

WEDDING LONG DELAYED Fate Works Strangely to Complete a Romance.

Anthony Olcott was romantic. He fell in love with Marguerite Searle, and when her mother would not consent to the marriage he felt that the bottom had fallen out of the universe. Marguerite would not marry him without his consent, and as there was no hope that she could not live near her father's house she went to a point within the limits of the United States which she called Seattle.

SIGNED IN A HURRY.

Curious incident that brought the savages to terms. The ambassador who would protect his country's rights must exercise tact and call into use the deepest learning. And after all, his plans may be frustrated or unexpectedly furthered by some happening entirely beyond his control.

TRAINING SEALS. These Destructive Animals Taught to Perform Tricks.

"The cardinal principle in training animals," says an animal trainer, "is not to attempt to make an animal do anything contrary to the nature of its particular species. To be successful a trainer must know enough about the habits of the animal he has undertaken to train for him to teach them to their natural bent.

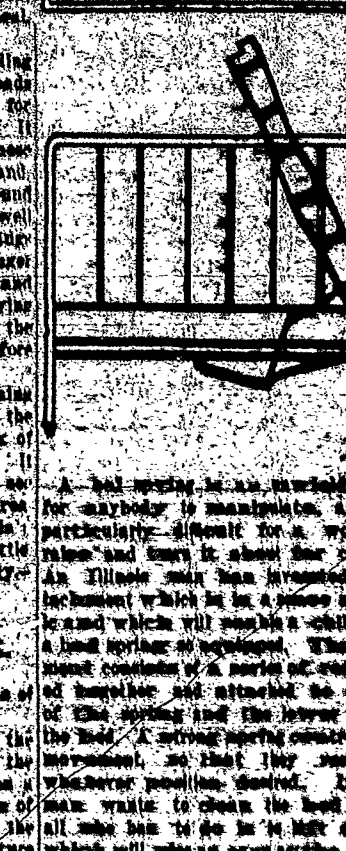
A Blackberry Craze

Hawkinsville is a village in the shadow of a certain New England mountain. It is called the bluest place in its state and rightly so. Two years ago a stranger came along and gave it its deathblow, and in a rather queer way.

RIDING THE BUZZARD.

The Buzzard Uses Its Buggy Economy as an Excuse. People generally associate the buzzard with strength and victory, especially among the lower animals. Many times, however, this is far from being the case, especially in the bird kingdom.

HINTS FOR THE BUSY HOUSEWIFE



FORCE OF LIGHTNING.

An Ordinary Stroke is About Equal to Fifty Thousand Horsepower. Frequent surprise is expressed at the effect of a stroke of lightning which splinters a large tree or wrecks a tall chimney, but if the enormous power developed by an ordinary stroke of lightning is taken into consideration the wonder will be that the effect is so small.

BIBLES IN THE WORLD.

The Scandinavian Eddas the Most Recent of the Seven. The world has seven Bibles. They are the Koran of the Mohammedans, the Eddas of the Scandinavians, the Tripitaka of the Buddhists, the Five Kings of the Chinese, the Three Vedas of the Hindus, the Zendavesta and the Scriptures of the Christians.

INDIAN DEATH CUSTOMS.

Graves of the Hopi and the Hopewell of the Navajos. The Hopi Indian believes that the souls of all deceased adults go to the Grand Canyon. When a man dies a grave is dug. The nearest relative of the deceased carries the body to the grave, places it in a sitting posture facing the Grand Canyon, erects a pole between the legs, locks the dead man's fingers around it and then, spreading above the ground, he lies one end of a string and leads the other end in the direction of the Grand Canyon.

Antiquity of the Dog.

It is impossible to say when the dog was first domesticated. But the earliest bones of man's best friend have been found in the Neolithic period, which date back to the year 3000 B.C. Even the oldest records of the dog were highly esteemed. One ancient record is a little later, we find that 3,000 years ago the dog was recognized by the Egyptian as a household pet.

Blackberry Craze.

When about forty people are engaged in hunting the blackberry there must be results. They come in the night with full baskets and piled high before they sleep. The berries were turned into wine and bottled and shipped and shipped. The champagne man was in the town. He had been there a day or two.

Nothing to Do.

The following bit, quoted from Lord Cromer by Helen Barrett Montgomery in her "Western Women in Eastern Lands," presents a picture of the idleness and deprivation of the life of the Egyptian lady that pages of statistics might fail to convey: The isolation of women exercises a most baneful influence on eastern society.

History in Toys.

The history of the world is crystallized in the children's toys. Each great war has left its mark in the many copper-bottomed dished drosses to a kid and button. This has always been so. As each successive age in the world's history has gone by the weapons of that age have passed to the hands of the boys as toys.

The Dollar.

There was a time when dollars were minted in England. In March, 1707, the mint issued stamped Spanish dollars worth 4s. 9d., but they were called in seven months later. It was from the idea of her almighty dollar, but the name was made in Germany. At least "halber" of which "dollar" is a corruption, was the original thaler was the silver of Joachimsthal in Bohemia, and known at first as the "Joachimsthaler."

Blackberry Craze.

"Blackberries and \$4 a day." When the lightning man had heard the full particulars he shut one eye and held it closed for a long minute before saying: "Best so. Blackberry boom. Blackberry champagne. Blackberry strapper. Well, it ain't any of my business. If a town is bound and determined to kill herself it won't do so good for one man to talk."

Blackberry Craze.

"I never knowed how it was made," "Well, nebber you'll find out. When the inhabitants come back tonight they'll tell 'em I was here and when I heard about the champagne business I winked my eye the left eye. Tell 'em I never wink that eye unless there's something doing."

Wit Not Appreciated.

Stubbs was feeling his way to the kitchen stove in the dark when he fell over the coal scuttle. "Oh, John," called Mrs. Stubbs slyly, "I know what you need. You should get what they have on battle ships."

An Obliging Doctor.

"Doctor, I've tried everything and I can't get to sleep," complained the voice at the other end of the telephone. "Can't you manage to do something for me?" "Yes," said the doctor kindly. "Just hold the wire and I'll sing you a lullaby."—Success Magazine.

Just Rebuke.

Billy—What would you do if I should kiss you? Billy—I'd slap you face. Billy—Then I won't. Billy—You coward!—Philadelphia Record.

A Crazy Spell.

The opera was "Trovatore." Though I no more may hold thee. Yet is thy name a spell, sang the basso to the prima donna. And it was. Her name was Sophronia Czechlinskiwicz. Judge's Library.

Duty.

Duty stands for the most part close to home. It is a simple, unimpaired, and it is any man's duty to be a good father, a good husband, a good citizen, and a good man.