

# Curious Capers of Dan Cupid

**Love Lifts the Age Bar.**  
EIGHTY-ONE-YEAR-OLD Lee M. Smith of Denver, Colo., and 69-year-old Miss Luelia Cook of Fort Collins, Colo., were married in the office of the marriage license clerk by Alderman Perkins at Wilkesbarre, Pa., last week.

The wedding is the culmination of a romance which began when they were young folks and Smith was a student of Wilkesbarre.

They knew and liked each other very well then, but the difference in their ages at that time seemed so great that they did not think of marrying.

Smith went west thirty-one years ago, and has prospered. Recently he began to long for a partner to share the remainder of his life. He came east, found Miss Cook still unmarried and was accepted after a short courtship.

**Between the Acts.**  
A romance between acts was that of Byron L. Burdette and Miss Beattie Bryan, whose marriage was announced last week by the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Burdette of Lafayette, Ind. Young Burdette and Miss Bryan were members of the cast in the play "Crowning the Prince" which was presented by young people at Bethany park.

Between acts and while waiting their cue Burdette and Miss Bryan spent the time in making love behind the scenes. At a certain part of the play neither one of them had to appear for some time, so the couple selected this period as a very opportune time for slipping away and getting married. This they did without going out of the park and while the performance was still going on. No one ever guessed their secret until the announcement was made by Burdette's parents. Burdette is an evangelistic singer and he and his bride will live in Chicago.

**An Ancient Tortoise.**  
A living creature that has trod the earth, however slightly, since the days of the Spanish Armada, is an object of no common degree of interest. Such a creature has just passed away peacefully in London in the possession of a venerable tortoise of the Zoological Gardens, supposed to be nearly 400 years old.

The tortoise was captured in the Galapagos islands toward the end of the eighteenth century, says the Literary Digest. At this time the scanty inhabitants of this archipelago regarded him as a bi-centenarian, relying on a date cut into his shell with a knife, which though half effaced, appeared to begin with a 16. From this it was inferred that he had been first captured in the seventeenth century by some wild archipelagoer, relying on a date cut into his shell with a knife, which though half effaced, appeared to begin with a 16. From this it was inferred that he had been first captured in the seventeenth century by some wild archipelagoer, relying on a date cut into his shell with a knife, which though half effaced, appeared to begin with a 16. From this it was inferred that he had been first captured in the seventeenth century by some wild archipelagoer, relying on a date cut into his shell with a knife, which though half effaced, appeared to begin with a 16.

**Crowd Sees Bride Away.**  
Robert Miller of Janesville, Wis., advertised for a wife in a local paper. The answer arrived in the person of Miss Eliza Kent of Fort Atkinson, who wrote Miller that the proposition looked good to her and that he could expect her in five days. Miller sent her picture and to make identification more positive said that she would wear two large red roses in the front of her hat.

Miller was so elated over the good news

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## Gossip and Stories About People of Note

**New Head of the Grand Army.**  
GENERAL ROBERT B. BROWN of Janesville, O., the new commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, is a Buckeye by birth and 61 years of age. He enlisted in the 10th Ohio volunteer infantry, in 1861, he spent then but 16 years of age. He has a pension record as a soldier. He remained in the service for more than four years, was severely wounded while in action before Atlanta, Ga., and received a medal of honor for distinguished and meritorious service.

General Brown has been one of the staunchest and ablest supporters of the Grand Army of the Republic since the time of its organization. He has served as post commander of the Department of Ohio (from which honor he derives his title of general), as member and chairman of the national pension committee, Grand Army of the Republic, and has filled other national and department positions. He was the founder of the Ohio Soldiers' and Sailors' home at Sandusky, and served twelve years as trustee of that institution. He is a splendid orator, is of imposing personal appearance, is virile and energetic in his style, and is constantly in demand as a speaker for Grand Army assemblies and camp fires throughout Ohio and neighboring states.

For many years General Brown has been the managing editor of the Janesville Courier. He is a prominent member of the Union Veteran League.

**Boosted by an Endorsement.**  
After a long absence a fine steel engraving of Queen Victoria's husband has reappeared in the window of a little Washington book store. It had not been seen there since Thomas D. Reed was speaker. One day Mr. Reed stopped and asked the eccentric proprietor the price. He was told \$1.50 and the speaker said it was well worth the money. Later he determined to buy the engraving, but on his return failed to see it. "Where's that engraving of the prince consort I saw this morning?" he asked. "Oh, I put it away," the old man replied. "Well, I guess I'll buy it. The price is \$1.50, I believe." "No, sir; the price is \$1.50." "But it was only \$1.50 this morning," Reed insisted. "I know that," said the old man, "but since this morning it has been approved by the speaker of the house of representatives."

**Senator Bailey's Mix-Up.**  
Senator Bailey of Texas is a slow and deliberate orator, who is seldom trapped, but last week at the Texas democratic convention he was caught in amusing fashion. Colonel Campbell and Judge Brooks were rival candidates for the democratic nomination for the Texas governorship and both Senator Bailey and Senator Culberson have stood for Judge Brooks. When called upon to address the convention Senator Bailey felt impelled to tell the old story of the siege of Lucknow as an encouragement to dispirited democrats. But when he reached the traditional words of the sick girl, "Hold out, hold out just a little longer, the Campbell's are coming," the convention suddenly broke into bedlam, the Campbellites

## Tersely Told Tales Both Grim and Gay

**An Exciting Moment.**  
T THE Army and Navy club in Washington a number of veteran officers were telling stories, when General Chaffee told this anecdote of General Carr, who died in New York some years ago.

It appears that General Carr, at the outbreak of the civil war, had left Troy to take command of a regiment. The argument in which, as colonel, he first figured was at Big Bethel. His regiment had been halted for rest and refreshment in a pleasant place, and had not yet experienced the excitement of a skirmish. It happened, however, that confederate soldiers in ambush in the immediate neighborhood, and from a safe hiding place they opened fire on the northerners. Carr, so the story runs, instantly put spurs to his horse and dashed up to a group of officers. Excitement and bewilderment were apparent upon his young face, as he approached the party.

"They are firing upon my regiment!" he shouted. "My God! Now what is to be done?"—Harper's Weekly.

**Tillman's Wonderful Pamphlet.**  
When the rate bill in the senate was being hotly discussed many of the senators had their remarks printed in pamphlet form. Mr. Tillman being one of the senators who did. Senator Spooner had gotten possession of one of the printed speeches and was sitting in the senate cloak room scanning it when Senator Tillman entered. "Hello, Ben!" exclaimed the Wisconsin senator. "I wonder you never told me that you had your remarks on the rate bill printed in pamphlet. I happened to see one this morning and it contained some of the best things I have yet seen in any pamphlet on the subject." "I'm very proud you think so," said Mr. Tillman with a self-satisfied air. "And what were the things that pleased you so much?" "Why," replied Mr. Spooner, "as I passed by a pastry shop this morning on my way down I saw a girl come out with two cherry pies wrapped up in one of your works."

**His Silence Assured.**  
A certain grave and dignified senator recently took a trip around to New York by sea. A few hours out of Norfolk it came on to blow from the northeast, kicking up a nasty sea, and the ship stood fast on one end and then on the other, between times trying to roll its boilers out. The senator was dreadfully seasick.

Stepping from the stateroom he ran plump into a lady who was passing from one room to another in most embarrassing haste. The lady looked as if she would like to sink through the floor.

"Be reassured, madam," said the senator, "I shall never live to tell it."—Washington Star.

**John Mitchell's Illustration.**  
John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers, has been talking about the various methods in use at the mines for weighing coal. Of one method, a method of the past, he said:

"This method has long ago abandoned on account of its unfairness. It was most unfair. The flat and pound method, in fact, was scarcely worse.

"The flat and pound method originated, they say, in Scranton. A simple minded old lady ran a grocery store there. A man came in one day and asked for a pound of bacon. The old lady cut off a generous chunk of bacon, and then, going to weigh it, found that she had mislaid her pound weight somewhere.

"The man, seeing that there was about two pounds in the chunk cut off, said, hastily:

"'Never mind. My flat weighs a pound.'"

"And he put the bacon on one side of the scales and his flat on the other. The two, of course, just balanced.

"'It looks kind o' large,' said the man, as he tucked the meat under his arm.

"'But just then the old lady found her 'flat'—weight.

"'Ah,' she said, in a relieved voice, 'now we can prove this business. Put it on here again.'"

"'But the man wisely refrained from putting the bacon on the scales to be tested. He put on his flat again instead. And his flat, you may be sure, just balanced the pound weight.

"'The old lady was much pleased.

"'Well done,' she said, 'and here's a couple o' red herrin' for yer skill and honesty.'"

—New York Sun.

**Proof of His Skill.**  
Frank Miles Day, the well known architect and essayist of Philadelphia, stepped carefully from a Persian rug of dull green and old rose to another rug of rich blue, for the polished floor between was dark and smooth and slippery, like ice.

"'Rather a good polish there, I think,' said Mr. Day's host, a resident of Rittenhouse square.

"'Remarkably good, indeed,' said Mr. Day.

The host just then slipped and nearly fell, and the architect, with a laugh, went on:

"'A friend of mine has beautiful floors, and the other day sent for a floor polisher.

"'I want these floors polished,' he said to the man, as he led him about the house. 'They are, you perceive, fine ones. They ought to come out as lustrous as rosewood. Do you think you're capable of doing them justice? Give me some proof of your thorough competence.'"

"'That's easily done, sir,' the polisher replied. 'You just go and ask Colonel Snow, next door but one, about my work. He'll tell ye. Why, governor, on the polished floor of Colonel Snow's dining room alone five persons got broken limbs last winter, while two ladies slipped down the grand staircase during the Easter week ball and one dislocated her hip, while the other fractured three ribs. You ask Colonel Snow, sir. I polished that floor and that staircase of his.'"

—Philadelphia Ledger.

**Gives His Dad Away.**  
Recent focusing of the limelight upon ex-Senator William E. Chandler recalls an incident that took place in one of the committee rooms of the national capitol last

## Things Needed in the Invention Line

HERE are lots of chances for inventors still. It is an old saying that the simplest device is the most profitable one which proves most profitable to their originators. The field is not yet exhausted.

For instance, it is asserted that the genius who conceives a process for loading coal on ocean going steamships which will effect a saving of one-half a cent a ton over the present methods employed can get a check for \$100,000 for his idea the minute he is ready to demonstrate the practicability of his plan.

But valuable as would be such an idea, it is a question whether it would bring a larger price than a method of treating straw hats to prevent them from changing color with the weather.

There is also a demand in the American household as well in large canning establishments for an effective and rapidly working device for sealing cans. Fully fifty patents have been granted for contrivances aimed to meet this want, but the ideal has not yet been reached.

A typewriter that will do its work without the present nerve racking clicking and clacking would bring a good return to the inventor and would be as great a boon to humanity as a speechless barber.

In the airship field there is ample opportunity for fortune making, and the submarine boat can still be improved upon profitably. A flying machine that will go up and come down and a submarine that will go down and come up at the pleasure of the operator are mightily to be desired and would be of vast financial value.

The genius who contrives a motor actuated solely by the rays of the sun or the waves of the sea, and of practical use, is assured of a fortune and a niche in the Hall of Fame.

Shoe manufacturers have long sought a neat and durable substitute for leather, and they are willing to pay handsomely for a substitute for coal. One of the biggest bills of the world of civilization is its fuel bill. Cut this down a trifle a year

by any new means and a fortune surpassing Rockefeller's will be the reward.

A device that will entirely obliterate the grating mechanical sounds of the talking machine will find a dozen buyers with certified checks waiting to purchase it.

The man who devises a method of cleaning a ship's bottom without docking it will never have to work another day in his life and can take a trip abroad in his own private yacht if he desires to do so.

It is estimated that millions of dollars are locked up in waste of various kinds from factories. Any scheme that will effectually utilize this waste and save the millions will fill the coffers of the inventor with coins.

Probably 500 patents have been secured on nonreusable boxes and five times as many on nonrefillable bottles, but no one of these meets all the requirements. The inventor of the perfect thing in either of these classes will live on the fat of the land for the rest of his days.

Automatic chicken pickers and oyster shuckers are in demand.

One of the ideas upon which the inventor may exercise his ability with profitable results is if he is successful in an automatic gas cook that will shut off the flow as soon as the gas is extinguished.

There is a self-sharpening paper cutter which keeps its blade on edge through the very process of cutting paper. There is a tidy \$100,000 waiting for the man who can apply the same principle to scissors and shears.

A pen that will not corrode, a pin that will not dull, a gasoline for automobiles that will not smell, an ink that will not evaporate, coloring matter for light dress goods that will not fade, a self-lubricating saw blade, an automatically puncture closing pneumatic tire for bicycles and automobiles, a perfect smoke consumer, a device for accurately timing camera exposures, a typewriter key that will not clog, and hundreds of other schemes that will add to the comfort and economy of living, are all waiting to be brought to stage of perfection that will make them serviceable.—New York Sun.

## BECOMING A MOTHER

Is an ordeal which all women approach with indescribable fear, for nothing compares with the pain and horror of child-birth. The thought of the suffering and danger in store for her, robs the expectant mother of all pleasant anticipations of the coming event, and casts over her a shadow of gloom which cannot be shaken off. Thousands of women have found that the use of Mother's Friend during pregnancy robs confinement of all pain and danger, and insures safety to life of mother and child. This scientific liniment is a god-send to all women at the time of their most critical trial. Not only does Mother's Friend carry women safely through the perils of child-birth, but its use gently prepares the system for the coming event, prevents "morning sickness," and other discomforts of this period. Sold by all druggists at \$1.00 per bottle. Book containing valuable information free. The Bradford Regulator Co., Atlanta, Ga.