

HUMOR

HE BEAT THE RECORD.

How a Denver Man Was Engaged to a Girl Before He Proposed to Her.

Five or six of the hotel guests were seated out under the trees one evening talking about the folly of long engagements.

"I'll tell you what," spoke up a young man, pulling his hat over his eyes, as he lazily swung in the hammock. "I was only engaged to my wife two months and we were married three months after we met."

"My sister," returned a pretty girl, "only knew her husband three weeks and they were only engaged two weeks."

"Is she happy?" asked some one.

"Oh, perfectly! The young man met her on the street one day and declared that she was the very girl for him. Oh, it was so romantic!"

"This only helps to prove my theory," said an old maid of the party, with a reminiscent look. "It is a mistake to wait too long."

"One of my friends," chimed in a delightful voice, "answered a personal in a New York paper, and three days later the couple met by appointment. Would you believe it, they were married the next day."

"I know a true story that beats that," spoke up a western girl, who evidently wished to keep up the reputation of her state in the story line. "A man whom I knew well was going from Austin to Brown about forty miles distant. In front of him sat a pretty girl with whom he struck up an acquaintance. The girl intended to change cars at the station which was the young man's destination, but just think of it! When they reached that town they stepped off the train as if they were to go home. The young man's coat was tied in a knot—a knot was tied in a jiffy—less than an hour after the couple met."

A blond young man in a labor saving attitude, who had been listening with considerable interest, drawled:

"I know of a case that in its way is quite as interesting. It started out well, never heard how it ended."

"Do tell!" spoke up several at once, as the young man seemed about to resume into thoughtfulness again.

"A girl I know was engaged to a fellow an hour before he was engaged to her."

"Impossible!" exclaimed several. "How did it happen?"

"Well, he lived in Denver, she in Boston, and she answered 'Yes' by telegraph."

The blond young man looked reflectively at the crowd. They looked mournfully at him, and one by one they stole back into the hotel.—New York Herald.

In the Pullman.

Two hearts that beat with single pulse; two minds with but a solitary thought; for she'd been wife, he husband but a day. And as they sat and stilled the time away, their talk, their smiles, their laughter nature taught.

The handsome drummer opposite said aught.

The train sped on, and still the gladness, as of innocence, new linked, new pleasures brought. The scenes about were strange to them, but lax without

als were ne'er with such oblivion
sught.
The observant drummer opposite said
sight.
y to speech and smiles; an awful
brought carnage of gaiety.
gloom made day to night—merely a
nion, that is to say.
When the light was come again he
he sought—the (artful drummer op-
side said naught):
Ah, dear! had I not then been a
upon those darling lips a kiss I'd
ought."
The turned, and o'er her face began
play a blush that burned like an-
nner's ray.
Why, Harry, didn't you? I'm sure,
ought."
he naughty drummer opposite said
sight.—New York Recorder.

Flemish Gallantry.
gentleman, traveling, fell out

"Sir, have you anything to declare?"
 "My good friend," replied the gentle-
 man, "if I had any declaration to make,
 it would be to this young lady and not
 to you!"—Laatste Nieuws.

True Love.

"And—Pauline, we kin be happy if
 we love me. What's wealth? One soon
 gets through that, but love is everlasting!"

The Measure of Progress
 First Fond Father—Well, is your
 other making any progress on the
 second Ditto—I should think she is. I
 met her master, who was playing a
 card with yesterday, call out: "You
 two beats ahead, miss!"—Noticer
 mine.

Lucky Scripts.
 A negro Africanus is said to have been
 first man to be shaved. If this is
 so, Scripto had a good time of it.
 He wasn't a crowd ahead of him
 Saturday night, and he knew noth-
 ing of the calls for the "next gentleman."
 —Neville Courier-Journal.

C L E
 If you would be clean and ha
 the neatest and dressiest manne
 SALEM STEAM L
 ere all work is done by white
 prompt manner COLONE

IN THE NIGHT.

The moonlight had tangled the trees
Under our feet as we walked in the night,
And the shadows beneath us were stirred by
the breeze
In the moonlight night,
And the moon was a silver fire,
And the stars were flickers of flame,
Golden and violet and red;
And the night wind sighed my desire,
And the wind in the treetops whispered and
said
In her ear her adorable name,
But her heart would not hear what I heard,
The pulse of the night as it beat,
Love, Love, Love, the unbreakable word,
In its murmurous repeat:
She heard not the night wind's sigh,
For her own name breathed in her ear.
Nor the cry of my heart to her heart,
A speechless, a clamorous cry,
Level Level will she hear, will she hear?"
O heart, she will hear, by and by,
When we part, when forever we part.
—Arthur Symonds in Black and White

A Great Mining City.

Butte, Mon., a great mining city, 30,000 inhabitants, and 5,000 of its men work in the mines to produce a mineral output which is within \$5,000,000 of the value of the total yield of Colorado. When the shifts or gangs of men change at night for the work never ceases the main street of Butte is as crowded as Broadway in Fulton street at noon. At 2 or 3 o'clock in the morning the city is all lively. There is no pretense about the town. It has few notable expensive buildings, and it is without a good hotel. Deadwood and Butte are the only considerable towns I saw out west of which that could be said. It gives the reader a hint of the "beginnings" of Butte to tell that the site of the best brick and granite building on the main street was won by a man who happened to hold only two jacks at the time he was "called." —Julian Ralph Harper's.

Caricature Playing Cards.

Among the curious playing cards in the museum of university is a pack of cavalier playing cards of the times of Charles II. which were printed by Dr. Horace Howard Furness. The originals were the property of Lord Nelson, and were reproduced at the joint expense of the Aggersville and Clarendon Historical Societies. These facsimiles reproduce every line of the originals, and are accompanied with an explanatory pamphlet by Edmund Goldsman, which the allusions are explained on. I saw, I think, Bradshaw, Onslow, Hewson, Wolsey and other worthies of the commonwealth appear on the card pieces of the various suits. —Philadelphia Ledger.

When the Barber Was a Wit.

In oriental literature the barber is a great figure, and Arabian tales are full of him. In Italy and Spain he is often the brightest man in town. His shop was headquarters for wit and intrigue. Jassamin became famous as a poet in southern France. He recited his verses with razor, comb, brush and comical gestures as he dressed the hair and beard of the ladies and gentlemen in his shop. He had a great run, made

When Bangs Originated.

come one who has ventured the asser-
tion that "bangs" and "Blackwell's"
are synonymous, since the
mandated with the other, and
common error, repeated so often
it has been commonly accepted
a fact. History shows, however,
that "bangs" existed long before
Blackwell's island was discovered.
A fair haired male Franks, and
the female convicts of Black-
well, are responsible for the "bang
style" of coiffure.—Washington
Star.

Men's Hair and Their Pursuits.

According to Dr. Beddoe there is a
close relation between men's pur-

with dark, straight hair usually
for the ministry; red whiskered
are apt to give themselves up to
drinking and horseflesh, and travel
and emigrants are found in tall,
ravenous, blond, long headed men.
Colon Tit-Bits.

A Wise Parent.
—Your father does not withhold
consent to our marriage because
his employee, I hope
—Oh, no. He says he'll give
consent as soon as you get your
money raised. —Life.

The English viper extends over
nearly the same geographical area
as common snake, but spreads a
few farther north and east. It is
a species which attains the highest
degree of north latitude.

Three pounds of chocolate make

men in England every year of less than between 29,000 and 30,000,000.

Green is the color of the Irish Roman Catholics, while opposed to it is orange of the Orangemen or Protestants of the north of Ireland.

Robins fly at an average rate of 5 miles per hour. With a fair wind it is believed that they can fly 150 miles in the same time.

The longest bridge in this country is the Bix Creek trestlework nearly twenty five in length across Lake Pontchartrain in Louisiana.

most acceptable proposition that can be made to persons troubled with chronic constipation, is to open that important passage—the bowels. This proposition can be carried out by the parties interested if resort to Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, a pleasant and powerful laxative, is made. It is the mistake of many unfeeling people, that they resort to violence, in other words, violent purgatives, to open the bowels. These violent measures, since medicines weaken the system besides convulsing both them and the bowels with pain. Relief sought from violent means, will only produce pain, excessive action, or violent weakness of the bowels. Liver ailments, indigestion, biliousness, and a stinging, burning, itching, and sore, are remedied by this pleasant and safe for dressing cathartic.

Ladies Do you want to keep your husband none at all night, and keep him agreeable and pleasant? He must smoke, and yet, you don't like the smell of his tobacco. You can drive him away to his club—out of just such things come misery, unhappiness and divorce. The trouble is that he uses poor tobacco. Coax him to get **BLACKWELL'S BULL DURHAM SMOKING TOBACCO**; its delicate aroma will not be offensive to you, and it will not fill all the curtains, hangings and clothing with that stale disagreeable odor that now troubles you. Keep your husband home, and avoid all risks by having him smoke **BULL DURHAM TOBACCO**. Sold everywhere.

Our Stupendous Water System.
The traveler embarking upon a
bar-boat can sail from Pittsburg,
900 miles, to Fort Benton, Mon.
1 from Minneapolis, 2,900 miles.
Port Eads, on the Gulf of Mexico.
ould he choose to extend his voy-
to the head of navigation upon
forty-five navigable tributaries
outward journey would exceed
900 miles, through twenty three
ties and territories of the Union.

the territory which it drains is considerably larger than central Europe.—John J. Ingalls in *Lippincott's*.

Household Hints.

It will be found advantageous to select a good supply of pet names at the threshold of married life. The following suggestions, based upon inexorable logic of history, may unfold of value:

Potsey—Most properly applied to

husbands who have married a
ine.—Detroit Tribune.

High Heeled Shoes for Angels.
Somebody having been poking fun
at the wooden angel on the old Uni
alist church spire at Bath, Me.,
said it wore high heeled shoes.
His story? The Rev. Dr. El
wood, of the North Congrega
tional church, meeting Mr. Anthony
Raymond, a devoted Universalist,

peak, is given to me to announce
by her explanation that vegeta-
bles have usually a very clear
frequently beautiful skin. - San
Francisco Argonaut.

Politics in Epitaphs.
A cemetery indefinitely located
the Susquehanna river" there
grave with this epitaph on the
the memorial slab: "Chas. Lewis:
died for Lincoln." A Baton

A person usually desires to get information as to the most desirable route, and will purchase the guidebook that will afford him the quickest service. Before starting on a trip, he can refer to the guidebook, take along with him a map and his Wisconsin Central Line. The traveler on this route are very comfortable with Pullman's latest Drewry coaches, elegant "A" Coaches and "B" or "C" of latest design. They are prompt, give quick service, and are exquisite in turn-out, convenient and comfortable in equipment and as complete as every day train. They have no superior in comparison. The dining car service is conducted by all the most expert waiters, and is operated in the interest of patrons.

Fast trains via the Wisconsin Line leave Minneapolis daily at 8:00 a. m. and 8:25 p. m., and St. Paul at 7:15 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. This gives you connection with all trains from Chicago.

Proposals for Bids.

NOTICE is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received by the city of Oregon, until 8 o'clock P. M. of April 18, 1902, and will be opened by the undersigned at noon thereafter at public auction for the grading, curbing, draining, paving, and other improvements for providing, carrying off the pluvial waters from the highway between

NOTICE is hereby given that by order of execution duly signed by the county court of the county of Marion, and to me the undersigned clerk of said court, the following is to be sold to the north side of Center street, east of Court street, between the side of High street and the east front street and all that part of Front street between the east front street and the east side of Front street, of Frent street to the east of Liberty street to the east of Front street, and all that part of street lying to the east side of Front street and the west side of Front street, a certificate of deposit in some bank of Salem, Oregon, for the sum of five hundred dollars, to be accompanied by the payable order of Salem, Oregon, for the sum of five hundred dollars, as fixed, settled and liquidated damages in case the duty of said street is not contracted, bonded and let, and to give good and sufficient security of said sum of money to the city of Salem, Oregon, in case said work is not offered to said bidder. Bank commission and interest and the expenses of the office of the street commissioner of said city and the right to use said lots, but no ground rent, shall be paid by the bidder. The ground common council of the city of Salem, Oregon.

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Sheriff's Sale.

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W. B. Beginning at the north-west corner of the quarter of section 47, T. 28 N., R. 22 E., of the 6th range, there north 30° east; thence east 1/2 mile; thence south 30° east to Cook's domain and thence thence to the corner of the eastern boundary of said Cook's domain 30° east; thence to the place of beginning, containing more or less.

Dated August 13th 9th day of June 1891.

JOHN KNIGHT
Sheriff of Marion County, Mo.
By F. T. WRIGHT, Deputy.

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Saturday, the 20th day of August, 1901, at the hour of one o'clock p. m. of said day at the west door of the county court in Saco, Marion county, Oregon, for public auction, to the highest bidder, cash in hand, on the day of sale, all the right, title, interest and estate, whereof the defendants and certain persons and their heirs claiming under them, and each of them or any of them has in or to the following described tract of land to wit: Tract No. 3, a quarter being the north half of the south east quarter of section 22 in township 36 north, range 12 east, William the meridian, and the northernmost half of the south west quarter of section 20, township 36 north, range

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