

JILTED BY AN UNDERTAKER SHE VALUES LOVE AT \$50,000

School Teacher Smith Reads a Reproachful Letter to Delinquent Lover in Court with Elocutionary Effect—Compton Claimed He Was Too Ill to Marry—Newark Romance Told on Witness Stand.

(Special to The Evening World.) NEWARK, April 29.—"Beloved, what am I to think of your conduct? Is it not unkind and reprehensible? I learn that during the last two weeks you have been seen on the streets and in the trolley cars several times and yet you could not spare ten minutes for me. I am getting tired of it and feel compelled to inform you that if you do not take some action at once regarding our engagement I will force by all that is right and honorable."

This letter was written by Miss Edith E. Smith, a school teacher, to aged and wealthy Charles W. Compton, an undertaker here. Miss Smith is now suing Mr. Compton for \$50,000 damages for breach of promise. She read the letter from the witness stand today.

She is Self-Possessed. Miss Smith wore a maroon silk dress when she appeared in the court. As usual she was precise and self-possessed and greeted her counsel and the court attendants with as much ease as if she were addressing her class in school.

After some medical testimony regarding Mr. Compton's condition at the time Lawyer Guild, for the defense, asked if Miss Smith would take the stand. He merely wanted her to identify a letter, he said.

The plaintiff's counsel did not object, as Miss Smith identified the letter as one she had written to the undertaker some time after his serious illness of February, 1901. The letter was not dated.

Miss Smith read it aloud with dramatic eloquence, merely glancing at the lines, and then leveling her eyes straight at the jury and making the sentences with considerable emphasis.

"There was a buzz in the courtroom when Mr. Compton was called to the stand, which he mounted with considerable dignity. He said he was more than sixty-eight years old, lived at No. 23 South Seventeenth street, was a widower and cared for his four sisters. Then he was asked by Mr. Guild:

"Did you at any time tell Miss Smith that your sister Sadie said to you that she would move heaven and hell to prevent the marriage?"

"No."

"Sadie Didn't Pull Hair. "Did you tell her that Sadie pulled your hair?"

"No."

"Did you tell her that you had supposed Sadie was on your side because you had given her a \$500 pair of diamond earrings?"

"No."

After these details of the fair plaintiff's testimony Mr. Compton was asked when he became acquainted with her, and said it was either in 1888 or before that.

"Did you see her on the Christian Endeavor excursion in 1891 to Massachusetts?"

"Yes," was the reply, "and I think the next time I saw her was at Mass River, Aug. 2, 1898."

"Did you first call in 1898. In 1898 she went to Connecticut in August, 1898, for a vacation I had sent her flowers and taken her drive to the shore."

"Did you seek her companionship?"

"Yes," answered the witness, "I sought it whenever it was convenient."

"Did you ask her four times to marry you?"

"I don't think it was four times. It may have been three times."

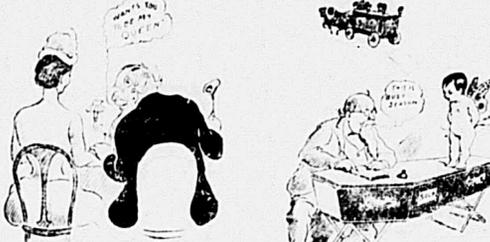
"Why did she refuse you?"

"Because she did not think a marriage with me was not a good thing."

"Did Miss Smith give you any particular reason for refusing you two or three times?"



When his health began to fail and his love to grow cold.



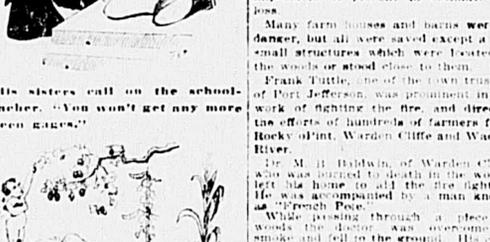
He proposes to her in New York.



"I left my compliments, with some good things from my garden."



His sisters call on the school-teacher. "You won't get any more green eggs."



He would sleep on a board if he could be near her.



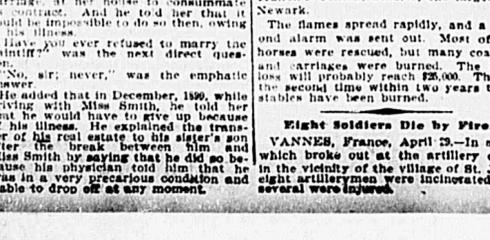
And he would sleep on a board if he could be near her.



His letters were warm.



He had often kissed her.



GOT WRIT FOR CHINESE TOTS.

Effort of Missionary to Get Adopted Children.

Mrs. Helen F. Clark, the Chinese missionary, today obtained a writ of habeas corpus from Justice Andrews, in the Supreme Court, directing the Gerry Society and Chu Ying Yuen to produce a court to-morrow, Judge and Little Y. Chu, the adoptive father of Chu Ying Yuen, in order that the court may decide as to what should be done with the two children.

Mrs. Clark says in her petition that the children are eight and six years old, respectively, and are the children of Yip Tung, a Chinaman, of No. 39 Race street, Philadelphia, and Mary Yip, a white woman and a citizen of the United States.

The children, Mrs. Clark says, are citizens of this country. On the death of their mother, in 1888, Chu Ying Yuen, of No. 41 West street, obtained from Surrogate Arnold an order permitting him to take care of them and their names were changed to those of Chu and Little Yuen.

Mrs. Clark says that Chu Ying Yuen and his wife, Lam Chum, intend removing the children to China. Chu Ying Yuen, she says, is not a citizen of the United States, and to permit him to remove the children to China and to bring them up in accordance with Chinese habits and customs would be injurious to the moral and physical well-being of the children.

"In this particular case," Mrs. Clark says, "the danger to the moral well-being of the children is enhanced by the fact that both of the children, though under the legal age, have been permitted and encouraged by Chu Ying Yuen to associate with improper and dissolute persons, and to appear on stage upon the stage in a theatrical performance."

The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children has caused the arrest and apprehension of the children and now holds them in custody. "My darling, my time is limited and full of business."

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., April 29.—Jack McCormick and Tim Callahan, the two pugilists who were arrested here for assault and battery and the robbery of a diamond brooch, were given a hearing this morning before Magistrate Loring. The evidence was strong and well substantiated. The magistrate held each under \$500 bail for court. Attorney Hunt, who appeared for the defendants, agreed to accept the bail responsibility.

ENGEL TO BE GODFATHER. His Lawyer Lieutenant Received Good News in Busy Court. Lawyer Henry J. Goldsmith, one of Martin Engel's lieutenants, was defending a client in Superior Court today, when the telephone in the Judge's Chamber rang.

Bernhardt to Sail. On Kaiser Wilhelm—Other Noted Passengers. Most prominent of the saloon passengers booked to sail to-morrow on the North German Lloyd Kaiser Wilhelm is the actress Sarah Bernhardt.

World's Clever Cartoonist Becomes Mrs. H. K. Chambers. Mrs. Mary Davison, known to Evening World readers as Katie Carson, the noted interviewer and cartoonist, was married to Harry K. Chambers Sunday morning at 10 o'clock in the "Little Church Around the Corner," Chambers is a brother of Hudson Chambers, the noted London pianist.

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FOREST FIRE UNDER CONTROL

Hundreds of Long Island Farmers Return Home Exhausted.

The forest fire which started at Wading River, L. I., on Saturday afternoon is at last under control. Hundreds of men have been fighting the flames. At Wading River today the fire was practically extinguished and the farmers and other citizens returned to their homes thoroughly exhausted by their efforts.

FREE TICKETS WITH DRINKS.

Barkeeper Accused of Distributing Railroad's Property.

Not satisfied with the allotments of the free lunch, Thomas M. Wall, a bartender in the saloon at Third avenue and One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, was accused in the Morrisania Police Court to-day of offering the additional attraction of a trolley transfer with brand refreshments.

MAYOR SNAPS AT SPELLMAN.

Had Just Listened Deferentially to Anti-Tammany Leader.

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Advertisement for James McCreery & Co. featuring 85c printed foulard silks, with prices for various styles and materials.

Advertisement for James McCreery & Co. featuring tapestry portieres, lace curtains, and other home furnishings.

Advertisement for James Butler Choice Groceries, featuring various food items and prices.

Text advertisement for James Butler Choice Groceries, stating they are determined to educate all lovers of good butter.

Advertisement for James Butler Choice Groceries, featuring very best creamery butter, a pound for 19 cents.

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Advertisement for 'World Wants' and 'No Business Thrives Without Them', featuring a list of various goods and services.

Advertisement for 'Final Notice of End of Sale Tuesday is the Last Day', featuring a list of various goods and services.

Advertisement for 'B. Altman & Co. are now showing new models of the FASSO CORSET', featuring a list of various goods and services.

Advertisement for 'Cohen & Co.' featuring a list of various goods and services.

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