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NATIONAL DIRECTORY.

THE WONDERFUL SCHEME OF A ST. LOUIS INVENTOR.

He Proposes to Keep Track of Every Person in the United States—Useful in Hunting Wrongdoers—A Machine for Measuring Heads.

While looking for a furnished room in a tenement and office building near the corner of Fourth and Market streets last night a reporter from the Globe-Democrat stumbled upon a genius who was burning the midnight oil in a back dingy room up two flights of stairs. To reach this obscure retreat the reporter had groped his way through devious halls and passages where darkness was as palpable as the rats which scampered over his feet. Knocking at a door through which shone a dim gleam of light, the intruder was invited to enter a scantily furnished room, where the marks of hard times and industry vainly tried to obliterate each other. The occupant of the room was a tall, slim, serious man, somewhat in need of a shave, and attired in garments little less rusty than the room itself.

There was no carpet on the floor of this apartment; on the whitewashed walls hung a sign in one corner stood a table strewn with books and scraps of paper; the bed was covered with a red calico spread, and the appearance here and there of pieces of crockery among the odds and ends of old clothing gave evidence of the carelessly concealed culinary of a bachelor's hall. It matters not how the talk between the reporter and the serious man drifted into the discussion of the latter's affairs, but so it did, and soon the outline of a gigantic enterprise was being poured into an attentive ear.

D. B. Bradley is the name of the man who unfolded a scheme for a national directory.

THE SCHEME EXPLAINED.

No confidence is violated in publishing the details of the enterprise, as the plans have been copyrighted, and all that is required to place them in practical operation are the energy of capital and the establishment of a newspaper to acquaint the public with their advantages.

"You see," said Mr. Bradley, "it is like this: I will have an agent in every town and county of the United States to get names and furnish them to the central office. It will cost them that sum for their names in the directory fifty cents apiece for enrollment, and a stamp to identify themselves by. Every man will be registered in this way; say, for instance, 'G. A. Moore, No. 3, book M, vol. 2, Nineteenth century.' Now suppose Moore lives in St. Louis and goes to California. His friends don't know where he's gone, and want to write to him; what do they do? Why, they just write to this directory, and the directory forwards the letter."

"Free?"

"Oh, no; it will cost about ten cents."

"How will the directory know he's gone to California?"

"Why, he'll tell 'em of course. You see it's only honest citizens that will be expected to send in their names, and if any of 'em commit a crime we will have their record, that making the directory a kind of detective business too."

"Suppose he don't tell the directory where he's gone?"

"Then that's his fault, and he don't get his letters. But we're liable to find out where he is, just the same. There's an identification goes along with the directory that practically prevents a man from losing himself."

Here the professor produced a nickel plated instrument of his own invention for taking head measurements. The production of this device caused Professor Bradley to branch off somewhat into philology. He explained that the human head was a globe like the earth, but not so large, of which the meridian line ran around the head through the ears and eyes.

PRIVATE NUMBERS.

"In addition to the public number above given," continued Professor Bradley, "every man will have a private number, which he can change at will. His public number and name is never changed, except by law. You know men sometimes have their names changed by statute. The advantage of being able to change the private number is easily shown. Say Moore's private number is 12, and he gives it away. Some other fellow attempts to impersonate him by using his name and number from some other town. As soon as the matter passes through the directory office two postal cards are sent—one to Moore at his regular address, and the other to his changed address. If there has been any monkeying it is detected right there, the number is changed and further fraud prevented."

"How long have you been working on this scheme?" asked the reporter.

"About eighteen years, but I've only been pushing it strong for the last four years. I went to Washington in 1887 and got eight congressmen, four senators and President Cleveland interested in it for a time, but they ain't done nothing to amount to anything. I reckon I'll have to start the thing with private capital. I think I can get some help to start a weekly or monthly paper to advertise it. It won't take much money; the thing will pay its way from the start."

Besides the headometer and the directory Professor Bradley has invented a buggy wheel, an attachment for a piano to play any piece of written music mechanically; has written a book entitled "The Science of Mathematics," copyrighted two calendars and written the "Age of Reason" in several thousand stanzas of verse.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Foiled Again.

Sherriff—So, Obadiah Smith, I have caught you at last. I have a warrant here for your arrest, and I'll take you along with me!

Obadiah—If you take me you'll have to do just as I am, for I saw you coming and have burned every stitch of my clothing, even to my hat.—Life.

WEATHER BULLETIN.

SIGNAL SERVICE OFFICE, WICHITA, Kan., Dec. 18.—The highest temperature was 89°, the lowest, temperature 37°, and the mean temperature, 42°, with warmer cloudless weather, fresh southeast winds and a slight fall in pressure. Last year, on Dec. 18, the highest temperature was 68°, the lowest 38°, and the mean, 53°, and two years ago the corresponding temperatures were 49°, 29° and 39°.

JACK KETCHER'S VICTIMS.

Those Swing Off and Others Awaiting the Same Fate.

COLEMBIA, Ohio, Dec. 18.—Gov. Campbell tonight consented to another reprieve for Isaac Smith, who was to have been executed tonight, together with two other murderers. The governor had refused a reprieve last night, and it was considered so certain that Smith would be hanged to day that the governor had been doing so of his two companions in crime. The other two were executed according to program.

Smith was unrepentant about the reprieve and seemed really sorry that he was to undergo another long incarceration.

Elmer Sharkey was hanged for the murder of Robert, a saloon-keeper at Canton, by stabbing him with a penknife, after he had been thrown out of the latter's saloon.

Kim—Sharkey was hanged first. He stepped on the scaffold at 12:22 and in fifteen minutes was pronounced dead. He died from strangulation. He did not speak. Henry Ropp was led to the scaffold at 12:32 and a minute later had been launched into eternity. His neck was broken and he died without a struggle.

THE FRENCH STRANGLER.

PARIS, Dec. 18.—The trial of Michael Eyraud and Gabrielle Bonpard for the murder of Toussaint Gouffe, was continued today. The physician who made the autopsy testified that Gouffe's death probably resulted from choking with hands, and not from the strangling.

Thereupon declared that Eyraud threw the rope over Gouffe's head, but it slipped, and Eyraud thereupon seized Gouffe by the neck of the necktie and strangled him to death. Eyraud said that was not so. He had hanged his victim, he said. He said he lowered the body into a sack, feet foremost. The physician who had examined Mlle. Bonpard said she was perfectly responsible for her actions, but was one of that class of persons known as "nearly deficient," being a person who would commit a crime with indifference. The Bonpard family physician said he had very frequently hypnotized Mlle. Bonpard and believed that Eyraud might have done so too.

Dr. Brunard, who had examined Mlle. Bonpard, was recalled, and denied hypnosis. Then a scene ensued. Dr. Voisin, of the police department, swore that he had hypnotized Mlle. Bonpard. He declined to enter into details on the ground of professional secrecy. The counsel for the defense declared that Mlle. Bonpard had made important disclosures to the doctor, and that the court should remove the seal of secrecy. The president of the court decided that the matter ought to drop. This brought out loud protests from the spectators, and the court was cleared.

A WIFE MURDERER.

WELLINGTON, Ont., Dec. 18.—Arthur Hoyt Day, who murdered his wife by pushing her over a cliff at Niagara Falls, in July last, was hanged at 8:01 o'clock this morning. The condemned man walked to the scaffold firmly and with a smile on his face. His death was easy.

THE MONTANA QUARTETTE.

HELENA, Mont., Dec. 18.—Governor Toole has refused to respite the four Indian murderers sentenced to be hanged at Helena, Friday. A petition was presented which was signed largely by women.

A PINE RECORD.

CITY OF MEXICO, Dec. 18.—The Antonio Guerrero, alias Chaleque, (the "Jack the Ripper" of Mexico), tried and sentenced at 4 o'clock this morning. He was convicted of eight murders and fourteen rapes, and was sentenced to death.

ABSCONDED.

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Frederick Albrecht, of the firm of Albrecht & Co., furniture manufacturers, has disappeared, and is charged that he has taken with him about \$12,000 in cash and notes.

GOLD FROM EUROPE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—The steamer Major, which arrived from Liverpool yesterday, brought \$2,220,300 in gold from London for New York bankers.

A RECEIVER.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 18.—A receiver was appointed today for the Nebraska and Western railroad, running from Sioux City to O'Neill, Neb.

ATTENTION KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

Regular meeting of Mount Olivet camp, No. 12, K. T., this evening at 7:30 sharp. Visiting fraters welcome. By order, R. C. DEAM, E. C. J. A. HOLLINGER, Recorder.

The Ladies Aid society of the Central Christian church will meet at the church today (Friday) at 2:30 p. m. It is hoped all reports of bills and money from the bazaar will be brought in by those responsible.

M. A. SINGER, Secretary.

The Sleazebag.

Professor Smythe plain John Smith to commence with once lecturing in a Texas town on natural philosophy, and in the course of his experiments he introduced a most powerful magnet, with which he attracted a book of iron from a distance of two feet.

"Can any of you conceive a greater attractive power?" demanded the lecturer, with an air of triumph.

"Reckon I can," answered a voice from the audience.

"Not a natural terrestrial object?"

"Yes, indeed."

The lecturer, somewhat nettled, called the man who had spoken to name the article.

"Then up rose old Laertes Quinley. Said he:—

"I can give you the facts, professor, and you can judge for yourself. When I was a young man there was a little piece of natural magnet, done up in kaliker and dimity, as was called Betsy Mariah. She could draw us fourteen miles every Sunday, and she was as good as dead, just as natural as a sliced-down greenland blanch. There wasn't no resistin' her. That ere magnet of yours is pretty good, but it ain't a circumstance to Betsy Mariah."—Texas Siftings.

Explained.

"What do you suppose started the impression that fish was efficacious as brain food?"

"The fact that fish are themselves educated."

"Well, they go to schools, you know."—St. Joseph News.

He Has Arrived.

"I read in a scientific article today that the coming man will have neither teeth nor hair."

"Then the coming man is here. That describes my baby exactly."—New York Sun.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

familiar with this capital question. The gentlemen of Gaiters have a right to kill this bill. I do not blame them. To refer the bill to a committee means to kill it. The friends of the bill should vote against it.

The vote to refer to committee stood 8 ayes and 15 nays.

The bill was taken up by sections.

Section 1 locates the capitol one mile from Oklahoma City.

Mr. Daniels moved that Oklahoma City be stricken out, and El Reno inserted.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Waggoner moved that Oklahoma City be stricken out and Norman inserted. Lost.

Mr. Smith moved to strike out Oklahoma City and insert Downs. Lost.

Mr. Curran proposed Lincoln. Lost.

Section 1 was adopted—14 to 9.

Section 2 locates the penitentiary at Kingfisher.

Mr. Daniels moved to substitute Frisco for Kingfisher. Lost.

Mr. Merten moved to substitute Mulhall. Lost.

A call of the house was ordered.

Mr. Mathews—I move the house adjourn sine die. [Cries of "Put up your trumpet." "Show it up."]

Mr. Clark—If every member is present at the next roll call that is now present, I shall move to declare the chair vacant.

Mr. Merten—I rise to a point of order. I protest against the chair being insulted.

Mr. Clark—I haven't done it.

Mr. Merten—I demand that the language of the gentleman be taken down.

The Chair (Mr. Daniels)—I care nothing for what has been said.

Mr. Campbell—Not only has the chair been insulted, but the house is called.

Further proceedings under the call of the house were dispensed with.

An amendment to locate at Mulhall was lost.

Section 2 was adopted as read—19 to 6.

Section 3 locates the reform school at Livingston.

Mr. Merten offered a resolution:

"Resolved, That a vote of censure be passed on Mr. Clark, of Payne county, for insulting, profane and unparliamentary language used at this house."

The same was in session, contrary to the rules and the dignity of the house."

Mr. Merten—I think it has come to an unfortunate pass, if the speaker cannot sit in his chair and execute his duties, without being insulted, and when a member cannot rise to his feet without being subjected to indecent and profane language in the presence of ladies. When it comes to the point that indecency and profanity reign supreme in the house, I wish to be counted out.

Mr. Daniels—I think that, as speaker of this house, I have been far in the discharge of my duties. Much has been said about boodles, but I have not received any one to show anything but fair dealings on my part. I think it is nothing more than humbuggery to try to pass any more capital bills at this time. We have passed three capital bills, and every one I know would veto the governor to know that he would veto all of them. I have talked to the gentlemen from Logan county will withdraw the resolution.

Mr. Campbell—I would willingly withdraw the resolution if a disposition were shown to act differently in the future. Has the house been converted into a bar room of loafers? or do we retain the best vestige of parliamentary decency? Until a proper spirit of respect is shown, I cannot consent to the withdrawal of this motion.

Mr. Clark—I begged pardon, and the gentleman did not seem inclined to grant it. I would rather submit to my head being cut from my body, than to bow down to a sanctimonious old hypocrite. If I had been voting to bring down the capital, I would have been as smooth as butter. I ask the pardon of the house, and that in a loud voice, but not of the gentleman from Logan.

Mr. Merten—I shall demean myself so long as I am a member of this house respectfully and respectfully, but as long as I am a member of this house, I will be using language towards my colleagues such as has been used.

Mr. Terrill—Intoxicants have been used to unduly influence my colleague, the Hon. Mr. Clark.

Mr. Jones—Words fall to express my feelings on this occasion. I repeat that anything has occurred to bring disgrace upon this body. There have been a great many things said about this assembly; but, in my opinion, this legislature compares favorably with other legislatures. I appeal to the better judgment of the members, and hope they will retract what they may have done amiss: that this house will not do anything hastily.

Mr. Mathews—I am sorrowful that this has occurred. There is only one thing to do, to do unto every member as we would have him do unto us.

Mr. Campbell—I have been consulted by those whom I suppose to be my friends, and, by their advice, I ask the apology of this house.

Mr. Adair—I regret that the session should come to such a disgraceful condition.

Mr. Merten—I move the house adjourn. Lost.

Adjourned.

NIGHT SESSION.

House bill No. 126 was further considered.

Mr. Clark made an apology for the language used in the afternoon session, which was accepted and the resolution withdrawn.

The lobby was filled with spectators, and the floor of the house lined with ladies, expecting some unusual proceedings.

After two hours filibustering the house adjourned.

A FENIAN VIEW.

DUBLIN, Dec. 18.—John O'Leary, the Fenian leader, in an interview, said today: "Everything really national, on both sides of the Atlantic, has been straightened for itself, while everything against him is agrarian, socialist or cosmopolitan. His antagonism to the plan of capitalism has been to Farnell a Norman, because, although disliking it, he failed to stop it, following Dillon and O'Brien, with the following of rogues and fools, to desolate whole districts and half desolate Tipperary. Farnell is bound to win."

HEALY TALKS.

DUBLIN, Dec. 18.—Timothy Healy, in addressing a meeting at Uxbridge today, said that he had been told by Mr. Scully, the Fenianite, that he was straightening for himself, while everything against him is agrarian, socialist or cosmopolitan. His antagonism to the plan of capitalism has been to Farnell a Norman, because, although disliking it, he failed to stop it, following Dillon and O'Brien, with the following of rogues and fools, to desolate whole districts and half desolate Tipperary. Farnell is bound to win."

MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY.

COLEMBIA, Mo., Dec. 18.—The board of university curators, this morning, tendered the presidency of the Missouri State university to Prof. R. H. Jesse, of Tulane university, New Orleans, La., at a salary of \$5,000 per year, with the use of the president's house. It is understood that Prof. Jesse will accept the board's offer.

POISONED HER CHILDREN.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 18.—Near Brandenburg today, Mrs. Jessie Higbee was arrested charged with having poisoned her four children. She is the wife of a well-to-do farmer, and is only 23 years of age. She is believed to be crazy. She poisoned the children by putting arsenic in their food.

JOHN DILLON.

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 18.—John Dillon, who arrived here last night, visited Cardinal Gibbons today, and had a half-hour conversation with him. Both expressed their anxiety over Ireland's future. Cardinal Gibbons is in full sympathy with Mr. Dillon's position.

A CHINAMAN KILLED.

PORT TOWNSEND, Wash., Dec. 18.—Twelve Chinamen who were captured near Dunbar while attempting to smuggle their way to the United States, were arrested, and one of them was killed by Inspector Finn. Chinamen here say they will call the attention of their government to the affair.

FREDERICK'S STATUE.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—At Windsor today a statue of the late Emperor Frederick of Germany, was unveiled. The statue, the work of Walter and other members of the royal family were present at the ceremony.