

ROOT EFFECTS MANY CHANGES IN DEPARTMENT

Diplomatic and Consular Work Will Be Districted.

Secretary of State Root in putting in to effect his policy for modernizing the foreign service of the United States, which has been made necessary by its rapid and important growth within the last few years, is gradually mapping out the details of dividing the administration of both the diplomatic and consular service into geographical districts, with an Assistant Secretary in charge of one district each.

While the Secretary is not yet ready to make an official announcement, the work has reached the point where it has been definitely decided to divide the districts and the responsibilities into four divisions, as follows:

Robert Bacon, Assistant Secretary, is to have supervision of diplomatic affairs in South and Central America.

Alva A. Adee, Second Assistant Secretary, is to have supervision of the diplomatic affairs of Great Britain and all of Continental Europe, excepting possibly Turkey, and of Morocco and all of Africa, excepting possibly Egypt.

Huntington Wilson, Third Assistant Secretary, will have supervision of both consular and diplomatic affairs in the Far East, including Japan, Korea, China, Siam, India, Persia, and possibly Turkey and Egypt.

Wilbur J. Carr, chief clerk, who has just been promoted to that office from chief of the Consular Bureau, will have supervision of the consular affairs of the remainder of the world not handled by Mr. Wilson.

Root Has Worked Hard.

This will be an important innovation in the diplomatic consular service, which is another step forward in making both services modern, for which Secretary Root has worked so hard for the two years he has been at the head of the State Department. Always, up to the present, the Assistant Secretary has been interested in the diplomatic and consular affairs of all countries as the principal assistant to the Secretary; the Second Assistant has given his attention exclusively to the diplomatic affairs of all the world; the Third Assistant has given his attention to the consular affairs of all the world.

Dividing the service into geographical divisions, with the purpose of having each secretary so thoroughly acquainted with a certain field as to be expert on it instead of endeavoring to keep in touch with the affairs of all nations, will put the service on a similar plan as the foreign service of Great Britain, Germany, and other European countries.

Wilson's Knowledge of East.

Mr. Wilson is given the Far East because of his knowledge of Japan, Korea, and China. He has long been a close student of the political and commercial conditions of the other Oriental countries. He is expected to be a specialist in all matters pertaining to those countries, as Charles Denby, the retiring chief clerk, has been a specialist in both diplomatic and consular affairs in China, since he was brought here from Peking for that office a year ago last fall.

Mr. Denby, in being promoted as consul general to Shanghai, will be expected to be special adviser on both diplomatic and consular affairs in the entire Chinese empire. In this work he will be directly in communication with Mr. Wilson and Mr. Root.

Wilson to Have Assistance.

A secretary of the American legation in Peking and a Chinese interpreter, both of whom have had years of experience in China, are coming fresh from that country to assist Mr. Wilson in prosecuting his new line of work. As the details of the plan are developed it is possible that a secretary will be brought from the embassy at Tokyo, and secretaries will be brought from the legations in Siam, Persia, and Turkey to assist in the work. A consular clerk with experience at Cairo also may be detailed to the work. The Far Eastern staff will not be builded up in the immediate future, however.

Mr. Carr is given the general supervision of the consular service because of his absolute familiarity with it, he having borne the brunt of the work of reorganizing the service and putting it on a modern basis, in accordance with Secretary Root's policy of progress.

BARNATO'S CHILDREN RICHER THAN FIELDS'

LONDON, May 11.—The Marshall Field children are not the only "infant" millionaire children in England. The wealthiest English children are the orphans of the late Barney Barnato, South African Croesus. Like the Marshall Fields, there are two boys and a girl, who, when they come of age, will each come into a fortune of several millions. The money has been invested for them, and allowed to accumulate until they are twenty-one.

Miss Port, aged twelve, is the daughter of a Manchester bedstead manufacturer, will be the mistress of \$5,000,000 when she is twenty-one. A millionaire stock broker, Charles Ansell, left a baby boy for whom a great fortune is accumulating in invested trust funds.

The Marshall Field boys are at Rugby, the great boys' college in the Midlands. The eldest boy is developing into a skillful chauffeur, and they have several automobiles of their own.

WANT TO BUY A BEARD?

A beard over fourteen feet in length is shortly to come up for auction in London. The late owner, Amos Broadhurst, who died at Whaley Bridge a short time ago, was for several years one of the "freaks" at Barnum & Bailey's and Wombwell's menageries. When not exhibiting his beard he used to wrap it up in tissue paper and coil it inside his waistcoat. His mustaches when fully stretched were over two yards long. The sale has been authorized by the dead man's brother.

WHISKERS and their VIRTUES

BY HENRY UNDERWOOD D.W.
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D.W., DEFENDER OF THE WHISKER.

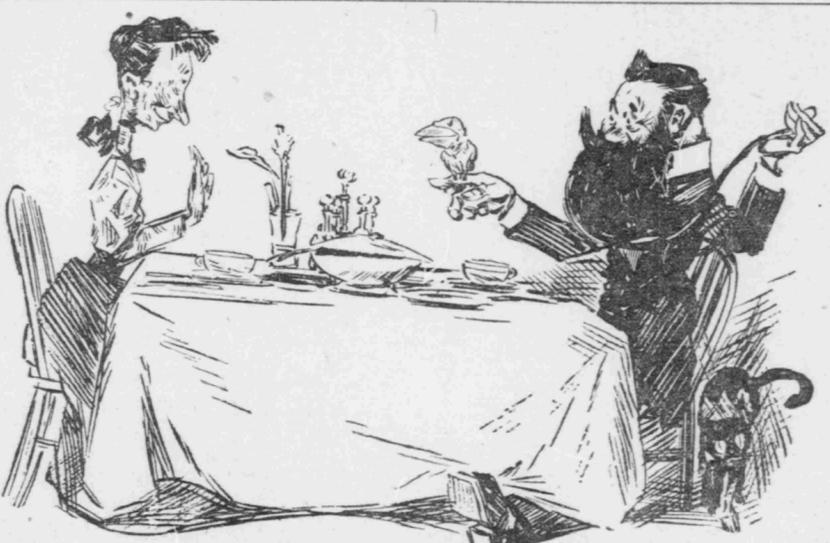


Whiskers Are Claimed as a Right Under Constitution

WHISKERS need no apology. They can fend for themselves. It is only when they are maliciously and wilfully attacked, as in a recent issue of this journal, that a lover of justice, with malice toward none, and charity to all, feels irresistibly impelled to speak up for their behalf. It is, therefore, with the fullest reliance upon the indulgence of the editor, the fairness of the readers, and the rectitude of the sacred

Or with fur-jackets, or coats? Or with our ordinary woolen garments? Nay, since microbes infest our own surfaces, our money, even the air we breathe, shall we go about skinnless, moneyless, airless? Let us hear no more, pray, about the microbe qualities of the whisker.

There's Bernard Shaw. And what, pray, would become of Art without whiskers? Take Bernard Shaw. If you cut off the whiskers, what would be left? A mere trace of gas and hot air. I scorn to take serious notice of the gratuitous fling to the effect that bands of whiskerites at Pompton, Musconcong, etc., have sworn a horrid oath to



"With Tender Words He Draws Forth a Beautiful Canary Bird From His Whiskers."

cause of whiskers that I indite a few words in response to the screeed abusing them, which doubtless was inspired by the attempt of Assemblyman Cornish to cause the adoption of a law in New Jersey taxing whiskers. As to the Cornish bill itself, I need say nothing. If any such statute were enacted, no one should obey it by payment of so much as one penny of whisker tax; for it is self-evident that a tax on whiskers is unconstitutional. As well attempt to tax a man for having a fine chest, a well-turned leg, big biceps, broad shoulders, or any other attribute of manly beauty. No, no, whiskers are indigenous to man, and therefore untaxable, as the court has held. (See Commonwealth vs. Hassenpfeffer, 223 Penn.; People vs. Vandenbusch, 4144 N. J.) Moreover, the law prohibits any cruel and unusual punishment as unconstitutional, and surely it is both cruel and unusual punishment either to tax a man's whiskers, or, by taxation, to force him to shear them off.

As for Hackensack Tufts, I see no reason for sneering. The Tufts have abundant reason for being. You will note that the poet Pastor sings: "And he went back to the town of Hackensack With a little bunch of whiskers on his chin." Of course he went back. The Hackensack Tuft, belongs at Hackensack. It always heads for home. I have no doubt that as soon as Mr. Pastor's suburbanite got through the pleasant diversion of being robbed along the Bowery, his whiskers took him home. That's what they are for. I'll bet a cookie that when the conductor on the New York and New Jersey railroad found that the penniless but generally befuddled citizen wore a Hackensack Tuft he carried him home and carefully put him down on his native heath. I violate no confidence when I state that the Tuft is a valid pass, hon-

braid their whiskers into lariats wherewith to lynch their persecutors. That is rebuke let me cite an example of the humane, courageous, and altruistic tendencies of the bewhiskered which occurred in our burgh no longer ago than Wednesday last week: Willie Charlton, a husky lad of sixteen, capsized his canoe and was in great danger of bosh, of course. And by the way of

Arch-Enemy of Whiskers. But it is not against the ill-judged pleasure of the legislator that my righteous wrath arises. Rather is it against the vitriolic, prejudiced, ill-considered abuse uttered by your recent contributor, whose thin disguise of alleged humor I shall quickly tear to tatters and reveal him in his ghastly colors as an arch-enemy of whiskers. What? Is our great volume of public thought to be moulded by mere beardless boys? Never! Perish the thought! Let them go tarry at Jericho.

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Rice, made plump and healthy looking by a delicate dress of paraffin, has been proscribed by Uncle Sam. The Department of Agriculture says that rice is a diet often recommended for those suffering from impaired digestion, that the use of paraffin in such cases is at least of questionable propriety, and in its opinion should be excluded from food products.

"It is not clear to the department," said Secretary Wilson, in an opinion regarding the polishing and coating of rice, "that coating rice protects it in any manner from dust. Evidence of an expert character is also on file in the department showing that unpolished rice is no more subject to the ravages of the weevil than the polished article. It is the opinion of the department that the coating of any kind can be used in the manner indicated, if the product is mixed, colored, powdered, coated or stained in a manner whereby damage or inferiority is concealed. In such cases, whether or not such a result be secured is a question of fact to be decided by the evidence."

drowning in the Hackensack river. His cries were heard by our genial townsman, Teunis G. Van Linkenfeldt. With-out a moment's delay, Mr. Van Linkenfeldt uncloaked his long, sinuous whiskers (Genuine No. 2 Red Wintergrown Jerseywhiskers), and with the skill grown of long practice hurled them out athwart the raging flood so that the coil settled around the shoulders of the thrilled Mr. Van Linkenfeldt's manly helpless lad. Imagine the joy that bosom as he hauled the boy ashore amid the plaudits of the multitude, carried him to the arms of his weeping mother, and in response to loud cries of "Speech!" modestly shook his head, not only in negation, but to dry his whiskers, which he then replaced neatly in their whisker-bag!

street or leap suddenly from his car seat at the call of his familiar home station, the full-rigged commuter will lose none of his precious freight. What worry, what profanity, what frantic telegraphing, what confused explanations to anxious and reproachful wives, will be saved by this simple but not unlovely device!

Common or Garden Whisker. Where would our smirking, smooth-faced whisker libeller have appeared in this crisis? Shrieking for help, probably; or, at best, plunging into the icy stream in a futile attempt to rescue, so that two lives would have been lost instead of one. Credit where credit is due. Long live Mr. Van Linkenfeldt, and may he never wear less than fifty yards of whiskers!

The Commuter Shrubbery. "Alas!" she cries. "Only our fourth anniversary, Edwin, and you have quite forgotten an me!" "Say not so, darling," replies Edwin, fondly, the love light beaming in his fine eyes, as he deftly explores a pocket hidden in the umbrageous bosage of his glossy blue black commuter whiskers. "I have not forgotten. I have a surprise for you. Look, darling, look!"

Whiskers a Sacred Right. It is one of the most disgusting of the most disgusting signs of the times that a world-wide conspiracy against whiskers is on foot. Let it be the duty of us who realize the sterling virtues of the whisker to check this treasonable revolt. I have read with horror in the daily press that, beginning on May 1, all conductors on the Burlington railroad system must be clean shaven. Surely no patriot will tolerate this outrage.

Even now the waiters in all the hotels and restaurants in Paris are on strike—able heroes!—in order to reassert and vindicate the sacred right of man to wear whiskers. My hand trembles with pride while I write that these brave souls have refused with scorn the offers of the ignoble proprietors to bribe them with higher pay if they will but wear clean faces. What heart can fail to throb at the heroic reply of these martyrs? "Keep your paltry gold," they have cried. "We will live poorly, starve if necessary, rather than lose one millimetre of whisker!"

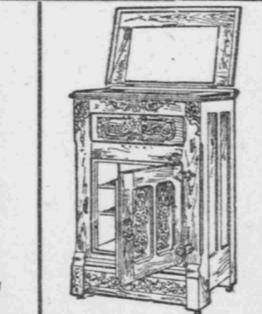
Pockets in Whiskers. How easily all this can be avoided by the proper growth and training of whiskers! The suburbanite can wear them woven into cute little pockets that will carry small change and railroad tickets as well as purchases from the druggist, optician, jeweler, etc. The longer strands can be braided into stout lines, upon which the super-whiskerman can make fast the larger packages he may be carrying home. Then, whether he go sprinting wild-eyed down Barclay

And with these tender words he draws forth a beautiful, highly trained and sweet-voiced canary bird, which he has hitherto carefully concealed in his whiskers. The little feathered songster blinks sleepily for a few moments, yawns, wakes up, trills, and carols forth a grand, sweet song. With a low cry of joy, of repentance for having even for one moment doubted her Edwin's affection, Angelina throws herself upon his neck. "Oh, reader, let us leave them in their perfect, whiskerized happiness."

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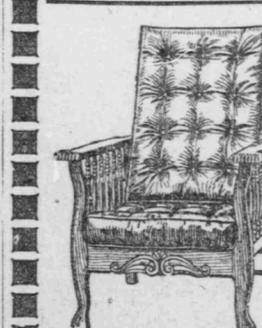
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