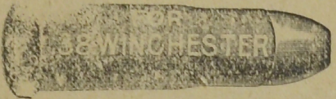


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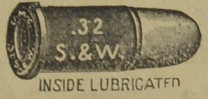
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Newsstands at Sea.

For some time past the stewards on the ocean liners have added to their earnings by laying in a stock of periodicals and books and retailing them to passengers, but the regular news dealer has only just arrived. On such ships as the Lusitania and her sister ship it is quite a pleasant shock on the second day out to come across the news dealer's stall at the entrance of the barber shop or some other as natural place. The papers, it is true, do not bear the morning's date, but the magazines are of the latest issue and the novels the latest from the publishing houses. The stall is entirely new, and whether it has come to stay or not depends upon whether it pays. The rent is high, and besides paying for the privilege the dealer must also pay his passage.—Popular Mechanics.

Eel as Thick as a Cat.

The aquarium now has a sea monster, a spotted moray, which is a formidable name for a species of eel. It is eight feet long, as large in diameter as a fat cat and resembles, an enormous eel, except that its head, with a mouth like an undershot bulldog, is crowned with a ridge of spikes. It came from Bermuda. Often the moray has been taken for a sea serpent by green fishermen, as it lives near the surface and often lies with its head on the rocks, seeking birds' eggs and crabs. Superintendent Morgan says this moray is not extraordinarily large, as they grow to fifteen feet and often swim with heads elevated above the sea.—New York World.

Best Speller Is Seventy-three.

Mrs. Douglas Gilbert, aged seventy-three, of Pana, Ill., the oldest person to participate in the annual world spelling match in connection with the Winton Lake assembly programme, won first honors and was awarded a prize of \$20. Without hesitation she spelled "concatenation," on which A. B. Curry of Memphis, Tenn., and Helen Servoss of Muncie, Ind., who carried off the second and third honors, went down. Other words that proved stumbling stones to the eighty contestants were erysipelas, surrogate, prerogative, plebeian, caoutchouc and innuendo. Five went down on plebeian.—Warsaw (Ind.) Cor. New York World.

To Remove Carpet Stains.

Stains on carpet can often be removed by making a thick paste of fuller's earth to which a little ammonia has been added. Put on the paste thickly, let it stand twenty-four hours and brush off. Sometimes a second application is necessary.

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SEEMED A BURDEN TO CARRY.

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Mrs. D. A. Francisco, Rosland, B.C., writes: "I was suffering from stomach trouble of the worst kind for about four years. Everything I ate seemed a burden to carry. I always arose in the morning with a sickening and feverish taste in my mouth and was also troubled with swellings in my hands and feet, which my physician said was due to the disordered state of my stomach. I tried everything that was purchasable, and also consulted two or three physicians, but could find no relief until one of my neighbors told me of a wonderful cure by Burdock Blood Bitters. I used together ten bottles and am now perfectly cured. I wish to recommend B.B.B. to anyone who may be so unfortunate as I was.

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SCHEME, TO MEND HOUSE OF LORDS.

Government Majority in Both Houses Advisable.

LONDON, Dec. 3.—The report of the select committee of the House of Lords appointed to suggest a plan for the reform of the Upper House was issued today. The committee find it undesirable that the possession of a Peerage should of itself give the right to sit and vote in the House of Lords, and it recommends that qualification should be the main test for the admission to the reformed House.

It then sets forth that all hereditary Peers should be formed into an electoral body for the purpose of electing two hundred of their number to sit and vote as the "Lords of Parliament," not for life, but for a single parliament; that the spiritual Lords of parliament be reduced to ten, to be elected by the Bishops, the two Archbishops sitting during the tenure of their sees, and the other eight for the duration of each parliament.

COLONIAL REPRESENTATIVES.

It is recommended that Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa have official representatives in the upper House, and the Governments of these countries be consulted as to a suitable method of appointment.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE.

The report also suggests that a number of hereditary Peers, 130 or so, possessing certain qualifications, should be allowed to take their seats without the necessity of election; these to include men who have held the post of Cabinet Minister, Viceroy Governor-General of Canada and Governor of the larger colonies, and naval and military officers of high rank and that twenty years service in the House of Commons shall entitle one to a seat among the Peers. This plan will give the reformed House of Lords about three hundred and fifty members—namely three Peers of the blood royal, 200 Peers to be elected about one hundred and thirty qualified hereditary Peers, ten spiritual Lords and five Judges.

THE DOUBLE MAJORITY.

The report that the committee feels that the party in power in the House of Commons should be able to count on a substantial following in the House of Lords, but as opinions as to the best means of obtaining this object are so diverse it is unable to make any recommendations.

There are some women who seem to be perennially youthful. The grown daughters are companions as well as children, and the color in the mother's cheeks, the brightness in her eyes, the roundness of her form, all speak of abounding health. What is her secret? She is at the middle age of life when so many women are worn, wasted and faded, and yet time has only opened her charms. The secret of this matronly health and beauty may be told in the brief phrase, Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. The general health of women is so intimately related to the local health of the delicate womanly organs, that where these are diseased the whole body must suffer. "Favorite Prescription" dries the debilitating drains, heals ulceration and inflammation, cures female weakness and imparts to the delicate female organs natural vigor and vitality. Women who have lost their health and their beauty have been made robust and rosy checked by the use of this marvelous medicine.

No Sportsman.

Hal Chase, the famous first baseman, at a dinner in Chicago responded to a toast on the "sporting spirit." "When I was a boy," said Mr. Chase, "I knew a butcher who lacked the sporting spirit altogether. In a game one August afternoon the butcher tried to steal second. It was a clumsy attempt. He made a clumsy slide, and the umpire declared him out."

"Out, am I?" shrieked the butcher, wild with rage. "It was a just decision, and we all backed up the umpire. 'Out, hey?' the butcher roared. 'Then out you all go from my field!'" —Washington Star.

His Home.

A distinguished Indian officer, Scotch to the core, never lost an opportunity of advertising his countrymen. One evening at mess he had a large number of guests and had a magnificent specimen of a highland piper on duty.

To draw attention to the man's splendid appearance he turned to him and said:

"What part of Scotland do you come from, my man?"

With a punctilious salute the reply came:

"Tipperary, yer honor!"—Answers.

ELKINS-ABRUZZI ROMANCE.

Story of the Courtship, which began at a State Ball in Washington, D. C., and culminated in a Disagreement. Read like a Novel.

CHICAGO, Dec. 5.—The Chicago Daily News prints the following as the true love story of the Elkins-Abuzzi romance.

The love story of Katherine Elkins and the Duke of the Abruzzi, upon which the cable from Rome writes "fais," is one of the most remarkable romances of history. Love tried to overcome barriers of international proportion. Customs centuries old rose up to forbid the wedding of a member of one of the reigning families of Europe and the daughter of a nation that knows no royalty.

Katherine Elkins is the daughter and granddaughter of United States senators, and so devoid of reverence for royal personages is she that the first time she came in the presence of the duke she failed to courtesy to him.

It was at a brilliant ball at Washington, that first meeting of this prince of the royal house of Savoy and the brown haired belle of capitol society. The ball was given by Mr. and Mrs. Lars Anderson, society leaders of Washington, and was in honor of the visiting duke. Other women had made deep courtesies before the royal guest, but not so Katherine Elkins.

HOW SHE SNUBBED THE DUKE.

The Elkins were late in arriving through some accident to their automobile. The guests were scattered about the ballroom when they were announced. The duke was receiving the homage of a group of feminine guests. Miss Katherine and her hostess passed a few paces away. There was a group of women in front of him parted and his eyes fell upon Miss Elkins. She with half-quizzical, half-cynical expression, was looking in his direction as if guessing that the much-talked of royal guest was thereabout and wondering what manner of man he might be. This is the way Miss Elkins' romantic girl friends describe what happened.

For an instant their eyes met. Cynicism, curiosity fled from her face. She saw not the pompous figure of a foreign potentate, but the eager face of a man whose glance seemed to speak to her.

Like one startled, the girl started almost perceptibly and turned her head quickly away. She felt the color rushing to her face.

The duke gazed after her for a second, as if dazed by the apparition of girlish grace and beauty. It was only a second, though, for he was quickly hemmed in again. His highness suddenly preoccupied and stupid to those about him and every one acted relieved at an interruption which came shortly afterward.

COL. BROMWELL ON THE SCENE

It came in the form of Col. Charles Bromwell. The colonel as President Roosevelt's aide, and a man whom the president had appointed a special guard for the Italian prince, was master of ceremonies and was bent upon piloting that dignitary to his hostess. The duke caught sight of Miss Elkins talking with Mrs. Anderson, and, turning to Col. Bromwell, demanded:

"Who is that charming girl?"

He was told and asked to be presented forthwith. A moment later Katherine Elkins was informed:

"The Duke of Abruzzi begs to be presented to Miss Elkins." She had entirely recovered her self-possession and met his eyes this time without a tremor. She acknowledged the royal salutation with the same precise bow and the same straightforwardness that she might have accorded a congressman's son. Nor did she make a genuflection.

FINDS HIS COMPANION DELIGHTFUL.

The duke found Miss Elkins a delightful dancing companion. They met again at a Washington reception, and the duke passed as much of his time with Senator Elkins' charming daughter that Mrs. Elkins felt called upon finally to interrupt a tete-a-tete and tell the young woman that it was time for her to be going home. Turning to one of the duke's aides, Mrs. Elkins asked to be escorted to the young pair. The aide was dubious about interrupting his highness unwelcomed. To the American mamma though, her sense of duty as chaperon far outweighed her awe of reigning families. She merely said:

"Humph!"

Upon hearing this the abashed aide promptly decided that it was time for him to establish a precedent. Miss Elkins was en route home with Mrs. Elkins in pretty short order.

"Does not your mother know that I am not accustomed to being interrupted when talking to a lady?" the duke asked half seriously the next time they met.

"Maybe so," she returned. "That wouldn't make any difference to mamma if the lady were her daughter."

That his growing admiration for Miss Elkins suffered no setback on that score was attested not long after-

ward, when he accepted with expressed delight an invitation to a dinner at the Elkins' Washington home, of which the guests were a chosen few.

SUIT OF THE DUKE FLOURISHES.

So began the suit of Louis of Savoy for the hand of the daughter of Senator Stephen B. Elkins, and the granddaughter of ex-Senator Henry Gassaway Davis. And so it flourished during the remaining weeks of the Italian's visit to America. There was a succession of parties and dinners, receptions and balls in Washington and always the much-feted duke was to be found dancing attendance upon the girl who had won his heart. Then he sailed away on his ship for Italy.

There was a consternation in the royal household of Italy when the returning duke broke the news that he had fallen head over heels in love with an American girl.

"IMPOSSIBLE!" SAYS QUEEN.

In the eyes of the dowager Queen Marguerita, a match between her nephew, the cousin of King Victor Emmanuel, and a young person of a nation that actually boasted of its freedom from the dominion of monarchs was a thing to be abhorred.

She sought to dissuade the duke from such a union on account of religion. The government of Italy is dominated by the Roman Catholic church, and Miss Elkins was a Protestant.

SUITOR COMES TO FLORIDA.

To all the Queen's objections and those of King Victor Emmanuel the duke replied by leaving Italy and travelling incognito, winding up in Florida. There strangely enough the Elkins family was passing the winter.

And there the duke told the American girl that he loved her, that he had loved her since that first moment of the Anderson ball—and he asked her to be his wife.

He did not ask her for her answer then. He would talk to the senator, her father, and then he would return to his own people.

It was decided by Senator Elkins and his prospective son-in-law that the whole affair should be kept secret so far as the world was concerned until some of the great obstacles could be removed.

There was talk from time to time that the king and the dowager queen had been won over; that the differences of religion could be overcome by Cardinal Gibbons of Baltimore, or the Most Rev. Diomedea Falconio, apostolic delegate at Washington; there were rumors that Miss Elkins would embrace Catholicism; there were denials that she would do any such thing; there were reports that the hitch hinged upon the number of Elkins' millions to be included in the marriage settlement.

DENY SCION IS A MONEY SEEKER.

Well-authenticated denials of the notion that the duke was money seeking were speedily forthcoming. It was shown that he had inherited a fortune approximating \$8,000,000 from the estate of his grandfather, who before her marriage to Prince Posso de la Cisterna was Made, de Morado, co-heiress with her brother to about \$5,000,000. The brother was chamberlain to the Pope, and he died, leaving his share to his sister, and in the end it was divided among the three grandsons.

Of late there had been rumors which seemed to bear out the idea that the marriage was to take place. The duke was reported about to set sail for America. The wedding date was set—by rumor. But now comes the news which seems to spell defeat for a too ambitious Cupid.

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"Now," said the warden to the forger, who had just arrived at the prison, "we'll set you to work. What can you do best?"

"Well, if you'll give me a week's practice on your signature I'll sign our official papers for you," said he proudly.—Tit-Bits.

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