

Bunch of Modern Fables

Out west there was a self-made Josiah with a Son who was brought up on Soft Food. He was subject to Headaches and could not play in the Sun. Therefore his People decided that he was cut out for an Artist.

He went to Paree to study. What he wanted was an Atmosphere. So he engaged a Loft and made up for a Tramp. He fell in with the jolly Students who were so busy letting their hair grow and working the Bohemian gag that they had no time to change Collars, etc.

He shifted from Rain Water to Red Ink and let the Trouser's bag at the Knees. His daily Task was to sit under a striped Awning looking fuzzy and disreputable, the while he went against a tall Beaker of the Stuff that smells like Paregoric and converts the whole landscape into a light Green with Yellow Spots on it.

He lived in the dear old Latin Quarter until his Wardrobe was caked on him. Finally his Letter of Credit petered and he had to return to Illinois, where the crude Yokels shave every Saturday Night and put Butter on their Bread.

He showed up on the Prairie with a Mardi Gras Costume, considerable Dandruff and four bum Sketches. Father looked him over and went for the ax, but Mother talked him out of it.

One year in the Home of Art had weaned Alec away from the Simple Joys of the Middle West. He was all the time hollering because he could not get Garlic in his Food. He wore a Velvet Coat and smoked Fumigato Cigarettes and read French Novels. Alec didn't know who was President of the Country of Governor of the State, and he did not wish to bother about it.

America simply amused him. In the meantime Father had to put up, for Alec was dead set against the Commercial Spirit. His principal Occupation was wishing himself back in Paree and nearly everybody hoped he would get his Wish.

Once the Directory Man asked Alec's Father for some information. "What is your Son?" asked the Directory Man.

"You can search me," replied the unfortunate Patriarch. "He does everything that a Painter does, except Paint. He don't want to be called an American and yet I can't label him French, having no Grudge against France. He's a mixture of Parisian, Sucker, Expatriate, Four-Flush and Free-Luncher, which makes him, as near as I can figure it, a Yellow Mongrel."

MORAL: To a benighted People the Latin Quarter looks like Thirty Cents.

A Gentleman with several Dialects once married a Woman because she had the Sense of Humor.

About the time she was up stream with the Bait but before he had used the Net, he would call on her and spring a Good One every little while. Whenever he told a ripe old Scandinavian Wheeze or an Irish Bull she would let out a Whoop and kneel right over among the Cushions. He was an unqualified hit and ran for nearly 100 Nights.

"She's the strip of Calico for me" said the Private Comedian. "There's no chance of a Crust forming on our Married Life, for I can see a Future all rippling with Laughter. I shall be Funny Man and she can play Audience."

After they had been married a couple of years she knew his whole Repertoire backward. He had a collection of Hasketters that made Joe Miller seem comparatively Recent and he worked them off every time they had Company but not at any other Time.

Her Sense of Humor seemed to evaporate after she had heard some 4,000 shine Catches told in parlor Dialect.

The story-telling Man dies like an Outcast if he is cut out of his usual Stunts.

In order that the conversation might not lag she began to fill in by telling him what she thought of him.

At present his only happy Moments come when they have Friends to Dinner. She does not dare to choke him off and there is a tall Bouquet in the Center of the Table so that he cannot see her Face.

MORAL: Only a very appreciative Woman enjoys one after hearing it 800 times.

Once there was an Office Employee with a Copy-Book education.

He believed it was his Duty to learn to Labor and to Wait.

He read Pamphlets and Magazine Articles on Success and how to make it a Cinch. He knew that if he made no Changes and never beated for more Salary, but just buckled down

and put in Extra Time and pulled for the House, he would Arrive in time. The Faithful Worker wanted to be Department Manager. The Hours were short and the Salary large and the Work easy.

He plugged on for many Moons, keeping his Eye on that Roll-Top Desk, for the Manager was getting into the Has-Been Division and he knew there would be a Vacancy.

At last the House gave the old Manager the Privilege of retiring and living on whatever he had saved.

"Ah, this is where Humble Merit gets its Reward," said the Patient Toiler. "I can see myself counting Money."

That very Day the Main Gazooks led into the Office one of the handsomest Tennis Players that ever worked on Long Island and introduced him all around as the new Department Manager.

"I shall expect you to tell Archibald all about the business," said the Main Gazooks to the Patient Toiler. "You see he has just graduated from Harvard and he doesn't know a dum Thing about Managing anything except a Cat-Boat, but his Father is one of our principal Stock-Holders and he is engaged to a Young Woman whose Uncle is at the head of the Trust."

"I had been hoping to get this Job for myself," said the Faithful Worker, faintly.

"You are so valuable as a Subordinate and have shown such an Aptitude for Detail Work that it would be a Shame to waste you on a \$5,000 Job," said the Main Gazooks. "Besides you are not Equipped. You have not been to Harvard. Your Father is not a Stock-Holder. You are not engaged to a Trust. Get back to your High Stool and whatever Archibald wants to know, you tell him."

MORAL: One who wishes to be a Figure-Head should not Overtrain.

At a Summer Resort two Young Fellows were after a Blonde.

Number One could play 18 Holes in Bogey and ride any Jumper that ever wore a Girth. He was built like an Ox and asked People to feel of him, for he was as hard as Nails. If any Argument came up on the Veranda or at the Dinner Table he made the others look like Rabbits, for he was Posted and was very handy with the Sub-Maxillary. He wore his Chest a few Inches in front of himself, and no one could tell him where to get off. Inasmuch as he was a big, husky Good-Looker with all the Manly Accomplishments, he had a Panel Picture of himself leading Miss Blonde into a Flat.

Number Two belonged in the Sub-Duffer Class, no matter what Game he tackled. When he swung at a Golf Ball he usually hit himself in the Ankle. In sailing a Boat he did not know a Sheet from a Sail. He ducked all kinds of Athletic Sports. In Company he became balled up and often had to be Rescued. He was no Ring Performer and he knew it. Therefore, to avoid making too many Breaks, he would go to the Blonde and confidentially ask her to be his True Friend and steer him through the Shoals.

Number One would be out on the Links, hammering away to win a \$2 Cup, but Number Two would remain under Cover and complain of feeling a trifle Knocked Out and permit the Blonde to put Cold Cloths on his Head. Then he would give her a couple of those long yearning Looks and tell her that no one else had ever been quite so Good to him.

Number One was trying to demonstrate that he was a Deuce of a Fellow and Number Two was trying to convince her that she was an Ace of a Girl.

When both of them had come to Tow, she did not hesitate for any great length of Time.

"That poor Boy needs a bright and Clever Woman to take care of him," said she. "He has learned to depend upon me and it would be Cruel to turn him Adrift."

Number Two won by a City Block. MORAL: Star Her and she will discover your Good Points.

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Sky Scrappers

New York, July 19.—The big Realty Trust project, composed of the George A. Fuller Company, the Central Realty Bond and Trust Company, the Century Realty Company and many other minor companies will be among the many trusts now invading England.

"Already many requests have been made," said Richard G. Babbage of the G. A. Fuller Company today, "to go over to London and put up big buildings there. The British are learning how much better it is to find people when they are together. They are moving slowly over there, but they will move largely when they begin."

As announced exclusively in the Hearst newspapers several weeks ago, a movement is on hand to unite all the big realty companies into a gigantic trust which would soon be consummated. It was declared at the time that the plans had been formulated for this mammoth realty syndicate. So far have the plans progressed that the operations cover a scope taking in two continents.

It was stated today that the capital stock will not be less than \$66,000,000, divided into \$30,000,000 of 6 per cent. preferred, and \$36,000,000 common. The name of the new corporation will be the Fuller Realty and Construction Company.

Some idea of the magnitude of the affair can be obtained from the names of the men who will be in the directorate of the new company. Among them will be James H. Hyde and Wm. H. McIntyre, of the Equitable Life Assurance Society; Cornelius Vanderbilt, James Stillman, President of the Nasiona KCity Bank; Charles M. Schwab, President of the United States Steel Corporation; James Speyer, Bradish Johnson, President of the New York Realty Company; Charles H. Tweed, of the Southern Pacific; Henry Morgenthau, of the Central Realty, Bond and Trust Company, and Messrs. Plale and Dowling, the wellknown realty experts.

A conception of the magnitude of the affair can be had from the capitalization of some of the companies which will be constituent parts of the realty trust. They are:

George A. Fuller Company, \$20,000,000; Alliance Realty Company, \$3,000,000; New York Realty Company, \$3,000,000; Central Realty Bond and Trust Company, \$1,000,000; Century Realty Company, \$1,000,000.

The new trust will start with property valued at over \$25,000,000. That the trust will start in with a great advantage in being allied with the steel trust is evident. It now is the largest buyer of structural iron and all other kinds of building material.

Robert E. Dowling, who with Albert Flagle, constitute the most expert operators in the city, will have charge of the purchase of this mammoth concern.

Speech Making Bryan.

Lincoln, Neb., July 19.—A speaking tour of four weeks' duration is the program mapped out by Wm. J. Bryan, who left tonight for the east. He will address a score or more of Democratic meetings in the New England states, chief of which will be a gathering of the New England League of Democratic Clubs in Boston, July 24th.

Bryan has prepared an extended speech for the Boston meeting, in which the keynote will be his unalterable objection to harmonizing with the re-organization faction of the party. Bryan expects to be among political friends at Boston, and with a successful and enthusiastic gathering he believes the moral effect resulting from it will enable him to carry the war into the enemy's country with telling results.

After the Boston speech Bryan will go into Maine, addressing audiences in half a dozen cities in that state during the day. On July 26th he will speak at Meriden and Bridgeport, Conn., counseling Democratic gatherings that peace with the reorganizers is incompatible with Democratic principles. Next Bryan will be the guest of Lewis Nixon for a cruise on the latter's yacht, following which the ex-presidential candidate will enjoy a short vacation on Block Island.

Before returning to Nebraska Bryan will spend two weeks speaking at Eastern Chautauquas. His daughter, Miss Ruth, will accompany him on his entire tour.

Found at Deserted Cabin

Vancouver, July 19.—The discovery of the dead body of a man, half eaten by wild animals, was made last Wednesday in the woods near Bear creek, which empties into Campbell river on the east coast of Vancouver island. Mike King, a well-known logger, made the discovery and told the story upon his arrival in town this morning.

While cruising the woods near Bear creek Mr. King struck a blazed trail,

and following it came upon a small clearing having a tumbledown shack in the center. The body lay a few yards from the cabin door. Death occurred several months ago at least. What clothing the man had worn had been torn to shreds.

In the shack was found a rubber coat and a short brown coat, in the pocket of which was found a blue necktie. No papers were discovered which would lead to the identification of the remains. A camping outfit lay in the cabin. Mr. King buried the remains. Indians in the vicinity state that two years ago a man entered the district from Adams river and soon disappeared.

Prepare for War

Washington, July 22.—Secretary Root, before leaving Washington today, issued the following:

"With the reduction of the Philippine forces and the withdrawal from Cuba, the army is called upon to resume its most important work in time of peace—the work of perfecting itself in military science and skill, and of promoting the position of the United States against future wars. I wish to call your attention to the condition which now requires especial effort and zeal on your part in the performance of this duty.

"Since the declaration of war with Spain in April, 1898, there have been appointed in the line of the army 1,542 lieutenants in addition to 276 appointed from the military academy. Of these, 616 were appointed from officers of volunteers under the act of February 2, 1901, 414 were appointed from the enlisted men of the regular and volunteer armies and 512 were appointed from civil life.

"The abandonment of the military schools for commissioned officers which followed the employment of the entire army in active military operation has left these 1,542 new lieutenants substantially without any means of acquiring a systematic military education. While many of the former officers of volunteers have acquired the most valuable experience by active service in the field, yet it is of great importance to them as well as to the untrained appointees from civil life and from the ranks, that they shall have an opportunity for broad and thorough training, both practical and theoretical, under competent masters in the art of war whom our army is able to supply.

"Congress has now with wise liberality made provision for the reopening of the army schools, has given its sanction to the general system of military education embodied in the general order of November 27 last, including the enlargement and development of the Fort Leavenworth school into a general service and staff college, the establishment of a war college at Washington with a suitable building, and the rebuilding of the engineers' school, and has made ample appropriations for these purposes.

"Every effort will be made by the war college board, which has general supervision and charge of the whole system, to bring its advantages to the new officers of the army as speedily as possible, and to organize officers' schools at all the considerable posts without delay. I ask for hearty co-operation with them on the part of every officer of the army. There are 1,452 graduates of the military academy now holding commissions. They especially have an opportunity to demonstrate their loyalty to the principles of that institution by helping to diffuse throughout the service the benefits which have come to them from their four years of hard work.

"The newly appointed officers should realize that there is much to be learned and that the way to qualify in the service for high and independent command, for which they should all hope, is by constant intellectual exercise and by the systematic study of the reasons of military action and the materials and conditions and difficulties which military commanders have to deal with.

"Careful attention to the instruction of the newly-appointed officers is enjoined on all regimental, troop, battery and company commanders. They should be impressed with the importance of the faithful performance of every duty, however unimportant it may appear to them, and with their responsibility for such conduct and bearing in all their relations as shall do honor to the service."

Demands a Hearing.

London, July 22.—Gen. Buller has written another letter to William Brodrick, the secretary of state for war, in which he complains that Mr. Brodrick accentuated charges in the house of commons which were never officially brought against him and to which he was ordered to reply.

In his communication to the secretary Gen. Buller demands that he be allowed to state his views regarding Ladysmith's capability to hold out against the Boers.

Hon. M. H. Herbert.

The Hon. Michael Henry Herbert, who has been promoted from the post of First Secretary of the British Embassy in Paris to succeed Lord Pauncefoot as British ambassador at Washington, is in his forty-fifth year.

He was the fourth son of the Right Hon. Sydney Herbert and of Lady Herbert of Lea, who is the author of a number of works of travel and biography. His brother Sidney is the fourth Earl of Pembroke and the eleventh Earl of Montgomery and a Lord Steward of His Majesty's Household. An elder brother was the thirteenth Earl of Pembroke. The Hon. Michael Henry Herbert entered the diplomatic service in June, 1877, and went to Paris two years later as an attaché. In 1883 he was made second secretary at Paris, and was transferred to Washington in 1888, where he acted as Charge d'Affaires for four months following the withdrawal of Lord Salisbury. He was promoted to be Secretary of Legation in 1892, when the Venezuelan dispute was in progress, and was British agent for the commission which settled the boundary. The succeeding year he was transferred to Constantinople, and was Charge d'Affaires in the absence of Sir Philip Currie at the time of the Armenian massacres. For the skill he displayed in this emergency, he was

made a Knight Commander of the Bath. In 1897 he was made secretary to the embassy at Rome, and was transferred to Paris in August, 1898, when he was appointed a minister plenipotentiary in the diplomatic service. In 1888 Mr. Herbert was married to Miss Lelia Wilson, a daughter of R. T. Wilson of New York, and a sister to Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt, jr.—Ex.

Mrs. Peary Confident

New York, July 22.—A Sydney, C. B., dispatch says: Provisioned for several months and all equipped to withstand the rigors of the Arctic seas, the Peary steamer Windward will start today for the far north, says a Halifax dispatch to the Tribune. Aboard are Mrs. Peary and her little daughter Marie. The wife of the explorer is confident of finding her husband at Cape Sabine, and that his return to civilization will be signalled by the news that he has discovered the long-sought-for pole.

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