

A SUCCESSFUL LIAR.

Wilson was out of health and out of spirits, and a physician advised him to go away. When he asked where, the physician waved his hand, meaning anywhere. So Wilson went into the orchard region of the southwest country, riding an easy going horse that he might loiter along the way and breathe the scent of the apple bloom.

Inquiry brought him to a restful place among the hills, a small, home-like tavern, an ancient house, moss covered on the north side. Here he sat down to rest—and it was restful—the soft air, the mysterious woods, and a great spring of white water that burst with passion from under a rock.

This was all charming enough, but to one of Wilson's sensitiveness the people were annoying. The fewness of strangers rendered the natives inquisitive, and immediately upon the arrival of a visitor they at once set about to discover his business and the source of his income. Had this been done with bluntness it would not have been so annoying to Wilson. He detested insinuation.

Shortly after his arrival he was sitting in the "best room," in the presence of several local men, who hemmed and hawed at him, and glanced at one another. Presently a tall, gaunt fellow, with beard streaked with sunlight and shadow, looked up and said: "Don't reckon it's much use to ask if you are a stranger in these here parts?"

"Not much," replied Wilson. "Mout have come from a putty good distance?"

"Yes."
"Well, about how fur?"
"See that hill off yonder?"
"Yes; it's plain enough."
"Well, I came from further than that."

A silence fell, and the men smoked their tobacco and spat into the great fireplace, and after a time another one, holding the importance of a reserve force, spoke up: "I take it that you aint a farmer?"

"Whatever you feel like taking help yourself," said Wilson, and the reserve force cleared his throat. But he knew the duties of his position, and was not ready to retire.

"Of course," he said, "it is necessary—or, leastwise, we think so—for a man to have some sort of business. Don't you think so?"

"Either that or he ought to be a pretty skillful thief," said Wilson.

"Yes; that's what we think. And you have some sort of business, eh?"
"Yes; a very flourishing business."
"May I ask what it is?"
"Certainly, I am—am traveling for a factory that makes cork legs and arms."

They smoked on, and glanced at one another, and Wilson, looking round, saw a girl standing near the door. He had caught sight of her once before, as she swept like a vision from the dairy across the yard. She did not shrink as he looked at her now; her brown eyes met his, and he felt that his starving nerves were feasting as he gazed upon her.

"I reckon you have come here to take orders," said the reserve force.

"Yes, that's my business."
The men fled out, leaving Wilson with the girl, who still stood near the door; and when they were gone she came forward timidly, but with a sweep, and stood at his elbow.

"My father lives over on the hill," she said, and then looked to gaze into his eyes. He owns this place, but lets mother and me run it, because he can't get about very well, and don't want to be in anybody's way. He lost a leg in the army, and I want you to have him one made and brought up here."

She was so earnest that Wilson had not the heart to tell her that he was a liar, that he had never seen a cork leg, so he replied: "Yes, I will go over and see him—with you."

They went over, and talked with the old fellow, and while they were there up stumped the owner of an orchard whose fruit brought a good income and said that he wanted a leg; and before long a man named Hicks ordered a right arm for himself and a left arm for his brother. A regiment from this community had led one of the most desperate charges upon Buller during the South African war, and had returned—those who returned at all—in a crippled condition.

Wilson had now gone too far to retreat. The girl got into a cart with him, and drove him into another neighborhood, where he took orders for six legs and four arms; and then drove down the valley and took more orders.

And he found an interest in the work. Sometimes his conscience would reproach him, but the sweetness of the girl's face and the brightness of her eyes made him forget his perfidy; and so the time grew, like the mellowing of an apple, and at last he found that he must return to the great wilderness called a city. He bid her good-bye, at night, the moon in her eyes, and he kissed her, and, without a word, hastened away, with a sweet sadness in his heart.

The weeks passed, and he sat in an office—a miserable employment, obtained for him by influential friends—and his hands were at work; but his mind was in Devon, and down in his heart he saw a girl with the moon in her eyes. But he could not return to the hills—he had deceived those simple people. Was there no way to put himself right?

He sprang out of his chair. Why couldn't he execute those orders? There must be a cork-leg factory somewhere in the city. He would investigate. He found a place—quite a large establishment—and told the manager what he had done. He had the orders with him.

A liberal commission was allowed him, and a litter was sent with him to try on the arms and legs. The girl's father stepped proudly down to the little inn, and a fellow who had just tried on an arm swore, in his delight, that he could throw stones.

And again Wilson and the girl stood in the moonlight, and her lips, murmuring sweetness, were turned upward. He thought of the weary hours in his office and the dullness of life without her, she inspired him with rest; she was the spirit of the wooded hills.

"And will you be gone so long this time?" she innocently asked. And with all her innocence and frankness she sometimes touched him gently with embarrassment.

"Not if I knew I could sell any more of my goods about here," he replied; and she sighed softly.

"Uncle Matt has begun work at a sawmill in Newton Abbott," she said, and he murmured "yes" to relieve the growing embarrassment, wondering what Uncle Matt had to do with his early return. She sighed again and continued:

"Uncle Matt isn't a careful man, and a sawmill is a dangerous place to work, and after a while—a short while—knowing him as well as I do, he might need an arm. Don't you think you might come up and see."
That was enough, and the smiling moon veiled her face for a moment with a floating fleece.

This all took place more than several years ago. Wilson is now one of the principal owners of the establishment, and he told me the other day that he was just about to leave home for a time, to establish a cork leg factory in South Africa.—O. R., in Illustrated Bits.

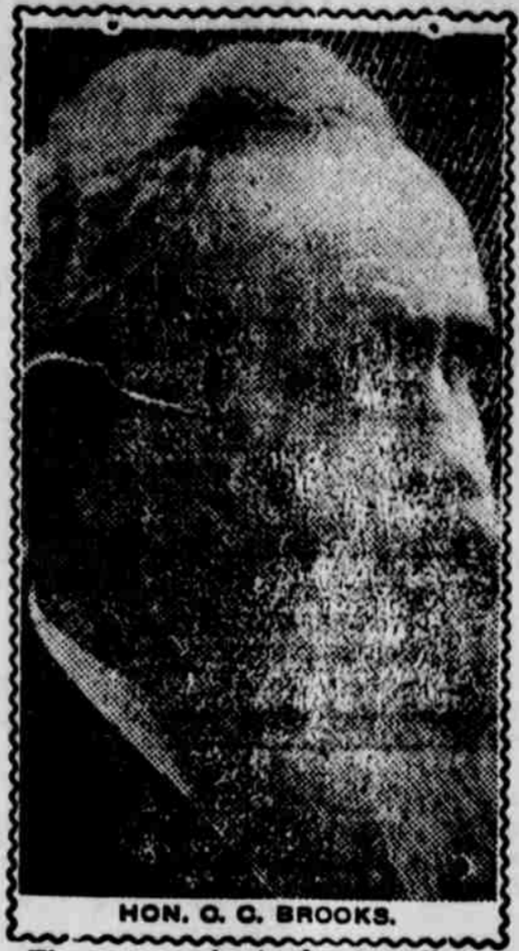


Easy Work.
Kind Old Man—Here is a quarter that will help you any. But why don't you learn a trade?
Begger—Say, boss, dis is de best trade I know of.
Senator Tillman probably earns more money every year on the lecture platform than any other American who talks to the public for pay. From an authoritative source the statement comes that the South Carolinian's net proceeds thus far this year from the lecture tour are \$25,000. Senator Tillman is paid from \$250 to \$500 a lecture and he is constantly in demand.
It is easy to go to the top if you can get in the elevator.

MAYOR OF SUNBURY Says Pe-ru-na is a Good Medicine.

Hon. C. C. Brooks, Mayor of Sunbury, Ohio, also Attorney for Farmers' Bank and Sunbury Building and Loan Co., writes:

"I have the utmost confidence in the virtue of Peruna. It is a great medicine. I have used it and I have known many of my friends who have obtained beneficial results from its use. I cannot praise Peruna too highly."



HON. C. C. BROOKS.
There are a host of petty ailments which are the direct result of the weather.

This is more true of the excessive heat of summer and the intense cold of winter, but is partly true of all seasons of the year.

Whether it be a cold or a cough, catarrh of the head or bowel complaint, whether the liver be affected or the kidneys, the cause is very liable to be the same.

The weather slightly deranges the mucous membranes of the organs and the result is some functional disease. Peruna has become a standby in thousands of homes for minor ailments of this sort.

Ask Your Druggist for Free Peruna Almanac for 1907.

One Place Without Divorces.

Divorces are practically unknown in the reigning house of Russia. True, the Grand Dukes Paul and Cyril have married divorcees, the wife of Cyril being Princess Victoria Nelita of Great Britain, who was formerly the consort of the Grand Duke of Hesse; while Grand Duke Paul is wedded to the ex-wife of his former aide-de-camp, Gen. Baron Pistolkors. But I can not recall any case since the days of Peter the Great of a member of the house of Romanoff obtaining a release from the bonds of matrimony by means of divorce. There is a reason for this. The Russian church is terribly strict about granting divorces, being almost as bitterly opposed thereto as the Roman Catholic church.

PILES CURED IN 6 TO 14 DAYS.
PAZO OINTMENT is guaranteed to cure any case of Itching, Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles in 6 to 14 days or money refunded. 50c.

National Wealth.
In 1860 the total value of all property in the United States was ascertained to be approximately \$12,000,000,000 which included slaves.

By 1900, and after slave values had been wiped out, the total property value of the United States was \$88,517,406,755, showing an increase of more than \$76,000,000,000 in forty years.

By 1904 the total property value of the United States had increased to \$107,004,211,917, which was more than \$18,000,000,000 in excess of what it was in 1900.

So that in four years, from 1900 to 1904, the total value of property in the United States increased by one and a half times what it was, covering a period of eighty-four years since the foundation of this government from 1776 to 1860.

On the occasion of the last birthday anniversary of the King of Italy a letter-carrier was remembered with an increase of pay. The man, whose name is Domenico Siliola, has been in the service at Rogliano for the last sixty years, is 80 years old, blind, and still attends to his duties, with the assistance of a grandchild.

TRY THEM FREE



I Want to Prove to You That Trusight Spectacles Are the Best You Ever Wore.

Simply Send Me Your Name.

I will send you my perfect Trusight Eye Tester with which you can test your own eyes as well as the most skilled optician. When you return the tester with your test I will send you a pair of Genuine Trusight Spectacles that will surely fit you on 6 days' free trial. I won't ask for

a cent of money—no deposit—not even a reference. You wear the glasses in your own home for six days and if perfectly satisfactory in every way—if they are the best glasses you ever saw at any price—send me only \$1 and the glasses are yours. If the glasses for any reason do not suit you—if you don't believe them to be the best bargain you ever had—return them and you are out nothing. It is because I am so positive that you can see better with Trusight Spectacles than with common glasses that I want to send a pair especially fitted to your eyes on 6 days' free trial. Send for tester today. TRUSIGHT SPECTACLE CO., 623 Ridge Bldg., Kansas City, Mo.

13 WEEKS FREE Or 15 Months for Only \$1.00

The Kansas Farmer

The "old reliable" KANSAS FARMER, established in 1868, the best genuine agricultural weekly paper in the West. It solves the problems for the busy farmer. It helps and interests every member of the farmer's family. It has 12 regular departments. Its contributors are expert authorities. It contains 24 to 32 pages each week. Sent on trial three months free. Test it. Clip the coupon below.

THE KANSAS FARMER CO.,
Topeka, Kansas.

I accept your trial offer to new subscribers to send me the KANSAS FARMER three months free. At the end of the three months I will either send \$1.00 for a full year from that date or write you to stop the paper, and you are to make no charge for the three months' trial.

Name.....
P. O.

VARICOCELE

A Safe, Painless, Permanent Cure GUARANTEED. 31 years' experience. No money accepted until patient is well. CONSULTATION and valuable BOOK FREE by mail or at office. DR. C. M. COE, 915 Walnut St., Kansas City, Mo.

The Publishers Newspaper Union.
K. C. Mo., Lincoln, Neb. V IX NO. 74

VARICOCELE
A Safe, Painless, Permanent Cure GUARANTEED. 31 years' experience. No money accepted until patient is well. CONSULTATION and valuable BOOK FREE by mail or at office. DR. C. M. COE, 915 Walnut St., Kansas City, Mo.

The Publishers Newspaper Union.
K. C. Mo., Lincoln, Neb. V IX NO. 74

DR. HISOM'S COLIC CURE For Colic in Horses and Cattle

Guaranteed to Cure or Your Money Back.
ONE DOLLAR. AT YOUR DRUGGISTS.

Western Patents.
Altkier, Benjamin A., Maryville, Mo., hog trap.
Easton, Ozro J., Wellsford, Kan., traction engine.
Daub, John H., Walnut, Kan., sheet metal cutting machine.
Hampton, Wellesley R., Kansas City, Mo., heating stove.
Macklind, William R., Mineral Point, Mo., apparatus for washing barytes.
Milan, James, Kansas City, Kan., concrete wall building device.
Robertson, William W., Benton, Mo., tobacco pipe.
Smith, Mary J., Lenora, Kan., thimble attachment.

In England the Labor party is asking all the affiliated unions to double their subscriptions to the Parliamentary representation fund. It is now two cents a member.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.
Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature is on each box. 25c.

A Birmingham firm which makes a specialty of hand whistles has a metallic design reputed to "carry" a distance of two miles, which has recently been adopted by the police force in many of the large towns.

"Are you guilty?" the lawyer asked his burglar client.
"Sure," replied the prisoner, "I cracked the crib all right, but I thought from the size of your fee you might dig up a little of this unwritten law for me."—Philadelphia Ledger.

BIG FARM PAPER A WHOLE YEAR FREE.

We will send you our great farm paper absolutely free for a whole year if you will do us a small favor. Just send us names and addresses of five good farmers and enclose a 2c stamp. The Valley Farmer is a handsomely printed farm journal, established 15 years, edited by the ablest agricultural writers in the country, published on its own \$20,000 rotary magazine press by the largest publishing house in the West and read by over a quarter of a million people. Its circulation reaching every State in the Union. Address with stamp, Valley Farmer, 518 Jackson St., Topeka, Kan.

DR. COE'S SANITARIUM.



BEST INVALID'S HOME IN THE WEST.
Organized with a full staff of physicians and surgeons for treatment of all Chronic Diseases. THIRTY ROOMS for accommodation of patients.

Difficult Surgical Operations Performed with Skill and Success when Surgery is Necessary.

DISEASES OF WOMEN Well equipped to treat diseases of women. Many who have suffered for years cured at home. Special book for women FREE.

PILES PERMANENT CURE. Without knife, ligature or caustic. Accepted until patient is well. Special Book FREE.

VARICOCELE Radically Cured in Ten Days, under a Positive Guarantee. Send for Special FREE Book.

GRIPPLED CHILDREN CURED by improved methods. Trained attendants.

WRITE FOR FREE BOOK ON Club Feet, Curvature of Lung, Eye, Blin, Spine, Bare Lip, Kidney, Bladder, Epilepsy, Catarrh, Stomach Troubles, Nervous Diseases.

Patients successfully treated at home by mail. Consultation Free and confidential, at office or by letter. Thirty years' experience.

170 page Illustrated Book Free, giving much valuable information. Call at office or write to

DR. C. M. COE, KANSAS CITY, MO. OFFICE, 915 WALNUT ST.

PILES CURED WITHOUT THE KNIFE

Fistula, Pile, Bleeding, Itching, Ulceration, Constipation and all Rectal Diseases Specially Cured Guaranteed. Send for Booklet. DR. M. NEY SMITH, Specialist, 212 Pine St., ST. LOUIS, MO. Established in St. Louis in 1890.

TAPE-WORM

Expelled alive in 24 hours, or so. No fasting. Large pamphlet for sale. DR. M. NEY SMITH, Specialist, 212 Pine St., St. Louis, Mo.

PRIVATE HOME for confinement cases. Adoption. Beautiful grounds and building. Location and surroundings very exclusive. Strictly ethical. For full particulars address

U. S. G. Hughes, M. D., 1514 Main St. KANSAS CITY, MO.

CONSUMPTION BOOK SENT FREE

A valuable book which tells how to cure Consumption in your own home. Write for it. VonKorman's Cure Co., 1644 Water St., Baltimore, Md.

Germany leads the world in the production of chemicals. The total output for the year amounts to \$367,000,000. This includes a million tons of sulphuric acid and half a million tons of soda.

The greatest lengths in miles of the Great Lakes in the United States are: Lake Superior, 290 miles; Lake Michigan, 345 miles; Lake Huron, 270 miles; Lake Erie, 250 miles, and Lake Ontario, 190 miles.

The remarkable growth of Japanese owned and operated steamers is due largely to the subsidizing of Japanese steamers by the Japanese government. This subsidizing enables the Japanese lines to maintain their service with low freight rates that cannot be met by the British companies.

Deafness Cannot be Cured by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; and cures out of ten are caused by Catarrh which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars free.

F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, Price 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation