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An Old Negro in Queen Anne Spends Twenty-Five Years Building a Boat—A Strange Craft.

A recent reference to the "dry-land boat" in Quaker Neck recalls to mind a most remarkable craft. Lying at her moorings, in Southeast creek, an arm of Chester river, is the "Bride," a schooner which was repaired fully fifty times before her keel ever touched the water. Her sails were tattered and torn before she ever dashed a semblance of spray from her prettily modeled prow, and youth and old age were curiously commingled in the quaint-looking hull before she ever set sail for her initial voyage.

Culbreth King, a colored man noted for many peculiarities, as a comparatively young man conceived the idea of building a boat. All unassisted, he cut the heavy timbers, the keel was laid of a vessel large enough for navigating the Chesapeake. A saw, axe and hammer constituted the outfit of tools. For nearly a quarter century the work dragged on. Finally, the heavy masts were in place, but how the solitary builder managed to raise the weighty timbers no one ever knew. Timbers decayed and were replaced, and the replaced pieces in turn fell into rottenness to have other pieces take their place. Visitors came from far and near to see the curious craft as she gave way to the inroads of decay and grew in proportions beneath the sheltering branches of some scrubby trees on the river's bank. "Uncle King," always cheerful and hopeful, never lost faith in the final result of his labors. Occasional work on the farm of his old master furnished the means to secure what nature failed to supply for the perfecting of his boat. The cast-off sails and rigging of a river schooner were strong enough and entirely satisfactory. Finally, the name "Bride" appeared on the boat. The story goes that a young lady, who visited the crude shipyard once and made a deep impression upon the patient builder by her kindly encouragement, suggested the pretty name.

Years had passed and at last the day for the launching came and the Bride took to the water. Her first trip was to Baltimore, and she created a sensation among the watermen who chanced to see the strange looking craft and her primitive crew and captain, both embodied in one man, "Captain King." The dry-land waterman is old now and has sought a home with his old master in Philadelphia, leaving the Bride safe at her moorings in Southeast creek. The profoundest love of his negro heart still clings to this craft, and he declares that in spite of tottering steps he will return some day and claim his Bride, but the Bride's timbers are daily weakening, and before the old man returns the tides, it is expected, will have scattered the rotten wreckage along the shore of the stream.

20,202 MARRIED IN A DAY.

Matrimonial Scheme of Alexander the Great.

The newspaper reporters of the time of Alexander the Great, had there been any, would have had the heaviest days work in their lives in covering the interesting events that marked the day Alexander was married. On that day, authenticated accounts tell us, says the San Francisco *Examiner*, no less than 20,202 men and women were made husbands and wives. Alexander had conquered Darius, of Persia, and he felt that this achievement was important enough to be signalized in a conspicuous manner. Imagine the pride of a conqueror who decides that it can be measured properly only by a wholessle giving and taking in marriage, the like of which the world has never known.

Alexander himself married Statira, the daughter of the conquered king, and decreed that 100 of his chief officers should be united to 100 ladies from the noblest Persian and Medean families. In addition to this, he stipulated that 10,000 of his Greek soldiers should marry 10,000 Asiatic women.

When everything was settled a vast pavilion was erected, the pillars of which were six feet high. One hundred gorgeous chambers adjoined this for the hundred noble bridegrooms, while for the 10,000 an outer court was enclosed, outside of which tables were spread for the multitude. Each pair had seats, and ranged themselves in semicircles around the royal throne. Of course the priests could not marry the vast number of couples in the ordinary way, so Alexander the Great devised a very simple ceremony. He gave his hand to Statira and kissed her—an example that all the bridegrooms followed.

This ended the ceremony. Then followed the festival, which lasted five days, the grandeur of which has never been equaled since.

RIDE OF A HERO.

How Phillips Saved the Garrison at Fort Phil Kearney.

Representative Osborne has submitted from the House Committee on Claims a favorable report on the Senate bill to pay Mrs. Hattie A. Phillips $5000 in full compensation for the service of her husband, John Phillips, in the Indian war of 1869.

In December of that year Fort Phil Kearney was invested by the Sioux, who had just massacred 78 men under Fetterman. Snow covered the prairie to a depth of three feet, and the mercury marked 20 degrees below zero. The women in the fort begged that in the event of capture they should be blown up with the powder house.

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Of some one to greet me as wife,
But to have such a home as you offer,
To have such a lover as you,
With a heart so devoted and tender,
Seems almost to good to be true.

I remember the times in my childhood
I felt it my pride and my joy
To have your attendance at parties,
For you were the favorite boy.
And though there were handsomer maidens,
And others much richer than I,
There was some of the group so heartbroken,
When you left without saying good-by.

I heard of you then in the city,
And knew you were making a name,
Each day by the efforts of genius
Securing a permanent fame,
And I fancied you must have forgotten
The poor little girl you once knew,
And to have you come back as a suitor
Seems almost too good to be true.

I hoped to have cards to your wedding,
To the church and reception beside,
Where I might with tearful emotion
Congratulate you—no, the bride,
But to stand by your side at the altar,
To be solemnly married to you—
It seems, when I think it all over,
As if 'twere too good to be true.

Josephine Pollard in N. Y. Ledger.

SIMON SHORT'S SON SAM.

Sibilant Story of the Saccharine Suit for the Sympathy of Sweet Sophronia Spriggs.

Shrewd Simon Short sewed shoes. Seventeen summers, speeding storms, spreading sunshine, successively saw Simon's small, shabby shop still standing stanch—saw Simon's self-same squeaking sign still swinging, specifying, "Simon Short, Smithfield's surviving shoemaker, shoes sewed, soled superfinely."

Simon's spry, sedulous spouse, Sally short, sewed shirts, stitched sheets, stuffed sofas.

Simon's six, stout, sturdy sons—Seth, Samuel, Stephen, Saul, Shadrach, Silas—sold sundries. Sober Seth sold sugar, starch, spice; simple Sam sold saddles, stirrups, screws; sagacious Stephen sold silk, satins, shawls; sceptical Saul sold silver salvers; selfish Shadrach sold salves, shoe-strings, soaps, saws, skates; Silas sold Sally Short's stuffed sofas.

Some seven summers since Simon's second son, Samuel, saw Sophia Sophronia Spriggs. Sam showed strange symptoms.

Sam seldom stayed storing, selling saddles. Sam sighed sorrowfully, sought Sophia Sophronia's society, sung several surreptitious serenades slyly.

Simon stormed, scolded severely; said Sam seemed so silly singing such shameful, senseless songs.

"Strange, Sam should slight such splendid summer sales! Strutting spendthrift! Shatterbrained simpleton!"

"Softly, softly, sire," said Sally. Sam's smitten, Sam's spied some sweet sylph."

"Sentimental schoolboy!" snarled Simon. "Smitten! Stop such stuff!"

Speaking so, Simon sent Sally's snuff-box spinning. Seized Sally's scissors, smashed Sally's spectacles, scattering several spools.

"Sneaking scoundrel! Sam's shocking silliness shall surcease!"

Scowling, Simon stopped speaking, starting swiftly shopward.

Sally sighed sadly. Summoning Sam she spoke sweet sympathy.

"Sam," said she, "Sire Simon seems singularly snappy, so, sonny, stop strolling streets, stop smoking segars, spending specie superfluously, stop sprucing so, stop singing serenades, stop short! Sell saddles, sonny, sell saddles sensibly; see Sophia Sophronia Spriggs soon; she's sprightly, she's stable, so solicit, sue, secure Sophia speedily, Sam."

"So soon? Shall Sally's son Sam so surely seek soup so soon?" said Sam, standing stock still.

So soon, surely" said Sally, smiling; "specially since sire shows such spirits."

So Sam, somewhat scared, sauntered slowly. Shaking stupendously, Sam soliloquizes: "Sophia Sophronia Spriggs—Spriggs—Short. Sophia Sophronia Short, Samuel Short's spouse, sounds splendid! Suppose she should say—she, she sha'n't! She sha'n't! She sha'n't!"

Soon Sam spied Sophia starching shirts, singing softly. Seeing Sam she stopped, started, saluted Sam smilingly. Sam stammered shockingly.

"Spl-spl-splendid summer season, Sophia!"

"Somewhat sultry," suggested Sophia.

"Sar-sar-tin, Sophia," said Sam. Silence seventeen seconds.

"Selling saddles still, Sam?"

"Sar-sar-tin," said Sam, starting suddenly. "Season's somewhat sudorific," said Sam, stealthily stanching steaming sweat. (Speaking sensibly.)

"Sartin," said Sophia, smiling significantly. "Sip some sweet sherbet, Sam." (Silence sixty seconds.)

"Sire shot sixty sheldrakes, Saturday," said Sophia.

"Sixty? Sho!" said Sam. (Silence seventy seconds.)

"See Sister Susan's sunflowers," said Sophia; socially scattering such stiff silence.

Sophia's sprightly sauciness stimulated Sam strangely; so Sam suddenly spoke sentimentally.

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GAMES FOR THE WINTER.

Two Delightful Diversions for the Winter Evening Party.

A pleasant bit of nonsense is managed by the hostess ascertaining the full initials of her guests, and each one is given a paper and pencil and requested to write down these initials in the order given. Opposite each set of initials they write a description of the person, beginning each word with one of the initials and using them in order.

"P. H. S." might be described as "Pride has spoiled," or "Pretty homely sometimes." When each one has completed his list, the person to whom the first initials on the list belong must rise while each one reads aloud what her initials have suggested to them. One young lady whose monogram was three S's was positive that her initials would puzzle her friends, but when she arose she was assailed with, "Say, she's silly," "Sometimes she's savage," "She sees snakes," "Sometimes she's sulky," "Sally's Sweet's Sugar," until she was quite overcome.

A variation of "Initials" enjoyed by those with literary tastes is thus played. The hostess who may have all the assistance she can get, arranges beforehand a number of phrases, the initials of which are those of prominent authors; the words of the phrases must be in a measure descriptive of the person meant; for instance: Abnormally lank, Abraham Lincoln; rare literary supremacy, Robert Louis Stevenson, etc., etc.

Prizes may be given those of the party who guess the most answers.

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Still another amusing game of this sort is called "Telegrams." The hostess selects a word of nine or ten letters and not too many vowels, and each guest writes it down. Now each one is to compose a telegraphic message containing as many words as there are letters in the chosen word, and each word in the message must begin with a letter in the chosen word, using them in order. Ten minutes are allowed for composition, and when the messages are read aloud prizes may be given for the best ones, as one for the funniest message, one the most sensible one, etc.

At one party the word "Regardless" was chosen, and the prize went to the sender of this gruesome message: "Ruth, Edward, grandmother and Rose drowned last evening; send stretcher."

Another time the prize message was composed from the word "Gentleman," and read thus:

"Grandma eloped northern train last evening; married a native." And a close second was:

"Get eight new teeth; leave eight more at Nora's."—*Gentlewoman.*

MISS STEWART'S LETTER.

An Interesting Christmas Letter to Her Comrades in the Temperance Work.

DEAR COMRADES:—Those of you who were present at the State Convention, and know of the request made by the Executive, that the Y conference no longer be held in connection with the State Convention, will rejoice to know that after fully discussing the matter in the last Executive, it was unanimously decided to hold the annual meeting three days instead of two, giving one entire afternoon of the time to the Young Woman's Branch, this being beside the regular Y. night. This seems to be a very happy solution of the difficulties from both points of view, and we trust will work out most successfully for our branch and the W. C. T. U. at large.

The Unions that have adopted the new pledges and taken up Purity work will be glad to know that Mrs. Isabel Wing Lake and her assistant, Dr. Carolyn Geisel, will be passing through our State in February, and will speak for collections and entertainment alone. This is a rare chance for the local unions to secure one of our finest speakers at the cost only of working up a public meeting. If your County Executive does not take action in the matter, write directly to Mrs. Mary Haslup, Ruxton, Md., for dates, but if you want to be certain of securing Mrs. Lake, the matter should be brought before your local society, and something definitely done immediately.

Unions everywhere were requested to observe February 17th, the birthday of Miss Willard, and give the collections for the benefit of the World's Fund. As the World's work is one of the objects toward which our unions are expected to contribute, this is an excellent way of bringing the beautiful life of our translated leader to the notice of the general public, as well as exciting an interest in world-wide work.

The year of '99 is almost upon us. Let me urge that the Fifty-Cent Assessment Fund be worked up early in the year, that our work may not lag for lack of funds. Remember, also, that the fall and winter months are our season of sowing. If we would have an abundant harvest we must be up and doing now. May God bless our work for the coming year, and may our service be acceptable unto Him, is the wish and prayer of your comrade and true yoke-fellow,

ANNE ROTHWELL STEWART.
White Hall, Dec. 27.

PROF. W. G. JOHNSON.

Maryland's Leader in the Great War Against Insect Pests.

Since his elaborate experiments and indefatigable efforts in combatting the San Jose Scale have been time and again emphasized in the TRANSCRIPT, the name of Prof. W. G. Johnson has become as familiar to Kent county horticulturists as that of many of her prominent residents. The *American Miller*, published at Chicago, recently honored itself by publishing a strikingly fine picture of Prof. Johnson and devoted nearly a full page to an interesting biographical sketch of his life work. Among other things the *Miller* says:

"He is also a liberal contributor to nearly all the prominent agricultural and horticultural periodicals of this country, as well as to trades journals touching upon topics of his profession. His more scientific articles are contributed to the leading entomological journals in this country and Canada. He is a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, of the American Association of Economic Entomologists, of the Entomological Society of Washington, of the Biological Society, etc. His contributions to entomological literature in bulletin form also are well known, and have been recognized by leading authorities as most excellent productions, while his popular expositions of practical entomology have been of so much direct benefit to agriculture in various directions as to entitle him to the gratitude of all farmers, as well as forwarders and industrial consumers of the products of the farm."

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REGULATIONS FOR LENT

In the Diocese of Wilmington.

I.

Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent, fell on the 15th day of February.

1.—All the faithful who have completed their twenty-first year, unless exempt by dispensation or some other legitimate cause, are bound to observe the fast of Lent.

2.—They are to make one meal only a day, except on Sundays.

3.—The meal permitted on fast days is not to be taken till about noon.

4.—A small refreshment, commonly called Collation, is permitted in the evening.

5.—The following persons are exempt from the obligation of fasting: Persons under twenty-one years of age, the sick, nursing women, those who are obliged to do hard labor, and those who, through weakness, cannot fast without great prejudice to their health.

6.—The faithful are reminded that, besides the obligation of fasting imposed by the Church, this holy season of Lent, should be, in an especial manner, a time of earnest prayer, of sorrow for sin, of seclusion from the world and its amusements, and of generous alms-giving.

II.

By virtue of an Indult to the United States, dated May 25, 1897, the following special dispensations are granted:

1.—The use of flesh meat is permitted at all meals on Sundays, and once a day on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, with the exception of the second and last Saturdays of Lent. But flesh meat and fish are not to be used at the same meal during Lent, even on Sundays.

2.—The use of butter, cheese, milk, and eggs is also permitted every day in Lent.

3.—It is allowed to take in the morning some warm liquid, as tea, coffee, or thin chocolate, made with water, and with this liquid a mouthful of bread.

4.—Those for whom the hour of noon may be an inconvenient time for dinner, may invert the order and take their collation in the morning, and their dinner in the evening.

5.—The use of hog's lard, or dripping, instead of butter, is authorized in preparing permitted food.

6.—Persons exempt from the obligation of fasting are free to take meat more than once in those days when its use is granted by dispensation.

III.

By virtue of an Indult granted to us by the Holy See, March 15, 1895, we permit to all working men and their families the use of flesh meat once a day on all fast days and abstinence days throughout the year, with the exception of Fridays, Ash-Wednesday, the Wednesday and Saturday of Holy Week and the Eve of Christmas.

Those who are exempt from the obligation of fasting are free to take meat more than once on the days mentioned.

Those who avail themselves of this Indult are not allowed to use flesh meat and fish at the same meal, and they are earnestly exhorted to perform some other act of mortification, such as abstinence from intoxicating liquors.

IV

The Paschal time extends from the first Sunday of Lent till Trinity Sunday, during which time all Catholics who have attained the proper age are bound to receive worthily the Holy Communion. The Holy season of Lent is a very proper time also for children to make their first confession, which they ought to do generally at about the age of seven years. Parents should see to this. By order of

JOHN J. MONAGHAN.
Feb. 1, 1899. Bishop of Wilmington.

FUN AND FROLIC.

A SAD WEEK.

The year had gloomily begun
For Willie Weeks, a poor man's
SUN.
He was beset with bill and dun,
And he had very little
MON.
"This cash," said he, "won't pay my dues;
I've nothing here but ones and
TUES."
A bright thought struck him, and he said,
"The rich Miss Goldbricks I will
WED."
But when he paid his court to her,
She lisped, but firmly said, "No,
THUR."
"Alas!" said he, "then I must die!
I'm done! I'll drown, I'll burn, I'll
FRI."
They found his gloves, and coat and hat;
The coroner upon them
SAT.

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1. Why will the emblems of the United States last longer than those of England, France, Scotland and Ireland?

The lily will wither and fade away,
The rose from its stem must sever:
The shamrock and thistle will decay,
But the stars will shine forever.

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What is the difference between a catalogue and a cat? One has pauses at the end of its clauses, the other has claws at the end of its paws.

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On yonder hill there is an apple tree. Last year it bore apples, this year it bore the same kind of fruit, but didn't bear apples? It bore an apple.

Millions Given Away.

It is certainly gratifying to the public to know of one concern in the land who are not afraid to be generous to the needy and suffering. The proprietors of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, have given away over ten million trial bottles of this great medicine; and have the satisfaction of knowing it has absolutely cured thousands of hopeless cases. Asthma, Bronchitis, Hoarseness and all diseases of the Throat, Chest and Lungs are surely cured by it. Call on M. A. Toulson, Druggist, and get a trial bottle free. Regular size 50c. and $1. Every bottle guaranteed, or price refunded.

Bats in the Philippines.

Bats in the Philippine Islands are as big as cats, and with the wings spread measure three feet from tip to tip. A bite from one of them is said to be poisonous.

Dangers of the Grip.

The greatest danger from La Grippe is of its resulting in pneumonia. If reasonable care is used, however, and Chamberlain's Cough Remedy taken, all danger will be avoided. Among the tens of thousands who have used this remedy for la grippe we have yet to learn of a single case having resulted in pneumonia which shows conclusively that this remedy is a certain preventive of that dangerous disease. It will cure la grippe in less time than any other treatment. It is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by M. A. Toulson, druggist.

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