

CURIOUS DECEPTION—A FEMALE HUSBAND.

—A quiet-looking elderly woman lately solicited the assistance of Mr. Broderip, one of the London police magistrates, under the following circumstances: She complained that her daughter, a girl of seventeen, had gone through the ceremony of marriage without being blessed with a husband. It was, of course, at the time of the nuptials, supposed that she was being united to one of the other sex, and they went to York to spend the honeymoon; but her daughter, to her great surprise, discovered that she had been married to a woman in male attire, and the mother of three children. Mr. Broderip, after stating that there were other cases of a similar character on record, and learning that the marriage was solemnized at Highgate church, referred the complainant to the magistrate of that district. Before leaving the court, however, the mother made the following extraordinary statement: She said that the pseudo-husband was first introduced to her in female attire, under the name of Mrs. Panton, but, after an intimacy of some months, suddenly appeared in the costume of a gentleman, announcing himself as Mr. Albert Guelph, and declaring that he was issue of George IV. and Queen Caroline, but that for certain reasons his existence had hitherto been kept a profound secret, but that his love for her fair daughter had wrung it from his heart, and induced him to appear in the becoming habiliments of his own sex, in lieu of the feminine attire he had been disguised in for years, by direction of a very benign old lady, who had met him periodically in Park-lane, and supplied him with cash *ad libitum*. As he dressed very fashionably, and always had plenty of money, the mother, believing the story, consented to their nuptials, particularly as the *soi-disant* Mrs. Panton and her daughter had upon the occasion of little visits slept together before; and so Miss Robins changed her name for Mrs. Guelph, on the 12th of September, 1852, by license, at Highgate church; but, alas! soon discovered that Mrs. Panton was but a woman after all!

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THE MAN-WOMAN.—The *Syracuse Standard* says that Miss Lewis, the young lady who was married to the "Man-Woman," has finally become convinced, after *waiting* some time, that her pretended husband is a woman, and has therefore renounced her useless husband forever.

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