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GIRL RESTORED TO FATHER AFTER LONG CAPTIVITY

Montana Maid Was Sold by Gypsies to Rich Romany Leader.

FORCED TO JOIN STROLLERS

She Finally Succeeded in Escaping and Was Taken Care of by the Police—Slave of Wandering Tribe for Nine Years.

Helena, Mont.—When Evelyn Mitchell, a sixteen-year-old girl who for nine years has been the slave of gypsy hands in this country and the old world, threw herself into the arms of her father, a ranchman residing near a Montana town, it was the first time either had set eyes upon the other since the day of the mother's funeral in Helena nearly ten years ago.

M. L. Rickman, secretary of the state bureau of child and animal protection, escorted the girl to the ranch from Glacier park, where he met her in charge of Miss Georgiana Allen, a Havre schoolteacher, who agreed to chaperon the girl to Montana from a house of detention in Oakland, Cal.

H. A. Davee, state superintendent of public instruction, who was attending the National Teachers' association, was besought by the Oakland authorities to provide escort for the girl back to Montana. The city paid her expenses. Superintendent Davee learned that Miss Allen, a teacher, was shortly to come home, and the latter went to the house of detention, where the girl has been kept two months to guard her against kidnaping by the gypsy band from which she was taken. There arrangements were made for bringing her home, and the teacher and the girl departed secretly from San Francisco, embarking on a steamer for Astoria, from which point they went by train to Glacier park.

In Terror of Band The necessity for keeping their whereabouts secret was urged by the girl, who was in terror of being seized by the band. She declared that she was likely to be taken from a train by members stationed along the road and on watch, hence the trip by steamer was devised.

The history of the young woman reads like a romance. For several years she has been trying to escape from the gypsies, but, alone and friendless, she was given no opportunity until about three months ago, when the Oakland officials secured possession of her after a desperate fight in the courts. The Marino band, to which she was sold for \$2,000 in 1912, is rich, and money was spent lavishly to defeat justice.

About ten years ago, following the funeral of the mother, the girl and a sister were placed in the St. Joseph's orphan's home. There they remained for perhaps six months, when Evelyn was taken to Butte, and in Judge Donlan's court, upon the representations of an attorney adoption papers were made out for "Mary" Mitchell, placing her in charge of a couple named Gichi. It developed later that the Gichis were members of a gypsy band.

Evelyn was an attractive little girl, and she was soon dressed in rags and started out as a beggar. Her pretty face and sad eyes affected the charitably disposed, and her collections were not the least of the loot of the band.

Longer for Own People. As the girl grew older she longed for a return to "American life," as she called it. Living in wagons or tents along the highways, half starved, and beaten by the Gichi couple whenever she did not bring home as much money as they considered adequate, her existence was unhappy. Through the eastern states and down south the band wandered, and in the winter of 1912 at Los Angeles Evelyn enlisted the sympathy of an American woman and the authorities were notified.

Fearing that they might get into serious trouble if caught, the Gichis sold the girl for \$2,000 to a rich leader of gypsies named Marino. In order to hold her Marino had his son, a boy of ten, marry her under gypsy law. This marriage, of course, was not binding, although Evelyn believed it to be.

Then the Marinos embarked on a long pilgrimage. They coached Evelyn as a fortune teller and went first to New York city. From there they went to France, then to the Isthmus of Panama, then to Honolulu and the Philippine islands, eventually coming back to the United States. About three months ago the girl escaped and was picked up by the Oakland authorities on complaint of the Marino gypsies, and thus she was given an opportunity to tell her story in court. As a result she was consigned to the care of Matron Rich of the Oakland detention home.

Gypsies Fight Case. During her stay with the Marino band Evelyn was beaten severely, and to her pleadings for freedom she was told that as soon as she earned the \$2,000 which they claimed to have paid for her she would be allowed to have an automobile and to go where she pleased.

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"You appear to be crippled, Uncle Hiram," said the grocer, as the old man limped into the store the other morning. "What's the trouble?"

"I wuz down tew th' city t'other day," replied the limping granger, "an' th' fust thing I know'd I kerlided with one uv them gosh d'ing d'ectric keers, by grass!"

"That's too bad," said the sympathetic grocer, as he bit into a dried peach. "Did you bring suit against the company for damages?"

"Damages be hang'd!" exclaimed Uncle Hiram, as he proceeded to load his trusty corn-cob pipe. "Peers tew me ez I got erbout all th' damages I need, by hen! I reckon mobby it air repairs I orter git. Huh?"

Difficult Attitude.

"How do you stand on preparedness?"

"Well," replied Farmer Sorghum, "the citizens out my way are thoroughly patriotic; and at the same time I have always been regarded as the great champion of economy. As nearly as I can figure it out, I want to vote 'yes' on preparedness and 'no' on the expense."

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Cornered. He—You women have no right to the ballot for the simple reason that in case of war you would not be able to fight. She—Then why do you allow a man who is crippled to vote? He—Why—er—say, if it isn't just like a woman to ask some such foolish question as that.—Boston Transcript.

Rather a Handicap. "Do you think a nickname is an asset in politics?" "That depends on what sort of nickname it is." "No doubt." "For instance, a candidate of my acquaintance is known among his intimates as 'Imogene.'"

Can Drive a Car, Anyway. "You know some men are small potatoes at home. How does Dubwaite stand with his family?" "Ordinarily he doesn't seem to amount to much, but when the chauffeur's sick Mrs. Dubwaite grudgingly admits that he makes himself useful."

Only Chance to See It. Mrs. Hicks—Did you enjoy the scenery on your motor trip through the White mountains? Mrs. Wicks—Yes; whenever the car broke down.—Somerville Journal.

Something About Truth. Truth is something infinitely greater and more comprehensive than mere fact; it is anything which records, reflects or symbolizes not only life as it is, but life as it ought to be, and as hopeful faith believes it sometime, somewhere will be—the opening of a window toward Heaven.—Caryl B. Storrs.

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ONE CROP PAID FOR FARM

Kansas Farmers Are Worrying About What to Do With Their Money.

Atchison, Kan.—Albert Armstrong of this city, who has just returned from a trip to Lane county, says the farmers out there are worrying about what to do with their money this year, instead of worrying how to get along for lack of it.

This has been a wonderful year for western Kansas farmers, according to Armstrong. Last spring one Lane county farmer traded a heifer for a piece of volunteer wheat for the purpose of pasturing his cattle on it. The wheat did so well he decided to let it grow and harvest it. Result: He harvested 1,300 bushels of wheat, which he sold for \$1,300. Another farmer bought a half section of land for \$15 an acre and this year's crop paid for the land.

Worth While Quotation. Make it your habit not to be critical about small things.—Selected.

We spend too much time wondering what the new year will bring us. It is better to ask ourselves what we are going to make of it. Life does not come in sealed packages, ready for use when opened. Time is only its raw material, and from it we can make very much what we choose. Instead of waiting for some prize to drop into our hands, let us seize the days as they pass and mold them into forms of usefulness and beauty.

WILSON STUDIES WAR MAPS

Keeps Tab Daily on Positions of the Struggling Armies—Officer Keeps Record.

Washington.—President Wilson is a peace-loving official, but the walls of the cabinet room do not indicate it. Huge maps of all the war zones of Europe cover the walls, and on each map the battle lines of the opposing hosts are drawn.

Col. W. W. Harts, the president's aid, is in charge of all the "battle fields." He adjusts the tiny flags and colored cords which indicate how the different armies are moving from day to day.

Frequently, when the president goes over to his executive offices in the morning, he stops in the cabinet room and personally surveys the positions of the struggling armies. In addition to the European maps here also is one showing the position of the United States troops on the Mexican border and the positions of Mexican forces.

USE TOMBSTONES AS GUIDES

Discovery of Ledge of Tungsten Ore Makes Some Changes in Nevada.

Reno, Nev.—Tombstones are being used for location monuments in the new mining district near Sodaville, where a supposed fabulously rich ledge of tungsten ore was discovered, according to reports brought to Reno by men who answer the call of the desert.

One miner located the village cemetery, and as there were no rocks near he used some of the best looking tombstones to mark the boundaries of his claim.

Others soon followed suit, and now the relatives of the departed, interred there years ago, would have a hard time recognizing one grave from another.

Height of Meanness. There is a lot of comfort in not having an umbrella when somebody wants to borrow one.—Los Angeles Express.

AUSTRIAN MOUNTAIN MORTAR



Austrian artilleryman cleaning the barrel of a new type of bomb-thrower recently adopted for mountain use because of its portability.

Lakes and Farm Land.

Millions of acres of land now under water in the northwest will, within the earlier years to come, be redeemed for farming uses by means of irrigating and drainage plans. All the states and provinces bordering on the Great Lakes have laws favoring this addition to land holdings. The province of Manitoba has, under a new law, organized its first irrigation district covering 18,000 acres. Thus the irrigated area spreads farther and farther north, and the unused waters are brought in to make agriculture im measurably more certain than under the olden plan of waiting on the weather to supply the needed moisture.—Wall Street Journal.

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