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BY EMMA ALICE BROWN.

Oh, where does my darling stray? Is he lying beneath the soil? ... 'Mid the perfume-dropping vines— Where the amorous honey-bird sips, From the pastures of the flowers, The rose wine spilled in their purple cups ...

FIERCE ASSAULT ON THE BACHELORS.

Single Bachelors to be suppressed. From the Georgia Weekly.

HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF LIVELY WIDOWS, January 1, 1866.—Whereas, it is now patent to all women and the rest of mankind, and hath become a matter of scandalous notoriety, that a most unwholesome, unattractive, and entirely unnecessary combination against the rights of women in general, spinsters in particular, widows as a concomitant, is now existing, to the detriment of civilization, decrease of population, and abrogation of wedding and christening parties, and held together by the traitorous proclamation of one (so-called) General Celibacy, I Dame Lieutenant-General Balmoral, of the Army of Lively Widows, now encamping on the territory of our Former Husbands, do hereby issue the following:

SPECIAL ORDERS.

I. It is particularly enjoined upon all Lively Widows, no matter of what rank, to precisely and exactly remember that the so-called General Celibacy is a notorious impostor, well known to us as that infamous escaped convict, whose true name is Male Firt, and that he is hereby declared outlawed, and wherever and whenever he may be caught he is to be married on the spot to some one-eyed, false-toothed, cotton investing woman, old enough to be his grandmother, and that immediately thereafter, he, the said Male Firt, shall be put to a life-long nursing of other men's babies, the cross and ugliest being selected therefor.

II. Commanders will on every possible occasion ambush the perpetrator as he is said to be strong and certainly robust in a variety of bad habits, but he is very weak in certain points, and can easily be led into the bushes, where his capture or extermination is almost a certainty. When cornered he is a consummate goose, and in his head under the heavy lead that his whole stupid carcass, fess, feathers, and all, is invisible.

III. As the policy of the foe is declared to be an avoidance of engagements, urge him vigorously to the wall, and in some sort induce him to believe that he is in your power, and the probability is that he will surrender unconditionally. Remember that he will certainly retreat behind his strongest works, Self-conceit and Happiness, and that these being made of earth, are easily overcome by a hand-to-hand engagement.

IV. Should the foe prove very stubborn, and apparently resolved to die in his tracks, let all Lively Widows recall their former invincible valor and courage in the main, with those ways and means which have never failed to conquer mankind.

V. As the foe is eminently skilled, in his opinion, in Matrimonial Military and Strategic Tactics—we know his own deplorable ignorance—it is made a waste of time and material to attempt to cut him off in detail; therefore the advance will be made en masse—our spies and scouts having ascertained that his formation is totally in hollow heads and spongy hearts, and his supply of ammunition, mental and physical, ridiculously minute. Owing to the heavy taxes imposed upon him by his Dictator Bad Habits and Tax Assessor General Disipation, we believe him wholly unable to sustain the first charge of the Army of Lively Widows, under command of Lady General Common Sense, supported by Lady General Roay Lips.

VI. Our heavy artillery, under command of Lady Colonel True Attachment, being unwieldy in the present campaign, will merely make a vigorous point on the enemy's body, to cover the rapid advance of our cavalry corps, led by Lady Breve Major-General Wooling Words, against his centre, while the second division of the same corps will, under Lady General Bright Wit, attack his unprotected rear, searching for, and thereby throw his entire front into a perfect panic. This will be readily accomplished, as the enemy has no acquaintance with Bright Wit or any of that style of lightning. As soon as the panic begins, which will be simultaneous with the first demonstrations on our line of skirmishers, as we know there is a strong Union sentiment prevailing in his ranks, especially among the conscripts, none of whom have ever been killed, a pleasure General Celibacy experiences monthly in his body, to turn his knee deep, led by myself, General Balmoral, the "fog-horn" of Ancient Widows, in full battle regalia, with banners and bonnets high advanced, hoops expanded, plumes flying, English gaiters displayed, and the most beautiful, silk rustling, satins shivering, perturbed floating, lips pointing, bosoms swelling, necks arching, eyes sparkling, teeth entrancing, fairy forms dancing, sweet voices, regimental volleys pouring, guitars

and pianos sounding, lilly White, and Rouge, and Scudon trapping plumes waving, heads of snow extending, rounded arched, lily eyes, streaming, eyelids quivering, and the whole of our organic machinery of coquetting and most formidable varieties of natural and artificial charms in full play—we will, finally utterly discomfit, overwhelm, route, and ext. ...

VII. It is especially enjoined upon all commanders, as a matter of vital precaution against all babies, be kept scrupulously out of sight and starting of the enemy, for should he suspect the existence of one of these dear little creatures—sweet sugar-plums of mortality—he will fly to the uttermost parts of the earth, ...

VIII. The main army of bachelors being thus entirely routed, it will devolve upon the antique veterans of our arms—our younger soldiers being far more available for close fighting—to pursue all crippled bachelors, and to capitulate, by constant display of tailors' and habbers' extravaganzas, hair oils and cigar cases, empty boxes and vacuous purses, large rolls of Confederate money and little grossy vials of green-backs, a few toothpicks, and some false teeth, ...

IX. No prisoners will be paroled, for the annals of history prove that a bachelor's oath is never to be held of any value when given to a bachelor or a woman, ...

X. All spoils, which will be found, as we well know, by constant display of tailors' and habbers' extravaganzas, hair oils and cigar cases, empty boxes and vacuous purses, large rolls of Confederate money and little grossy vials of green-backs, a few toothpicks, and some false teeth, ...

XI. As the widows are thus far neutral, let their rights be respected, and a mutual alliance be made between the sexes.

XII. It is known that our enemies are aided and abetted by sundry old renegade widowers, wearing bachelor uniforms. When any of these miscreants are captured they will be furnished with Mrs. Widdow's Scotch Whisky, and cross babies at the public expense, for life.

In conclusion, your commander commands you to perseverance, self-denial, and dry-goods stores. Be true to yourselves and prove worthy of your former and once justly deserved title, that a husband well managed is a handy thing to have about the house, especially if you have babies. Do not east down if you fall once again, but try again and you will assuredly be victorious; but should you, any of our young soldiers, be unable to fall to secure the victory, ...

LADY LIEUTENANT-GENERAL BALMORAL, A. VANDYKE, A. A. and I. General.

The Fashion of Red Hair. A French writer—M. Jules Denizet—has written an article in a Paris journal under the title of "The Revenge of the Red-Headed," in which he discusses a prevailing continental fashion, and gives some interesting information. ...

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