HOUX FALLS' DIVORCE INDUSTRY

ihady Business Conducted Without Unnecessary Publicity and Moral Sobs Smothered by

the Coin.

The chief clearing house of matrimonial romances gone wrong is Sloux Falls, the granite rooted town in the land of the Dakotas, where the mismated gather from many quarters of the land. Divorces are not now granted "while you wait," recent laws requiring sufficient residence so that hotel keepers and lawyers get fairly well acquainted with the plaintiffs and size up them up as a business asset. How the industry thrives and what it thrives on is sketched by J. W. Foley, a Dakota newspaper man, in the New York Times. Some of his statement are instructive if not edifying. A few are appended:

A great many families prefer to send the washing out to doing it at home. It spares us the steam and smell about the house. So a great many unhappily married couples, learning that the Dakotas had set up a washery for solled linen, preferred to send their linen over for cleansing and airing. It spared them unpleasant notoriety at home.

The ninety-day divorce law brought in transient matrimonial misfits, first by the dozens, then by the scores, and then by the hundreds. The business grew because the system gave perfect satisfaction to customers. Ninety days was barely more than an outing, and the cost of it could be made to fit the purse. It was almost as cheap to get a divorce as to remain married. There were rumors of wealthy applicants and big fees, easily earned

An attorney of the old ninety-day period. who had obtained a decree for a wealthy woman, was called upon at the end of the case to fix his fee. He turned his face away, as if in study, tapped upon his desk with his fingers, wrinkled up his forehead as if recalling the quantity and difficulty of his labors, and suggested \$10,000. He said afterward that his heart beat wildly and came up in his throat. So magnificent a sum seemed impossible of gaining in one case. He expected fully his client would pale and sick at the infamous augof a \$10,000 fee. She drew her check sum as though she were paying

ekly milk bill. To her it was a

more than a month's income.

nds of business shares in the al profits of the system. The numcolonists in Sloux Falls reaches as 400 or 500 a year. Their average litures are more than \$1,000. Various mates are placed upon the total annual enditures-from \$300,000 to \$750,000. The tel keeper sells rooms, hot and cold ater, baths, table d'hote, and such othe things as are kept in stock. The hotel bar sells various liquors, including liberal quantities of champagne for "high rollers. The lady with the boarding house sells ha sedrooms, prunes, advice, and eminent respectability of association at dinner. The attorney sells typewritten documents, lore, loquence, and legal services. The dry goods merchants sells quantities of mer-For the divorce colonists-those of the wealthier class are prone to dress atravagantly, stylishly, and stunningly, and the women of Sloux Falls, they say, ire better gowned than those or the reason that divorcees bring out the tery newest in styles and fabrics, and the mitative carabilities of women are prover-

The local garages and automobile liveries wofit from this transient business. Onarage at Sioux Fal's numbered at one locging—the chief expense—may be obtained out of this promiscuity of divorce colonists ime seven customers of the divorce colony whose monthly bills averaged each nore than \$250 for livery and repairs. Local tabmen are alive to the opportunities, and get a \$2 fare where the real resident is which is the sum cheerfully paid by the the merits of the system?

They are what are known as "good spenders' these wealthy persons who seek freedom from unhappy alliances. They pay the best prices for lodging, for accommodations of all kinds, for cab hire, for whatever is desired. Some of them may be a bit noisy o' nights, but this is excused from the readiness with which they draw checks. Money in hand is a great

When a few wealthy members of the colony took charge of the bar at a local caravansary one night, discharged the bartenders, constituted themselves an entertainment committee, and served all sorts of liquors to all sorts of comers without price, they footed the bill to the "house" without complaint or inquiry. It was only one of many little nights out, the desire cards! of ennul for real entertainment, and money was plentiful. The time must be passed somehow for six months. What's the use? All sorts and conditions of men and women have been numbered at one time

## The Farmer's Wife

Is very careful about her churn. She scalds it thoroughly after using, and gives it a sun bath to sweeten it. She knows that if her churn is sour it will taint the butter that is made in it. The stomach is a churn. In the stomach and digestive and nutritive tracts are performed processes which are almost exactly like the churning of butter. Is it not apparent then that if this stomach-churn is foul it makes foul all which is put into it?

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again to embark upon the stormy waters of marriage.

These of the poorer class must needs be careful about expenditures. Board and from \$4 to \$6 a week-not bad. The competition is keen among the lawyers. There are more than sixty of them in Sloux Falls. A good bargainer may get a cut rate. There es no union scale of prices. The client who transported for a quarter. What cabman, starts out with one lawyer at a flat ratsunning himself on his box at \$2 an hour, of \$150 may find another to do the work at \$75, and still another at a lower rate. divorces of the richer class, does not see He may have had three, or even four lawyers before he has finally obtained hi decree at the lowest possible cost, for can forfeit several retainers of \$10 and .

> With the weather class money is not ar shject. Some of them have set up expensive establishments, maintained stables of horses, three of four automobiles, retinues of servants, and scattered funds in all directions for the thrifty to gather in. One young millionaire evidenced his bona fide residence by setting up a private residence at a cost of some \$12,000 or \$15,000, entertaining those who cared to accept and who were on the eligible list for entertainment, squandering easy money right and left, and finally finding a hitch in the divorce ceremony that precluded his obtaining the legal separation he sought-such

> What is money where the heart is concerned? A wealthy Brazilian coffee exporter brought out his niece and established her in the colony. He engaged the best lawyer in Sloux Palls, as he judged, to handle her case for divorce, and in his ivuncular capacity oversaw the proceedings from start to finish. He dwelt upon the crueities to which she had been subected, and cheerfully paid the bills for witnesses, board, lodgings, lawyers, and incidentals. She was a rarely beautiful roung woman-be was an uncle to tie to. After the decree was granted she did tie to him-they were married in San Francisco within a week and went around the horn All is not gold that glitters.

Neither are all uncles who claim to be so. The wealthy applicant for the benefits of the South Dakota divorce courts has little to do with the actual details of divorce-getting, except to furnish the testiony and the chief facts that are to be put in the form of depositions and laid before the court. The matter of lodgings, of accommodations, of domictling-there are attended to by attorneys.

Monday-which is wash day, and appropriately the day for the laundering of linen-is divorce day in the circuit court at Sloux Falls. That is the day the judge has fixed for the hearing of this class of cases. There is no necessary fuss and feathers about it-no straining of throats. no pounding of desks and books, no thunderings of eloquence. The hearings are had in the chambers where there are none but the judge, the attorneys, the court stenographer, the plaintiff and the witnesses. The papers are regular, the testimony is sufficient to establish the cause alleged, the motion is made for judgment according to the complaint, everything is, on its face, bona fide, and the order is entered granting the decree. And the bona fide resident, in most cases, goes home to

pack up. The newspapers of Sloux Falls pay little attention to the business, except in unusual cases, where inquiries with regard Wurtele. "Undoubtedly the hysterical atto persons of especial distinction or notoriety who are reported as being in Sloux Falls for the usual purpose come from eastern cities. There is no aim to give the business too much publicity or notorinty. York Herald. It seems to be a general policy to say noth ing and saw wood.

The presence of so much winsomeness, beauty, style, grace and a spice of the at small expense.

another as members of the divorce devil-may-care, all done up in well-tailored PLUTOCRAT AMONG clony-from near-royalty down. Not all gowns and fetching bonnets, is a severe of them are full-rigged treasure ships that tax upon the unsophisticated-the local come with swelling sails into this port Johnnies who hang about the stage door There's are water-logged of this theater of the dicorce court. For derelicts of the matrimonial sea that beat there are local Johnnies, who may be seen upon the beach with masts gone, sails in about the hotel lobbles and pariors, who shreds, and both sides stove in, crying exchange hearthreaking glances, send up out for such repairs as will enable them flowers, indulge in little suppers, vary the monotony with poker games, and seck otherwise to bask in the reflected sunshine from Broadway or Fifth avenue. These are the associations and filrtations arising that send a cold chill up the back of Sioux Falls conservatism. The divorce colony runs the whole gamut

> of human love, hope, disappointment, fear, passion, and all the other elements that go to make up humanity. It is full of genius. ability, spendthriftism, wealth, distinction mediocrity, notoricty, flowing in a steady stream from all parts of the country, awaiting the grinding of the divorce m.ll. There are life tragedles bounded on the one side by the modest spire of some little church around the corner, and on the other by the tall tower of the Minnehaba county court house-from orange blossoms to lemons. There are human frailty and weakness in all of its phases and colors. There are moody reflection, broken pride, thoughtless devil-may-careness, wearing auxiety, whispering hope, shame, serrow, suffering. It is the great hospital for the heartbroken, where there are baim for the suffering, rest for the heavy laden, freedom for the fickle, relief for the oppressed.

It is the great surgery for the cure of matrimontal appendicitis.

HYSTERIA RESTORES SIGHT

Case of Ball Player Cantillon of Des Moines Verges on a Miracle.

James Cantillon, a member of the Des Moines (Iowa) base ball team, regained the sight of his right eye in Bellevue hospital, New York, in a manner that has given the specialists there a puzzling problem. The nan had been in hysterics for several hours, due to illness, and when he grew ormal he discovered that he could see out of the eye for the first time in five weeks. Cantillon's brother, Joseph, is manager f the Washington American league team. He will come to New York for his brother a few days and take him home.

While Cantillon was working in Chicago, more than seven months ago, he was struck the left eye by a flying piece of iron. After suffering agony for a week, the young base bail player went to the Presbyterian hospital in Chicago. His right eye had also become infected, and the Chicago physicians removed the left eye. The other eye grew weaker until the man was blind. On advice of friends he placed himself nder the care of Dr. Wurtele, eye speialist of Bellevue hospital, and his four assistants, all of whom took great interest

in the case, but their efforts were not suc-Added to his blindness Cantillon grew ill from worry and became too weak for an operation. It was thought that the operation has

old Cantillon that he probably would be permanently blind. The shock threw the oung man into hysterics. When he regained his normal mind he suddenly grew "I can see! I can see!" he shricked. Dr. Wurtele applied a test. To his amagenent he found that the patient could dis-

inguish different objects, and now the spe-

inlists expect to restore the sight of the

been postponed too long, and Dr. Wurtele

right eye. "It is a most puzzling case," said Dr. tack he underwent is responsible for the restoration. The trouble must have had omething to do with the nervous system and the hysteria effected a cure."-New

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Lon Hill, the Richest of His Race,

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Ways. Hill, of Harlingen, Tex. His wealth is conservatively estimated at \$3,500,000. He owns more than 300,000 acres of the best land in the Rio Grande valley. Every foot of it can be irrigated. At the rate which other land in this section of the same character is selling, \$20 per acre for this 300,000 acres would not be an excessive figure. Figured on that basis this Indian worth \$6,000,000. He is not given to overratirng things and the first estimate is his

Lon Hill is a full blood Choctaw. He is proud of his Indian blood, and a stranger is not long in his presence before the fact is made known by Mr. Hill that he is an

Indian "This Indian has been able to take care of himself," he will say. "I never have re-

ceived anything from the government and am not expecting anything." This is true. He has never shared in any of the allotments in Indian territory. He has been making his way alone and unaided ever since he was a boy.

The marvelous thing about the great fortune which Hill now possesses is that he has accumulated it all during the last six years. He located at Brownsville, twentyfive miles below Harlingen, a little more than six years ago. That was before a railford had been built into the region. It was then 160 miles to the nearest railroad outlet to the outside world. Hill says that when he arrived in Brownsville he was "worse than broke." He did not have any money and his debts amounted to \$200. He had been practicing law at Beeville, Tex. He had made a good reputation as a lawyer in southwest Texas, but he reached the conclusion that the time was not far distant when the valley of the Lower Rio Grande would be transformed from its primitive wilderness of chaparral into cul-

ivated farms and gardens. When he had got well settled in the border town, this progressive Indian began the work of interesting capital to build a railroad to the place. He enlisted the efforts of wealthy land owners in the project, and a party of them, accompanied by Hill, went to St. Louis to lay the scheme efore men of means of that city. It was the original intention to submit the proposition to the chief officials of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railroad company, which was at that time building into San Antonio, and was headed in the direction of the Lower Rio Grande region. It happened that B. F. Yeakum, now chairman of the executive committee of the

Rock Island and 'Frisco systems, was peronally known to Hill and othere members of his party, and they naturally thought it would be a good plan to get his advice be fore calling on the Missouri, Kansas and Texas people. They called upon Mr. Youkum at the general offices of the 'Frisco in St. Louis and laid their plans before him. Mr. Youkum listened to what they had to say. He then surprised the commitsee by telling them that they need go no further, that he was perfectly familiar with the resources and requirements of the region which was so badly lacking in transportation facilities, and that he would enlist the necessary capital and build the

Possessed of this knowledge of the practical certainty of the building of the road. the redskin lawyer began to secure options upon the rich valley land adjacent to Brownsville. This land was covered with an almost impenetrable growth of brust and small trees. It was considered aimos unfit for grazing purposes, so thick was the chaparral upon it. The value places upon the land ranged from \$3 to \$1.50 peand some of the owners thought that the were robbing the prospective purchase when they fixed those prices in the options Hill, for his own purposes was willing a See Want Ad Pages you get quick returns that time to concede that he was agreein 's pay an exorbitant price for the land.

kum and his associates secured the services cutright the many thousands of acres upon which he had secured options to buy on is own account.

The building of the railroad was begun, and as soon as each mile of track was xtending back for several miles came into doubled, trebled, quadrupled in a short ime. In the meantime Lon Hill was buyng more land and loading bimself up with ptions to purchase still more. The land which he had bought for \$1 and \$1.50 pe icre went to \$5 per acre before the railcoad had reached Brownsville. When the ine was finished and the influx of invest ers and home-seekers began land values

counted higher and higher. In addition to his vast landed holdings dill owns the townsite of Harlingen. This since is situated at the junction of the waln line of the St. Louis, Brownsville and Mexico railroad, and its branch linwhich runs to San Fordyce.

Hill is married. He is devoted to his wife and children. Concerning his early life 'I punched cattle in Indian territory when

young man. I saw the need of an ducation, and had acquired a fairly good tart in that direction when I entered the University of Texas. I was 27 years old when I began to study law. went through the University of Texas and graduated from the law department of the University of Virginia. I now am 49 years of age."-Washington Herald.

IVORY HUNTING IS NO "SNAP" Fascination of the Business Prompts Devotees to Face Many Dangers.

There is one profession-and only onehat a man can't be trained into or kicked nto, or driven into, unless he's born into as well. By this I mean that unless he has a natural love for it, he'll be worse han use ers in it, for he will never be able stand the grueling he's bound to get in That is my profession-ivery hunting. You can make a lawyer, or a merchant, or a banker, or even a doctor or a sailor out of almost any man of average intelligence, but you can't make a hunter out of him unless he was born a hunter.

Many a time I've come back from a eaving half my men and all my ivory rotting in some deadly African swamp, half cad with fever, swearing that I'm done with the business for good. And some oright day, in six months, or even in three he smell of the jungle gets into my nosrils; through all the roar of the street raffic I hear the squeal of the elephant r the coughing roar of a lion's challengeand that settles the business. Back I go again, knowing precisely what is cominghe sweating days and the chilling nights, be terments of insects and of thirst, the trks and hardships, and the privations For once Africa has laid her spell upon man he's hers forever. He'll dream of er-of the black tangle of forests he's broken through, hot on the trail of a wounded bull tusker; of the parched and distored validts he's crossed under the b'arng sunlight; of the nights, those moonlit aunted nights, when he's watched beside runway, waiting for the game to comown to drink, and listened to the ripple f the water on the flats, the splash of the o odile, the stealthy snapping of branches

hi h all smaller sounds are cast as pebes are siropped into a pool-I am the son of a clergyman and the got my love for the wild life "at the ack of beyond" is a mystery-surely not roin these. I went through Dulwich, was oft an orphan with little money, and rifted into what proved to be my life

Il around him, the sturry of monkeys over-

ead; listened to the vast black silence, into

had progressed sufficiently far. Mr. Yoa- fessions or occupations they eventually follow. Stranded in London and doing odd of Hill in getting options on other vast lobs to earn a somewhat precarious living. of by the public administrator in the altracts of land for them. He was well paid I met a man at the docks who was agent for his work, and was able to purchase for a firm of ivory merchants. He was "going out after ivory;" I went along. That was when I was 20. I've been "going out after ivory" ever since.-Berkley Hutton in | was deemed advisable to make a complete

completed the land adjacent thereto and WARM WELCOME FOR SHERMAN lemand for farming purposes, and its value Republican Candidate for Vice President Returns to Home at Utten.

> UTICA, N. Y., July 2.- The home-coming onight of Congressman James S. Sherman as made the occasion of such a demonstration as has rarely been seen in this section of the state. The welcome to the republican candidate for vice presidential onors was a non-partisan affair and to great extent personal, for the congressan's recovery from his recent somewhat alarming illness gave added reason for pubc rejoicing on his safe return.

> Mr. Sherman, accompanied by Mrs. Sher. nan and Dr. Carter, reached here on the New York express from the west at 9:18 clock this afternoon. As his train drew nto the station bands played, fireworks were set off and church chimes rang out. In Bags square and every other spot adicent to the New York Central station housands of persons were crowded. Mr. Sherman stepped from the train slowly, looking pale and worn. But he had stood he journey very well, his physicians said. A monster procession formed in the vicinity of the station and escorted the candidate to his home. The line of march covered fully a mile and the paraders included representative civic, military and fraternal organizations. The route lay through the principal streets, the buildings of which were decorated with flags, streamers and mottoes, all illuminated by electric lights. A dozen bands furnished music, fireworks added a speciacular feature and tens of thousands of persons along the route

the principal speaker being Mayor J. D. The parade was close to two miles long and as the Sherman home is less than this distance from the depot and the line of march followed a direct course, Mr. Sherman at the head of the parade had reached his home before the last division had formed in column. The course along Genesce street was illuminated as it had never been before. Business blocks and municipal buildings were decorated with myriads of electric lights, flags and bunting and pictures of Mr. Sherman.

shouted themselves hoarse. At Mr. Sher-

man's home the formal welcome took place.

Mr. Sherman arrived here at 9:18 and the news was signalled all over the city by the booming of cannon, ringing of belia and blowing of whistles. A search light was played upon his private car and followed his carriage for a considerable distance. Mr. Sherman alighted from the car without assistance and stepped directly to the carriage which awaited him. The candidate appeared paler than usual, but showed no signs of fatigue. He acknowledged the enthusiastic greeting he received with a broad smile, which hardly relaxed until he had reached his home. A blaze of red fire and rockets greeted him along the entire course, several truck loads having previously been distributed.

Wealth Hidden in Table.

Cunningly hidden in a secret receptacle deftly carved in the leg of an antique table, the fortune of the late Mrs. Jessie Fremont Dietsch of Ban Francisco, relative of the noted pathfinder, General John C. Fremont. was found recently by the deputy public administrator, W. J. Hynes. The nearly fastened little bundle gave up a bank book vandson of a clergyman, and from whom showing deposits of \$4.200, a costly collection of time honored jewelry and countless shares in wildcat concerns worth their waste paper value.

The discovery of the effects of the erratic woman of historic lineage ends a search

eral days with great earnestness. Mrs. Dietsch died, on April 28, alone and in seclusion, her effects were taken charge sence of any near relatives. The officers were informed that the old woman was came from such reliable sources that it search of the premises.

With this end in view Hynes and his assistants strained every effort to locate the nidden treasure. Every article in the house was overturned and thoroughly searched without avail. Even the carpets and tapestries were ripped open in hope that they would yield some of the gilttering gold which the aged recluse was supposed to possess,

Just as Hynes was about to abandon the earch he accidentally knocked off the hollow leg of an ancient table. In a cleverly contrived cache the public administrator spied an old wallet, Opening the hag. Hynes discovered that it contained the bank book, jewels and stock certificates .-Los Angeles Times:

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Preparations for the ceremony had been sing on for a month. A trench twentyhree feet long and nineteen feet deep was for, and in it a fire was kindled. At sun rise forty fanatics, who were to defrontrate their ashestos nature, slowly marched around the furnace bearing the curious idels. The Selvrastas were clothed in yelow tubles, and without hesitation entered he fire trench singing a hymn, the refrain which was "Govinda! Govinda!"

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work in the haphazard way in which fifty that Hynes and his men pursued for sev- D. A. Sampson, Gen't Sales Agent, Omshe