

DISLIKED WHISKERS.

Trials of Wisconsin Girl Who Went West for a Husband.

Unsound Appearance of the Prospective Bridegroom Causes Lawyer's Remorse to Quickly Vanish—Trace Patched Up.

A pretty Wisconsin girl, Miss Nellie Taylor, of Barron, has been exciting the interest of the people of Garfield, Wash., and the villagers, farmers and stockmen roundabout are all wondering if she will marry the man of her original choice when she recovers from the shock that the first sight of him gave her. It was one day last week that she alighted from the western through train at the Washington town. She went at once to the principal local hotel, where her manner and stylish appearance made a favorable impression. To the members of the hotel man's family, with whom she became acquainted she confided the information that she had been engaged in the millinery business and that this was her first visit to the west.

The next morning a man dressed in the usual costume worn by dwellers in the hills drove hurriedly into town and to the hotel. Notwithstanding the fact that his long hair and flowing beard demanded a barber's care the stranger's impatience overcame all desire on his part to better his personal appearance. Accompanied by the landlady he went into the room, saying: "I suppose this is Miss Taylor; I am John Wilson." A look of surprise and bewilderment over spread the young lady's features as she heard these words. What followed can only be conjectured, but when she was next seen she was weeping bitterly. The couple who thus met for the first time were engaged to be married. It was the, to her eastern eyes, uncouth appearance of her intended husband that brought the tears to the eyes of the promised bride. They were introduced by letters from mutual friends and began a correspondence which resulted in an engagement. About two weeks ago the prospective bridegroom forwarded the railway ticket to his promised bride.

When Wilson noted the effect of his personal appearance he promptly hastened to make changes. A barber quickly trimmed his hair and beard to a length more in keeping with city fashions. Then, arrayed in a new suit of clothes, he again presented himself before Miss Taylor. His initial appearance still remained in her memory, and she announced her intention of returning to her Wisconsin home.

The affair would probably have ended thus abruptly had not George Ribby, a neighbor of the would-be bridegroom, visited the hotel and persuaded Miss Taylor to accompany him to his home and remain with his family a week, during which time she could become acquainted with the man she had promised to marry. At the end of that time if she was still desirous of returning to her home he would bring her to the train. Miss Taylor agreed and she accompanied Mr. Ribby in the hack which Wilson had brought to Garfield for the purpose of carrying home his bride, while the prospective bridegroom followed behind on the hurricane deck of a stage.

The young lady's trunk was taken from the depot, and since which time nothing has been heard of them. The prospective bridegroom is said to be well supplied with this world's goods to be a school teacher and a farmer. He lives near Cora, Idaho, about 20 miles east of Garfield. He is apparently about 85 years old and not bad looking. He is highly spoken of by those who know him. It is said that if the Wisconsin milliner does not accept him other men of the neighborhood stand ready to urge their claims.

WOMAN WANTS TO FIGHT.

Woman at Chicago Says That Necessary She'll Disguise Herself and Enlist.

Capt. Bonus, of the West Madison street recruiting office, Chicago, had an application the other day from a woman who wanted to help whip Spain. She introduced herself in a businesslike way and came to the point at once by saying:

"I want to go as a nurse or in any capacity that is open to a woman. Don't tell me I can't go, for I am going, with or without an appointment. I hope you will see fit to make a place for me."

Col. Wilson told her that it was not in his power to provide for her.

"Well," she said, "I know what I will do. If I can go in no other way I will disguise myself as a man and join a company as a private."

She departed with a determined look, and Col. Wilson was impressed with the belief that she would attempt to carry out her intention of going to the front as a private.

"I have my doubts about her ability to get past the surgeons," he said. "She is a fine-looking young woman and would doubtless make a better soldier than many of the men who will go, but she will probably not be permitted to carry out her ideas."

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OUR ONE WEAK POINT.

The Spaniards Are Ahead of Us in Quality of Powder, It Is Said.

In the different comparisons of the fighting strength of the Spanish and American vessels one advantage that Spain has over the United States has not before this been alluded to, but it is an important one, and could have been obviated had congress two years ago followed the urgent advice of the secretary of the navy. Spain has a full supply of smokeless powder on hand, and every one of her armored cruisers, torpedo boat destroyers and torpedo boats has its magazines well supplied with the best variety manufactured abroad.

This government has not enough now on hand to supply the squadrons at sea, and but one ship with Admiral Sampson's command is provided with it. All the others have the brown prismatic powder, a variety capable of good work, but lacking the velocity-producing qualities of the smokeless brand.

Brown powder also creates clouds of smoke, and in a sea battle, where the smoke usually hangs low over the water, this might place the United States ships at some disadvantage.

While the guys of the Spanish navy are inferior to those of similar type and caliber in our navy, the ordnance officials seem to think the use of smokeless powder will make up the difference in their effectiveness.

A NEGRO'S NERVE.

Though Terribly Injured He Smokes a Cigar and Acts Indifferent to the Pain.

After raising his upper body and resting on his elbow so he could examine the mangled stump of his legs, which had been crushed beneath the wheels of a railroad train, and out of one of which the naked bone protruded four inches, ending in a shattered point, Charles Bradford, aged 25, a negro roustabout, asked Sergt. Cole for a cigar, and on getting it lighted he smoked it with apparent enjoyment. For an exhibition of indifference to pain and composed nerve, says the Memphis Commercial Appeal, the police have never seen nor heard of anything to compare with this.

When the man was lifted into the patrol wagon he asked the opinion of the police as to what were his chances for surviving, and what operations would be necessary when he reached the hospital. If he experienced pain he did not betray the feeling by audible sound, word or gesture. At the city hospital he exhibited the same stoical indifference. He was put under influence of anaesthetics as a humane measure when the surgeons dressed his frightful injuries. It was the opinion of the surgeons that he had the nerve to attempt to undergo the operation without being reduced to a merciful state of oblivion.

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Delight Among the Society Friends of Young Cornelius and His Wife.

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Secretary of State Enjoy a Ride Behind His "Gee, Whee, Dobbin" Style of Horse.

Secretary of State is never so happy after the cares of state are laid aside as he is when seated in a low surrey holding the reins over one of the most reliable and steady horses of the "Gee, whee, Dobbin" class. This animal cannot be induced to go out of an ordinary jog trot, and he would be an indispensable adjunct for some village doctor.

There is an expression of contentment and real enjoyment on the face of Secretary Day as he leans back in the surrey, apparently permitting his horse to use his own discretion in regard to time and distance, for there is not a suggestion of running away about the old reliable in the shafts of the surrey. Usually the secretary of state takes a spin, if it can be called such, around the white lot at the south of the president's house to get up an appetite for his dinner.

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WILL LIVE ABROAD.

The Bradley Martins Will Make Permanent Home in London.

Have Purchased the Magnificent Mansion, Just Completed, Built for the Late Barney Barnato.

Unless all signs fail the Bradley Martins are to leave for good and all the kindly shores of their native land and make permanent their residence abroad, when they have had a home and for many years. How authentic this information may be shown by Mr. Bradley Martin's own words, which he makes the subject of an advertisement, as follows:

"As I intend to live abroad and dispose of stable here including Brewster, sister landau, Victoria, runabout, etc., in perfect order.

BRADLEY MARTIN.

It was stated last July that the Bradley Martins had purchased the magnificent mansion, just completed, which was built for the late Barney Barnato, the South African "diamond king," in Park Lane, opposite Stanhope Gate, London. That will probably be the permanent home of the Bradley Martins henceforth.

Bradley Martin came to New York from Albany, N. Y. He is related to the Van Rensselaer, Lansing and Townsend families. He met Miss Nellie Sherman at the wedding of Col. Elliot F. Shepard to Miss Margaret Vanderbilt, 30 years ago. Mr. Martin was Col. Shepard's best man, having been an aide de camp on Gov. Fenton's staff at the same time Col. Shepard was an aid. Miss Sherman was Miss Vanderbilt's bridegroom. Mr. Martin and Miss Sherman were married two months after Col. Shepard and Miss Vanderbilt.

Mrs. Martin was a daughter of Isaac H. Sherman, who bought and exported barrel staves. When he died 16 years ago he left a fortune of about \$10,000. Then Mrs. Martin's influence began to be felt in society. She entertained noblemen to visit the Scotch estate was the earl of Craven, who married Mr. Bradley Martin's daughter, Miss Cornelia, at Grace church, in this city, on April 18, 1893. It was a young couple.

The Bradley Martin's eldest son, Sherman, married an actress. He died a few years ago. Another son is Bradley Martin, Jr.

Mrs. Martin has always been a lavish entertainer, but all the former entertainments were eclipsed on February 10, 1897, when she gave the famous Louis XV. costume ball at the Waldorf hotel, which cost \$30,000, and more than \$150,000 changed hands.

IS FOUND ADRIIT.

One of the Submarine Mines in New York Harbor Is Unaccountably Set Adrift.

Submarine mine No. 22 was freed from its mooring in the lower bay at New York some time the other night and was found drifting off the Jersey coast, near Long Branch, in the afternoon. It was loaded and capped, and dragged after it several cables which had formerly bound it to its connections at the bottom of the bay. The death-dealing instrument is now moored by a rope to the beach near North Long Branch, where it is the object of much distant inspection by the populace. There is no accounting for the drifting of the mine except upon the hypothesis that the cable was cut. The officers say that the cordons of the mine which surround the lower bay has been placed with the utmost care, and with all the modern appliances, and that such a thing as one of the instruments freeing itself is impossible. Neither would a ship's anchor have dragged one from its moorings without having disturbed the entire series. There has been no indication that the other mines have been interfered with, but there will be an immediate investigation.

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The war has prompted several New Yorkers to give up their annual trip to Europe. While there is little difference between the number of persons of society in the large cities who went abroad last year and who have sailed thus far this year, yet the number of New Yorkers who have gone abroad is considerably less than last year.

Up to May 1, 1897, 241 New Yorkers had sailed for Europe. One hundred and seventy-one New Yorkers had sailed up to May 1 this year. On the other hand, many more persons from other cities have sailed this spring than last.

From Philadelphia there have gone 23 persons of fashionable life; from Boston, 21; from Chicago, 10, and from Baltimore, 6, making a total of 60 departures, against 43 from those cities last year. The society people who have returned from Europe thus far number 83, against 99 arrived up to May 1 a year ago.

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Vente de propriété améliorée de valeur du septième district.

Formant l'encoignure des avenues Carrollton et St-Charles,

Dans l'îlot borné par lesdites rues et les rues Hampson et Dublin.

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