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## WIVES FOR MINERS.

WHOLESALE IMPORTATION OF MAIDENS FROM EUROPE.

**Businesslike Matrimonial Arrangement That Is Really a Very Good Thing—Revival After Three Centuries of a Colonial Practice.**

One of the most striking incidents of a late and most successful upsurge in the settlers in Virginia in the early days imported wives from the old country, paying for them in tobacco. It will doubtless come as a surprise to many people to learn that the very same method of obtaining a wife, all except the tobacco, is in decided vogue in America at the present day. Substitute Pennsylvania for Virginia, for the tobacco a sum in American cash, for the Virginia Englishman a Polish, Hungarian, Italian, Russian or Slavonian coal miner, for the bonny daughter of England a maid from the continent of Europe and for the seventeenth century the opening day of the twentieth and you will have the romance complete.

For a number of years times have been very good in the Pennsylvania coke and coal regions. Coke workers and coal miners are averaging \$3 a day. Of the 40,000 or 50,000 men employed in the mining country at least four-fifths are foreigners. They hail from every country in Europe where there is a surplus of men who seriously object to being drafted into the standing armies. By devious ways these men reach our shores, pass the inspection at Ellis Island and are carried to the coal regions of Pennsylvania. They are hard workers, and their lives are wearisome at the best. But they are certainly in the great majority of cases industrious, frugal and saving, and it is not long before they accumulate a fund of cash. Then, not unnaturally, their thoughts turn to matrimony. But in the coal regions men outnumber eligible women at least ten to one.

In some few instances the miner has left behind him in "the old country" a wife and children. As soon as he gets "on his feet" in this land of promise he sends for them, and a new home is added to the sum total in the mining town. In still other cases the miner's fannell shirt hides the burning heart of a lover, and the object of his regard has also been left behind to await the mending or making of his fortune. The case of the man with the sweetheart is also simple, for the way from Europe to America is open for a maid, provided she has the traveling expenses. These are sent to her by the miner, and then the priest is called upon. But it is with the great majority of the miners, who have neither wife nor sweet-



A POLISH WEDDING PARTY.

heart, that this story has to deal. Right here is where the fine Italian hand of the matrimonial agent is shown. Let any one who decries this useful member of the Pennsylvania mining community, he must be said that his business is a strictly legitimate one, far more so than that of almost all of the so-called "matrimonial agencies." The coal miner's friend makes it his business to know the exact circumstances of every miner or coke worker within his district. As soon as he learns that one of them has accumulated a "pile" or is matrimonially inclined he calls upon him or meets him, perhaps casually.

Into the willing ear of the laborer is poured a tale of the advantages of matrimony over single blessedness. The work-er is ready to listen, for dwelling in a company boarding house is not calculated to appeal to a man's sense of comfort. The matrimonial agent is a steamship, railroad and labor agent all usually a banker as well. To the man tired of boarding he offers to supply a wife of his own nationality, fresh from the green fields of the man's native country. Is it strange that the man listens, wavers and then succumbs to the wiles of the agent?

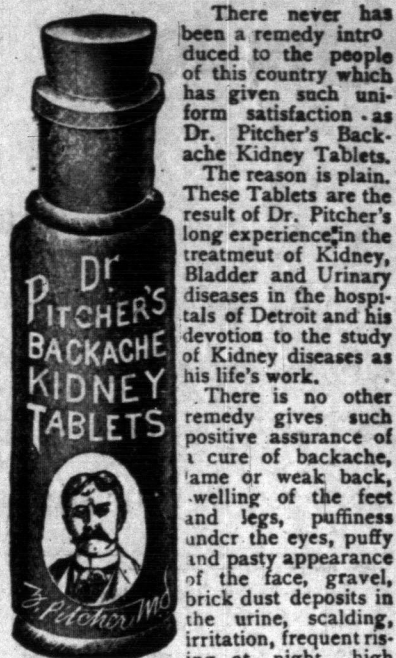
The miner puts up the price of a ticket, about \$25, and about \$25 for the agent. To the credit of the latter it is said he never fails to keep to his agreement. On the other side are a large number of young women of good character willing to come over here and accept a husband whom they have never seen, provided that good treatment is promised them. In about six weeks or two months after the miner strikes the bargain with the agent the young woman arrives and is introduced to her future lord. One may not say "lord and master," for it is surprising to what a degree equality of the sexes prevails among these untutored immigrants. Although the girl is usually somewhat shy at first, this soon wears off, and she is ready for the ceremony.

At the little Catholic church on the side of a hill the knot is duly and solemnly tied in the presence of the miner's friends and country men. After the ceremony there are generally feasting and jubilation for a number of days. At the wedding dance every male guest, provided he pays a dollar, is entitled to a dance with the bride. The dollar is a silver one and is deposited in a plate with all the force of a hand and arm used to the pick and shovel. If the man succeeds in breaking the plate, he gets another dance free. This goes to furnish up the home. Then the miner and his bride settle down to the sober realities of life.

In justification of this unconventional way of securing wives it must be said that the results are in the vast majority of instances very good. There is no swindle about it. The miner and his wife are satisfied, the agent sure, and who else is entitled to an objection?

## THE NEW REMEDY

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## HONORS EVEN.

The Chicago Editors Have Another Lively Correspondence Battle.

"If you haven't got anything else to do," suggested the information editor, with a yawn, "you might tell me what you conceive to be the difference between shaving around a mole on your chin and curving a road rabbit."

"One is a rather particular shave and the other is a choice hair-cut," retorted the exchange editor. "What is the difference?"

"Nothing of the sort. In the one case you have a care and in the other you carve a hare."

"Merely a hare splitting distinction. What's the difference between a properly cooked Hudson river fish and a beginner in a stock market?"

"That's easy. One is a planked shad and the other is a cooked goose."

"Not at all. You are losing your grip. The other is a gudgeon on the board."

"Really. There's a better reason than that. They leave all the bones of the one and they take all the bones of the other. Eat more fish. It's brain food, and you need it. Speaking of food, what did the squeaked roasts eat in that recent stock panic?"

"Hum! Bull pie?"

"No. Saw Sage."

"That's awfully out of season."

"I don't like it, you can slump it."

"Don't get in a hurry. What's the difference between chicory and square dealing?"

"One's bogus coffee and the other's honesty."

"Why is a current report like the inmate of a boarding house?"

"Because it's a rumor. But there's a big difference. One flies, but can't kick, and the other can't fly, but can't kick."

"What's the reason why Englewood?"

"It was at this point that the railroad editor threatened to sit down on them if they didn't quit.—Chicago Tribune.

The municipal palace at Puebla, Mex., is being remodelled at a cost of nearly \$200,000.

A German law prevents proprietors of eating houses from serving beer to people eating fruit.

Cyclists in Denmark are forbidden by law to ride faster than the speed of a cab through any street.

Petersburg has the largest bronze statue in existence—that of Peter the Great, which weighs 1,000 tons.

"The Pilgrim's Progress" has been translated into 293 languages and dialects.

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## ITEMS OF INTEREST.

In St. Petersburg cabmen charge half as much for women as for men. Six hundred tons of oysters are eaten in England every year. Germany devours 350 and Holland 100 tons annually.

The presents which the sultan usually gives away are made in a special workshop at Constantinople employing about 50 men.

Five shillings was the price recently brought at an auction in London for a chip of an elm tree cut down by Mr. Gladstone in 1880.

It is now alleged that the excavations for London's newest underground have thrown 23 inches out of the perpendicular the spire holding the famous Bow bells.

Shortsightedness among Japanese students is alarmingly on the increase. The latest investigations show that out of 1,786 university students in Tokyo more than half are myopic.

What is supposed to be the largest cargo of fresh fish ever landed has just been unloaded from a vessel at Gloucester, Mass. There were over 200,000 pounds, 150,000 pounds being cod.

Domestic servants in Switzerland are becoming scarce, as many of them emigrate to the United States. The labor bureau has applications for 1,021 servants, but only 492 could be found. Servants object to the continuous labor of housework and to being deprived of their free Sunday.

Italy now has her Knights of Labor. The order has just been instituted by the king. Its gold cross is bestowed on those who have helped on the progress of the working classes and who have invented improvements to assist skilled labor. The cross bears the inscription, "To the Worth of Labor."

Malaga is supposed to be the home of Malaga grapes, but in that particular it is largely a misnomer. Malaga grapes used to flourish in that vicinity many years ago, but there was a blight that killed off most of the vines, and that special brand of fruit is now chiefly grown elsewhere in Spain.

## ORCHARD AND GARDEN.

G. Yew varieties of fruit, but grow them well.

A good surface harrow to keep the orchard mellow and clean is of benefit. The matted row way of raising strawberries is often called the lazy man's system.

Thorough surface cultivation will prevent the growth of red raspberries between the rows.

With the young orchard thorough tillage should be given all through the early part of the growing season. Then mulch well before hot, dry weather sets in.

Pear trees require rather less space than any other fruit trees. Fear of them are of a spreading habit, the majority of them growing in a pyramidal form. Still, it is not best to allow them to grow too tall. Cut out the tops.

The drain of continual cropping is never noticed so particularly in an orchard until harvest time. The trees put forth blossoms, and the fruit that follows seems all right, but when the fruit ripens too many culls are found.

## EDUCATIONAL.

A lectureship on the theory and practice of public speaking and debate will be established at Columbia university in the fall. The first incumbent will be Ralph C. Ringwalt of Harvard.

Professor George F. Jewett of Youngstown, O., who recently resigned as principal of the Rayen High school, has accepted the presidency of La Salle Seminary For Young Women in Boston.

An effort is being made to establish in one of the Scotch universities a chair for the study of the Scottish language and literature. The old Scottish tongue as written by James V is almost unintelligible to the modern Scotchman.

Allyne Ireland has been commissioned by the University of Chicago to spend two years in the east studying questions of colonial policy, especially with reference to the Philippines. Mr. Ireland will present his conclusions in the form of a course of lectures at this university and will leave for Siam after delivering a course of lectures in the Lowell Institute series in Boston in the fall.

## BABIES AND BELIEFS.

In Spain the infant's face is swept with a pine tree bough to bring it good luck.

Esthonian mothers attach bits of the evil smelling asafetida to the necks of their offspring.

Rumanian mothers tie red ribbons around the ankles of their children to keep them from harm.

Among Vosges peasants children born at new moon are supposed to have a sharper tongue than those born under the last quarter.

Welsh mothers, to insure the safety of their babies, put a pair of tongs or a knife in the cradle. In some parts of England the same practice prevails.

## POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

Pride has but two seasons, a forward spring and an early fall. Silence may be golden, but it never succeeds in borrowing a dollar.

A man should not be blamed for his ignorance if he doesn't know enough to find out.

If a man really deserves praise, he doesn't want it, and if he really wants it he doesn't deserve it.

Father Time doesn't believe in letting the grass grow under his feet. That is why he always carries a scythe.—Chicago News.

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