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ious customs of their courtship is the manner in which he first addresses her. Supper is over and the twilight hour has come. Suddenly the young man arises, takes from his pocket a scarlet handkerchief, crosses to where the girl is sitting, and

says:
"Will you wear this on your head for me?"

If the young man is the favored one the answer is, "Yes, if you will tie it." This he proceeds to do, while the rest of the camp seem to notice nothing unusual. Then the couple disappear, coming back with arms interlocked and placid contentment on their faces. They go directly to the chief for the public announcement of their betrothal. Rings are interchanged. This ceremony is are interchanged. This ceremony is as binding as though it were spoken before a priest. After that, until the wedding day, the young couple are inseparable. Once married, and a change takes place. They are seldom seen together until after the birth of their first child. Then they are "lasgoes," old married folk, and their future actions are of little intheir future actions are of little interest to the tribe.

You may have seen a gipsy wedding. I can assure you that the real ceremony was performed some hours before the public one, which was arranged solely for the cash it would bring the pair. The real marriage was performed by the chief, and is seldom witnessed by any alien. I saw the wedding of the chief's own daughter to a member of a nearby clan, and I do not feel that I am betraying secrets if I tell the happenings. The groom was rich, as gipsy wealth is counted, owned many horses, and the furnishings of his house on wheels were above the workingman's average. All the

he would a horse. Then he pro-ceeds to fall in love. One of the cur- holiday attire, stood at the door and jested with passers-by. Promptly at noon there was a stir in the camp. A procession of women, headed by the chief and the oldest woman of the tribe, approached. When within speaking distance of the tent the party halted, and the chief, in a loud voice, critd:

"Come forth, Vanega; it is thy wife who calls to thee." Parting the curtains, the bride-

groom said: "Mother, if it be Sanna, the youngest daughter of my chief, bring her

Sanna, clasping the old woman's hand, moved forward, her many bangles and armlets tinkling as she walked, until very near the door, when two of the groom's friends, who had been waiting, suddenly caught her by the arms and cried

"Here is thy wife, Vanega!" at the same moment pushing her toward

The groom replied: "Thou art welcome, tantra. Wilt thou enter

She made some response, grasping the hand he held out to her, and entered, the young men pulling the curtains tightly about the door and standing guard. After a moment the

"And may I enter, my children?" Receiving no consent, he, together with the rest of the tribe, passed through the entrance and came to the bride and groom, who stood hand in hand awaiting him. Lifting his hands above his head, he said:

"Vanega, I give thee Sanna for thy wife. She will cook thy dinner and bear thy children. As thou dealest with her, so will I deal with thee." Turning to the mother, he said:

"Our child has left us. Bye-and-bye morning he remained secluded in his I she will return, but not alone. Greet thou who comes with her." Turning, he made some sign with his thumb and forefinger

and passed from the house, followed by the onlookers. That night there was another ceremony, at which a Justice of the Peace of the neighbourhood officiated. There was a feast, the

giving of presents by everyone in the camp, including many visitors; and as the bride and groom left the fire and started toward their new home a shower of rice, mingled with barley, fell on them, and many wishes as to their future happy life were shouted after them.

The Romany too, have a thanksgiving celebration. It comes October 2nd, and is in the nature of a harvest festival rather than for the commemoration of any date in their history. It is known as the Mersham, which translated, means good cheer. For days the enas are preparing food-stuff; suckling-pig (pilfered from the farmers round about and roasted), cassamenta, chicken prepared in some fashion unknown to housewives, corn cooked in water, with the inner husk left on the ear to keep in the flavor,



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