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A REAL ENOCH ARDEN

MORE REMARKABLE THAN EVEN THE FAMOUS TICHBORNE CASE.

A Union Soldier Killed in Battle Returns After Nearly Thirty Years and Is Recognized by His Family—Claimant Not Sustained in Court.

The United States supreme court has just handed down final decision in a legal dispute over a question of identity, which is the most remarkable in the history of law, outdoing even the famous Tichborne case. It is the story of a Union soldier who was killed and buried on the field of battle, yet who was resurrected and rejoined his family and friends.

Few tales of fiction approach in interest this romance of a real Enoch Arden, whom cruel fate relegated to a penitentiary.

On April 6, 1862, William Newby, private in an Illinois regiment, was killed and buried on the field of Shiloh. At all events, no question of the fact was raised for nearly 30 years. He left in the town of Carmi, Ill., a widow and a mother.

Nearly four years ago a man walked into Carmi, hatless and by no means well clad, and announced that he was Newby, the lost soldier. Nobody recognized him at first, and this was not surprising after such a lapse of time. But he talked with old residents of the place and recalled so many antewar incidents, with reminiscences of persons and places, that finally they were convinced of his identity. He explained that he had been shot in the head and left on the battlefield. Afterward he recovered consciousness and was made a prisoner, being taken to Libby prison.

Being partly deprived of reason by his wound, he spent many years in

back to his earliest childhood, accounting for every year of his life.

He was born in Tennessee and was rickety from infancy. His wife and son were found and recognized him without hesitation. In short, the meshes were woven about him so closely that there seemed to be no possibility of escape.

But the other side was equally strong. The alleged Newby was recognized with as great positiveness by his supposed wife and mother. Many of the best citizens of Carmi and its vicinity were entirely satisfied of his identity, including men prominent in the G. A. R.

The case came up for trial. The proceedings occupied 11 days. The defense used 200 witnesses, the government about 60.

There was almost a riot in and about the courtroom. Attempts were made to intimidate the jurors. Nevertheless Newby, or Rickety Dan, was found guilty of perjury and of making false claim for pension.

Motion for a new trial being overruled, an appeal was made to the supreme court of the United States. This was dismissed on technical grounds. Again on a writ of error the case was taken to the supreme court, only to be again dismissed a few days ago and remanded to the lower court for the accomplishment of the sentence. Rickety Dan Benton has been clapped into jail by this time.—Washington Star.

A ROMANTIC STORY.

An Estranged Pair Reunited Through a Newspaper Item.

Here is a story that is the aftermath of a romance and the prologue of a wedding. It occurred recently in a Cincinnati store:

A handsome blond gentleman walked from the elevator at the third floor, evidently in a state of expectant perturbation, and after a hurried glance about the room walked hastily toward a pretty black haired saleswoman. The young lady, hearing his approach, turned half around to wait on a prospective customer. The gentleman grabbed the lady before she had turned completely around, and drawing her close to him planted a kiss upon her rosy lips. Clerks and customers looked on askance until an explanation was made.

Mrs. Ella Gruenmeier was the saleswoman, and the man who embraced her was Mr. Charles Gruenmeier, her ex-husband. Four years ago Mr. and Mrs. Gruenmeier occupied a handsome home on East Fairfield avenue, Dayton, Ky. They had been married two years, and a pretty little girl was the fruit of their union. He began to indulge in mild dissipation and lost his position. Strained relations between husband and wife followed, and they finally separated.

For three years Mrs. Gruenmeier heard nothing of her husband. She sought and obtained a decree of divorce upon the grounds of desertion and failure to provide.

Their little daughter became dangerously ill of typhoid fever, and she published the fact in a newspaper. This was noticed by the father at his new home in Chicago, and he wrote to his former wife as to the condition of the little one. This led to a correspondence between the separated ones, and learning that Mrs. Gruenmeier had secured a divorce Gruenmeier went to her. The scene described above resulted. Mrs. Gruenmeier took her daughter to see her father, and for the first time in four years the little family was reunited. He returns to the Windy City to wind up his business affairs, after which he will remarry his wife.

THE MEXICAN BOUNDARY.

The Westward Half of the New Survey Has Just Been Completed.

Since July, 1892, the international boundary commission, with a staff of 80 engineers, soldiers and laborers, has been engaged in resurveying the boundary line between the United States and Mexico from El Paso, Tex., to San Diego, Cal. The work is practically finished, and a corps of draftsmen is now busy at the government building in San Diego completing the final and summary maps, profiles and details of the labors of the commission. The survey has covered more than 700 miles.

The commission has rebuilt the 52 early boundary monuments and set up 296 more at an expense of about \$80,000. The new monuments consist of an iron shaft, bearing the letters "U. S." on the north side and the word "Mexicana" on the south side.

A few weeks ago another commission, known as the international boundary (water) commission, started upon the work of resurveying the boundary line between Mexico and the United States along the Rio Grande from El Paso east to the gulf of Mexico. It will probably not finish its labors for three years. It will set up a chain of monuments similar to those erected from El Paso westward.—New York Sun.

CUSHION AND BALK LINE.

Billiardist Slosson Will Back Himself—A Deft to Ives or Schaefer.

George Slosson, the billiard expert, has sprung a surprise on the billiard world by throwing down the gauntlet to any expert in the country to play him two matches next month. Slosson has repeatedly said that he was going to retire from the billiard arena permanently, but he is apparently nettled by some criticisms attributed to his rivals concerning his present standing as a cue star.

"I will play any comer two matches," he says, "one at cushion caroms, 400 points up, and the second match at 14 inch balk line, 800 points up, both matches to be played in this city within a fortnight after fixing the date of the first game. I will put up \$1,000 of my own money on each game. Here is a chance for Ives or Schaefer to play billiards if either wants a game. Especially is it an opportunity for Ives. I name New York as the playing ground because every professional knows that such events draw better here than anywhere else in the world. Now we will see whether Ives or Schaefer really wants a game."

George Wheelock, the well known horse lover, told Slosson that he wanted to take his (Slosson's) part of the game as against either Ives or Schaefer. Ives is with Schaefer and Catton in California, but they are not doing any billiard playing.

HISTORIC DEED IN DISPUTE.

The State of Delaware Claims a Document After One Hundred and Twenty Years.

An old historical document, the deed given by the Duke of York to William Penn for a tract of land on the Delaware at New Castle, is the bone of contention between the state of Delaware and J. Henry Rogers of New Castle, Pa.

The state of Delaware has been advised that the document rightfully belongs to it, while Mr. Rogers claims it as his property because his ancestors rescued it from British soldiers nearly a century and a quarter ago and have treasured it ever since. It has been handed down from generation to generation, and their right has never been challenged until recently. The coveted parchment is now in the hands of S. V. Heukels of this city, and it is stated that he will hold fast to it until some settlement is made of the matter. There is talk of big damage claims running up to \$1,000,000 if the state of Delaware insists upon taking the deed by force of law.

The deed is for a tract of land on the Delaware, confined in a circle 12 miles in diameter, with the center at the town of New Castle. Attorney General John R. Nicholson of Delaware has already taken legal steps to secure this historical document.—Philadelphia Press.

STORIES OF THE DAY.

Some Funny Happenings In the Utah Constitutional Convention.

Some funny things happen in the Utah constitutional convention. A proposition introduced the other day was that the constitution should prohibit the use of cigarettes, but it was objected to on the ground that cigarettes break down the constitution. Another delegate, by force of habit, of course, addressed the convention as "Gentlemen of the jury!" and roused the delegates to laughter that was only suppressed by the chairman's gavel.—New York Tribune.

Showed Lack of Sense.

In a biographical sketch of the late Dr. McCosh that appears in the Princeton Bulletin it is stated that on one occasion a visiting clergyman, while conducting evening chapel service, made an elaborate prayer, including in his petitions all the officers of the college, arranged in order, from president to trustees, professors and tutors. There was great applause at the last item. At the faculty meeting immediately after the service Dr. McCosh, in commenting upon the disorder, aptly remarked, "He should have had more sense than to pray for the tutors."

Bad Traits of the New Girl.

Elizabeth, N. J., has a regularly organized gang of girl shoplifters, if the story of a 14-year-old miss arrested there can be believed. The coming woman has exhibited phases that have startled us, but the coming girl promises to fill us with amazement. The typical bad boy will not be in it with her.—New York World.

An Expensive Bullet.

We have heard of expensive armament and ordnance, but the bullet fired at Li Hung Chang threatens to be the most expensive piece of warlike machinery that has been employed in the

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service of the Japanese government in its war with China.—Omaha Bee.

He Would Be a Hero.

If Li Hung Chang will only come to this country to induce the Chinese laundrymen to stop their war on American collars and cuffs, he will receive the thanks of a long suffering community.—New York Press.

A Chance For Vegetarians.

If the price of beef is going up higher, the eminent Indian prince now loitering in Chicago can revive a waning vogue by giving lectures on Buddha as the first vegetarian.—Chicago Times-Herald.

The Monroe Doctrine.

It looks as if the time had come when Uncle Sam must scour up his Monroe doctrine or throw it out in the alley.—Chicago Tribune.

Mark Them Well.

Don't forget the men who dodge voting on questions on which they fear to place themselves on record.—Omaha Bee.

How About It?

Isn't it almost time for Spain to go into the hands of a receiver?—Chicago Times-Herald.

Yankee Ingenuity.

A Connecticut genius has invented a trotting sulky so arranged that "the weight of the driver becomes a propelling power." The horse is evidently a doomed beast.

This invention, however, will have results reaching far beyond trotting sulky. If a driver, by sitting a little behind the wheels of his attenuated vehicle, can give it a forward impulse without decreasing his own altitude, there is no reason why a captain, reinforced by a crew sufficiently large, cannot replace the costly engines that now take up so much valuable space in ocean steamers, or why every one of the now existing sources of power should not be abandoned in favor of a weight, live or dead, placed "just behind the wheels."—New York Times.

A Gigantic Engineering Plan.

The latest engineering and ship canal idea is to dispense with the 24 locks in the Welland canal leading from Lake Erie to Lake Ontario, and to make the whole drop of 326 feet between these two lakes in two pneumatic balance locks, built of steel, operated by compressed air and large enough to admit vessel of ocean draft. The greatest lock now in existence is on the Manchester ship canal, 45 feet high.—Philadelphia Ledger.

They Can Talk Anyhow.

Now that a prizefighter's grandson is to be made speaker of the house of commons Sullivan, Corbett et al. will be more unendurable than they have been, as they will have visions of the presidential chair, or at least a chance in the next heavyweight cabinet.—Philadelphia Press.

There Is Yet Time.

Prince Bismarck, in a recent interview with an American, made the remark that one of his greatest regrets was that he had never visited the United States. This regret is fully reciprocated by the American people.—New York Mail and Express.

In the Good Time Coming.

Ever and anon comes a breath of promise that The Congressional Record will some day contain remarks from "the gentleman from Cuba" and "the gentleman from Hawaii."—Washington Star.

Thinks the Consul Will Help.

BAKERSFIELD, Cal., April 29.—Lord Sholto Douglass, the son of the Marquis of Queensberry, against whom insanity proceedings were dismissed Thursday, and who has been figuring in several sensational events here, has gone to San Francisco to consult the British consul and lay his troubles before that official.

Terrible Hail Storm.

CAMDEN, Ark., April 29.—A terrible hail storm swept over this portion of Ouachita county. The damage done in this city alone will reach an enormous amount. The courthouse, opera house and many residences were badly damaged by the hail. Vegetation of all kinds is beaten into the ground.

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