

THREE FABLES IN ADE STANG

Mint Juleps Cause Sectional Prejudice to Fade.

John and Emma Did Not Advertise Their Marriage Raspberry Festival for the Church.

Hubby had promised to be home early for dinner. He had one foot on the step of the street car when he happened to remember that his wife had told him to bring home a basket of melons, because the kids did not keep the kind she liked.

Hubby did not fancy the notion of playing pack-pony on the streets, but he knew there would be a catch-ascatch-can talking match if he failed to show up with those melons, so he turned reluctantly and allowed the car to go its way.

He bought a melon store and bought a five-pound basket of under-sized canteloupes that looked as if they were chapped. He started back to take the next car, when he ran plump into an old friend from Memphis.

They stood and shook hands for a while and said, "Well, well," and wanted to know how tricks were, etc., and then the acquaintance from the South said it was the custom in his part of the country when two gentlemen met after a long separation to pour a small libation on the altar of friendship.

"You will excuse me if I don't refuse," said hubby, and the two began to look around for a place with potted ferns in the window and cathedral glass in the swinging doors. As they laid their breast bones against the metallic hand rail, hubby saw a vision of a lady with auburn hair. She was watching the cars unload at the corner. There was what you might term a baleful gleam in her eye, and she was beginning to tap the floor with one foot.

Those who understand the matrimonial code know that when a lady with auburn tresses begins to telegraph with one foot, then is the time to climb a tree. Hubby did not mention the vision to his friend from Memphis. He did not believe in unloading his troubles on an innocent third party or admitting to any one that he could be scared by a weak woman weighing only 120.

The man from Memphis ordered two juleps. The julep is built in a tall vase. It consists of a leafy roof garden superimposed on a display of small fruit, the whole undelaid with a Nansen ice-pack. Hubby had to take off his hat in order to crawl through the mint and get to the beverage. As he looked at the fading sunlight through the kaleidoscope of prismatic flashes and blushing cherries, the picture of Mabel with her face against the pane faded away and he beheld 2,000 stardust suns in white playing rag-time on jeweled mandolins and singing "Dixie." He felt a great love for the Southland welling up in his heart.

So he told the barkeep to put the basket of melons on the ice and get busy with two more of the same.

He took Memphis by the hand and said that Mason and Dixon's line was only a memory. He wished to propose a toast to sunny Tennessee, brightest gem in the Diadem of states, the home of fair women and brave men. After the second julep he told the barkeep to take the melons out and lead them to the cat and to order up a carriage and two drivers. On second thought he decided to take the melons along to throw at the arc lights in order to prove that he North and South were one and indivisible.

Hubby arrived home at 2 a. m., carrying the handle of the basket. When he opened up on him, he proved to her that he would have been there at 6:15 if she had not asked him to purchase all those supplies.

Moral: Usually the woman is to blame.

John and Emma were on their honeymoon hike, but they were not advertising the fact.

"Is it not dreadful to be spotted as a newly married couple?" said Emma to John. They say that all the world loves a lover, but it seems to give the ha-ha to the bride and groom. Now, in order that we may escape the attention of the busy rubbers and the low chuckles of the nesters who loaf in hotel offices, let us pretend that we have been married a long time.

So when they started to Niagara they wore old clothes and she carried the heavy suitcase and he went and sat in the smoking compartments and talked to the drummers while she killed time by reading the hotel directory. It was a very faithful imitation. They acted just as married as they could. They wanted to lean against each other and ask what piggy would do if little widge were to die, and whose caramel is so? But they cut out all the wrestling and the baby talk in order to keep the public in the dark.

They got on swimmingly. He neglected her so persistently that every one thought she must be his sister.

But finally an old gentleman across the aisle leaned over and said he hoped their path in life would be strewn with roses, provided they did not travel in their stocking feet.

"How did you get Joseph to the layout?" asked Emma, who was provoked. "We thought we were too cute for anybody."

"I will tell you," replied the gentleman who pushed in. "While you were at breakfast in the diner I noticed that he doctored your coffee for you and asked how many lumps. No woman will permit any man to fix her coffee except during the first blindness of love. Then he tipped his hand when he wanted to know how many lumps you would take. If you have been married more than 48 hours he would have known. But what really let the cat out of the bag was his giving you part of the newspaper."

Moral: Carry your own meals and engage a stateroom.

Once there was a congregation that needed money for repairing the church, so the women got together and decided to hold a raspberry festival. Sister Frisbie invited them to come and carouse on her front lawn. Some twenty-two members of the flock flew out and bought a few things to wear, the outlay for washable flannel running to about \$8 per head.

Mr. Frisbie got \$5 worth of Chinese lanterns and strung them around. He wanted to do the thing up brown so as to get a puff in the Weekly. The paper came out and said that the Frisbie front yard with its myriad twinkling lights was a veritable fairy land. That kind of notice is worth \$5 of anybody's money.

Mr. Frisbie and three other pillars of the church devoted \$7 worth of valuable time to unloading tables and camp stools.

The women folks ruined \$4 worth of complexion working in the hot kitchen to make angel food and fig cake.

On the night of the raspberry orgy the public came and trampled down \$45 worth of shrubbery.

When it came time to check up the linen and silverware it was found that \$7 worth of spoons with blue thread tied around them had been lost in the shuffle.

The drip from the candles ruined \$20 worth of summer suits and percale shirt waists.

Four children gorged themselves and each was tied up in a true lover's knot with cholera morbus before another sunrise.

After clearing the wreck, paying the drayman and settling for the ice cream and berries it was discovered that the church was \$6.80 to the good. So everybody said it was a grand success.

Moral: Anything to avoid dropping it in the basket.

GEORGE ADE.

Paris, Aug. 8.—M. Santos Dumont, the aeronaut, this morning attempted to circle the Eiffel tower. Santos Dumont started from the Parc de St. Cloud at 6:10 a. m. amid hearty cheers. His initial movements were promising, as the balloon turned around Eiffel tower nine minutes and thirty-four seconds after starting, and re-headed for St. Cloud. Just over the Avenue Henri Marion, however, a strong gust of wind struck the balloon, when it veered violently to one side, almost simultaneously bounding backwards a distance of 50 yards. The hydrogen gas was forced from the front to the back part of the balloon, creating a sudden expansion which caused the machine to spin. Her screw touched the steel cords and broke them. M. Santos Dumont immediately stopped the motor and the balloon began to descend.

Fortunately the cover of the balloon struck the corner of a six-story building. A report like the shot of a cannon followed. The balloon collapsed and fell rapidly. Luckily the frame caught on the coping of the building and the balloon remained suspended, otherwise Dumont would have been killed.

As it was the aeronaut hung in a most dangerous position in midair for half an hour until by a great effort he succeeded in catching the iron bar of a window, to which he clung until rescued with some difficulty by the use of ropes. He escaped without a scratch and superintended the removal of the machine.

The explosion of the balloon attracted enormous crowds, and the reception of M. Santos Dumont upon reaching the street was most enthusiastic, many ladies clinging to his neck and kissing him repeatedly.

The balloonist said he is quite ready to commence operations again.

M. Deutsche, who offered the prize of 100,000 francs for the rounding of the Eiffel tower and the return to the starting point within a given period of time, was so affected by the danger that Dumont had passed through that he told him he would rather present him with the prize at once than see him kill himself with his experiments, but the balloonist replied that he had rounded Eiffel tower in such a short period of time that he considered the result too satisfactory to permit the relinquishment in his attempt in the future.

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At Winter Quarters, where the mines of the Pleasant Valley Coal Company are located, a flood caused by a cloudburst destroyed the home of Matt Korobilo. Korobilo, his wife and child were swept away by the torrent, the father and child being drowned, while the mother was rescued only with the greatest difficulty. Mrs. Korobilo received injuries which may prove fatal.

Hundreds of the miners are idle at Winter Quarters, the railroad tracks being swept away, necessitating a temporary suspension of mine operations.

At Eureka, Utah, the flood swept through the principal street of the town, flooding cellars of business houses and doing other damage. Both the Rio Grande and the Short Line tracks were washed away for a considerable distance, causing a suspension of traffic for several hours.

Salt Lake's water supply was greatly curtailed today owing to a landslide in Palmyres canyon, which supplies a portion of the city's water.

Shortly before midnight a severe electrical storm broke over this city, seriously interfering with the telegraph and telephone service.

The plant of the electric light company was disabled soon after the storm commenced, the city being left in total darkness.

Rainfall Light. The several heavy showers of the past few days led many people to hope that they had had an influence in increasing the volume of water in the creeks, but as a matter of fact, from the first of August until this morning, half the month, the rainfall has only amounted to .71 inch. For the whole of the month of July the rainfall at Dawson was 1.37 inch.

Scarcity of Spuds. The corner in potatoes will not be much affected by the shipments on the Selkirk. There were only three shipments and none of them in quantity. A. McDonald had 20 stacks, J. J. Tucker 20 sacks and the N. A. T. Co. 39 crates.

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