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POOR BOYS' RECORD.

The second President of the United States, John Adams, was the son of a farmer of moderate means, who was compelled to work constantly for the support of his family. When, at the age of 20, the son graduated at Harvard College, his education was his own capital for his start in active life.

Andrew Jackson was born in a log hut in extreme poverty. He grew up in the woods of North Carolina, living in the home of a relative, where his mother worked to support herself and her three children.

James K. Polk, the eleventh President, spent his early days on a farm in the wilderness of North Carolina. His father placed him in a store with the intention that he should enter mercantile life; but his dislike for business was so great that at the age of 18 he was sent to the Murfreesborough Academy to fit him for college.

Millard Fillmore was the son of a New York farmer, and his home was an humble one. When he was 14 years of age he was sent away from home to learn the business of a clothier. But five years later he entered a law office, and at the age of 23 was admitted to the bar.

James Buchanan was born in a small town of the Allegheny mountains. His father was poor, and by his own ax built his home in the wilderness. When James was 8 years of age he was placed at school, and six years later entered Dickinson College, where he graduated with the highest honors.

It is well known that Abraham Lincoln was the son of parents who were the poorest of the poor. Till he was more than 21 his home was a log cabin. His attendance at school was limited to a few months. From early life he was compelled to depend on himself not only for his living, but also for his success in his business and his profession.

At the age of 10 Andrew Johnson was apprenticed to a tailor. Previously his mother had supported him by her own labor. He was never able, it is said, to attend school. His education he gained by his own efforts at night, after working all day at his trade, and by the help of his wife.

The early home of Gen. Grant, also, on the banks of the Ohio, more than fifty years ago, was without many of the comforts of civilized life. Till he was 17, when he was sent to West Point, he lived the life of a common boy, in a common home.

James A. Garfield, like so many of his predecessors, was born in a log hut. When he was 1½ years old his father died. The family was poor. When he had hardly entered his teens he was doing a man's work in the harvest field. He learned the carpenter's trade. He worked on the Ohio canal. He was determined, however, to have an education, and, leaving his plane and his scythe, he worked his way through the preparatory school, and, with some help from friends, was able to graduate at Williams College.

The lives of many of the Presidents prove that no boy is so poor but that he may hope to attain the highest honors which the American people can give.

LINCOLN'S OLD LAW PARTNER A PAUPER.

Bill Herndon is a pauper at Springfield, Ill. He was once worth considerable property. His mind was the most argumentative of any of the old lawyers in the State, and his memory extraordinary.

For several years before Lincoln was nominated for the Presidency, Herndon was in some respects the most active member of the firm, preparing the greatest number of cases for trial and making elaborate arguments in their behalf.

It is said that he worked hard with Lincoln in preparing the memorable speeches delivered by the man who afterward became President, during the debates between Lincoln and Douglas in 1858, and in constructing the Cooper Institute address delivered by Lincoln a short time before the war.

Herndon, with all his attainments, was a man who now and then went on a spree, and it was no uncommon thing for him to leave an important lawsuit and spend several days in drinking and carousing. This habit became worse after Lincoln's death, and, like poor Dick Yates, Herndon went down step by step till his friends and associates point to him as a common drunkard.—*Springfield Journal.*

FLIRTING IN VENICE.

Here in Venice—writes W. A. Croffut—nobody except prudish Americans ever seems to close blinds or draw curtains at night. After writing that last sentence, I looked out of my window, and within fifty feet were twenty-two heads at windows, looking in upon each other. Six or eight couples near me, in opposite houses, are engaged in violent flirtations. Flirtation, like fresco, is reduced to a fine art in Venice. Propinquity lends enchantment. At the distance of four feet all of Cupid's arrows can be used, and none fly amiss. Couples can shake hands, and I am not sure but the art of osculation itself could be performed across this slight abyss, if the case were urgent. At night one has the curious sense that he is sleeping out of doors, or that everybody else is sleeping in his room. In the morning the little alley is all a flutter with white, as the most intimate and confidential garments of his neighbors are being aired at the windows.

REQUIRES practice: Lady customer—"Will you please direct me to the dress department?" Obliging floor-walker—"Certainly; walk along this way." Lady customer—"My dear sir, I couldn't walk that way if I practiced for two years."

WHEN you bury a quarrel, never call up a tombstone to mark its resting place.

REPORTORIAL QUALIFICATIONS.

The following, from *Chambers' Journal*, is good, and will well repay reading: Certain faculties there are a reporter must necessarily possess, which, if not natural, can rarely, if ever, be acquired. They may be developed and improved, if present in some degree; but they can scarcely be imparted where the germ itself is altogether wanting. He must possess the faculty of intuitively seizing upon the essential features of any occurrence which he may be intrusted to report, whether it be a single speech, an entire meeting, or some important public affair extending over days, or even weeks. It would never do for a reporter, either while an affair was in progress, or upon its termination, to be anxiously cogitating within himself as to what he should retain and what he should reject. All this must be settled by the faculty of which we are speaking, and which must attract, as to a focus, the really important points—grouping them in their proper order and within the necessary limits, without loss of time or any special effort being involved in the process. He must also have an intuitive perception of the relative value of words with all their shades of meaning, so that he may be able to employ just that particular word which shall convey to the reader the exact sense and meaning of the original. And with this latter faculty must be combined the gift of facile expression and natural and correct arrangement, for woe unto him if he be under the necessity of writing and rewriting before he can get his composition into something like proper form. A reporter, too, requires a well-balanced mind, a cool head, and an impartial judgment. We do not say a reporter should have no fixed principles, no private opinions of his own, but he must be careful not to allow these opinions to influence his reports. In his degree he should aspire to something like the impartiality of the Judge, who, while on the bench, knows nothing of friend or foe, but decides simply upon the merits, and altogether apart from personal considerations. A reporter also requires to be able to concentrate his thoughts upon his work in any circumstances. While others around him are in the wildest enthusiasm, he must be perfectly cool, and absorbed only in his work. An audience, after having been held spell-bound by some celebrated orator, may rise to its feet, and, by vociferous cheering and the waving of hats and handkerchiefs, give relief to its feelings; but the reporter must meantime be careful that he loses not one word of that elaborately prepared and masterly peroration; or, if he seek relief, it must be in the stretching of his cramped fingers, and the re-pointing of his pencils in readiness for the next speaker. At the scene of some terrible catastrophe, others may indulge in symptoms of distress; but the reporter must be engaged in taking a survey of all the surroundings, and at the same time making himself acquainted with all the painful and oftentimes sickening details. In times of political excitement and contest, the caution, prudence and judgment of the reporter are frequently put to the severest tests; and it will be well for him in such times if he bear in mind the old maxim, to have long ears and a short tongue.

MAGGIE MITCHELL'S DREAM.

In connection with the assassination of President Lincoln, Maggie Mitchell, the actress, relates the following extraordinary dream:

"I dreamed on that memorable night that I saw John Wilkes Booth leap from the private box of the President at Ford's Theater to the stage. He was dressed as usual, with inimitable taste and neatness. He wore a short Spanish cloak, lined with crimson satin. As he leaped onto the stage from the box, hurriedly and excitedly, his cloak flew open and disclosed a little white poodle dog under his arm. He ran past me and made his exit by the identical door through which he did actually escape after committing the horrible deed.

"I was telling this dream next morning to my sister Mary and a party of select friends while eating our breakfasts. I was engaged in telling my dream, and before getting through with the remarkable details the head waiter came up to us with a scared look on his face.

"We were interrupted by his asking us if we had heard the news. He then said that President Lincoln had been shot the night before; and in less than ten minutes we were all electrified with the astounding news that the assassin was John Wilkes Booth, about whom we were talking when the head waiter first interrupted our chat at the table. It made a lasting impression on me."

SOLDIERS' HOME AT WASHINGTON.

The Soldiers' Home, near Washington, a national institution for the invalid soldiers of the regular army, was established in the year 1851. A tract of land, 200 acres in extent, was purchased with a sum of money levied by Gen. Scott on the City of Mexico. Gen. Scott selected the site. It occupies a high plateau three miles north of the Capitol, and the drive to it is among the most pleasant which the District affords. The grounds have been increased since the first purchase. The buildings are handsome and costly, and the grounds are laid out in meadows, groves and lakes. It has been the custom of the Presidents, since the administration of Mr. Pierce, to occupy one of the smaller buildings of the Home as a summer resort. It was a favorite retreat of President Lincoln.

THE average production of Spanish vineyards is set down at 450,000,000 gallons, of which the province of Catalonia produces one-fifth—the sub-provinces of Barcelona and Tarragona alone yielding in a good year more than 70,000,000 gallons.

A BALTIMORE boy can't buy a pistol unless he takes a solemn oath that he wants to shoot rats.

THE POWER OF THE PRESS.

One of the old-time editors of Michigan was boasting that he had never been sued for libel, or attacked in his sanctum, but he could recall many narrow escapes. Twenty-five years ago he was running a red-hot paper on the line of the Michigan Central railroad. A man named Carson, who was running for some county office, was given a bad racket, and the editor received a note that if he had anything more to say he might expect to receive a good pounding. He had a still more bitter attack the next week, and the paper was hardly mailed before in walked Carson, the candidate, accompanied by a brother and two cousins. The four were strapping big felt lows, and each was armed with a horse-whip. The two compositors and the "devil" got out with all speed, leaving the editor without support. He realized the situation at once, and began:—

"Walk in, gentlemen; I presume you have come to horsewhip me?"

"We have," they answered.

"Very well. Have you thoroughly considered this matter?"

"It doesn't need any consideration," replied Carson. "You have lied about me, and I'm going to lick you within an inch of your life!"

"Just so, my friend, but first hear what I have to say. Did you ever hear of the press being stopped because the editor was cowhided?"

"I dunno."

"Well, you never did. Lick me all you choose and my paper comes out week after week just the same. The power of the press is next to the lever which moves the universe. It makes or breaks parties, builds up or tears down, plants or destroys. Aggravate the editor and the press becomes a sword to wound and kill. Wollop me if you will, but next week I'll come out more bitter than ever."

There was an embarrassing silence right here, and the face of each horsewhipper had an anxious look.

"It will go out to the world—to America, Canada, England, France—aye! clear to Jerusalem, that the Carson family of this county live on roots and johnny-cake; that they stole a dog from a blind man; that they murdered a peddler for a pair of 2-shilling suspenders; that the women are club-footed and the men work their ears when they sing; and the——"

"What is the regular subscription price to the *Herald?*" interrupted Carson.

"Only 12 shillings a year."

"Put us four down."

"Very well—86—that's correct. Run in and see me—all of you, and if any of you want to see any of my Detroit exchanges I shall be only too glad to serve you."—*Detroit Free Press.*

LO! THE POOR INDIAN.

In his answers to correspondents, Ney thus discourses: "Carl Schurz—You are evidently in error about the Ute Indians. They are not farming much this summer; so your proposition to sell them 1,000 thrashing machines at a discount is of no practical utility. The chances are that if they had 1,000 Pitts threshing machines they would trade the entire lot before fall for a plug hat and a pair of red suspenders. The Utes run more to red suspenders and physical calm than they do to agriculture and Pitts threshing machines. They started an onion patch on White river two years ago, and it looked at one time as though they would at least raise one onion to each five adults on the reservation; but one morning they got into a discussion about some agricultural point while weeding the fruit, and when they got through the onion-bed looked as though there had been a premature explosion there, and the onions were so mixed up with copper-colored ears and other Indian fragments that the whole thing was abandoned."

ANCIENT MEDICAL TRAINING.

Prof. Huxley, in his closing address at the International Medical Congress, traced the origin of the healing art back to the Asklepiads of Greece, and the connection between anatomy and medicine to the Alexandrian School of Erasistratus and Herophilus. The London *Academy* thinks that the Hindoos have at least an equal claim to have founded an art of therapeutics upon the study of anatomy. In Hindoo history it is impossible to fix dates; but the best era of Indian medicine was contemporary with with the ascendency of Buddhism. Beside attending to hygiene, regimen of the body and diet, the early Indian doctors undertook the most difficult operations with a confidence that could only be derived from anatomical study. It is known that students were trained to perform operations not only upon wax models and specimens from the vegetable kingdom, but also upon "the carcass of a dead bullock." It is said that the Greek surgeons under the Ptolemies were permitted to experiment upon living criminals.

TWO LITTLE boys in a suburb of Constantinople were poisoned in a strange and sad manner a few weeks ago. Their mother, a poor widow, on a Monday morning sent them away to school, having first given them a breakfast of bread and coffee, the latter being drunk by them from the same cup. They had not been a half hour in school when they were sent home feeling ill and vomiting freely. Why they should be ill the mother did not know until she looked in the coffee cup and there saw the remains of a large scorpion. The same night the little fellows died in great agony, and the mother in a day or two had lost her reason.

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