

UNCLE SAM POSTED ON SPIES

Experience in War of the Rebellion Comes Useful Now.

STORY OF A FAMOUS FEMALE SPY

Successfully Penetrated the Union Lines and Deceived the Officers—Her Disguise Removed by a Jilted Lover.

Spanish spies appeared upon the scene of action promptly after the declaration of war. Several suspects have been arrested. One of the captives confessed his guilt by committing suicide in jail at Washington.

The spy system is generally believed to be managed by the staff of the Spanish minister accredited to Canada. The results are not, however, so profitable to Spain.

One of the noted spies of the confederacy is reported dying in a Chicago hospital. In the heyday of her youth and beauty she was Miss Charlotte Moore, a native of Oxford, O., and fascinated Ambrose E. Burnside, then a student there.

It was to General Burnside that years afterward, when she was a prisoner in Cincinnati, she made a confession of her work as a spy in the confederate cause.

The Clarks were living in Ohio when the civil war broke out and they were known as northern sympathizers. One of the visitors at their house about that time was Walker Taylor, a confederate spy.

She disguised herself as an Irish woman, won the sympathy of an Irish federal soldier and was passed through the federal lines. She delivered the dispatches to a confederate whom she met on the road, and whom she had previously known, although he did not know her at the time.

When she was on her way back, as the train neared Cincinnati, the stations were notified that a female spy was on board who must be captured. Mrs. Clarke had taken a seat behind General Leslie Combs, ex-governor of Kentucky, a union man.

She was questioned and she acknowledged having journeyed through Canada and having met there two Americans who were very much interested in the southern cause. She gave at much information concerning their plans as she remembered and so ingratiated herself with the officers, who pitied her evident ill-health, that when Lincoln made his journey to review the Army of the Potomac at Fredericksburg, she was found in the president's carriage.

Her charm did the rest, and on arriving at the camp General McClellan, knowing she had come in the presidential party, gave her a pass through the union lines to Richmond. When the mistake was discovered Stanton, the secretary of war, sent her like a madman, and offered a reward of \$10,000 for that confederate female spy, dead or alive.

Having reached her destination and delivered the dispatches and information entrusted to her, Mrs. Clarke turned her face toward Cincinnati. She came back through the northeastern part of Kentucky, across Louisiana county, and down through Mount Sterling and Pikeville. Here she struck the story, the guard sent word to General Milroy and the pickets halted the carriage and refused to let her pass.

After hearing her story, the guard sent word to General Milroy that an English lady, very much making her way north from the Virginia Springs, wished to pass through the union lines. The answer came to send the invalid to headquarters. General Milroy felt the case was a matter for the surgeon, not for himself, and he accordingly called up his medical director, a man very proud of his wisdom and ability, who ordered the stranger taken to the hospital.

When they reached the hospital the English lady persisted she was not able to walk without assistance. Two attendants were brought out and she was carried in a chair to the surgeon's office. Here the officer asked her the precise nature of her ailment, and was told that it was rheumatism. The physician proceeded to make an examination. He raised the interesting stranger's arm, and while her face wore an expression of misery the short, sharp scraping of the bones could be distinctly heard.

Next the physician placed his ear to the invalid's heart, and clearly heard the ominous sound of disorder there. Mrs. Clarke had not studied the art of mimicry for nothing. The surgeon was convinced that the stranger was all that she represented herself, and that she was really in a very serious condition. She was carried down stairs to her carriage, and on recommendation of his medical adviser General Milroy issued a pass which brought her in safety to Cincinnati.

Trapped. Burnside, who was now a general, and in command in Cincinnati, had heard here were spies in all sections of the country and issued orders for them to be brought in. The house of Clarke was reported as headquarters for southern sympathizers. An agent of Burnside went there as a visitor in sympathy with the southern cause, and interrogated himself to the confidence of Mrs. Moore, the mother of Mrs. Clarke, and her unmarried daughter. When these women went away one day by steamer Burnside's man was with them, and before the women reached their destination, Memphis, they were under arrest. In Miss Moore's trunk were quilts, quinine and opium, which she had hoped to smuggle south. The women were brought back to Cincinnati and taken to the Burnside house. The officer had just returned from this unpleasant duty when another lady was ushered into his office. She was very nervous and excited, and explained that she was an English woman, in very bad health, traveling from the Virginia Springs to Arkansas in search of relief. She was a stranger, she said, and, hearing that two ladies had just been arrested as spies, she hastened to ask for protection from such a possible misfortune to herself, and also for a pass to proceed on her way. She had hoped to find a few days' rest here, but this continued excitement was worse than the fatigue of travel. A few moments' silence followed this explanation, then the officer turned to the visitor and said:

"You have forgotten me, but I still remember with pleasure the hours I used to spend with you in Oxford."

"The remembrance of this devotion to the belle of Oxford years before, while a student at Miami University, had enabled the officer to penetrate the disguise of her false sister. This raised a storm of protest, but all to no avail. The officer was firm, and

TWILIGHT OF A BUSY LIFE

Lengthening Shadows Darken the Pathway of a Famous Woman Novelist.

EVENTFUL CAREER OF MRS. SOUTHWORTH

The Author of More Popular Novels Than Any Other Woman in the United States—Extraordinary Literary Labors.

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