CECIL'S CONVERT.

How the Titled Evangelist Won the Man Who Once Threatened to Cut His Head Off.

Corporal Skinner Becomes a Fervent Follower of the Nobleman, But Backslides.

An Illustration of Where Piety Proved Inconsistent With Service to the Queen —Why Cecil Left the Army.

The death by drowning of Lord Adelbert Percy Cecil, the evangelist, had a peculiar interest for William Skinner, who now lives at Ashton, Rhode Island. Skinner and his lordship were once companions-in-arms and "companions in the Lord." As regards the first named degree of companionship, that was merely technical, Skinner being but a corporal in the Queen's Royal Rifles and Lord Cecil being an officer in the same regiment. They were serving in Canada together and became better acquainted by "getting the grip." This, among the soldiers of the regular army that garrisoned Canada at that time, meant getting religion. Skinner was a pretty hard case and had been court-martialed for misconduct several times. Being an expert as a drill instructor the sentence of reduction to the ranks was twice remitted, but on the last trial Lord Cecil was his accuser and, being convicted, the sentence was allowed to stand.

A few months previous to this Lord Cecil had become an exceedingly zealous Christian. Skinner was absent one Sunday from divine services when the roll was called, and his lordship wanted him sentenced to death. The captain of the company thought a reprimand would be sufficient and Skinner was cautioned not to offend again. After that the eye of Lord Cecil was upon the corporal. One night his lordship was returning to the citadel of Quebec from a meeting of "grippers," when he came across Skinner in a state of intoxication. The man was drunk enough to be defiant and indifferent to consequences.

"Report yourself as a prisoner when you reach the chain gate," said the noble Lord of the Rifles.

"Hullo, Head-chopper! that you?" was the insubordinate answer of the non-commissioned officer. The term "head-chopper" was a nick name applied to Cecil by a number of men in the regiment among whom he was known as a descendant of that Cecil who figured prominently in the tragedy of Mary Stuart's execution.

"I shall put an additional charge against you," said Cecil.

"You will, eh? Well, I'll give you a few more to clap in the defaulter's book, you miserable, canting hound. You wanted me sentenced to death, didn't you, for not attending your blasted prayer meetings? Lord Cecil, your hour has come. I propose to avenge right here the murder of Mary Queen of Scots, whom your ancestor brought to the block."

Skinner did not mean anything of the kind. What he intended was to give "Head-chopper" a great fright. But his lordship presumed that his murder was intended, especially when Skinner snatched the officer's sword from its scabbard and bade him kneel down in the snow.

"I had nothing to do with Mary Stuart, man," he said.

"No matter: your ancestor had, and it is high time that that outrage was avenged. Take off your stock." [A leather necktie that all soldiers wore at that time.]

Cecil, who was but a mite in the grasp of the burly corporal, gave himself up for lost and requested time for prayer.

"You'll have to pray according to the ritual of the established church of England," said Skinner, who knew that Cecil had gone into Methodism of a peculiar type, and was opposed to the national church.

"I will pray according to my conscience," he replied.

"Not so, my lord; your ancestor would not let the martyred Mary die in the faith she loved. Your villainous Bishop of Peterboro took care of that, and now you must have a dose of the same medicine. Repeat the creed of the Church of England and bend your neck."

Just then the tramp, tramp of a returning night picket was heard ascending the citadel hill and Skinner, interrupted in his fun, fled. As soon as the picket came up Lord Cecil said an attempt had been made to murder him, and that the assassin had escaped across the glacis. Skinner was brought to trial, and although it was made clear that he had no intention to kill his superior officer, the court trying him had an idea that such practical jokes were not to be practiced with impunity. They found him guilty, sentenced him to lose his stripes and be confined in the military prison for five years. It was while undergoing this sentence that he cultivated Lord Cecil's acquaintance under more favorable auspices. His lordship was on duty as one of the official visitors to the prison, and seeing Skinner very sick he went to him and had him excused from the back-breaking punishment of lifting heavy shot from one place and piling them in another. The two men began to know each other better, and in a short time Skinner got the "grip." Although he was instrumental in getting Skinner into prison, Cecil took a more active part in getting him out, and when the Duke of Camoridge had commanded a remission of the balance of the sentence Cecil and Skinner became religious chums, so to speak. They preached to the men and both were looked upon as nuisances in the regiment, which was not a praying one.

It was while pursuing his course of piety that Skinner got into his second scrape, and, strange to say, this time his offense was being to good. He and another had endeavored to evade the regular Episcopalian service on Sunday. Cecil and his fellow-thinkers had come to regard the Episcopalian services as a piece of idolatry. When the regiment filed into the church Skinner and a fellow-soldier named Jamison halted at the door and refused to enter.

"Why do you men remain here?" asked the officer of the day.

"Our consciences tell us it is wrong to attend these services, sir," was the reply.

The captain thought they were drunk, but soon learned they were in sober earnest.

"What right have you —— fellows to pit your consciences against the established church?"

Firmly they replied that they would suffer death rather than again do violence to their consciences.

"What's all this?" asked an officer who had just come on the scene. The captain explained.

"Put them both in the guard-house," he said, as he walked into the church. The officer was Garnet Wolseley, then acting Adjutant General of the garrison.

Skinner was brought to trial by court-martial for refusing to attend divine services when ordered, but the general in command declined to confirm the sentence of fifty-six days' hard labor. The matter was hushed up. Cecil soon after left the service, his zeal for religion having incurred the ill will of his fellow officers. Skinner's piety underwent some modification and he became a bartender after obtaining his discharge.

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Proposals for Water Supply.

Notice is hereby given, That, pursuant to an order of the city council of the city of Helena, Montana, the undersigned committee on water, of the said city of Helena, will receive bids until 12 o'clock on the 1st day of August, 1889, for supplying said city of Helena with water for fire, sewerage and other purposes, and the contractor will be required to comply with the following specifications and conditions, to-wit:

1. A full, ample and sufficient supply of good, pure, wholesome and clear water shall be provided for the use and wants of the inhabitants of said city, and sufficient to provide said city for fire, sewerage (maintenance and construction) and other purposes; and such supply shall be full, ample and sufficient for the present population of said city, and for the future population of said city, as the same may be from time to time, during the full term of the proposed contract; and said water shall be pure and wholesome, and free from animal, vegetable or mineral substances, such as would render it unhealthful or unfit for domestic use.

2. The pressure in mains and pipes at the level of the first floor of the court house of Lewis and Clarke county, situate in said city, and at all other points of equal height, shall be maintained at not less than sixty pounds to the square inch, if reservoir works shall be used; and if the direct pressure system shall be used, sixty pounds to the square inch, fire pressure, and twenty-five to forty pounds to the square inch, ordinary pressure, shall be maintained at said point, and at all other s of equal height.

3. The contractor to whom the contract for furnishing said water may be awarded, shall lay or furnish twenty miles of mains within the limits of said city, exclusive of the amount of mains connecting the works of such contractor with the point or points of distribution, and such mains shall be of the following sizes and on the following streets in said city of Helena respectively: At least ten inches in inner diameter on Lawrence street from denton avenue to Main street; on Rodney street from Broadway to Helena avenue; on Main street from Bridge street to Helena avenue; on Helena avenue from Main street to the right of way of the Northern Pacific Railway company, on Broadway from Main street to Rodney street. At least eight inches in inner diameter on Madison avenue from Lawrence street to Davis street, in the Hauser addition; on Lawrence street from Madison avenue to Benton avenue; on Rodney street from Bridge street to Broadway; on Fifth avenue from Warren street to Hoback street; on Ninth avenue from Rodney street to Idaho avenue. At least five inches in inner diameter on denton avenue from Edwards street to Lyndale avenue; on Clore street from Bridge street to Benton avenue at Flowerree street; on Lawrence street from Madison avenue to the western boundary of the townsite; on Clark street from Strawberry street to Clore street; on Howey street from Adams street to Clark street; on Jefferson street from Adams street to Ming street; on Ming street from Jefferson street to Howey street; on Bridge street from Clore street to Chaucer street; on West Main street from Bridge street south 1,050 feet; on Rodney street from Bridge street south 1,050 feet; on Wood street from Main street to Ewing street; on Ewing street from Fifth avenue to Helena avenue; on Jackson street from Wood street to Sixth avenue; on Sixth avenue from Jackson street to Main street; on Broadway from Rodney street to Beattie street; on Fifth avenue from Hoback street to Tietjen street; on Galiatin street from Helena avenue to Fifth avenue; on Lyndale avenue from Benton avenue east 600 feet; on Third street, Northern Pacific addition, from Helena avenue north 500 feet; on Grand street from Jackson street to Warren street; on Warren street from Broadway to Helena avenue; on Hemlock street from Madison avenue to Harrison avenue; on Chaucer street from Bridge street to Broadway. At least four inches in inner diameter on Dearborn street from Lawrence street to Davis street, in Hauser addition; on Cutler street from West Main street to Rodney street; on Pine street from Joliet street to Rodney street; on Water street from Cutler street south 430 feet; on Breckenridge street from Rodney street to Beattie street; on Eighth avenue from Rodney street to Hobsack street; on Eleventh avenue from Rodney street to Hoback street; on Hoback street from Eleventh avenue to Pilaume street. At least three inches in inner diameter on Davis street, in Hauser's addition, from Madison avenue to Benton avenue; on Strawberry street from Clarke street to Lawrence street; on Adams street from Howey street to Jefferson street; on Beattie street from Broadway to Fifth avenue; on Hoback street from Fifth avenue to Eleventh avenue.

4. The contractors shall place down and connect with the twenty miles of mains herein provided for, at points to be designated by the city council, or a committee thereof, two hundred hydrants, and shall maintain said hydrants during the continuance of the contract. Such hydrants shall have double nozzles, and shall be non-freezing, and of the latest and most approved pattern. Provided; that if the contractor use any system of pipes and hydrants in said city, said hydrants need not be changed or removed, and said council shall not relocate or change the same.

5. The contractor shall be required to lay and maintain, in addition to the twenty miles of mains hereinbefore specified, such mains, of such sizes, at such times, and upon such streets, as the city council of said city shall from time to time direct; and shall place and maintain one hydrant for each one-tenth of a mile on such additional mains, if the same shall be of a diameter of six inches or more, or if the same shall be of a diameter of less than six inches, then one hydrant for each one-seventh of a mile, said hydrants to be of the pattern above specified, no hydrant to be placed on any pipe less than four inches inside diameter.

6. All mains and pipes shall be laid at the depth of five feet below the established grade of the respective streets, and all repairs and extensions of such mains and pipes shall be under the supervision of such street commissioner as to grades, locations and streets, Provided; that, if any system of pipes now in use in said city shall be occupied by the contractor, it shall not be necessary to take up or relay any pipes now in place.

7. In no case shall said mains or pipes in any manner interfere with any mains or pipes laid in said streets, so as to injure or obstruct the same; nor shall said mains or pipes interfere with or obstruct any sewer now existing in said streets; nor shall there be any interference with or obstruction of any mains or pipes which may be hereafter authorized, laid or constructed by or under the authority of said city by mains that may be hereafter laid by said contractor; and at all places and points in the said city where said water mains or pipes approach gas mains or pipes, there shall be at least six inches of earth between them.

8. The water which may be required by said city of Helena for the use of any and all buildings owned and occupied by said city for municipal purposes, shall be furnished by the contractor, without cost or charge to said city.

9. In case of unavoidable accident or breakage of machinery, due time shall be given to the contractor to repair the damages, but he shall receive no pay from any person or corporation for any time during which he fails to furnish water in the causes in this section stated.

10. The works herein provided for shall be so constructed and maintained as to interfere as little as possible with the rights of others, and any damage resulting from such works, or the erection, construction or operation thereof, shall be repaired and paid for by the contractor.

11. Said works, and the water system connected therewith, shall be completed and in readiness for the convenance and distribution of water throughout the twenty miles of mains hereinbefore provided for, on or before the first day of July, A. D. 1890.

12. Proposals shall specify the maximum rates at which water shall be furnished said city and its inhabitants for the various purposes for which water may be used under the contract, if a contract shall be awarded.

13. The mayor and committee of the city council of said city, and any officer or other person authorized by said council, shall at all times have free access to the entire works and system herein contemplated for the purpose of inspecting, examining or testing the same, or any part or portion thereof.

14. In case a contract shall be awarded, the said council of said city, in the ordinance providing for said contract, may add such other safeguards and provisions for the protection of said city and the inhabitants, and for the care and preservation of the streets and alleys in said city, and for the regulation, conduct and management of said works, as to the said city council may seem for the best interest of said city and its inhabitants.

15. All terms, conditions and provisions of the contract, in case one shall be awarded, shall apply to and bind as well the original parties thereto as their respective successors and assigns.

16. Water herein provided for shall be furnished said city for a term of not less than one nor more than fifteen years from the first day of January, 1890.

Proposals shall be sealed, indorsed "Proposals for water supply," addressed to the chairman of the undersigned committee, and left with the city clerk of said city on or before the hour herein first above named.

Proposals must be accompanied by bonds in the sum of five thousand dollars to enter into contract if bid shall be accepted.

The right to reject any and all bids is expressly reserved.

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