

to make against every public man, and when they can be shown to be more than long sentences against one who has been so long in public life as I have I think I am doing pretty well. Yes, I think I am doing pretty well.

Stephen Longfellow had eight children, the poet being the most distinguished of the group. Only one of the eight survives. Mr. Alexander Wadsworth Longfellow's death followed by that of his wife, Mrs. Maria, after an interval of only three weeks. Mr. A. W. Longfellow was for a long time in the employ of the United States coast survey, and left some admirable charts.

Holland has just celebrated the seventeenth birthday of Hendrik Willem Mesdag, the famous painter. Originally the name was Meesdag, at the age of thirty-five years, left commercial life and went to Brussels, where Alma-Tadema encouraged him in his steps toward artistic study. His ample fortune enabled him to gather together one of the richest collections of modern art in Europe.

A minister of the gospel once wrote to Lady Maitland, who died not long since in London, inquiring the character of her butler, who had applied to him for a situation. "Was Jones honest, reliable, economical, good tempered, obliging and industrious?" To this Lady Maitland replied briefly and promptly: "My dear sir, had all my butlers been like you, my name I should have married him long ago."

Another link with the past has been destroyed by the death, at Albens, Savoy, of M. Jean-Baptiste Francois Tissot, son of Colonel Tissot, aid-de-camp to Prince Eugene of Savoy, victor of Italy. (The future Duke of Leuchtenberg, M. Tissot was in his ninety-sixth year at the time of his death.) Tissot was a man of great recollection not only of the Emperor Napoleon I—whom he saw on many occasions and also of the latter's son, the King of Rome.

A lady who knew the late William M. Everts once expressed surprise that a man of such slender frame and fragile physique could endure so many feasts, with their varying viands, which he had to eat. "Oh," he replied, "I am not so afraid of the different viands as the indifferent ones." Mr. Everts's good health excited the comments of his brethren of the bar. He attributed it to the fact that he always got out of bed late and never took any exercise.

King Edward served his apprenticeship to golf forty-two years ago when he was a student at Edinburgh High School and University. It is said that on one occasion Tom Brown, the professional, was very frank in his comments on his pupil. When a comment at last passed the bounds even of frankness, "Don't you know," exclaimed Sir James Baird, "you are speaking to his royal highness the Prince of Wales?" "Ah, well," said the imperturbable Tom, "his royal highness is not so easily done that in a match he would have lost."

The New York Sun rules that we may continue to call the frock coat a Prince Albert if we choose to do so, for the good and sufficient reason that this garment was not named after Albert Edward, but after his father, Prince Albert, who died forty years ago. When Lord Raglan died the garment named after him retained his name, but also the cardigan, the Homburg, the Spencer and the Talma. There are still Wellington boots and Blucher shoes. The current fashion about the Prince Albert coat is that the term is never used in England. It is simply a frock coat over there.

Cheer up! We're murmured 'gainst the cold, but 'tch we're mortal too. Ere long we'll protest loud and hold. Because it is too hot. —Washington Star.

THE CITY'S SOCIAL LIFE.

(CONCLUDED FROM PAGE 11.)

Mrs. Stauffer will remove to Irvington for permanent residence in a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Brown, of 530 North Meridian street, have returned from a trip to New Orleans.

Mr. W. L. Moore, of Brazil, came yesterday to be the guest of his brother, Mr. Ernie Moore, at the home of Mrs. T. M. Moore.

Miss J. Anna Carpenter, who has spent the winter in Irvington, will return to her home in Chicago Thursday.

Miss Molly Frank, who came from Green-castle this week to visit Dr. and Mrs. A. N. Towles for several days.

Mr. John Dalley, who has been visiting Mrs. John Porter, returned yesterday to his home in Hartford City yesterday.

On Friday evening the members of the Epworth League gave a social at the home of Miss Mary Roddy, on Lane street.

Miss Bertha Thornberry, of Chicago University, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Thornberry, at their home, 100 North Madison street.

Miss Mary Taylor, the art teacher at Butler College, will give an art exhibit next week in the art studio at Butler College.

Miss Lenora Barnhill, who is visiting Miss Rotta Barnhill, will return to her home in Crawfordsville the last of the week.

Prof. W. D. Howe left Wednesday for Florida, where he will deliver a course of five lectures at De Funiak, the Chautauqua resort.

Mrs. Mary Allison, who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. George G. Dyer for a week, returned to her home in Worthington yesterday.

Miss Mary Graham, who is attending Chicago University this year, will come Wednesday to visit Miss Hope Whitcomb for several days.

Miss Essie Davis, of Cincinnati, and Miss Harriet Davis, of Huntington, on her way to Texas, were the guests of Miss Ivy Smith last week.

The young men of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity entertained their friends with an informal party in the hall on Central avenue last night.

Mr. and Mrs. William M. Harvey and family will arrive from Illinois next Friday.

Miss Grace Mathews gave a "hard-up" party Friday night at her home on Downey avenue. The guests appeared in costumes representing their "hard-up" conditions.

The Irvington Fortnightly Club will meet on Friday afternoon with Mrs. Louis Walden. "The Science of Advertising" will be the subject of the evening. Mrs. T. M. Richardson, conversation on the "Mission of the Cartoon" will follow, led by Mrs. J. C. Findley.

The Irvington Tuesday Club will meet Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Albert Johnston, on Downey avenue. Papers will be read by Mrs. E. J. Moore, on "Medieval Barons," Mrs. Mary J. Calkins on "The German Classics," and Mrs. James Braden on "Down the Rhine."

VITAL STATISTICS—MARCH 23.

Births.

May and Thomas J. Hill, 1005 Parker avenue.

Annie and Elmer Dixon, 606 West Pratt street, boy.

Katie and Claude Fuller, 165 Denny street, girl.

Corra and Charlie Davidson, 2010 Miller street, boy.

Flora and Oscar Butler, 619 Stevens street, girl.

Katie and George Hoover, 219 East Summit street, boy.

Ada and W. Matz, 1434 Harding street, girl.

Corra and August Sangerel, 506 North Noble street, girl.

Mrs. and Charles Tate, city, girl.

Carrie and J. Kunz, 349 South Meridian street, girl.

May and Owen Clegg, 3218 Kenwood avenue, boy.

Elizabeth and Christian T. Belkne, 2015 East Eighteenth street, boy.

Deaths.

Martha Ayers, forty-three, 2023 Yandes street, pleurisy.

Harry Fisher, four months, 141 South West street, congestion of brain.

Lizzie Conlan, thirty-five, 431 Kentucky avenue, congestion of brain.

Joseph Kelly, twenty-two, 713 West Twenty-second street, epilepsy.

Dwight Guiley, five, 2218 West Washington street, inflammation of stomach.

Marriage Licenses.

Will Hardwick Van Trees and Ella Mack, Fred William Blummer and Susie Beale Chaffee.

Alvin T. Meyers and Blanche Helen Pratt.

Carroll Jenkins and Belle Thurman.

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INSECTIVOROUS PLANTS

AN INTERESTING GROUP OF MODELS IN A HARVARD COLLECTION.

The Line Between Vegetable and Animal Life Very Closely Drawn—The Queer Venus Fly Trap.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., March 23.—Nearly everybody has read or heard of the Venus Fly-trap—the *Dionaea muscipula* of scientific botany—and of the extraordinary sensitiveness of its leaves, so delicately constructed that if a fly or insect lights upon one, the leaf closes upon itself and so imprisons the unhappy insect, killing and actually eating it. For that the insect nourishes the plant has been shown by comparative study; deprived of its insect food it fails always to attain its best development.

The Venus fly-trap is only one out of a number of insectivorous plants, a careful study of which has been made recently by Dr. Fowler, professor of botany in Queen's College, Ontario, and which receive even more practical illustration in one of the most interesting, from a popular point of view, of many cases of glass flowers in the War collection of Harvard University in Cambridge. This collection, the only one of its kind in the world, is, as is known to most visitors to Cambridge, the work of the famous Blaschka family, father and son. It was begun at the suggestion of Dr. Goodale, of the university, to whom it first occurred that the skill of these remarkable artists could be applied as investigators as to the models of marine invertebrates which they were then, in 1886, making for the museums of Europe, and secured to Harvard through the generosity of Mrs. Elizabeth C. Ware and Miss Mary L. Ware, of Boston. The collection, growing with each succeeding year, is intended to represent the relations of the various flowering plants of North America; and one-quarter of a large case is now devoted to a typical collection of the plants which are the specimens represent nearly all such plants in the United States, and are modeled with a delicacy and truth to life which is almost incredible to one who has not seen them.

These insectivorous plants are interesting as an illustration of the scientific fact that between the animal and vegetable kingdoms there is really no line, and that is generally supposed; their insect food, although the fact was, for a long time, unrecognized, is now known to be a necessary part of their life.

A FAMILIAR SPECIMEN. The bladderwort, for example, of which a model is shown at Harvard, is familiar to frequenters of ponds and slow streams, from Newfoundland to Texas, and is now known to use the small bladders, from which it derives its name, for another purpose than that of floating itself to the surface of the water in which it lives. The little bladders common to the inland common bladderwort and the purple bladderwort—which last is generally found near the coast and is recognizable by its solitary purple flowers—plant, such as a particle of earth placed on it for the sake of experiment, it remains closed no longer than twenty-four hours, and upon opening is still sensitive and immediately ready for its delayed meal.

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A TRIBUTE TO HARRISON.

A Member of His Cabinet Tells What He Did While President.

John W. Noble, in the Independent.

He was great as a soldier, rising by distinction on the field to be a general. He was great as a lawyer; his attainments have been illustrated and recognized both in the Supreme Court of the United States and more recently in the Venezuela arbitration at Paris. He was great as an orator; his speeches made in crossing the continent to California, while he was President, elicited the admiration of our people for the wonderful range of his discussion and the clearness, conciseness and epigrammatic force of his statements. He was great as a statesman, holding first rank as senator of the United States; and thus we see when he came to the presidential chair he was fully prepared to deal with and direct the great questions that were constantly to present themselves. He met his responsibilities with firmness, clearness and great breadth of mind. While he was very considerate of all the members of his Cabinet, and willing to bestow upon them the benefit of his great experience and knowledge of the affairs of state, he was influenced, chiefly, by his own convictions, and these were formed so quickly that he may be said to have rather led the Cabinet in their consultations to his conclusions than to have been dependent upon their advice. That advice, however, he sought and at times did adopt; but the cabinet was not of minor importance. When the illness of the secretary of state threw upon the President in large part the details of conducting our foreign correspondence he was prepared, capable and indeed exhibited capacity of the first order, whether one takes his correspondence, which he conducted with the utmost care, or his messages from time to time issued under the name of the secretary of state, or his messages from time to time issued under the name of the secretary of state.

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