

CARRUTH'S EARLY DAYS IN S. DAK.

Capital Removal, the Tenderfoot and Solon Were Topics in Which He Revealed—Now in Charge of the Fun-Making Department of Harpers.

Special to The Journal.

Pierre, S. D., Jan. 21.—Fred Hayden Carruth, who is the successor of Charles Dudley Warner as conductor of "The Editors Drawer," the humorous department of Harpers Monthly, has sent to the South Dakota Historical society the complete files of the Estelline Bell, the little weekly country paper which he published down in Hamlin county in 1884-5-6 and through which he made his reputation as a humorist. Mr. Carruth now resides at Pocantico Hills, near New York, where he recently was called to mourn the death of his only daughter.

It is refreshing at this time to read some of his quips of twenty years ago grounds that her husband was a member of the late legislature. We don't see how an impartial court can refuse her a separation with alimony and the custody of the children.



FRED HAYDEN CARRUTH.

which convulsed the Dakotans of that day. Some of them are particularly timely at this juncture; peculiarly so being his animadversions upon capital removal. A few are appended:

"As we go to press capitals for Dakota are quoted quiet and in poor demand with a prospect of still further falling off. Leading manufacturers of this line of goods attribute the bad market to over production.

"Huron, Mitchell and Redfield are very much exalted at present fearing that Pierre will get the capital. Rather than that they prefer that the capital should remain at Bismarck. The unanimity of Dakota towns is wonderful.

"Dakota's capital is at least all in one place—Bismarck—the last vestige of official pomp and power having departed from Yankton and Pierre.

"The solemn northwest wind still sighs sadly through the dry sage brush and toys with the untamed jack rabbit on the capital square at Pierre, and still the long expected statehouse does not heaven in sight over the bleak hills on its way from Bismarck—but why weep? We don't own any lots in Pierre.

The legislator was a happy subject for the exposition of his wit as witness the following hits:

"It is rumored that Governor Pierce will resign and engage in cattle raising. He says since the legislature adjourned he wants about 2,500 Texas steers around him to make it seem natural."

"The returned legislator, who allows a blue chip to roll out of his pocket, will have a hard time making his wife believe that it is a sort of reward of merit badge he got at Sunday school."

"A Mitchell woman wants to know if she can get a divorce solely upon the

town was always a topic of merriment to the humorist and he worked the field for all it was worth. Of one of these he says: "He has laid in a supply of the germs of the same pumpkin, the spring squash and non-climbing ruta baga which he will plant in the leafy springtime; also in the back yard where the young plants can twine about the clothes line posts and the neighbor's hens scratch down the weeds."

"With the regular spring advent of the tenderfoot it might be not out of place to give him a few pointers so he will carry himself like a native.

"In the first place one of the most important things that he should observe if he would be successful in Dakota, is never to try to run down a jackrabbit. The jackrabbit of our prairies was never intended to be caught. You may try of course, but it never pays in the long run. In fact there is just where the trouble lies—in the long run. The run is altogether too long. You may be a runner; you may have come from a family of runners; it may be you are young; in the morning of your life—say about 7:30 a. m. of the morning of your existence—but you can't catch the jackrabbit. The jackrabbit for his living. He takes a turn across a couple of counties for breakfast and lopes down into Nebraska for dinner. Besides it is not considered good taste by old settlers. Governor Glebach or Editor Bowen never chased the jackrabbit for amusement.

"Another point. Don't wear two sheepskin coats. It is not necessary and more than that it is not stylish. Sheepskin coats, with the wool turned in, are affected by the swells of Watertown and Brookings, but outside of these places they are not worn and only there on special occasions.

"Don't prophesy about the weather. This is different kind of weather than you are used to. It is good weather, but you can't tell much about it. If you are led to bet upon it immediately after some other fool and bet the other way. Even then you are apt to lose.

"If you hear a member of the legislature kicking about hard times don't ask him how it comes then that he is building a new house.

"Don't try to jump a school section. You may put up a shack that is truly palatial, one that has a two-lighted window and the tar paper put on with picture nails; still when you come to make proof you are apt to run up against trouble at the land office.

"If the new comer will carefully follow this advice he will some day be frequently referred to as an available candidate for governor."

"Gilbert," said Mrs. Pierce one day last week, "I was down town this morning and saw a lovely piece of dress goods worth \$3.50 a yard. I want a gown out of it. Please let me have the money."

The governor was busy reading last week's Bell and he absently replied: "Owing to the number of such institutions already located I cannot believe this would be subservient to the public good and I think the appropriation would be deemed extravagant in the extreme, therefore I will be compelled to veto the measure."

"It took Mrs. Pierce just ten seconds to suspend the rules and pass the measure over the veto."

AS TO FREEMAN THORP
The President and Mr. Hay Say He Cannot Paint Their Fence.

From The Journal Bureau, Room 46, Post Building, Washington.

Washington, Jan. 21.—On Jan. 15, The Journal printed a special article regarding that Freeman Thorp, a market gardener near that place, and in addition a famous portrait painter, was coming east soon to paint portraits of President Roosevelt, Secretary Hay, former President Cleveland and other notables, after which about April 1, he would return to Europe and plant his truck patch for the season.

Inquiry at the White House to-day discloses that no such person has been heard of there, and that the president has no engagement for any portrait other than that to be painted by Mr. Sargent of the Royal association, who is coming here from London especially for that purpose.

The state department also says there's "nothing doing" with Thorpe, so far as Secretary Hay is concerned, and that he is as unknown as at the White House.

—W. W. Jernigan.

Silks

Black Twilled Foulard, strictly all silk, 24 inches wide, we've just 10 pieces to let out as a flyer, cheap enough at 39c 85c yd. Thursday... **39c**

Dress Goods

Men's Suitings, in vigoreaux grounds, chalk line stripes, very stylish effects, 56 inches wide, strictly all wool, require no lining, always \$1.25 yd. Thursday... **49c**

Black Dress Goods

Black Cheviot—52-inches wide, strictly all wool, heavy and fine, our every day 85c yd. Thursday... **49c**

Linings

Black Percale—(25 pieces only at this price), 36-inch Moire silk finish, regularly 124c yd. Thursday... **7c**

Linens, White Goods

Nainsook Checks—Unexcelled for durability, worth 124c yd. Thursday... **7c**

New Waistings—beautiful mercerized white goods, worth to 35c yd. Thursday... **19c**

Table Linens—Desirable short lengths, bleached, cream and silver bleached, values 50c to \$1 yard. Thursday... **50c**

Wash Goods

Corded and Satin Stripe Madras—Pretty design on white grounds, mill remnants of 20c fabrics, special 61c Thursday, yard... **61c**

Mousseline Brodee—Beautiful fine sheer, daintily embroidered fabric, artistic designs on white and tinted grounds, very swell, actually worth 90c, Thursday, per yard... **19c**

Novelty Vestings—Silk Mercerized Oxfords, just the sweetest, most dainty and stylish creations you ever saw, at, yard 75c, 65c, 50c and

Flannels and Blankets

Cream Wool Flannel—Nice, soft quality for infants' wear; regular 20c value. One day, per yard... **12c**

Wool Blankets—Fine white and silver grey combination wool blankets, weight 5 lbs., size 72x84, extra nice quality; cheap at \$4.00. Special, Thursday, per pair... **\$2.89**

Door Draperies

Clean-Up in Tapestry Portieres, about 100 assorted pairs ranging to \$6.50 pair. Special Thursday, pair... **\$2.48**

Arabia and White—Full \$3.50 values; to clean up this line, at... **\$2.48**

Linoleum

500 yards mill remnants, high grade, 75c quality Linoleum; enough of a pattern for a room. Come early. Yard... **29c**

MISS ANTHONY IN MARBLE

But Made by Lorado Taft Who Lectures Here Friday.

While Lorado Taft, the Chicago sculptor, who lectures in Minneapolis Friday night and Saturday afternoon, was still a comparatively unknown artist, he was selected by Miss Frances Willard, who knew him well and had great appreciation of his ability and spirit, as the sculptor of a bust of her friend Susan B. Anthony for the gallery of famous women at the world's fair. Miss Willard was to provide

speaking of his fellow sculptors, telling of them from personal knowledge and illustrating his comments with fine lantern slides. On Saturday afternoon, at the children's matinee, Mr. Taft will illustrate his talk by means of clay modeling.

A "ROBIN HOOD" MISHAP
How H. C. Barnabee Nearly Broke Up a Bostonian Performance in New York.

There was a serious stage wait one night at the Academy of Music, New York, during the Bostonians' engagement which, but for the ready wit of Grace Van Studdiford and W. H. MacDonald, would have necessitated the ringing down of the curtain in the middle of the second act of "Robin Hood." Many who knew the opera well, thought Harry B. Smith had introduced new scenes to add to the interest of the revival, but Little John's banter with Lady Marian was all impromptu, though almost as bright as the original dialogue. Several minutes were gained by this, and several more by the repeated refrain of "Brown October Ale," which was taken up by the chorus, off stage, moving farther and farther away. This was a fine effect and may be permanently retained in the opera.

The cause of the trouble was H. C. Barnabee himself, who, but for being one of the owners, would have been fined \$10 by the stage manager. Mr. Barnabee had changed from the sheriff's handsome costume to his disguise as a tinker, and having a few minutes to spare decided to take a peep from behind the curtains of one of the side boxes at the water fall of the Sherwood Forest set, which he had never seen in operation with the changing lights of the calendars.

There is a standing order at the academy that the doors on each side of the stage leading from the boxes shall be locked during the performance, the manager of the house and the manager of the company each having a key. This is to prevent the artists leaving by any other way than the stage door and members of the audience from gaining entrance to the stage. One of the managers had passed through a moment before and left the door ajar.

Mr. Barnabee, as he went out into the corridor, drew the door to and did not notice that it had fastened with a "click" until he tried to get back. The voices of the chorus drowned all the noise he made hammering at the door. He waited until the last moment when the cue was given for his entrance with the "tinkers" and, seeing it was his only chance, he made a hasty exit by the front of the theater in Irving place and thence into Fourteenth street to his stage door.

Here there was more trouble. The museum across the way was just letting out its audience and the sidewalk was filled with people. Mr. Barnabee in his tinker's garb, that had done service ever since "Robin Hood" was first produced thirteen years ago, all ragged and ancient like "Tip Van Winkle," had the appearance of an escaping wild man and the crowd got around him in a twinkling. A policeman made a rush for Mr. Barnabee, and but for one of the working staff of the Bostonians at the stage entrance it is likely that the comedian would have found himself under arrest.

Mr. Barnabee in his excitement to get on the stage, made his entrance on the wrong side for the first time in his life, but he never played the scene better.

THE BROOKLYN EAGLE SAYS:
"The Blazed Trail" is a masculine book; it is for its robustness, its strenuousness, its fine pictures of the "Lumber Jack," its glorious toil in the battle with imperious nature, that it has a right to certain success."

By Stewart Edward White
Eleventh Edition Printing \$7.50

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THE NEW STORE

Never Question the why and wherefore. Hesitation has made many a man poor—never one rich. We are setting a swift pace this year—have you noticed it?

EVANS, MUNZER, PICKERING & CO.

4,000 Pairs of Butler, Pierce & Co. Shoes.

These must be sold this week. The mighty sacrifice begins Thursday.

Women's Kid Shoes, every size, value to \$2.00, 88c at... **88c**
Women's Vici Kid Shoes, values to \$2.50, \$1.29 at... **\$1.29**
Women's fine Vici Kid Shoes, values to \$3.00, \$1.59 at... **\$1.59**
Women's high-grade Vici and Pat. Kid Shoes, \$1.88 val. to \$3.50, at... **\$1.88**

Misses' and Children's Box Calf and Vici Kid Shoes, these are high cut of the very finest leather worth \$2.00, 98c at per pair... **98c**
1000 pairs children's and misses' Shoes; they are good quality box calf and vici kid, worth \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75, 79c your choice... **79c**

Men's calf, box calf and vici kid shoes, worth to \$1.69 \$3, at... **\$1.69**
Boys' chrome finish calf shoes, double soles, high cut, the best that money can buy, \$2.50 values \$1.39
Overshoes and rubbers, mixed lots, for most all sized shoes. While they last **9c**

Cloaks, Suits and Furs.

Prices Out of the Ordinary for Thursday.

Ladies' Astrakhan Fur Coats, worth \$30, \$19.50
Ladies' half sheared Coney Fur Coats worth \$27.50 \$15.00
Ladies' Fur Boas, in all styles at one-half their value, range in price from \$2.00 to \$15.00

30 Ladies' new Early Spring Suits. Come in and see them, worth \$25.00, \$17.50
Ladies' 3 length all wool Kersey Coats, silk lined throughout, worth to \$25.00 \$9.50
Ladies' 27-inch all wool Kersey Coats, worth to \$12.50, \$2.50 for...

Embroidery Remnants
Accumulations from the three weeks' tremendous selling of fine Embroideries now on sale in three great lots, and the prices guarantee a speedy clean-up. Ten-strikes, every one of them:
Lot 1—value to 90c **25c**
Lot 2—value to 50c **19c**
Lot 3—value to 30c **12c**

Book Sale

A splendid lot of handsomely bound books. A representative assortment of popular fiction, 12mos and 16mos, all 25c, 39c and 50c books, Thursday, each... **17c**

Mitten Sale

Men's working mittens, mule skin, horse hide and buck, all well lined, warm, strong and the best possible values at 60c, 75c and 90c, sale, pair... **33c**

Handkerchief Sale

Ladies' genuine Irish Linen unlaundered handkerchiefs—our great leader at 18c each; for one grand clean-up sale, 1/2 doz... **50c**

Men's Dept

Olds and ends men's all wool underwear, worth \$1.25... **49c**

Wrappers

50 dozen ladies' fleeced wrappers, worth \$1.25... **59c**

Lace Sale

Sale of Black Dress Nets, 45 inches wide, worth to \$2.00 a yard; also high-class Black Chantilly, white Irish Crochet and Venice Gallions, bands and laces, worth to \$1.75. Choice 59c for this sale, yard...

Brussels Rugs

Extra quality 9x12 feet Rugs, splendid styles, value \$16.00 each... **\$10.75**

Hosiery

Ladies' full seamless, fast black, maco cotton hose, worth 19c... **5c**

Leather Goods

Persian Morocco and Alligator Wrist Bags, gun metal chain and frame, silk lined, inside pocket, block bottom; value \$1.50. Thurs... **75c**

Shell Goods

Hair Pins, 3 3/4 and 4-in. Shell and Amber Pin, straight, crimped and curved; a fine polished round tooth pin; always 19c. Thursday, one dozen in box... **10c**

Belts

Velvet Belts, bound and stitched, Gilt and Oxidized Buckles, straight 25c belts, Thursday, each... **10c**

Rings

Ladies' solid gold Shell Rings, single, double and three stone set rings, values to \$1.00, Thursday... **25c**

Silverware

Quadruple plate—Old pieces silverware, cake dishes, coffee pots, cracker jars, bread trays, bon bon dishes, spoon holders and crumb trays, all large pieces, worth to \$3.00 choice... **\$1.69**

Flower Dept.

Carnations—Pink, white and red, long stem, large flower. Per dozen... **35c**

Drug Department

35c complex-ion brush... **19c**
Tooth Brushes... **8c**
8 and 10 inch hard Rubber Combs... **8c**
South Down Face Powder, worth 25c... **8c**

Underwear

Odds and ends in Ladies' Silk Underwear, worth to \$3.00, at... **\$1.39**

19c Sale in Basement

Articles worth not less than 25c, up to 50c each.

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