

# FIVE DIVORCES; CUPID SORROWS

LOVE SPRITE SEES HIS WORK  
UNDONE IN COURTS

Woman Declares That She Followed  
Her Husband Across the Conti-  
nent Only to Be Mistreated  
by Him Here

Five divorces were granted in the courts of Judges Allen and Trask yesterday afternoon and last evening, perched cross legged on the topmost spire of the court house sat little Dan Cupid, disheartened and dejected over the severe blow dealt his proceedings by the courts below him.

"Five cases" sighed Cupid as he slowly broke his arrows and this is only Tuesday. "It seems a shame that people who have been married from periods of five to thirty years can't abide each others company until they part from this earth," finished the little sprite as he started toward the marriage license desk to inspect his work of the day and get in out of the rain.

The first case of divorce was petitioned in Judge Allen's court by Blanche Percy against her husband, Claude K. Percy. With her hands calloused from hard work and her slight figure drooping pitifully the defendant told her story to the court.

"Several years ago I married Claude Percy in Toledo, O. He was a blacksmith and a good one and we lived happily for some time," said Mrs. Percy. "My husband then became infatuated with another woman, and although I begged him to return to me he refused and left for Los Angeles. Some time later, as I could not secure work for myself, I followed him. Across the entire continent I came after him, only to be met with harsh language and a stern refusal from my husband."

Other witnesses testified that Percy is a blacksmith at Claremont and that he makes about \$5 a day at his trade. It is alleged that Percy told the defendant's lawyer that he would not live with his wife because he did not like her. The divorce was granted.

"My wife suddenly turned against me and would have nothing to do with me," was the plea made by Charles K. Edwards before Judge Allen in asking that a divorce from his wife be granted him on the ground of desertion and cruelty.

Edwards was married in Michigan in 1875.

Edwards says his life has been a torture and that his wife constantly quarreled with him. He also asserted that four years ago his health became so bad that his physician ordered him to go to Southern California. When the proposition was made to Mrs. Edwards she refused to have anything to do with the golden west and two years was spent by the husband in an endeavor to secure her consent to go with him.

"At last," said Edwards, "my wife and I quarreled and she told me to go away from her that she never wanted to see me again. She told me my children would get along better without my attentions and so accompanied by my eldest daughter I came west. I have not heard from my wife but have learned that she is living in plenty with rich relatives." The petition for divorce was granted.

The third petition for divorce came up before Judge Conroy and caused Cupid a miniature stroke of heart failure.

"My wife did not like the style of architecture of the home which I had built for her and did not want to live in it, so she deserted me and returned to her former home," was the plea entered by Dr. Marion W. Webb in asking a divorce from Ella J. Webb, his wife, in Judge Conroy's court.

Webb married in 1899 in Washington and removed to Los Angeles a short time later. His wife deserted him in 1903 and returned north and since that time nothing has been heard of her by her husband. The divorce was granted.

J. J. Parker was granted a divorce by Judge Trask from his wife, Kitty A. Parker, on a charge of desertion. Parker testified that after a married life of only a short duration his wife went to the City of Mexico and did not return to him.

"Cruelty" was the plea upon which Mrs. Mary F. Dunn of Compton based her petition for divorce from her husband, Charles A. Dunn, in Judge Trask's court yesterday. Mrs. Dunn alleged that her husband swore at her and after calling her vile names repeatedly struck her. The petition was granted.

**Alleges Assault**  
D. E. Meyer, a young engineer from Charleston, S. C., applied at the police station last night for a warrant for the arrest of an Italian bootblack who has his chair in the Natick house. The engineer says the bootblack attacked him. This is denied by the Natick management.

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CORNER STONE OF EDIFICE IS LAID WITH CEREMONY

Phenomenal Growth of the Work Under the Leadership of Rev. F. P. Berry is Commented Upon

The exercises of laying the corner stone of the new building of the Highland Park Presbyterian church were of special interest yesterday afternoon. Seated upon the temporary platform were several clergymen and the choir of the church. Rev. F. P. Berry, the pastor, presided.

The following program was rendered: Invocation, Rev. John A. Gordon, D. D., vice president Occidental college; anthem, choir, Prof. D. C. Rice, leader; historical sketch, D. M. Hammack, ruling elder; Scripture reading, Rev. J. M. Boyd, moderator Los Angeles Presbyterian; hymn, choir; address, Rev. Guy W. Wadsworth, D. D., president Occidental college; address, Rev. Hugh K. Walker, pastor Immanuel Presbyterian church; announcement of articles to be deposited in the stone, George R. Whitcomb, treasurer board of trustees; laying of the corner stone by the pastor; hymn, choir; benediction.

D. M. Hammack gave a concise historical sketch of the Highland Park Presbyterian church. Since May 1, 1900, Rev. F. P. Berry, D. D., has been the pastor. During his pastorate 257 members have been received into the church. The Sunday school membership is 260. The young people's societies number 112, the missionary society having a membership of fifty. The church, until April 1, 1903, had been assisted by the board of home missions, since which time it has been self-supporting.

Rev. Guy W. Wadsworth spoke

evening was a very interesting event, a large company being present. A procession was formed by the vestry, followed by a large number of the clergy, the dean of the pro-cathedral, the bishop and his chaplain, all vested. The following clergymen participated: Bishop Johnson, Revs. H. Judd, J. J. Wilkins, W. H. Dyer, George Eley, George Thomas Dowling, Robert Gooden, T. C. Marshall, C. W. Naumann, L. B. Ridgely, Stephen Sherman, C. E. Spalding, A. G. L. Trew, E. Walters, E. W. Meanny, J. McConnell, R. L. Windsor.

Following the dedicatory service the guests assembled in the main hall, where the wardens, vestry and rector held an informal reception. Major H. T. Lee presided. Addresses were made by Bishop Johnson, Revs. Charles Spalding, George Thomas Dowling, A. G. L. Trew and Dr. Wilkins. Miss Ebbert rendered a vocal solo. An orchestra furnished music during the evening.

This parish house, which has recently been completed at the cost of \$10,000, will greatly facilitate the work of the parish. It is intended for the use of the auxiliaries of the church and social gatherings. Dr. Wilkins, who has been the rector the past four years, has been largely instrumental in the many improvements during that period in the parish, which has greatly prospered during his incumbency.

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