

BARGAIN DIVORCES.

Buffalo Judge Puts a Stopper Upon What New York Lawyers Say is a Common Practice.

TORONTO MAN REFUSED A DISSOLUTION OF HIS MARRIAGE UPON THE GROUND THAT HIS RESIDENCE IN NEW YORK WAS MERELY AN EXCUSE TO KEEP WITHIN THE LAW.

Buffalo, N. Y., May 15.—The supreme court justices of the Eighth Judicial District of New York State, of which district Buffalo is the chief city, believe that Canadians living in cities near the Niagara frontier have come to look upon New York state as a bargain place for divorces. They intend to put a stop to a growing custom among ill-mated Canadian couples of crossing to this side of the boundary line to seek the judicial dissolution of their marriage ties.

Justice Daniel J. Kenefick, sitting in special term, took the initial step in putting a damper upon this practice. He peremptorily refused to grant a divorce to Alexander Presheo, nominally a resident of Niagara Falls, N. Y., but actually a resident of Toronto, Ont. Presheo was suing his wife, Emma Presheo, for divorce on statutory grounds. Justice Kenefick refused to grant the divorce because he was convinced that Presheo was attempting to use the courts of this state as a convenience, and had acquired a doubtful title to residence here, so that he might prosecute his divorce action.

The suit had almost reached a successful termination from Presheo's point of view when it met its sudden end. Mrs. Presheo was in default. Witnesses had established a fair case for the plaintiff. In default of the answer he stood to get his divorce when some of the facts concerning his residence at Niagara Falls caused Justice Kenefick to suspect it was not bona-fide. He put several questions to the man, and obtained from him an admission that he had moved to Niagara Falls from Toronto in March, 1904, and as soon thereafter as he had acquired residence in this state he began the divorce action. Closer questioning followed, and this brought forth that Presheo had been back in Toronto and had been doing business there since the action was begun. It was a strong circumstantial case of a Canadian seeking a divorce in this state for convenience's sake, and fitting here barely enough to give him the legal right to sue.

The merits of the suit did not in any way influence the Justice's decision. He simply declined to allow a divorce to a Toronto man who ought to have sued in his own country, where he was married, and

where he lived up to the time he wanted a divorce.

Presheo's lawyer, a Niagara man, tried to argue in favor of passing over the apparent misuse of the court, but his contention availed nothing.

Justice Kenefick was asked for an expression of his opinion on the subject of the Canadians seeking divorces here. He said:

"For some time past I have been watching closely divorce cases in which the principals were married in Canada and formerly resided there. From this observation I have reached the conclusion that a noticeable percentage of the divorce cases tried before the department are brought by Canadians, who establish a residence here mainly that they may sue for divorce. As I understand it, to secure a divorce in Canada is a costly and difficult undertaking. Here, though the statutory requirements for an absolute divorce are the same, the process is quicker and less costly."

"At a dinner I attended recently a former attorney general from Ontario spoke about the great morality of Canadians, and cited as a proof the few divorces granted here. I said then that many had come here to seek dissolution of the marriage tie. Cases such as that encountered today make my opinion stronger."

The lawyer who first informed the News' correspondent of the disposition of the Presheo case said:

"I'll wager that one out of every ten divorce cases in Buffalo is between parties who lived in Canada until a short while before the suit was brought. They came over here because they can get divorces at bargain counter prices. These people, of course, are not of the wealthy class. With such money is no object. I refer more particularly to workmen, whose incomes are not large, and who prefer to reside here a short while, establishing residences and suing in this country, to paying the big fees and costs of the Canadian courts."

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HE LOVED THE THEATER.

Farces and Clowns Were the Joy of George III. of England.

Few men of any rank or time have ever derived so much unaffected pleasure from the theater as George III. In fact, in the words of a contemporary, it was "as good as a play to hear the royal laughter and note the genuine enjoyment of his majesty." "He is said," Thackeray wrote, "not to have cared for Shakespeare or tragedy much. Farces and pantomimes were his joy, and especially when the clown swallowed a carrot or a string of sausages he would laugh so outrageously that the lovely princess by his side would have to say, 'My gracious monarch, do compose yourself!' And he continued to laugh and at the very smallest farces as long as his poor wits were left him."

So frequent were George's visits to the theater that "his face was the most familiar in London to playgoers, who took no more notice of his presence than if he had been a simple citizen, except when his boisterous laughter drew attention to him and started others laughing out of irresistible infection." As familiar a spectacle as that of his majesty purple and rolling with laughter was to see him sleeping peacefully as a child between the acts.

So partial was he to actors that he permitted and even smiled at liberties which he would have resented in any one else. On one occasion, when Parsons was playing in "The Siege of Calais," the actor walked toward the box in which George was sitting and addressed him in the words of his part: "An the king were here and did not admire my scaffold I would say: 'Hang him! He has no taste,' a piece of impudence which threw his majesty into a fit of laughter.—London Tit-Bits.

PRONUNCIATION.

Read Over This Test and Then Consult Your Dictionary.

The following rather curious piece of composition was placed upon the blackboard at a certain teachers' institute and a prize of a dictionary offered to any person who could read it and pronounce every word correctly. The book was not carried off, as twelve was the lowest number of mistakes in pronunciation made:

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The mistakes in pronunciation were made on the following words: Sacrilegious, Belial, bronchitis, exhausted, finances, deficit, comely, lenient, docile, Malay, calliopo, chameleon, suit, coadjutor, caligraphy, matinee, sacrificable, carbine, hymeneal, isolated, jugular and debris.

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"My man, I am an American clergyman and have found much of interest in these Canadian churches. But there is something here that I do not understand. Can you tell me if this is a 'high church' or not?"

The workman considered the question seriously for a moment and then replied:

"I never heard that question asked before, sir, but I believe it is thirty-five feet to the ridgepole."—Lippincott's.

The Indians of Canada.

The Indian population in Canada last year, according to figures from the Indian Department report, numbered 107,978, a net decrease of 253 as compared with the year 1903. The report points out that it is a fallacy to suppose that the Indians are a dying race, doomed to extinction before the advance of civilization. Facts and statistics fail to support this view. In every province except British Columbia the birth rate exceeds the death rate.

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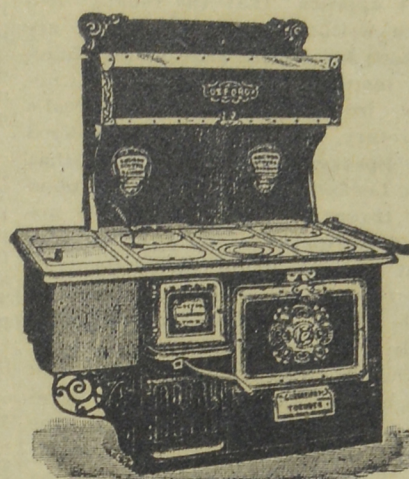
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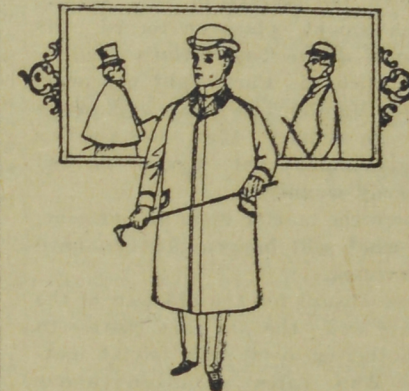
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LAST OF THE BISON.

Smith's Landing is the beginning of the portage, fourteen miles in length, to pass the rapids of the Great Slave River. Here the river cuts through the Cariboo Mountains, Smith's Landing is a very important steamboat point for the west and south. At the other end of this portage is Fort Smith, close to the 60th parallel of latitude, which is the northern boundary of Alberta. West of Fort Smith roam the only wild herd of buffalo on the American continent. These buffalo have been there from time immemorial, which goes to show that there is good herbage and that the climate is favorable. A few miles west of Fort Smith is Salt River, along the banks of which salt springs exist, and from which the salt supply the Great Slave Lake and Mackenzie region are obtained.

Fort Smith is the most southern point to which the inconnu fish reach. This is a large silver scale white-fished salmon, which comes in from the Arctic and which is not found in any other waters in the world, whence the name unknown. Two hundred miles below this is Great Slave Lake, which, when surveyed, may be found to be as large as Lake Superior.

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WOODSTOCK NEWS.

May 15.—The season is rather cold and backward but owing to the dry weather the farmers are well advanced with their seeding.

The band of the 67th Regt., under the leadership of Percy Hall will give the first open air concert of the season on the square Tuesday evening. This fine band was never in better condition than now and their summer concerts are looked forward to with much pleasure by the townspeople. The town council has granted them the sum of \$100 for the season.

Robert McElroy, of Grafton, has bought the old mill property of that place. He will tear the old structure down to its foundation and erect on the site one of the latest and up-to-date mills to be found in the country. This is the first season for a long while in which the mill has not been operating and it has been greatly missed by the laboring classes.

Sergt. Berringer, of the R. C. R., Fredericton, was in town last week visiting his wife's people in anticipation of leaving for Halifax in a few days.

People who have been in the habit of looking ahead to the Woodstock Carnival as a favorite time to visit that bustling town will be pleased to know that this summer will prove to be no exception to the rule, as the 13th and 14th July have been set aside to hold a grand celebration. Hustling, energetic committees have been appointed to arrange a programme which cannot fail to please all comers. New features will be added which cannot fail to be of special interest to a pleasure seeking public.

Victoria Day will be fittingly celebrated in this town. In the afternoon there will be horse racing in the park also a game of base ball between Houlton and Woodstock, proceeds to go to the hospital. The 67th Regt. band will hold a grand concert and ball in the evening under the auspices of the officers of the garrison. The committee in charge of the latter event are sparing no pains or expense to make this one of the most brilliant affairs held here for years. The Houlton, Maine, militia have been asked to attend in uniform. Stores will be closed and a general holiday declared.

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