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A Social Prank

(Original.)

It was a gay winter in Beverly.

The young people of the town had

caught the spirit of mirth and as the

season progressed gave themselves up

to it more and more. The shape it took

was social pranks. A rumor was start-

ed that Alan White had eloped with

Sue Carr. The pair kept under cover

for a few days, then appeared at an

evening party together, received con-

gratulations, then laughed at their

dupes. A ball once set rolling will

roll on till it meets some obstacle.

No sooner had the mock elopement

succeeded in deceiving every one than

certain boys and girls decided there

must be a mock marriage.

The couple selected for principals

were George Tracy and Jessie Troxell.

Surficient "spooring" had been done

between the pair to give color to a wed-

ding. A committee of one was sent to

Towle to sound him on the subject and

returned with the report that he would

be played, the committee sent her ar-

ticles which formed quite a respectable

trousseau. This done, they ordered a

thousand invitation cards. Miss Trox-

ell's domicile being very small, the

wedding was appointed to take place

in Hartman's hall, where the boys and

girls interested were engaged to per-

form the ceremony. Of course he was

in the secret and had declined till not-

ified that at the proper time the bride

was to say "No" instead of "Yes."

Then the "well" was to come out, and

the festivities were to proceed with a

dash.

For weeks before it was known that

there was to be a wedding Mr.

Tracy and Mrs. Dexter were hard at

work. Miss Dexter being hard at

work. Mr. Tracy engaged the hall,

ordering flowers—in short, attending

to the details. After the cards were out

of a multitude of matters were thought

of that had been overlooked.

The only thing that might possibly

mar the wedding was the action of the

bride and groom. They were never

seen together and until after the cards

were out would not acknowledge their

engagement, but from that time on

they kept in their own homes, and Miss

Troxell expected would see no one.

When the night of the mock wedding

came on, the committee, who, except

the couple who were to be mock mar-

ried and the clergyman, were the only

ones in the secret, were on a tip of

expectation. Mr. Tracy and Miss Dex-

ter figured up the expenses and con-

cluded that the prank should be very

successful to be commensurate with

the cost. When the hall was filled with

guests Tracy sent carriages for the

groom, the bride and the clergyman.

As Miss Troxell entered Miss Dex-

ter was much pleased to hear some one

say: "What an exquisite costume! I

wonder who designed it!" The en-

trance of the couple was a signal for

the guests to arrange themselves in

front of the couple, leaving one end of

the hall for the bridal couple. Tracy

was a bit worried because they acted,

he said, "as if they were going to get

NAPOLEON.

The Courtesy of the Famous Exile on

the Undaunted.

In George Cruikshank's Omnibus, a

short lived periodical, edited by Laman

Blanchard, is a slight sketch entitled

"A Short Cruise at Margate" in which

the author relates how he interviewed an

old Margate boatman named Emptage

who had served on the Hyeenth main

of war under Captain (afterward Ad-

miral) Usher and on the Undaunted

in Frejus bay when Napoleon embark-

ed from that port for Elba. The ar-

ticle is illustrated by two drawings by

Cruikshank. In one of which Napo-

leon is represented leaning against the

breach of a gun and in another as pur-

sued by a bluejacket at Toulon, where,

as Emptage declared Napoleon relat-

ed, he was wounded by a British

sailor.

In conversation Emptage states that

Napoleon on coming on board the Un-

daunted went forward and conversed

with the sailors in what he calls a

sort of lingo, which may have been

Italian or French; or perhaps a mix-

ture of both. It is certain that Napo-

leon did not speak English, although

he was enough of a linguist to read

the naval and military news in an

English newspaper. Emptage's tale is

corroborated by Admiral Usher, who

published a narrative of the voyage to

Elba, in which he says:

"On arriving alongside I immediately

went up the side of the Undaunted to

receive the emperor on the quarter

deck. He took his hat off and bowed

to the officers, who were all assem-

bled on the deck. He soon afterward

went forward to the forecabin where

the people, and I found him there con-

versing with those among them who

understood a little French."

It seems evident that Napoleon took

pains to ingratiate himself with the

crew of the Undaunted during the voy-

age from Frejus. Lord Rosebery re-

lates:

"When he (Napoleon) left the Un-

daunted, which conveyed him to Elba,

the hostess, on behalf of the ship's

company, had wished him long life

and prosperity in the isle of Elba and

better luck next time."

The good wishes of the crew were

probably not the only ones. The very

liberal present Napoleon made on leaving

the ship.

The article in the Omnibus, which

appeared in 1842, describes Emptage

as a man of a very liberal and gen-

erous mind, and as a man who had

been several times wounded.

I remember Emptage well. He was

very popular with visitors to Margate,

and one of his admirers presented him

with a fully equipped sailboat, which

he called the Old Friend on which I

have frequently sailed out to the Good-

wins and back—London Notes and

Queries.

Brahms as a Barbarian.

Brahms was a hearty eater and par-

ticularly fond of Italian cookery. One

day he and Dr. Billoth, the eminent

Austrian surgeon, visited Herr Wich-

man in Rome and were invited to a

breakfast alla romana. The host's

cook, Mora, did her prettiest, and the

A WARTIME INCIDENT

IT ILLUSTRATED THE GENTLE NA-

TURE OF ROBERT E. LEE.

How the Cool, Calm Commander

Helped a Badly Battled Cavalier.

The General's Kindly Thoughtful-