



In an interview with Myra Davis, among other interesting facts and incidents relative to her career as an actress, she told me that for years before going on the stage she was in the Clarence Eddy's choir in Chicago. Every one has heard at one time or another of Eddy, the celebrated organist and composer, and Miss Davis remarked that in solo work under his direction there was absolutely no chance for a nervous tremor or stage fright, so secure did one feel in his accompaniment. The fact that he was at the organ as a guarantee that all would go well. She further remarked concerning stage life: "It certainly does get a hold upon one, and possesses a fascination not to be resisted after one has become accustomed to late hours and constant moving from town to town. But it is awfully hard, and I would never advise any one who had a choice in the matter, to adopt the stage as a profession."

What is the matter with Walter Bassett that he so often drives his noisy little bay in that witching hour between sunset and dark unaccompanied by a friend? I believe I ever saw a lady with him, and don't you know this is too bad? Can it be that Walter has eschewed the fair sex and sworn himself over to old bachelorhood? It can't be that it is the fault of the girls that he drives about in the twilight hour wrapped in solitary meditation. Walter is too agreeable a man to languish in solitude if he desired the company of the fair. Wake up, girls, and find out what the trouble is.

The pupils of Hugo Mansfeldt gave a recital at Neale & Eilers' Hall on Wednesday evening last. The hall was filled to its utmost capacity and even the store was crowded with guests, although the affair was strictly invitation only. The recital was a most successful one, and the pupils who took part in the programme did well without exception. Young Master Elkus surpassed all expectation in his rendition of the C minor fantasia (Mozart-Grig). Accompanied by his mother. The lad is but 13 years of age, and if future years fulfill the promise of to-day he will certainly make a name for himself in the ranks of noteworthy musicians. Miss York gave her three numbers with an ease and facility that elicited the warmest applause. She was especially fine in Kullak's difficult octave study, the performance of which requires much endurance. Miss Cooper was graceful in her number, and Miss Bockhart performed the fine concerto by Mendelssohn without a flaw. She has improved surprisingly since last I heard her. Mrs. Carrie E. Turrell, in Liszt's favorite rhapsodie No. 2, played with correct execution and good style. Miss Woolf has an uncommonly strong touch, and did herself credit in an exceedingly difficult arrangement of airs from "Norma." Miss Gertrude Gerish had the fifth number, "L'Etrole du Nord," an exquisite selection, giving opportunity for much display of fine and intricate execution, and admirably performed. The Hungarian fantasia by Liszt has never been played before in Sacramento, and the fact of its being rendered by Mrs. Albert Elkus speaks for itself. Mrs. Gertrude Gerish has technical difficulties in a surprising manner, and has already made an enviable reputation for herself. For some unaccountable and entirely unsatisfactory reason Miss Caroline Wilsey did not appear to fulfill her number on the programme, to the intense disappointment of all concerned. An omission of this kind is very regrettable, and certainly somewhat out of balance, and certainly should not be made, if possible to avoid it.

Of Mr. Mansfeldt a word will suffice, so widely and popularly is he known. The performance of his pupils on this occasion did him all possible credit, to his honor be it said, as he has taken the utmost pains to bring out all a pupil is capable of, and takes a personal interest in the advancement of each individually. Certainly the programme on this occasion was enjoyed to the utmost by all present. It was nearly 10 o'clock before the last number was finished.

Following is the programme as rendered: Fantasia, C minor (Mozart-Grig); Master Albert Elkus and Mrs. Elkus; (a) "Silber Quelle" (Raff), (b) "Octave Study" (Kullak), (c) "Hunting Song" (Mendelssohn), Miss Louise Yoerker; "Belisario" (Gloria), Miss Laura Cooper; "Concerto G minor" (Mendelssohn), Miss Etta Bockhart; "L'Etrole du Nord" (Wehl), Miss Gertrude Gerish; "Norma" (Thalberg), Miss Rose Woolf; "Rhapsodie No. 2" (Liszt), Mrs. Carrie E. Turrell; "Hungarian Fantasia" (Liszt), Mrs. Albert Elkus.

**POLLY OLIVER.**

**PHILLIDA'S BIRTHDAY.**

Although you might surmise she descended from the skies yesterday, My Phillida would scorn to be called a goddess. Quite the ordinary way.

But should you ask her "when?" She will smile upon you then, With an air That will not fail to indicate She was just as old as fate, With the ages in her hair.

The month, the day, perchance, She'll confess with merry glance; For she knows A birthday box may come— Something that may tempt, though dumb, More than words would dare disclose.

But never will you gain What is locked within her brain— Videlicet: What year, most happy one, First awakened to the sun Those deep eyes of violet.

And yet she is, in truth, Such a paragon of youth, That you would not fail to throw a prophetic subject of her years. Could not be made a source of fears, To the maid so young as she.

But Phillida is sage! To-day she tells her age Frank and fair, Five and twenty years from now Some one might be glad to care. When she does begin to care.

—Charles G. D. Rogers in Truth.

**Plants the Color of Stones.**

There are a few instances of protective mimicry in plants, though in general plants protect themselves by spines, hairs and poisonous secretions. The "stone mesembryanthemum" of the Cape of Good Hope resembles the stones among which it grows and thus escapes the notice of wild herbivorous animals. Mr. Weale has reported that many plants growing in the stony soil of the Karoo have their tubers so like the stones around them that when not in the leaf one cannot be distinguished from the other.—London Globe.

**Fiannigan Got in Trouble.**

Ben A. Bore - I'm very sorry Miss Tooker is out; you won't forget to mention that I call her.

Fiannigan—No, indeed; I'll run right upstairs now and tell her.—New York World.

**Learned All About It.**

"So you went out driving with your new beau, Susie, and I expect he read your heart like a book?"

**VOICE OF THE PRESS.**

**EXPRESSIONS OF INTERIOR CALIFORNIA NEWSPAPERS.**

**Comments Upon Things Local, Governmental, Practical, Theoretical and Current.**

**Ione Echo:** All these Democratic bolters are opening up too early in the game to be genuine. They never vote, and they are fooling nobody now. Bimetallism has been one of the cardinal and underlying principles of Democracy since our Government was first established.

**ONE OF THE DEMOCRATIC PLANKS.**

**Santa Ana Blade:** The object of this plank was to condemn President Cleveland for stamping out the Debs rebellion that for three weeks, two years ago, stopped the business of the entire country. The spirit of the plank says to the criminal element everywhere: "Just help us elect and no Federal troops will ever be called out to put down any riots that you may get up, to save any property that you might want to destroy or to prevent from causing whatever railroad wrecks and loss of life that might result from removal of rails or misplaced switches. Vote for us and we will see to it that the minions of Federal authority shall not throttle the rights of the oppressed. Put us in authority and your liberties will be safe from the tyranny of this centralized authority."

**WITH GOOD HEART.**

**Tulare Register:** The "Register," while it believes in bimetallism by international agreement and believes that every effort should be made to bring about such an agreement, has all along opposed the free coinage heresy and has done it in the face of a more or less popular clamor. It has taken some courage to do this, but the cost is compensated by the straightforwardness with which it can fight for the Republican ticket in the forthcoming campaign. It has to apologize for nothing, take nothing back that has been said, and can defend the Republican financial plank with good heart because it believes that plank to be prudent, wise and everlastingly right. It is to be hoped that the "Register" will teach Republican politicians and papers to stand for principle at all times and never again permit themselves to be placed in an equivocal position by reason of having joined in a passing, popular clamor.

**FUSION.**

**San Jose Herald:** The disposition of the rank and file of the Populists seems to be in favor of endorsing Bryan, while many of the leaders oppose anything of the kind. The reason is that the leaders fear they may lose a political job by fusion, while the party at large care only for the success of the measures they advocate.

There was no slate at Chicago; or if there was, it was smashed. This campaign promises to be a "soldiers' battle" on the part of the Democracy. The rank and file are going to run things. The members of other parties who sympathize with the general features of Democratic policy will gladly stand in with a party that is running on a reform basis. The Republican machine works very smoothly, but no machine can win when the people take a notion to go into a campaign in their own way.

**POPULISM AND FUSION.**

**Fresno Republican:** But if this paper is selfish, our Democratic brethren are entirely in error in charging that it is. We never were more honest in anything than in believing that the Populist party would sacrifice its last possible claim to popular respect should it merge its identity in that of the Democracy. The "Republican" has lacked faith in the tenets of the People's party, but it at least has recognized the honest purpose of many who do believe in the Populist principles behind it, and cast all of its prejudices to the wind and join the Democratic league in a well-silver as the universal panacea for everybody's ills, by its own act it would declare how hollow were its convictions and how frothy its principles. If the Populist party has no excuse for its existing, it has no other excuse than this, its proclamations, one and all, have been false to the core, for free silver has been a dot on the broad landscape of its far-reaching claims.

**BRYAN AND TARIFF.**

**Shasta Democrat:** The Populists are beginning to learn that Bryan is all right on the tariff question as well as on silver. In fact, they elected him to Congress on that issue.

**WONDERFUL SAVINGS.**

**Santa Cruz Sentinel:** Thirty-seven years ago there were less than \$100,000 on deposit in the savings banks of this State. To-day there are over \$132,000,000. Is there another State in the Union which can point to such a phenomenal growth during a similar period?

**THE REAL ISSUE.**

**Riverside Press:** The tariff issue is not only dead, as the silver leaders would like to make it appear, but it is the liveliest question we have had for years. It is a question that includes and entirely overshadows in importance the single interest that urges immediate and independent free coinage. Silver miners are entitled to the same protection as the wool grower, the orange and lemon producer, the cattle raiser, or any other department of national industry, but no more.

Take the beautiful and fertile Escondido Valley. Its future depends almost entirely upon the fruit district. There are no better oranges, lemons or olives grown anywhere than at Escondido. These need a market. Very shortly they will need a market larger than is now obtainable. The American market is at present so overstocked with the foreign product that lemons will hardly sell at all, and oranges only the fixing of the tariff so that this fruit can have the preference in our own markets would be sufficient. To say that this issue is subordinate to any other in Southern California seems such a strange mistake that we hesitate to characterize it with the term which it seems to deserve.

**DEMOCRATS AND ISSUES.**

**Redding Free Press:** The "Democrat" says that protection is a humbug. There are none so blind as those who won't see. For three years under Cleveland it has been demonstrated by practical experience that protection is not a humbug. The Democratic party has about ruined the country because the revenue has not been sufficient to pay the expenses of the Government, and yet the "Democrat" says that protection is a humbug. No wonder Democratic papers do not want to discuss that issue, and all of a sudden have

commenced discussing silver. First it was free trade and now it is free silver. They have petered out on the first proposition, and it will not be long before they will peter out on the second.

**QUESTION ASKED.**

**Santa Barbara Press:** If a greater supply of money is needed, as the silver interest claim, how is it that, since the so-called "crime of 1873" was perpetrated, interest has fallen from 8 and 10 per cent. to from 3 1/2 to 6 per cent.?

**EVERYBODY.**

**Oroville Mercury:** The "Examiner" asserts that a protective tariff would be a boon to California, as it would enable the railroad company to make more money than it does now. Everybody else would be making money, too.

**WHERE THE BOUNDARY CUTS THE TOWN IN TWO.**

**Nogales Oasis:** When Mexican dollars were at par a Mexican carpenter at Nogales was paid three Mexican dollars for a day's wages, and an American workman was paid three American dollars. The same rate of wages prevailed here to-day—three Mexican dollars for the Mexican, three American dollars for the American mechanic. But the three American dollars will buy twice as much provisions, shoes, hats and clothing as will the three Mexican dollars. Now, if free coinage of silver becomes the monetary policy of the United States, will the three American dollars continue to buy as much as they do now, or will they decrease in purchasing power to the level of the Mexican dollar?

**JOHNSON FOR CONGRESS.**

**Oroville Register:** In the past quarter of a century no Congressman has accomplished more for the people than Grover L. Johnson did during his present term.

New men have but little weight in Congress, but Johnson commanded attention and respect. If the House was half-empty when he arose to speak it rapidly filled to hear his utterances. He has been an intense and untiring worker for the people of our commonwealth. He has secured the passage of such bills as the people were most in need of. He did more than any other member from this district ever accomplished in the same length of time.

If returned to Congress he will have many advantages that he did not enjoy during the past year, for he now has an extensive acquaintance in Washington. He is known to the older members of the House as an able, earnest, zealous and devoted member, who is always working for the best interests of the State and district he represents. He has broad opinions which he expresses in a manner that commands attention, and his opinions carry weight with all classes. His nomination for election this fall means much for this part of the State, and all citizens, irrespective of party, should labor to send him back where he can and will labor for the best interests of California.

**PROSPERITY AT HOME.**

**Oakland Enquirer:** A low American tariff helps the English mechanic and factory operative in California, but the American laborer and farmer. The men who believe in cultivating prosperity at home and leaving other countries to take care of themselves will vote against the continuance of the present low tariff which makes the English workmen wiser and the American idle.

**WHY REPEAL?**

**Stockton Independent:** Would the Republican tariff shall be restored work and wages will come again; the laborer will begin again to buy lots and build homes instead of selling them at a sacrifice to buy bread for his children. The farmer who is now raising chickens in the country will begin to raise pigs and raise buildings; the plumber who is working on railroad or street grades will follow the carpenter into new buildings; the brick yard will be running full force on full time and mechanics generally will be competing with stevedores and rammers for the little there is to do and cheapening labor in all lines. The unavoidable is had enough, but the Democrats persist in the policy of aiding avoidable evils, and the laboring man who depends on his earnings for his eating should set his brains to work to get a better deal, and he will not be fooled by the false cry of free silver, which is only made to make him lose sight of the policy of free trade, from which he suffers.

**THE SUN'S POSITION.**

**Colusa Sun:** The war struck dumb, if not down, local self-government and the rule and granddaddy of the masses began and the consequence has been the concentration of more than half the property of the nation into the hands of some 30,000 men and a system established by which the rest of the people are taxed for the further enrichment of these few men. This is done by a pretext that if we make them richer they can pay the rest more wages. From this state of affairs there has come a revolt, but the people have made a fearful mistake as to the remedy. At the wrong time a few silver miners got the ear of some of the Western States and by hired advocates have turned attention from the true cause of distress—a system of taxation that makes hundreds of millions annually out of those who have comparatively no property and practically exempts those who have the bulk of the property. As a result it is the few, and the few only, who must be the gainers. On the one hand we have the policy of making the comparatively poor pay, not only all the burdens of government, but an immense tax—for the further enrichment of the already rich, and on the other hand the enrichment of a few silver mine owners at the expense of the prosperity of the country. Firmly believing that the free coinage of silver, if carried out as it is presently planned, to be destructive of every interest except that of silver mining, the "Sun" will deliberately go with that organization that believes in the right of the people to self-government—that believes in the right of the people to make mistakes. The one course would be to cling with stronger cords the many in slavery to the few, while the other is a temporary mistake that can be retraced when its fearful consequences appear. No despotic ruler could put upon one-third the property of his realm nine-tenths of the burdens of his government, and then expect that that third a greater tax on the government tax for the benefit of an insignificant number of people into whose hands the bulk of the property has fallen through his system of government. The Republican party has done this.

**THE REAL ISSUE.**

**Stockton Record:** The Democrats are very anxious to escape from their position to give the consumers of this country cheap goods without the prosperity that prevailed in the country. They gave cheap goods, but stopped the flood of prosperity. Every intelligent man knows this. The Democrats cannot and do not deny it. In fact, they refuse to talk about it. They confess the failure of their experiment by begging the question.

The Democrats now come before the country with the proposition that the monetary issue is the chief one. They have abandoned the single idea of four cent goods, and now they would be made more prosperous by importing

European goods instead of manufacturing them ourselves. \* \* \* At a recent meeting of Exempt Firemen it was found that a majority of the company favored the patronage of home industry. There was no division on party lines, no thought of politics in connection with the question, yet a number declared they preferred to pay 25 cents more and get goods that were made at home by American labor. This is the strongest kind of protection argument these men were not millionaires who could afford to throw away money. They simply testified that it would satisfy them better as American citizens and residents of this city to patronize home industry than to go abroad to obtain articles at a less price. What more do Republicans claim?

**A Democratic official of this city recently, in talking with his colleagues, stated positively that he as well as many other Democrats had concluded that protection was essential to the prosperity of the country and that the whole country should want a moderate protective tariff. All this proves that the only object of the Democrats now is to lead the people off to a side issue, knowing that on the subject of the tariff they stand no chance of succeeding, and every speaker that appears on the platform Saturday evening knows that the real issue in this campaign with the 65,000,000 out of the 70,000,000 of people is the restoration of prosperity by active industry.**

**PRESIDENT FAURE'S POSITION.**

**His Life in Danger From Anarchists and Socialists.**

"Men loud against all forms of power" are busy in many lands. Only a few weeks ago the Shah of Persia was murdered. An anarchist bomb in Spain destroyed several lives in the streets of Stomach, I believe they called it, but my lungs and heart seemed to be involved in a sharp attack. I had to leave the me in the chest, running through to the shoulder blades. My heart would beat hard and fast, and my head would take by a slow irregular beating and a sensation of faintness or dizziness. The least exertion would lead me to faint. I had difficulty in getting air enough into my lungs. My breathing was labored. It seemed as if I were drawing the air through a sponge, and there would be a wheezing, whistling kind of sound with my breathing.

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"Gradually the catarrh, which first affected simply my head and throat, extended until my whole system was undermined. Several times the fever returned, and stomach, I believe they called it, but my lungs and heart seemed to be involved in a sharp attack. I had to leave the me in the chest, running through to the shoulder blades. My heart would beat hard and fast, and my head would take by a slow irregular beating and a sensation of faintness or dizziness. The least exertion would lead me to faint. I had difficulty in getting air enough into my lungs. My breathing was labored. It seemed as if I were drawing the air through a sponge, and there would be a wheezing, whistling kind of sound with my breathing.

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