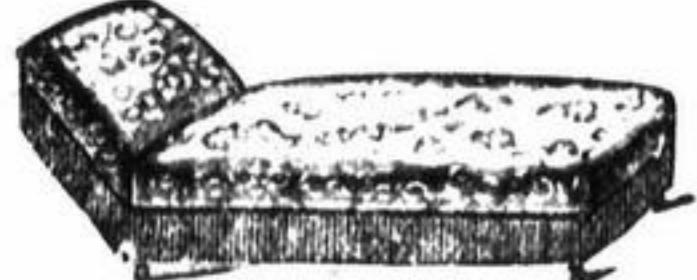


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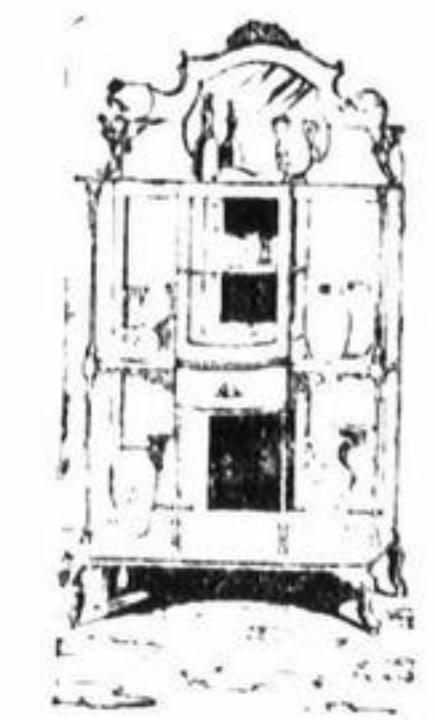
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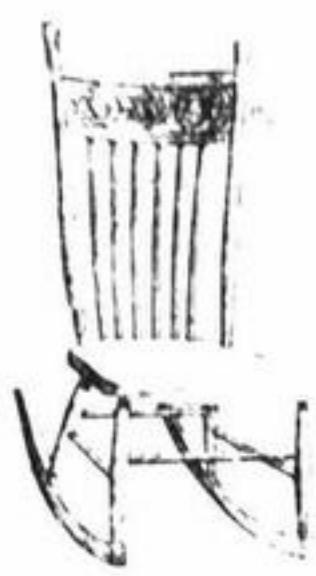
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BRIDES OF THE ANDAMANS.

QUEER MARRIAGES OF THE CONVICT SETTLEMENT OF INDIA.

Punishment Inflicted On The Women In The Prison—Receptions Where The Brides Are Chosen—The Courtship—Their Married Lives A Prison Island.

I have known some queer marriages in the twenty years I have knocked about the world," said a sea captain the other day. "I think the pairing off of the jailbirds at Andamans was the strangest thing, of them all. For a couple of years I commanded the steamer that runs down monthly from Calcutta to the penal colony to British India on the Andaman and Nicobar islands. I was a youngster then and interested in all sorts of things, and it didn't take me long to strike up an acquaintance with the chief commissioner of prison of the colony, who used to let me go all over the place. The female prison was an object of special interest to me, and I must have been an object of special interest to the prisoners, for except the gray-haired superintendent, they didn't see a man from one year's end to another. I had a smattering of the language, and enjoyed several harmless flirtations with dusky beauties whose eccentricities even I hadn't been able to put up with.

The prison is as hideous as any sultan's harem. It is built on a platform, and protected on the sides towards the sea by a sheer cliff 200 feet high, while on the land side the grounds are surrounded by a fifteen foot wall. There are several guards stationed at the entrance, and in order to get by the first of these a man has to give a certain password. In return this guard gives him another password, which takes him to the second, and so on, past half a dozen maybe. These police, as they are called, are the oldest and most hideous women in the jail. To be eligible a woman must have gray hair and a face that would stop a clock, besides record for solicitude and obedience.

"All the convicts went down from Calcutta in my boat, and when I saw them afterwards in the prison they always remembered me, and some of them would have fallen on my neck if they hadn't been afraid of the superintendent, who was generally along side of me. All the prisoners have to work, and in the female prison they weave all the cloth for the men's clothes and their own, and make them up, too, I believe. Any of the women refuse to do their share of work they are punished. The next punishment is to cut off their hair. This they do very carefully, and the hair cut off will generally bring the terms for the rest just as another woman, and don't want their long hair cut off. If this doesn't convince them that it's better to work in the shop, they are made to wear men's clothes and work in the grounds, which are continually kept entirely by the women inmates. The trousers and jackets given to those who are punished in this way are of the coarsest material, and are very unbecoming, and the women have to trouble themselves, and dig in the dirt, just like men. Even this fails, they are further punished by being put up in a cell with the floor covered by the broad tail of a snake, and this is a severe punishment, still referred to as 'the worst execrable flog for the workroom,' but there was one girl who stood the extreme penalty of three nights in this room, and still refused to do a bit of work. She was a mighty pretty young girl, had been sent to the island for murdering her lover. She made no trouble, but trouble from the day she came into the jail. She would not work, and nothing could make her work, so finally they gave her a bad job, and made her sit all day long in the workroom in men's clothes, and so of elevated status. One day I met the superintendent, and he gave me her history. It's too long now, but it's enough to make your hair curl. She'll never get a chance to make up for the miseries I'm going to tell you about. Because these are rewards for bad behavior, and she is the worst woman on the island."

"When they have maybe a dozen tickets of leave men and women, they have a sort of matrimony reception, any matches are made, the couples are allowed to go up to the Nicobar ground some distance away and settle on the government land, where they set up a sort of series of huts, and some commissary stores, and left to themselves. The tickets of leave don't take them anywhere except to the Nicobars, for they nearly all have life sentences. These matrimonial receptions are the funniest things I ever saw. The men are brought one by one into a sort of reception room, where the women are standing in a long row. There are generally several breaks in the line, to separate those of different castes and religions, for they are very particular about that in India. Some of these men haven't seen a woman for ten years, maybe, and they look very curiously at them. When a man is brought into this room a statement is made of his name, his history, his religion, his age, the crime he is there for, and so on. There are, maybe, half a dozen women of his religion on the side, and he is taken to the first one in the row. He is after talking with her for a few minutes, he doesn't think, he would like her, he goes on to the next one. He is always covertly casting his eye along the line to see if there are any further down that he would like better than those near the top. Sometimes he sees one near the end of the line that takes his fancy, and he will walk straight up to all the others and go to her. If she likes him, too, they go up to the table and her history is read to him. He may possibly object to the crime she was sent up for, but usually there is no trouble about that, for if a man likes the looks of a woman he doesn't care how she came to be there. It would generally be a case of the pot calling the kettle black, anyway."

"If a man goes all through the line and doesn't find one that quite satisfies him, he sometimes wants to take one further up that he has before passed by as not quite good enough. But do you think she will have any

thing to do with him then? Not much. She will look at him as if he were dirt, and hold her neck as stiff as a poker."

"When they have paired off as many as possible the keepers let the different couples go out and walk about in the grounds for the rest of the afternoon, to get acquainted with each other and spark a little, maybe. Sometimes they don't make more than one or two matches in a whole afternoon, for they are very hard to suit, those convicts, though you would think they'd be glad to get anybody or anything, just for a change of life from the jail."

"These marriage parties always take place on a Saturday, and just a week from that day they are allowed to visit the woman again for an hour and continue their acquaintanceship. If at the end of three Saturdays they are still of the same mind, they are married and taken on the boat to the Nicobars, where they begin their married life. As I said, they give them a hut, a few acres of ground and some provisions, and let them alone. These couples generally get along pretty well together, though sometimes they have a fight and kill each other, from mere force of habit. In that case the survivor is sent back to the jail at Andamans. But this very seldom happens, for they have children, which they generally do not, these are left with their parents till they are off, to the Nicobars are supplementary, and full of clever that people don't live very long there."

"There is only one resident officer at the Nicobar colony, for there has only been one Englishman found willing to stand the climate. He lives there all alone with the convicts, and though the government has built him a fine house, he leads the loneliest kind of life, for, of course, he can't keep a family there, because he would set the fever and the insides of six months had you known? Alas, I fear not!"

In breathless suspense the young man waited. Would the money he had given to her, which he had paid for with so many years of duty, descend to him tainted with fraud? Would it come to him blotched with blood? If so—so—well, it should make no difference.

"Louis," came the mysterious whisper, "when I die, you will with frantic sorrow, grief and unutterable regret find that my money was—was—" And the old man's emotion rose up and choked him.

"Yes—yes—was—"

"As you say—was—yes, it was—it is an anomaly!"—PICK ME UP.

Cooling.

A CRUEL BLOW.

A Confession That Blighted Hopes Once So High.

"My nephew, there is something on my mind. I have, then, a secret—a secret which weighs upon me more profoundly each time you come to visit me. Can I, dare I, shall I utter it?"

"Dear uncle, what is there that can shake my regard for you? From childhood upward who has been my ideal of manly integrity? My uncle! Speak on, then. I will be firm."

Thus said the young gambler, whose face was all purity and sweetness, but in whose glance lurked a little something—or who said what?

"No, not! After all, why should I crush your young life? Why not leave you the flawless gayety and hope of youth? There, I will not be selfish. Let it pass."

"As you will, uncle. It is not for me to importune you. It is naturally not fair of mine."

"But that, then, it truly is. Listen, Louis—hush!—you know that I live in luxury, that I have gold in plenty and no thought for the morrow?"

"Yes; it is true."

"Did you never guess whence came my fortune? Would you—would you—young, eager and of unstained honor, have daily visited a lonely old man these many years had you known? Alas, I fear not!"

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Shade of Washington—I'll bet that they would be glad to have us over in Manila about now.

Shade of Lafayette—Yes, I reckon shade would be very acceptable in a hot country like that.—New York Journal.

TRUE TYPE OF HIS CLASS.

"What are you going to do with that picture molding?"—"Going to frame the president's Thanksgiving proclamation."

"What's your idea in doing that?"

"On the walls of one of the rooms at my house I've got hanging up every Thanksgiving proclamation ever issued by a president of the United States. I don't believe there's another man in the country that has such a collection."

"It's a unique idea. How does President McKinley's proclamation compare with the others?"

"I don't know. I've never read any of them."

A LONG PELT WANT.

Jinks—I've struck it now sure. Bound to make my fortune in six months.

Winks—What have you invented this time?

"A patent improved collar button. You know it is when you drop a collar button. It always rolls all over the room and then disappears forever. Well, I've invented a self acting constrictor attachment which turns the collar button into a track the instant it touches the floor."

"But that sounds sometimes roll."

"But, always stop where you can easily find them by simply taking off your shawl."

—NEW YORK WEEKLY.

CHEERFUL SON.

"Good gracious, Bridget! I never dreamed that when I gave you an afternoon off you'd come back lugging one of the funeral wreaths!"

"Oh, am going to send it to my sister's husband's aunt poor soul! She has been sick for weeks, and I think it might cheer her up."—INDIANAPOLIS JOURNAL.

HIS INference.

Bilzer—Yes, I always like the cold weather. I'm never sorry when winter comes.

Anstey—Say, how did you break your wife of the house plant habit, or is she one of the few that never were addicted to it?

PROSPERITY.

We are glad to hear so many Georgia editors saying in their bright columns that "the world's all right," for this means that subscriptions are coming in at a lively rate, and that all the word is in for the winter.—ATLANTA CONSTITUTION.

IN BOSTON.

Robin—I always kiss my wife when I leave the house in the morning.

Dobbin—I've heard that some men will do almost anything as an excuse to get away from home.—BOSTON TRANSCRIPT.

FOILED.

"Woman!" he hissed.

She looked enigmatically. "What has been the use?" she said. "Of all my strenuous efforts to make a man of myself!"—DETROIT JOURNAL.

IT SEEMS NOT.

"Stubrist, the critics say your book shows great promise for your future."

"Future?" Great Jupiter! can't a man ever do anything good and then quit?"—DETROIT FREE PRESS.

NOT SO VERY NEW.

Young Lobby Loosener—"Have you seen Mile Charmill, the new premier danseuse? Old Graybeard?—Not since I was a boy."—NEW YORK WEEKLY.

ANSWERED.

He—Would you marry me if I was poor?

She (dead sure that he is rich)—Of course I would.—SYRACUSE HERALD.

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THE TATTLER.

Mrs. A. T. Pick, an English woman and a member of the Woman's Vegetarian Union, is lecturing on vegetarianism as a cure for poverty.

Mrs. Ruth White of San Francisco is said to have striking resemblance to the Liberty on the new dime, that her friends suppose her the model.

Mrs. Lucy A. Appleton of New York, who left an estate of only \$4,000, directed in one clause of her will that her son, William Wagner, be given the sum of \$200, "to be used only in attending the opera."

Mrs. Eva Nansen, wife of the Arctic explorer, is a singer of some renown in her native country and was a professional. Since her husband became rich through his books and his lectures she has retired from the concert stage.

Lady Henry Somerset, who has been in poor health, has been living almost in retirement in England for some time. She has occupied her leisure in modeling a statuette of her late friend and co-operator in the temperance cause, Miss Frances Willard.

In telling of the origin of "Alice in Wonderland," Mrs. Margaret, born Alice Stoddard, says she was the original Alice, her elder sister, Mrs. Skene, Prima, and Ed