

A STORY OF DIVORCE--THE STRANGE VICISSITUDES OF A MARRIAGE.

It may not be generally known, yet it is probably true, that the novel of East Lynne, although written in England, had the ground-work of its story in a singular marriage which took place in Cincinnati, the notice and the attending circumstances at the time being copied by almost every paper in the country.

John Adams married the daughter of a country squire, but lived with her but a short time. He was an austere, exacting literary recluse, while she was a rosy, romping country lass that could not endure the restraint imposed upon her, so separated. Subsequently, however, she returned, and they lived tolerably happy.

Queen Victoria and Prince Albert were cousins, and about the only example in the long line of English monarchs wherein the marital vows were sacredly observed, and sincere affection existed.

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THE MARRIAGES OF GREAT MEN.

Byron married Miss Milbank to get money to pay his debts. It turned out a bad speculation.

Robert Burns married a farm girl with whom he fell in love, while they worked together in a plowed field. He was irregular in his life and committed the most serious mistakes in conducting his domestic affairs.

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RUM.

A gentleman took his son to a drunken row in a tavern, where the inmates were fighting and swearing, and said to him: "Do you know what caused all this?"

"No, sir." His father, pointing to the decanters, said: "That's the cause. Will you take a drink?"

The boy started back with horror and exclaimed: "No!" Then he took the child to the cage of a man with delirium tremens. The boy gazed upon him affrightened as the drunkard raved and tore and thinking the demons were after him, cried: "Leave me alone! leave me alone! I see 'em! they're coming!"

"Do you know the cause of this, my boy?" "No, sir."

"This is caused by drink, will you have some?" and the boy shrank back with a shudder, as he refused the cup.

Next they called at the miserable hotel of a drunkard, where was squalling poverty, and the drunken father beating his wife, and, with oaths, knocking down his children.

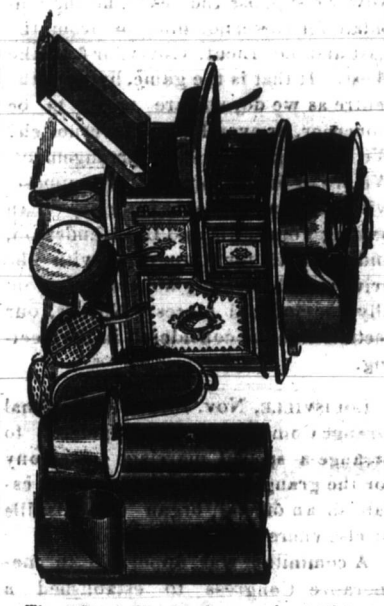
"What has caused this?" said the father. The son was silent.

When he told that it was rum, he declared that he would never touch a drop in his life.

But suppose that fact should be invited to a wedding feast, where, with fruit and cake, the wine cup is passed amid scenes of cheerfulness and gaiety, where all the friends are respectable, beloved, and kind to each other, and he should be asked to drink, would he refuse? Or suppose him walking out with his father on New Year's Day to call on his young lady friends, to enjoy the festivity of ushers in the new year. With other things, wine is handed to him by a smiling girl. His noble-hearted father, whom he loves, presses the wine to his lips, and compliments the young lady on the excellence of its quality; would he refuse to follow his example?—Annual.

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Given under my hand and the seal of said Court.
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W. A. ALBRIGHT, C. S. C.

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