

DOVER'S KIDNAPING CASE

Mysterious Disappearance of a Four-Year-Old from Delaware Town.

TOWN AND COUNTRY SEARCHED IN VAIN

In Many Respects a Counterpart of Charles Ross Case of Thirty-Three Years Ago—Theories and Speculations.

In an interval of seven minutes, perhaps less—children are not always accurate regarding time when playing—four-year-old Horace Marvin, Jr., a pretty boy with golden hair, disappeared as if he had risen to the clouds and soared thence. For four weeks the hunt for the child has been followed into every hamlet in the United States and Canada. And it has been prosecuted vigorously.

Little Horace Marvin was playing on the haystack a few rods from the house on his father's estate, Bay Meadow farm, nine miles from Dover, Del., and a mile from Kitt's Hammock, on the Delaware bay. The stack was alongside the barn, a dilapidated sort of affair. The rear of the stack was not visible from the windows of the house. Men were near at hand all the time.

Girl Absent Seven Minutes.

Rose, Brandon's cousin of Horace Marvin, was playing with him on the haystack. Rose left Horace to call his brother, John, who was in the house with the rest of the family. Seven minutes elapsed between the time that Rose left Horace and the time she gave the alarm that she could not find him on the haystack from the house. Rose first gave the alarm to Howard Marvin, the grown half brother of the missing boy. While Rose and Horace were playing Charles Woodall and his man Butler were loading things belonging to the vacating farmer on a wagon at the barn.

Rose met Woodall and Butler driving off when she was returning from the house and found Horace gone. Howard Marvin overtook Woodall's wagon to see if the missing boy had taken a ride with the vacating farmer. Woodall did not drive to his temporary home at Kitt's Hammock, but to the nearest farm of Harry Virdin, where he stored his goods temporarily.

Father's Vain Search.

When Rose first told Howard that Horace could not be found, Grandmother Swift quickly answered, "Oh, he's out there hiding somewhere." Grandmothers always think that children and cats will come back—especially at mealtime. But this did not satisfy the father of the missing boy, nor Howard, either. Horace was the baby of the house, the apple of the father's eye. So the doctor started out to learn what he could about the child. At first he called the children and cats to see if they could be traced. He thought the child was hiding for fun from his brother and cousin, but that at the sound of the father's voice he would come forth laughingly, to show how smart he had been in fooling his playmates.

But there was no answer. The father called loudly, "Horace, come here! Come here! He's out there hiding somewhere." He crept a good part of the farm near the house where it was open. He went down to the marsh and looked and called there. Howard went toward the road lead-



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A Monologue.

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They Are Found to Be Fickle, Faithful, Jealous, Deceiving.

NOTES OF A NATURALIST ON TOPIC

He Says They Show the Same Qualities Human Beings Do, with Polymnists, Polyandrites and Devoted Couples Among Them.

"In the study of fishes," remarked a naturalist, "their courting habits have been somewhat neglected, but what has been observed is of much interest. In many species of fishes the male alone is ornamented with bright colors or peculiar appendages, or, as in those as much brighter in the male than in the female. Woeing the fickle female of the fish world is attended sometimes with serious danger to the wooer. As the male is nearly always smaller than the female he has, in the case of the carnivorous species, to take care that he does not make himself an attractive to the female that she cannot resist the temptation to absorb him into herself. The female pike is noted for this propensity when the whim seizes her. One of the most typical and best known examples of fish courtship is to be seen in connection with the male stickleback, who is also noted for his fidelity and displays in making a home for the eggs and young. As the breeding season approaches Mr. Stickleback becomes exceedingly brilliant.

"His eyes become a splendid green, with a peculiar metallic lustre, the throat and belly a bright crimson, the back an ashy green, while the whole body appears as though it were somewhat translucent and glowed with an internal incandescence. The female, on the contrary, has a brown and white belly, while her eyes are of a pale brown. After he has constructed the nest, or nursery, for his eggs and young, he goes to wooing. At this time the female comes out of her hiding places in the aquatic plants, and then the gay young bachelors go nearly mad with delight.

"He singles out one for his attentions. We have had the luckless rival who attempts to interfere at this stage as a fight sometimes to the death is surely on. Should one be conquered his gallant bearing forsakes him, his gay colors fade away and he attempts to hide his disgrace among his more peaceable companions. Finally the coy female is persuaded and then the newly mated couple repair to the nest, into which the female at once betakes herself and therein deposits her eggs, emerging when the operation is completed by a hole opposite to the one by which she entered. During the time she is in the nest, about six minutes, the male swims round and round, rubs his nose against it and altogether appears to be in a state of defiant excitement. But black and alas, how soon are the vows he made to his lady love forgotten!

"No sooner has she taken her departure than he at once seeks and woos another, introducing her into the nest as he did the first, and so on, wife after wife, until the nest is filled with eggs, layer upon layer. From this time on it is not safe for either male or female stickleback to approach the nest, for while vain little Mr. Stickleback may be fickle in love he is most vigilant and heroic parent when it comes to his own life to preserve his little ones from harm.

"At this stage his brilliant colors change very much, the throat and belly becoming of a paler red, the back more green, while the glowing tints of the body, which were so noticeable when he was courting, subside very materially. An ardent wooer of the fish world is the little paradise fish, which was introduced into this country from China some years ago. Both sexes are gifted with extraordinary fins. In the male the general color is much more marked than in the female. During the breeding season the males contend for the possession of the females and in the act of courtship expand their fins, which are beautifully spotted and colored, in the same manner as the peacock, the fish often bending its fins almost into a fan. After the eggs are laid the female is driven away from them and the male takes care of the eggs and the young when hatched.

"In European waters is found the dragonet (Callionymus lyra), the male of which is frequently called the gemstone dragonet, from its wonderful iridescent colors. Its body being yellow of various shades, striped and spotted with vivid blue on the head, and dorsal fins being pale brown, with dark longitudinal bands, while the ventral, anal and tail fins are bluish black. The female is brown, with dark brown and red spots, and for many years was considered an entirely distinct species, owing to the vast difference in color between the two sexes.

"In East Indian seas is found the male spangled dragonet, one of the most brilliantly colored fishes to be found in the world. Across the crown and the sides of the body are an indescribably mingled harmony of many shades of brown and blue and green, set off with light blue spots and pearl colored stripes; the anterior dorsal fin, which can be erected like a high sail, is golden yellow, studded with many blue and white spots. The body is a blend of brown and yellow, set with turquoise spots; the belly fin is like dark blue velvet sown with rows of turquoise; the pelvic fins are like golden green satin fringed with dark blue and spangled with small turquoise spots and the pectoral fins are of a delicate lavender gray, with serrated dark brown spots.

"It has been well established by observation that the males of these species do attract the females and the female can, if she likes, make a deliberate choice from among her rival suitors. Among the lower animals, when the sexes differ in color, it is almost always the male that is the more splendid. But in Callionymus carebare, another of the dragonets of East Indian waters, the female is more brightly colored, probably the only known instance of the kind among fishes. The only reasonable explanation of this great difference is that the role of the sexes is reversed in courtship and that it is the female who makes the first advances.

"The smooth blenny is a polymnist. As the breeding season approaches the male undergoes a wonderful color transformation. All the gay mottlings of yellow and brown that usually characterize the species give way to a uniform tint of deep, sooty black, the large prominent lips alone remaining nearly white, his appearance when thus attired being particularly ferocious and forbidding.

"When his rough nest is ready he goes a-wooing and by his persuasive manner induces one female after another to deposit her eggs in his nest. He is a most attentive lover to the favored one of the moment, frequently bringing a choice tidbit to her while she is on the nest. After the eggs have been deposited he becomes a most stern guardian of them and defends them with his life if necessary.

"The male of Labrus mixtus, which differs in color from the female of the same species, makes a deep hollow in the sand of the ocean bottom and then con-

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buying hay and having it placed in the mountains, wherever traces of the animals can be found in the snow.

MADRID, March 29.—(Special)—Don Antonio Maura, the leader of the conservatives in Spain, who now once more occupies the position of president of the council of ministers, has been interviewed upon the policy of the Spanish government. "The liberal party has developed, in various legislative proposals, the whole political theory of the left, but it is precisely the magnitude and importance of democratic reforms which makes all the more necessary their prompt incorporation into the national life. This has not been done and has not even been efficaciously attempted. This work re-

quires much time and demands the utmost vigilance on the part of the government and the governing classes; it is a labor intrinsically conservative. As the Spanish conservative party has never opposed the initiation of these reforms, as in its program there does not exist a single word which proclaims an intention of annulling them, or even of attenuating their effect; as, moreover, this party has frequently been distinguished by a sincere respect for the law, even for those promulgated by its opponents, it follows that when the liberals desire to differentiate themselves fundamentally from the conservatives they do not succeed in satisfying the popular aspirations, but stumble, as happened in the case of the law of associations, against the lives of a large majority of the Spaniards and even against the mistrust of not a few men of advanced ideas, who at least are well acquainted with our national genius. In the downfall of the liberal party, therefore, the truth has had a powerful influence."