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SISTER WAS AGAINST HER

Mrs. Alameda Did Not Get Her Divorce.

One Oath Is Not Enough Says Judge Gear.

Peculiar Divorce Case in Court Yesterday Morning—Witness Was Arrested.

It was only an ordinary divorce case, though it did have some extraordinary features when presented to Judge Gear yesterday morning. Mary Alameda sued for separation from Antone Alameda charging cruelty and failure to provide, quite a common allegation among the women who bring their troubles into the divorce court.

Mrs. Alameda, a rather pretty Portuguese woman, probably not over twenty years of age, with an oval face and a nut brown complexion, told her story in a low voice. Her husband was not there to contest the case and had even failed to answer, though served with the summons. She said that her troubles commenced a day after their marriage. Her husband called her vile names, and then after a few weeks ordered the grocer to refuse her credit. Then she didn't have any way to get food and had to work for her living. "He was mean to me," said Mrs. Alameda, "and he used bad names and one day he threatened to do me up."

There was no defense and the evidence was undisputed. The Hawaiian statutes are particularly rigid as to divorce however and no separation may be granted here upon the testimony of simply the husband or wife. Corroborative evidence is required and the only person who could corroborate the testimony was a sister of the youthful bride. The sister, probably fourteen years of age, came into the court room, in tears. In fact she was in the custody of a big policeman, for she didn't want to testify at all. She couldn't tell the story that was required to get the divorce and she evidently didn't like to testify against her own sister. When a subpoena was served upon the girl, Belle Raposa is her name, she refused to obey it, and when the case was called up on Tuesday morning failed to appear. Then the attorneys for Mrs. Alameda asked for a bench warrant for the arrest of Miss Raposa and she was brought into court room yesterday morning in the custody of the police.

WHAT WE HAVE

learned. The century just closed was the most wonderful of all the centuries since the morning of time. Whether the twentieth will equal it remains to be seen. Conspicuous among its inventions and discoveries is the advance made in preventing and curing disease. Great epidemics no longer sweep over the world; men have learned how to choke these monsters in the hour of their birth. And as to those diseases which were practically universal and continuous, diseases which afflicted and destroyed more people than occasional outbreaks of cholera, smallpox or plague, we have them now under control to an extent that, twenty-five years ago, was not dreamed of as possible. The list includes Scrofula, Anemia, La Grippe, Influenza, Troubles of the Throat, Lungs, Stomach and Bowels and all Wasting Complaints. Over these scourges of the human race the specific and antidote provided by progressive medical science is WAMPOLE'S PREPARATION. It is palatable as honey and contains the nutritive and curative properties of Pure Cod Liver Oil, extracted by us from fresh cod livers, combined with the Compound Syrup of Hypophosphites and the Extracts of Malt and Wild Cherry. Its medicinal and reconstructive power is more than remarkable; nothing compares with it. It never fails to make the weak strong and as an effective remedy for wasting diseases it stands in the front rank in the march of medicine. It comes to the rescue of those who have received no benefit from any other treatment; the blood is purified and disease germs thrust out of the system. It cannot fail. If hard to please, try it: one bottle convinces. The first dose does obvious good. Get the genuine. Sold by all chemists here and everywhere.

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She was still crying when placed on the witness stand to corroborate her sister's testimony, and her voice was hardly audible in the court room. Finally to remedy this difficulty the services of the Portuguese interpreter were requisitioned, and from that time on the trial progressed smoothly, though interrupted at times by the sobs of the witness.

"I didn't see him do anything out of the way," said the girl in response to the attorney's questions as to the conduct of her sister's husband. "It seems as if my sister was the aggressive one. My sister liked the man who was to be my brother-in-law, too much."

"How was he to be your brother-in-law?" asked the court.
"He was to marry my other sister. The whole trouble was my sister used to eat her meals with this man, she never wanted to sit with her husband. He used to come in and eat and she wouldn't sit with him at all. I don't know whether she liked him or not, but she wouldn't eat with him, but it was always with my brother-in-law—that was going to be."

"How did it come your brother-in-law always ate with you?" asked the court.
"He used to work in back of the house and came in to dinner or supper every day"

"Did Mr. Alameda ever invite him?"
"No, it was just nearer to our house than to his own."

"Did Mr. Alameda ever make any objections to his coming?" asked the court.
"No."

"Ever see any trouble between them?"
"No, I never saw them strike each other but they used to quarrel."
"Did you ever hear Mr. Alameda use any bad names to your sister?"
"No, except he wouldn't like it for her to eat with my brother-in-law to be. The last day when she left him he came home and wasn't feeling very well, and when she wouldn't eat with him, he left the table, I heard him say she could go to hell."

The witness said she had seen Mr. Alameda but once since they had separated. She admitted that she was not on good terms with her sister, and said she was not on speaking terms with her.

"Why not?" asked the court.
"Because I heard a good deal about her not being good," was the reply.

Judge Gear refused to grant a divorce on the evidence given.

"There is some doubt in my mind," said he, "that a case has been made, though the testimony of the plaintiff is strong. But I don't see any corroboration as is required by statute."

"There is some corroboration," interrupted Attorney Robinson. "The witness just on the stand says that she heard him say 'go to hell' which I think proves that part of it."

"If every woman gets a divorce whose husband tells her to go to hell, there would be a good many divorces," suggested the court.
Robinson further said that there had been no answer and the husband made no defense to the charges, which he would do if they were not true.

"That only indicates that there is collusion," said Judge Gear, "which is ground for denial of divorce. The fact that the husband doesn't come here is proof that he wants a divorce. This isn't on the same plane as other cases, there can be no default in divorce cases. I shall hold that the statute has not been sufficiently complied with as far as proof is concerned. If you want to put in more proof I will give you time to do it."

Finally upon the request of Robinson further hearing was postponed for three weeks to allow him to produce further testimony.

BUILDERS AND TRADERS' MEETING

The Builders & Traders' Exchange will meet tonight at the usual time at the Exchange for transaction of regular monthly business.

A particularly interesting meeting is expected, as the Board will have their plans for the current fiscal year up for discussion. The proposition of reducing to the initiation fee to \$5.00 until the limit of 100 members is reached will also come up.

The report of the meeting of the Board with Commissioner General Sargent and the determination of what action the Exchange will request Mr. Sargent to take in the matter of employing Asiatics on Federal contracts in Hawaii will be discussed and to what extent the Exchange can use its influence to induce owners of prospective buildings to put the "citizen or eligible to become citizen skilled labor clause" in their contracts will doubtless also be talked over more or less. The Exchange will also pass suitable resolutions on the death of S. C. Allen whose firm is one of the members of the Exchange. A full attendance is expected.

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The late George Ramsey, of Minnesota, was not only the last of the war governors, but he was first of that historic band to make tender of a regiment to the United States. Happening to be in Washington when news was received that Fort Sumter had been fired upon, he hurried to the war office and sought Secretary Cameron. "Mr. Secretary," said he, "I have the honor to offer you 1,000 men from Minnesota." With characteristic bluntness, Simon Cameron said: "Well, hurry them up, governor. I am just going over to see President Lincoln." Governor Ramsey telegraphed to St. Paul, and in a few hours affairs were in motion in Minnesota.

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