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WAITED.

Death Came With Hymen

To the Nuptials of Old Adrien Chanche.

The Capitalist Wedded While in Extremis.

Pretty Miss Ron of Telegraph Avenue Deceases His Bride.

Death prevailed over a wedding feast in Oakland last evening. The grim reaper made a mockery of Hymen.

The wedding of the capitalist, A. G. Chanche, to Miss Marie Elizabeth Ron, was hastened by the impending death of the groom.

The ceremony was to have been performed on Wednesday next, when the wedding tour was to begin at once, to include the East and Europe.

For a week or ten days Mr. Chanche had been confined to his handsome home at 555 Alameda street, with what had been regarded as a derangement of the liver, but a fatal termination was anticipated.

Within a few days symptoms of pneumonia set in and the patient became sicker rapidly, despite the earnest and timely efforts of the most skillful physicians.

Realizing that his strength was ebbing rapidly and that dissolution was approaching, the dying man's mind seemed to be wholly with the woman he loved. He desired his partner, C. A. Ron, the brother of his bride-elect, to proceed to the County Clerk's office and secure a marriage license.

Upon this affidavit A. G. Chanche, a native of France, aged 59 years, and Marie Elizabeth Ron, a native of California, aged 28 years, were authorized to enter into the holy bonds of matrimony. In the meantime he had sent for his son and the marriage was solemnized in the hall of death.

The groom was a word and an action. The bridegroom he proved upon what proved to be his deathbed.

The bride, about by his side, looked down with a sorrow almost unbearable. She was willing to receive the truth and the name which lay dying man was so anxious to leave.

It was the last remaining act by which the lover could show his loyalty, love, duty and true affection to the woman of his choice.

He insisted that the marriage should be solemnized then and there.

It was done as he wished.

Rev. Father Andrieu of the French church of San Francisco had spent the day with his sick countryman and friend.

He performed the ceremony, in accordance with the rites of the Roman Catholic church, in the presence of the bride's immediate relatives and the associates of Mr. Chanche's household.

It was not a cheerful occasion.

There were no smiles, no happy faces, but tears were plentiful.

The bridegroom alone seemed happy. An unutterable happiness shone from his eyes and for a moment his countenance.

He had given the woman he loved his name and endorsed her with his worldly goods.

He had one person to sympathize with him and to love him and cheer him in his last moments.

He was happy, even though the others mourned.

The marriage was the prelude to death.

The spirit of her husband passed away about 10 o'clock this morning.

It was but a day from the altar to the bier.

The roses of the wedding will fade on the grave.

A PROSPEROUS MAN.

How Adrien Chanche Saved a Fortune.

Adrien Chanche was one of the most thrifty men in Oakland. He settled here in early days, and by strict attention to business he accumulated a fortune and was respected by all who knew him as a man of honor. Among the French residents of Oakland no one was better known than the deceased.

He had a pretty home on the corner of Seventh and Alameda streets, where he received his friends and was always known to be very liberal. Years ago he established a large business on First street in San Francisco. He made a great success of it, and was a real estate man. He owned a ranch in Livermore, and also had a white oak estate in San Francisco. Those who are interested in the business affairs say that his property is not worth less than \$100,000.

He was a very thrifty man, but not stingy. In maintaining his family at his home he was liberal to a fault. Of late years, however, he has had a rather confined life as he is confining to his home is concerned.

Mr. Chanche came from France, to California with his father in 1848. The latter Chanche established a large business on Montgomery street, San Francisco. The firm was subsequently known as the name of Chanche & Martin, and then A. G. Chanche's second cousin. He was a very successful business man. He was now established. Recently Mr. Chanche told Charles A. Ron, a brother of the widow, as a part of his business.

For a long time Chanche was an importer, but of late years he established the Mont Ron Vineyard at Livermore. In 1880 he took the gold medal for his wine.

He was very proud of this, and often mentioned it to his friends.

A short time ago he was appointed an expert witness for the Chicago exposition.

Increased had been ailing for some time, and he had been unable to continue to attend to business until about ten days ago. The disease developed a person expect rapidly and took the form of pneumonia, resulting fatally this morning.

The attending physicians, seeing in death to the true nature of the disease and that he had some time during the afternoon for their own satisfaction and that of the family.

The deceased was a successful business man. He was a man of generous impulses, cheerful, and cheerful, ready to help the suffering and the unfortunate. He was a public-spirited man, and always ready to contribute to the benefit of his country.

He was a man of high character, and his death is a great loss to the community. He was a man of high character, and his death is a great loss to the community.

A wide circle of acquaintances will hear of his peculiarly sad death.

THE FIRST WIFE.

Who Was an Invalid for Nearly Twenty Years.

Mr. Chanche was well known in this city. He had been an invalid for nearly twenty years and in consequence was compelled to leave his home and was somewhat changed and his wife was never left his home at night after he had returned from business. His business as a partner, man, devoted most of his time to his wife and family. The Ron family were formerly one of the most prominent families in the city. They raised Mrs. Chanche, and she was particularly fond of Mrs. Ron, who was an amiable girl with a large family.

When she was a child Chanche frequently took her in his lap and played with her. She was a very beautiful girl, and during the last years of her existence he held her in his arms. His affection for her was shown in the fact that he was a devoted father.

Chanche was now alone in the world. He had no relatives, a niece, who lives in France, whom he had never seen.

AT THE TOMB.

A Loving Wife Was Laid at Rest.

The funeral of Mrs. Chanche was only attended by her intimate friends. Her body was placed in the receiving vault in Mountain View Cemetery, until a final resting place should be provided. Meanwhile, Mr. Chanche had a tomb erected in the cemetery and a year after the funeral the remains of his wife were placed therein.

There were only a few friends present at the removal of the body, among whom was Miss Ron. It was a sad scene, and the body was lowered upon the bier.

Mr. Chanche was a changed man. He was alone in the world, with no one to share his joys or sorrows. The home on Alameda street was lonely and Chanche could never be the same again. The way the daughter lovingly looked after the comfort of her aged father.

One day the capitalist met an Italian friend and their conversation turned to the death of his wife.

"She was a devoted daughter," said the friend.

"Yes," replied Chanche. "And she will make a devoted wife."

It was then that it was revealed that the capitalist had more than the appearance of a friend. It was not long before he would not confess his love at that time.

The widow waited a year before he made any advances in the matrimonial line. Then he confessed his love for the woman he had watched for so many years.

He was accepted and the engagement was made. It was not long before they were married.

Meanwhile Mr. Chanche had taken into partnership his prospective brother-in-law, C. A. Ron, who is a prominent member of Oakland's First National Bank of the Golden West.

The engagement was announced publicly and the couple were congratulated at all around.

"It is done in the world and needs a partner. She is a lovely woman and will make a devoted wife. He will make a devoted husband."

And so the wedding day was fixed.

THE WEDDING DAY.

It Had Been Fixed for Next Wednesday.

Mr. Chanche was again a changed man. The circle which hung over his life had passed away and in their place came sunshine and the promise of a happy future with a loving wife. The couple visited their friends and talked about their engagement.

Recently the friends for the wedding were invited to the home of the bridegroom on Wednesday afternoon at the home of the bridegroom.

Pretty Miss Ron was preparing her wedding gown, and all her friends were interested in her marriage. It was to be the one great event in her life.

Chanche was making the preparations for the wedding, and had told his friends of his plans.

Arrangements were almost completed for the affair, and a number of prominent people were expected to be present.

THE BRIDAL TOUR.

The Couple Made Arrangements to go to Europe.

The ceremony was to have been performed on Wednesday at 5 o'clock. The couple were to take the evening train and go direct to Chicago where they were to remain three days. Mr. Chanche had already engaged rooms at "The Bismarck" in Chicago, for which he had paid \$100.

He had a commission as an expert of the Chicago Exposition, and was going to combine business with pleasure.

After making the brief stay at Chicago, the couple were then to go direct to Paris, and there remain some weeks. They were then going to travel in Europe, and were going to settle in the home on Alameda street.

BRIDE AND WIDOW.

The Unhappy Ending of a Romantic Story.

The marriage of the couple took place before the time fixed.

Chanche was dying yesterday and he expressed an earnest wish that he should marry before death called him. His wish was carried out.

C. A. Ron turned to the office of the County Clerk and secured on a license authorizing the marriage of Adrien George Chanche, aged 59 years, and Marie Elizabeth Ron, aged 28 years.

A minister was at the home, and the old man was married on his deathbed.

His last wish was now being granted.

Today Mr. Chanche died, surrounded by his friends.

At 11 o'clock this morning the marriage certificate was placed on record. It is understood that Mr. Chanche made a will yesterday wherein he bequeathed his entire estate to his young widow.

SIDE BY SIDE.

What Will Take the Place of Wedding Cards.

No wedding cards will be issued for the marriage. In their stead the friends will read the following:

Rev. Andrieu, Adrien George Chanche, aged 59 years, and Marie Elizabeth Ron, aged 28 years, were married in Oakland on April 22, 1893.

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THE LAW AT FAULT.

That is What is Said of the An Arbor Decision.

WASHINGTON, April 22.—The Congressional Press of this city, has received today and with it, the report of the Senate Judiciary Committee on the bill to amend the act of March 3, 1875, relating to the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court in cases arising under the Constitution and laws of the United States.

The bill, which was introduced by Senator Stanford, of California, and which was reported by the committee on the 10th inst., is now before the Senate.

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