

THE HILLS OF LONG AGO.

When I backward turn my eyes
Against the distant sky,
Where the hues of Memory glow,
I see the hills of Long Ago.

Comrade mine, while yet we may,
Let us thither for a day,
Tread the paths untrodden long,
Hear the forgotten song.

See the frowns that seem
Gazing at us through a dream:
Clasp the hands we clasped of yore,
Kiss the lips of Love once more!

Set against such joy as this
Fairy is our present bliss!
Ah, the wild, free, young love,
And the swift, ecstatic thrill!

Comrade mine, while yet we may,
Let us thither for a day—
Back into the wonder-glow
To the hills of Long Ago!

—Clinton Scottland, in National Magazine.

Two Dinners at Pennington's

By Mrs. Moses P. Handy.

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ALBERT WHITNEY knew that he could not marry. He was a sensible fellow, on the whole, and realized that it would be sheer idiocy to ask a woman to share his life.

Yet Albert was, you know, a young man, and he had a girl, a girl who was just what he needed. Every Sunday in church he sat opposite Miss Gladys Pennington, and thought of her far more than he did of the sermon.

Miss Pennington's father was a retired carpet manufacturer, with a tidy fortune, to which Gladys and her brother James were sole heirs.

Albert was a clerk in a wholesale hardware store and, by hard labor, earned ten dollars a week. Of this five dollars went to his landlady.

The moth sighed for the star, and Albert sighed for Miss Pennington. The moth and the star were hardly further apart than Albert and Gladys Pennington. Albert had never spoken to her; she barely knew that he existed.

What, then, were Albert's feelings when, one day, after church, Mr. Amos Pennington pompously approached him and invited him to dine at his house on the following Sunday? He blushed like a girl, and stammered out an acceptance. Fortunately, Mr. Pennington did not wait for more.

The invitation which meant so much for Albert to him meant only the discharge of a rather disagreeable duty which he admired himself for performing. He would have been thunderstruck at a refusal. Every year he obtained from the pastor of the congregation, of which he had long been senior deacon, a list of the young men who were punctual at church and summoned them to dinner. The good man liked to encourage piety and bestowed invitations on these exemplary young men in precisely the same spirit with which he awarded prize books for "regular attendance at Sabbath school."

The following Sunday, when Albert entered the Pennington drawing-room, punctually at two, he was surprised to find already there, besides the host, his wife, his son and daughter, 15 black-coated individuals with all of whom he was pretty well acquainted. The assembly reminded him of a special meeting of the "Young Men's union."

It fell to Albert to escort Miss Pennington to dinner. He, poor lad, was overwhelmed with the honor. He did not know that father Pennington, who exercised a strict supervision of his daughter's acquaintance, had chosen him as the most harmless and unassuming of the 16 young men.

Albert could think of absolutely no remark with which to open conversation. Miss Pennington, entirely at ease, saw his blushing with more pity than wonder. She was accustomed to her father's "dinner parties" and rather expected the guests to be awed. Mr. Whitney's shyness spoke in his favor, as a tribute of respect to her father. Mr. Pennington had brought his children up to strict observance of the fifth commandment.

"It is rather warm for the time of year," quoth the young lady, breaking the ice.

Albert raised his eyes and assented. He would have done so had Miss Pennington said that it was cold.

"What nice eyes he has," thought she. It was unusual for Gladys to notice a man's eyes. "It was frightfully hot at the lake last August," she said, aloud. "I think it could hardly have been warmer in town."

"It wasn't had in town, except in the middle of the day," replied Albert, bravely.

"So you were not fortunate enough to be away on your vacation?" Albert laughed. "No, I have my vacation in November." It was then October.

SHOWN OF STATES.

Many in Line for Exhibits at the Pan-American Exposition.

Large Appropriations for Buildings Have Been Made and Others Are Now Before State Legislatures.

The different states and territories of the union are alive to the importance of the Pan-American Exposition and all of them will be represented there in a befitting manner if present plans carry, as it is almost safe to say, to a successful issue.

Illinois has appropriated \$75,000. Connecticut has made a preliminary appropriation to cover the expenses of an exhibit and the state board of agriculture has passed a resolution unanimously asking for an additional appropriation of \$25,000.

Massachusetts has appropriated \$15,000, with the expectation of an additional appropriation. Wisconsin has appropriated \$25,000 and is erecting a building.

Ohio's appropriation is \$30,000. The state is putting up a handsome building which is now nearing completion.

Rhode Island has appropriated \$15,000 with the assurance of more if it should be necessary to carry out the state's plans.

Missouri has guaranteed an appropriation of \$25,000 to \$50,000, and within the last fortnight the Missouri commission has resolved to ask for \$100,000.

Alabama proposes to appropriate \$25,000, and a bill providing for such an appropriation is now pending in the state legislature.

Georgia appropriates a sum necessary to pay the expenses of an exhibit. West Virginia will have a handsome building. In advance of the action of the legislature a guarantee fund has been subscribed by her citizens to provide for a building and exhibit.

California has completed arrangements for an extensive exhibit through the state board of trade and the Los Angeles chamber of commerce. The board has indorsed a memorial from the Water and Forest association to the state legislature asking that the state make an appropriation of \$500,000—equal to that given by the federal government—to have California properly represented at the exposition.

Michigan has appropriated \$40,000 for a building and exhibit. Iowa has appointed a commission of eight, the agricultural and horticultural boards are arranging for participation in the exhibits.

Oregon, Mississippi, Louisiana and other states will be suitably represented, owing to the great enterprise of citizens, who are volunteering private subscriptions with the intention of appealing to the legislature for reimbursement.

The New England states are combining for a New England building and private subscriptions are being taken in Maine, Vermont and New Hampshire in anticipation of legislative action. Plans have been made for a magnificent building of colonial architecture.

Maryland has a state commission and the Baltimore Manufacturers' association are cooperating with this body to raise money for representation.

In a number of states bills asking for appropriations for exhibits at the exposition are now pending. They are as follows: Washington, \$50,000; Oregon, \$25,000; Idaho, \$25,000; Montana, \$50,000; Indiana, \$100,000; Pennsylvania, \$100,000; Kansas, \$50,000.

In all the other states, with only one exception, official recognition has been given the exposition by the selection of representatives, members of women's boards of managers or commissioners and through whose efforts legislative action is being agitated.

Electric Toys. The aged parent and grandparent to accompany the children to the Pan-American exposition will have memories of their playthings aroused by the display of electric toys shown there. Their thoughts will fly back to those days when the jackknife toy delighted their hearts, and looking ahead to read the years to come, they will muse at the possibilities for enjoyment offered the children of today.

Even in ignorance of the inventions of modern times, they were happy in their childhood, which is evidence that such great exhibitions as the Pan-American is designed to perform a magnificent service in portraying the progress of a century.—Exposition Bulletin.

Meaning of "Oklahoma." It has been stated that the name of Oklahoma means "beautiful land," but missionaries who have made special study of Indian languages dispute it. They say it is a Choctaw word, and means "red people." There is more to be desired than sentimentalism and pretentiousness, of course, but "beautiful" would aptly describe Oklahoma that we regret that it is not the true significance of the word.—Youth's Companion.

Divorce in the Dominion. There are but few divorces in Canada—only 17 in the whole Dominion in 1900. There has not been a divorce in Prince Edward Island, population 100,000, in 30 years.—N. Y. Sun.

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