# BEAUTY MAY WED MAN SHE JILTED

## Young Mrs. Cornelia Baxter Tevis, a Widow, Reported Engaged to Gerald Hughes, Whom She Threw Over.

## WAS BRIDE BUT TEN WEEKS.

### Present Fiancee Turned Her Father and Family Out of Their Home After She Broke Engagement on the Eve of Their Wedding.

Romance isn't dead, if the stories which come over the wire from Denver and San Francisco are true. They report that Mrs. Cornelia Baxter Tevis, widow of the 'Frisco millionaire, Hugh Tevis, and Gerald Hughes, the Denver millionaire whom she jilted to marry the Californian, are engaged to be married.

So finely have the gossips followed the affairs of the two that they have fixed the place of the wedding at the Holland House, in this city, and the date this week. Both Mrs. Tevis and Hughes have engaged apartments at the hotel from Wednesday. Mrs. Tevis is now in the East with her mother and her baby boy, while Hughes is coming from Denver as fast as steam can bring him.

**May Wed Man She Jilted.**

If they are married, the story of their first love, their sudden estrangement through the intervention of Tevis, the jilting of Hughes and the death of his rival in Japan after a honeymoon of but ten weeks, the birth of a posthumous child, the feud between the Tevis and Hughes families all combine to make fiction seem tame. Cornelia Baxter was accounted the most beautiful girl in Colorado two years ago. Her father, ex-Gov. Baxter, of Wyoming, was a rich cattleman who had made his "pile" and gone to Denver to live. His daughter had been educated in Paris and had created a furor there by her great beauty. When she came back to Denver all the eligible men in the city laid themselves at her feet. Gerald Hughes was the favorite. He was rich, young, handsome, and of one of the best families in the State. Their engagement was duly announced and society decided that Miss Baxter had chosen well.

The date was fixed for the wedding in the Spring of 1901. A magnificent trousseau had been prepared. The invitations were out. The bridesmaids had prepared their gowns. Nothing was left to be done but to perform the ceremony. Then Miss Baxter was taken with pneumonia. When she became convalescent the physicians ordered her to Southern California and the wedding was postponed.

**Married a Millionaire.**

This was the turning point which changed Miss Baxter's life from a conventional one to one strangely dramatic and even tragic. While basking in the sunshine of the Pacific slope she met Hugh Tevis, son of Lloyd Tevis, one of the Pacific's great millionaires. His father had been dead but a short time and this son was the possessor of $6,000,000, six times as much as Gerald Hughes. He was about forty years old and a widower with one child.

Back in Denver Gerald Hughes was wondering how soon his fiancee would be well enough to come to him and counting the days with an eager heart when a reporter called to see him. He showed him a despatch announcing the engagement of Tevis to his own intended bride. Hughes almost fainted. The next day came a brief note from Miss Baxter breaking off the engagement and announcing that she and Tevis were to be married at once. They were, April 10, and at once sailed for Japan.

Denver was furious at what they called the perfidy of the girl. They said she had sold herself for the extra millions of the Californian and it boded ill for the bride when she should return there, if ever. But fate had a bitterer blow in store for her. Ten weeks later, when the newly-married pair were revelling in the land of cherry blossoms, the heart of Hugh Tevis suddenly stopped. He had strained it in athletics at Harvard years before and he was paying the penalty then by death.

**Society Ostracized Her.**

The young widow cabled to his mother and to her parents, and then brought back his ashes to his California home. She went to live with the elder Mrs. Tevis in San Francisco. One look into Denver was enough for her. Society had taken up the cudgels for Gerald Hughes, and the young widow found little sympathy there. Her whole family was ostracized, and when through a secret agent Hughes bought the home of the Baxters from over their heads his Denver adherents considered that he had taken a just revenge.

Last February a baby boy was born to Mrs. Tevis in the home of her mother-in-law. Three months later the elder Mrs. Tevis died, leaving her grandchild one-fifth of her fortune, which was very large. The child thus became immensely rich, for its father's will, made immediately after the wedding, had provided amply for it.

Through all this Gerald Hughes was still bitter. But not long ago he went to San Francisco on business. He chanced to meet the young widow who as a maiden had so charmed and crushed his heart. She seemed more beautiful than ever and his old love, never dead but just smothered in jealousy and offended pride, sprang up again. What happened to them the public does not and probably never will know, but Hughes went back to Denver a different man.

**May Be Wedded Here.**

He had been something of a recluse after the blow fell, but now he blossomed out again and became as gay as before his humiliation. A week ago Mrs. Baxter and her widowed daughter came East. Hughes was still in Denver. He had invitations out for a bachelor dinner. Suddenly they were recalled without reason and Hughes started for New York. He telegraphed ahead for rooms at the Holland House. This became known, and then it was learned that Mrs. Tevis had also engaged rooms there.

Denver immediately put two and two together and made it four. And if there isn't a wedding in this city during the week, or very soon, all the romancers in Denver will weep.

# FAIR WIDOW WHO MAY WED MILLIONAIRE SHE JILTED.

MRS. CORNELIA BAXTER TEVIS.

# NINE MONTHS IN A PLASTER CAST

## Rev. Horace Porter Rejoices at Release, and Is Slowly Recovering from Accident Which Nearly Cost His Life.

## HE IS ABLE TO STAND NOW.

Overjoyed at being at last released from the plaster cast which has held him prisoner for nine months, the Rev. Horace Porter, assistant pastor of Plymouth Church, Brooklyn, is now at the home of his father, Samuel S. Porter, No. 13 Meadow street, slowly recovering his former buoyant health and strength. His recovery from the accident with which he met while riding across the Brooklyn Bridge two years ago is considered almost miraculous by his friends, who realize how precarious his condition has been.

"Tell all those who ask about me that I am a pretty well sick man," said he to an Evening World reporter to-day. "I am still compelled to use my crutches in walking, but this morning I found I was able to stand without using any support for forty minutes. I didn't feel any bad effects from the exertion, either.

"I attribute my almost complete recovery almost entirely to the wonderful treatment I received while at Dr. Andrews's private hospital in Thirty-third street, but a good deal is due to my constant exercise at my little farm in Southington, Conn., to which place I retired immediately after my accident.

**Case Called Hopeless.**

"The doctors all told me that my case was hopeless. I was knocked off my wheel by a team of truck horses and injured the base of my skull in the fall. All the nerve centres were affected and they all declared that even though I might recover from the attack of 'neuritis' I could never regain the proper use of my legs which were terribly crippled because of the atrophied condition of the motor cells. After a year and a half of unspeakable agony, I became fairly well in mind, but my legs remained hopelessy misshapen and I was unable to move about.

"As a last resort, urged by my parents, I decided to undergo an operation whereby the ligaments which connect the legs with the torso, which had become shortened by the accident, were broken, my entire body put in a plaster cast, with my legs held apart forty inches, to allow the muscles to assume their normal positions. After six months of this imprisonment I was again taken to my country place at Southington and when the cast was removed it was found that my legs had been kept a little too far apart and that I would have to undergo the operation again.

**Gospel of Hard Work.**

"At the end of the ensuing three months, during which time I was again a prisoner in the plaster cast, I was declared cured, but of course I was not able to manipulate my legs as well as I would have liked to. I engaged in the hardest kind of farm work, planting potatoes, hoeing corn, harnessing horses and doing all sorts of odd chores about the house, using my crutches all the time.

"I feel now as if I could soon put away one of the sticks and substitute a cane, for my left side is entirely cured, and from one cane as support I will soon be able to get along with two canes and then with one. After that I expect to be in the same condition that I enjoyed before the frightful catastrophe occurred.

"I am going to return to the farm and stay there for a few months more. At the expiration of that time, however, I will again return to my work in the Plymouth Church, renewed and refreshed after my long enforced absence. I only came to Brooklyn this week to show my parishioners how much better I am and how soon they may expect me to be among them once more."

## COL. DAVIDSON DEAD.

### Commandant of State Soldiers Home Dies After Operation.

BATH, N. Y., Nov. 10.—Colonel Andrew Davidson, a commandant of the New York State Soldiers and Sailors Home here, is dead. Death followed an operation performed yesterday afternoon. The remains will be taken to Cooperstown on Wednesday for interment. He is survived by a son, Clarence W. Davidson, editor of the Otsego Republican, and two daughters, Mrs. Nathaniel Willis, of Cooperstown, and Miss Linda W. Davidson, all of whom were with him when the end came.

# THIRD FIGHT FOR BUCHANAN RICHES

## Widow of Eccentric Doctor Makes Another Attempt to Wrest $200,000 Fortune from Mrs. Foster-Belsey.

## DAUGHTERS GOT $5 EACH.

Mrs. Margaret Buchanan and her three daughters are about to make a third attempt to wrest from Mrs. Kate M. Foster-Belsey the fortune of $150,000 to $200,000 willed to her by Mrs. Buchanan's husband, Dr. Alexander Buchanan. He left $50 to his widow and $5 each to his three daughters, "Because of their ingratitude shown to him for many years."

The doctor died in 1896, having separated from his family some time prior to that, and Mrs. Buchanan was successful in a suit for $50,000 damages against Mrs. Foster, with whom he had lived. This verdict was afterward set aside by the Appellate Division, and a new trial ordered. But the case never came to trial again.

On the old physician's death, his widow contested his will on the ground that he was unduly influenced, had insane illusions concerning his wife and children.

**Had Many Patients.**

The testimony in the trial before the late Surrogate Arnold showed that the doctor had one favorite daughter who was his cashier and bookkeeper. She testified that the doctor was so busy at his office in their home, No. 355 West Thirtieth street, that he took in from $40 to $200 every day, his fee usually being all the way from nothing to $10, patients who were very poor, or anxious to cheat, getting off free. The old physician was too busy to keep track of his business and stuffed the money paid to him into his pocket, to be counted and accounted for by this daughter at night.

She said that his pockets would bulge with money, which he would turn out in wads on the table, reserving very little for himself.

To show why he left his happy home to live with the large and comely Mrs. Foster it was elicited that Mrs. Buchanan was a strict church woman of the good old Scottish kind, and forced the good doctor to attend his religious duties by inexorable rule. She would not allow him to smoke in the house and he had to do penance for every sin.

**Distinctively a Scottish Case**

Duncan A. MacIntyre has stuck faithfully to the prim little Scottish widow's cause, and though Mrs. Foster has remarried, her present husband being Francis Flint Belsey, of Glasgow, this third trial of the issues will go on before Justice Gildersleeve and a jury in Part VIII. of the Supreme Court with as much vigor as either of the preceding contests in this distinctively Scottish case.

# TRIED TO BUY MISS GOELET.

## European Nobles' Marriage Syndicate, It Is Said, Sought to Make Richest American Heiress the Bride of a Prince.

## MOTHER RULES AGAINST IT.

### According to Report, Mrs. Goelet Said Her Daughter Would Marry Only for Love and that Suitor Was Too Old Anyway.

In view of the recent startling revelations, backed by documentary proof, of the bargain entered into between Prince Hugo Von Hohenlohe, of Germany, nephew of the late Chancellor, with a marriage broker to obtain an introduction to Miss May Goelet, there is little if any reason to doubt that there is a widely-operated syndicate in Europe engaged in obtaining hands and immense fortunes of our heiresses for financially decrepit noblemen. It might even be ventured further that the unions of some of the daughters of our multi-millionaires to titled Continentals in recent years were brought about by this same great marriage syndicate, to whom the belted Knights and Earls, Princes, Dukes and Lords may even now be paying their pro rata for the vast benefits they derived from the marriages.

**Lawyer Exposed the Scheme.**

In the case of Miss Goelet this German Prince, who has passed twoscore and ten, agreed to pay a certain London agent of this syndicate for securing consideration of his proposal of marriage which would bring to him some of the Goelet millions. The agent was Capt. Ladestas de Porkony, former Military Attache to the German Embassy in London.

Porkony did not act directly in the matter, but secured the services of Lucius O'Brien, a London solicitor, through whose suit against the Prince to collect fees for his services from the Prince the remarkable transactions have come to light.

It is patent from the statements made by O'Brien that women moving in the highest circles of society in the European capitals lend their aid to the machinations of this great syndicate organized in the interest of Cupid of the dollar-mark. One of these women, whose aid was enlisted in behalf of the German Prince, with a world-wide reputation as a charitable worker, who was induced to help along the Prince's suit by generous donations to her pet charities. Her son is as well known in the fashionable spheres. That she took an active interest in this apparently sordid courtship is revealed in the following letter written by her to one of the syndicate's agents:

**Society Woman in the Deal.**

Belgrade Square, S. W.,
Jan. 17, 1899.

Dear Sir: I saw Mrs. Goelet yesterday and she begged me to say how flattered she felt at the proposal with regard to Prince Hohenlohe, but that her daughter was still very young, and as she had never seen him she must decline the proposal. Should they meet hereafter it would be a different matter, but without any personal knowledge on either side the thing would be impossible.

Miss Goelet is a charming girl in every way, but is very English in her feelings and views and dislikes the "marriage de convenance" system abroad extremely. I don't think she will ever marry unless she falls in love with a man. Yours, very faithfully.

It was not until after writing this letter that the writer learned the true age of the Prince, and when she did she notified the syndicate that she feared Miss Goelet would not consider the proposal under any circumstances, as the royal suitor was old enough to be her father.

**Thought Prince Too Old.**

The Prince persisted, however, in his efforts to gain an interview with the heiress. But when she learned of his age she refused to meet him. He returned to Berlin and dropped the matter, even forgetting to pay the syndicate its fee, whereupon the suit resulting in the present revelations was brought.

Hardly a week before the present scandal Baron Munchausen, a Berlin nobleman, descendant of the famous romancer, brought suit against this same syndicate for blackmail. Because of the extraordinary statements made by the Baron in regard to workings of this company of marriage brokers many who heard believed that he had inherited some ancestral traits. But the noble Munchausen is borne out to the letter by the evidence which was adduced in the suit against Prince Von Hohenlohe.

The bargains usually entered into between the impecunious noblemen and the syndicate provide for the furnishing of the suitor with sufficient capital to do his courting with truly royal grace. Then if he succeeds in his quest for an heiress wife he must pay over a certain percentage of the marriage dot. As an instance, the Baron (Munchausen) bargained for the hand of a Southern belle with a marriage portion of $7,500,000, and had his courting been successful the syndicate's commission would have been $375,000.

Could it be presumed, and there seems ample ground for the presumption, that the noblemen who secured the hands of the daughters of some of our New York multimillionaires, invoked the services of this big marriage brokerage concern, the commissions they were called upon to pay out must hev mounted up in the millions.

# NOBLES' SYNDICATE FAILED TO TRAP RICHEST HEIRESS.

MISS MAY GOELET.

# ITALIAN KILLED BY STREET CAR.

## Unidentified Man, Run Over in Elm Street, Dies in St. Vincent's Hospital.

The unidentified man who was run over by a Prince street car at Elm street last night, died in St. Vincent's Hospital this morning. He did not recover consciousness.

Dennis Chrystie, of No. 815 East Twenty-fifth street, was driving a horse-car in which were two passengers, both of whom stood on the front platform. At Marion street there is a temporary wooden bridge thrown up over the subway. Suddenly the car struck something and was thrown from the tracks. On examination Chrystie found a man's body with the arm and chest crushed.

Several men in the neighborhood think the man had been assaulted and left on the car tracks. Some profess to have seen two men carrying a body through Elm street shortly before the accident.

Chrystie was arraigned before Magistrate Cornell and remanded to the Coroner. The man's body is at St. Vincent's Hospital awaiting identification.

# "LA VIE INTENSE" FOR PARIS.

### Princess Faucigny-Lucinge Has Translated President Roosevelt's Book.

PARIS, Nov. 10.—A translation of President Roosevelt's book, "The Strenuous Life," under the title of "La Vie Intense," has attracted widespread interest. The translation is by Princess Ferdinand de Faucigny-Lucinge and Jean Izoulet, who declare their work has the authorization of Mr. Roosevelt.

The preface pays a glowing tribute to the United States and compares President Roosevelt's book to James Bryce's "The American Commonwealth," saying the latter gives the views of the outside observer, while "The Strenuous Life" gives the views of the observer on the inside.

# ON TRACK OF NEW CONSUMPTION CURE

## Dr. Lynch Removes Part of Monkey's Brain and Thereby Cures Chronic Cough.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Nov. 10.—Dr. John C. Lynch, of this city, through an operation performed on an educated monkey, has made a discovery which may develop into a new method of treating tuberculosis.

A few weeks ago Prof. Wormwood was exhibiting here his trained dogs and monkeys. He had one monkey called Simon, who contracted a severe cold and was left with Dr. Lynch. The doctor has held a theory that the removal of a portion of the brain of a person suffering with a cough would stop the cough. He operated on the monkey, removing a portion of the motor area of the brain, a nerve centre which acts in conjunction with the lungs.

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## PHILOSOPHER ADE RETURNS.

### Famous Fable Writer Has Been Seeing Things Abroad.

LONDON, Nov. 10.—The White Star line steamer Majestic, which sails from Liverpool for New York Wednesday, takes among her passengers Lord Hawkes and his team of cricketers, George Ade, of Chicago, and Ja—rosial Kocian, the violinist.