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ELOPED WITH HIS WIFE

Another Chapter in the Career of a Gay Theatrical Manager.

His Marriage to a Wealthy New York Girl and Subsequent Sensational Developments—Gone to San Francisco with His First Love.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Several weeks ago George W. Lederer, a very handsome and successful young theatrical manager, induced Miss Florence Newcombe, the daughter of a prominent and wealthy New York attorney, to elope with him. They went up the Hudson and got married. Miss Newcombe's father proposed to make the best of it, and therefore invited friends to the house for a day on the following week to have a formal ceremony performed and a wedding breakfast, but before that day father-in-law Newcombe heard that Lederer had another wife, Miss Clara T. Chester, of a vaudeville company, which Lederer had been managing. He gave the wedding breakfast to the servants, and at once began a suit for annulment of the marriage, and also induced the deserted actress to set up a claim in court that she was his wife. She had been pressing this case very hard, but all the time there was evidence that she was not anything more than his mistress. Lederer claims to have been offered $80,000 to let the suit against him prevail. Miss Chester and Lederer have now skipped to San Francisco to her mother. When Miss Newcombe's case was called in the supreme court Monday morning a note from her was produced, saying that she had gone to San Francisco rather than be instrumental in pressing a suit against George. Delancey Nichol, counsel for Miss Florence, who seeks an annulment of the marriage, appeared in court ready to proceed, but defendant's counsel obtained an adjournment for a week, because some important witnesses were not ready. The important witness was Miss Clara Chester.

Lederer is missing from his usual haunts, and it is supposed that he has accompanied the girl. Clara left behind in her lawyer's hands an affidavit in which she charged Father-in-law Newcombe and the assistant district attorney with a conspiracy, alleging they, by false statements, induced her to make complaints charging abandonment and bigamy.

Ever since the proceedings in abandonment the case assumed a serious aspect for the wily manager. He has been trying to induce her to leave the city, but up to last Saturday his efforts were unsuccessful. Miss Clara, or Mrs. Lederer, left her boarding house, on Sunday morning, telling her sister Flora that she would return shortly, and instructing her to wait until she returned. Flora remained in the house the greater part of the day, but at 8 o'clock in the evening, as Clara had not returned, she went out to dinner. She did not go back until a late hour, and on entering the room was surprised to find the floor strewn with various articles of clothing. An investigation revealed the fact of Clara's disappearance. Her two trunks and all of her personal effects were gone. The room was in confusion and on the table was the following letter, addressed to Miss Flora:

MY DEAR SISTER:—I am going to 'Frisco and shall have left the city before you get this. Don't trouble about me; I am all right. I cannot give you my reasons for going now, but you shall hear from me soon. You know I could not stay here and see George prosecuted by those people.

"YOURS, CLARA."

LABOR MEN AT BOSTON.

The Federation Endorses the Australian Election System.

BOSTON, Dec. 12.—The first hour of the session of the Federation of Labor was occupied in routine business. The committee on the report of the president reported in favor of the proposition to appoint a committee of seven to which all matters relating to the eight-hour movement be referred, and the holding of an international congress in the city in which the world's fair shall be held in 1892. The Federation seek a rigid enforcement of contract labor laws and the Chinese exclusion act, and the adoption of ballot reform until all the states have adopted the Australian system. The report was discussed and its recommendations referred. The report of the committee on organization recommends that the executive council try to bring about the amalgamation of all dual organizations existing in any one trade.

Among the resolutions adopted were these: Calling for a revival of the labor press; urging the passage by other states of the Massachusetts employes' liability statuality; urging closer relations with central labor unions. A motion to institute a political party was defeated.

FLOODS IN CALIFORNIA.

High Water Causes Great Damage Along the Sacramento River.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12.—The water in the Sacramento river has reached the highest point ever known but the indications are that the rain storm of the past two weeks is over, and it is expected that the water will recede soon. Much damage has been done at points north of Sacramento. The levees have broken in scores of places and the country is flooded. Farmers in many places have had to move their families and stock to high ground for safety. Bridges have been swept away or seriously damaged and numerous washouts have occurred on the railroad lines. A few casualties are reported. A farmer living near Durham while attempting to remove his wife and four children in a small boat was caught in the current. The boat capsized and two children were drowned.

Getting Down to Business.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The senate committee on commerce held its first meeting of the session this morning and sub-committees were appointed. The committee on Indian affairs also held its first session to-day. All bills on the subject of the Indian department were sent to the new sub-committee on that subject.

The Empress' Diamonds Stolen.

LISBON, Dec. 12.—The ex-empress of Brazil has received a telegram from Rio Janeiro informing her that all her jewels have been stolen. This loss will be a heavy blow to the empress' family, as the collection was composed of the finest Brazilian diamonds in the world.

A PIOUS BANK PRESIDENT.

He Objects to Handling Tobacco Companies' Paper.

DETROIT, Dec. 12.—T. J. Anderson, president of the State Savings bank, has sold out his stock in the bank and will resign his position at the annual meeting of the stockholders next Tuesday. Some time ago some negotiable paper from the American Eagle Tobacco company was presented at the bank. Mr. Anderson refused to have anything to do with it on the ground that he believed the use of tobacco to be wrong. M. S. Smith, president of the American Eagle Tobacco company, is vice president of the bank, and he was provoked that the bank should refuse the paper of his company. General Alger, who is one of the directors of the bank, said that if things were to be run on that basis, his stock was for sale. So the directors met and informed Mr. Anderson that things were to be run on a new plan. Mr. Anderson yielded and everything moved on smoothly for a while.

When the bank patrol was established by the police department the state savings bank adopted it, along with the other banks in the city. The duty of the patrol is to make visits to the banks at nights and Sundays. Mr. Anderson sent word to the patrol not to come to his bank on Sundays, for he did not believe in working on the Sabbath. The directors of the bank strongly objected to leaving the bank without any protection for twenty-four hours, so they met again and prevailed on Mr. Anderson to overcome his scruples and allow the patrol to make Sunday visits.

But Anderson's conscience troubled him and he finally decided that it was better to serve the Lord than the bank, and better to be right than bank-president; so he disposed of a slice of $80,000 worth of stock and will now seek some lucrative business which will not conflict with what he regards as his religious obligations.

MRS. LAKE NOT DEAD.

She Objects to Being Buried Alive by the Newspapers.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12—A short time ago an article was printed here, an abstract of which appeared in these dispatches at the time, announcing the death of Mrs. Sarah Geneva Lake, and telling the story of a young priest who forsook the church to marry her. A letter was received to-day from Mrs. Lake, dated Boston, in which she says: "A copy of your paper has been sent to me, in the columns of which I am permitted to read the startling announcement of my death. I have always known that western journalists are enterprising, but was hardly prepared to believe they would deliberately kill, bury and publish my obituary without so much as consulting the wishes of the unfortunate subject. The romantic story of my life as told by your correspondent, will no doubt be read with interest by those who have known me, but they will be greatly surprised to learn that during the period of twenty years' continuous and active labor upon the public platform 'nothing has been heard of Mrs. Lake' until she is thus summarily dispatched to the land of shades by enterprising newspaper reporters. I trust, however, that this card will overtake the announcement of my demise in time to save some of my numerous friends further sorrow because of the supposed event."

HONORS FOR STANLEY.

Royal Praise for the Great Explorer of the Dark Continent.

ZANZIBAR, Dec. 12.—The British India Steam Navigation company to-day gave a luncheon to Henry M. Stanley on board the steamer Arawatta, the pioneer vessel in the service between Great Britain and East Africa. Stanley predicted the rapid growth and prosperity of East Africa.

The Zanzibaris who accompanied Stanley on the exhibition through Africa were received by the sultan to-day. The Sultan thanked them for the splendid services they rendered and rewarded them with presents. Zanzibar is engaged in feasting Stanley and members of his party.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—The queen has sent a cable dispatch to Stanley, in which she says: "My thoughts are with you and your brave followers, whose hardships and dangers are at end. I again congratulate you all, including the Zanzibaris who displayed devotion and fortitude during your marvelous expedition. I trust Emin Pasha is making favorable progress."

Emin Pasha had a restless night, disturbed by frequent severe paroxysms of coughing. He is unable to swallow solid food. His bronchitis continues very painful; otherwise his condition is unchanged.

The corporation of London has invited Stanley to accept the freedom of the city. The ceremony of presentation will take place in Guild hall. The parchment conferring citizenship on Stanley will be enclosed in gold caskets.

ROBERT BROWNING DEAD.

The Great Poet Passes away at Venice Last Night.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—A dispatch just received from Venice says that Robert Browning, the poet, died at 10 to-night.

A Cold Wave Coming.

ST. PAUL, Dec. 12.—The signal service observer reports a cold wave approaching from the north and is more than 1,000 miles wide. This evening at 8 p. m. all of the territory north of Montana, Dakota and most of Minnesota had a temperature from 2 to 14 degrees below zero.

Another Cooney Canard.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Chief of Police Hubbard, when shown a dispatch from Dodgeville, Wis., stating that a man supposed to be Cooney had confessed and that a detective would start with him to Chicago, pronounced it to be a canard.

Will Pay Deposits in Full.

ABILENE, Kas., Dec. 12.—Bank examiner Griffith took charge of the suspended First National bank this morning. He authorizes the statement that the assets will pay the depositors in full.

Funeral of Justus Rathbone.

UTICA, N. Y., Dec. 12.—The funeral of Justus H. Rathbone took place this morning. A large number of Knights of Pythias were present.

Raum Confirmed By the Senate.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The senate has confirmed the nomination of Grean B. Raum of Illinois to be commissioner of pensions.

THEIR GAME BLOCKED

Kansas Sugar Swindlers Shown Up in the Nick of Time.

A Gigantic Fraud Exploded in Time to Save Hundreds of Thousands of Dollars to The Tax-Payers—The Schemers Routed.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 12.—The *Journal* Topeka, Kan., special says: A swindle of gigantic proportions has been perpetrated upon the farmers in at least two counties of this state, and it is feared may be found to be even more far reaching. The amount involved aggregates over $150,000. The American Sugar company of Kansas was chartered about a year ago and built a mill to manufacture sugar from sorghum at Mead Center. When the company proposed that the different townships should vote bonds to it for the extension of its works, the farmers fell in with the plan readily and bonds to the amount of $90,000 were voted and the scrip turned over to the company. At Ashland, Clark county, the same plan was pursued and bonds to the amount of $18,000 were voted, it is believed, in one or two other western counties. Two of the employes in the Mead Center mill suspected sharp practices. They investigated and reported to the authorities here that the manager had mixed pure sugar with sorghum in quantities from a small cane product. The residents of the two townships, in Meade county, compelled the manager to destroy the bonds, but the bonds of the other townships had been negotiated.

A special from Ashland, Clark county, says that further investigation into the operations of the American Sugar company shows the frauds were more extensive in this county than at first estimated. The company erected a mill at Mimeola and asked six surrounding townships each to vote $15,000 in bonds for its support. The bonds were voted, but had not been delivered when the exposure was made. The president of the company, A. A. Hamilton, of Mead Center, Kas., claimed extraordinary product of the mill from what he defined a "roasting process," the secret of which he refused to divulge. The secretary of the state board of agriculture will make a thorough examination of the operations of the company and see what can be done in the way of instituting legal proceedings.

The Geist Sugar swindle planed by the American Sugar company has entirely collapsed and the township which voted the bonds to foster the industry will loose nothing. All the bonds voted in Meade county have been canceled and the script issued by various townships in Clarke county has been destroyed excepting $1,500 voted by one township and this cannot now be negotiated owing to the publicity given to the swindle. The sugar company's scheme was a gigantic one and if it had been successfully executed, millions of dollars would not have covered the loss sustained by the counties and townships where the company contemplated operations. Agents have been actively at work in Stanton, Haskell, Pratt, Grant and Johnson counties, and had succeeded in arousing such enthusiasm over the new industry that farmers came to regard it as their salvation from possible ruin caused by the uncertainty from other crops than sorgum. The company's plan included the promised erection of one hundred mills in various parts of western Kansas for which a subsidy of over $100,000,000 was asked.

CASHIER SILCOTT'S BOOKS.

The House Committee Reports the Result of Its Investigation.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—In caucus to-day the report of the house committee on Cashier Silcott's defalcation was read. Mr. Payson, of Illinois, immediately upon the conclusion of the reading of the report offered a resolution authorizing the committee to examine the accounts and take charge of all assets of the office until further orders. The house received a proposal from Mr. Leedom, offering to make good any deficiency, and also to make a full report as to the effect of any deficiency. There was a protracted debate over this, regarding the responsibility of the sergeant-at-arms, and whether he acted as the agent of the members or of the treasury department. The opinions expressed were conflicting. Finally Mr. Boutelle, of Maine, offered a substitute resolution directing the committee to report as to the effect or result of any deficiency, and especially as to unpaid salaries due to members, accompanying the report with a bill if necessary. This was adopted as was also one offered by Mr. Hemper, of California, directing Sergeant-at-Arms Helms to make arrangements with the treasury department for the payment of the mileage of members.

It appears that the portion of cash under control of Silcott has never been counted during the six years of Mr. Leedom's incumbency by any other person than Silcott and it does not appear that Silcott ever counted the cash or that Leedom ever asked for a count until the evening of the 5th instant and when the deficiency appeared Mr. Leedom seems to have exercised no careful supervision of the interests committed to his care.

Rumors of Silcott's Departure.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—A rumor was circulated to-day that Silcott left this port on the bark Antoinette on Wednesday for Chili. At the office of the charterers of the vessel it was denied that she had taken passengers from this port. However, it would be an easy matter for Silcott to get aboard at quarantine, as she lay there all night before she started on her voyage.

Not General Sickles' Daughter.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The report published to-day that General Sickles' daughter had eloped with a bartender named Thomas Beaham, turns out to be a mistake. George J. Sawyer said this morning that the young lady referred to in the newspaper article was probably General Sickles' half-sister, the daughter of his father's second wife.

Death of a Noted Lawyer.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—E. N. Dickerson, a great patent lawyer, lately leading counsel for the Bell Telephone company, died last night.

Under the New Flag.

FORTRESS MONROE, Dec. 12.—A man-of-war, flying the new Brazilian flag, passed in this morning.

CLEVELAND AND GRADY.

Noted Men at a Banquet Given in Boston Last Night.

BOSTON, Dec 12.—Over 400 prominent business men of Boston and New England crowded the apartments of the hotel Vendome this evening on the occasion of the annual banquet of the Boston Merchants' association. Around the table in the center sat Hon. Jonathan A. Lane, president of the association. At his right were ex-President Cleveland and Henry W. Grady, W. E. Putnam, H. A Clunis, John Lowell, William E. Russell and Leopold Morse, while on his left were seated Governor Oliver Ames, Andrew Carnegie and General Clinton B. Fisk. After reading a letter of regret from James Russell Lowell, President Lane proceeded in a brief speech, introducing Governor Ames, who welcomed the guests of the occasion. President Lane then introduced ex-President Cleveland, who was greeted with long continued applause, shouts and cheers.

Mr. Cleveland dwelt on the justice of fostering certain branches of trade at the expense of others by means of a protective tariff, with the accompanying evils of intimidation of labor by aggregated capital. From this he turned to the question of the dangers which threaten the nation from the intimidation and corruption of voters. On this subject he said: "We need not stifle our scorn and contempt for the wretch who basely sells his vote and who for a bribe betrays his trust of citizenship. And yet the thought will intude itself that he but follows in a low and vulger fashion the example of those who proceed upon the theory that political action may be turned to private gain. But we know that when political selfishness is destroyed, our dangers will disappear, and though the way to its stronghold may be long. We will follow it, fighting as we go, there will be no surrender nor will there be desertion from our ranks. This hope, risen like the star in the east, fixes its gaze on our fellow countrymen and everywhere in our busy marts of trade and on our farms, in our cities and in the homes of the poor, and in our work shops, in our banking houses and in the ranks of toil they greet with enthusiasm the advent of ballot reform. I remember the inauguration of another reform and have seen it grow and extend until it has become firmly established in our law and practice. It is to-day our greatest safeguard against the complete and disgraceful degredation of our public service. It has its enemies and all of them are not yet silenced. But its victory came by the mighty force of enlightened public sentiment, and upon its trial every objection which had been urged against it was completely discredited. As it has been with civil service reform, so will it be with ballot reform, except that the coming victory will be more speedily achieved and more complete.

Mr. Cleveland and Henry W. Grady of Georgia were both warmly received. Andrew Carnegie was then introduced. Prior to entering upon the discussion of his topic he referred to Mr. Cleveland as one whom history would declare had tried to do his duty and who possesses the respect of the entire country regardless of party. Mr. Carnegie then proceeded to a brief exposition of the wonderful progress made by this country during the past year in commerce, manufacture and mining, declaring that in the last two industries she now leads the world, while her credit is first among the nations. Mr. Carnegie was followed by Hon. W. L. Pullnam, late democratic candidate for governor of Maine, who spoke briefly.

HANGING IN MID-AIR.

Remarkable Accident to a Canadian Pacific Passenger Train.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 12.—A citizen just arrived from the Pacific coast tells of a thrilling accident to a Canadian Pacific through express in the mountains. A rail gave way at a point on the mountain side high above the Columbia river. The engine passed over safely, but the two coaches following swung about and toppled over. The bank was almost perpendicular and the cars would have tumbled several hundred feet into the river had it not been that the coupling twisted around and held the tremendous weight. There were the two cars, one with its load of passengers suspended over the abyss. The weight of the engine and balance of the train prevented the suspended cars from drawing the whole train down. The suspense was dreadful. The frightened passengers were compelled to remain in their perilous position until the train hands built a platform around and underneath the hanging cars, enabling all to make their escape. The place where the accident occurred is considered the most dangerous in the mountains.

Dismissed From the Service.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Senator Cockeran, of Missouri, received a letter from Secretary Blaine yesterday in regard to the cases of the three Americans who left this country about a year ago to take service under the king of Corea and who were very summarily dismissed a few days ago. Mr. Blaine stated he had cabled and sent written instructions to the American consul general at Seoul, Corea, ordering him to insist in the name of his government that the king shall faithfully carry out every contract he had made with Col. Cunimy and his companions. These gentlemen on entering the Corean service did not renounce American citizenship.

Discussing Brazilian Matters.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—The manager of the National bank of Brazil, referring to adverse English comment regarding the stability of the republic, telegraphs that the comments are groundless and says that complete tranquility prevails. The people have entire confidence in the government.

A Wealthy Philadelphian Missing

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 12.—It is believed that Joseph G. Dittmar, the well known retired paper manufacturer, was drowned in the Skippack river last evening. His buggy overturned was found off the river bank.

Heavy Snowstorm in Germany.

COLOGNE, Dec. 12.—There is a great snowstorm throughout all Central Germany. All the Thingsavia railways, as well as those in the Rhine provinces, are so obstructed that travel is for a time at an end.

To Inspect the Panama Canal.

PARIS, Dec. 12.—The commission appointed by the liquidator of the Panama Canal company to examine into the affairs of the company, have sailed for Aspinwall.

WOULD NOT BE BLUFFED

Democratic Senators Refuse to Obey the Republican Warrant.

Nothing Will be Done Until Monday, When It is Expected Definite Action Will Be Taken—Both Parties Keep Their Plans Mum.

Special to the Standard.

HELENA, Dec. 12.—The democratic senators have not yet reported to the republican senators, and it is doubtful if they will do so. Their plans are not known. No attempts have been made to carry the senators by force to the senate chamber. A truce has been declared until Monday, when their intentions will be made known. The prime object of the conspirators is to get some sort of a pretense for a joint session of the republican senators and rumpers, so that two republican United States senators may be elected and sent to Washington. In the event that the democratic senators should assist in organizing the senate it is difficult to see how the republicans would have any more excuse for a joint session. The law quoted in the warrant is absolutely good for nothing as far as the present case is concerned. The latest phase of the situation offers more room for speculation on the future than anything that has yet occurred. Absolutely nothing is known outside of the close party councils as to the methods to be employed by either side and it is doubtful if any course has yet been decided upon.

When the senate met this morning, Lieutenant-Governor Rickards stated that while some of the absent members had promised to report at 10 o'clock this morning, he had been approached by one of the gentlemen's messengers, who stated that the senators would try and see some of the other absentees and report in a body at 2 o'clock. Senator Hedges arose and said that the sergeant at arms should be instructed to carry out the full intent of the warrant; that he should see these absent members who had not yet been seen, and ask them absolutely to come with him or let them refuse absolutely to do so. He thought there should be no boy's play about the business.

McGuire, the sergeant-at-arms, reported that he had seen Senator Thornton, who had refused to accompany him to the senate chamber. A recess was then taken until 2 o'clock. At the afternoon session Rickards announced that no report had been received. After an hour's recess the lieutenant governor said the democratic senators agreed to report their decision on Monday. He instructed the sergeant-at-arms to take no further action regarding the warrant. Here the matter rests.

At the session of the house this forenoon the report of the ways and means committee was read and accepted. This committee and the judiciary committee will each have a clerk. It was decided that the other committees should have clerks as needed. In the afternoon Mr. Beach reported for the committee on supplies that printed copies of the rules were secured. After a recess of 20 minutes the house was adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning. A long caucus was immediately held.

The rump house consumed some time to-day in naming permanent committees and passing a few unimportant bills.

CHICAGO'S NEW BOARD.

Result of the Special Election Held Yesterday—A Democratic Victory.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—The most important local election probably ever held in Chicago, took place to-day. It was to decide the control of the newly created board of municipal water way commissioners, the members of which are to have the raising and disbursing of funds estimated at from $15,000,000 to $30,000,000 to be used in carrying out the great Chicago drainage and ship canal project, which will necessitate the employment for an indefinite period of from 10,000 to 15,000 men. The democrats and republicans each named but five men, the aim being to secure a majority of the board. A citizens' or independent ticket was afterwards put in the field with six names, three of the democrats and three republicans. At mid-night the returns from about half the precincts indicate the election of the six independents and that the three remaining places will fall to the democrates. On this basis the board which promised to play an important part in Illinois politics will stand three straight democrats, three independent democrats and three republicans.

To Formulate a Tariff Bill.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The first session of the ways and means committee was held this morning. The present tariff law was ordered printed in the shape of a bill to serve as a basis for the preparation of a new tariff measure. The following sub-committees were appointed: On public debt, funding and payment thereof, McKinley, Dingley and Carlisle; on revenue provisions and commercial treaties, Burrows, Payne, Mills; on amendments to internal revenue laws, McKenna Gear, C. Breckenridge; on relief bills and claims, Dingley, Burrows, Flower.

Opium Smugglers Captured.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—A special from Tacoma, Washington, says that Bill Eaton and Jack Powers, chiefs of an opium smuggling gang, and a Northern Pacific conductor, a confederate of theirs, were arrested yesterday by revenue officers. Two hundred and fifty taels of opium were found in their possession. The capture is regarded as very important.

Defending a Woman's Honor.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 12.—This morning Louis Wilkville, mayor of Stork was shot and killed by A. B. Thrasher, a lawyer. The supposition is that the deed was done in defense of a woman's honor.

Collapse of the Barbed Wire Trust.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 12.—A private dispatch received to-day asserts that the barbed wire trust has collapsed. There were several points on which the manufacturers disagreed.