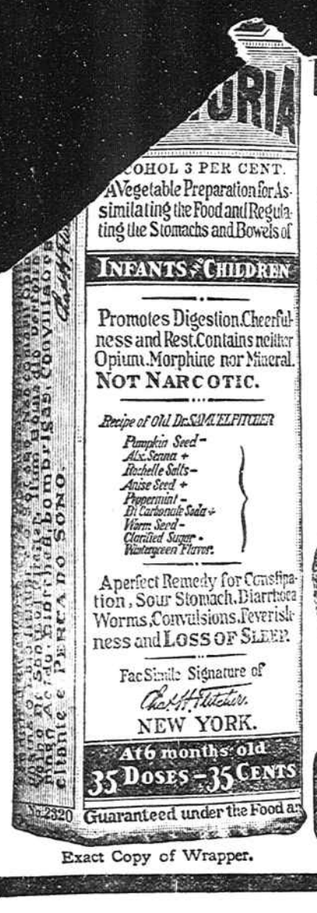

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The Taft Inauguration.

By JAMES A. EDGERTON.

THE making of a president of the United States is a process consisting of many ceremonies, covering approximately a year of time. First there are the party primaries, county, district, state and national conventions, the notification of the candidates, the speeches and letters of acceptance, the political campaign, the popular election, the meeting of the electoral colleges, the counting of the vote and declaration of the result and the final culminating ceremony in the inauguration. This ought to be sufficiently impressive and long drawn out to make the incumbent realize the importance of the position.

William Howard Taft will be the twenty-sixth man to occupy the presidency, although he will officially rank as the twenty-seventh, Grover Cleveland being counted twice because of the four year hiatus between his two terms. When Mr. Taft takes the official oath, it will be the thirty-sixth time that ceremony has been performed, ten of the presidents having been re-elected and therefore sworn in twice. These were Washington, Jefferson, Madison, Monroe, Jackson, Lincoln, Grant, Cleveland, McKinley and Roosevelt. The Taft induction into office will be only the thirty-first inauguration proper, however, since the five vice presidents who succeeded to the presidency had no regular inaugural ceremony. If the reader pines for more statistics, he can probably find them in a political almanac or can figure them out for himself.

Fickle Inauguration Weather.

All inaugurations are pretty much alike, except the weather. It is impossible for any mere committee of arrangements to make Washington weather behave itself, especially in March. Chief of the Signal Service Willis Moore once promised an ideal day for an inauguration, and it was ideal for farm hands. It rained from early morning till late at night. An inauguration is not like a baseball game. It cannot be postponed because of wet grounds. The president elect must go to the bat and run the bases from the White House to the capitol and back again even if there is a blizzard or a rainstorm that washes all the people out of Pennsylvania avenue. The weather of the District of Columbia is not subject to the constitution. On March 4 it is not only unconstitutional, but is in contravention of law and order, of religion and good morals, to say nothing of decorations and clothes, for all of which reasons and others some well meaning reformers have tried to have the date of the inauguration changed. Vain effort! They did not know Washington. The Capital City is more of a stickler for precedent, red tape and custom than Lincoln Steffens is for civic righteousness. Everybody in Washington admits that the change ought to be made, that the weather on the 4th. of March is about the most depraved that it is on any possible date in the whole year, but the minute anybody proposes to do something about it old man Inertia gets in his work, and the reform hits the asphalt quicker than did Roosevelt's simplified spelling. One cannot change anything in Washington except money, and he should do that on the quiet or some one will see it and take it way from him. There is only one redeeming feature about inauguration weather. It sometimes does good to the soul to see the way it makes monkeys of the solemn functionaries who have the thing in charge. They take themselves so seriously, there is so much fussiness about which official shall sit in which chair, and who shall walk out of a certain door first, and who shall take precedence in the parade, and all the rest of the formal tommyrot, that it secretly delights the heart when the weather bedraggles the feathers and makes a joke of the brave show. Real patriotism suffers not a whit in consequence, for it goes deeper than display. There is another comforting thing. If the powers that be are determined to keep the inauguration on the 4th of March, they do not deserve anything better than 4th of March weather.

All that can be done about the matter on this particular inauguration day is to hope for the best and leave the results to Providence and the weather man. It may be a nice day, and it may rain, hail, snow, sleet, freeze, drizzle or do any of the other surprising things for which this day is justly celebrated. The only thing we can be absolutely sure of is that if he lives William Howard Taft at high noon on March 4, 1909, will become president of the United States.

Reform In the Musical Program.

One improvement in this inauguration over all others known to the mind of man will be in the music. All the bands except the Marine band of Washington will be requested not to play "Hail to the Chief." They will also be politely, but firmly, reminded that bands close together should not play at the same time. A third reform

WILLIAM H. TAFT AND JAMES S. SHERMAN.

that has been attempted is to encourage all the bands possible to stay at home. Some of the music punishers that go to Washington for the inauguration are as bad as the weather, and that is putting it strong. Moreover, when two or three of them try to play different tunes in the same block the results are worse than New Year's eve on Broadway. They tie the nerves into hard knots and make a man want forever to forswear music, with its "charms to soothe the savage breast." So far from doing the soothe act, that sort of music would make a savage out of a Sunday school superintendent. It is the same way with "Hail to the Chief." It is a fine old tune and naturally would stir a president's heart, but to hear it all day and all night, and that from every kind of band, including those torturers of sound that flat the high notes, is going it a little strong. Taft is a good, husky specimen of the young American, but he should not be asked to stand too much. He has several trifling chores to attend to in the form of inherited policies and should not be worn out with musical agonies the first day.

Platform to Seat 6,000.

The huge inauguration platform, which is situated, as usual, at the east portico of the capitol, is arranged to seat 6,000 people. The timbers used are heavy Georgia pine, thoroughly braced. The speaker's stand, where the president elect will take the oath and from which he will deliver his inaugural address, is ornamented with a tower balustrade. It is 25 by 20 feet in dimension, while that for the spectators is a trifle over 38 by 143. This will not be big enough by several hundred feet to accommodate all those that want to hear the inaugural, but it will help. Those who cannot get seats can stand off on the outskirts, see the presidential lips move and read the speech in the papers. The main thing, after all, is to be able to tell their grandchildren they saw Taft sworn in. If the president elect bulks as large on the future as he does everywhere else, the mere fact that one was an onlooker at his inauguration ought to count for somthing.

It will be a great show, the biggest thing of the kind ever pulled off. This country is hitting the pike of progress so hard that everything it does is bigger than it ever did before. Taft himself is the largest president we ever had with the possible exception of Grover Cleveland, and it is my own belief that in a straightout weighing match he would have Cleveland looking like a lightweight. If the doctrine of correspondences holds good, the largest president deserves the largest inauguration, and that is what Taft is going to have.

It has been officially decided that the regular ceremony at the capitol shall be a little more solemn and impressive than ever before. There may be joy and color in the parade and on the streets, but the only color that will be permitted at the event itself is that of red tape. Dignity is the watchword of the hour.

One Omission.

"One of the most striking characters in my company," says the author of "The Story of a Cannoneer Under Stonewall Jackson," "was 'General' Jake, as we called him, whose passion for war kept him always in the army, although his aversion to battle kept him always in the rear. An interview between the general and one of our company, as he viewed the man and was struck with his appearance, was as follows:

"'Well, general, you are the most perfect looking specimen of a soldier I ever beheld. That piercing eye, the grizzly mustache, the firm jaw, the pose of the head, that voice—in fact, the whole makeup fills to the full the measure of a man of war.'

"The general, with a graceful bow and a deep roll in his voice, replied, 'Sire, in enumerating the items which go to constitute a great general I notice the omission of one requisite, the absence of which in my outfit lost to the cause a genius in council and a mighty leader in battle.'

"'What was that, general?'

"'Sire, it goes by the name of courridge.'"

Near Death In Big Pond.

It was a thrilling experience to Mrs. Ida Soper to face death. "For years a severe lung trouble gave me intense suffering," she writes, "and several times nearly caused my death. All remedies failed and doctors said I was incureable. Then Dr. King's New Discovery brought quick relief and a cure so permanent that I have not been troubled in twelve years." Mrs. Soper lives in Big Pond Pa. It works wonders in Coughs and Colds, Sore Lungs, Hemorrhages, LaGrippe, Asthma, Croup, Whooping Cough and all Bronchial affections. 50c and $1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by all Druggists.

The Cruel Lie.

When Disraeli was nearing his end a young disciple said to him: "Master, what is the unpardonable sin? Is it not a lie?" The astute and subtle statesman, in the shadow of the grave, where he saw with the clearer vision, looked at the young man with deep, unfathomable eyes and answered:

"No, a lie is not the unpardonable sin. The unpardonable sin is the cruel lie."

On the borders of that shadowy land where great things grow and small and little things loom large on the horizon he had come to know that the crime that is not forgiven is the brutal instinct that impels us to wound, to imbitter, to mortify.

The Lurid Glow Of Doom

was seen in the red face, hands and body of the little son of H. M. Adams, of Henrietta, Pa. His awful plight from eczema had, for five years, defied all remedies and baffled the best doctors, who said the poisoned blood had affected his lungs and nothing could save him. "But" writes his mother, "several bottles of Electric Bitters completely cured him." For Eruptions, Eczema, Salt Rheum, Sores and all Blood Disorders and Rheumatism Electric bitters is supreme. Only 50c. Guaranteed by all Druggists.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, County of Pickens } By J. B. Newberry, Probate Judge.

WHEREAS, Elizebeth A. Lindsey made suit to me, to grant her letters of Administration of the estate and effects of W. K. Lindsey.

These are therefore to site and admonish all and singular the kindred and creditors of the said W. K. Lindsey deceased, that they be and appear before me, in the Court of Probate, to be held at Pickens on the 25 day of March 1909 next after publication hereof, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause if any they have, why the said administration should not be granted.

Given under my hand, this the 8 day of March Anno Domini 1909.

J. B. NEWBERY, [seal] J. P. P. C.

She Knew.

"No," she said, "you don't really love me."

"Yes, I swear I do," he protested. "I love you with all my soul. I would ask you to be my wife tomorrow if I were properly situated."

But his plea was useless. She had studied human nature and knew that when a man is really in love he doesn't stop to consider whether he can afford to marry or not.

It Saved His Leg.

"All thought I'd lose my leg," writes J. A. Swenson, Watertown, Wis., "Ten years of eczema, that 15 doctors could not cure, had at last laid me up. Then Bucklin's Arnica Salve cured it sound and well." Infallible for skin Eruptions, Eczema, Salt Rheum, Boils, Fever Sores Burns, Scalds, Cuts and Piles. 25c at all Druggists.

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That thrill the lover on his knee;
Oh, nectared, honied lips of youth—
The lush, warm lips of ecstasy—
I bow my head in thoughts of thee!
Far down the beetling cleft of Time
I gaze with yearning eye of age
And weave thy rapture into rhyme.
And yet, O wine of June-time love,
Iconoclast I break thy sway
To dream of lips, ah! dearer far—
The lips that kissed the tears away!

Ah, mother lips I knew of yore,
Oh, lips so soft and clinging sweet,
I give to thee the truest love,
To thee the homage most complete!
When all the world was dark and cold,
When all the sun was chilled by tears
Thy lips, O mother, gone for aye,
Were lips that kissed away my fears
They came with comfort swift and sure
And when upon my eyes they lay,
With love and feeling all divine,
They kissed my falling tears away!

No more when worldly wounds are sore
She comes to kiss my weeping eyes;
No more she scourges pain and fear—
She sleeps, at rest in Paradise.
Ah, rosy lips of blushing maid,
The lips you yielded in the dusk;
Ah, stolen lips, the lips of troth,
The lips whose petals hint of musk,
Thy glories shimmer on and out,
Thy kisses fade to ether gray.
O God, I dream of mother's lips—
The lips that kissed the tears away.

By the Wayside.

Sidewhiskers—The baby's delight!

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When a sheriff makes an attachment to an automobile, it goes!

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There is one nice thing about the chimney-sweep's job—he always soots himself.

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Have you ever noticed how much more confident you feel when dressed in a new suit—that is, until the tailor's bill comes in?

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Some men are natural born duck hunters—but their reign is usually brief. You can always trust some girl to bag 'em early.

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One of the greatest penalties of marriage is either a husband or a wife. If you are a man, it's a wife; if you are a wife, it's a husband!

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When a child swallows a fly, give him a piece of fly paper in a capsule. Should he drink a quart of ink, serve blotting paper with cream and sugar!

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Speaking of grammar, here is the remark of one sheepherder to another, said to be the most ungrammatical sentence in existence: "Is them sheeps yourn?"

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In filling out a blank certificate of death, an Iowa physician inadvertently placed in the blank for cause his own name, and the fool county officials sent it back for revision.

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Some of the new fashions for women this spring look like the designers had been trying to fasten the donkey's tail on his body while blindfolded. P. S.—The designers and not the donkeys, blindfolded!

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It used to be the policy to ask for what you wanted and then take it if the favor was granted. Later it became au fait to take it first and ask afterward. Now the fashion is to help yourself and tell the owner to go to grass!

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A late grapevine wire from Bogville, Mich., says that the skeeters of that vicinity are working three daily shifts sharpening javelins. This presages ill for the summer boarders who are beginning to pick out the happy hunting grounds for their vacations.

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An exchange wants to know why a tree on a hillside grows straight up? Another wonders why a pigeon bobs its head when it walks. Some time ago I asked for information as to why a rabbit always runs in a curved line? But, come to think of it, this isn't half as funny as not knowing why a hillside on a tree doesn't grow lefthanded, why a walk doesn't bob its head when it walks pigeon-toed or why a curved line doesn't trip up the rabbit and give us rabbit stew for dinner!

Hoppertown Happenings.

When Miss Euphemia Mudge was down to the Rapids she went in a store to buy a shirtwaist. She told a clerk what she wanted and he said: "What bust, madam?" Miss Mudge looked all around nervously and replied: "Blessed if I know, sir; I didn't hear anything."—Roy K. Moulton.

Byron Williams

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,
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R. G. Gaines, et al., Plaintiffs,
vs.
T. E. Stewart, Defendant.

In pursuance of a Decretal Order made in the case of R. G. Gaines, et al., plaintiffs against T. E. Stewart, defendant, and on file in the clerk's office, I will sell to the highest bidder during the legal hours for sale, at Pickens C. H., S. C., on Salesday in April 1909, the undivided interest of T. E. Stewart in the following described Real Estate, upon the terms hereinafter mentioned, towit:

All that piece, parcel, or tract of land in the state and county aforesaid, containing sixty (60) acres, more or less, adjoining lands of F. C. Parsons, Angeline Powell, Rebecca Ellenburg and T. H. Stewart.

Terms, cash, on day of sale. Purchaser must comply with the terms of sale within one hour or the premises will be resold on same day.

Purchaser or purchasers to pay for all papers and for the recording of same.

A. J. BOGGS, [seal.]
March 4th 1909. Clerk of Court P. C.

Clerk's Sale.

State of South Carolina,
County of Pickens.

In Common Pleas Court.

H. C. Shirley as agent for creditors of R. H. Crane, Plaintiff,
vs.
R. H. Crane, Defendant.

In pursuance of a decretal order made in the case of H. C. Shirley as agent for creditors of R. H. Crane, plaintiff, against R. H. Crane, defendant, and on file in the clerk's office, I will sell to the highest bidder during the legal hours for sale at Pickens court house, South Carolina, on salesday in April, 1909, the following described real estate upon the terms hereinafter mentioned, towit:

All that piece, parcel or tract of land in the state and county aforesaid, in the town of Liberty, containing forty-one and one-fourth (41 1-4) acres, more or less, adjoining lands of W. J. Boggs, Mrs. O. D. McCravy and others.

Terms, cash, on day of sale. Purchaser must comply with terms within one hour or the premises will be resold on same day at the risk of former purchaser. Purchaser to pay for all papers and for recording of same.

A. J. BOGGS, [seal]
Clerk of Court Pickens county.

Clerk's Sale.

State of South Carolina,
County of Pickens.

In Common Pleas Court.

B. C. Robinson administrator of the personal estate of T. C. Robinson, deceased, Plaintiff,
against
G. H. Johnson, J. P. Martin and Vesta McFall, Defendants.

In pursuance of a Decretal Order made in the case of B. C. Robinson administrator of the personal estate of T. C. Robinson, deceased, plaintiff, against G. H. Johnson, J. P. Martin and Vesta McFall, defendants, and on file in the clerk's office, I will sell to the highest bidder during the legal hours for sale at Pickens Court House, South Carolina, on saleday in April, 1909, the following described real estate, upon the terms hereinafter mentioned, towit:

All that piece, parcel or tract of land lying and being situated in the county of Pickens and state of South Carolina, and in Central Township, adjoining the lands of Southern Railway company, the said T. C. Robinson, Mrs. Mary Gilstrapand others and containing thirtyfive and fifty-one one-hundreths (35 51-100) acres, more or less, it being the same tract of land conveyed to the said G. H Johnston by the said T. C. Robinson on 3d of June, 1908.

Also, all that other piece, parcel and tract of land situated in Pickens county, state of South Carolina, on waters of Shoal Creek, waters of Twelve Mile River, bounded by the lands of B P Kelly, Richard Hallum, Joel Griffin and the estate of R. R. Child and containing forty (40) acres, more or less, and being the same tract of land which was conveyed to the said G. H. Johnson by J. P. Martin, of Anderson county S. C.

Terms, one half cash on day of sale and the balance on a credit of twelve months, the credit portion to be secured by a bond of the purchaser, or purchasers, and a mortgage of the premises sold, with leave to the purchaser or purchasers to anticipate payment of the credit portion, the credit portion to bear interest at 8 per cent per annum.

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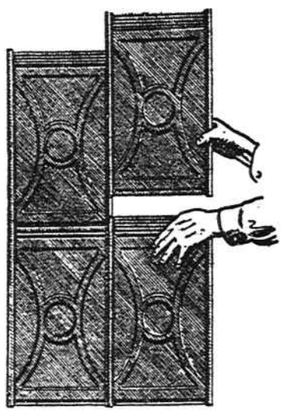

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