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THE TWO-HEADED GIRL.

A Queer Case Which Once Came Before

a New York Lawyer.

In the way of twins, says a New York

letter to the Buffalo Express, you have

probably seen the so-called two-headed girl,

Millie Christine, consisting of two negroes

joined together by nature much more com-

pactly than were the famous Siamese twins.

Millie and Christine have been shown by

Barnum and other exhibitors for many

years, and are now aged about forty. As

you will remember, and lived in South

Carolina after retiring from the museums

until the death of one from disease was im-

mediately followed by that of the other

from fright. A post-mortem examination

proved that physicians had been right in

saying that a surgical separation would

have been fatal. In the case of Millie and

Christine even the suggestion of parting

them can not be considered, because they

are joined from their hips nearly up to their

shoulders. But it was not a question of fresh

anatomy which led me to write of these

women. Ex-Judge Dittenhoefer is a New

York lawyer to whom show people go with

many of their knotty legal questions.

"But no case was ever presented to me

that was easier to decide, and yet more

curiously novel," the lawyer recently said

to me, "than that of Millie Christine. The

death of Dick Fitzgerald, through whose

show agency much of the business of the

museums was done, recalls this matter,

which came to me about a year ago, but has

never been published. Fitzgerald called at

my office with a letter from Millie Christine

requesting me to find out whether, if they

were to marry one and the same man, it

would constitute bigamy in the eye

of the law. It was evident enough, al-

though they did not say so explicitly, that

an offer of joint marriage had been made to

them and that they contemplated an ac-

ceptance in case the tripartite union would

be lawful. They urged that they had al-

ways been advertised as 'a two-headed

girl,' the claim being made on their behalf

that they were one individual with two

heads, four arms and four legs. If that

view of them could be accepted in law then

a single husband would be quite proper.

But they were pious Methodists and had no

notion of doing any thing wrong, legally or

religiously. Fitzgerald wished my profes-

sional opinion for the guidance of the

women. Of course, the theory that they

were one person was entirely untenable,

and I had no difficulty in forming an

opinion that their joint marriage to one

man would be bigamy for him. It would

FOR LIFE OR DEATH.

How a Cholera-Stricken Soldier Obtained

a Drink in India.

I came to India in 1855—as a private in the

—th regiment and my company formed part

of the garrison at Arcot, says a writer in

Blackwood's Magazine. Life in barracks in

India is very dull, and it was with great

satisfaction that we heard an order had

been given for our company to march to

Vellore to strengthen the garrison there,

which had been very much reduced by chol-

era.

It was then about the middle of March,

and consequently later than is usual for

moving troops, as the days begin to get very

hot on the plains in the Carnatic about that

time of the year. But pure was special duty,

and, as we should only march in the very

early morning, we did not fear the incon-

venience of the mid-day heat.

It was on the second day after leaving

Arcot that, late in the afternoon, I was

listening to a description of Vellore by one

of our fellows who had been there, when

suddenly I felt spasms and sickness.

"Hold old fellow, how blue you look!"

remarked a companion sitting next to me,

and as he spoke my comrades shrank ter-

ror-stricken from me. It needed no doctor

to tell what was the matter. The cholera

had seized me!

I was hastily conveyed to the temporary

hospital, where our assistant surgeon al-

ready had several cases of the disease under

treatment, and I was laid on a churpy. I

rapidly passed from the first to the second

stage of that malady, and by nine o'clock at

night, the incessant vomiting and purging had

reduced me to a condition of weakness ap-

proaching insensibility. I was consumed

by a burning, raging thirst, but the dresser

disregarded all my entreaties for a drink of

water. The system of treatment for chol-

era in those days allowed the patient nothing

more than just to have the lips moistened

occasionally with weak brandy and water,

and this simply aggravated the torture of

thirst. Nowadays champagne is given, and

the sufferer is allowed to drink pretty freely.

The hospital was, of course, only a pandal,

hastily constructed with palm-leaf leaves,

with a large canvas-mat at the entrance at

each end. Two large chutnies of water

were placed just outside each entrance.

I had begged, sworn and menaced

at intervals, but no one paid the

slightest heed to me, and I was

sinking into that condition of torpor

which is the immediate precursor of the

third and fatal stage of cholera, when I

heard voices in the pandal. The assistant

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