

**THE HUNCHBACK.**

Romance of the Duke de Richelieu and Mile. de Rochechouart.

The Duke de Richelieu married when seventeen years of age Mile. de Rochechouart, a little girl of twelve. As was the custom in the eighteenth century, the young bridegroom set out on his travels after the ceremony, and the child wife remained with his relations in Paris. Three years passed, and the duke (then Comte de Chillon, who had received many charming letters and a charming miniature from his wife during his absence, determined to return home.

On his arrival he was met on the grand staircase of the Hotel de Richelieu by his family, and, to his horror, instead of the pretty girl of fifteen that he expected to see, the count saw a little hunchback who was none other than his wife. The unhappy young man, who was horror stricken, left Paris that night and for fifteen years remained away.

The poor little wife possessed a beautiful and generous disposition, and, so far from being embittered by her husband's behavior, she did her best to prevent any family dissensions arising through it and went to live on her estate of Courteilles, near Paris. It is said that she was deeply in love with the duke, and in time the accounts of her unselfishness and devotion to his family so touched her husband that he went to visit her.

The first visit led to many, and this strange couple became firm friends, and just before he died the duke contemplated residing permanently at Courteilles with his wife, from whom he had fled in disgust many years before.—Chicago News.

**TRANSPLANTED A POND.**

Showing What an Enthusiast Will do to Have a Garden.

Many a country laborer will do much for the sake of a garden, but few perhaps would be willing to go to such pains in the pursuit of their hobby as did an enthusiastic navy with whom Dean Hole once came in contact.

This man, having obtained the position of gatekeeper on a railway, found himself the possessor of a barren gravel pit as an apology for a garden. The dean, who knew the spot well, visited it some twelve months after the man had taken possession, and the sight which met his eyes astonished him.

"Was it a mirage I saw upon the sandy desert? There were vegetables, fruit, bushes and fruit trees, all in vigorous health. There were flowers and the queen flower in her glory."

"Why," I exclaimed, "what have you done to the gravel pit?"

"'Lor' bless yer," he replied, grinning, "I hadn't been here a fortnight afore I swapped it for a pond."

A further inquiry elicited the fact that this most ardent garden lover had, after an agreement with a neighboring farmer, removed with pick and barrow his sandy stratum to the depth of about three feet and wheeled it to the margin of an old pond, which had been gradually filled up with leaves and silt. The rich, productive mold from the pond he had taken home to his garden, replacing it with gravel and leveling as per contract.—Westminster Gazette.

**Antiquity of Nicknames.**

The origin of the word as well as the exact date of appearance of the custom of "nicknaming" is unknown. Such names are as old at least as the most venerable chronicles, for upon diving into ancient history we have no trouble at all in proving that Plato was called the "Atlic Bee" and Socrates "Old Flat Nose." There isn't the least doubt but that many of our surnames come from nicknames applied to our ancestors, such, for instance, as "Dollarhide," "Oxenrider," "Bright," "Lightfoot," "Walkingshaw," "Red-head," "Longman," "Longfellow," etc. Julius Caesar was popularly styled "Baldhead," and even the third Ramesses is said to have been known by an Egyptian word which signifies "limpy." No one has been able to escape the blighting or benign influence of the nickname. Kings, queens, philosophers, divines, statesmen, as well as many other eminent persons, have been made to prosper or suffer by having some appropriate or ridiculous sobriquet bestowed upon them.

**I Remember.**

I remember I remember the house where I was born; the voice of dad that bellowed forth to rouse me every morn; the picnic that I always had when winter breezes blew to clear the sidewalk of the snow, the chores I had to do. I remember, I remember, the old time days in school, the licksings that I always got for breaking some darned rule; the moonlight nights I used to go out in the old bob sleigh and lug and kiss the pretty girls beneath the robes and hay. I remember, I remember, oh, no, I'll not forget; I'd like to wander back again to those old days, you bet!—Los Angeles Express.

**Just a Ruse.**

"Will you take something to drink?" "With pleasure." The photograph was taken, and the sifter said, "But what about that little invitation?" "Oh, sir, that is just a trade ruse of mine to give a natural and interested expression to the face."—London Answers.

**On the Toboggan.**

"Many a man," said Uncle Eben, "thinks he's havin' a tremendous big time as a sport when he is merely goin' through de initiation of de Down and Out club."—Washington Star.

A good heart overcomes evil fortune.—Don Quixote.

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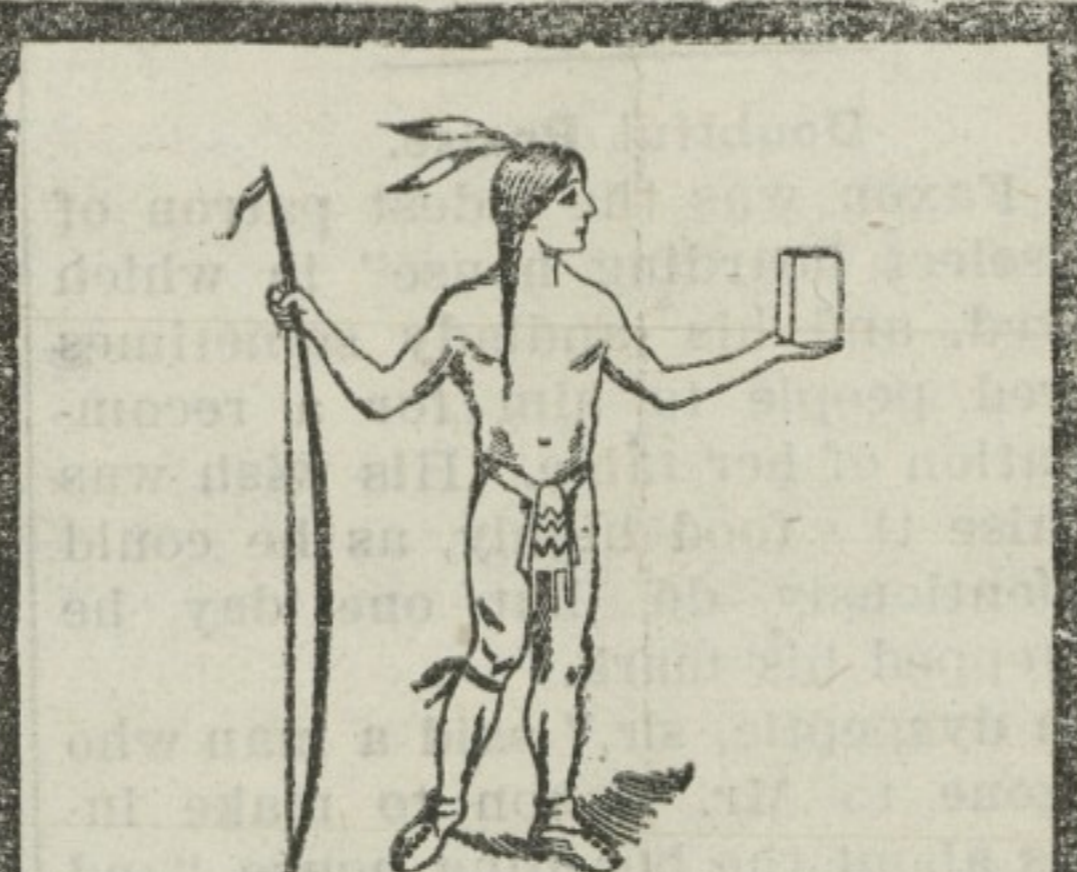
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