

Marriage De Convenience.

"Dearly beloved, we are gathered together here in the sight of God, and in the presence of this company to join together this man and woman in holy matrimony."

"The minister's voice penetrates the spaces of the church, its monotonous accents echoing from the chancel, nave and choir."

The group about the altar stir expectantly. Rich silks and satins rustle. Jewels sparkle in the dim, cold light that struggles through the Gothic windows.

From somewhere out of the shadows of the church rumbles the deep undertone of the organ, and, wavering above it, vague harmonies come and go like echoes from a celestial choir.

Tall and stately stands the bride, proudly conscious of her beauty. Beside her stands the groom, his handsome face bent towards the altar.

The minister's calm eyes are upon them. "I charge you both as you will answer at the dread day of judgement, when the secrets of all hearts shall be disclosed, that if either of you know any impediment why you may not be lawfully joined together in matrimony, you do now confess it—"

There comes a stifled, choking sound like the ghost of a sob. The minister pauses. The fashionable men and women about him are motionless.

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"They had heard nothing. A moment later the words that join the man and woman have been uttered. The mother smiles broadly. Her fondest wish has been realized. It is the season's noblest match."

The organ breaks forth into a joyous peal. The bridal party passes down the aisle. Relatives and friends press close behind, eager to congratulate the pair.

As the groom turns, smiling at some passing word, his eyes detect a slender figure in black, standing in the shadow. Only an instant—then the party presses on and out of the church.

Amidst a confusion of farewells the bride and groom drive away. The bride gently waves her hand to the group at the church. The groom leans back and rests his head against the hand-omely upholstered cushion.

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THE WHITE RIBBON.

"For God and Home and Native Land." Conducted by the Ladies of the W. C. T. U.

OFFICERS. President—Mrs J. F. Tufts. Vice-Pres. at large—Mrs D. F. Higgins.

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Next meeting in Temperance Hall, Thursday, July 20th, at 3.30 p. m.

The meetings are always open to any who wish to become members.

Gospel Temperance meetings, conducted by members of the W. C. T. U., are held every Sunday afternoon at 11 o'clock, in the vestry of the Methodist church.

All are welcome.

Can't Afford It.

Two men stopped at a fruit dealer's. Said one: "What is the price of strawberries?"

"Twenty cents a basket." "You'll have to sell them to rich folks. I can't afford them. The old woman will have to do without strawberries this time. Come along, Jerry; let's go and take a drink."

They started off for the bar-room, and if they spent any less than the price of two boxes of strawberries, they went home it was a wonder. A thin man and a "good fellow" can afford to spend money in treating men who don't care a rap about him, when he "can't afford it" to spend half the same amount in charity or church dues, or in buying something for the wife and children who have the first and most sacred claim upon him and all that he owns.

Temperance News and Notes.

The devil knows too much to waste his time in trying to "make a drunkard out of a stingy man."

Consider the enormous amount of valuable time wasted in and around saloons, fully one-half as much as is spent in useful labor.

You can generally tell by a man's tracks which way he is going. If they point toward the saloon he is not on his way to heaven.

Consider that nine-tenths of all the money spent for drink comes from the pockets of the laboring men, and that this is a large part of all the money they earn.

M. Pasteur states that, when bitten by a mad dog, a man who habitually uses intoxicating spirits is more difficult to cure than a temperate man. Yes, and when bitten by any disease.

The midnight attempt to blow up, by dynamite, the houses of citizens of Muscatine, Iowa, who had tried to enforce the laws against liquor-selling, reveals a malignity such as no legitimate business could evoke. The liquor traffic not only destroys men, but it tends to make those who conduct it dangerous to society.

The other day Mr Gladstone referred to the national vice of Britain in his speech at Liverpool, and made an appeal to the people that has attracted great attention. He said:—

"Let us all carry with us, deeply stamped upon our hearts and minds, a sense of shame for the great plague of drunkenness—hear, hear—which goes through the land, sapping and undermining character, breaking up the families, oftentimes choosing for its victims, not the men or the women originally the worst, but persons of strong susceptibility and open in special respects to temptation. This great plague and curse, gentlemen, let us all remember, is a national curse, calamity and scandal. (Long and prolonged cheers.) If we have a high place among the nations of the world in more respects than one, I am afraid it must be admitted that one of the points in which we occupy a very high place is 'in' with respect to the habit and vice of intoxication. Gentlemen, I believe in no place has stronger special effort been made to meet this mischief than in Liverpool. I see, for instance, that a benevolent and enlightened scheme of coffee houses—places of innocent amusement and refreshment—has been projected here, judging from what I have heard from time to time with the greatest energy and zest. I wish we could all of us take it into our minds, for surely there is hardly one amongst us that has not seen in individual cases the perniciety result to which this habit unfortunately leads us, that we should all carry with us individually a deep and adequate sense of the mischief, and an earnest intention to do what in us lies, each man within his sphere, for the purpose of mitigating and of removing it. (Cheers.)"

Another effort to unite Christian voters against our common enemy, the saloon, has its birthplace in Normal, Ill., and is known as the "Independent Christian Voters' League of America," incorporated December 3, 1892. The members of this organization pledge themselves to vote always and only for candidates who are known to be, have avowed themselves opposed to the saloon in all its forms, "reserving the right of individual preference." We welcome this and any other effort which tends to unite our Christian forces against the saloon. And it follows as the night the day that the voter who honestly wishes to free our country from the domination of the liquor power, will learn that the candidates of the Prohibition party are the only ones who will uphold his principles and for whom he can consistently cast his vote. That this new Christian Voters' League may prove a compromise, tending to a complete conversion, is the wish of the mothers, wives and daughters of the white-ribbon hosts.

USE SKODA'S DISCOVERY, the Great Blood, and Nerve Remedy.

Scraps for Odd Moments.

Minard's Liniment cures Colds, etc. How frankly the girl of sixteen admits that she is an old maid.

The height of folly—5 feet 3 inches, without her bonnet on.

There is a language of flowers. Hence perhaps the way the roses blow about June.

Minard's Liniment cures Distemper.

The ice man now calls every morning at the home of the coal man and does him him up.

Garfield Tea cures sick-headache.

Don't sit in a draught. If you do the doctor will in all probability be the one to cash it.

Garfield Tea is sold by all druggists.

The modern landlord doesn't get frightened when he sees the handwriting on the wall. He just gets mad.

Minard's Liniment cures Diphtheria.

Our old friend, the Juna bug, is here again bulldozing everybody in the eye with his old-time sociability.

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Mankind is divided into two great classes—those who do not want to lend and those who want to borrow.

An advertisement for the day: The young lady to whom I became engaged at the ball last night is hereby requested to send her name and address to the office of this paper.

If you do not know how good a remedy Garfield Tea really is for constipation and sick headache, send a postal card to D. Denmore & Co., 271 Queen Street, East, Toronto, for a free, trial package.

"I say, Cholly," said Chappie, "I should think it would make you fished to sit beh in the gymnasium and watch your man-swinging Indian clubs." "It does, dear boy, it does. I do it foh hawf an houah evry morning. It's the way I take me exheicise."

The Best Advertisements.

Many thousands of unsolicited letters have reached the manufacturers of Scott's Emulsion from those cured through its use. Consumption and Scrofulous diseases! None can speak so confidently of its merits as those who have tested it.

"How do you like your new cook?" "Oh, so-so. She is very dirty, she has no idea of cooking, and she smashes every thing around her; but still she has one good and rare quality."

"What is that?" "She stays with us."

Mr John Nickerson, an Officer of the International S. S. Co., says: "For years I have suffered with Catarrh, and spent hundreds of dollars on Doctors and Patent Medicines until my case was pronounced incurable. I was finally cured by Hawker's Catarrh Cure, which I consider to be worth its weight in gold. I would not be without it at any price."

There are no native kangaroos except on the continent of Australia. That country contains about 11,000,000 of them. Over 1,000,000 skins are shipped to the United States for use in boot-making. Each skin will make about four pairs of ordinary sized shoes.

Miss Jennie Bass, New Bayre, Ont., writes:—"For two years I suffered from sick headache and palpitation of the heart, and could get no relief until I began the use of Pink Pills. I now feel like a new girl." Sold by all dealers or by mail at 50c. a box or 6 boxes for \$2.50. Dr. Williams Med. Co., Brockville, Ont., and Schenectady, N. Y. Beware of imitations.

Aluminum is to be used wherever practicable in the accoutrements, arms and equipments of the German army.

By its use the weight carried by infantry soldiers will be a trifle over fifty-seven pounds, whereas at last got, Dr. Manning's German Remedy. Before he had finished a bottle he could walk without a cane. This marvellous painkiller is a positive cure for Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Sprains, Strains, Bruises, Colic, Chills, Cramps and all pains and aches, either internal or external. An invaluable household remedy. Sold everywhere. Price 50 cents.

A farmer's taxes in Turkey are classified thus: (1) One-tenth of all crops and fruits; (2) 4 per cent. of the rental value of houses and lands; (3) 5 per cent on every transfer; (4) an annual tax of 33 pence on every sheep and 21 pence on every goat. The taxes are rigorously collected.

Edward Lislef, of St Peter's, C. B., says:—"That his horse was badly torn by a pit-bulldog. One bottle of MINARD'S LINIMENT cured him."

Livery Stables men all over the Dominion tell our agents that they would not be without MINARD'S LINIMENT for twice the cost.

The ingenuity of the hardware man is never at a loss when it comes to the sale of his goods. The latest practical exponent of this fact does business at Albany, N. Y. To every one purchasing from him the one wheeled vehicle known as a wheelbarrow, he gives the purchaser a free ride home in it.

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Ripe's Tubules cure the Flu's

Groder's Syrup will cure SICK HEADACHE. Established 1868. Telephone 738.

MILLER BROS. CALL AND SEE OUR STOCK! IMPORTERS & DEALERS FOR THE BEST CANADIAN & AMERICAN Pianos, Organs, AND SEWING MACHINES.

Photo. Studio. --Lewis Rice, of Windsor.-- HAS OPENED A Branch Gallery at Wolfville. Rooms open first Monday of each month, to remain one week. June 5-10, July 3-8, Aug. 7-12.

Washing Machine advertisement. In endeavoring to remain in the swim many a man finds it difficult to keep his head above water.

SCOTT'S EMULSION. No! No! No! You need not go to Florida, but take SCOTT'S EMULSION.

NASAL BALM. SOOTHING, CLEANING, NEVER FAILS. CURES COLIC, HEAD AND CATARRH.

FOR SALE. A DESIRABLE HOUSE AND LOT, IN WOLFVILLE, Apply to Geo. H. Patriquin, Wolfville, Nov. 25th, 1892.

BAKING POWDERS. Bulletin No. 10. Class No. 1. Cream of Tartar Powders. Woodrill's German, Victoria.

MILK. My delivery wagon calls twice daily, delivering milk to my patrons at 4 cents per imperial quart.

LADIES' BAZAR. Ladies interested in Needlework will find a Full Line of Art Goods at the Bazar.

The King of Remedies. Dock Blood Purifier. Victory after victory is the record of Dock Blood Purifier, which never fails to do good.

Chemical Fertilizer Works HALIFAX, N. S. Established 1878. CERES' Superphosphate!

To Let. That pleasantly situated cottage adjoining the Episcopal Church, Wolfville, consists of eight rooms, front porch, tower, water. Possession immediate.

FOR SALE. That property formerly known as the Johnson place, now owned by the estate of John O. Pinco, deceased, pleasantly situated near Wolfville and containing about 3 acres, with house, barn and orchard.

W. & A. RAILWAY. Monday, June 26, 1893. GOING WEST. 0) Halifax—T'w

GOING EAST. Annapolis leave 10:10 a. m. and 3:40 p. m.

Accommodation trains of the Canadian Valley Branch leave Kentville daily at 10:10 a. m. and 3:40 p. m.

Steamer "City of Montreal" leaves St. John daily for Digby and Annapolis, returning leaves Annapolis daily for Digby and St. John, Sundays excepted.

Steamer "Texas" leaves St. John every Tuesday, at 3 p. m., for Eastport, Bar Harbor, and New York.

Skoda's Discovery! Hear what the people say that have used Skoda's Discovery. "It is of more value to the world than the Discovery of America by Columbus."

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TO LET. The east side of double house on Water Street, containing seven rooms.