

DYING MAN'S WISH BARS EVERY WOMAN

NONE PERMITTED TO ATTEND FUNERAL OR LOOK UPON HIS FACE.

DECLARED ALL TREACHEROUS

Wife's Desertion Made Harness Maker Lifelong Enemy to Those of Her Sex—Tells Friend on Deathbed Why He Cherished Hatred.

Evansville, Ind.—Soured on the fair sex because his wife deserted him in Louisville, Ky., years ago, John Steller, aged 67 years, before he died here made the request that no women be permitted to look upon his face after he had passed away and that they be kept away from his funeral.

"They are mischief makers and as treacherous as a rattlesnake," the old man said on his deathbed.

Out of gratitude for the man who had been his true friend and who assisted him in his last days, Steller left a good farm in Warrick county, near here, to Joe Haas, a grocer and politician.

Years ago Steller came here from Louisville and got employment as a harness maker. He toiled steadily at his bench, and seldom lost a day from his work. Among the large number of employes in this establishment Steller was regarded as eccentric. He talked little, and to none of his fellow workmen did he make any mention of his past life. Most of the men with whom he worked thought he was a bachelor, none knowing that at one time he had a happy home; that he had become a woman-hater because the wife he loved tenderly ceased to love him, and deserted him when the hand of affliction was laid upon him.

In silence and alone Steller bore his burden—and saved his money. He had no one to live for, and cared little about the companionship of his fellows. He lived alone above the



John Steller.

grocery store of Haas, and not until his last illness was the story of his life revealed.

Steller was taken ill and remained in his room. He was ill for several days before any one made inquiries about him. Then Haas, who had not seen the old man for some days, went to his room and found the door locked. He broke in, and there found Steller lying on the bed in a semi-conscious condition, from which he was with difficulty aroused.

When Steller fully realized that the end was near he told Haas that he wanted to talk over some matters with him. Then he told the grocer the story of his life.

He had been married, he said, and was happy with his wife in their home in Louisville. After their son was born his wife asked him to deed over his property to her. He arranged matters so that she could take control of half of it. A short time afterward he became ill with typhoid fever. After strangers had ministered to him, he asked for his wife. He was told she had gone away.

When he sent word begging her to return to him he said she replied that she didn't love him any more and she would have to get along without her. Later he obtained a divorce and came to Evansville to work at his trade.

"Now you know why I am a woman hater," he said. "I hate them all. They are a curse to the race, meddlesome and treacherous as a rattlesnake and as uncertain as life itself."

"I guess it's all up with me now. Before I die I want to make one request of you. I don't want any living woman to attend my funeral. Keep them all away. They would only come through curiosity, anyway."

A short while later he was dead. Haas obeyed the dying request. He alone accompanied the undertakers to the graveyard where the old man was buried. He will erect a monument over the grave and pay for it himself.

Besides the property left to Haas, Steller had a \$1,000 life insurance policy, payable to his son. The son did not attend the funeral. It is said he will collect the life insurance, but will not attempt to contest the will bequeathing the Indiana farm to Haas.

MAN WHO STOLE BEES DOES RUNNING STUNT

WOULD BETTER HAVE CARRIED OFF RED HOT STOVE WITHOUT ASBESTOS GLOVES.

Savannah, Ga.—The man whose thievish instincts led him into the taking of a red hot stove without the protection of asbestos has been held up as an example of enterprise in this particular line, but he must step into second place for the man who attempted to steal a bee hive from E. W. Jewett, of this city. The particular hive selected by the thief in the absence of a census of its occupants is estimated to accommodate somewhere in the neighborhood of ten thousand bees.

The hive was found just outside the gate through which it had been taken, its position indicating that it had been left in a hurried manner. When Mr. Jewett found the hive its top and bottom were both off, and the ten



Thief Steals Bee Hive.

thousand bees were circling around trying to repair the damage which had been done. Knowing the resentment that bees show when people knock the top and bottom off their hives and otherwise manhandle them, Mr. Jewett is uncertain just how far the bees chased the thief before returning home to take stock of the damages. Mr. Jewett's theory is that the thief knocked the top off going through the gate, and the bees sallied forth and began to puncture the marauder, causing him to drop the hive and start an extemporaneous effort to set up a few running records.

BALD EAGLE FIGHTS SOLDIER

Infuriated Bird After Being Wounded Savagely Attacks Man Who Fired the Shot.

Lynn, Mass.—Corporal Thomas Campbell, formerly of New York, of the 147th company, United States coast artillery, stationed in this city, is suffering from injuries received in fighting an American baldheaded eagle here. He was summoned into court charged with violating the game laws of Massachusetts and fine \$20.

Campbell found the bird perched in a tree. He got a gun and fired. The bullet only stunned the bird, which then began to fight. Thomas Egan, who was with Campbell, had his overalls torn from his body while attempt-



Eagle Attacks Soldier.

ing to lasso the bird. It was finally overpowered. The bird is alive and under surgical treatment at the home of Game Warden Thomas Burney. It is six feet ten inches from tip to tip of its wings.

Burned Her Prayer Book

Fort Wayne, Ind.—While a sudden electrical storm of great severity was passing over this city lightning struck the Trinity Episcopal church and stunned many of the worshippers gathered inside the sacred edifice. The effect was startling. A prayerbook held by Mrs. W. W. Shryock was burned from her hand, which was blackened by the bolt.



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Worries of Rich Women.

After receiving requests from begging letter writers for sums amounting in all to \$22,000,000, Mrs. E. H. Harriman of New York, the widow of the railway magnate, has appealed to the bureau of municipal research to superintend her mendicant mail and to assist her in wisely dispensing charity. She is not alone in discovering herself the target of innumerable professional begging letter writers. Miss Helen Gould has received in the last twelve months 50,000 such letters containing requests for sums amounting to \$2,000,000. Wedding rings and offers of marriage from poverty-stricken correspondents are a daily feature of Miss Gould's mail.

HANDS WOULD CRACK OPEN

"About two months ago my hands started to crack open and bleed, the skin would scale off, and the good flesh would burn and itch dreadfully. When my hands first started to get sore, there were small blisters like water blisters which formed. They itched dreadfully, it just seemed as though I could tear the skin all off. I would scratch them and the skin would peel off, and the flesh would be all red and crack open and bleed. It worried me very much, as I had never had anything the matter with my skin. I was so afraid I would have to give up my employment.

"My doctor said he didn't think it would amount to anything. But it kept getting worse. One day I saw a piece in one of the papers about a lady who had the same trouble with her hands. She had used Cuticura Soap and Ointment and was cured. I decided to try them, and my hands were all healed before I had used one cake of Cuticura Ointment. I am truly thankful for the good results from the Cuticura Soap and Ointment, for thanks to them I was cured, and did not have to lose a day from work. I have had no return of the skin trouble." (Signed) Mrs. Mary E. Breig, 2522 Brown Street, Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 12, 1911. Although Cuticura Soap and Ointment are sold everywhere, a sample of each, with 32-page book, will be mailed free on application to "Cuticura," Dept. 6 K, Boston.

Pat Was More Than Willing.

A very pretty girl who recently returned from Ireland tells of an encounter with an Irish caddy in Dublin. She had started out from the hotel to do some shopping, but decided instead to make a tour of the city on a jaunting car. Arriving at the first car stand, and having selected the smartest looking vehicle, she told the driver that she "wanted to engage him for the day." Pat, never backward in paying homage to beauty, earnestly replied: "Begorra, ma'am you are welcome. I only wish it was for life!"

Would Purchase Index Finger.

One of the queerest advertisements which has ever appeared in a newspaper was one which the other day made known the wish of Mrs. Reginald Waldorf, a wealthy lady of Philadelphia, for a new index forefinger. Mrs. Waldorf's right forefinger was amputated after becoming infected by an accidental cut with a rusty knife. She appealed to Dr. Fred B. West, who advertised for a finger. He names no price, but says his patient is willing to pay liberally.

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No man is base who does a true word; for true action is the highest being.—Henry Giles.

THING THAT PUZZLED BILLY

Was Sure Elevator Moved, but Progress Was Not Apparent to His Eyes.

Billy was a quaint old darkey who had come to the city for the first time. One day his employer sent him with a note to a man whose office was on an upper floor of a skyscraper, where every floor of the building was arranged and finished like the first one. Billy was directed by the elevator boy to enter the "lift," and he would then show him to the office he wanted. It was Billy's first experience in an elevator, and he did not rightly understand the nature or purpose of it. On his return he described some of his experiences to his employer.

"When I got ter de buidlin' I axes er yaller boy wut wuz er standin' in de inside ob de front doah whar Mr. Brown's office wuz, an' he tol' me ter come wid him, an' he would show me. He tuk me inter er big cage an' shet de doah, an' don we begun ter move. An', Marse John, I see tellin' you de gospel trufe, we got off right whar we started an' God knows we riz."—Lippincott's.

WANTED SOMETHING SOLID.



Airymort—You asked me to take you up in my balloon; now you want to go down. Do you want the earth?

Nerviss—You've guessed it. That's just what I do want.

Thought He Felt a Hop.

An Irishman went into a public house one day and asked for a mug of beer in a great hurry, stating that he was so dry that he thought he could drink a gallon. The publican told him if he would drink it at one draught, without taking the measure away from his lips, he should have it for nothing.

"Agraid," said Pat, "and be the howly Saint Patrick I'll do that same."

The landlord then drew a gallon of into the measure, handed it to Pat, who eagerly raised it to his mouth and drank away until the measure was almost perpendicular. The publican's eyes followed its motion in astonishment, and, looking in it, he exclaimed, shaking the froth out:

"Pat, didn't you feel something going down with the beer when you drank it?"

"Be jabbers," said Pat, "I thowt I felt a hop, sur."

Risked Punishment for Dog.

A pleasing story of a prisoner's love for his dog comes from North Yakima, Wash. Michael Short, sentenced to the street chain gang to work out his fine, escaped with two other men recently, but somewhat to the surprise of his overseers turned up again for work the next morning. Mike explained to the officer that acts as foreman that he had left his little dog tied beneath his bed at home and that he had stolen away to liberate it, as it had been three days without food or water.

Nature's Wise Economy.

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Out of the Whaleback.

Jonah joined the Vacation Liars club. "Yes," he remarked, "I enjoyed my ocean trip immensely."

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tething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic, & a bottle.

Always strive to practice what you preach, but do not stop preaching if you sometimes fall.—S. Eldon.

"A Million for Tuberculosis."

This will be the third year that Red Cross Christmas seals have been sold on a national basis. In 1908 over \$135,000 was realized from the sale; in 1909, nearly \$225,000, and in 1910 nearly \$310,000. The slogan for this year's sale is "A Million for Tuberculosis from Red Cross Seals." New York state led the sale last year with 5,955,872 seals, Ohio coming next with 3,743,427, and Wisconsin third with 2,770,112. In addition to these, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Massachusetts, Connecticut, California and Rhode Island and sold over a million in Tennessee, selling only city receiving which sold every one.

Big Dogs in Demand. Country Cousins—Little dogs have gone out of fashion, haven't they? Mrs. De Style—No, indeed. They are more popular than ever. "But I notice that you are all getting big dogs." "Yes, we have to have big dogs to keep people from stealing the little dogs."—New York Weekly.

Woman's Danger Periods Made Safe

By Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

The Change of Life is the most critical period of a woman's existence, and neglect of health at this time invites disease.

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"I read one day of the wonderful cures made by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and decided to try it, and it has made me a well woman. My neighbors and friends declare it has worked a miracle for me. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is worth its weight in gold for women during this period of life. If it will help others you may publish this letter."—Mrs. Nathan B. Groaton, 51 No. Main St., Natick, Mass.

Another Similar Case.

Cornwallville, N. Y.—"I have been taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound for some time for Change of Life, nervousness, and a fibroid growth.

"Two doctors advised me to go to the hospital, but one day while I was away visiting, I met a woman who told me to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I did so and I know it helped me wonderfully. I am very thankful that I was told to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound."—Mrs. Wm. Boughton, Cornwallville, N. Y., Greene Co.

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