

FORGOT HER N. D. LOVER

Cooperstown Undertaker Jilted by Sweetheart in Spokane— Loses Sparkler, Too.

The following story under a Spokane date line, appeared in the Fargo Forum:

"Having traveled more than 1,000 miles to Spokane to ascertain why his sweetheart suddenly ceased correspondence with him, E. M. Runice, an undertaker of Cooperstown, N. D., learned on reaching this city that she had become the sweetheart of another man, had given away the diamond ring that Runice had given her and had decided to forget her Dakota lover. Miss Lottie Jamieson, the sweetheart in the case is now at the home of C. L. Hubbell, 2021 Seventeenth avenue, and C. G. Sapp, the other man, has been told by the police to leave the city because of molesting Miss Jamieson after she had told him he was no longer welcome, following the revelation that he, Sapp, was a married man who had won a divorce from his wife by default.

According to the story told by friends of Runice, Miss Jamieson and he became engaged while living at Cooperstown, N. D. Her mother and sisters came to Spokane to live and were later followed by Miss Jamieson herself. For months correspondence was maintained and as the time for the wedding approached, Runice is said to have forwarded Miss Jamieson an engagement ring worth \$250.

Miss Jamieson acknowledged the receipt of the ring, it is said and wrote to Runice that she would return to Cooperstown about Christmas, 1909. She asked, however, that he forward her enough money to make the trip. A draft for \$100 was forwarded, and then the correspondence ceased.

This state of affairs led Runice to investigate matters after a month of silence and he started for Spokane. On arriving here he located Miss Jamieson in a downtown store working as a clerk and bookkeeper. An interview with his recent fiancee disclosed the fact, it is stated, that Miss Jamieson received the ring and returned it and had not seen the bank draft, that she did not intend to marry Runice and that she had another friend who practically took his place.

At this stage the mother and sister were brought into the case with the result that it was learned that Sapp, the "other man" who had become Miss Jamieson's chief friend, was a married man. A week after this Sapp secured a divorce by default from his wife, Emma Sapp, now of Portland Ore.

Runice, anxious to have the situation cleared up, secured an affidavit from Miss Jamieson that she had returned the ring and that the draft never reached her. Later, however, it is asserted, Runice found that Miss Jamieson has given the ring to Sapp and that he sold it for \$160 to a dry goods clerk.

Difficulties at the Jamieson home, recently resulted in Miss Jamieson going to the C. Z. Hubbell to live. Having discovered the duplicity of Sapp, it is declared, Miss Jamieson refused to see him at her home or at the store. He called for her at the latter place. She asked him to leave her or an officer would be called,

the result being that he was taken to the police station. A second similar attempt resulted in Sapp being given twenty-four hours to leave Spokane. He did.

Runice has given up thought of marrying and in an interview yesterday said:

"I came to Spokane to straighten out my love affair with Miss Lottie Jamieson and I feel that I have practically cleared up the situation. I have recovered the amount of the draft sent to the young woman altho I have not secured possession of the engagement ring, which I am positive was given by her to Sapp, and later sold by him. I have lost a sweetheart, but I don't believe that is such a terrible thing. I am not heart broken over the affair although it does seem a little strange.

"I met Miss Jamieson about three years ago and imagined last fall that by this time we would be married. Instead we will never be married, although we are both going to live in Spokane. I understand Sapp has left the city."

Incorporation Defeated.

At the special election held last Thursday for the purpose of incorporating New Rockford as a city, the proposition was defeated by a vote of 126 to 55. The most objection to incorporating at this time seems to have been the taking in of too much territory and the fear of creating animosity on the part of the Great Northern Ry. Co., in connection with building their proposed cut-off from Ayr to Surrey, which passes through that city.

This is the second time that the incorporation of New Rockford has been defeated, but the proposition will undoubtedly be put to a vote again as soon as possible.

Scalded to Death.

The three-months-old baby boy of Andrew Wachter, residing ten miles north of Litchville, was scalded with hot coffee about the face and arms in such a manner that death resulted. Mrs. Wachter was experimenting with making coffee on the live coals of the hard coal heater and the baby was lying in front of the stove. The coffee pot became overheated and the lid flew off and the boiling coffee squirted right over the baby's face, scalding it terribly. After thirty-six hours' of intense suffering death finally came as a relief.

SURVIVAL OF OLD BELIEFS

Explanation of Fact That Parsley Always Has Been Associated with Life and Death.

One of the most curious features in parsley lore is that the plant is traditionally connected with both birth and death. The association with the former, though familiar enough, is the more mysterious, the London Globe says. All of us have heard in one form or other the explanation given by nurses to inquisitive children as to the appearance of a new brother or sister—"The doctor, or clergyman, found him or her in the parsley bed." It is possible that some may see a reference to this widespread fiction in the Roman folk story, "Filina, grata," but there can be but little doubt that the origin must be sought for in some of the oldest and most universal of primitive beliefs, those, namely, which related to the sympathetic connection between the fertility of certain forms of plant life and the increase of the human race.

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