws, was to be not only physical, but also moral."

Among the rabbinical laws of health which Doctor Marcus quotes and which, he says, are generally observed to this day among the orthodox Jews, are the following:

"No one should force himself to eat, he should wait until he is really hungry, not hurry his meal and not talk while eating."

"After all solid food eat salt, and after all beverages drink water."

"It was forbidden to eat the meat of an animal that had eaten poison, or to eat meat and fish together, or to drink water left uncovered over night."

"It was forbidden to touch during meals any part of the body which is usually covered or to hold bread under the arm."

"Coins should not be placed in the mouth, as there is the apprehension that they have been touched by persons suffering from contagious diseases."

"They warned against eating heavy meals immediately before going to bed, and approved of lying first on the left side and then on the right side, this being considered good for digestion."

RESIGNATION JUSTIFIED



"So you resigned?"

"Yes. I couldn't stand the way the firm treated me."

"What did they do?"

"Took my name off the pay roll."

UNDER ECONOMY RULES.

Forced economy is practiced by the German prisoners of war interned in England. Some of these men are wealthy, one estimating his income at between \$100,000 and \$150,000 a year. One of the regrets of these rich prisoners is that they are not allowed to spend all they would like. They are limited to an expenditure of \$5 a week for luxuries, and these luxuries must not include anything containing meat, sugar, flour or milk. Hence some occasionally buy as much as two pounds of tobacco a week, or its equivalent in 100 cigars or 200 cigarettes.

DOG MEAT IN THE ARCTIC.

"In my expedition of 1891-92," writes Rear Admiral Robert E. Peary in the Century. "I used dogs for food for the first time in the history of arctic exploration. As the dogs wore out, we fed them to those remaining, or ate them ourselves, thus making our load of provisions last much longer. This has been the principle of all my subsequent trips, and results have fully proved it to be a sound one."

ROBINSON CRUSOE.

Rev. H. E. A. Cruso, rector of Tunstall, Sittingbourne, for 33 years, is retiring owing to ill health, says the London Times. Mr. Cruso, who has spent 52 years in the church, is a descendant of Timothy Cruso, a great friend of Daniel Defoe, after whom he named his boat "Robinson Crusoe."

QUICK, WATSON.

Vacationist (much winded)—I just saw a bear!

Innkeeper—Fetch my gun, Jake.

Vacationist—He was green, with yellow stripes.

Innkeeper—Never mind the gun, Jake. Fetch bromide.

RECALLS ONCE FAMOUS HYMN

Death of Timothy Shedd Brings Up Memory of Grandfather, Composer of "China."

The death of Timothy Shedd of Wethersfield, says the Hartford (Conn.) Courant, may recall to those interested in church music the name of a man whose work was once famous in New England; for Mr. Shedd was a grandson of Timothy Swan, composer of "China," a once famous hymn tune.

Timothy Swan, born in Worcester, was for the greater part of his life a resident of Suffield, where he died July 23, 1842.

The tune mentioned was composed by him about 1784 and was published in the New England Harmony in 1801, though it may have been and probably was printed earlier than that. At any rate "China" came into favor as the fit tune for Dr. Isaac Watt's funeral hymn, "Why Do We Mourn Departed Friends?" and for fifty-odd years after 1800 no funeral in New England was deemed to have conformed to the conventionalities unless the hymn was sung to Mr. Swan's tune. The tune lost its hold years ago and few hymnals now carry it.

An Undiscovered Best.

"Are you getting well paid for your work?"

"No. That's why I'm not doing my best work. Seems to me nobody ever is willing to pay enough to find out just how good I can be."—Detroit Free Press.

Misplaced.

He—At the club a motion was made to buy a handsome velvet carpet, but it was laid on the table.

She—What a queer place to put a velvet carpet!—Baltimore American.

Notice of School Meeting

Notice is hereby given to the legal voters of School District No. 23, of Yamhill county, state of Oregon, that a school meeting of said District will be held at high school building on the 10th of December, 1917, at three o'clock in the afternoon to vote on the proposition of levying a special district tax.

The total amount of money needed by the district during the fiscal year beginning on June 18, 1917, and ending on June 30, 1918, is estimated in the following budget, and includes the amounts to be received from the county school fund, state school fund, special district tax, and all other moneys of the district:

BUDGET	
Estimated Expenditures	
Teachers' salaries.....	\$18,100
Furniture.....	50
Apparatus and supplies, such as maps, chalk, erasers, stoves, curtains, etc.....	200
Repairs of schoolhouses, out-buildings or fences.....	700
Improving grounds.....	250
Playground equipment.....	50
Transportation of pupils.....	575
Janitor's wages.....	1,300
Janitor's supplies.....	350
Fuel.....	650
Light.....	300
Water.....	132
Clerk's salary.....	250
Postage and stationery.....	35
For the payment of bonded debt and interest thereon, issued under Sections 117, 144 to 148 and 422 of the School Laws of Oregon, 1917.....	2,900
Incidentals.....	300
Insurance.....	200
Sinking fund.....	3,000
Total estimated amount of money to be expended for all purposes during the year.....	29,342
Estimated Receipts	
From county school fund during the coming school year.....	\$ 9,886.74
From state school fund during the coming school year.....	1,562.18
Cash now in the hands of the district clerk.....	2,377.63
Estimated amount to be received from all other sources during the coming school year.....	717.99
Total estimated receipts, not including the money to be received from the tax which it is proposed to vote.....	14,545.24
Recapitulation	
Total estimated expenses for the year.....	\$29,342.00
Total estimated receipts not including the tax to be voted.....	14,545.24
Balance, amount to be raised by district tax.....	14,796.76
Dated this 28th day of November, 1917.	
W. H. Woodworth,	
Ch'm Board of Directors.	
Attest: W. W. Nelson,	
District Clerk.	

Administrators' Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, administrator of the estate of Flora K. Miller, deceased, has filed his final account as said administrator in the County Court of Yamhill county, Oregon, and that said Court has appointed Monday, December 10th, 1917, at 11 o'clock A. M. of said day, as the day and hour for the hearing of objections to said final account and the settlement thereof.

Now, therefore, all persons interested in the estate of said deceased are hereby notified and required to appear at the County Court room, at the Court House at McMinnville, Yamhill County, Oregon, at said time, to then and there show cause, if any there be, why said account should not be settled, allowed and approved, and said estate forever and finally settled and said administrator and his bondsmen discharged.

Dated November 8th, 1917.

DAVID A. MILLER,

Administrator of the Estate of Flora K. Miller, deceased.

Clarence Butt, Attorney for Estate.

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