

Daily Eagle

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ABOUT THAT LONG AND STANLEY CAUCUS.

The Capital of yesterday reports that as a result of a conference, held at the Copeland hotel, between Congressman Long and his friends and Governor Stanley and his friends, that the agreement was reached that Long should have the first chance for a nomination against Curtis, and then in the event of a failure that Stanley is to try his strength in downing Topeka's political god. Or in other words Stanley is to help Long all he can to win, and in the event of Long's failure Long is to turn about and help Stanley in this supposed herculean undertaking of downing Curtis.

That nothing of the kind occurred goes without saying. Mr. Long may be a candidate for the United States Senate, but he has made no formal avowal as has Curtis. There is one thing that the Capital and the Topeka crowd can rest assured of, and that is that Chester L. Long will be found in no dark, crooked or mysterious deals and combinations to beat Mr. Curtis, or to beat anybody else. If he should respond to the splendid call, so unmistakably given him, by the State Convention, and become a candidate for the United States Senate, his appeal for support will be made directly to his party and to the people, open and above board and in the absence of all intervening schemes. He will resort to no questionable tricks or methods, nor make and violate pledges, as did Curtis to encompass either a caucus nomination or a legislative election.

As for anything further it is not the understanding of the Republican party of Kansas, so far as we have heard, that the gerrymandered Congressman, who forced the issue of his candidacy for the United States Senate against Long, in the State Convention, is so formidable as to require the combined friends of the Governor, and of the most prominent Congressman from Kansas, to hold him level. Mr. Curtis as we recall it, is at present Congressman from the First district, as that district is now constituted, solely through bad faith upon the part of himself, or friends, or both, through a bad-faith scheme hatched, no doubt, in some hotel lobby seance or elsewhere. Such methods and deals are foreign to Mr. Long's nature, and as we assert no such deal was entered into or thought of in the incidental conference-alluded to.

As for anything else touching the Topeka way of doing the thing, it will be remembered that the Legislature in 1897 transferred Shawnee county from the Fourth to the First district, transferred Topeka and Mr. Curtis, over into Mr. Bailey's home district. In 1898 Judge Case Broderick was representing the First district, Charles Curtis was representing the Fourth district, Willis Bailey, now nominee for Governor, and C. D. Walker, of Atchison, were candidates for Congress in their own or First district. Charles Curtis desiring to remain in Congress, in the interest of Topeka, for another term entered into an agreement in writing, in pursuance of which Bailey and his friends renominated Curtis, he, Curtis, agreeing not to be a candidate against Bailey in 1900, but to support Bailey. When 1900 came around Curtis was a candidate, again, and defeated Bailey. This we believe is the truth of the outcome of Congressman Curtis's caucuses.

Congressman Long and Governor Stanley are not turning against Mr. Curtis, combined, or singly, for the United States Senate. They don't have to. If they enter the race it will be on their own claims and merits, singly and individually, and without reference to the ambitions of the man who beat the south half of the state of Kansas out of a Federal district solely in the interest of the hash houses of Topeka.

THE DEMOCRATIC WATCHWORD OF WAR.

Those who have been watching the minority in Congress, of late, will find no difficulty in figuring out in what the Democratic platform for the next national contest is to consist. Tariff Reform and Anti-Expansion are the words which both describe and translate the principal plank. The beef trust, the steel trust as all the combinations of capital and monumental enterprises growing out of the improved conditions, brought about by a Republican protective policy, will be charged up to the Dingley bill and charged to have been disastrous. Democracy revels in low prices and in low wages. A beef steer commanding \$100 on his hoofs is a crime with horns to it, whatever the farmer may think. The fact that the Republican administration set Cuba up as an independence, gave that people their freedom and a reciprocal chance to do business with the United States, as promised by McKinley, will not mitigate the crime of having kept the stars and stripes flying over the Philippines and of having administered the water cure. The Republican party will have to meet these charges or all signs are worthless and all words mere wind. To a man the minority in the Senate voted against the Philippine measure, passed on Tuesday, and the Republican party and the administration of Roosevelt and the American army, are up against it. The Democratic leaders dream that they are loaded with toughness and for bear, and their daily prayer is for a timely panic, as an auxiliary. The aggravation has our sympathies, but not well wishes for success in a policy which would send us back to Clevelandism and to borrowing money with which to pay current expenses.

BARROWS FORMERLY OF KANSAS.

John Henry Barrows, president of Oberlin College, who died of pleuro-pneumonia, on Tuesday, was as great as a preacher as he was as an educator. He was a great and all around good man. In his early manhood he was a resident of Osage county, Kansas, and while living there was elected superintendent of public instruction. At a time when he was little known to the people he was invited to deliver a lecture at Burlingame, the then county seat. His subject was Hugh Miller, the Stone Curlew. Few of his audience had ever heard of Hugh Miller, but the lecture was of so high an educational character that the Republicans persuaded him to accept the nomination and the office. His father before him was an educator. Later Henry became a world-wide traveler and lecturer, finally in 1881 accepting a call from the First Presbyterian church of Chicago. He organized

and was president of the World's Congress of Religions, held during the Columbian Fair. Barrows never forgot Kansas, his experiences as a pioneer ever remaining a delightful memory to him. It was only a few months since the editor of the Eagle received some kind words from him in which he recalled his experiences of the sixties in Sunflowerdom.

THE WORLD GROWING BETTER.

Tom McNeal may not be an expert statistician when it comes to politics, but when it comes to humor he outranks all Jayhawkers. In his address to the high school at Abilene Tom McNeal took the position that the world is constantly growing better instead of worse, and he made a few happy historical allusions to prove it. "Noah," he said, "was a power of righteousness, the best of his time; but if Noah were alive today he would either have to take the Keeley cure or be run in by the police. Do you think that he could get a call to, say, pastorate in Abilene today? Why, it would be a tight squeeze for him to get in the Elks, to say nothing of the church.

"Jacob seemed to have a fairly good standing with the Almighty, better at any rate than his neighbors, and yet he swindled his brother, led his old blind father and did up his father-in-law in a cattle deal.

"Samson had no traits of character that we in this day could admire. He was essentially coarse in his tastes and careless about his associates. About the only thing that can be said to his credit was that he was the most successful after-dinner speaker of the world has ever known. After the Philistines had been feasting and drinking Samson made a few remarks, and he had not said a dozen words before he brought down the house.

"Elijah was one of the best prophets of his time, a good man as men went then, a man who was tender on the subject of the hair. Do you think that any bald-headed preacher now would stand quietly by and see a couple of bears eat up forty-two children and watch the performance with satisfaction just because the children had made unkind remarks about the state of his hair?

"Shakespeare was the most marvelous literary genius of his age; his wonderful productions will be studied with profit and delight by generations yet unborn; but if the obscenity had not been expurgated from the original works, Shakespeare's writings would not be permitted to pass through the mails today. The fact is that the world is growing better, more decent, more sober, more intelligent and more kind. You are living in the best country of all centuries, in the best city, in the best county, in the best state, in the best government the world has ever seen, the best that the sun shines on by day or that the stars watch over by night. Instead of the majority being filled with evil designs, it is the small minority who are ready and willing to commit crime and swindle their neighbors."

GOD BLESS HER IN HER SUPERIORITY.

A young lady having succeeded in getting the children safely out of a burning school-house down east the other day the local reporter expressed great surprise over her deed. The editor-in-chief takes up the incident and makes the following defense in general of woman's superiority:

"Reporters should not chronicle with so much surprise the deeds of young women. Allowing that nature has denied them the robust vigor of young men, nature has, nevertheless, endowed them with just the brains that can plan swiftly in an emergency. 'Uncertain, coy and hard to please,' the poet rashly says they are. He admits that they are ministering angels. Yes, and more than that. They can get the children out of a burning school building, they can arouse a whole city with a scream and can devise in a minute a whole campaign against a score of trusts.

"Ministering angels! Yes, but they do not demand angel cake all the time. They can rough life, if need be, for the sake of her child or husband. They have fortitude in a more than masculine degree.

"If the truth were known, Mother Eve, no doubt, saved Adam from total wreck. And it may be that she was not so much to blame in that apple business, after all. One thing is certain: If Adam had tempted her to eat, she never would have blamed him, as he did her. Bless her, she would have hatched an excuse for him in less than a minute."

SENATORS MORGAN AND HOAR.

As Senator Hoar, Republican made a speech opposing the administration in the Philippines, so Senator Morgan, Democrat, made a speech upholding it. Both Senators seem to maintain their local prestige and neither is accused of insincerity. Yet while Senator Hoar opposes his party only at one point, Senator Morgan agrees with it hardly at one point. Unless we except the trusts, which every one is against, Senator Morgan does not agree with his fellow Democrats on any party plank. Such approved independence on the part of two distinguished men ought to please the independent and tend to refute the theory so common in the early days of the republic, and still not unprevalent, that party rancor is ever likely to destroy free government.

A correspondent desires to be informed where he can find interesting liquor traffic statistics. We know of no official source. The Eagle relies upon its Topeka exchanges which are estimated to be inexhaustible for both surprising figures and startling facts.

It takes some courage for a man to go up Pelee just now and peek over into the crater, but they are men who will do it for the elation of the risk.

There have been a good many failures in this country in the way of exhibitions, but there is no denying that the Charleston show was the flabbiest.

The scientists who have taken a squint at Pelee are leaving the island. They probably believe that Pelee has merely opened the performance.

France is the only country in the world where sensible men and women live as if they were trying to furnish material for the novelists.

Lipton's company is kicking because he devotes so much time to yachting. Their real grievance, of course, is that he didn't win.

One of the humorous things of Washington is the way one Senator will abuse another Senator and then meekly withdraw his remarks.

It must have hurt Senator Hoar to find lined up with him against the Philippine government Will, Senator Wellington.

History does not forget the survivors for liberty who lost. Kruger will be remembered with Kosciuszko and Kosuth.

The Senate finally passed the Philippine government bill, but it didn't do it as long as the Senate's voice held out.

It is said that a sucker is born every minute. Therese D'Aurillac proved that in France it averages two a minute.

The Yaquis in Mexico are on the warpath again. They wouldn't miss their annual outbreak for anything.

The Chicago townsmen do not seem to be struck with the idea of a peacable strike.

Therese D'Aurillac of France is somewhat of a Daisy herself.

THE MINSTREL MAN'S STORY.

Fred Stone, who is to play the scarecrow in the new production at the Grand opera house, is a native of Denver. When he was 14 years old he ran away from home and joined a circus that traveled in eight wagon caravans. In those days he was an acrobat, and obligingly did a song and dance in the concert after the main performance under the large canopy. The circuit worked along down through Kansas, Nebraska, Indian Territory, and what is now Oklahoma, until it finally struck Texas, Mead-ville Fred had persuaded his younger brother to join the show and him in a "brother trapeze act." Unfortunately the brother broke his leg the third day out and went back to Denver, where he has stayed ever since.

Finally the circus and Stone or Stone and the circus, according to your point of view, struck Galveston, Tex. There the circus went to pieces and its late proprietor started out to found an improved breed of beef cattle with the aid of the sacred cow and the other animals. Mr. Stone, being several hundred miles from his base of supplies, found employment temporarily as the left end in a professional football team with which a local physician had just started out to clean up the rest of the South. Galveston felt that it would be a great feather in his cap to have a left end on the team who could turn a series of cart-wheels and back somersaults on the way from the gory field of battle, and willingly paid Mr. Stone a salary of \$10 a week to accomplish its purpose. But just when Stone had begun to acquire a name or good, thick callouses on his face and the other parts of his body chiefly used in professional football the scene changed. They called it "Billy's Minstrel Show," then towards the rear end of their successful career, "Billy" Rice was in command of the show, and one of his hind ends, whom Stone had met up at St. Joe, Mo., the summer before, Montgomery got Stone a place with the minstrel company, and thus football just a star. Then was formed the partnership which both of them declare shall never be broken so long as they are able to stay in the business. Twice a day Montgomery and Stone practiced song and dance and ran through the cattle ranches of Texas and the sugar plantations of Louisiana. Finally they struck New Orleans. The day they got to the city they had had "read the signal in the stars," left the company and started for Chicago.

Two days later the company struck a rock and its members were left stranded on a financial shoal. "Billy" Rice they knew was in control of the old Casino in Chicago, so with hopeful hearts they were taken to see him. When they got there they found that the company had been in business for six months previous, and was wearing a beautiful suit of light blue tissue paper. Dave had an overcoat. I left him to carry the grips and I started out to find my way to the city. "Billy" Rice said he'd give us an engagement for the week, and then I got him to advance me enough money to buy a nice, thick, \$4 overcoat.

"The team got \$50 the first week, but we caught on and instead of one we played fifteen weeks in Chicago and finally managed to get our salary raised to \$100.

"Then we went to New York and got an engagement of forty weeks with one of Gus Hill's companies. But it was the night of the first week that we met Dave and I had saved about \$100 a piece, and we decided that we would become managers. So we went down to Kankakee, Ill., and rented a great little park on the outside for the summer months. We had it all figured out, and it looked a cinch that we would make money. We could put on a big show, turn out our own troupe of about a dozen different costumes each evening it seemed that we should be able to get along and give them a good summer show without hiring much, if any, outside talent. At the end of three weeks our \$800 was gone, and we each owed for a three weeks' board bill, which amounted a kind-hearted lady put in the index for us until we got on our feet again.

"It was right after that experience that we got our first chance to go to England. We played the music hall that trip, and it was then I first introduced what we call acrobatic band dancing. I thought it a pity that I could not utilize my old training as a circus acrobat in my new line of business, and one day I tried it on, turning a back somersault in the midst of a clog dance without losing the music. We played in New York and I claim to be the originator of that particular style of work. Since then I have made a specialty of acrobatic, eccentric comedy dancing, if you know what that means.

"Coming back to New York we got mixed up with the White Rats, of which Montgomery is a vice-president, and that kept us out of a lot of valuable houses, including those in Chicago. But when Frohman put on 'The Girl from Up Town' in New York he engaged us to do dances and comedy work, and we went across the second time with that company. The play was not a great success, but it led us to the element of a long-term contract with the Duke of York theater in London, where several times King Edward, then the Prince of Wales, came to see the show and gave us a check for \$10,000. We played at the hospital ship Maine, for the benefit of the widows and orphans of the soldiers killed in South Africa, and for half a dozen similar cases. In fact, we discovered that an actor playing in London is expected to give up about a fifth of his time in benefits.

"In the English music halls, instead of the card boys who put up the announcement cards at the American vaudeville theaters they have a card man, an extremely pompous and dignified old person in a white wig and knickerbockers, who patronizes the actors and feels himself quite the most important individual about the house. In some of the lower class music halls in the provinces I believe the custom still persists of having a chairman who sits in the middle of the orchestra and announces each number in a deep bass voice.

"I say, he will call out, 'the next number on the program is Montgomery and Stone, a couple of American lads. They say they are clever, but we shall soon see. We shall soon see.' "Then he hits the bass drum a whack and out come the unfortunate performers, while the poet in the cheap gallery get ready to hear their sheep trotters if they don't like the performers.

"A sheep's trotter is a sheep's foot, which seems to be a very common refreshment with the patrons of some of the lower class music halls. They know the meat of one of these delicacies and use the bones as weapons of class war, and opportunity offers—"Chicago Tribune.

The Only One Who Regards It So. (From the Philadelphia Press.) "City Editor—Why do you insist that the Colonel is a candidate? Ed—He isn't, he follows that line." "Political Reporter—Yes, but the very next minute he is invited up to have a drink."

Good Training. (From the Atlantic Constitution.) "There's a boy that'll be president of the United States some day." "Think so?" "I know it. Ain't I have in the country that kin throw him!"

Offered No Encouragement. (From the Ohio State Journal.) "Agent—Has you need for any Bettin-ning rods today, sir?" "Amateur Farmer—No, sir, I don't propose to encourage lightning bugs on my farm, sir."

OUTLINES OF OKLAHOMA.

The court house injunction case of El Reno has reached the supreme court. Rick Pinkett, it is reported, now lives in New York City, and is prospering prodigiously.

The Populists of the territory will nominate a candidate for congress in El Reno on August 11.

Mrs. Harry Ardery, of Guthrie, is participating in the Hutchinson musical festival this week.

At Oklahoma City the Carnegie library will be closed evenings from June 1 to October 1, Why?

There is no question where Oklahoma's oil fields are the national convention of 1904 will line up.

The wheat prospects are putting a whole lot of steam in the proposed Fourth of July celebrations.

On last Saturday the stamp sales of the Oklahoma City postoffice were \$75, which broke the record for that office.

The Pabst company have begun work on an ice plant in Ponca City, the main building of which will be 100x18 feet.

The Democratic papers of the territory are still violently trying to persuade Dennis Flynn not to accept a nomination if it is offered him.

There must be some sort of a change in Oklahoma politics. It has been a year since any paper has anything to say about a "court house ring."

W. W. Carlisle, of Pond Creek, has raised some wheat in which the grains are put in promiscuously in the heads, instead of in rows. He imported the variety from Indiana.

The latest legal battle in the King's court at Enid is over the revivion of one long-eared mule. Up to the hour of going to press no one had asked for a "mule pro teo order."

Sidney Clarke, who is back from Washington, says that statehood has fifty-three votes in the senate and everything would be all right if they could get the bill up for consideration.

"The trouble with Bill Cross," said a prominent Oklahoma Democrat, the other day, "is that he showed a magnificent burst of speed just after his nomination, and then he pulled back."

Chief Justice Burford is quoted as saying recently that in all his experience as a lawyer and a judge, he never knew a jury to convict a husband for killing the man who had destroyed his home.

The Guthrie Leader is now predicting that the statehood bill will not pass the session of congress. When the news of the passage of the free homes bill came, it jaded the Leader. So the Leader is sure that it can navigate the jars and doesn't care what it predicts.

It was recently reported that when J. I. Isenberg, the Enid Democrat, called on President Roosevelt, the president said: "Mr. Isenberg, I want you to use your influence in Oklahoma to have Mr. Flynn sent back to congress." If that happened, it must have made Isenberg blink hard.

Last week at Enid a man named R. C. London, of Ulysses, Nebraska, was found dead in a hotel, and near him a partially emptied bottle of strychnine. His wife was notified, and she sent the sheriff at Enid the following letter: "Dear Sir:—A telegram was received at the bank here yesterday announcing the death of my dear husband, R. C. London. I could not come to Enid because it is so far away, which is in charge of the I. O. O. F. there, as they telegraphed the lodge here that he could not be kept much longer. So, please send me a line and tell me how he died. Was he at work, and did he fall? Did he die of apoplexy, or what was the cause? Everything is clouded in mystery, and I am all you know. Conceal nothing from me. Can you say if he were conscious at the last and did he speak of me or send for a minister? I shall gladly await your reply, and trust you will kindly answer. I am always in frail health."

ALONG THE KANSAS NILE.

Cy Leland presided at the Bailey ratification in Seneca last Tuesday.

E. A. Enright was among the orators at the Bailey ratification in Seneca.

An Emporia real estate firm is advertising a "five-acre ranch" for sale.

The gas well at Abilene is now down 65 feet, and is going through a state formation.

General Miles, the gorgeous, is at Fort Riley today watching the test of some field guns.

In the Sixth district the name of the fusion nominee, Cole, will be placed in the Democratic column.

The Topeka Waterworks company has agreed to sell the water works to the city for \$50,000. The city offers \$20,000.

Frank Myers, a Kansas veteran of the Philippine war, is sick and penniless in Denver. He enlisted at Fort Scott.

We are getting into the season when, in Kansas, "mean temperature" is something more than a cold, mathematical fact.

The eastern papers are showing great jubilation because the Kansas Republican nominated a Hanna for lieutenant-governor.

Senator Harris, who didn't come to the Democratic state convention, announces that he will attend the Populist gathering in Topeka, June 24.

The Democrats and Populists in the Sixth district have nominated C. M. Cole for congress. The name seems to be a winner in Kansas politics this year.

The board of education of Topeka have decided not to re-employ any married teachers, as recommended by Topeka, who nominated from Leavenworth county.

Charles Scott was the first Kansas congressman back to Washington from Wichita, and he told Washington all about Roosevelt's popularity in the Sunflower state.

Judge Hazen, of Topeka, has dissolved the injunction restraining the American Book company from doing business in Kansas. This was the action brought by George Crane.

During its history the Kansas Agricultural College has graduated 22 men who went into the newspaper business, some of them becoming journalists and some newspaper men.

Emporia Gazette: "Now that the Hoars have surrendered, it is thought that the Abilene young man who has been in the kopias for two years will come in and surrender to his Emporia steady."

The ice cream dealers in Kansas declare that there used to be money in it, but since people took to drinking it at the drug stores there was no money in it for anybody. But the druggists don't say that.

Some time ago the women in the laundry in the women's building of the state penitentiary went on a strike. Their last day was the day they were to wash any criminals' clothes. They were put in dungeons, and subdued.

Geo. Innes & Co. June Sale of Swiss Saturday we will offer One Thousand Yards Sheer White Swiss, worth in a regular way 15 cents a yard. Saturday, while it lasts, choose at 9c per Yard

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