

THE WEDDING DAY.

By Mr. G. GREENE IN AMERICAN MAGAZINE.

Mr. Hawkins left the appointment of our wedding day to me, and I set it for a Sunday. When you come to think on't, there don't seem to be many days suitable for getting married in. You see Monday is the busy day, and Tuesday is ironing day, and of course nobody would be married on Friday, and Saturday is bakin' and cleanin'-up day, so there's only Wednesday and Thursday left, and neither is wanted that much time for extra odds and ends of work, and to turn round in, as you might say. So I set it a Sunday mornin' before last service.

Now, to begin with, I must tell you that Mr. Hannibal Hawkins, the man I was goin' to marry, was a young man of an odd, terrible odd, so that, although we'd been keepin' company together for some time, and I'd every chance to get acquainted, yet I felt more than certain that it would be a good while before I'd know him as well as I should. But what he was a likely man—more to be for he was a church member in good and reg'lar standin', and he always had the name of bein' a good husband to his first wife, and a good provider and all that; but, as I said, he was odd.

Well, he came over the Saturday mornin' before the wedding, so's to be 'on hand,' he said, and kinder dow for me and mother.

We hadn't no men folks in the house 'cept the Jones, the hired help, and he wa'n't no much dependence at such a time.

It was 'bout eight o'clock in the forenoon when Mr. Hawkins rived, and an hour or two later I got a letter from my daughter Caroline, that was marked private, and read thus:

"DEAR MISS ROBBINS (That's me, Ruth Ann Robbins, ye know; I write to Caroline about Par. I feel awful fraid the doc's he's took with me, but I'm in sin't right. All to once he was struck with one o' his odd streaks, and insisted on packin' his bag himself, a thing he never done afore in his life, and the Lord only knows what he put into it; I don't. You must look him over real sharp fore he goes in where the folks be.

"I'm sorry I can't come to the wedding, but I cut my hand with a razor, and got 'em so short that I look too hideous for anything. I've cried myself sick, I'm so disappointed and Par says I'm silly ter stay away on account o' the razor, but I can't help it; I'd rather die than go and show myself such a fright to all them folks—so there it is. I send you my love, and I hope everythin' will go well. With respect, CAROLINE HAWKINS.

"P. S.—I'm afraid Par has took odd boots. Look out for him."

I laughed when I read that letter; it didn't trouble me much of a fancy. Think I ter myself, "He is old enough to pack his own bag, less he's a gump and a fool, and if he is a gump and a fool the quicker we find it out the better!" I felt the worst because Caroline wa'n't comin' to the wedding. It worried me to think she was so silly 'bout them bags.

Well, come Sunday mornin', when it was time to dress ourselves. Hannibal took one room and my mother and we began. I'd just got my hat all down, when Hannibal hollered ter me, and said he:

"Ruth Ann! I wish you'd bring in your needle and thread and dew a little job o' sewin' for me. I find my vest in all splits and behind, though goodness knows how it come so. I never wore it but once in my life. It's a bran new one."

I thought then of Caroline's letter, and when I see the vest I knew in a minute that he had made the wrong one, but I sewed the old thing up, as well as I could—a pretty lookin' vest it was to be married in—and went back to my room feelin' a good deal disturbed and anxious.

His next perchance was wna yet. This time he spoke to me so kinder quick and sharp, so that I knew it was somethin' serious. I was jest puttin' my dress over my head, but I didn't stop to half button it up, I hurried in ter see what was the mat' now. When I opened the door, there stood Hannibal in the middle o' the room, lookin' down perplexed like and inquiren' at two old boots—so you couldn't call 'em a pair, for I knew the minute I set eyes on 'em that they belonged to one and the same foot! They both had a round nose stickin' up conspicuously where the big toe went and another great bulgin' one for the toe-joint. I hadn't never noticed anythin' peculiar 'bout Hannibal's feet before, but then two boots did look cur'ous enough, and they looked kinder wicked and known somehow, as if they was enjoyin' themselves!

I laughed, I couldn't help it, but Hannibal didn't even smile. "He turned to me, and said:

"Do them two boots look right to you? Then he tried on one, and that was well enough, he put on the other, and—well, you can imagine how it looked! Of course the nob's and bulgin' come in the wrong places, and the bull foot was hind side afore and wrong side tew, as you might say! He took 'em off and reversed 'em, but still they continued to disagree and look wicked at one another. He squared 'em up together as square's he could, and says he:

"Ruth Ann, I believe them boots is odd!"

"Ondoubtedly they be, Hannibal," says I, "and they look odd; but how do they fell? Can you wear 'em? That is the question."

"I don't care a continental how they fell," says he, awful savage. "I'll wear 'em if they kill me; but I dew wish they didn't look so like the—evil one!"

I felt like dew, but I knew we'd got to make the best of the situation, so I says:

"Oh, I guess they won't be noticed. But you must be sure and set with your feet on the floor and drawed well back under your chair, and you mustn't on no count cross your legs; or, if you do be sure and have the right foot on top."

Then I had ter leave him. I was all worked up, but I managed ter finish my toilet with mother's help, and when I was dressed I went to the spare chamber where the couples that was goin' to stand up with us was waitin'. I found them all right, and finally Hannibal was ready, and him and me locked arms and proceeded down stairs, followed by the others. Cousin Triphany and Ryal Hunt come first, then Mandy Plympton and John Ray, then Cousin Seraphine and Siah Chase; and there were six of 'em, and they made a noble 'pearance, tew.

Just as we got on the stairs and Hannibal and me was most to the bottom, all of a sudden he claps his hand to his head and whispers:

"Ruth Ann, I must go back a minute; you wait right here."

"No, Hannibal," says I, "pullin' him alone, you can't go back—how it would look!"

"But I tell ye I must and I will!" says he, jerkin' away and turnin' back. The procession stood stock still on the stairs, and first one then another whispered down ter kin' what was the matter, and the folks in the parlor began ter peek out and buzz. I concluded as long as I couldn't be married without Hannibal I might as well go and look after him. Think I ter myself, "Who knows but he means ter put the spurs on his miserable odd existence? He's when he rushed up the stairs and pitched head first into his room, I wa'n't far behind. And what did I see for that silly dew but make a dive for the lookin'-glass and look ter the mirror, and behold his hair, deliberate and earnest, as if—well, as if he had some hair! For he's most as bald as a bed-post, and what hair he's got lays down of his own accord as slick as grease at all times; I can't say I liked it, but I brushed away and grabbed his arm.

"Hannibal Hawkins!" says I, firm and determined, I tell ye; "Hannibal Hawkins! you come down-stairs with me this instant; I've had enough of your oddity for one day! I've bore all I can or will, and when we're married I'll take some o' this nonsense out of ye, or I'll—"

by it, that I kept awake all through the sermon, and didn't even nod once, and was right on hand ter rouse up mother and Hannibal in season for the doxology. Then came the benediction, and we walked out together as we came in, with everybody lookin' and admirin' and enjoyin'. And I tried ter realize that I was married, and that this was my wedding day, but somehow I couldn't; it all seemed like a dream.

General Business.

Wrought Iron Pipe AND FITTINGS. GLOBE & CHECK VALVES.

BABBIT METAL. RUBBER PACKING. Cotton Waste, Etc., Etc.

J. N. RUDDOCK. hatham, N. B.

W. & R. Brodie Commission Merchants AND DEALERS IN FLOUR, PRODUCE AND PROVISIONS.

MIRAMICHI STEAM BRICK WORKS. BRICK MANUFACTURING.

W. M. WYSE, Auctioneer AND Commission Merchant.

GOLDEN BALL CORNER FOTHERINGHAM & CO. CONSIGNMENTS SOLICITED.

WM. WYSE. WE SELL POTATOES, SPILING, BARK, R. R. Ties, Lumber, Laths.

Canned Lobsters, Mackerel, Berries, Potatoes, Fish, Etc.

Hatheway & Co. General Commission Merchants, 22 Central Wharf, BOSTON.

ADVERTISERS Can learn the exact cost of any proposed line of advertising in American Papers by addressing Geo. P. Rowell & Co., Newspaper Advertising Bureau, 10 Spruce St., New York.

FALL GOODS. Now landing and for sale low.

10 Doz. Coal Hods. 1 " Fire Sets. 1 " Ash Sifters. 3 " Fancy Stove Boards. 3 " Tubular Lanterns. 2 " Brass Hand Lamps. 6 " Lantern Globes. 6 " Burners. 3 Gross Lamp Wicks. 6 Doz. Fire Shovels. 3 Cases Stamped Tinware. 3 Bundles Plough Castings. 100 Weight Stove Repairs.

W. J. WOODS, CHATHAM.

STOVE REPAIRS. No matter how old your Stoves, Ranges, Etc., we will repair them for the lowest price.

Stove Castings. of all kinds. Repairs set in stock will be imported at short notice for all kinds of stoves made in Canada and the States. Place your orders while the weather is fine. See prices while the lowest of any, in the Trade.

W. J. Woods, Cunard Street, CHATHAM N. B.

LIVERPOOL SALT! IN BAGS. FOR SALE BY NEW BRUNSWICK TRADING COMPANY.

Boots and Shoes. Mother always had a him-book to herself, on account o' seein' better, ye know, so Hannibal and me we looked on together, and I had the proud pleasure o' hearing him sing for the first time. He's got a most powerful voice, and his expression does beat all! Everybody was looking at him. Why he acted it all out so, as you might say, when he struck a high note, he riz up to his full height, and he balanced his kind kinder teardrops on his toes, stretched up his neck, rolled his eyes 'way inter the back part of his head, and 'sech a tone as he fetched—high—oh, terrible high! and on the contrary, when he sung a low note, he'd be bowed all down inter his stomach and chest, and somethin' rumbled way down in his insides, low—oh, terrible low and solemn! I think his 'low A' was the very lowest one I ever heered. His singin' was so very impressive, and I know it imposed on everybody that heard it. As for me, I felt so excited and lifted up

Legal Notices. Sheriff's Sale. To be sold at Public Auction, on Friday the 28th day of October next, in front of the Sheriff's Office, in Newcastle between the hours of twelve noon and 4 o'clock p. m.

General Business. Wrought Iron Pipe AND FITTINGS. GLOBE & CHECK VALVES.

BABBIT METAL. RUBBER PACKING. Cotton Waste, Etc., Etc.

J. N. RUDDOCK. hatham, N. B.

W. & R. Brodie Commission Merchants AND DEALERS IN FLOUR, PRODUCE AND PROVISIONS.

MIRAMICHI STEAM BRICK WORKS. BRICK MANUFACTURING.

W. M. WYSE, Auctioneer AND Commission Merchant.

GOLDEN BALL CORNER FOTHERINGHAM & CO. CONSIGNMENTS SOLICITED.

WM. WYSE. WE SELL POTATOES, SPILING, BARK, R. R. Ties, Lumber, Laths.

Canned Lobsters, Mackerel, Berries, Potatoes, Fish, Etc.

Hatheway & Co. General Commission Merchants, 22 Central Wharf, BOSTON.

ADVERTISERS Can learn the exact cost of any proposed line of advertising in American Papers by addressing Geo. P. Rowell & Co., Newspaper Advertising Bureau, 10 Spruce St., New York.

FALL GOODS. Now landing and for sale low.

10 Doz. Coal Hods. 1 " Fire Sets. 1 " Ash Sifters. 3 " Fancy Stove Boards. 3 " Tubular Lanterns. 2 " Brass Hand Lamps. 6 " Lantern Globes. 6 " Burners. 3 Gross Lamp Wicks. 6 Doz. Fire Shovels. 3 Cases Stamped Tinware. 3 Bundles Plough Castings. 100 Weight Stove Repairs.

W. J. WOODS, CHATHAM.

STOVE REPAIRS. No matter how old your Stoves, Ranges, Etc., we will repair them for the lowest price.

Stove Castings. of all kinds. Repairs set in stock will be imported at short notice for all kinds of stoves made in Canada and the States. Place your orders while the weather is fine. See prices while the lowest of any, in the Trade.

W. J. Woods, Cunard Street, CHATHAM N. B.

LIVERPOOL SALT! IN BAGS. FOR SALE BY NEW BRUNSWICK TRADING COMPANY.

Boots and Shoes. Mother always had a him-book to herself, on account o' seein' better, ye know, so Hannibal and me we looked on together, and I had the proud pleasure o' hearing him sing for the first time. He's got a most powerful voice, and his expression does beat all! Everybody was looking at him. Why he acted it all out so, as you might say, when he struck a high note, he riz up to his full height, and he balanced his kind kinder teardrops on his toes, stretched up his neck, rolled his eyes 'way inter the back part of his head, and 'sech a tone as he fetched—high—oh, terrible high! and on the contrary, when he sung a low note, he'd be bowed all down inter his stomach and chest, and somethin' rumbled way down in his insides, low—oh, terrible low and solemn! I think his 'low A' was the very lowest one I ever heered. His singin' was so very impressive, and I know it imposed on everybody that heard it. As for me, I felt so excited and lifted up

Legal Notices. Sheriff's Sale. To be sold at Public Auction, on Friday the 28th day of October next, in front of the Sheriff's Office, in Newcastle between the hours of twelve noon and 4 o'clock p. m.

General Business. Wrought Iron Pipe AND FITTINGS. GLOBE & CHECK VALVES.

BABBIT METAL. RUBBER PACKING. Cotton Waste, Etc., Etc.

J. N. RUDDOCK. hatham, N. B.

W. & R. Brodie Commission Merchants AND DEALERS IN FLOUR, PRODUCE AND PROVISIONS.

MIRAMICHI STEAM BRICK WORKS. BRICK MANUFACTURING.

W. M. WYSE, Auctioneer AND Commission Merchant.

GOLDEN BALL CORNER FOTHERINGHAM & CO. CONSIGNMENTS SOLICITED.

WM. WYSE. WE SELL POTATOES, SPILING, BARK, R. R. Ties, Lumber, Laths.

Canned Lobsters, Mackerel, Berries, Potatoes, Fish, Etc.

Hatheway & Co. General Commission Merchants, 22 Central Wharf, BOSTON.

ADVERTISERS Can learn the exact cost of any proposed line of advertising in American Papers by addressing Geo. P. Rowell & Co., Newspaper Advertising Bureau, 10 Spruce St., New York.

FALL GOODS. Now landing and for sale low.

10 Doz. Coal Hods. 1 " Fire Sets. 1 " Ash Sifters. 3 " Fancy Stove Boards. 3 " Tubular Lanterns. 2 " Brass Hand Lamps. 6 " Lantern Globes. 6 " Burners. 3 Gross Lamp Wicks. 6 Doz. Fire Shovels. 3 Cases Stamped Tinware. 3 Bundles Plough Castings. 100 Weight Stove Repairs.

W. J. WOODS, CHATHAM.

STOVE REPAIRS. No matter how old your Stoves, Ranges, Etc., we will repair them for the lowest price.

Stove Castings. of all kinds. Repairs set in stock will be imported at short notice for all kinds of stoves made in Canada and the States. Place your orders while the weather is fine. See prices while the lowest of any, in the Trade.

W. J. Woods, Cunard Street, CHATHAM N. B.

LIVERPOOL SALT! IN BAGS. FOR SALE BY NEW BRUNSWICK TRADING COMPANY.

Boots and Shoes. Mother always had a him-book to herself, on account o' seein' better, ye know, so Hannibal and me we looked on together, and I had the proud pleasure o' hearing him sing for the first time. He's got a most powerful voice, and his expression does beat all! Everybody was looking at him. Why he acted it all out so, as you might say, when he struck a high note, he riz up to his full height, and he balanced his kind kinder teardrops on his toes, stretched up his neck, rolled his eyes 'way inter the back part of his head, and 'sech a tone as he fetched—high—oh, terrible high! and on the contrary, when he sung a low note, he'd be bowed all down inter his stomach and chest, and somethin' rumbled way down in his insides, low—oh, terrible low and solemn! I think his 'low A' was the very lowest one I ever heered. His singin' was so very impressive, and I know it imposed on everybody that heard it. As for me, I felt so excited and lifted up

GENERAL BUSINESS. NEW GOODS. Recently received, a FULL STOCK of all kinds of DRY GOODS. Special Values in COTTONS.

Printed Cottons very Cheap, in decidedly new and pretty Patterns. Large Variety of DRESS GOODS. Also Coburgs, Lusters Cash meres and Merinos, Cloths in English and American Tweeds, All Wool Homespun and Canadian, Cheaper than present Mill Prices) Men's Ready Made Clothing in Coats, Pants and Vests, Boys' Ready Made Clothing, White and Colored Cotton Shirts, Fancy Tweed and Cloth Shirts, Men's and Boys' Hats and Caps, in all qualities.

William Murray - Argyle House, NOW ARRIVING. FALL IMPORTATIONS. FULL LINES OF DRY GOODS. Hosiery. Haberdashery, etc. Carpets, Cutlery, ENGLISH AND AMERICAN HATS, Latest Styles.

J. B. Snowball. LAURENCE'S SPECTACLES. When are Spectacles Required?

When the eyes water or become so fatigued by use as to be obliged to be frequently closed or relieved by viewing different objects when more light is required than formerly.

When the letters of a book appear to blend with one another or to become double.

When the lamp has to be placed between the eye and the object. When objects cannot be seen without holding them at an increased distance.

When much difficulty is found in threading a needle. When the eyes appear confused as though they had a mist before them.

When black specks seem floating in the sight. When any of the above indications arise all affection should be laid aside and a pair of Laurence's Spectacle's or eye Glasses should be worn immediately.

Good fitting glasses are a great comfort. Our facilities for testing the sight and suiting the age are not surpassed anywhere.—Prices to suit everybody.

AT THE MEDICAL HALL. J. D. B. F. MACKENZIE. Chatham N.B. Feb. 17th, '86.

JOB-PRINTING. LOWER Water St. Chatham, MIRA MICH I.

Having completed the removal of the ADVANCE establishment to the building next N. E. Trading Co's. (fics, Lower Water Street, we are now prepared to execute all kinds of BOOK AND JOB-PRINTING in first class style. This establishment was the only one in the Province in a position to enter into competition with the city offices at the Dominion Centennial Exhibition.

MEDAL AND DIPLOMA. for "Book and Job Printing" and "Letter-Press Printing." This is good evidence of the fine character of its work.

We have also, constantly on sale a large line of blank-forms such as: RAILWAY SHIPPING RECEIPTS, FISH IN VOICES, (newest form), MAGISTRATE'S BLANKS, DEEDS AND MORTGAGES, SUPREME AND COUNTY COURT BLANKS, SHERIFF'S BLANKS, TEACHER'S AGREEMENTS, SCHOOL ASSESSMENT FORMS, Etc.; Etc., Etc.

Send along your orders. D. G. SMITH. Chatham, N. B.

GENERAL BUSINESS. PARSONS' PILLS. These pills were a wonderful discovery. No others like them in the world. Will positively cure or relieve all manner of disease. The information around each box is worth ten times the cost of a box of pills. Find out what you can get at the Newcastle Drug Store.

Make New Rich Blood! SAY! JUST READ THIS.

WHAT YOU CAN GET AT THE Newcastle Drug Store. PLUSH GOODS. CONSISTING OF: Brush and Comb Cases, Ladies' and Gents' Dressing Cases, Shaving Cases, Glove and Handkerchief Boxes, Perfumery Cases, Ealy Dressing Cases, Manicures, Clocks, Mirrors (set in Plush), Wall Pockets, Photo Frames, Perfumery Boxes and Ealy Dressing Cases are Musical and play two tunes each.

SILVERWARE. CONSISTING OF: CARD BASKETS, BREAKFAST CRUETS, SALTS, ETC. ALSO: Cups, Vases, Toilet Sets, Fancy Moustache Cups, Cut Glass Bottles, Chinese Lanterns, Japanese Fire Screens, Bronze Clocks, Smokers' Sets, Cribbage Boards, Ink Stands, Work Baskets (German) Perfumery in Fancy Bottles.

There is the largest and best assortment in Miramichi at the NEWCASTLE DRUG STORE. NEXT NEW POST OFFICE. E. LEE STREET, PROPRIETOR. Newcastle, Dec. 11th 1886.

Fire, Marine & Life INSURANCE AGENCY AT CHATHAM, - - N. B.

The undersigned is prepared to insure property from fire in the County of Northumberland in the following Old and Reliable English, American and Canadian Fire Insurance Companies.

ENGLISH. The London & Liverpool & Globe Insurance Company of London, "Imperial" "Phoenix Fire Assurance" "Fire Insurance Association, Limited," "Lancashire Insurance Company" of Manchester, "London & Lancashire Insurance Company" of Liverpool, "Norwich Union Fire Insurance Society" of Norwich.

AMERICAN. The Aetna Insurance Company of Hartford, "Hartford" "The Royal Canadian Assurance Company" of Montreal, "Western Assurance Company" of Toronto, "Citizens" "MARINE INSURANCE. Risks taken on Vessels, Cargoes, Freight and Disbursements Sterling Certificates issued, if required, in the following Marine Insurance Companies: Boston Marine Insurance Company of Boston, Manheim Insurance Company of Manheim, Royal Canadian Insurance Co., of Montreal, British America " " of Toronto, Western " " of Toronto.

LIFE INSURANCE. The Standard Life Assurance Company of Edinburgh. The Rates of Insurance in this Office are low and the Bonuses large. Low Rates, Fair Settlements and prompt payment of Losses guaranteed.

Thos. F. Gillespie, Insurance Agent. Chatham, July 11th, 1887.

Livery Stable! Wm. ROBINSON. The Subscriber having purchased the Livery Stable of the late John A. Ward, begs to announce that he will continue the business at the same stand, and solicits a share of public patronage.

Fine Carriages, Road Waggon, Working Waggon, etc. NEWCASTLE, - - N. B. Now on hand the following waggon: PIANO BOX, on Regina gear. WHITECHAPEL body, on Regina gear. (Both above, on Timbuck gear.) CONCORD Waggon and Piano box, on common axle springs. TWO-SEATED SURRIES, on the kin gear. Regina gears, with tops. PHYSICIANS' 4-WHEELER Carts & LUMBER - WAGGONS. Files and Scales of all kinds—single and double. REPAIRING done at short notice. A large and varied lot of SECOND-HAND WAGGONS, very serviceable. GREAT BARGAINS are offered in this line. Agent for the well known Agricultural Implement Manufacture of Messrs. Patterson Bros., Woodstock, Ontario. PURE MONUMENTS, HEADSTONES, TABLETS, ETC., ETC. CUT STONE of all descriptions furnished order. CHATHAM, N. B. TAILORING. HELLEBORE. THE SUBSCRIBER begs to tender his thanks to the public of Miramichi who have so graciously patronized his business at his late stand and to inform them that he has removed to his new premises on Water Street, next door to the store of J. B. Snowball, Esq., where he will be glad to welcome his customers and to make the acquaintance of new ones. He has on hand a most complete new stock of All kinds of Cloths, on which selections may be made for Suits or single Garments, of which is respectfully invited. F. O. PETERSON. Newcastle, July 12, 1887.