

THE STORY OF AN ELOPEMENT.

Mrs. Goodspeed Tells Her Girlhood Romance.

And Refutes the Light Assertions of Her Enemies.

Judge Clark Says He Will Not Find There Has Been Undue Intimacy Between Mrs. Goodspeed and Dan Sullivan.

The fifth day's hearing of the Mansfield-Goodspeed case occupied Judge Clark's time yesterday.

Marian Cusick testified that she was a domestic employed at the Brunswick hotel, as chambermaid.

Dan Sullivan and Mrs. Goodspeed roomed at the hotel. Witnesses had never seen anything improper between them.

Mrs. J. E. Coe of San Francisco stated that she had known Mrs. Goodspeed for nearly 30 years intimately. Had visited her house frequently and had met many ladies there. They were the nicest kind of people.

Witness had never heard a word against Mrs. Goodspeed's reputation. Witness' husband had held official positions in the custom house, board of education, etc.

Knew Mrs. Catlow's reputation; had never heard anything against it. Never heard Mrs. Goodspeed tell improper stories, or use indecent language.

Mrs. Goodspeed and her mother, Mrs. Pratt, were apparently devoted to one another. Witness had never heard anything against Mrs. Goodspeed beyond what everyone knew, that she eloped at an early age.

Cross-examined: It was reported that she eloped with a colored minstrel. Mrs. Goodspeed was quite young at the time. Was not sure of her age.

Heard she was only gone a few hours. Never heard anything of a child being born before Mrs. Goodspeed's marriage.

Regarded her as a good and virtuous young woman. Re-direct examination: Witness saw nothing fatal to a girl's reputation in eloping with a man she intended to marry.

She might still be a good girl. Mrs. A. Falling, a tall and extremely pretty young woman, took the witness stand.

She testified that she knew Mrs. Goodspeed; attended the convent at San Jose with Mrs. Goodspeed's daughter Jennie. While visiting at Mrs. Goodspeed's witness frequently met ladies but never any of the opposite sex.

Mrs. Goodspeed had never used objectionable language or conduct. Mrs. Goodspeed's reputation in San Francisco was good.

Mrs. Pratt knew her daughter's friends, and had no objection to them. Mrs. Goodspeed always showed the greatest respect and affection for her mother, which was reciprocated by Mrs. Pratt.

Dan Sullivan was then called for cross-examination. In answer to Judge Clark's questions, witness stated that he was first employed by Judge O. Pratt 21 years ago.

He quit his employment last August, but was still drawing his salary and was taking care of the children and Mrs. Goodspeed.

The first part of his examination was occupied by a tedious recital of the different residences occupied by Mrs. Goodspeed.

Witness himself owned the house on Mission street where Mrs. Goodspeed lived. Mrs. Goodspeed paid him rent.

Mrs. Goodspeed's daughters looked after the house and did the cooking, and witness did odd jobs round the house. "An' Miss Goodspeed was a good cook," concluded Sullivan.

At the first house on Mission street Mrs. Goodspeed had two female servants in her employ. They lived in the house. Mrs. Goodspeed was not without a servant during her residence at that house.

Witness remembered the time Mrs. Goodspeed got hurt. She was carried home and kept her bed for a couple of days. Her two daughters took care of her.

"Didn't you take care of her?" "No, sir," indignantly replied Sullivan. "Who would you?"

When witness borrowed \$1000 from Mrs. Goodspeed, he paid interest and attorney's fees. Witness borrowed \$1000 at the same time from Mrs. Pratt.

This money was repaid to Mrs. Cross, General Mansfield's sister.

Mrs. Pratt was not competent to receive the money herself. Witness got money from either Mr. or Mrs. Cross.

Witness was shown a check with his signature upon it, but stated that it was not the one he received. The check was signed Annie A. Pratt.

Upon re-direct examination Sullivan declared he received the \$1000 from Mr. Cross. He signed his name on the check and returned the check to Mrs. Cross. Witness never saw the check again.

The money was paid him in gold by 3:30 the petitioner, Mrs. Goodspeed, took the witness stand and testified as follows:

I reside at the Brunswick hotel in this city. I have been here four months. On September 22d, when Mrs. A. Mansfield made charges against my good name, I heard of it and I was then at the Irving house on Hill street.

The charges of Mrs. Mansfield did not cause me to change my mode of living. Sullivan has treated me very kindly, but always showed me the greatest respect.

I employed Sullivan because my mother proposed it. My parents have never objected.

My father knew Dan was my servant. I had business with my father up to the time of his death, and Dan used to carry most of my messages to him.

Mrs. Cross visited me often and never objected to Dan, but I always spoke of him in the highest terms. Such a thing as undue intimacy has never been suggested until my coming into court.

I was once engaged to a Mr. Abecco. I met him at the house of Mrs. Dr. Adams. I was then living with my parents and knew of Mrs. Pratt. I was then at the Charles and Mrs. Cross were living at the same time. At that time my father was wealthy and Mr. Abecco was poor.

I liked him very much and thought he would make me the best husband in the world. My father was very much opposed to it and always refused his permission.

After many refusals we ran away. I left early in the morning, and I was at 4 o'clock and taken home by my father.

When we left the house in the morning I went aboard a steamer. The captain and a minister were aboard.

Mr. Abecco engaged two state rooms. I stayed in company of the captain's wife; it was arranged that we were to be married after dinner, at 8 o'clock.

At 4 o'clock I heard a gun fired, and our boat stopped; some strange men came aboard and told me I had to go back. Our boat was bound for Australia.

Mr. Abecco I never saw again; he died soon afterwards. When I returned my parents received me with open arms; they have never mentioned the affair since.

The charge that I ever had a child before my marriage is false. I have always understood Mr. Abecco was unmarried.

Mr. Abecco was a singer, but not a nigger minstrel. I was subsequently married to Mr. R. C. Goodspeed, superintendent of my father's ranch. My husband always knew of Mr. Abecco.

I have never kept bad associates, and no one has ever hinted such a thing until I came into this court room. Mrs. Cross was always very nice until this suit began. Mrs. Cross always spoke well of Mrs. Catlow and spent much time in her company, during her visits to me.

I never told obscene stories of any kind. I objected to my daughter going to the ball with Mrs. Hayes' son because he was disreputable, and I was careful of the children. I am just as able to transact business now as before.

Mr. R. C. Goodspeed has managed my property until my father's death. My father and mother were divorced about 1878.

If I were constituted guardian I should appoint Mr. Goodspeed to continue in charge of the property. I never told Mrs. Pratt that I was no longer married to Mr. Goodspeed; we are divorced.

Since my father died my husband has treated me very badly. I got my divorce from him in Judge Murphy's court. Attorney Hanson then showed Mrs. Goodspeed a letter addressed to J. Cross and asked her if it was in her handwriting.

Mr. Goodspeed indignantly denied the authorship of the anonymous letter. Mrs. Cross never showed her the letter before nor had anyone ever done so.

"I never told very fond of me, having in my life to any human being," declared Mrs. Goodspeed, and there were few people in the courtroom who were not convinced by the lady's statement.

Mrs. Goodspeed continued: "I had a female nurse in San Francisco, Mrs. Cross never upbraided me for not having one. She would never have dared to. My mother used to take Dan's arm and walk with him, and I was not ashamed to do as she did. Since my divorce, and before I have lived the life of a pure woman, and have tried to be a good mother to my children."

I never knew John T. Teal except as a dishwasher, who once had the assurance to accost me. I never told Mrs. Mansfield my mother was a nightmare to me. Until my mother went to the Mansfield house she always seemed a friend of mine.

I have never received a cent of money from mother, or drawn money from the bank; it was too well guarded, said Mrs. Goodspeed, significantly.

At no time in San Francisco has Sullivan ever performed the offices of female nurse. I never told Mrs. Mansfield anything of the kind.

I have not been allowed to see my poor mother alone since I came here. Mrs. Mansfield has always stayed in the room watching me.

At this stage, anticipating a question Attorney Hanson, Judge Clark stated that he had directed a physician to examine Mrs. Pratt out of the presence of Mrs. Mansfield and Mrs. Cross, and report to the court Tuesday morning.

Continuing the witness' examination, Mrs. Goodspeed stated that her youngest daughter had slept with her continually.

Judge Clark here stated that he had heard sufficient upon that point. He should certainly not, from the evidence before him, find there had been any improper familiarity between the servant Dan and Mrs. Goodspeed.

The New Sespe Trail Ready for Use. The Ojai: The new Sespe trail has been completed to the top of the mountain, and a connection made with the trail descending on the other side.

The \$300 limit of the board of supervisors is exhausted; while much more work should be put on the trail in places, and would be if board could be provided for the men who have volunteered the labor, the work will cease this week, unless extension is made to the limit.

Mr. J. B. Fox informs us the trail has now cost, in surveys and other labor, about \$2000; but heavy work has been necessary in many places, as the survey did not allow for a grade of more than 10 feet to the 100 in any place.

The new trail, while a little longer than the old one, is an easy grade all the way. The distance from Nordhoff to the top of the mountain is a little less than nine miles.

We congratulate the people living on the other side of the mountain, on their improved facilities for communication with the Ojai valley; and we congratulate Ventura county that its supervisors have understood the wisdom and justice of leading a helping hand to our pioneers—pathfinders—who are clearing the way for a larger population.

FOOTBALL PLAYED IN WET DUST.

The Pasadena's Name Was Mud Yesterday.

How the U. S. C.'s Did Up the Orange Eaters.

A Lively Game of Football Between the College Teams—A Good Contest Arranged for Christmas.

While the pattering of Jupiter Pluvius' tears came with a dull thud against the bosom of Mother Earth yesterday afternoon, a nice-looking set of college boys were wallowing in the puddles, wading in the mire, and not content with this, were pulling each other down by force to the same destination.

The nice white suits and nicely-arranged hair, not to say the faces, feet and hands, of the boys were transformed into muddied lumps and mud not to be recognized by their friends.

"What er these fellers doin'?" as a rustic-looking fellow asked, dismounting from his horse and coming over on the grounds.

This was the long-expected game of football between the Throop institute team of Pasadena and the University of California eleven on the college campus.

Although it was showering, about a hundred spectators were present. Ben Smith of the Universities and Kimball of the Throops carried off the honors of the day—Smith by his wonderful punning, and Kimball by his good tackling.

The team lined up at 3 o'clock, the Universities having the coin of vantage—the ball, Whitlock, of U. S. C., and Towne, of Throop, officiated as umpire and referee.

U. S. C. advanced out of their puddle with a V which was stopped, but Smith set the pigskin and made a gain of 55 yards, going in touch.

By slow advances by means of bucking the line and rushing, the U.S.C.'s came near their opponents' goal, but lost the ball on four down. Throop also lost the ball in the same manner. Some more bucking and a touch down was made by the varieties; score, 4-0. Their try at goal failed.

Throop started from center with a V, gaining 20 yards. In the scrimmage they lost ball on a fumble; U. S. C. did the same. Throop made a few gains but fumbled and lost the pigskin. U. S. C. followed suit on four down. Throop gained 28 yards on a kick which Gray failed to return.

Throop got the ball and bucked twice for six yards each, in which Pittman was hurt, and seven minutes' time given. Throop was near U. S. C. goal now and by continuing bucking they got a touch down by Roche. Try at goal failed. Score, 4, 4.

From center again U. S. C. started with a V, but slipped, gaining but 10 yards. Throop got the ball and their men failed. U. S. C. got the skin and by luck and a run by Smith, with the aid of Tucker's vital interference, made a touch down. Gray kicked the goal. Thus the first half ended with the Universities ahead, by a score of 10 to 4.

In the second half Throop started with a flying wedge, which Carver disassembled. In a lot of scrimmaging, in which Throop had the ball most of the time, they lost 20 minutes were spent between center and the 10 yard line. A nice run of Throop's was nipped in the bud by Tucker. In a tackle H. Roche was hurt in the left leg and Craig took his place. U. S. C. got the ball from Throop on the down and made a good gain. Throop got the ball and kicked for 12 yards. U. S. C. got the ball and rushed through the line for 20 yards. Smith ran 12 yards; then followed this up with another run of 10 yards. A touch-down was soon gained. A try for point-out failed. Score, 14-4. Throop gained 12 yards from center by a wedge. Smith stopped a long run of Kimball's. The U. S. C. got the ball, and Smith made a run of 10 yards to center; then went 15 yards toward the Throop goal on another run. Time was called at 5 o'clock, the score showing 14 to 4 in favor of the universities. Thus the teams were lined up:

THROOP. F. Roche, full back; Gray, captain; H. Roche, left half back; Bill Johnston, right half back; Ben Smith, quarterback; Pittman, center; Hardison, center; Burnett, left guard; Carson, right guard; Embree, left tackle; Morri, right tackle; Kimball, left end; Elliott, right end; Pratt and Tucker, punter.

OLIVES VS. SAN DIEGO. The game of football Christmas day, between the San Diego team and the Olives of this city, will be a hot contest. Much interest is manifested in the contest, as the Olives have won everything they have played this year. They also hold the Southern California championship for last year. Those who saw them play last Saturday with the Pomona college team will say with the impression that we have a scientific football team in this city. The San Diego club has never played here, but they may be relied upon to hold their own. The game will be for blood, and everything points to a hot contest.

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