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A Nobleman's Romance.

Lord Drummond's Marriage to his Nursery Governess.

A recent New York letter to the Philadelphia Times says: About twelve years ago Harriet Harrison, a bright, good-looking young nursery governess of nineteen years, in the service of the Earl and Countess of Perth and Melfort, engaged the affections of her charge, the earl's grandson and heir of his ancient house. The boy, Lord Drummond, was but four years younger than herself and was left almost entirely in the care and company of his governess, in whom every confidence was reposed. The household was suddenly startled one morning by the discovery that the young governess had run away with the heir. The young couple a few days afterward returned to Drummond castle from London and begged the earl's forgiveness, but the proud noble, in a storm of indignation at what he deemed a degradation of his honored name, ordered his heir from his presence and forbade his ever entering the ancestral halls again. With romantic ardor the young lord vowed never to desert his bride or to return to Scotland until he returned as Earl of Perth, unless his wife was received as Lady Drummond, and took at once steership passage for America at Glasgow. At the instance of a lady belonging to an old and respected New York family, whose name is withheld at her earnest request, your correspondent has been engaged in an investigation as to the whereabouts of Lord Drummond.

This lady has been absent many years in South and Central America with her late husband and made the acquaintance of Lord Drummond's mother, the widowed Lady Capel, during her sojourn at Lima, where she died in 1868. Traveling about the world a good deal in the meantime, this lady heard, while in Mexico last summer, of the romantic marriage of the son of her old friend and the abandonment of his family and friends. Recently her husband died, leaving to her a rich gold mine in Yucatan, now being worked with much profit. The marriage of her only daughter allowed this lady to return to New York and put into execution a long-cherished design, to find and befriend the young noble, who, despite the motto of his historic house, "Gang Warily," had loved not wisely but too well.

Your correspondent's investigation resulted in the discovery of this scion of an ancient house and the kinsman of Queen Victoria at work as a porter in a wholesale clothing house in Broadway. The noise of a constantly ascending and descending freight elevator and the calls of half a score of clerks and porters nailing up boxes trundling them hither and thither made the shipping-room of Carhart, Whitford & Co., a busy scene when the reporter descended into the basement in search of the long-lost heir to a British earldom.

"Is George Drummond here?" was asked of a perspiring youth, who was wheeling a load to the elevator in frenzied haste.

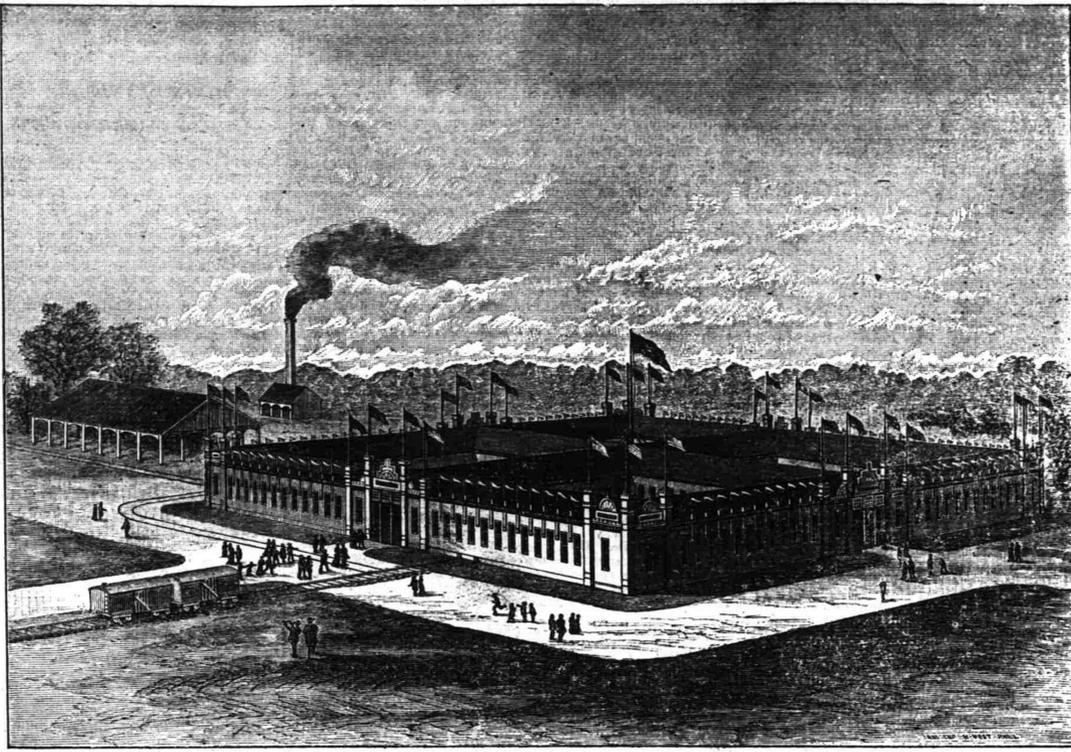
"Drummond?" he repeated without stopping or turning his head. "Yes, George, here's some one who wants to see you." And out of the dark, hot and dusty back ground a young man, coatless, heated and with collar loosened, came forward and extended a big, brown, toil-stained hand.

"You are Lord Drummond, I believe?" said the reporter.

"I am," said he, a little surprised but in no wise disconcerted. Fully six feet tall and splendidly built, the young scion of nobility leaned back against a pile of boxes in an attitude of easy grace. He has a finely-shaped head and full regular features, with closely cut light hair and moustache. There was nothing in the expression of his large gray eyes or in the tones of his voice or his manner of speaking to suggest the least discordance in his surrounding as he chatted freely with the reporter about his romantic history.

His story, as gathered from himself, Mr. Carhart and other sources,

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VIEW OF THE MAIN BUILDING.

is as follows: On arriving in Castle Garden, almost penniless, the first care of the young couple was to have the marriage ceremony repeated. Then, in order to fully conceal his identity, the future earl assumed the plebeian name of George Johnson and went to work as a shipping clerk in a wholesale flour house in South street. There he remained working steadily for about two years, until his employers collapsed in the panic of 1873. The youthful couple would have fared hard during the following months but for timely remittances from the wife's family, which kept them above actual want. Giving up the city in disgust they finally took up their quarters in a hut on Yapbank meadows, near Brookhaven, Long Island. Here for about five years they lived a miserable, secluded life, "George," as the tall, awkward youth was generally called by his neighbors, supporting his wife and himself by scanty earnings in fishing and shooting. The birth of a son and heir in March, 1878, caused a ripple in his lethargic life, and in the following summer the young father meeting Mr. Carhart and some friends, who were spending a vacation in the vicinity, made himself known and enlisted Mr. Carhart's interest in his desire to obtain work in the city. Mr. Carhart verified the young boatman's story on his return to town and soon afterward gave him a place in the brushing department promising to advance him as the barnacles which had overgrown his early character and cultivation were rubbed off. Except while on a voyage to the West Indies in a schooner a year ago, Lord Drummond has been in the employ of Carhart, Whitford & Co., ever since, advancing a little, but still half shipping clerk and half porter, and evincing much more inclination for physical than for mental exertion.

A garbled account of his discovery on Long Island six years ago, which appeared in several of the papers at the time, caused his family to take a renewed interest in the lost heir. At the solicitation of his father, the Duke of Argyll, and of his brother, the Marquis of Lorne, Lord Walter Campbell, then engaged in business here, repeatedly visited Lord Drummond and endeavored to induce him to give up his wife and return home. His grandfather's arms, he was told, were open to receive him whenever he concluded to leave those of his wife. But he preferred his wife. The last communication he had with his family was when his cousin Frank, an Edinburgh barrister, who had assumed the surname Drummond in lieu of his patronymic Davies, visited New York two years ago.

This gentleman offered to start young Lord Drummond on a cattle

ranche in Texas, but his lordship did not care to take his wife and baby away from the haunts of civilization and he declined. At another interview Lord Drummond took umbrage at a remark of his barrister cousin about his marriage, and losing temper, consigned his respective relatives to perdition. His violence was duly reported by Barrister Frank on his return to Drummond Castle, and the breach between the earl and his heir was widened.

As matters are it is probable that on Lord Drummond's restoration to his place in society, now near at hand, it will be that in his contact with the world and his experience of poverty and hard knocks he has acquired a freedom of manner and perfect savoir faire under most diverse circumstances which will do more for his popularity than any other amount of learning and conventional refinement would be likely to.

France and China.

France will Resent China's Breach of Faith.

PARIS, July 3.—At the Cabinet Council to day, Prime Minister Foray stated that the Chinese Foreign Board did not disavow the action of the Chinese regular troops at Langsau. The Board admitted that the Chinese army had obeyed its orders to retain possession of that city, though this was contrary to the second article of the recent Franco-Chinese treaty, which provided for the immediate withdrawal of the Chinese garrison. China also refused to recognize the stipulations agreed upon between Li Hung Chang and Capt. Fournier for the evacuation of Langsau, Cas Bang and Loo Kay between June 6th and June 26th. M. Patenotre, the French Minister to China, who has been absent from his post to negotiate a treaty with the King of Aram has been ordered to go to Peking immediately and maintain the rights of France. In the event of China's refusing redress for the action of her troops at Langsau, France will immediately declare war. Active preparations are being made for reinforcements to leave France for the east.

Smelling-bottles are coming in fashion again. A Washington belle carries one a foot long and very heavy. But she would faint at sight of a potato masher.

A scientist asserts that a bee can only sting once in two minutes. We would respectfully submit that this is often enough.—Chicago Times.

JAPAN'S LACQUER INDUSTRY.

Japanese papers are crying out at the extinction of the lacquer industry of the country. The tree from which the varnish is obtained is disappearing. Formerly, like the mulberry tree on which the silk worm feeds, it was protected by law. Each family of the upper class was obliged to rear 100 trees, the middle classes seventy and the lower classes forty. Since the law fell into disuse the cultivation of the lacquer tree has rapidly declined. The trees were cut down without care and none were planted to replace them, so that they have become exceedingly rare while the price of lacquer has enormously increased. Similar complaints, too, are heard of the process of disafforestation going on in Japan since the ancient law, which required every one who cut down a tree to plant two in its place, was abolished.

THE RED THREAD OF HONOR.

It is related of Sir Charles Napier's campaign of the Upper Seinde, that a sergeant with eleven men became separated from the rest of his command. An officer signaled an order to return, but they mistook the signal for a command to charge. There were seventy of the foe behind a breastwork at the summit of the mountain. They fell there, these brave eleven, after slaying twice their number.

There is, it is said, a custom among the robber tribe which these brave men fought, that when one of their great warriors is killed in battle, they bind the wrist with a thread either of red or green—the red for the highest rank.

When the British found the stark bodies of their eleven brave comrades around both wrists of each they saw the red thread. These robbers and foes gave the hero his own glory as best they could.

PREJUDICE.

On a recent visit to Asheville, we were a little surprised to see prejudice quite as we found it. Because we did not agree to support Dr. York, we failed to get several subscribers among the untierified. If these self-sanctified followers of Republicanism were as particular about their support of Democratic journals, we imagine that things would take a different shape; or should Democrats be so mean as to attempt to swear every negro editor against Republicanism, there would not be a single negro paper in the State,—for if Democratic patronage should be withheld—the last one of them would be compelled to suspend, which would be just what these latter day masters desire. They fear every negro paper that they do not own, and would gladly assist in consigning them to oblivion.—Wil, Banner-Enterprise.

We are somewhat curious to know

at what particular time in Dr. York's existence he ceased to be a Liberal Democrat and became a Republican. He was elected as a Liberal Democrat. Hundreds of men voted for him under the impression that he was a better Democrat than those who oppose him—and now they are informed by himself that he is not a Liberal Democrat but a Republican, that he endorses the Republican platform and Blaine and Logan. Perhaps some of his constituents would like to know just when this political metamorphosis took place and the particular influences that were used in bringing it about. Dr. York's admirers inform us that he is not only gigantic in stature but gigantic in intellect. Some gigantic influence must have got away with him.—Char. Observer.

THE BAR ASSOCIATION.—The members of the Bar Association of Western North Carolina, will hold their convention, according to arrangement, in Asheville on the 9th of July inst. A complete and most interesting programme has been arranged. Hon. Edwin G. Beale has consented to deliver an address, and all will recognize the great fitness of this selection. Every member of the Bar of this District is expected to be present, and many distinguished gentlemen from other sections have declared a purpose to be in attendance. It is a most important meeting, tending to great good to the profession and the State, and it is hoped a very full attendance may be here. The distinguished body may be sure of a wholesome welcome from our local Bar and our citizens.—Asheville Citizen.

TALK ABOUT HARMONY.—The nomination made by the Democratic Convention will give more than usual satisfaction. There were and are now no factions. The West cheerfully pledges its continued devotion to that particular policy which protects the East, and the East cheerfully gave the West a full share of honors. The friends of every defeated like good party men. Personal disappointments there are, of course; but no fractional or party disappointments. The Democracy of North Carolina, which has seldom had serious dissensions, never began a campaign with more general good feeling and unanimity.—Wil. Star.

A REMARKABLE CONVENTION.—The Chronicle reporters have endeavored to make an exact photograph of the convention as well as to narrate the proceedings. It was a memorable occasion. The hall had 1,000 men in it such as any great State may be proud of—men of character of intelligence, of patriotic lives. It was such a body as one does not see once in a decade. The noise was deafening and the disorder great. But it was all good-natured. There was continuous harmony, and only the boisterous bubbling over of good feeling and enthusiasm.—Wil. Star.

"The Observer is the first paper in the State to give a cut of our next Governor."—Charlotte Observer.

Yes, and Gen. Scales ought to bring an action for damages for making horrid wood-cuts give him such a sour and disappointed look. He has really a pleasant frank face. His picture makes him look as if his name was York and it was the day after the election.—Wil. Star.

The Banner-Enterprise, colored organ, published at Wilmington, asks the following conundrum: "If it takes Mr. York and his friends two months to write a short letter of acceptance, how long will it take him to be elected Governor?"

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Geo. P. Rawlin, Sec'y & Treas'r.
Salisbury, N. C., May 21, 1884.