

ZIEGLER'S SHYNESS SWITCHED WEDDING

**Bridgroom, Dreading to Face
Church Crowd, Asked Change
to Plaza, Associate Says.**

TRIED TO CONCEAL PLACE

**Sportsman's Spokesman Defends
Man's Right to Change His Mind,
Too—Couple Sall Tonight.**

The mystery of the sudden shift Wednesday of the wedding of William Ziegler Jr., wealthy business man and sportsman, to Miss Helen Martin Murphy of Troy, N. Y., from the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church, where it had been scheduled to take place, to the apartment of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Murphy, at the Hotel Plaza, was explained yesterday when Frederick G. Pohndorff, a business associate of Mr. Ziegler's, let it be known that the bridegroom had been overcome at the last minute by a fit of bashfulness.

It had been planned that the place of the ceremony be not announced, Mr. Pohndorff said, and when a Troy newspaper published the information that it was to take place in the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church, Mr. Ziegler became apprehensive lest a crowd collect there to stare at the couple. The church was decorated for the wedding, however, and the Rev. Henry Howard was engaged to perform the ceremony there. This he was to have done at 4 P. M.

After lunch, however, Mr. Ziegler

talked persuasively with the bride and her parents; the Rev. Mr. Howard was reached by telephone; and while reporters, photographers and others waited in anticipation at the church, Mr. Ziegler and Miss Murphy were quietly married at the Plaza.

"There is no reason whatever for trying to raise a scandal over a little thing like this," Mr. Pohndorff declared. "A man has a right to change his mind as well as a woman, has he not? Mr. Ziegler is a man of wide business association; he is wealthy and somewhat of a public character. It was, therefore, only natural that a crowd should collect and only natural that Mr. Ziegler should be modest enough to desire privacy and seek to avoid the throng."

Mrs. Murphy declined to comment on her daughter's marriage. Neither she nor Mr. Pohndorff would discuss a report that a second ceremony would be performed in the Catholic Church, Mrs. Ziegler being a Catholic and her husband a Protestant. Mr. and Mrs. Ziegler sall late tonight on the Berengaria for a wedding trip through Europe.