

THE "GOOD FELLOW" WIFE

The details of the Brokaw divorce suit seem to furnish the epilogue to a story we frequently meet with in the 10 cent magazines and, at times, in real life.

Mr. Brokaw is apparently the type of man that wants his wife to be "a good fellow," a "chum," a sharer of his every masculine interest.

In the 10 cent magazine stories the girl "chum" and the young man who likes a woman with the tastes of a male hit it off beautifully to-

gether. There is nothing to cause the slightest criticism. But that is probably because the writer never carries them beyond the marriage ceremony.

For the rest of the story we must look in the newspapers with their records of divorce cases. We must look particularly in the details of those cases which are particularly exploited on account of the financial prominence of one of the persons concerned.

There we see that this "chum," this "good fellow" theory of a help-mate too frequently leads to a state of things which may be described as a competition to see which of the wedded pair can drink the most liquor, be the most extravagant, seek pleasure with the most avidity, live up, in a word, most conscientiously to that exalted standard known as "having a high old time."

We likewise see that this sort of "good fellowship" conducts by easy stages to a divorce court. When a man and woman take the peculiar view of their relations which is involved in the adoption of the "good fellowship" idea, when they regard marriage as a sort of institution for promoting unlimited indulgence, they very quickly reach the conclusion that when the pleasure palls, as mere pleasure inevitably does, there is no particular reason for remaining together.

There is a certain element of poetic justice in the troubles that ensue. The woman who consents to be less than a womanly woman because she is married and the man who demands that his wife shall combine with the respectability of her position the liberal views of certain little respected types of women both deserve all the annoyances to which their relations lead.

Of all the equivocal compliments which the man who has seen something of life and is capable of judging it can pay to a woman the compliment that she is a "good fellow" is perhaps the least flattering. It puts her in a class in which he would hardly like to see his own woman relatives figure.

Still, we suppose the 10 cent magazines will continue to present the story without the epilogue. The idea makes a great appeal to the thoughtless, who are always in the majority. Only a few people will see that the continuation of the tale is in the newspapers and that its moral is that the highest duty of a woman is to be a woman and not a half-man.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

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HE WILL STICK TO "CHAMP"

It was a New York Sun editorial on the remarks of Champ Clark that referred to the distinguished Missourian as "Beauchamp Clark." Of course, most people thought it was a bit of pleasantry, and didn't think that "Beauchamp," or, as the Eng-

lish would say, "Beecham," really was Clark's name. And yet, such is the truth, according to one of his close friends. It was asserted that he was christened "James Beauchamp Clark," but he decided to drop both the "James" and the "Beau," and become plain "Champ." It has been suggested that, as the Missourian advances in his political career, he really ought to resume those other names, but the assertion is made that he will remain "Champ" until the end, and will not change the title, even when he sits in the presidential chair.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

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