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A LITTLE CHILD LED THEM

How Husband and Wife Were Held Together by a Baby Daughter.

The ventilating shaft of a Harlem flat is responsible for the publicity of a touching episode, from which the true names are purposely omitted.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones had for several months been living under strained conditions that cast a cloud over their home, which threatened to break in a storm that would disrupt the little family of three members. Last week the breaking point was reached and husband and wife agreed that a separation was the only possible course. But there was a little daughter, Eva, 5 years of age. Which parent was to have her? It was decided that the child should answer this question.

"Eva," said the mother as she was seated near the ventilating shaft, holding the child's hand, while the father, with contracted brows, was standing at the other end of the room, "my dear little daughter, papa and mamma are not going to live together any longer; we are going to separate and go far, far away from each other. We can't be happy in the same house now, my child, we want you to say which one of us you will live with. You must choose between mamma and papa."

The eyes of the little girl filled with tears as she turned them on her father, who had a stern face and stood with bowed head. She did not speak then, but was apparently in thought, very deep for her little experience. She loosened the hand that held her and moved quickly toward her father, who turned with outstretched arms and a smile of triumph to welcome her. A deep frown settled on the mother's face.

The child did not then break her silence, but taking her father's hand in hers led him with a tender force which he could not resist to the other end of the room. "Papa and mamma," she said, as she held a hand of each, "I want to live with both of you. I must have you both. Now kiss, make up and be happy. Please, papa and mamma."

The appeal was irresistible. Mr. and Mrs. Jones were folded in each other's arms, and the three for a moment were in tears, which smiles of joy soon banished.

INDIANA'S GRETA GREEN.

Eighty-Five Eloping Couples Were Married There Last Month.

No city in America has made quite such a good record in the number of knots for elopers as our own Jeffersonville, Ind., the past year. Last month there were eighty-five such marriages. Located on the Ohio river, the town draws from two States and has special attractions for the romantic Kentuckians. The squires and mistresses are winning a reputation for the way in which they dispatch the nervous lovers who come to their doors. A couple, total strangers in the city, will step from a train or a buggy or bicycles and ask for a certain squire. They have read of him in connection with his ac-commodations to eloping couples. So well, however, have the magistrates arranged things that no couple can manage to reach the city without having first been spotted by some of the numerous runners, who kindly volunteer to escort them to the office of a magistrate. For this kindness the runner always receives a fee from the officiating justice.

The justice having the widest reputation is Squire John Hause, who occupies a neat office just at the head of the ferry landing, made conspicuous by the inviting sign, "Matrimonial Parlors" and other placards, showing to the public the nature of the business transacted by the justice. During the last month at least fifty of the couples were united in the tie that binds by this dignitary. The emoluments resulting from this channel are from \$1 to \$5 and sometimes \$10 each. A handsome income of from \$100 to \$200 per month is almost always assured him.

Many are the queer requests which accompany the applications for the marriage ceremony. Recently one of the couples wanted to be married while on their bicycles, and their request was complied with. The scene was strange. The bride couple seated on wheels supported by friends, with clasped hands, were made one. Another couple were married, by request, standing under the approach of the Big Four bridge, which spans the Ohio at this point. Recently Squire Hause married a young lady who was the fifth and last daughter to a family of five girls and four boys, all of the girls having eloped and been married, three of them by Squire Hause.

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BRYAN'S ESCAPEDE.

His Eloquence Failed Him When It Was Badly Needed.

"William J. Bryan is a finished orator," remarked Albert Benson, of Jacksonville, recently. "He is now a finished orator in more senses than one; but what I mean is that he is not only eloquent and forceful, but also quick to see a point and quicker to take advantage of it. Whenever he is upon his feet he is able to take care of himself in any verbal sparring match which may be on the hills."

"But I remember one occasion when this master of repartee was completely nonplused and unable to hold his own at a time he seemed to need all the eloquence at his command."

It occurred many years ago, when we both were students at the Illinois College, in Jacksonville. President Sturtevant, of the college, was quite a chicken fancier, and his coop contained many costly fowls. One night several of us decided that it would be an easy job to raid the doctor's hen-roost and have an impromptu chicken feast on the campus. Bryan was the leader in the enterprise. In some way Dr. Sturtevant got wind of the affair and was watching for us. The night was almost pitch dark, and of course we were unaware of the doctor's presence on the scene. Bryan entered the coop and soon passed out to a fine rooster, with the remark: "Here's Old Spots himself."

"We college boys had nicknamed President Sturtevant 'Old Spots' and always referred to him thus among ourselves. "A moment later a hen was passed out to me, Bryan remarking as he did so: 'Here's Mrs. Spots.' Next came a pullet, and Bryan said: 'Now, I take pleasure in presenting to you Miss Spots.'"

"There was an interruption and the feast came off as it had been planned. A few days later we were somewhat surprised to receive an invitation to dine at the president's residence, and were considerably worried when we compared notes and found that no boys were invited except those who had participated in the hen-roost raid.

"We were received cordially and were treated royally. After an hour of joviality dinner was announced, and we filed into the dining-room and took our places. A table set President Sturtevant; on his left was Bryan, on his right a young woman attending the Jacksonville seminary, the very girl who after word became Mrs. Bryan. The doctor bowed his head reverently and said grace. Raising the carving knife and fork, he turned to Bryan and said: 'I am ready to serve you, young man; do you prefer a piece of 'Old Spots' or 'Mrs. Spots' or 'Miss Spots'?"

"And the eloquent Mr. Bryan has not answered that question, even to this day." —Chicago Times-Herald.

THE WORD "CALICO."

The word "calico" has a peculiar origin. Many centuries since the first monarch of Malabar, Hindoostan, gave to one of his chiefs, as a reward for services, the land within the limits of which a cock crowing at a certain temple could be heard. From this circumstance the little town which sprang up in the centre of this territory was called "Calico," or "The Crowing Cock." Afterward it was called Calicut, and from this place the first cotton goods were imported into England under the name of calico.

HE HADN'T SAW SALLY.

When Sam Jones was speaking in Town Creek, Ga., he said among other things: "The curse of beauty is fatal. I had rather that a daughter of mine be scarred from her forehead to her chin, than that she should have a beautiful face." Mr. Jones paused and looked steadily into the face of the silent crowd adding: "But I don't think any of you women need have any alarm on this score." It was just at this juncture that a lover sitting next to his sweetheart remarked fondly: "Oh! let her see 'saw Sally'."

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LIGHT.

The night has a thousand eyes, And the day but one; Yet the light of the bright world dies With the dying sun. The mind has a thousand eyes, The heart but one; Yet the light of a whole life dies, When love is done. —Francis W. Bourdillon.

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What Things He Is Sensible of the Very First Day in the World.

"The smartest baby in the world" is common enough. No self-respecting family is without one. Every father in the land is willing to stand on the corner and let half a dozen cars go by if he can pour into your ear the latest articulate wonder baby has performed. Any mother will tell you that when the little angel was 3 days old it could recognize every member of the family and had ideas on things in general.

But notwithstanding this great array of involuntary evidence, it has been found interesting by some analytical mind to determine as nearly as possible what age the senses first manifest their presence. It is interesting to note the results of these observations.

First of all, it would seem that every healthy child has sensibility to light, touch, temperature, smell and taste on the first day of infant life. Therefore, from the very beginning of his career he is not indifferent to the glare of a bright lamp, to the pain of a pricking pin, to the scalding of a too hot bath, to the unpleasantness of burned feathers or to the taste of a sour bottle. Nurses will do well to bear this in mind.

Hearing, it will be noticed, is the only special sense that is not active at the beginning. As a matter of fact, the child does not hear until about the third or fourth day.

The senses that are the most active from the first are those of taste and smell. General organ sensations of well being or discomfort are also felt from the beginning, but pain and pleasure, as mental states, are not noted until at or near the second month.

The first sounds of speech in the shape of utterance, consonant sounds are heard in the latter part of the second month. These consonants being generally "m," "n," "g," or "t." Consonants being necessary to the articulate utterance of any language, and these particular letters being the easiest and therefore the earliest that the infant learns, parents have with common consent given them a very fanciful interpretation. Thus when the baby says "Goo-goo," he is telling you that he is supremely happy; when he says "Mum-um," the darling knows his mother, he does; and when he utters the elementary sound "Tata," the precious angel is thanking the company for blessings received as plainly as anything could be.

All the movements of the eyes become co-ordinate by the fourth month and by this time the youngster begins to have the feeling of self—that is, he looks at his own hands and looks at himself in the mirror.

The study of the child's mind during the first year shows conclusively that ideas develop and reasoning processes occur before there is any knowledge of words or of language. It is assumed, however, that the child thinks in symbols, visual or auditory, which are clumsy equivalents for words. By the end of the year the child begins to express himself by sounds—that is, speech begins.—Philadelphia Press.

IT ISSAID.

That economy is born in a woman. That the most recklessly extravagant woman has a vein of economy somewhere in her composition. That it may not develop in a manner to prove beneficial either to herself or to her husband. That there will always be some point at which she will not retrench, will look well to the pennies and think and calculate with the ablest financier. That she may be willing to pay \$100 for a gown, but will shop all over town to save 10 cents a yard on the lining. That she may run into a cheap garment by the desire to finish it wholly, which desire has remorselessly seized her at the last moment. That her little economies must not be laughed at. Simply keep in mind the supposition that a woman to be womanly must be just made up of these contradictions that seem so ridiculous to the average masculine mind.

That when it really becomes necessary, because of financial trouble, for a woman to help her husband by genuine self-sacrificing economy, there is not one woman in a hundred who will not bravely and smilingly set aside all thought of self and prove the true, economical helpmeet that the emergency demands. But that there is one thing in which she never economizes: When she loves she loves with her whole heart. There is no stint—only giving of all the wealth of her affections.

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