

THE HONEYMOON AT DEER PARK.

Newspaper Men Give Chase to the Fleeing Bridal Couple—The Cottage.

DEER PARK, Md., June 5.—Your correspondent needs no further proof of the salubrious and restful properties of the air up here, near the top of the Alleghenies, than his own experience gives him. On leaving Washington the night of the wedding, in company with other correspondents who had gone through the strain of watching and hurrying and working during that ordeal for the newspaper men, we had reached that point of weariness when sleep seemed impossible. To add to our excitement, we were engaged in a railroad chase of the bridal couple, who had one hour the start of us. We were not just certain of their destination. All the indications pointed to Deer Park, but there had been so many statements and movements made before and during the wedding to mislead and elude the newspaper man, that we were obliged to inquire at every junction to find if we were still on the right track, for there was a danger that the "special" containing the president and bride might turn off the main line and shoot up through Pennsylvania to the Adirondacks. Our chase ended at last at Deer Park, about 270 miles from Washington, but before reaching there, and while the train was climbing up the steep incline, the somnolent effect of the mountain air was felt by the newspaper party, and the first day was given up wholly to uncontrollable sleep.

Besides the salubrity of the atmosphere at this great altitude, the president's first idea in coming to Deer Park was, of course, to find a spot as secluded as possible. In selecting this place he has shown considerable good judgment, for certainly he could have found few places in America so utterly quiet and devoid of interest to any but those placed in the same position as himself. Few trains stop here, and even should a venturesome traveler or office-seeker make his way thither, he would have hard work keeping alive or awake while waiting to see the president. A cordon of railway detectives surrounds his cottage continually, and no one is permitted to approach nearer than 150 yards under any pretence whatever, unless he be recognized as a servant having business there. It is out of the question to attempt to get a card or letter to the chief executive unless it comes in the regular course of the mails or over the wires.



THE COTTAGE AT DEER PARK.

The cottage occupied by the president and his bride is situated in a southeasterly direction from the hotel and about 300 yards from it. Architecturally it is an American modification of the Queen Anne style, two and one-half stories high, with steep sloping roof, and piazza extending half way round the northwest side. On its first floor are a parlor, sitting room, dining room and kitchen. A broad staircase in the center of the house leads to the floor above, where are four bedrooms. The bridal chamber on this floor is a room twenty feet square in the northeast corner of the building, and from its windows a splendid view of the distant mountain peaks is obtained. The furniture of the cottage is of the description usually found in cottages at summer retreats, but rattan trimmed with satin ribbons predominate. The room contains richly carved rosewood and black walnut furniture.

Since their arrival the bridal couple have taken numerous drives over the mountain roads and some few strolls, on which occasions it was noticeable that the president walked with a light, sprightly step, such as he never used in Washington.

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THE PRESIDENT'S COUNTRY HOME.

The Summer House Recently Purchased for President Cleveland and Bride.

The piece of property which President Cleveland has purchased and which he will use as his country residence cost him \$21,500. It is situated on the Tennallytown road and consists of twenty-eight acres of land and a stone house. The land is covered with grass and it is made up of hill and hollow, and it has a pretty little grove of about 500 trees upon it. The house is made of stone, which was probably gathered near by and broken up on the place. It is not an extravagant house, and has not half enough room for the president as it is now. It has a long wooden porch in its front which gives a very good view of Washington. The barn of the place is a ridge roofed affair which would accommodate two or three horses and a cow or two. The house will have to be lighted by candles or oil, without the president makes his own gas or digs a gas well. The water comes from a well and a cistern, and there will be enough room for fruit and garden truck. The land, however, is rather poor. Tennallytown road, on which the house is located, leads directly north from Georgetown college.



PRETTY PROSPECT.

President Cleveland's new home is called "Pretty Prospect," and it will, when he has improved it, be one of the pleasantest country seats in the United States. He bought it of Mr. A. R. Green, in whose family it has been owned for the last 100 years. Green's grandfather was Uriah Forrest, who was on Washington's staff during the revolution, and who at the close of the war amassed a large fortune by acting as a commission merchant for the Maryland tobacco planters in England. He was probably a millionaire during revolutionary days and

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among his speculations were a large amount of property in Washington and a great deal of land surrounding that now owned by the president. After Forrest came back from England he became interested with Robert Morris, the great financier, and when Morris failed Forrest lost all his property except that which the president has bought. Not far from it is Whitney's country seat, and there are very pleasant looking cottages lining the road between it and Georgetown. One drive from this place leads out through the fashionable northwest. You can go past the houses of Baine and Edmunds, getting a glimpse of Oak Hill, where John Howard Payne lies buried, and Kalamora, where Robert Fulton experimented with his steamboat, and out into the country.

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MOTHER-IN-LAW FOLSOM.

Herewith is an authentic picture of Mrs. Folsom, Franklin's mother. It is from a photograph by Mr. M. Michael, of Buffalo. Mrs. Folsom does not really look more than ten years younger than her new son-in-law. She still wears her widow's cap and mourning for the late Oscar. She changed her black to a lavender silk on the occasion of her daughter's wedding. She is said to be small and shrinking, while her daughter is tall and stately.

Conveying an Idea of Size.

A naturalist who has bestowed attention upon the sea and its inhabitants says that he has observed whole shoals of herring, "in their anxiety to escape when pursued by whales, piled up above the surface of the sea to a height of from three to six feet. On one occasion the fish formed a mass even with the top of the mast of a fishing boat, namely, about fifteen feet, and had part of this mass fallen into the boat it would doubtless have sunk." There is on record another curious description intended to convey an idea of size, namely, that of "a pumpkin so big that eight men could stand around it."

Louise Michel seldom speaks in public now, and when she does she is more hissed than cheered.