

### LOVERS' RACE FOR FREEDOM

#### Russian's Daring Plan to Win a Girl From Serfdom.

More than half a century ago, before the serfs were emancipated in Russia, the Count and Countess Gedeonovsky owned a beautiful girl, Liza, Ivan Panshine, who had inherited a fortune from his father, a merchant, fell in love with her and his love was returned.

One morning Count Gedeonovsky upon opening his mail received an offer from Panshine of 5,000 rubles for Liza, the young man stating that he wished to marry her. Liza, who knew the offer was before her master, was listening at the door, peeping through a crack to hear and see what chance there was for her and her lover's happiness. Her heart sank within her when she heard the count explain:

"What impudence! This man, whose father grew rich beside me while I grew poorer every day, now thinks to deprive me of my most valued serf. Liza, Liza! Come here!"

When Liza came the count showed her the letter and asked her if it had been written with her consent. She admitted that it had whereupon she was dismissed by her master with the words, "I will teach you how to form plans without consulting me." Then he wrote a letter to Panshine declining the offer and warning him never to approach Liza under penalty of the law both for himself and her. Panshine knew what this meant. The count was in favor with the government, and a word from him with a trumped up charge would be sufficient to send both the lovers to Siberia.

Panshine, who was a determined fellow, pondered long seeking for some plan to possess himself of Liza. At last he concluded to fight the count with his own method. He would make a charge against Liza of being a member of a band of revolutionists, get her into his possession and carry her beyond the borders of the empire.

Panshine knew well the corruption of Russian officials. He approached one of them whom he had long known, Mikhailovitch, and made him an offer of 10,000 rubles if he would arrest Liza and his secretary take her over to her lover, to be carried beyond the border of Russia.

The offer was accepted. Panshine sold his estate and sent the proceeds, except what he needed to help him in his flight, to a bank in America. When he had arranged for relays of horses to cover the distance to the Prussian border, a hundred miles, all was ready for the attempt.

One evening Mikhailovitch appeared at the count's estate and read a warrant for the arrest of Liza on a charge of conspiracy. The count was astonished, but suspecting a plan to get his serf out of his hands, as soon as a dragoon could be got ready he drove after the officer and his charges. He had not gone far before he came upon a dragoon overturned, Mikhailovitch being in the snow crying for help and Liza nowhere to be seen. As soon as the count could stop Mikhailovitch's cries, which he kept up as long as he dared, the officer said that he had been set upon by Panshine and a number of his friends and the girl taken from him. Fortunately for the count he had the best horse in his stables.

Liza was astonished at her captor's aid, supposing that her master had indignated it was in despair. When suddenly a dragoon turned from a by-road, Panshine jumped out and she was transferred to his conveyance her distress was turned into an exciting hope. She asked for no explanation, well knowing that liberty and happiness were now to die with a prison.

Panshine had studied the route and made his preparations accordingly. He had with him petroleum cotton and pitch pine for the purpose of burning bridges after he had passed over them. Reaching a bridge across a branch of the Vistula, he fired the structure. It was in flames when the count appeared. Hesitating a moment, he dashed through the flames and across. The lovers had gone on, but were now only half a mile in advance. Nevertheless they had fresh horses, while the count's horse had followed them for twenty miles.

The count, realizing that he must get a change, stopped at a farm long enough to do so, then pressed on. He felt sure that they would take the nearest road to the border through Warsaw, and did not stop to ask their direction. From Warsaw but one road led straight eastward, and he took this road. Coming soon after to an Aldrich woodland emergency currency other branch of the Vistula, he saw that the bridge was in flames. Here he was delayed till he could find a ford, when he continued the pursuit, getting fresh horses wherever he could find them. When he reached the border he saw the fugitives passing it but a few hundred yards ahead of him.

Panshine and Liza did not know that they were in Germany until they saw a man in German uniform. Then they clasped each other in an embrace. The count saw it and turned about. He knew that he was beaten and did not wish to have them see his discomfiture. "Oh, Ivan," said Liza, "how could you take such a risk?"

"By taking it there was hope; by not taking it there was none," he replied. "But the prisons!" she exclaimed. "Never mind prisons, sweetheart. We are going to a land of freedom."

### SNAPSHOTS AT NOTABLES

#### William H. Andrews, Senator From New Mexico.



William H. Andrews of Albuquerque, started to become one of New Mexico's representatives to the United States senate, has had an interesting political career. He is a native of Pennsylvania and got his first insight into politics in the school of the late Senator Matthew Stanley Quay. During his career as Quay's henchman he acquired the sobriquet of "The Bull," and as Bull Andrews he was known in Keystone State politics. Twice he was a member of the Pennsylvania house of representatives, served a term as state senator and was chairman of the Republican state committee in 1880.

Senator Andrews removed to New Mexico in 1892 and served as a delegate to congress from the territory from 1895 to 1911. He was active in promoting statehood and at the recent elections won the senatorial nomination. Mr. Andrews is seventy years old.

Mr. Lindbergh of Minnesota. Representative Charles August Lindbergh of Minnesota who recently made sensational charges against the so called money trust before the house committee on rules is a Republican and is serving his third term in congress. Representative Lindbergh said he saw no reason why the New York bankers should not be investigated.

Here are some of his allegations. That pressure was being brought upon congress to obtain passage of the national monetary commission's bill.

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### FOR THE CHILDREN

#### Who Is She?

Perhaps you know the little girl Who's always losing things. Her head is in a constant whirl— Her property has wings.

She's very sure she puts away Each article in place, But when she wants them they're astray, And thus begins the chase.

"Oh, mother, have you seen my hat? It's nearly half past eight. I thought 'twas earlier than that. I'm sure I shall be late!"

"And where's my coat? I hung it there 'pon that hook last night. Well, yes, perhaps 'twas on the chair Or under it—you're right."

"Some pixie hid my books there. No, I'm sure it wasn't I. Hat, coat, gloves, books—a kiss! And so I'm ready now. Goodbye!"

What work and worry she could spare Herself and others, too, By just a little thought and care! Now, can this girl be you? —Youth's Companion.

#### A Snake's Long Fast.

Big Annie, the largest anaconda of the New York zoo, died recently for the first time in 239 days.

The snake's long fast has been a worry and wonder since she arrived from South America last May. The news that she had consented to put three whole chickens under her skin caused excitement and jubilation.

Regularly every ten days Head Keeper Charles Snyder has had two chickens killed and placed before the reptile, but Annie always scorned them. It looked as if she was bent on starving herself to death.

In July Annie became the mother of seventy-two infant anacondas. Forty eight of them survived and are now valued members of the zoo. But even they could not persuade their mother to break her fast. She didn't show any great interest in the chickens she devoured. She simply swallowed them listlessly and went to sleep. She holds the zoo record for fasting, the best previous mark, 181 days, having been made by a regal python.

#### Great Ambitions.

Many of our small boys have an ambition to grow up and become street car conductors and policemen. The ambition of the small boy of Morocco is to become the bearer of the umbrella, which is an office of the highest dignity in the country. When the sultan goes abroad some one walks close behind him and carries a great umbrella of scarlet and gold to shield his majesty from the rays of the sun.

Another great official is the fly flicker, appointed to swoop away all flies from the sultan's person. The tea taster is a person of quite as much importance as the other two. He carries the teapot with great dignity and has everything ready to make a cup of sweet tea flavored with mint whenever the sultan may ask for it, and he is usually to ask for it one minute as another American boy and man would think these positions silly, but the small boys of Morocco have no ambition greater than to occupy one of these when they grow up.

#### Game of Clothespins.

A good game is "clothespins." The company choose sides and have an umpire. Each side stands in a row. Get about forty clothespins twenty for each side or any number that you can just hold in your two hands.

Place each pair of pins on the floor in front of the leader of each side. As the umpire gives the signal the leaders slap their hands three times pick up the pins (take the clothespins by the side near to you, so as to pass them easily) and pass them to the next person, he to the next, and so on down until the foot of the line is reached.

The person at the foot must put the pins on the floor, clap his hand three times, pick up the pins and pass them back to the leader at the head of the line, who puts them on the floor. If any person drops a pin he must put the pin on the floor, clap his hands three times, pick up the pins and pass on. The aim is to see which side will finish first. Philadelphia Ledger.

#### Remembering the Date.

The difference between a boy who is said to have a good memory and another who is said to have a bad one is usually only a difference of methods of thinking. Those who remember readily are generally those who think or derly. What they already know and what they want to remember are placed side by side in their mental store-rooms, so that they can find the one when they have the other. If you wish to remember the year in which Washington was born, 1732, you will easily recall it if you think of it whenever you think of his name. You never forget Feb. 22 as the day of the year because that day is always spoken of as Washington's birthday.

#### A Dutch Baby.

In Holland there is a queer custom connected with the birth of a child. The proud parents make known to their neighbors that a boy has come to live with them by hanging a pink silk ball covered with lace on the door knob or knocker. If the baby is a girl there is a small bit of paper attached to the ball.

#### Dottie Knew.

Teacher—Where did George Washington live after he retired from public life?

No one seemed to know.

Teacher—Was it at Washington or at Mount Vernon?

Dottie—I know, teacher. He lived in the hearts of his countrymen.

### HINTS FOR THE BUSY HOUSEWIFE

#### Invalid Support Holds Patient at Any Angle.



For use in hospitals or in private homes the invalid support invented by an Ohio man and shown herewith would seem to be a very useful article. Side pieces rest on the bed by the patient's sides, and rising from the rear of these is a back that works on the morris chair principle. It can be raised or lowered to any angle convenient to the sick person. A cross-piece slides back and forth on top of the side pieces and can either be pushed out of the way or can be used as a table for meals or for writing or for any similar purposes. Any one who has had any nursing to do knows the difficulty of propping up sick persons so they are comfortable. This device with its easy chair back solves the problem admirably to all appearances.

#### Crumbled Dumplings.

To make the dumplings crumble white bread until you have sufficient to fill a coffee cup. Into a quart bowl break one egg, beat light, then add a pint of flour with which have been mixed a heaping teaspoonful of baking powder and a pinch of salt. Add water enough to make a dough so stiff that it can hardly be stirred with the spoon. Drop this dough by spoonfuls into rapidly boiling salted water, cover the pot and cook for fifteen minutes, never letting the water stop boiling. Put in the skillet three or four tablespoonfuls of dripping bacon fat, let it get very hot, then turn in the crumbs and stir quickly so they will brown without scorching. Take out the dumplings with a skimmer place in a hot deep dish, then turn the brown crumbs over and serve at once. The egg may be omitted from the dumplings.

#### Salt Codfish Chop.

For each pint of shredded fish allow one cupful of hot milk, two tablespoonfuls each of butter and flour, one teaspoonful of lemon juice and two table-spoonfuls of minced onion. Melt the butter add the minced onion and cook gently three minutes, then blend in the flour. When smooth stir in the hot milk a little at a time. When of the consistency of thick cream take from the fire stir into it the shredded fish and add pepper and the lemon juice. Stand aside until cool then shape into chops. Dip in beaten egg dredge with cracker dust and fry a golden brown in plenty of hot fat. Garnish with parsley and serve with tomato sauce.

#### Shepherd's Pie.

Shepherd's pie may be made from the left over mashed potato and meat of a previous dinner. Heat the potato and beat light with the stiffly beaten white of an egg. Line a baking dish with it, fill it with the meat, cut in slices and seasoned with minced parsley and a bit of onion, some minced red pepper cut into pieces. Season with salt and pepper and moisten with sauce from the roast. Cover the top with a layer of the potato, brush it with egg and bake until brown. The cold meat will be more delicious if it is cooked slowly for an hour before putting it into the pie.

#### Ginger Snaps Without Eggs.

One cup granulated sugar, three-quarters cup lard or butter, three-quarters cup New Orleans molasses or any dark sirup, one teaspoonful ginger, one teaspoon cinnamon, one teaspoon soda, one-half cup boiling water. Beat sugar, shortening and molasses until creamy, add ginger and cinnamon pour boiling water on soda, stir the mixture, add flour to make a stiff dough roll thin, cut with a round rooky cutter and bake.

#### Flaky Pie Crust.

Four cupfuls of flour, one teaspoonful each of salt and baking powder sifted together. Chop in with a knife one cupful of lard and add also cutting in with knife) water enough to make stiff dough, about two and one-fourth cupfuls. Have water ice cold. To have pies brown brush over the top generously with milk, even letting the milk stand in tiny puddles.

#### Baked Potatoes With Cheese.

Divide a hot baked potato lengthwise, lay in a slice of cheese same size and one-third of an inch thick; put together, press slightly and cover with napkin. By the time it is served the cheese will have softened and will make a savory addition to the potato.

### HUMOROUS QUIPS

#### A Change of Heart.

Oh, everything is bright and gay, the world outside looks good, And nothing is but what is right when once it's understood! Our friends are true beyond a doubt; with joy the world's a blessing! There's no such thing as sadness now, for pa has had a raise.

Time was, and not so long ago, he muttered as he went, And he declared the world was but a place of discontent. The rich, he said, oppressed the poor in forty different ways. But things look very rosy now, for pa has had a raise.

Pa used to say to ma it was no use to try to win. The game was for the favored few, and he could not get in. But now he says the man of worth is bound to draw the prizes. And ma's always brings success, for pa has had a raise.

Pa's head is high up in the air, and thrown out to his chest. He says that recognition comes to him who does his best. "Perform your duties cheerfully, my boy," he says. "It pays. Do not despise your humble task and you will get a raise."

Last week I heard pa telling ma his boss he couldn't see. He said he didn't know enough to run a business. But now he is the greatest man of all these modern days, The wisest boss that ever lived, but pa has had a raise. —Detroit Free Press.

#### Marr'd by a Muzzie.

It was the early hours of the morning and not yet light when Brown woke up with a sense of impending dread.

He had suddenly remembered that it was his wife's birthday and he had bought her no present. And Mrs. Brown would be wanting to know why.

Ah, an idea! Creeping stealthily downstairs, he put a very large plate on the hall table and then, still stealthily, let the dog into the house. The preparations were complete.

"Many happy returns of the day, my dear!" he chortled. "As it is your birthday I have got a little surprise for you. Be quick and come downstairs and see it."

Full of anticipation, the good lady followed him and was just in time to see him kick the dog out of the house and stare in amazement at the empty plate.

"If that wretched dog hasn't eaten all the beautiful cake I brought home for you last night!" he cried in well acted anger.

But he had overlooked one little fact. The dog had worn his muzzle. It took a long time to explain the incident away. —Answers.

#### Why He Asked.

They were on their wedding tour and imagined that every civility given them related to their new condition of servitude.

Having stopped off at a way station, the bridegroom was approached by the station agent, who asked: "Are you going to take the next train?"

"It's none of your business," retorted the bridegroom indignantly as he guided the bride up the platform, where they condescended with each other over the impertinence of some of the natives.

Onward came the train, its vapor curling from afar. It was the last to their destination that day an express nearer and nearer it came at full speed, then in a moment it whizzed past and was gone.

"Why in thunder didn't that train stop?" yelled the bridegroom.

"Cos you said twar'n none of my bizness. I has to signal if that train's to stop." Telegrapher.

#### Had to Be Shown.

Once upon a time a book agent got the Hon. Champ Clark of Missouri into a corner, and though his victim was helpless, the agent was not cruel.

"I beg your pardon," he said solicitously. "I have a volume here which I don't want to trouble you with, but I hope you will permit me to show it."

"Don't apologize, don't apologize," Mr. Clark broke in impulsively. "I know you've got to do it. I'm from Missouri." Judge's Library.

#### And No Questions Asked?

"I happened to be walking along Forty-second street the other day when I was attracted by a very handsome Boston terrier which a man was trying to sell. Going up to him, I said, 'That looks like a very valuable dog,' and to my surprise he replied: 'You betcher life he's valuable, mister. Why, the guy wot I bought him off of is offering \$100 reward for his return.'" —New York Telegraph.

#### Astonishing Lehar.

The composer of the "Merry Widow Waltz," his name is Franz Lehar—is coming to this country.

And perhaps one way to entertain him will be to let some of our orchestras play his famous production as he never heard it played before.

They can do it.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

#### Seizing the Occasion.

Dugald in response to friendly invitation—Well, man, I never touch whisky noo unless I'm at the height o' hilarity or the depth o' depression, but I daur say I'm at present just in the state o' mind that wad justify a bit taste.—London Opinion.

#### The Brotherhood of Man.

"Papa, what does arbitration mean?" "It means that when two powers of equal strength get hold of a smaller country they agree to divide it equally." —Life.

### IN THE WORLD OF SPORT

#### Horner Out For a Place on Olympic Team.



Photo by American Press Association.

Joe Horner, the famous shot putter of the University of Michigan, is out for a place on the "Olympic" team. Horner is keeping in trim by practicing indoors and is in fine shape. He will compete in the tryouts, to be held in Chicago in May. Horner says he expects to experience little difficulty in securing a berth on the team that will go to Stockholm, Sweden, in June. Horner is considered to be one of the best shot putters ever turned out at Michigan.

#### McGraw Would Reform Pitcher's Box.

If a suggestion advanced by Manager John McGraw of the "Giants" adopted a narrow gully, six inches or so in depth, will be dug in front of the pitcher's box at all National and American league parks to prevent the slab worker from stopping over the rub and delivering what, under the rules, are illegitimate balls.

Under the rules a pitcher must have one foot of the rubber when delivering the ball, and under present conditions it is almost impossible, because of the dust, to determine whether he is complying with the regulations or overstepping his bounds. Batters often complain to the umpire that the pitcher is working in too close to the plate, and much time is lost. With a pit in front of the rubber a pitcher could not step in front of it and escape detection.

McGraw has recommended the change to John M. Ward of the rules committee, and action will be taken on it at the joint meeting of the rules committee of the two leagues on Feb. 13.

#### England Wants Rock Sand.

An effort is being made in England to have Rock Sand, the great sire purchased by August Belmont, returned to the country. Belmont declined the first request to that effect, and it was only on receiving letters pointing out that Rock Sand would have an exceptional chance to do himself justice in England that Belmont called to ask how many subscriptions he could command and at what fee. Belmont considers the horse worth all the 25,000 sovereigns which he gave for him, as he is now a well proved sire. It is obvious, therefore, that unless there be reasonable promise of a subscription list of at least thirty mares at a fee of not less than 200 guineas the owner is not in the least likely to send Rock Sand to Chesley, where he is wanted to replace the dead stallion Isinglass. One well known dealer has offered to take ten nominations at 100 guineas each. Others seem disposed to subscribe at 200 guineas.

#### Owens New National League Umpire.

President Lynch of the National League, it was learned recently, has officially decided upon Clarence Owens to fill the vacancy in his umpiring staff for the coming season, caused by the retirement of Hank O'Day to take the management of the Cincinnati team.

Owens is a product of the American association, and his home is in Kansas City. The other umpires on the official list given out are Johnstone, Klem, Eason, Rigler, Finnaner, Brennan, Emille and Bush, the last named of whom umpired a few games to ward the close of last season.

#### Yale Has \$20,000 Baseball Cage.

Yale university's new \$20,000 baseball cage will be 140 by 110 feet, and besides the baseball candidates it is to accommodate the track, tennis and winter football squads. It will have a dirt floor, plenty of light and will be built of steel and brick. It will be located on the lot in the rear of the swimming pool and will bring the gymnasium, pool and cage for other sports all together.

#### Cavanaugh to Coach Dartmouth.

Frank A. Cavanaugh has been engaged to coach the Dartmouth football team for the next three years, according to an announcement made recently by members of the Dartmouth athletic council. Cavanaugh, who was a member of the class of 1896, coached the team last year.