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Broken-Cupid's "Hoodoo?"



How the Marriage
of Rich and Fashionable
"Gweny" Burden has Dis-
rupted the Millionaire
Bachelor Girls' League of
Newport.

THE most exciting matrimonial event of the winter was Gwendolyn Burden's marriage to David Dows, son of the late David Dows, once president of the New York Stock Exchange. And now society is asking whether the horrid "spell" cast on the Newport bachelor girls has been removed.

Will this one marriage be sufficient to undo the harm done several years ago by the unkind fairies? The marriage of the very prettiest member of the league has attracted attention to the seven who are left.

And these seven are the bride's elder sister, Evelyn; the two daughters of Commodore Gerry, Mabel and Angelica; the two daughters of Senator George Peabody Wetmore, Edith and Maud; May Van Alen, the youngest daughter of James J. Van Alen, and Laura Swan, who is Elisha Dyer's step-daughter.

They formed this league ten years ago, after each girl had broken one engagement or rejected half a dozen lovers, one being equal to the other.

If the remaining seven decide to marry, Newport will be lost indeed. For the Bachelor Girls' League is a most important social organization. No dance, no dinner, no garden party has been complete without a representation from this club.

Each one is noted for something—Miss Burden, senior, for her charming wit and keenness of repartee, Miss Gwendolyn for beauty, Miss Wetmore for her marvellous knowledge of French literature and an equally marvellous ability to converse in French. Miss Maud Wetmore's tennis ability places her in advance of Eleanor Sears.

The two Gerry sisters are noted for their philanthropical interests and their horsemanship. They both drive four-in-hands, and are members of the Ladies' Coaching Club.

Miss Swan has spent more time in Europe than any of the others, and can speak French, Spanish, Italian and German. She also talks English.

Miss Van Alen spends half her year in England, is noted as her father's protector and for her absolute independence in the formation

MISS MABEL GERRY, HEIRESS AND MEMBER OF THE LEAGUE WHOSE ENGAGEMENTS HAVE BEEN REPORTED DOZENS OF TIMES.

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MISS MAY VAN ALLEN, A BACHELOR MAID OF MILLIONS AND MANY SEASONS.

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MRS. DAVID DOWS (GWENDOLYN BURDEN) WHOSE MARRIAGE BROKE THE "SPELL" ON THE BACHELOR GIRLS' LEAGUE.

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Why she and why the other members refused to marry is a question that has long puzzled Newport. Why should the beautiful Miss Burden

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