

NET SECRETLY TO PRAY.

AN ODD INFATUATION THAT HAS BROKEN UP TWO FAMILIES.

For Years Mrs. Scott and Mr. Ogden Met Daily at a Secret Trysting Place—A Suit for \$25,000 Damages Follows the Discovery of This Fact—The Fair Admits Mutual Love, but Insists that It Is Guiltless—There's a Union of Souls, They Say.

A most remarkable case has been made public by a suit for \$25,000 damages which William H. Scott, an engineer in the employ of the Consolidated Gas Company of this city, has brought against John W. Ogden, the first assistant engineer of the same company. All the persons concerned in the case are married and have been living in Brooklyn for some time. One of its strangest features is a statement made by Mrs. Scott and Mr. Ogden that, while it is true that they have for years met at a secret place, they have never been in a furnished room on Bridge street, Brooklyn, they had no object in doing further than to pray together and plan religious and charitable work. They acknowledge a deep love for one another, and, while they confess that the circumstances look suspicious, they insist that there has never been anything wrong between them. Ogden has been served with a summons in the case, and has engaged Lawyer Rufus Scott of 93 Nassau street to defend him. Groo & Low of 111 Broadway are attorneys for the plaintiff.

John W. Ogden, 47 years old, and a tall, ministerial looking man. He has a light moustache and is of a most solemn temperament. He has always been an earnest church worker, and among those who know him was well regarded as a religious enthusiast. He has been a member of the Baptist church in New York city, and the other is at college. Up to the time of the present discovery the Ogden lived happily at 409 Quincey street, Brooklyn. Mr. Ogden has always been regarded as a wealthy man.

Seven years ago his health began to fail, and on the advice of a physician he took a farm near Middletown, N. Y., and started in the dairy business. It was while living on the farm that Mr. Ogden met the Scotts. William H. Scott was a hatter at Middletown. From the very first Mr. Ogden and Mrs. Scott claim, they were attracted to each other, and from that time up to a few days ago the intimacy between the two families has continued. The result was a strong friendship between the two, which ripened as the days went by into a deep and lasting love. Mrs. Ogden also met the Scotts, and the two families became quite intimate. Mrs. Scott at that time was an extremely handsome woman, 33 years old, and had two children, a son and a daughter.

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After the Ogden family had been in Brooklyn a few months the Ogden invited Mrs. Scott to pay a visit to him at his home in New York city. She accepted the invitation, and on the next day she visited the Ogden family. She was accompanied by her husband, and the two families became quite intimate. Mrs. Scott at that time was an extremely handsome woman, 33 years old, and had two children, a son and a daughter.

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GOOD STORIES OF THE MINES

THREE OF THEM FROM AN OLD MINER'S REPERTORY.

An Underground Blast that Released Two Long-Suffering Skeletons—Carried a Coal Miner's Treasure to a Fatal End. From the San Francisco Chronicle. In Butte county there is a quartz mine which has been abandoned for many years. Only the oldest residents of the vicinity remember the names of the locators, and scarcely a trace of the mine and buildings which were once there has been discovered. The mine was discovered early in the early days, when quartz first attracted the notice of prospectors; when many worthless ledges were worked because the miners had not yet learned how to read the value of such ore by the minerals in it. The mine was small, flinty, and absolutely worthless, but the men who discovered it thought it worth development. They put down a shaft a hundred feet in depth, and in treacherous ground, and they used no timbers. Then they let a contract to two men, a cooper and a blacksmith, to construct a tunnel 100 feet in length from the bottom.

Sometimes untimbered ground will stand apparently firm and safe for a time, and then, with no perceptible cause, suddenly get shaky and fall or close in. This was just what occurred in the Sunset mine. The two men in the tunnel had almost finished their contract and were "squaring up the face" of the tunnel, when one of the men employed on the surface was lowered rapidly, ran to them, and told them to leave the mine instantly because the shaft was closing in. The men in the tunnel, however, were not alarmed, and they went on working. The cooper and blacksmith, however, were not so sure, and they quit their work. The men in the tunnel, however, were not alarmed, and they went on working. The cooper and blacksmith, however, were not so sure, and they quit their work.

The Actual Murderer Acquitted, the Hypnotist Condemned to Death. WICHITA, Kan., Dec. 22.—The attorneys for the defense in the MacDonald-Patton-Gray murder trial at Wellington, have successfully maintained the theory that the actual murderer was the hypnotist, and that the man who was acquitted of the murder of Tom Patton on Thursday was the actual murderer. The jury returned a verdict of acquittal for the hypnotist, and a verdict of death for the man who was acquitted of the murder of Tom Patton on Thursday.

SIEBERT CAUGHT AND PAROLED. He Was Willing that Williams Should Be Released. William Siebert of 103 East Sixty-fourth street, this city, who ran out of the Wellington Hotel, at Dunham place and Broadway, Williamsburg, on Friday afternoon with his wife's diamond earrings and engagement ring, on which his friend Angelo W. Williams had advanced several hundred dollars while Siebert was in the city, was caught by the police after a lively chase near his home late on Friday night, and yesterday he was arraigned in the Lee Avenue Police Court for grand larceny. Williams said he had a bill of sale from Siebert for the jewelry and that Siebert had no right to take the diamonds. Siebert's wife and her five-year-old boy stood beside Siebert while the charge was read to him. Siebert said he was in hard luck some time ago and pawned the jewels for \$125. Afterward he was in need of more money and got \$42 from Williams. He said he was in hard luck some time ago and pawned the jewels for \$125. Afterward he was in need of more money and got \$42 from Williams.

SPEAKER JONES FELT HURT. A Motion in the South Carolina Legislature that Made Cautious. COLUMBIA, S. C., Dec. 22.—A ludicrous scene occurred in the House of Representatives to-night. The House and Senate had failed to agree on the bill fixing per diem of members and Senators. The House in its appropriation bill made a motion to amend the bill, which the Senate amended. The Speaker of the House, Ira B. Jones, appointed from the House a committee composed of members reflecting the Senate view to represent the House in the conference committee. The latter reported that the House ought to adopt the Senate amendment. The House refused to do so, and the Speaker, feeling hurt, called a member to the chair, and descending to the floor, offered the amendment. The House refused to do so, and the Speaker, feeling hurt, called a member to the chair, and descending to the floor, offered the amendment.

18 YEARS OLD; 17 INCHES TALL. The Princess Paulina of Holland Comes Over to Be Seen by Americans. There arrived yesterday on the steamship Normanna from Hamburg the Princess Paulina, 18 years of age and exactly 17 inches tall. She came over to be seen by Americans. The Princess Paulina was born in Osnabrück, Holland, and is the seventh child of a family of twelve children. Her brothers and sisters being all of a different height. She is 17 inches tall, and her height is the same as that of her mother. She is a very beautiful girl, and she is very popular among the Americans who have seen her.

Two Men See a Hanging and Play It with Fatal Results. ELBERTON, Ga., Dec. 22.—The children of Isaac D. Brown, who saw a public execution recently, were playing at hanging the body of a man who had been hanged. The children were playing at hanging the body of a man who had been hanged. The children were playing at hanging the body of a man who had been hanged.

Four and Left His Creditors Uppaid. James Mackintosh, doing business as Mackintosh & Co., lumber dealer at Long Island City, has held out for \$20,000 to the Roscoe Lumber Company, which is now in liquidation. The Roscoe Lumber Company, which is now in liquidation, has held out for \$20,000 to the Roscoe Lumber Company.

Prisoners and Pupil Stab Each Other. WINNSBORO, Tex., Dec. 22.—Prof. J. B. Gray, principal of the public school at Pickett, and Wilmar Handolph, a pupil, stabbed each other with a knife. The principal was stabbed in the back, and the pupil was stabbed in the chest. Both were taken to the hospital, and are expected to recover.

Collapsing of an Arch. A brick and masonry arch on an upper story of the new National Army building in Fourteenth street, west of Fifth avenue, collapsed yesterday. The arch was supported by a brick pier, and it collapsed because the pier was not strong enough. The arch was supported by a brick pier, and it collapsed because the pier was not strong enough.

Mr. Stegely Shows His Opponent. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 22.—William M. Stegely this evening gave a dinner at his residence to his opponent in the gubernatorial campaign, George H. Hastings. Stegely's opponent is Hastings, and they are both running for governor of Pennsylvania. Stegely is a Republican, and Hastings is a Democrat.

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This case came under the writer's observation on the 11th of June, 1893. It was near Stanwood, Cedar county, Ia., on a clear and calm day. A dog named "Clayton," a capstan, 20 years of age, was riding along the road beside a saddle horse. In all the sky there was only one cloud visible, and it was comparatively small. One man in a light wagon had just passed (Clayton being a friendly wary dog, he followed the horse and rider, and he was riding on the ground. The lightning struck Clayton in the right breast, down his back, and he fell dead. The horse and rider were instantly killed. The rider turned and saw the dog dead, and was apparently as thoroughly frightened as if a lightning-bolt had been thrown at him. The dog was found to have been charred from the armpits to the lap of the right side. The lightning struck Clayton in the right breast, down his back, and he fell dead. The horse and rider were instantly killed.

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SHOPLIFTERS CAUGHT AND DETGO.

Florence Girard Net to Be Prosecuted—Others Not So Fortunate. The young woman who was arrested for shoplifting in a Broadway shop on Friday, and who said she was Florence Girard of 19 East 114th street, was discharged yesterday morning by Justice Hogan in the Jefferson Market Police Court. The woman detective of the shop would not press the charge against her. To Matron O'Brien of the West Thirtieth street station the shoplifter confessed the theft of a ring worth \$15 and some other articles of trifling value which were found upon her, and said that it was her first offense. She broke down and threatened to kill herself if she was exposed, so Mrs. O'Brien wrote to the woman detective, asking her to be lenient. The name and address given by the young woman were not correct.

SASHER FRIEND MADE HER TALK. Freda Miller Accuses Minnie Wolf of Hypocrisy. Freda Miller has done housework for several months. She had always been honest, but when on Saturday a week ago Mrs. Richards of 348 East Broadway for several months. She had always been honest, but when on Saturday a week ago Mrs. Richards of 348 East Broadway for several months. She had always been honest, but when on Saturday a week ago Mrs. Richards of 348 East Broadway for several months.

THE PROFESSIONALS GET THE AMOUNT IN THE CASE OF THE TRAVELER. On Friday afternoon a flashy dressed, but serious-looking man called on Mr. Koch of the firm of H. C. Koch & Co. at the store in 125th street, near Seventh avenue, and applied for a job as a detective. He told Mr. Koch that he was one of the best sleuths unemployed and was a letter purporting to be signed by Superintendent Byrnes, recommending him for a job as a detective. He told Mr. Koch that he was one of the best sleuths unemployed and was a letter purporting to be signed by Superintendent Byrnes, recommending him for a job as a detective.

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