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A PATHETIC APPEAL.

The Moving Plea of a Divorced Man Who Wanted to Wed Again.

The following plea for judicial mercy sent to us by a correspondent, says Law Notes, will be found brimful of pathos: Ex parte Samuel Rice. To the Hon. H. A. Sharpe, Judge of the City Court of Birmingham, in Equity:

Your petitioner, Samuel Rice of Mobile, Ala., would deferentially represent that on January 10, in the year of grace 1881, your honor dissolved the matrimonial tie theretofore existing between petitioner and his consort, Annie Rice, granting her a divorce a vinculo et matrimonii, with the bestial privilege thereto annexed of marrying again, a privilege, it goes without saying, she availed herself of with an alacrity of spirit and a fastidious levity disdaining pursuit, but in this vital point your honor extended to petitioner only the charity of your silence.

Petitioner has found in his own experience a truthful explication of Holy Scripture, "that it is not well for man to be alone," and, seeing an inviting opportunity to superbly ameliorate his forlorn condition by a second nuptial venture, he finds himself circumscribed by an *Ones Felion* obstacle, which your honor alone has power to remove.

His days rapidly verging on the serene and yellow leaf, the fruits and flowers of love all going, the worm, the canker and the grief in sight, with no one to love and none to esteem him, petitioner feels an indescribable yearning, longing and heaving to plunge his adventurous prow into the vexed waters of the sea of Connubiality. Wherefore other refuge having none and wholly trusting to the tender benignity and sovereign discretion of your honor, petitioner humbly prays that in view of accompanying facts of a great cloud of reputable citizens, giving him a phenomenally good name and fair fame, you will have compassion on him and relieve him of the hyemical disability under which his existence has become a burden by awarding him the like privilege of marrying again, thus granting him a happy issue out of the Red sea of troubles into which a pitiless fate has whelmed him. For, comforting as the velvety touch of an angel's palm to the fever-racked brow, and soothing as the strains of an Arabian harp when swept by the fingers of the night wind, and dear as those ruddy drops that visit these sad brows of ours, and sweet as sacramental wine to dying lips, it is when life's fife fever is ebbing to its close to pillow one's aching head on some fond wifely bosom and breathe his life out gently there.

And in duty bound to attain the possibility of compassing such a measureless benediction, petitioner will pray without ceasing, in accents as loud and earnest as ever issued from calistrian lips.

SAMUEL RICE, Petitioner.

Men don't mind looking old if they don't feel it; women don't mind feeling it if they don't look it.

"I lingered between life and death."

"I think Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription and Golden Medical Discovery the best medicines in the world," writes Mrs. Amelia Dougherty, of Kerrigan, Wayne Co., N.C. "My husband gave birth to a baby last summer. After some time he became very ill, had the best physicians that could be got, and he diagnosed my case as strychnine poisoning, tending to drop. I thought I was going to do me no good. I lingered between life and death for quite a while, every day growing weaker until I could not walk across the room. My friends were looking for my death every minute. A friend wrote and told me about Dr. R. V. Pierce, and I at once wrote to him for medical advice. He replied immediately, giving me full instructions as to what to do. At once followed his advice, and when I had taken his medicine about a week I felt a good deal stronger. When I had taken it about one month I felt as strong as I do to-day. I look four bottles of each kind and two vials of Pleasant Pellets. Many thanks for the medicine, it has permanently cured me."

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PROF. LOEB'S EXPERIMENTS.

He Believes He Is On The Verge Of The Discovery of the Dream Of All Ages, the "Elixir of Perpetual Youth."

In a paper read before the American Society of Naturalists at Chicago last week, Prof. Jacques Loeb, of the University of Chicago, made the announcement that he had discovered the physical processes that accompany life, and that electricity, and not heat energy, is the basis of life. He claims to have proved a theory which overthrows a fundamental position of the teachings of text books of physiology. Ten years ago he was first led into this line of research by the observation that electricity was able to affect protoplasm in a more universal manner than any other stimulus. He then came to the conclusion that if electricity was able to have such effects in the form of currents, it ought to have like results when in the form of "ions."

"An ion," he explains, "is an atom or group of atoms carrying a charge of electricity." It will be recalled that an eminent English scientist announced several months ago that he had experiments which satisfied him that what is commonly the "atom" of matter is composed of "ions" of electricity. The two lines of experiment appear to point toward the conclusion that electricity is the basis of matter and life.

SCENES FAMOUS IN HISTORY.

The Courthouse Where Patrick Henry Made His Speech Still Standing.

The scene of Patrick Henry's great speech on the stamp act is one of the most charming little buildings in America, the old courthouse at Williamsburg, Va., which was designed by Sir Christopher Wren, the architect of St. Paul's cathedral and other of the most famous public edifices of England, says a writer in the Chicago Herald. It stands today in an excellent state of preservation and looks very small compared with the ordinary county courthouse of modern America, but, unlike many of them, it is a chaste and symmetrical example of architecture, beautiful in its simplicity.

The room in which the house of burghesses met on that memorable occasion is unchanged and is still used for judicial purposes. Every Saturday morning a justice of the peace occupies the bench and imposes fines upon the petty offenders, mostly negroes, who are brought before him. The remainder of the building, which is of a single story, furnishes quarters for the county clerk, county treasurer and other local officials.

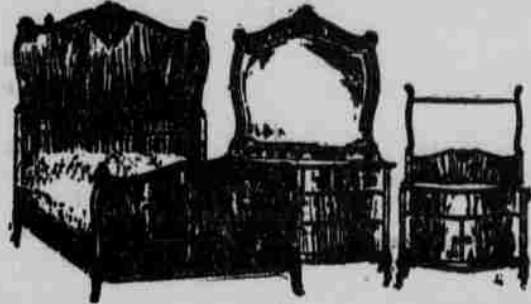
It is interesting historical fact that Patrick Henry wrote his famous resolutions upon the fly leaf of Thomas Jefferson's volume of "Cook's" Commentary Union Edition, and it was from Jefferson's modest chamber that this brief barrier went to the little outthouse in May, 1776, to deliver the speech against taxation without representation which made him the most famous man of the hour and as notorious in England as he was popular in the American colonies.

MODERN EDUCATION.

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"What can she see in him!" the critics say; 'Tis those who cannot use his Roetgen ray. At whom love laughs and leaves them to surmise.

I find in you what all true lovers prize; You find in me all I was meant to be; Love is not blind, but sees through all disguise, And finds the charm—compatibility.

And so when comes the day when we are wed, We'll smile at those who think themselves more wise, And live to prove the truth of what we've said— Love is not blind, but sees through all disguise.

EVERY DAY WORK.

Grand deeds are trumpeted; loud bells are rung. And men turn round to see The high peaks echo to the peans sung O'er some great victory. And yet the great deeds are few. The mightiest men Find opportunities but now and then.

Shall one sit idle through long days of peace, Waiting for walls to scale? Or lie in part until some "Golden Fleece" Lures him to face the gale? There's work enough; why idly, then, delay. His work counts most who labors every day.

A torrent sweeps down the mountain's brow, With foam and flash and roar, Anon its strength is spent, where is it now? Its one short day is o'er. But the clear streams that through the meadows flows All the long summer on its mission goes.

Better the steady flow; the torrent's dash Soon leaves its rent track dry. The light we love is not a lightning flash From out a midnight sky. But the sweet sunshine, whose unfading ray, From its calm throne of blue lights every day.

The sweetest lives are those to duty wed. Whose deeds, both great and small, Are close-knit strands of one unbroken thread. Where love ennobles all. The world may sound no trumpets, ring no bells, The Book of Life the shining record tells.

"TO THE JUDGMENT DAY."

When things went wrong, grandd' a ther—he'd say: "Well, the world rolls on to the Judgment Day; An' what should we sigh fer—an' why should we care?"

The reckonin' comin' sometime—somewhere! Bear with the winter, an' dream o' the May; The world rolls on to the Judgment Day!"

When things went wrong, an' we knelt in dust To thank the Lord fer the poorest crust, An' the old-time friends that we thought we knowed Had left us friendless along life's road, It was always nothin' but this to say: "The world rolls on to the Judgment Day!"

So we stifled the sigh, an' tried fer the song, Knowin' God made the right, an' would reckon the wrong; An' trouble seemed lighter, an' even the night Had stars never dreamed of to make it bright. We can bear, we can suffer along the world's way Fer "The world rolls on to the Judgment Day!"

A CURE FOR LUMBAGO

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THE GREAT DISMAL SWAMP.

A Region Strange and Interesting, Weird and Solitary.

The Great Dismal swamp is a region strange and interesting, weird and solitary. It occupies a billowy plain some 40 miles in length by 25 miles in breadth along the Atlantic seaboard, extending from Suffolk, Va., in a southerly direction, well into the bounds of North Carolina.

Its deep shades, great stretches of brake and its solitude make it a region of interest. To the naturalist and sportsman it has much to offer. In its silent fastnesses the black bear finds a home admirably adapted to his protection and in every way favorable to his increase. Here amid the dense growth of underbrush and timber he may live in comparative safety, and there is perhaps no locality in the whole eastern United States of like extent which can offer a larger bear population than this great morass. The white-tailed deer is also an abundant denizen of the swamp, frequenting the elevated parts.

In addition to the deer and bear, there is a big game feature of a rather unusual nature. The swamp abounds in wild cows. These animals, of a brown color and somewhat smaller than the ordinary cow, having for many years been under the peculiar conditions of the swamp, until they are almost completely specialized, are extremely wild. They are ferried from the herds of the farms adjacent to the swamp, and are the descendants of cattle which many years back wandered into the fastnesses and were lost to their owners, finally becoming wild. Being no longer recognized as property the sportsman may call game all that he may have the prowess to shoot.

Lake Drummond, some ten miles from Suffolk, Va., is the only great body of water in the swamp. It is a beautiful sheet of water, of an oval contour and fringed with a heavy growth of timber, mostly cypress, white cedar and black gum. Its water is of a dark color owing to the decaying vegetation of the surrounding country, but is suitable to drink, and possesses the quality of remaining pure longer than most other water. For this reason it is often carried to sea by sailors on long voyages.

The characteristic mammalian fauna is of a semitropical nature as regards the smaller forms, while there are many tropical plants. Of birds there are not many kinds, prothonotary, hooded and Swallow's warblers and the Maryland yellow-throat being the principal smaller forms. The trees, some of which are primeval, are large and beautiful, while there is a luxuriant growth of ferns and aquatic plants. Game grows in profusion—Forest and Stream.

After a woman is lost she hesitates for the purpose of deliberating.

SORES AND ULCERS.

Sores and Ulcers never become chronic unless the blood is in poor condition—it is sluggish, weak and unable to throw off the poisons that accumulate in it. The system must be relieved of the unhealthy matter through the sores, and great danger to life would follow should it heal before the blood has been made pure and healthy and all impurities eliminated from the system.

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