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President Roosevelt has just been made the recipient of a handsome album, by an admirer, who instructed the Consolidated Press Clipping Company, of Chicago, over a year ago, to gather all newspaper editorial comments on the tour around the world of the U. S. Battleship fleet.

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Besides the editorial comments from the newspapers from every state in the Union, the clippings appearing in the Chicago Tribune, and the New York Tribune, recording the progress of the warships, from port to port are chronologically arranged, as well as the domestic life and doings of the battleships from the pen of the fleet correspondent, whose articles appeared regularly in the great Metropolitan papers.

Throughout, illustrations of the various ships are interspersed. No doubt the President will value the present, not so much from an artistic view, but as a faithful expression of the people of the entire country, on the most remarkable achievement of modern times, and one of the crowning efforts of his administration.

A number of items selected for this album were taken from Astorian.

SMITH THE CHIEF SPEAKER.

BUFFALO, N. Y., March 18.—The Democratic Society of New York has completed elaborate arrangements for the banquet at the Ellicott Club tonight in celebration of the seventy-second anniversary of the birth of Grover Cleveland. The principal address at the banquet will be delivered by Governor Hoke Smith of Georgia, who was a member of President Cleveland's cabinet.

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NEW YORK LETTER

NEW YORK, March 17.—With her traction lords openly at odds and trying for public favor, Gotham has never stood the chance that she does to-day of having her people bound together by an adequate transit system. To gird this island with broad belt lines and to criss-cross its length and breadth with huge traction tubes, hundreds of millions of dollars are being waved by the rival magnates before the bewildered eyes of the weary strap-hangers of this town. Where years have elapsed with not a dollar offered to relieve Manhattan's pent-up press of travel, prospective subway diggers now eagerly hawk their plans and backing, like theatre ticket speculators. No one remembers another such remarkable case of competition between the local traffic kings here in all history, and everyone believes that it is too good to last. Rivalry has never been found to pay the powers in the transit situation half so well as the combination that chokes and clogs all progress.

As hundreds of thousands of true Hibernians are today preparing to celebrate St. Patrick's Day with a fervor that will make the island hum, New Yorkers are shaking themselves out of the toils of a long, damp and bitter winter in preparation for the bright days of spring. Snow seldom has dared strew this island after the great Irish saint's day and the vivid green of nature has always followed forth after the emerald banners of the A. O. H. Sunlight, showers and budding branches will be a welcome setting for the march of the faithful here this year, for the metropolis has known no more chill and cheerless winter season in a generation. Up at Albany they are trying to create a Columbia Day for the loyal sons of Italy; but no race celebration will ever bring such cheer to Gotham as this Irish spring opening.

News of the summary removal of the boy president of the George Junior Republic up at Freeville who, was charged with abuse of his official powers, has struck with envy the boss-ridden citizens of this city to-day. What these boy and girl "citizens" did on their own initiative, instantly and without question, is a thing which every New Yorker is confessing he does not rise to accomplish here once in ten years. The untrustworthy officials, New Yorkers have always with them; yet their citizenship has apparently never attained the high pitch which showed in the prompt ousting of this erring boy by children, every one of whom is being started straight after a crooked beginning in life. The successful reclaiming of hundreds of youngsters at this child community has long been known and appreciated by the people of this city, where every man is today forced to take off his hat to the citizenship which it teaches.

Now that Roosevelt is back chopping wood over in Oyster Bay and Platt chopping conpons in his old sanctum at the express company's office, private life in this town is claiming as its own once more two of its most conspicuous figures. The habit of public places have apparently not yet been laid aside entirely by these two notorious New Yorkers this week. For Platt has summoned the scribes to his old "Sunday school" rostrum and Roosevelt has emitted short and snappy interviews to the crowd of correspondents that hover about his wood pile. For the immediate future, however, the prospects seem to preclude much public haranguing by either. The ex-president will confine himself to his gun and penning for pay, while the ex-senator has mapped out a business activity in which he must lose himself to the public eye.

With press agents to right of him and pugilist promoters to left of him, big Jim Jeffries is being made to volley and thunder to-day his equivocal message on a future fight. Urchins infused with awe attend the comings and goings of the big boiler maker, while the gleaming teeth of the black-bell boys chatter at his approach. The whole town is set to stage every move of this fighter-actor by as spectacular stunts as ever gladdened the heart of the enterprising circus promoter of publicity. Through it all the great good-natured hulk of a man has in private retained his simplicity, however, and shown his friends that he is still modest as well as mighty.

PLAYS AND PLAYERS
Joe Fane, now playing with Max Rogers, is to have a new play written for him, in which he will star next August.

"The Gay Life," a new comedy by Roy L. Mc Cardell, will soon be produced by Harrison Grey Fiske. The rehearsals have already begun.

Florence Miller desires recognition as co-author with Carroll Fleming of "The Master Hand" in which Nat Goodwin is now playing in the South. Robert Drouet has just closed a contract with Paul H. Liebler in which it is stipulated that Drouet is to be featured in a new play by Maurice V. Samuels, entitled "The Conflict."

"Strife" is the title of a new play by John Galsworthy, which is shortly to be produced at a series of matinee performances in the Duke of York's theater, London, by Charles Frohman.

Arrangements have just been made by Frederic Thompson whereby the next play for Mabel Taliaferro will be written by Booth Tarkington and the play is "The Return of a Soul". At the conclusion of the present season George M. Cohan will make a tour of the world, which he expects to last for two years. So he is now making his "farewell tour", which he says, all actors try to arrange for themselves.

Mayme Gehrue, well known to vaudeville patrons, has returned from Australia. She will shortly appear in a sketch entitled "June" over the Morris circuit. John Ford, her husband, is still in Australia, appearing in "The Red Mill".

Having made a tour through the South and Southwest, Miss Annie Russell will close her American engagements at the Chestnut Street Theater, Philadelphia, and sail for Europe, where she will open in London. Miss Russell has been touring in "The Stronger Sex".

Charles Frohman has cabled from London engaging Miss Valli Valli for the title role of the musical comedy, "The Dollar Princess", the present European musical success, which he will produce in New York next season. Miss Valli Valli is now playing the part of Lady Binfield in "Kitty Grey".

When "Samson" leaves New York and goes on the road Pauline Frederick will be promoted to the leading role, now being played by Constance Reason" and "Don Quixote". She will first go to Havana, then to Mexico and thence to Central and South America.

Dore Davidson will sail for London, March 27, prepared to tour "The Man on the Box" through the English provinces. This play has been reconstructed to fit the requirements of an English audience, the central characters having been converted into Englishmen and English women residing in America. A few minor characters still retain their original form. The company to be employed on the tour will be made up in London, from which point the tour will start.

"THIS IS MY 64th BIRTHDAY"

Bishop John W. Hamilton of the Methodist Episcopal Church was born in Lewis County, Virginia, March 18, 1845, and received his early education in the schools of Ohio. He was graduated from Mt. Union College in 1865, and from the school of theology of Boston University in 1871. In 1868 he was given a license to preach and joined the Pittsburg conference. After two years spent in the Newport circuit of Ohio, he was transferred to the New England conference of which he has ever since been a member. He was founder and for nine years pastor of the People's Church in Boston. In 1892 he was elected by the general conference corresponding secretary of the Freedman's Aid and Southern Education Society of the church. In 1900 came his elevation to the bishopric, since which time he has resided for the most part in San Francisco.

TO DEFEND HIS POLICY

DENVER, Colo., March 18.—Gifford Pinchot, United States forester, has accepted an invitation to deliver an address this evening before the Colorado Legislature. E. M. Ammons, president of the National Western Live Stock Show, will reply to Mr. Pinchot and the latter will close the argument. The speeches will amount to a debate on the forestry policy, Mr. Pinchot defending it and Mr. Ammons attacking it.

EDISONS IN CONTEMPT

Alleged to Have Violated a Decree Of The Courts.

NEW YORK, March 17.—Thomas A. Edison, the Edison Phonograph Company, the Edison Phonograph Works, and the National Phonograph Company are held in contempt by a decision just handed down by the judges of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals. The plaintiff is the New York Phonograph Company and the suit involves the rights to the sale of the Edison invention in New York State. Edison and the companies named are held in contempt for violation of a decree rendered in favor of the plaintiff in the United States Circuit Court. The decision, may permanently check the Edison Company's operations except through the New York Phonograph Company and may necessitate the refunding of more than \$1,000,000, the proceeds of sales made while the litigation was in progress.

A Curious Story.

The queen of Hanover, wife of King Ernest Augustus of Hanover (better known as the Duke of Cumberland, son of George III), died at Hanover about 1842 of an illness which baffled the skill of her doctors as to its real cause. During her illness a clairvoyant was consulted, who wrote certain curious signs and words on the door of her bedroom; but, although these mystic words were repeated over and over again, the queen died. The king of Hanover after his wife's death gave orders that her bedroom should always be kept as though the queen would sleep there at night. The bed was turned down, the pillows reshaken, hot water brought and the faintest slippers laid in readiness for her.—Home Notes.

Yet They Needed Exercise.

Two men whose offices were on the second floor were on the first floor waiting for an elevator. Long and impatiently they waited. "You're not looking extra well, London," remarked the lawyer. "No, Rangle," replied the real estate man. "Think I'll join an athletic club. I need the exercise." "Me too." "Still they waited for the elevator.—Kansas City Times.

He Meant Dollars.

"Old Cosh landed in this country in his bare feet ten years ago. Now he's got millions." "You don't say! Why, he's got a centped skinned to death, hasn't he?"—Cleveland Leader.

The Other Half.

Royal Marine (engaged in coaling ship)—When I joined the corps the sergeant sees to me, "It's 'arf soldier's an' 'arf yachtin'!" "e sees. I suppose this is the bloomin' yachtin'!"—London Punch.

Wearing Apparel.

Customs Officer (to woman traveler from the continent)—I thought you said, madam, there was nothing but wearing apparel in your trunk. What about these three bottles of cognac? "Oh, those," said the lady, "are my night caps."—The Bells.

Bulls.

"Ladies and gentlemen" said an Irish manager to an audience of three, "as there is nobody here I'll dismiss you all. The performance of this night will not be performed, but will be repeated tomorrow evening."

Without danger danger cannot be surmounted.—Publius Syrus.

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