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## Engaged for Seventeen Years-And Are Not Yet Wedded.

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It was a beautiful romance, Miss Cooper is the dulighter of Mrs. and Mr. | John Cooper, who conduct the most exclusive boarding house at the beautiful Winoma lake, Ind. She is fall, and when Brinaing first saw her, she was a young girl in the first flush of the proposed, and was accepted. That was

EVENTEEN years ago M. L. lovliness which in her more mature Brunning and Nellie Cooper plighted their love and yowed that they would be true to each altogether attractive to the eyes of womankind. The two met while the man was spending a vacation at the famous Indiana resort. There were long walks together, boat rides on the lovely lake in the moonlight, and the other nuccessories that ald Cupid in his work of destroying the peace of mind of men at summer resorts.

itations to the marriage to come round. They are still waiting. Seventeen years have passed and still Mr. Hrunning and Misa Cooper are be-trothed, still there is no bint of the ay when the two shall be made one. Ipon a hinf on McDenid island, in the most beautiful spot on Winona lake, there stands a beautiful mansion which Brunning has built for the day when the reluctont fiances of seventeen years shall yield to his pleadings and come to live in the home he has prepared for her as his bride, He is patient. He has waited seventeen years and he can wait longer. The house is fully fur-nished and ready for occupancy; but the shutters are drawn tightly over the windows, the doors are ever closed. and no ray of light ever comes into the place, or will, until there comes a bride to hold the house warming.

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seventeen years ago. The engagement was anonunced. Friends said: 'What a perfect match,' and waited for the in-vitations to the marriage to come brink, the beautiful home that stands waiting on McDonald island. That is to be left untouched and unused until Miss Cooper becomes Mrs. Brun-ning. How long before this event will take place is a source of perennial comment among the people of Win-ona. The constancy of the man and the reluctance of the woman after she has said "yes," to name the day has made Merbrink and Brunning famous, But Miss Cooper, actuated by a sincere love for parents who are fast aging, refuses to agree to any day for the marriage. The love of a devoted daughter has so far proven stronger than the love of a betrothed sweetheart. Each time the lover press-es his suit and implores the girl to make him happy by naming a wed-

grown middle aged in walting, and in the hair of the maiden fair the sil-ver of autumn is beginning to show among the locks of raven black. And still their love does not waver, still the hero comes acourting each Saturday night, just as he did seventeen years ago, when they were both young and had just discovered that they loved each other. Never once has Brunning expressed the least impatience. He knows the love for parents, which in spires his fiancee to force him to walt is only proof of a noble character, and he is willing to walt-how long he does not know himself.

## Mountain and valley are now resplendent with the gorgeous tints

of autumn follage, nowhere so brilliant as in that pleturesque region traversed and each time the patient lover has granted the delay. The man in this strange romance has "all the comforts of home." Special rate for this occasion via Oregon Short Line and Union Pacific, Dates of sale, Oct. 16th and 17th. City Ticket Office and Union Pacific, Dates of sale, Oct. 16th and 17th.



