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THE SENATORSHIP

The people of Minnesota are watching the members of the legislature. They do not look upon the office of United States senator as one to be kicked around among the politicians like a piece of sprinkling.

If we do not mistake the feeling of the masses of the people of the state they wish to see a successor to Senator Davis chosen in a calm, dignified and deliberate manner. The campaign has already lasted long enough for the situation to be pretty well defined.

General Harrison is accused of trying to be the Cleveland of the republican party. His activity in promulgating ideas with regard to the constitution following the flag is taken as a deliberate attempt to embarrass the administration.

THE ONE MAN POWER

The Cook county grand jury has reported a scathing denunciation of Mayor Harrison for non-enforcement of the midnight closing law and other laws regulating the sale of liquor in Chicago.

Trying to explain away the serious aspect of the invasion of Cape Colony by 5,000 Boers, the London Standard says: "The American civil war provides a useful parallel. The Confederate raids failed to achieve anything serious."

It is safe to say that the return of John Goodnow has not been made necessary on account of any doubt about his reappointment. Goodnow has acquitted himself with conspicuous ability, and not only that, for that was expected, but the occasion for the objections raised to his appointment has been removed and no opposition to his reappointment is thought of anywhere.

AN EARLY SETTLEMENT POSSIBLE

The aspect of the senatorial contest continues to be decidedly favorable to Robert G. Evans. Notwithstanding the hysterical and ridiculous attempts of the opposition to belittle his strength, undermine it and brand him as a beaten candidate he easily leads the three avowed candidates now in the field.

CONGRESS' WORK

The brief period of the life of the fifty-sixth congress precludes the idea of accomplishing much legislation aside from the absolutely necessary business. It is even uncertain whether decisive action will be taken on the Nicaragua canal matter. There are statements made that the Hepburn bill will be taken up and passed in February, whether the British government accepts the amendments to the Hay-Pauncefote treaty or not.

There will be legislation touching our insular possessions until the federal supreme court decides the question as to the power of congress to govern acquired territory by a somewhat different code from that in use at home and in a way suitable to the differing conditions, as set forth in treaties which are the supreme law of the land.

CHINA GUARANTEES

Minister Conger's statement that the Chinese government not only accepts the demands of the powers in the protocol, but professes to be able to guarantee a performance of the conditions, is interesting in view of the existing disorderly and insubordinate state of China.

DRAMATIC NOTE

That noted dramatist, A. Alonso Ames, will give a popular matinee at the Bijou theater next Monday afternoon in his powerful play, "My Inauguration." His support is said to be the strongest in the history of the theater, and his leading man, Mr. Ames' soliloquy beginning "To the victors belong the spoils" is especially popular with his friends and admirers.

AMUSEMENTS

"The Little Minister" attracting large audiences at the Metropolitan and the South folk with their narrow views of life as revealed in J. M. Barrie's play, have made friends as fast as many, as have the quaint folk of our own New England, as we know them in "The Old Homestead."

THE INVASION OF CAPE COLONY

Does the Standard recall any Confederate raid made after the war was over, after Jeff Davis had fled and the Confederate armies were broken up? We have been assured time and again that the war was over. Lord Roberts has returned from his work, he has been made an earl and welcomed as a great conqueror or returning from the successful conclusion of a mighty war.

There are still 210,000 British troops in South Africa. That 5,000 Boers could mobilize and invade Cape Colony with their own country in possession of the British armies shows a state of affairs that is serious. If the Dutch Cape Colonists are possessed of arms and should now rise the situation in South Africa would be even more serious than it was a year ago.

It is ridiculous to call the war ended and to shower honors upon those who have returned from a work only half done.

Alfred Harmsworth's suggestion of a newspaper trust is about as dramatic as the suggestion of a consolidated advertising agency for all the churches.—Pioneer Press.

A NEWSPAPER OF THE FUTURE

Mr. Harmsworth's New York World, as a freak, isn't a circumstance to the Jan. 1, 2001, edition of the Cleveland World. Four extra copies of the Cleveland World, printed in a style which the editors of the World assume will be in vogue a hundred years from now.

THE TOOLS OF WAR

There are two "bar-shots," one of them weighing about twenty pounds, which took part in the bombardment of Fort Washington from a point near Jeffrey's Hook in the Hudson river. An ordinary round shot is split in two, and the halves are connected by a two-foot bar of wrought iron.

A COLD BOTTLE

There is also evidence that the British and Russian soldiers did not spend all their time fighting. One of the treasures in the collection is a hand-made green-glass bottle, found near Dyckman street. This bottle had the original cork still in its mouth, but it had shrunk and allowed the water to escape.

PAT CROWE'S WHEREABOUTS

It is reported that Pat Crowe, the kidnapper, has been arrested in Nebraska. The report is no year for Crowe has more places of residence than any reliable dispatches clearly prove.

NO DIFFERENCE ANYWAY

Of course it is a difference to see from a St. Petersburg paper that "Russia has nothing against the Monroe doctrine," but it would make no difference if it had something against it.

Christian missionaries as a menace to the well being of China.

The long heralded engagement of Frank Daniels in his new comic opera hit, "The Amerer," will take place in this city next week in New York last winter the press had announced the success of the season.

OR BONESTEEL, S. D.

We would not be a bit surprised if Pat Crowe was finally located at Three Oaks, Mich.

New York Daily Letter.

Jan. 3.—Excavations made almost anywhere in the extreme northern end of Manhattan island are likely to uncover relics of the revolutionary period, and as the grading of streets and laying of pipes and sewers have progressed in the city with the growth of the city, public and private collections have been enriched by many interesting objects accidentally unearthed.

OTHER PEOPLE'S NOTIONS

To the Editor of The Journal. The people of Minnesota have given \$300,000,000 worth of land to the railroad companies. This was given to help build railroads for the accommodation of the public.

THOSE CLOSED STATIONS

Now, I think it is time for our railroad and warehouse commission and the members of the legislature to do something to prevent the carrying out of this order. If the commissioners and legislators could be taken out of their easy chairs and put on the platform of one of these closed stations, when the thermometer is twenty degrees below zero and made to wait for a train that is one to three hours late, and where, perhaps, there may be a woman with a nursing child in her arms, they would take an interest in this proposition.

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The Father's Consent

BY LYNN ROBY MEEKINGS. Copyrighted, 1900, By Authors' Syndicate. It is easy enough to fall in love, but afterwards there may be difficulties. It was certainly so in this case.

THE FATHER'S CONSENT

John Dunn went through it all and came out alive—and thankful. It took him to all parts of the world and from the forecastle to the master's berth. There were many lessons he learned, and through them all he kept his character and his manliness. So, when he grew tired of the sea and the roving life and wanted to settle down in his old home after ten years of wandering over the face of the earth, he could look any one in the face and be satisfied.

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When John returned, the little community, with all its natural curiosity and its pessimism against those who had left it to seek their fortunes in the world, was prepared to welcome the wreck of an evil life and to sympathize and moralize accordingly. But, instead of that, they found themselves shaking hands with a big, robust, smiling fellow and hearing invitations upon him to come and stay for dinner. And he went, and into every home he visited he carried cheerfulness. Nowhere was the greeting more sincere than in the house of William Reed, and in that home was a daughter rather under the average in size and a contrast to the tall sailor who had crossed so many seas.

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When John had left ten years before, Mary Reed was not ten years old, so that now she was in the bloom of her young womanhood, with a refreshing ignorance of the world, and with mind and heart so free from care and with a heart that was an ocean of kindness and sympathy, larger than any sea on which John Dunn had ever sailed. He was in love before he had spoken a word, and he would not fall in love, and then he told Mary he loved her after he had sworn that he would say nothing about the uneasy feeling which had upset his mind.

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It was arranged very nicely and Mary and John were married. It is something to compete any more in the story-telling business. He reserves his romances and experiences for his wife, and Reed still reigns supreme at the corner store. He has dropped the rabbit, however, and now tells a most wonderful yarn about the most intelligent fox that ever fooled John. It is something about the fox finding out when the dogs went to hunt him and then quietly creeping into their kennels until they got tired of following his roundabout course, when after they were played out he almost finishes them up by a marvelous spurt across country—but, of course, everybody in Devon district knows that story, too.

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