

GEORGE ADE'S WITTY FABLES

Handicapped by the Disinterested Efforts of a Friend.

Once there was a well-meaning Soul who was handicapped by a true and lasting Friendship.

Sometimes he suspected that if he could be left to himself he would struggle along from one Saturday Night to another and keep out of the Way of the Cars, and possibly extract some Joy from this Life in his own simple Rube Fashion.

But every time he turned around, Friend was right there to tell him what to do.

Friend was somewhat of a Shell-Fish in the regulation of his own Private Affairs, but he knew just how to manage for some one else.

So he used to tell the Victim where to have his Clothes made, and he would pick out his Shirt Patterns for him, and tell him how often he needed a drink, and in other ways relieve him of all Responsibilities.

If the poor Mark wanted to remain in his Room and read something by William Dean Howells, the Friend would compel him to put on his Low-Front and go out to a War Dance and meet a Bunch of Koodles who wore No. 6 Hats and talked nothing but Piffle.

The Friend was always making Business Engagements for him and then letting him know about it later on.

And sometimes Friend would try and choke him and take his Money away from him and invest it in some shine Enterprise that was going to pay a 40 per cent. Dividend every 30 Days.

Friend always meant well, at that. When he selected the Girl that the Victim was to marry, he was prompted by the most unselfish Motives. Notwithstanding which the Victim did the fall Duck.

A Policeman found him hiding under a Bridge, and asked, "Are you a Fugitive from Justice?"

"No," was the reply; "this is merely a case of Friend."

Moral: They never seem to be properly Thankful for all that we do in their Behalf.

What is in a Name Under Certain Conditions.

Once there was a Main Squeeze of a Business Concern who had a faithful Man Friday.

The Understrapper kept the Books and stalled off the Canvassers, and when there was nothing else to do he would go out Collecting. Every morning at 8 he was buckled down to work. When the High Guy arrived, the Humble Employee would bring the Morning Mail and answer all Questions in low respectful Tones.

Now, the Boss knew that one of the Secrets of Business Success is to throw an awful Bluff, so he changed the Firm to a Company and called himself President. In order to make the Letter-Heads imposing, he put on the Book-keeper's Name and called him Business Manager. It did not cost anything and it dazzled the Correspondents.

Also he allowed the Business Manager to have a Desk with a Brass Plate on it, so as to impress Visitors.

Whereupon the Man Friday began to wear a Tall Hat and show up every Morning at 10 instead of 8. He stopped calling the Stenographer "Mattie," and used her Full Name. When any one came to see him, he had the Office Boy bring in a Card.

In speaking of the Company, he said "We." If asked to do any regular Office Work, he put up a loud Holler, because he did not think that a Business Manager should be compelled to monkey with any small and cheap Duties.

In short, although his Salary remained the same, the high-sounding Title was too much for him. He developed a severe case of Eulargiensis of the Coco, and in a short time he was breathing the Fresh Air.

Moral: Many a good Subordinate has been ruined to make a gilded Figure-Head.

The Ninety-Pound Knight Errant and His Lady Fair.

Once there was an Estimable Lady named Mrs. Killjoy, who used to hunt for Trouble with a Search Warrant.

She was not happy unless she was being Insulted. Before anyone chirped she knew that she was going to have Bricks thrown at her Character.

Mrs. Killjoy held to the obsolete Theory that Man was put into this Mundane Trouble Factory to protect weak and defenceless Woman from all Slurs, Sights and Insults. That is why she picked out for her True Knight an undeveloped Specimen about the size of a Philadelphia Squab, with four-inch Biceps.

His steady Assignment was to fight her Battles. Mrs. Killjoy was one of those Sensitive Plants who could not get into a Trolley without having some one rudely Stare at her. She always suspected that the He-Salesmen in the Stores were trying to make Love to her, and if any Man happened to be walking behind her on the same side of the Street, she knew that she was being Pursued.

"Are you going to sit here and allow your Wife to be Insulted?" That was the Speech she would hand

him when they were together. Then it was up to him to call some 200 pounder or else be prepared to lie awake half the Night and listen to the Story of Her Wrongs.

Sometimes he suspected that she wanted to realize on His Life Insurance.

His usual Play was to promise to be an Avenger. Then he would hunt up the Person who grossly insulted Mrs. Killjoy and apologize in her behalf and say that she was a tuffe Dippy.

What Mrs. Killjoy needed was a Husband in a full Suit of Armour, mounted on a White-Horse and thirsty for Blood. She had read the wrong kind of Books. Husband knew that she would stack him up against it sooner or later.

Sure enough, one Day he found her in Tears, and learned that the Man delivering the Coal had been Impertinent and had failed to remove his Hat while speaking to her. She wanted to know if Mr. Killjoy was a Man or a Mouse, and that settled it. He went out to roast the Teamster, and she followed along to Gloat.

The Teamster was a Low-Brow with a 48-inch Chest, and he did not know a thing about the Henry of Navarre Business. He grabbed Mr. Killjoy and dusted the Bin with him.

While the sufferer was in the Hospital, waiting for the Bones to join, Mrs. Killjoy sat beside him and said:

"As soon as you are well enough to be around, you must hunt him up and shoot him."

"I will," said the brave Knight, "if I can get one of those Sandy Hook Guns that will carry six Miles."

Moral: In these Days, Chivalry must wear a Tag or it will not be Recognized.

NOTICE

Is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session for an Act to incorporate the Synod of the Diocese of Kootenay, comprised as follows: Commencing at a point on the forty-ninth parallel, part of the international boundary line between Canada and the United States, where the said parallel intersects the one hundred and twentieth meridian; thence northerly along the one hundred and twentieth meridian to that point of the same at which it becomes part of the eastern boundary line of the Province of British Columbia; thence south-easterly and along the boundary line between the said Province of British Columbia and the Northwest Territories, until such last mentioned boundary line intersects the said forty-ninth parallel; thence westerly along the said forty-ninth parallel to the point of commencement; and that the following powers be granted, viz: The bishop, clergy and laity of the said Diocese constitute a body politic and corporate under the name of the Synod of the Diocese of Kootenay. The said Synod to be constituted according to the provisions contained in the constitution and canons of the Synod of the Diocese of New Westminster, as revised by the said last named Synod in November, A. D. 1892. All property acquired by or which has come into the possession of or held by the Synod of the Diocese of Kootenay, whether in trust or otherwise, be held by it as constituted under the said Act in the same manner as if the corporation had been so constituted from the first. To take and to hold lands, tenements and hereditaments for the uses and purposes of the Church of England in the said Diocese, including the uses of any and every parish, mission, institution, college, school or hospital connected with, or intended to be or which heretofore has been connected with the Church of England; and every devise by will, deed, gift, conveyance of land or any estate or interest in land to the corporation be valid and effectual. The Acts of Parliament, commonly called the Statutes of Mortmain, to the contrary notwithstanding. To sell, exchange, alienate, mortgage, lease or demise any lands, tenements and hereditaments held by the corporation. To invest all or any of its funds and monies, including the Episcopal Endowment fund, in mortgage, security of lands, tenements and hereditaments and other securities in any part or parts of the Dominion of Canada; and for the purposes of such investments take, receive and accept mortgages or assignments thereof and to sell and enforce the same. To exercise all its powers by and through its executive committee and such boards or committees as the Synod from time to time may appoint by-law for the management of all or any of the affairs or property of the corporation. To constitute and appoint the Bishop of New Westminster, Bishop of the said Diocese of Kootenay, until a Bishop of Kootenay is duly and properly elected and constituted by the Synod of the Diocese of Kootenay, and for all other usual and necessary powers, rights and privileges.

Dated the 30th day of January, 1903. EDWARD A. GREASE, Solicitor for Applicants.

NOTICE

Is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session for an Act incorporating a Company with power to build, construct, maintain and operate a line of railway of standard or other gauge, with any kind of motive power, from a point at or near Kootenay Landing, thence south, following the west side of Kootenay River, to a point on or near said river at or near the International Boundary line, with power to construct, equip, maintain and operate branch lines, and with power to construct, acquire, own and maintain wharves and docks in connection therewith; and to construct, own, acquire, equip and maintain steam and other vessels and boats and operate the same on any navigable waters; and to construct, operate and maintain telegraph and telephone lines along the routes of said railway and its branches, or in connection therewith, and to transmit messages for commercial purposes and collect tolls therefor; and to acquire and receive from any government, corporations, or persons, grants of various rights of way, money, bonuses, privileges or other assistance in aid of the construction of the Company's undertaking; and to connect with and to enter into traffic or other arrangements with railway, steamboat or other companies, and for all rights, powers and privileges necessary, usual or incidental to all or any of the aforesaid purposes.

Dated this 30th day of January, A. D. 1903. GALLIHER & WILSON, Solicitors for Applicants.

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TOWN AND DISTRICT NEWS

The Week's Happenings at the Hub of the Kootenays Briefly Told.

Captain D. C. McMorris of the steamer Moyie is an applicant for the position of city clerk.

Born at New Denver on the 17th instant, to Mr. and Mrs. William Hunter of Silverton, a daughter.

Born at Nelson on Sunday, the 15th instant, to Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Shaw of Robson street, a daughter.

Born at Nelson on the 17th instant, to Mr. and Mrs. James McPhee of Mill and Hendryx streets, a daughter.

James McPhee, superintendent of the city's electric light system, is to be bounced if W. G. Gillett is elected alderman in the East ward. Yet, "Jimmie" is the man who made Gillett alderman in 1901.

The plans for the new C.P.R. shops at Nelson have been approved by the officials at Montreal, and the work of construction will be commenced at once. The building is to be 60 by 100 feet and will be erected in the rear of the round-house, with which it will be connected through the two stalls which are now used for shops purposes.

Judging from the short paragraphs appearing in the Rossland Evening World and the Rossland Miner, somebody in Rossland has been playing with somebody from Nelson at a game called hockey and that the people of Rossland waged money and lost it. The Lord does not love a poor loser, no more than the Public like a poor player.

Plans are being prepared in Toronto for a new building for the Canadian Bank of Commerce at Nelson. The building will have 30 feet frontage on Baker street and 60 on Stanley street. It will be two stories and basement, and be of pressed brick and stone. The building now occupied by the bank will be moved west 30 feet, to permit the bank to carry on business without moving into other premises. To do this a 30-foot lot has been purchased from R. J. Bealey, the price paid being \$5,500, which is a good figure to pay for Baker street real estate, as the improvements on the lot are not worth over \$500. The bank will use all the



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Notice of Application to Transfer Liquor License.

NOTICE is hereby given that I, William Connell, intend to apply at the next sittings of the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Nelson for a transfer of the Liquor License now held in my name for the premises situate on the west half of Lot Two, Block Four of the City of Nelson to Thomas Martindale Ward. Dated this 16th day of February, A. D. 1903. Witness: R. CONDELL. W. A. CONNELL.

new building except one suite of offices on the second floor and a basement office on the corner of Baker and Stanley streets.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

Province of British Columbia, Nelson, West Kootenay.

By virtue of a Writ of Fieri Facias issued out of the Supreme Court of British Columbia at the suit of

ELMER J. FELT, Plaintiff, and PERCY DICKINSON, and ERNEST WILSON, and WILLIAM STRACHAN, Defendants, against the said defendant, Percy Dickinson, I have seized and taken in execution all the right, title and interest of the said defendant, Percy Dickinson, in the mineral claims known as and called "Skylark" and "Ranger," situate on the first North Fork of Lemon Creek, located on the 26th day of July, 1895, and the 26th day of July, 1895, respectively, and recorded in the office of the Mining Recorder for the Slocan City Mining Division of the West Kootenay District; to recover the sum of \$628.30, and also interest on \$24.80 at 5 per centum per annum from the 17th day of May, 1902, until payment, besides sheriff's poundage, officer's fees, and all other incidental expenses; all of which I shall expose for sale, or sufficient thereof to satisfy said judgment debt and costs, at my office next to the Court House, in the City of Nelson, B.C., on Saturday, the 28th day of February, 1903, at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon.

NOTE - Intending purchasers will satisfy themselves as to interest and title of the said defendant, Percy Dickinson.

Dated at Nelson, B.C., 19th February, 1903. S. P. TUCK, Sheriff of South Kootenay.

Kootenay Lake General Hospital Society.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING. IN accordance with the By-laws of the Society, the Annual General Meeting will be held in the Board of Trade Rooms on TUESDAY, MARCH 10th, at 8 p.m.

MEMBERSHIP CONDITIONS. All annual subscribers of the sum of Ten Dollars are members of the Society, eligible to take part in the election of directors for the ensuing term, and in case of illness are entitled to free treatment in the Hospital. GEORGE JOHNSTONE, Secretary.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE EAST WARD. Ladies and Gentlemen:

At the solicitation of a large number of electors, I have consented to be a candidate for Alderman to fill the vacancy in the East Ward consequent upon the unseating of Alderman Chris. Morrison, and I respectfully request your vote and influence. JAS. A. GILKER. Nelson, February 18th, 1903.