

COOED AS DESTINY WAS BEING DECIDED

Little Daughter of Mrs. Merle Campbell the Object of Court Action.

MOTHER LOVE IS SHOWN.

LITTLE TOT CLASPED TIGHTLY IN ITS MOTHER'S ARMS FOR FEAR SOME ONE ELSE WOULD TRY TO SECURE POSSESSION.

Clinging tightly to her little two-year-old babe, upon the instructions of her attorney, for fear that some attempt might be made to relieve her of the burden, Mrs. Merle Campbell left the circuit court this morning. The child is her own and there are others who desire its possession against the father's will. The court had just returned the babe to her custody and the mother appeared greatly pleased by the turn in the tide of affairs that gave her back her own.

The story is one of human interest, but not exceptionally rare in some of its particulars. William Landwehr is the father of the child, but he and the mother are not married. When proceedings were instituted against Landwehr he was adjudged to be the father of the babe and was ordered to pay the mother \$450 for its support. Of this sum \$75 was to be paid in cash and \$50 per year thereafter until the entire amount was paid.

Mrs. Campbell represented to the court that her life has not been one of ease, and she was not able to care for the child as she had no home of her own. She made arrangements with Mr. and Mrs. George Bates, of north of the city to care for the baby and she was to pay them \$1.50 per week for its support. She had failed in her payments and for that reason the case was brought into court today. Bates brought proceedings to secure an order from the court whereby Landwehr would be instructed to pay the money into court instead of to Mrs. Campbell, and Bates was to be paid in turn by the court. Mrs. Campbell opposed the arrangement and her mother love finally induced the judge to make an arrangement out of court. Judge Fox prevailed upon Mr. and Mrs. Bates to accept \$1 per week for their services to the child for the past year. Mrs. Campbell had failed to make these payments.

Mrs. Bates wished the court to grant her the custody of the child, but the mother opposed. In tears she told the court she is earning from \$5 to \$8 weekly by doing washings and pleaded for an opportunity to prove her ability to give the child a home. The court asserted there was no habeas corpus proceedings involved and expressed a willingness to permit Mrs. Campbell the chance. She was told that if it be found she is unable to care for the babe, some other arrangement will have to be made. The child is a bright, blue-eyed girl and fondled its mother's face and cooed while the attorneys and judge were deciding its destiny, unaware of what its fate would be.

Here's a Way to Save.

Don't measure the cost of your weekly wash bill by what you pay the washerwoman. If she uses poor materials you must add the cost of the garments as well. Always use a pure soap. Easy Task soap is always safe, and can be used without boiling if you wish. Only 5c everywhere.

WIFE WAS UNTRUE

Therefore Warren W. Lee Filed Suit for Legal Separation.

UNUSUAL COMPLICATION.

Before the case of Warren W. Lee vs. Myrtle Lee for divorce could be called in circuit court today, it was necessary for "Squire Abbott to dismiss one case of the same title. The squire had filed two complaints in the same case and the sheriff had served papers twice. All the legal technicalities may not have been disposed of in just the proper manner, but when it came time for the trial and the "Squire was told by the court he was a little "mixed," Mr. Abbott made haste to get rid of one complaint.

The divorce applicant is a young man, so young that the attaches of the court and attorneys smiled when he took the witness stand. He said his wife had left him and by her own statements had devoted her life to a career of shame. The witness stated his wife told him she could not live with him and be faithful, and for that reason she left. She was reported as having been in trouble while an inmate of an Anderson resort, and was said to be at Marion now.

Owen Meredith.

Owen Meredith rested his fame on "Lucie," but could never be induced to contradict the charges of plagiarism that were made in connection with it. "What's the use?" he said. "If I deny them people will believe there is something in them. If I say nothing at all the book will be read and the charges ignored or forgotten." He was proud of the poem, and in the circle of his intimate friends often quoted passages from it and described the circumstances under which these lines were written.

E-C GIRL KEEPS UP A LIVELY CLIP

Continues to Give Away Money—Still Busy Times Ahead.

If the E-C Girl has not called on you yet, she may do so at almost any hour, as still strenuous times are ahead of her. She continues to give away money and the homes of Richmond which she has visited have found her a profitable caller.

Nothing of recent date has caused such a furore as the visit of the E-C Girl and the reception being accorded her in every part of the city indicates that her popularity and the popularity of the food she represents will be permanent, and people generally will await her return visits. She will remain in Richmond Monday and she says it will be her busiest day.

Reports from the grocers tell of thousands of homes which have become acquainted with E-C Corn Flakes since the E-C Girl came to town. Every member of every family likes this flaked, crisp, delicious cereal. That accounts for the heavy demands from all quarters, E-C, when she is asked, invariably orders a way for more.

A partial list of those who received the E-C Girl's dollar bills yesterday follows:

Mrs. A. T. Ware, Earlham College; Mrs. H. O. Todd, 917 N. 10th; Mrs. A. Jackson, 121 Richmond; Mr. Bon Kittman, 34th; Melville Kamp, 23 S. 2nd; Mrs. Maud Marion, 336 N. 19th; Mrs. George Cutter, 204 S. 7th; Mrs. H. J. Broermann, 504 S. 5th; Mrs. —Torbeck, 428 S. 5th; C. R. Feldhaus, 411 S. 5th; Mrs. P. Asflog, 407 S. 4th; Mrs. Wm. D. Day, 409 S. 4th; Mrs. Joseph Meyers, 339 S. 4th; Mrs. Howard Sudhoff, 328 S. 4th; Mrs. P. Liebfeldt, 245 S. 4th; Mrs. Alice Munk, 117 S. 4th; Mrs. Mary E. Kenley, 211 N. 17th; Mrs. M. C. Mendenhall, 306 N. 17th; Mrs. Raymond Laymore, 319 N. 17th; Mrs. Ed. Schalk, 129 N. 18th; Mrs. J. H. Albertart, 100 N. 18th; Mrs. A. R. Lamb, 309 N. 18th; Mrs. D. R. Mikesell, 310 N. 18th; Mrs. Mary Cox, 412 N. 18th; Mrs. Edward Turner, 322 N. 19th; Mrs. C. R. Tingle, 321 N. 19th; Mrs. Leroy Kohlstedt, 111 N. 20th; Mrs. Anna Lohr, 230 N. 19th; Mrs. J. G. Sliagar, 144 N. C.; Mrs. Mary McMin, 303 N. 14th; Mrs. J. A. Gorman, 150 Ft. Wayne; Mrs. B. W. Barr, 138 Ft. Wayne Av.; Mrs. Scott McCarty, 16 S. 9th; Mrs. Oscar E. Dunkel, 224 N. 20th; Miss Kate Ducey, 115 N. 13th; Mrs. Julia Sterritt, 401 N. 14th; Mrs. Elizabeth Parks, 307 N. 13th; Mrs. Charles McCrea, 403 N. 14th; Mrs. —O. Custer, 420 N. 14th; Mrs. Paulina Smith, 215 N. 15th; Mrs. L. B. Campbell, 223 N. 16th; Mrs. H. W. Anti, 206 N. 17th.

THE GENTLE ALLIGATOR.

Getting Him Out Into the Open For the Camera Man.

I have seen a barefoot boy when the alligator refused to respond to his call wade in the mud to his waist, explore with his toes till he felt the wiggle of the gator beneath them, then worry him to the surface, grab him by the nose before he could open his jaws and tow the creature ashore to be photographed. When an alligator that was hunting crawled into his cave I held a noosed rope over his mouth while the boy poked a stick through the mud until it hit the creature in his blinding place, and soon I had him snared, ready to be dragged out on the prairie and tied, to be kept till the camera man was ready for him; then we turned the reptile loose on a bit of prairie, and the boy and I, armed with sticks, headed him off when he tried to escape, while the camera man, with his head in the hood of his instrument, followed the creature about, seeking for evidence in the case of reason versus instinct. When the camera man was through with him the alligator was set free, a final shot being taken at him as he walked off. Our hunter boys could never be made to comprehend our reasons for restoring to the creatures their freedom. They understood the photographing, but when this was done why not collect a dollar for the reptile's hide? Their manner implied that to this question no sane answer was possible.—A. W. Dimock in Harper's Magazine.

ECONOMY IN ITALY.

The Roman Season the Only Time When Real Luxury Is the Rule.

During the greater part of the year we have in the servants that are necessary—my husband's valet, one butler, the porter who stands at the entrance to the palace and a general utility country boy who in the afternoon puts on a liveried and acts as footman. The women servants are a cook, a scullery maid, a landress and two maids besides my own personal one. This list is not as extravagant as the same would be in America.

Wages are nothing by comparison. One can get a good lady's maid for \$10 a month, a competent butler for \$10, a cook for \$10, a chambermaid for \$6. Their fare would seem coarse to the spoiled servants of America, consisting, as it does, chiefly of bread, soup, macaroni and fruit, with tea and coffee of an inferior grade and fresh meat once a week. We spend nothing that we can possibly help until the Roman season. Then we have enough surplus to get an additional number of maids and a long row of footmen (these for the most part young women and men from the village of our own estate), and both in our country villa and in our Roman palace we open all the rooms that for eight months have been closed and for four months live in luxury.—An Expatiate in Everybody's Magazine.

The Science of Life.

Infants and children are constantly needing a laxative. It is important to know what to give enough for salts, purgative waters or cathartic pills, powders or tablets. Give them mild pleasant, gentle, laxative pills like Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, which sells at the small sum of 50 cents, or 25¢ at drug stores. It is the one certain remedy for you to have in the house to give children when they need it.

BECAME TIRED OF LIVING WITH WIFE

Then John Sullivan Left the Precincts of the Home He Abused.

PROSECUTOR SCORES MAN.

SAYS THAT WIFE SHOULD HAVE BROUGHT EARLIER ACTION FOR DIVORCE AS MAN OUGHT TO BE IN THE PENITENTIARY.

"Mrs. Sullivan, the only mistake you have made was in not filing an affidavit against this man before the statute of limitation expired. He ought to be in the penitentiary."

It was in this manner that Prosecutor Jessup addressed Mrs. Mary Ann Sullivan in the circuit court room today. The man referred to is John Sullivan, a laborer, and he was within ten feet of the state's attorney, when the statement was made. The prosecutor meant that if too long a time had not elapsed, Sullivan could have been charged with wife desertion and given a term in state's prison. The woman had brought suit for divorce. It was granted by the court without hesitation and her petition asking restoration of her former name Mary Ann Shelley, was approved, also.

Mrs. Sullivan is a reputable woman who resides in the North end. Sullivan was her second husband and she told the court he had been cruel and abusive in his treatment of her and the children. At one time his anger became so great he ordered them to leave the house under penalty of having the "officials" put them out. The woman was keeping house when she and Sullivan were married in 1902 and he went into the home she had maintained and immediately became his sovereign. He was a friend of John Barleycorn and the two acquired a quarrelsome did not benefit Sullivan. The wife told how the husband had made use of epithets in discussing matters, much to her own horror and dismay.

Sullivan was put on the stand and asked what he had to say. It was not much but enough to call forth the declaration of the prosecutor.

Sullivan said: "Well, we just agreed to disagree, Mr. Jessup." "What do you mean by that?" he was asked. "Did you just get tired of living with her? Didn't you want to support her any longer?" To these questions the man replied he "just got tired and quit."

TAFT THE CHOICE ON FIRST BALLOT

So Predicts President Roosevelt, War Secretary's Friend.

ENOUGH VOTES BEFORE.

FROM MANNER IN WHICH CHIEF EXECUTIVE SPEAKS, OTHER CANDIDATES HAVE BUT LITTLE SHOW.

Washington, May 2.—President Roosevelt declares that Secretary Taft will be nominated before the home stretch is reached in the presidential race.

"Secretary Taft will be nominated, so far as sufficient votes go, long before the convention," is what the president said to William S. Edwards of West Virginia, a delegate to the national convention from the Third West Virginia district.

Mr. Edwards went to see the president to tell him that while West Virginia is for Taft, there is a strong independent of desire that the president should accept a renomination.

"He told me," said the West Virginia delegate, "that Secretary Taft is as good as nominated and will be named on the first ballot, with a large number of votes to spare."

To several of his callers recently the president has made a similar declaration. Senators Aldrich and Hale are now actively co-operating with the Taft forces and are trying to win over Senator Crane. Strong influences are being brought to bear to induce Speaker Cannon to withdraw from the presidential contest. The Taft men declare that with Cannon out of it Illinois would go to Taft and the presidential race.

Saved by a Smile.

"Yes, I had a narrow escape once. It was in Calcutta when the plague was raging many years ago, when Europeans had little better chance than the natives. The hospitals were full to overflowing, and I, with many others, was lying in a large shed put up for the purpose. Some of the poor chaps were dead and I pretty near it when a man came around with one of the doctors to measure the bodies, and I learned from their talk that they counted me already among the corpses. I was too far gone to cry out. I could not move; I could not even open my eyes."

"What did you do?"

"Oh, I just smiled!"—Westminster Gazette.

TREASURY Gold Medal Flour makes perfect bread.

Affairs of the Sporting World

(By Tort.)

There have been exciting doings in the camp of the Huntington base ball club and as a result, First Baseman Fowler, Catcher Fogle and Pitchers Hull and Guhl, have been pitched over the breastworks with requests to eliminate their presences from the vicinity of Huntington as quickly as possible. Manager Jack Smith is an easy going sort of a fellow and has stood for actions on the part of some of the players that no other manager in the circuit would put up with. However, when the four men mentioned refused yesterday to recognize his authority, Jack got peeved and decided to start a little yard cleaning day of his own. He asked Fogle if he was satisfied. The big catcher insolently replied that he was not. "Then pack your clothes and meander," said Smith. Fowler, Guhl and Hull also stated that they were not satisfied with the way Smith was managing the affairs of the club, but that they would stand for it because of financial reasons. "Oh no, you will not. You fellows grab your baggage and follow in the wake of ogle. I don't want any players in this camp who have a knock coming. Skedaddle—git!" And they got.

Tomorrow the locals will play their last exhibition game of the season with the Dayton Shilohs. The cold wind today is expected to dry up the diamond at Athletic park, and the weather indications are that it will be warmer tomorrow. If this menu is offered by the weather merchant it will make a big hit with the bugs who have been at home all week listening to the gas meter click.

Manager Jessup has decided to keep Burns on first base and send Jimmy Cameron to the outfield. Jimmy is said to be a clever gardener and Burns gives promise of developing into a classy first baseman. With Cameron, Hurst and Shinn in the gardens, the local outfield now looks as strong, if not stronger than any outfield in the league.

Earle Steele, sporting editor of the Huntington Herald, and official scorer of the Huntington club, was in the city yesterday on a base ball mission. Mr. Steele says that Huntington is base ball crazy and that the fans are highly pleased over the team that Jack Smith has gathered about him. Caples Ford has been appointed official score keeper at Van Wert. George Hawk has been slated for that job at Muncie, while Ed Warfel of the Item, will hold down that job in Richmond. Complete fielding and batting averages of the players in the league will be kept this year by the secretary.

WHO WILL WIN?

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Chicago	8	3	.727
Pittsburgh	7	4	.636
New York	6	5	.551
Boston	5	7	.417
Philadelphia	5	7	.417
Cincinnati	4	6	.400
Brooklyn	4	6	.400
St. Louis	3	10	.230

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

	Won	Lost	Pct.
New York	9	5	.643
Cleveland	8	5	.615
St. Louis	6	6	.500
Philadelphia	6	7	.462
Chicago	5	8	.385
Washington	5	10	.333
Detroit	4	9	.308

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION.

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Toledo	10	4	.709
Columbus	11	4	.733
Indianapolis	9	4	.692
Louisville	9	6	.600
Milwaukee	8	7	.533
Kansas City	10	8	.556
St. Paul	11	11	.500
Minneapolis	2	11	.154

FRIDAY'S GAMES.

National League.
Pittsburgh-Cincinnati—Too cold.
St. Louis-Cleveland—Too cold.
New York-Philadelphia—Too cold.
Boston-Brooklyn.

American League.
New York at Washington 4.
Philadelphia at Boston 4; 11 innings.
Detroit at Chicago 2.

American Association.
Milwaukee at Columbus 1.
Indianapolis-Minneapolis—Snow.
St. Paul at Louisville 0.
Toledo at Kansas City 4; 12 innings.

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY FEATURE OF Y. M. C. A.

Will Play Important Part in Association.

One of the attractive features in connection with the Y. M. C. A., will be the women's auxiliary, which was decided upon at the meeting last night. This organization will be similar to the board of directors. It will arrange for all the furnishings, in the sleeping apartments and other rooms of the building. These women will, in fact, take the place of mothers for those boys whose mothers do not live in this city. A committee composed of three members of the board of directors will report on the matter at the June meeting of the board. A physical director will have to be selected any way by the first of August and the board is busily engaged now endeavoring to locate a director. An educational course is also being arranged for and competent persons along this line will be chosen to make all needed arrangements. The furnishings and decorating of the building was also considered at this meeting.

William Carstairs was William H. chief counselor in ecclesiastical matters. What a noble man this sturdy Scot was! An Episcopalian curate who had been ousted from his parish and was a thorough irreconcilable called upon him one day by appointment. He was then principal of Edinburgh university. He found Carstairs in a rage. His tailor had sent in a misfitting suit. He threw the clothes about the room and then, looking at his visitor, thought that they would fit him. Would he not take them as a sort of atonement for the ill temper which he had shown? The next day the visitor came back to restore a ten pound note which he had found in the coat pocket. "No," said the principal. "When you took the coat you had a right to all that was in it." Carstairs had planned the whole affair. From "The Sign of the Cross" by John Watson, D. D.

The muscles of the stomach in old age are not as strong or active as in youth and in consequence old people are very subject to constipation and indigestion. Many seldom have a bowel movement without artificial aid. Many also have nervous indigestion, gas from the stomach after eating. All this can be avoided by the use of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, which permanently regulates the bowels so that passages come naturally, and so strengthens the stomach that food is digested without discomfort. Druggists sell it at 50 cents or \$1 a large bottle.

Dangers of a Diary.
The Tieborne chronicler, Arthur Orton, kept a diary in the days when he also kept a bushy public house in the back blocks of Australia and meditated between drinks on the best way to secure for himself the Tieborne titles and estates. In it during a momentary fit of aberration he scribbled the now world famous words: "Some men has plenty money and no brains, and some men has plenty brains and no money. Surely men with plenty money and no brains were made for men with plenty brains and no money." This diary came into the possession of the prosecution, who obtained it from a friend of Orton's named Cox, and its production in court sealed his fate.—London Tit-Bits.

Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is a powerful laxative to cure indigestion, constipation, flatulence, offensive breath, malaria and all diseases arising from stomach trouble.

EXCITING CHASE OF HORSE THIEF

Stolen Outfit Driven Through Hollandsburg on a Run. Officers Following.

MAY BE IN CUSTODY.

MAN DRIVING STOLEN ANIMAL FAST LOSING GROUND WHEN LAST SEEN, AND IT IS THOUGHT HE HAS BEEN CAPTURED.

The local police were early this morning asked to assist in the capture of a daring horse thief, who at that time was the quarry in an exciting chase through the country north of this city. The appeal for assistance came from the authorities at Parkersburg. Chief Bailey instructed all his officers to keep a sharp lookout for the thief as it was thought the man was headed directly for Richmond.

However, about 8 o'clock Chief Bailey received a long distance telephone message that the thief, after hearing Richmond, had changed his course and that at 7:30 o'clock he was seen to pass through Hollandsburg, O., driving at breakneck speed. The man was hotly pursued by two Parker officers in a road wagon.

As the thief passed through Hollandsburg, his pursuers could be seen further down the road driving their horse under the whip. Their commands to the thief to halt could be heard distinctly. Ten minutes after the thief passed through Hollandsburg, the two pursuers passed through the little town in a cloud of dust. It was the most exciting scene that Hollandsburg has witnessed for many months.

It is probable that the thief and the stolen property have been captured by this time because when the chase led through Hollandsburg, it could be seen that the stolen horse was almost winded, while the animal the officers were driving was apparently fresh and was gaining at almost every step on the quarry.

The stolen horse was the property of Otto Bond of Parkersburg and was taken from his barn early this morning. The animal is a three year old sorrel mare fourteen hands high with a white streak in the face and a white hind leg.

BISMARCK'S ANGER.

The Incident That Made Certain the Franco-German War.

The Princess Bismarck, so the story goes, changed the political history of France unwittingly, and but for her the Franco-Prussian war might never have been waged.

Bismarck was unfriendly to France, but the Empress Eugenie hoped with her beauty to influence him so that the little trouble with France and Germany might be smoothed over. She therefore invited the German prince and his wife to visit the court of France, and the Prince and Princess Bismarck arrived in great state at the Tuileries.

That evening there was a grand reception, and Eugenie received the guests in a gown which made her so ravishingly lovely that even Prince Bismarck, German, stolid and in love with his wife, stood and gazed upon her with admiration. And Eugenie was not slow to observe the effect of her beauty upon him. She called him to her side, and Bismarck came, with his wife upon his arm.

Now, the Princess Bismarck was tall and gaunt, and her feet were enormous. As she walked she showed a great deal of sole.

While Bismarck stood talking with Eugenie, an audience told her heard along the line of ladies. Bismarck, who was quick as a flash, followed the glance of their eyes and saw them rest upon the feet of his wife.

That settled the matter. The political history of France was altered from that moment.

A year later, when Paris was besieged, Bismarck himself fired a cannon over the ramparts, and those who were near him heard him shout:

"Take that for the feet of the Princess Bismarck!"

The slight was avenged.

The Mayflower.

Never did a ship sail with such momentous results as the little west country clipper schooner the Mayflower, but few people have bothered to ask what was her fate after she had landed the heroic band of Englishmen on Plymouth rock. As a matter of fact, she drifted into the cotton trade and sank after many years of service for the East India company at Masulipatam, on the coast of India.—London Standard.

A Third Need.

"You need," said the expert to the sufferer, "two pairs of glasses, one for reading and one for long distance."

"Can't you make it three pairs?" asked the man who had made a study of his own case. "I'd like some short sighted ones to use on bill collectors."

Agreed With Him.

Father (calling from head of stairs at 11:30 p. m.)—Jennie, don't you think it's about time to go to bed? Jennie—Yes, papa dear. What on earth keeps you up so late?—Pathfinder.

Not Unusual.

"Sometimes," said Uncle Eben, "I catches myself lambasting a mule for doin' purty much de same as I would do if I was in de mule's place!"—Washington Star.

Nature creates merit; fortune brings it into play.—Rochefoucauld.

Is this concern you, read carefully Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin. It is a powerful laxative to cure indigestion, constipation, flatulence, offensive breath, malaria and all diseases arising from stomach trouble.

WHITMAN'S WILD RIDE

It Was Worth Three Stars to the American Flag.

SAVED US VAST TERRITORY.

The Perilous Journey of Four Thousand Miles From Oregon to Washington Made by a Brave Man and the Results Which Followed in Its Wake.

The ride of Marcus Whitman was over snow capped mountains and along dark ravines, traveled only by savage men. It was a plunge through icy rivers and across trackless prairies, a ride of 4,000 miles across a continent in the dead of winter to save a mighty territory to the Union.

Compared with this what was the feat of Paul Revere, who rode eighteen miles on a calm night in April to arouse a handful of sleeping patriots and thereby save the powder at Concord?

Whitman's ride saved three stars to the American flag. It was made in 1842.

In 1792, during the first administration of Washington, Captain Robert Gray, who had already carried the American flag around the globe, discovered the mouth of the Columbia river. He sailed several miles up the great stream and landed and took possession in the name of the United States.

In 1805, under Jefferson's administration, this vast territory was explored by Captains Lewis and Clark, whose reports were popular reading for our grandfathers, but the extent and value of this distant possession were very slightly understood, and no attempt at colonization was made save the establishment of the fur trading station of Astoria in 1811.

Strangely enough, England, too, claimed this same territory by virtue of rights ceded to it by Russia and also by the Vancouver surveys of 1792. The Hudson's Bay company established a number of trading posts and filled the country with adventurous fur traders. So here was a vast territory, as large as New England and the state of Indiana combined, which seemed to be without any positive ownership. But for Marcus Whitman it would have been lost to the Union.

It was in 1836 that Dr. Whitman and a man of the name of Spaulding, with their young wives, the first white women that ever crossed the Rocky mountains, entered the valley of the Columbia and founded a mission of the American board. They had been sent out to Christianize the Indians, but Whitman was also to build a state.

He was at this time thirty-five years old. In his journeys to and fro for the mission he soon saw the vast possibilities of the country, and he saw, too, that the English were already apprised of this and were rapidly pouring into the territory. Under the terms of the treaties of 1818 and 1828 it was the tacit belief that whichever nationality settled and organized the splendid territory would hold it. If England and the English fur traders had been successful in their plans, the three great states of Washington, Oregon and Idaho would now constitute a part of British Columbia. But it was not destined to be so.

In the fall of 1842 it looked as if there would be a great impouing of English into the territory, and Dr. Whitman took the alarm. There was no time to lose. The authorities at Washington must be warned. Hastily bidding his wife adieu, Dr. Whitman started on his hazardous journey. The perils, hardships and delays he encountered on the way we can but faintly conceive. His feet were frozen, he nearly starved, and once he came very near to losing his life. He kept pushing right on, and at the end of five terrible months he reached Washington.

He arrived there a worn, bearded, strangely picturesque figure, clad entirely in buckskin and fur, a typical man of the prairies. He asked audience of President Tyler and Secretary of State Webster, and it was accorded him. All clad as he was, with his frozen limbs, just in from his 4,000 mile ride, Whitman appeared before the two great men to plead for Oregon.