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HISPECIAR METHOD

By JOEL D. WILLARD.
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Ivan Karibonof was sitting in his study in Moscow when his daughter Ekaterina entered.

"Papa," she said, "I wish to attend lectures at the university."

The father looked seriously at his daughter, a pretty girl of eighteen. Her large brown eyes contrasted with her very light hair, her willowy feminine figure with a certain determination of expression.

"My child, don't you know that it is not considered proper for unmarried women to become students?"

"I do, and I also know that many maidens marry for the purpose. I can do that. I need never even see my husband. After I have finished the course the marriage can be annulled."

The father objected to the plan, a common one in Russia, but, finding his daughter obstinate, at last reluctantly consented. Steps were taken to find the girl a husband, and a student of the name of Stepan Aleksandrovna was found to supply the place.

So opposed was the father to his daughter having anything to do with the young man that he stipulated that they should be married by proxy and not meet during their student lives.

Ekaterina pursued her studies without even hearing of Aleksandrovna. He was the son of a nobleman who had entered the university in order to enjoy university life and did not put in an appearance at lectures oftener than was absolutely necessary to maintain his connection with the institution.

His father died while he was a student, and this took him away for a long while. Months passed before Ekaterina happened to hear his name mentioned. Then it was in connection with a duel he had fought with one of his fellow students, named Paul Polzoff.

Now, it happened that this Polzoff lived near the Karibonofs. He had made Ekaterina's acquaintance and on a number of occasions had carried her books for her on her way to lectures. She was interested to know the cause of the quarrel. Polzoff, who had been slightly wounded in the affair, pinked at the same time his adversary, told her that he did not know the real cause himself. He had accidentally spilled some ink on a book Aleksandrovna had been taking notes of lectures upon and for this ostentatiously had been challenged.

Ekaterina soon heard her husband's name mentioned in connection with another affair of arms with Dmitri Paskudin, who had been somewhat attentive to her at a social gathering. Paskudin was not a student, and he and Ekaterina had long been friends. Ekaterina endeavored to find out the cause of this quarrel, but, as in the other case, failed. In both cases she noticed that she afterward received no attention from either of her husband's opponents.

And so it happened that the moment she received an attention from a man she was sure to hear that he had fought with her husband and afterward retired from the field. Finally she sent for Aleksandrovna. He drove up to her house in a drowsy wearing a jaunty student suit, jumped out, threw the driver a coin and entered his room as though he was making an ordinary call. He was a handsome fellow and by no means displeasing in appearance to his wife.

"I have sent for you," she said severely, "to learn why you persist in challenging any man who shows me any attention. It is becoming annoying."

"I cannot allow my wife to receive attentions from other men. My honor would not suffer it."

"Nonsense! Our marriage was but to enable me to become a student."

"Students should not receive attention from young men. It distracts their minds from their studies."

"And who, pray, made you the protector of my mind?"

"The law makes me your husband. I claim no other of my privileges except this. I do not even ask this. I require the men to leave you to your studies. In which you will surely distinguish yourself if they let you alone."

"Thanks for your kind protection against them, but I do not wish or need it."

"Nor do I admit your right to interfere in my duels."

"Thus far the dialogue had, outwardly at least, been serious. At this turn the girl could not repress a faint curve of the lips which portended a smile. However, she mastered herself in time and said:

"How did you come to know that I am the girl you married?"

"I knew it before you married me. I met you just before you entered the university at a garden party. I had a dozen words with you; then we were parted."

"Whose garden party?"

"The Princess G's."

Ekaterina started. She was the only person present on that occasion not of noble family.

"Suppose," she said more graciously, "I ask you to engage in no more duels on my account, will you oblige me?"

"Certainly. And suppose I ask you to accept no more attention that may prevent your being fancy free at the end of your university course, will you oblige me?"

She turned her face away for a moment, then, turning it back with a blush, replied:

"Yes."

The day she received her diploma she married her husband by a religious ceremony.

Springfield's Business Booming.

The business situation in Springfield is, in some respects, better than ever before. Nearly all the machine shops are running full time, with more orders than they can fill for some time. Among these business enterprises there are the Parks & Woolson Machine Company, the Feltz & Gear, the Springfield and Vermont Machine Company, and the Jones & Lamson Machine Company, now employing four hundred and fifty men. These three shops are each running a part of the night. Gilman & Son (incorporated), with thirty-five men, and

ABOUT THE STATE

Little George Marshall had three of his fingers quite badly cut on a buzz saw in W. G. Phipps's shop in East Barre recently.

Lucius Drown was quite badly hurt at Evansville last week, when his horse became frightened, knocking him down, and the loaded sleigh passing over him.

The Baptist church in Wilmington caught fire just before the morning service Sunday, December 19, but the flames were extinguished before much damage was done.

As Frank Wheeler was getting sawdust in Sawyer's mill in Whitingham last week, he came too near one of the large pulleys and received a bad scalp wound, requiring eighteen stitches to close it.

Mrs. Ernest Page of Morrisville fell down the cellar stairs last Thursday, striking on the cement bottom of the cellar. No bones were broken, but she was bruised badly. It is hoped no serious injuries to her spine will result.

Timothy Bonor and Aleck Hyman were injured while chopping in Bakersfield last week. The former suffered severe bruises and sprains by the breaking of a tree, on which he was chopping. The latter was seriously injured by being caught between two falling trees.

The three-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Craig McAllister of Encouburg got hold of a bottle of cough medicine recently and drank more than a quantity sufficient for an adult. Soon after, she was taken ill but, after being attended by a physician, recovered.

T. V. Sprague, employed in the Readboro chair factory, was running a saw one day last week, when his hand came in contact with a blade and the forefinger of the left hand was amputated at the second joint. The tip of another finger was cut off and the thumb was badly cut.

The grocery store of W. W. Noble in Fairfield caught fire from the stove-pipe Wednesday, December 22, and would have burned with its contents had it not been discovered before it had gotten much headway. The building was badly damaged, and some of the groceries were ruined.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dupuy of Rutland celebrated their golden wedding Sunday at their home. Relatives presented them \$25 in gold and neighbors gave them over \$10 in gold. Mr. Dupuy is 69 years old, while his wife is 67. They were born in Wisconsin and went to Rutland to live 27 years ago.

At the midnight mass at the Church of the Holy Innocents in Rutland Friday night two large statues from Paris, representing St. Anthony of Padua and the Sacred Heart of Jesus, were dedicated. Each weighs 750 pounds, and they are said to be among the finest of their kind in New England.

Thomas Butler of fire station one in Burlington was injured Monday, while trying to change the body of the chemical engine from wheels to runners. The box slipped, catching one of his legs between the load and a post, straining the muscles so that he will be incapacitated for work several days.

Ernest, the five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. St. Amor of Winslow, narrowly escaped death Monday by being run over by a heavy wood team. The team struck the boy and, catching his clothes, dragged him some distance. No bones were broken, but he was severely bruised. The driver of the team did not see the boy, and, as he was juddled up on account of the cold, he did not hear his cries.

Gunnar Carlson, a porter in a Proctor store, is certainly one of the strongest men in the place. He toys with a barrel of flour in the same manner as an ordinary man would with a package weighing about 20 pounds. He lifts the barrel of flour from the ground with his teeth, and makes a 300-pound barrel of salt an easy burden to carry along. Other similar feats are performed by him daily with much unconcern.

In the year 1850, a movement was begun toward building an Advent church in South Vermont, and meetings have been held continuously since that time, but there has never been a church edifice until now. To-day business throughout the village has been generally suspended for the dedication of the church, to the pastor of which the Rev. E. A. Phelps of Westfield, Mass., has accepted a call. The building cost \$6,000, of which \$3,000 has been pledged.

The chef at Hotel Burlington in Burlington, when preparing a big turkey for Christmas, found a note from two little Jericho girls, Misses Irene and Agnes Fitzsimmons, 3 and 5 years old, respectively. The note, which was written by their mother, made the request that a sled be sent them by the purchaser of the bird. It also stated that the turkey had caused the children much trouble during the summer. Mr. Collamer promptly sent the sled by express, with a note of Christmas greeting.

From all over the state come reports of the heaviest Christmas business in post offices for many years. Rutland employed one extra team and six extra men. One night last week three men were kept busy handling postal cards alone in the Burlington post office. From the same office, 257 registered letters were sent out, and of these 80 had to be returned, as the messenger was unable to deliver them. The Christmas mail there was the largest ever handled. In Bennington, twenty-five letters and packages were held because of insufficient postage.

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