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The Times' Daily Short Story.

My Pauper Aristocrat

(Original.)
I am an artist, and, though a woman, have never feared to sketch in lonely places. One spring morning I was in the country seated before my easel laying on the first light tints of spring green when a young man, a few years my senior, emerged from a wood near by and came toward me. He was dressed in a crossbar suit, a straw hat with a brown ribbon and tan shoes. I mention these details because they are important to my story. His clothes were rather the worse for wear, but there was a refined look about him. He approached me, lifted his hat politely and asked permission to look over my work.

He first made a few pleasant remarks about what I had done, then began to talk about pictures in general, artists, schools, values—in short, such matters as are usually known only to artists. I asked him if he were of the profession, and he replied that he was not, nor had he ever touched a brush. From art he began to talk of literature, and I was astonished at the variety and scope of his reading. By this time he had thrown himself on the grass, lighted a cigarette (first asking my permission) and began to flit from one subject to another like a bird on the crest of successive waves, for he seemed to have the faculty of gathering the culminating principles from every subject he touched.

"You say you are not an artist?" I remarked.
"No."
"Nor a literary man?"
"No."
"You certainly can't be in business."
"Oh, no. I would be like a fish in air in business."
"Then, will you kindly tell me what you are?"
He smiled, and, turning on me a pair of handsome eyes in which a twinkle was set in melancholy, he replied:
"I am a pauper aristocrat."
"How would you like to make a sketch of me?" he said abruptly. "I mean take me for a model. If you will lend me your shawl and a few bits of your fiery I will pose for you as an Italian bandit. You may make a sketch by which to turn an honest penny."
"I prefer you as yourself," I said, "in that indolent position."
I sketched for half an hour, then let him change his position for rest, then worked another half hour.
"Can you give me another sitting tomorrow?" I asked.
"Oh, yes," he replied; "my time is not valuable."
He gave me several sittings on different mornings, then one morning when he had promised to come failed to do so. This was the last of him. He passed away from me as though split into another realm. It seemed as if

the green on the young trees had suddenly browned, as if the landscape had lost its freshness, the water its sparkle. The portrait was unfinished, though nearly complete, and I left it as it was.

When I returned to the city late in the autumn I had not forgotten my pauper aristocrat. I do not approve of people useless to the world and to themselves, but this man was so frank, so engaging, so utterly devoid of pretense. He had without leave walked right into my heart and made himself at home.

One day during the winter while scanning a newspaper I came upon a personal information wanted of Reginald Wallace Chandler, who was last seen near Liberty, Sullivan county, N. Y., during the previous spring. He then wore a crossbar suit, a straw hat with a blue band and tan shoes.

My heart stood still. This was my pauper aristocrat. For what could he be wanted? Was it for crime, for return to confinement? I thought over every possible contingency, dreading to give information of him for fear of injuring him. At last I took the picture I had made of him and, going to the address given in the advertisement, told of my meeting with him. I was informed that his uncle, worth many millions, had gone down, with his whole family, in a terrible marine disaster that had occurred during the past summer and Reginald Wallace Chandler was sole heir at law to the property.

Since I could give no information of him, a number of photographs were made of my picture and sent to detective bureaus in different cities. The picture itself was placed in a window on Fifth avenue in New York, and the dealer directed to send any one making inquiries about it to me. One day I was told that a young man desired to see me in the drawing room. I went there and found my pauper aristocrat. He wore the suit he had procured a derby hat.

"Pardon me," he said, "for coming here, and for leaving you so unceremoniously. I felt that I was drifting where I had no right to drift. When I saw that picture in the window yesterday and knew that by it I could find you I tried to resist the temptation. All the sets of my life have been failures. How could they be otherwise?"

"Reginald Wallace Chandler," I said, "you are a millionaire."
"This is how I, an artist, became rich without talent. My husband procured a small government appointment in South America, and during a revolution conducted some government business so skillfully that he was appointed to a diplomatic post in Europe, where wealth was required in lieu of the small salary. It has been lately rumored that he is to be brought home for still more important work in Washington. Without his wealth he would never have been anything but a pauper aristocrat."
GRACE HERSEY.

PLAN TO END FEUDS.

General Howard's Efforts to Solve the Problem.

EDUCATION IS HIS ANTIDOTE.

Country Schools, Good Roads and Railroads Chief Agents in Stamping Out the Wars Between Kentucky's Mountaineers, Says the Veteran Soldier.

General O. O. Howard of Bell county, Ky., who has undertaken to put a stop to feuds in Kentucky and has been riding on horseback through the feud counties, accompanied by Frederick C. Chamberlain of Boston, ridicules the idea of being shot by mistake while on his tour of investigation, says a special dispatch from Lexington to the New York Herald. He says the feudist seldom makes a mistake; that when he sights down the barrel of his rifle he usually knows who the gun is pointed at.

"There is no danger of any mountain man pointing a gun at 'Uncle Oliver,'" he said recently. "My solution of the feud problem, eliminating all else, is education. Of course, this is impossible in many sections of the state except with time and the advancement of civilization."

General Howard and Mr. Chamberlain started on their tour a few days ago, leaving the railroad at Echotaw, Lee county. It was in the Grant-Lee Memorial hall of Lincoln Memorial university, near Cumberland Gap, Tenn., that General Howard was seen while attending a meeting of the board of trustees of that institution.

General Howard is a firm friend of the mountain people. He made possible the Lincoln Memorial university, and his wisdom has been proved by the score of young men and women who have been educated and have gone out from the university into a life of usefulness.

"The advancement of civilization and education," said General Howard, "will stamp out feuds, but such advancement is, of course, slow to find its way into the log cabins of the mountains, and I am going to see if I cannot help these people out of their trouble by acting as an advance agent to education."

"A feud is a sort of vigilance committee such as is known to many sections in the United States. The officers of the law are inactive and cowardly. If a man commits some crime that deserves punishment they fail, either from cowardice or laziness, to bring the offender to justice, and the persons who felt that they had been injured, finding that they have no safeguard in the law, resort to assassination, or, taking the law into their own hands, they are seized with a desire to mete out justice without the aid of the law."

"Yet there is nothing either north, west, east or south that is the parallel of the Kentucky feuds. Wherever I go I advocate to the people the necessity of good roads. The absence of not only railroads, but of turnpikes, or even good country roads, is one of the chief barriers to the advancement of education in these feud localities."

"While it is true that the recent feud assassinations in Breathitt county—where I learned thirty-seven men had been slain from ambush within the last five years—have been most furious in the town of Jackson, which is entered by two railroads and situated on a river navigable by small boats, it is a fact nevertheless that this feud originated in the most remote part of the county, long before the mountains were traversed by a railroad and when Jackson was smaller than Handman or Hazard. Traveling through these sections of the country, one is forced to go on horseback, and for myself I have always rode a mule, because he is the sure sure footed beast. By the building of railroads and highways the people are brought closer together and the public school system is made possible."

General Howard said he noticed that the attitude of the people had changed decidedly within the last few years, and he never expected to witness in Kentucky another feud like the French-Eversole, the Strong-Amy, the Hill-Evans or the Baker-Howard.

"The turnpikes, the railroads and the country school, three agents of the advance of civilization," said the general, "are now making their appearance in all parts of the state. It is true, the Baker-Howard feud occupied the center of the stage in public notice only three years ago, but since then Clay county has been crossed by several lines of telephone and the schools have been greatly improved. Speculators in oil and minerals have planted their machinery on the hillsides."

"The Breathitt county feud is the climax, reached after years of political strife, and is unlike in character any of the other feuds in the history of Kentucky. The spirit of hatred caused by the civil war between the Strongs and the Amys resulted in a long and bitter feud between their families and was handed down to the second generation, but I do not believe the prosperous town of Jackson will know of a feud here in history after the present bitter strife ceases."

"I find in my travels that the people are anxious to have peace with their neighbors. They want justice, and if the courts will punish crime feuds will disappear with the advance of civilization."

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THE MARCUM MURDER.

Kentucky Militia Guards Grand Jury Investigating It.

Jackson, Ky., May 26.—With the state militia standing guard the grand jury of Breathitt county began an investigation of the assassination of Lawyer James B. Marcum. The commanding officer of the militia has ordered that no letters be written home during the stay of the troops and another order instructing the men to refrain from conversation among themselves as to the case.

Judge Redwine convened court. Sheriff Callahan notified the court that he desired to be excused from duty and that he wished a substitute appointed to serve in his place. The court thereupon named Charles Little as temporary sheriff. The oldest daughter of Mr. Marcum was present when court opened. Among the first to be called as grand jurors was Curtis Jett, a relative of Curtis Jett, who is under arrest charged with the crime. Mr. Jett was excused. The grand jury was sworn in, and Judge Redwine called attention to the lamentable conditions in Breathitt county and urged that not only the actual murderers of James B. Marcum be convicted, but that all who were in any way connected with the murder be treated likewise.

Tragic End of Wedding Party.

Arras, France, May 27.—A wedding party in the colonel's rooms at the Citadel barracks here ended tragically with the death of three women and the injuring of twenty-seven persons, eight of whom are in a dangerous condition. Following the wedding a large party of women in flimsy dresses attended a dance, a lamp was overturned and set fire to the curtains and decorative hangings, and the party made a rush for the doors. A panic ensued, the doors were blocked and three of the women were unable to escape and perished in the flames.

Canfield Held.

New York, May 26.—Richard A. Canfield, under indictment for conducting an alleged gambling house at 5 East Forty-fourth street, appeared before Judge Newburger in general sessions and pleaded not guilty. He was accompanied by his attorneys, John Delahanty and Forbes J. Hennessy. Judge Newburger, after glancing at the indictment, fixed the bail at \$1,500, which was furnished. The proceedings occupied only a few minutes.



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IN BOSTON MARKETS.

Quotations on the Leading Products That Are in Demand.

Boston, May 27.—Butter has been rather more quiet, with receipts increasing and New York easier. Prices have thus far been maintained here, however. Northern fresh, round lots, 23¢@23½¢; western, 23¢@23½¢; Vermont dairy, 21¢@23¢; renovated butter, 18¢@19¢; jobbing, ½¢@1¢ more.

New cheese is in fair demand; old cheese is about cleaned up. Prices are steady. Round lots, old, 13½¢@15¢; new cheese, 12½¢@13¢; jobbing, ½¢@¾¢ higher.

There is nothing new in the egg market. Choice lots bring full prices, but supplies are liberal. Western fresh, 16¢@17¢; storage packed, 17¢@17½¢; eastern, 18¢@19¢; jobbing, 1¢ to 1½¢ higher.

Beans are firm both here and in the country and prices have been advanced. Carload lots, pea, \$2.45; medium, \$2.45; yellow eyes, \$2.70@2.75; red kidneys, \$3.25@3.30; California small white, \$2.65; jobbing, 10¢ more.

The warm weather and the liberal supply of fresh fruit has had a depressing effect upon the apple trade. Prices are easy, with the demand quiet. Baldwin from cold storage, \$2.50@3; No. 2, all kinds, \$1.25@1.50; russets, \$2@3; northern spies, \$2@3; Maine Ben Davis, \$2@2.50. Small lots and jobbing, 50¢@1 \$1 per bbl more.

The receipts of strawberries have been more liberal, the total for the week being 36,161 cwt. Prices have ruled low, quotations being 6¢@12¢, according to quality.

Potatoes hold steady, with a fair demand and full receipts. Green mountains, 90¢@95¢; hobsons, 80¢ per bu; York state, Green mountains, 75¢@80¢; western round white, 70¢@75¢; Dakota reds, 70¢; new Florida, \$4.50@5 per bbl; Jersey sweets, bskts, \$1; southern white sweets, \$1.50@1.75.

Bunch celery is offering at 50¢@51.25 per bch.

Onions are firm at: Egyptian, 65¢; Bermuda, \$2 per crt.

Hot-house tomatoes are quoted at 12¢@15¢ per lb; southern, \$1.50@2.25 per crt, with mushrooms at \$1.50@2 per bx.

Cucumbers sell at \$1.50@4 per bx for hot-house, all sizes.

Yellow turnips sell at \$3 per bbl; white French, \$3 per bbl; white flat, \$1 per bx; beets, 50¢; carrots, 60¢@75¢; parsnips, 50¢@75¢; egg plants, \$3 per crt.

Cabbages, Norfolk, sell at \$1.25@1.75 per bbl.

Squashes are quoted at \$40 per ton for Hubbard.

Lettuce sells at 25¢@30¢ per doz; radishes, 10¢ per doz; mint, 75¢ per doz; cross, 35¢ per doz; salsify, \$1.50 per doz; leeks, 50¢ per doz.

New string beans sell at \$3@4 per crt for wax and \$3@4 for green.

Asparagus is quoted at \$2@3 for southern, large bunches, and \$1.50@2 per doz for native.

Spinach is quoted at 12½¢@15¢ per bx for native; kale, 15¢ per bx for native; artichokes, \$1.50 per bu; parsley, hot-house, \$1.25 per bx; dandelions, 75¢ per bu; beet greens, 40¢ per bu; native beets, 75¢@81 per doz beets; bunch onions, 50¢ per bx.

Bermuda potatoes job at \$5@5.50 per bbl; Florida potatoes, \$4.50@5; horse radish, \$6 per bbl; peppers, \$2 per crt.

Choice hay is scarce and prices are firmer. The drought promises to seriously affect the hay crop. Straw is quiet; millfeed is firm. Choice hay, \$22@23; No. 1, \$17@19; low grades, \$14@15 and up; rye straw, \$17@20; oat straw, \$8@10.

Fork provisions are easier, with some cuts marked down. The week shows

considerable increase in the marketing of hogs, in comparison with the recent past and also last year.

The unusually heavy receipts of fresh beef have had the predicted result, and prices have declined. Scarcely anything is choice enough to bring over 7-8¢ for whole cattle. The demand is only fair.

Choice lambs are somewhat easier, but prices are still very high, with only a moderate demand; veals are steady. Spring lambs, 12¢@13¢, with some choice Kentucky at 14¢@15¢; yearlings, 10¢@10½¢; wethers, 9¢@10¢; veals, 10¢@11¢, with some fancy higher.

There is a quiet market for poultry, with prices steady and unchanged. Western turkeys, frozen, 18¢@20¢; local, 16¢; western fowls, local, 13¼¢@14¢; frozen western fowls, 13¼¢; western frozen chickens, 14¢@16¢; fresh killed northern fowls, 15¢@16¢; broilers, 50¢@55¢; western broilers, 25¢@30¢; squab broilers, per pair, 75¢@90¢; spring ducks, 20¢@25¢.

The Armour wheat interest in Chicago has attracted attention by reason of a flurry in May on Friday and good support of July in face of greatly improved weather. Kansas and the southwest generally has had abundant moisture, but up to Thursday night the Ohio valley was so dry as to cause general anxiety among the trade. Good showers have now fallen there, however, relieving the situation greatly. Low temperatures in the northwest early in the week disappeared without extending to winter wheat sections and have been replaced by warm, showery conditions.

The statistical position in the northwest, on the other hand, is such as to promote considerable bullishness at Minneapolis and Duluth, where prices have been relatively firm, regardless of irregularity at other points. Minneapolis wheat stocks alone have decreased over 1,000,000 bushels for the week. Interior receipts have been smaller than last week and seaboard clearances liberal.

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