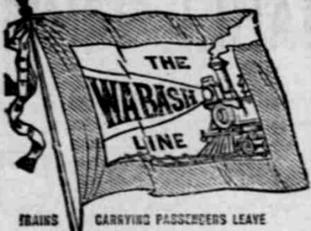


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### Marriages Early and Often.

From the Fulton Deaf-Mute Record.

The first place in the list of those who have married early and married often must be taken by Lady Elizabeth Darcey, the daughter of Thomas Earl Rivers, on account of the curious coincidences attending her marriages. She was wooed by three suitors at the same time, and the knights, as in chivalry bound, were disposed to contest the prize in the customary manner. This the lady peremptorily forbade, and promised in a jocular manner, that if they had but patience, she would have them all three in their turn, and what is most remarkable, she literally fulfilled her promise. First she married Sir George Trinchard, of Wolverton, who left her a widow at 17; secondly, Sir John Gage, of Firlie, thirdly, William Henry, of Hickworth, the three original claimants for her hand.

More remarkable still is the case of a farmer in one of the northern counties in England, who one day took five young women in his cart to a religious service. After the drive and the service he became the husband of one of the ladies. She died and when he was in search of a second wife he met another of those who had joined him in the drive. She was not averse to the match and they were married. Like No. 1, she did not live long and in succession he married the third, fourth and fifth of the young women. Whether he lived to place No. 5 by the side of her companions is not recorded, and this is just where the story fails in its completeness.

There died, at Florence in 1768, Elizabeth Mase, who was led to the altar seven times and buried the whole of her partners. Her last venture was at 70 years of age. On her death bed she recalled the good and bad points of each husband, and having weighed them impartially, expressed a desire to be buried by the side of her fifth husband.

An announcement in England in the same year stated that Mr. Silvertop was lately united, at Newcastle, to Mrs. Pearson. "It was," says the announcement, "the third time the lady had been led to the altar in the character of a bride and there has been something remarkable in each of her three connubial engagements. Her first husband was a Quaker, her second a Roman Catholic and her third a Protestant of the Established church. Each husband was twice her age. At 16 she married a gentleman of 32, at 30 she married one of 60, and now at 42 she is united to a gentleman of 84."

At an agricultural village, in England, some time in the last century, a couple was joined in the holy bonds of matrimony whose united ages came to 158 years. The bride was 81 and bridegroom 77. The groom's Christian name was Thomas and the bride's Mary. The groom had twice before married a Mary and the bride had twice before married a Thomas. To crown all, both were in receipt of parochial relief.

A gentleman died at Bordeaux in 1872 who had had no fewer than sixteen ladies to the hymenial altar.

The same year witnessed the nuptials of a lady 85 years of age who had espoused six husbands, with her seventh. This marriage took place at the church of St. Clement Dane, London.

About the same time a gentleman died at the age of 115 years who had had four wives and who left behind to mourn his loss a widow and twenty-three children, whose ages varied from 3 to 80 years.

In 1784 there died an old army veteran who had had five wives and his widow, 90 years of age, wept over the grave of her fourth husband.

The merry month of June, 1878, saw celebrated at St. Bridget's church, Chester, the marriage of Mr. George Harding, a youthful bridegroom of 107 years and Mrs. Catherine Woodward, a blushing damsel of 83 years. The bridegroom served in the army for thirty nine years during the reigns of Queen Anne, George I., and part of George II. He was at the time of his marriage particularly hearty, in great spirits and had retained his faculties to an extraordinary perfection. This was his fifth matrimonial venture, his last previous essay having been at the age of 105. His bride had thrice before been led to the altar. The record of the event states that Mr. Harding's diet for thirty years had consisted of buttermilk, boiled with a little flour, and bread and cheese.

In 1804, Mr. Samuel, of Sonning, after burying four wives, led Mrs. E. Newkirk to the altar. She overlooked the fact that she had to take to no fewer than thirty-two children.

In the same year there died at Balbindangan, Ireland, Mr. Coorslin, 114 years of age. This venturesome old gentleman led to the altar his seventh wife at the age of 93 years and when he died he left behind him forty-three children, 236 grand children and 944 great-grand children.

Very early in the present century, (1805) there was recorded the case of an amorous old lady, 80 years of age, who had buried three husbands and then threw away her crutches at the door of an old church, in Yorkshire, on becoming the wife of a farmer named Wood.

A Mr. Meadows, of Liverpool, had a record which is unique. He was married for the sixth time, aged 75 years, at Walton church in 1807. The first period of widowhood lasted a year, the second two months, the third seven weeks, the fourth nine months and the fifth—the shortest of all—only six weeks.

In 1809, Mrs. Jarvis, of Hawarden, married her sixth husband, a politician named John Wright. At the time of this marriage she was in the eighties and had only interred her last choice five weeks previously.

In 1816, a youth named Jones, had sufficient courage to marry Mrs. Mary Harris, a 55 year-old widow who had deposited beneath the daisies no fewer than five husbands.

The last instance is not so much of a record of numerous marriages as an instance of coincidences. Mr. Butin, an inhabitant of Commies, who died there early in the century at the age of 84 years, was only twice married. His second wife was born the day his first wife died, and on the birthday he jocularly remarked he would never marry any other wife than that infant. For twenty years he waited and then led the infant to the altar, he being aged 64 years. The first child was born twelve months after the marriage and the second twenty years later. At his death he left several children, the eldest of whom was 60 years of age and the youngest 2 months. He lived 84 years, was 20 years a widower and his second marriage lasted twenty years.

### FEMININE FANCIES.

The "ghost dance" is an evolution of the phantom party.

Mrs. Astor is said to never pay less than \$25 for a pair of shoes.

There are now in Paris over 1,000 American female art students.

The washerwoman may be said to live on the products of the soil.

A fever thermometer is made in chateleine form for trained nurses.

Beauty is only skin deep, but it will get a seat in the street car every time.

There is a good deal of selfishness in refusing to give because we can't do it in our own way.

Father, coming home—Is Carrie out? Hopeful—No, but the lamp is. That Spinkins feller's here again.

Mrs. Nagger—I would just like to see any one abduct me! Mr. Nagger—H'm. So would I, my dear.

Mrs. Paron Stevens, the New York society woman, receives about 1,000 cards of reception during the year.

A young Ohio girl has suffered so severely from neuralgia that her hair, it is said, has turned perfectly white.

Mrs. Lot Ewing, a 25-year-old mother living at Buena Vista, gave birth to her thirteenth child one day recently.

Mrs. de Style—How do you manage to get your servants to wear caps? Mine won't. Mrs. de Fashion—I hire a policeman to admire them.

Fair widow, beseechingly—Now, Mr. Slade, suppose your wife was to die—what would you do then? Mr. Slade—Call in the undertaker.

Grace—My dear, I would die before marrying that man. Clara, sweetly—Yes, I think you would. You haven't much chance in that direction.

A fashion paper remarks that "three bands of diamonds worn close about the throat with a large, false buckle of rubies, emeralds or sapphires, is an ornament now much in vogue for evening wear." This is a valuable hint to anyone looking about for a trifle for his best girl.

### Rheumatism.

Is a symptom of disease of the kidneys. It will certainly be relieved by Park's Sure Cure. That headache, backache and tired feeling come from the same cause. Ask for Park's Sure Cure for the liver and kidneys, price \$1.00. Sold by W. C. Gaston

### How it Happened.

"I heard a political speech down in Texas last fall," said A. R. Gaines, of Gainesville, in that state, to a reporter of the Washington Post. "that would have impressed our Eastern critics with a belief that all the Depews, Choates and Tom Reeds are not born east of the Mississippi. I was in the Northern Rio Grande county, a wild, sparsely settled section of the state, and ran into a little town of about 200 people. There was to be a grand political rally and joint debate. The first speaker was a fair talker, a Populist. He gave us an hour or so of talk on oppression, monopoly, etc., and then a Democrat took the platform, rolled up his sleeves, pulled off his hat and began hammering with his fist.

"Gentlemen of the great state of Texas, are you aware of who's been talkin' slush about the greatest party ever God created bein' in cahoots with robbers on thieves an' such fur one solid hour? An outlaw from Missouri that dassent show his yaller hide in the town whar he wuz born—a man that fur a \$5 bill would swear that he wuz a bosom friend of George Washington; that the father of his country kept a slaughter house in the San Pecos valley, and would then turn right round, go to Mount Vernon and dig up his bones an' use 'em fur a fertilizer. An' his party! Why, gentlemen of the great state of Texas, that little handful of one-gutted bellyachers called Populists no more compares with the mighty hosts that fight under the flag of eternal Democracy than the feeble glow of a lightning bug compares to the glorious effulgence of the midday sun!"

"That was only a starter. He kept it up for an hour. Did it take? It carried the country."

### ONLY A BOY.

"Only a boy," is a very common phrase, and it generally means that a youngster cannot be expected to settle down to the serious business of life and achieve any marked degree of success.

This is a mistake. Frank Hagan, of Ingersoll, Tex., is sixteen years old. He has just quit school after winning several prizes. During his school days he cultivated three acres of land at odd times, producing cabbage weighing thirty pound each. The crop netted him enough to pay for forty-eight head of range cattle.

This year young Hagan has rented fifteen acres from his father, furnishing all the vegetables the family can consume as rental. He will have four acres of oats that will yield seventy-five bushels per acre, six acres of Irish potatoes yielding about twenty barrels to the acre, three acres of cabbages that have 9,000 plants to the acre, that will average eight pounds to the head and the remainder of the land is devoted to onions that will yield 600 bushels to the acre. He is also raising a large number of turkeys.

The boy works only one hand, and will clear at least \$1,000 for his year's work. He is now offered \$1.50 per barrel for onions, 3 cents per pound for cabbage, and \$2 per barrel for potatoes. He takes several agricultural journals, and is quite an authority on all matters pertaining to farming.

There is plenty of room in the South for such boys. They are needed to help the old folks and to advertise the fact to the world that farming in that region is a money-making business, when it is rightly managed.

That Texas boy deserves a medal.

\$100 Reward \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address, F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggist, 75c.

Tex following from Mrs. Rodemeyer's column, in the Centralia Guard, is full of good horse sense: "When you visit the sick, don't wear a long face, and make such remarks as 'You are looking badly.' 'Why, how you have fallen off.' There are many more such expressions that fall from lips of thoughtless persons, but be thoughtful and considerate, especially when you enter the sick chamber. Carry sunshine with you rather than shadows; always have a pleasant word for the invalid, an encouraging word if possible, but if the patient be very low, carry sunshine and cheerful words, although you can't speak encouragingly and be truthful. As long as there is life and consciousness the invalid will notice and appreciate those little acts of kindness, and those rays of sunshine will be treasured. Don't tell anyone that he or she is looking badly, for her own reflection in the mirror has whispered that thousands of times, and one feels and knows that without every one expressing it aloud."

Dr. M. J. DAVIS is a prominent physician of Lewis, Cass county, Iowa, and has been actively engaged in the practice of medicine at that place for the past thirty-five years. On the 26th of May, while in Des Moines, en route to Chicago, he was suddenly taken with an attack of diarrhoea. Having sold Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy for the past seventeen years, and knowing its reliability, he procured a 25 cent bottle, two doses of which completely cured him. The excitement and change of water and diet incident to traveling often produce a diarrhoea. Every one should procure a bottle of this Remedy before leaving home. For sale by all Druggists.

### It Is "a Water" Panic.

From American Investments.

It wasn't a gold panic, like September 24th, 1869.

Nor a railroad panic, like September 18th, 1873.

Neither an individual panic like Grand-Ward, May 6th, 1884.

Nor a Baring panic, like December 12th, 1890.

Well, what kind of a panic was it? Some say a silver panic.

Others, a bankers' collateral panic. None of these are correct.

It was a simon-pure water panic!

And the more we have of them the better.

It didn't squeeze the water out of anything that hadn't any water in it.

### Good Looks.

Good looks are more than skin deep, depending upon a healthy condition of all vital organs. If the Liver be inactive, you have a Bilious Look, if your stomach be disordered you have a Dyspeptic Look and if your Kidneys be affected you have a Pinched Look. Secure good health and you will have good looks. Electric Bitters is the great alterative and Tonic acts directly on these vital organs. Cures Pimples, Blisters, Boils and gives a good complexion. Sold at W. C. Gaston's Drugstore, 50c. per bottle.

### Stop Talking Hard Times.

From the Kaw's Mouth.

The railroad earnings of the country for May were greater than for the same month last year. The per cent of grain is from 7 to 17 per cent. This does not look like a serious financial depression in this country. If people would quit talking hard times, times would not be near so hard.

### All Free.

Those who have used Dr. King's New Discovery know its value, and those who have not, have now the opportunity to try it Free. Call on the advertised Druggist and get a Trial Bottle, Free. Send your name and address to H. E. Bucklen & Co., Chicago, and get a sample box of Dr. King's New Life Pills Free, as a copy of Guide to Health and Household Instructor, Free. All of which is guaranteed to do you good and cost you nothing. At W. C. Gaston's Drug store.

MRS. MARY BELL, an energetic and capable widow lady, at Polo, in the southern part of Caldwell county, received her commission as post-mistress at that place. Her Republican predecessor was invited to step down and out to make room for her.

FIFTY cents is a small doctor bill, but that is all it will cost you to cure any ordinary case of rheumatism if you use Chamberlain's Pain Balm. Try it and you will be surprised at the prompt relief it affords. The first application will quiet the pain. 50 cent bottles for sale by all druggists.

### Odds and Ends.

Taken from different sources.

There is more joy in heaven over the man who kicks banana peel into the gutter than there is over the most fluent flatterer that ever got his gift of gab.

Don't buy a new coat until you have paid for the old one, and don't try to put on style as long as your debts are unpaid. Poverty is bad enough at any time, but when coupled with destroyed aristocracy, it is unbearable.

Live within your means and owe no man a cent, if you would really know what independence is.

Don't snub a boy because he wears shabby clothes. When Edison, the great inventor, first entered Boston he wore a pair of yellow linen breeches in the depth of winter.

Girls, don't use slang. There is nothing demeriting or ennobling about it, and you lower yourself when you resort to it. Let your language be plain, musical and soft but avoid lispings, simpering and giggling. The position you are to occupy in life must be governed largely by the company you keep, the language you use, the work that you fail to do, and the manners you have.

Don't snub a boy who seems dull or stupid. Hogarth, the celebrated painter and engraver, was slow at learning and did not develop as soon as most boys.

Don't snub any one. Not alone because some day they may outstrip you in the race of life, but because it is neither kind nor christian.

Don't snub a boy because he stutters. Demosthenes, the greatest orator of Greece, overcame a harsh and stammering voice.

Don't snub a boy because he chooses a humble trade. The author of "Pilgrims Progress" was a tinker.

Don't snub a boy because his home is plain and unpretending, Abraham Lincoln's early home was a log cabin.

Don't snub a boy because of the ignorance of his parents. Shakespeare, the world's poet was the son of a man who was unable to write his own name.

The man who dies without enemies has failed to live a Christian life. Was not Jesus Himself crucified by His enemies who did not like His teachings against usury?

### THE VAMPIRE.

Blood-Sucking Bats Which Feed on Man and Animals.

Ever since the South American continent was discovered, especially that part of it lying between the Amazon and Orinoco rivers, travelers have come from there with wonderful tales of the vampire, or, as they call them, blood-sucking bats. As a fact, little is known about these pests. That there are blood-sucking bats which feed not only on the blood of man, but also animals, is an undoubted fact. In the case of a man attacked, the toe or nose is the point punctured, while animals are liable to be bitten anywhere. How the bat does its work has not been made clear, for no man has yet awakened while being operated on by one of these bats, despite the fact that considerable blood has been extracted and more or less of blood takes place after the operation. It is probable that the bat hovers during the operation rather than rests on the body. The rapid vibration of the soft wings probably has a soothing effect on the skin of the part operated on.

The blood suckers belong to only two or three species, and wherever these are found there are also many others whose food is only fruit or insects or both. The most natural mistake about the bats which are innocent of preying on man or beast is the common supposition that vampyrus spectrum is a blood sucker. The stretch of wings of this bat frequently reaches three feet, and it has a most ferocious aspect, with enormous large and pointed canine teeth. It is perfectly certain that in most parts of British Guinea this bat is only a fruit-eater, and a serious pest to fruit-growers. Bates and Edwards, who traveled much in that country, vouch for its harmlessness, and the writer could never hear of a case where one of these giant bats was even suspected of being a blood-sucker.

Baby caps at Mrs. C. P. VANDIVER'S.