

BECAUSE SHE LOVES HIM SO

Secret of Mrs. R. H. Ralston's Flying Trip from Denver to Omaha.

BRINGS FUNDS FOR HER SWEETHEART

Embarrassing Effect of Hecht's Letter, Which Said He Was in Jail and Needed the Money at Once.

It is probable that Charles Hecht and his brother, Fred, wherever they may be today, are entertaining melancholy reflections upon the vagaries of a woman's heart.

The woman in the case is Mrs. R. H. Ralston of Denver, a widow, young, dashing and comely. She is in love with Fred Hecht, or was, and he at last accounts returned her affection.

"I know her," said Fred. "She's got the stuff and she'll let go of \$250 before she'll see me go over the road."

More Than He Expects.

But right here is where Fred disclosed his ignorance of a woman's heart. It was right in assuming that she loved him, but he underestimated that love.

She arrived in the city last Thursday and upon the Millard hotel register of that day appears the name, "Mrs. R. H. Ralston, Denver, Colo."

"But he might have given another name," she suggested. "The desk sergeant told her that that was possible."

"Well, then, I'll have to describe him to you. He's a young man of about 25, slender, quite handsome, with a blonde mustache, a neat dresser and always wears patent leather shoes. His hair is brown and curly and—"

For two days detectives searched for the Hechts, but failing to find them, learning only that they had been seen recently in several familiar haunts.

"For eighteen months," he said, "I walked the streets of Chicago in search of my children who couldn't get any. My three children were starving to death. I'd come home footsore and tired only to find starvation and misery staring me in the face. My wife became a puny little woman, only the shadow of her former self. My children showed the effect my hard luck had on them. They, too, became weak and sickly."

"My wife could stand it no longer. She wanted to kill herself. On several occasions she told me that she intended to commit suicide. I persuaded her not to do such a thing for the sake of our children. She said she would throw herself under a train and have her head cut off. Other times she threatened to drown herself."

"One day I came home, my hopes of securing a position blasted. I told my troubles to my wife. The depression affected her. We talked over matters and saw no way in which we could make both ends meet. Then she made a proposition to me."

"Stanslaus," she said, "I want to die. You kill me and then kill yourself. We'll both be out of trouble then and the children will be placed in an asylum. It will be better for all concerned."

"I considered the matter and decided to do as she requested. I went to my bedroom and got my revolver. I asked her if she was still of the same mind and she said she was. Then I fired. She fell over dead. I looked at her and then remembered my part of the bargain. I turned the gun on myself. Two bullets entered the lower part of my body."

"That is my story. I killed her, but only at her request. I thought it better for both of us to die together than to have her ground to pieces under a railroad train. I am willing to take any punishment you may inflict."

The judge was the first to break the quiet which followed the story. He told the prisoner that in consideration of his plea of guilt the death penalty would not be inflicted. The court fixed his punishment at imprisonment in the penitentiary for fourteen years.

COURT ROOMS ARE VACANT

Judges Complete Business of Immediate Import and Take Short Breathing Spell.

There has come a lull in business at the federal court, both judges being absent from the city. Judge W. H. Munger has gone to Platte, Neb., for a visit with relatives and will return in a few days.

If warm weather makes you feel weary you may be sure your system needs cleansing. Use Prickly Ash Bitters before the hot weather arrives; it will put the stomach, liver and bowels in order and help you through the heated term.

Seasonable Fashions



2843 Yoke Waist, \$2 to 40 in. bust.

Woman's Yoke Waist, No. 2842, to Be Made with or Without the Fitted Lining—Yoke waists are much liked and have the merit of suiting many figures to a nicety.

The pattern is cut in sizes for 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44, 46, 48, 50, 52, 54, 56, 58, 60, 62, 64, 66, 68, 70, 72, 74, 76, 78, 80, 82, 84, 86, 88, 90, 92, 94, 96, 98, 100.

For the accommodation of The Bee's readers these patterns, which usually retail from 25 to 50 cents, will be furnished at a nominal price, 10 cents, which covers all expense. In order to get any pattern enclose 10 cents, give number and name of pattern wanted and bust measure. Allow about ten days from date of your letter before beginning to look for the pattern.

Address Pattern Department, Omaha Bee.

MAXWELL TALKS IRRIGATION

Address Before Real Estate Exchange on Reclamation of Arid Lands.

MEANS A GREAT INCREASE IN WEALTH

Omaha is a Natural Stronghold in the Irrigation Movement—Organization for Concerted Action is Needed at Once.

George H. Maxwell, the irrigation promoter, spoke to the members of the Real Estate exchange at the regular weekly luncheon yesterday, presenting the outlines of the proposed organization in this city to further the project of irrigation of western government lands by means of a network of reservoirs to prevent the waste of water in the rainy seasons and provide for its use at proper seasons for the purpose of irrigation.

Mr. Maxwell went more into detail in his address than in any of the former addresses here on that subject and aroused unmistakable enthusiasm. He began by the declaration that Omaha is looked upon as one of the strongholds of the irrigation movement, but said that heretofore the Commercial club had been the sole active factor, all the work that had been done having been done on a commercial view of the possibilities of the proposed improvements.

What Can Be Accomplished.

Mr. Maxwell drew a graphic picture of the wealth that could be made to accrue from the quantity of land now irrigated and the present and prospective value of the land now being irrigated.

Mr. Maxwell said it is his belief that a business proposition for this government to irrigate this large tract of land as it were for Holland to build its system of dikes to keep back the sea, or for England to carry on its extensive irrigation works in India, or as was the damming of the Nile, Uncle Sam owns this large tract of land, the water necessary for irrigation is there and going to waste and he should not be so stupid as to let it go.

Should Be National. The speaker dwelt especially on the desirability of making the redemption of the lands a national movement, not influenced by state lines. He referred to the Cheyenne irrigation conference, proposing to use the money from the sales of government lands in each state for irrigation works within the state.

Big Muddy is Receding. Weather Bureau No Longer Looks with Anxious Eye upon the River.

The weather office has ceased to look with an anxious eye upon the river, as that body of water shows no further disposition to swell. At Kansas City, where real danger existed, there has been a fall of four inches and the decrease has been still greater at points north.

Didn't Marry for Money. The Boston man, who lately married a sickly Irish young woman, is happy now, for he got Dr. King's New Life Pills, which restored her to perfect health.

Yes! It's Hot enough—for every one to wear a straw hat, especially the kind we are showing—all the new styles and colors and the prices range from the cheapest to the most expensive.

C. H. Frederick 120 S. 15th St.

The Apollo Self Playing—PIANO ATTACHMENT is no doubt the best in the market—its claims for public patronage are several.

A. Hospe, Music and Art. 1513-1515 Douglas.

HOPING FOR ENGLISH ESTATE

Pennsylvania Descendant of Sir Francis Drake Considers with Mayor Moore.

Sir Francis Drake's heirs are loose in the land again and are renewing the struggle for the billions which are supposed to be waiting in England for the people who can prove that their veins contain the blood of the great English sailor.

Mayor Moore received a letter from Mrs. Maggie Drake Lyda of Carnegie, Pa., asking for information concerning Mr. Corry of Omaha, who is supposed to be looking up the heirs of the great Sir Francis.

HEAVY TRADE WITH ORIENT

American Products Are Used in Ever Increasing Amounts in the Land of the Rising Sun.

Statistics recently gathered by the railroads of the Northern Pacific road traffic to the Orient, trade and the possibilities for its development show that during the last five years American products of the imports of Asia and Oceania have increased 40 per cent, while the exports from this country to that region have grown 125 per cent, marvelous advance.

Each year the United States now sends to the East Indies goods to the value of \$48,000,000, while in 1894 it was \$25,000,000. At the same time \$16,000,000 of sugar is coming here from the Hawaiian islands as compared with \$5,000,000 in 1895. Nearly 100,000,000 pounds of tea are now taken annually from China and Japan, while the same countries supply Americans with about 25,000,000 pounds of silk a year.

ELBOURN WINS DAMAGE SUIT

Wabash Railroad Must Pay for Injuries to Little Son of City Clerk.

City Clerk W. H. Elbourn has secured a verdict of \$3,000 against the Wabash Railway company for injuries which his infant son, Homer, sustained while in a wreck near Millersburg, Ind. Action was brought against the company a short time after the wreck and the verdict was rendered yesterday in the district court.

WOMEN FIGHT A CONSTABLE. Officer Hensel of Justice Long's Court Has an Interesting Encounter.

Alvin R. Hensel, constable of Justice Long's court, is somewhat disfigured as the result of a hand-to-hand contest with a truly enraged woman at Twelfth and California streets Tuesday afternoon returning from Duquesne, N. Y., at the time of the accident. The rail spread while the Wabash train on which they were riding was running at full speed. The entire train was thrown down a high embankment. Mrs. Elbourn and the child were thrown into the top of the car and the baby was badly cut about the face and head by broken glass.

COST OF ASPHALT REPAIRS. Ninth and sixteenth streets has been maintained for seventeen years at an expense of \$14,401.35, or an average yearly price of 5.8 cents for each yard of paving.

SHOWS THE AVERAGE YEARLY EXPENSE. In Recent Years the City Pays for its Asphalt Maintenance on the European Plan Instead of by Blanket Contract.

KNIGHTS FROM THE FAR WEST. Commander for California Has Arranged for Participation in Triennial Conclave at Louisville.

Don't Fool With Your Eyes. Headache Caused by Eye Strain. Many persons whose heads are constantly aching have no idea what relief scientifically fitted glasses will give them.

THE H. J. PENFOLD CO. LEADING SCIENTIFIC OPTICIANS. 1408 FARNAM ST. Opp. Paxton Hotel.

All Kinds Misses' Shoes. We've always had a big trade on our misses' \$1.50 shoes—Besides these we have a complete line at \$1.75—\$2.25 and \$2.50—The largest line of misses' shoes in Omaha—Every size and every width so that we can fit any foot—and we fit them as growing feet should be fit—so they have a chance to grow as nature intends they should grow—We have a line of child's sizes at \$1.75 and misses' sizes at \$2.25 in a lightweight calf or vicil kid with a genuine welted sole—that are without doubt the best shoe value ever offered for the money.

Drexel Shoe Co. Catalogue sent Free for the Asking Omaha's Up-to-date Shoe House. 1418 FARNAM STREET.

The Leonard Cleanable. Is the refrigerator which you can put in it anything that has an odor, together with milk and butter, leaving the two latter in open vessels without contamination. It needs no weekly scrubbing and scalding and it saves ice. In the end it costs less than so-called refrigerators that are sold for less money. The Queen Ice cream freezer is the one we sell because it's best and the price is \$1.25 up. We sell a good screen door for 98c. Lawn mowers \$2.75 to \$4.25, lawn hose \$c, 10c and 15c a foot. Fine water coolers \$1.75 up. Lawn sprinklers 25c. No store in Omaha gives you such value for your money as we do.

A. C. RAYMER Builders Hardware and Tools. 1514 Farnam St.



Mill and Factory Sale of Waists, Skirts, Etc.

- 149 for \$5.00 Silk Shirt Waists. 198 for Shirt Waist Suits. 59c for \$1.25 Shirt Waists. 198 for Ladies' Golf Skirts. 75c for \$1.50 Shirt Waists. 298 for Wash Frocks and Costumes. 49c for Wash Skirts. 150 for Misses' Tailor-Made Suits. 98c for Denim Wash Skirts. 750 for Ladies' \$17.50 Tailored Suits.

Mill and Factory Bargains for Thursday Are

- Greater Than Ever. Every corner in the basement is filled with grand values. 10,000 yards Shirting Prints, yd. 2 1/2c. Best Standard Turkey Red and White Prints, yd. 3 1/2c. Fine Chambray Gingham, worth 12 1/2c—5c. Short remnants of all kinds—Lawn—1c. Fine Lawn and Dimity—yard 3 1/2c. White Nainsook—yard 3 1/2c. 36-inch Silkoline—yard 5c. Lonsdale and Fruit of the Loom Muslin—yard 5c.

Mill and Factory Bargains on the Main Floor

- Embroidery and insertion in all styles and widths, worth up to 25c, go at 1 1/2c, 3c, 5c and 7 1/2c. Ladies' vests, ribbed and lace effect lisle-thread, worth up to 6c, 10c, 15c 50c each, go at 6c. Ladies' and men's all pure linen hem-stitched and lace edged handkerchiefs, fine quality, worth 25c, each 10c. Summer corsets, worth 75c go at 25c and 39c.

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