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Let not him that girdeth on his harness boast himself as he that putteth it off.—I. Kings 20:11.

A Kansas editor tells his readers he "cannot do business on hot air." Wonder why he doesn't go to Des Moines?

Even the Des Moines Capital favors a presidential primary in Iowa. The Capital has the fervor of the recent convert.

Senator Kenyon is also in favor of submitting the presidential preference to a primary in Iowa, and so stated in Des Moines a few days ago.

Brave men will follow a leader who is courageous in the face of an enemy, but naturally distrust the one who tries in the quiet of the camp to impress others with his courage.

The politician who is too narrow to give the president a hearty welcome on his trip through the west is too narrow to make a good citizen. Yet there are some men of that calibre in every state—except Iowa.

It is safe to predict that no president of the United States will ever again call congress into special session to consider the ratification of a reciprocity agreement with Canada. Experience is a mighty good teacher.

The farmers of Canada were more badly frightened than the farmers of Iowa over the reciprocity bugaboo and the Canadian farmers had opportunity to give the big scare-crow a swat and they did it with a vengeance.

They say Uncle Joe Cannon put his jaw out of joint—almost—laughing when he heard the news from Canada. It is the first good laugh he has had since the so-called "Up-Lift Magazines" were hauled up for violating the trust law.

The biggest preacher in Rhode Island is Rev. Frederick L. Brooks, who refused a fee of \$10,000 to marry Col. Astor and his child bride. It surely was something of a sacrifice on the part of the preacher to put such a temptation behind him.

Who was it that declared a couple of months ago that the republican national platform would endorse reciprocity with Canada and that republicans who were opposed to the pact would be placed in an embarrassing position? Guess it was the Register and Leader.

Readers of the Freeman-Tribune and Herald expressed considerable surprise today when they found that President Taft had no horns or sloven feet.—Journal.

And possibly readers of the Journal were surprised to discover that neither President Taft or Governor Carroll had wings.

If Iowa republicans submit the choice of president to a vote of the republicans of the state no voter who would not pledge himself to support the nominee should be permitted to vote. That should be one of the qualifications in determining whether a voter is a republican or not.

Now that President Taft has come and gone it is fitting that expression of appreciation be extended to Senator Kenyon, Mayor Sparboe and Secretary Weston for securing the presence of the president in Webster City. These three gentlemen had more than anybody else to do with getting a date for this city.

The Des Moines Capital has not as yet issued that proclamation putting \$10 per acre back upon the value of Iowa land which it so ruthlessly took off a month or so ago. Come, come, Mr. Capital, fess up that you were only prevaricating. You know, as you have had lots of experience in that direction,

that confession is good for even a soulless newspaper.

John L. Sullivan, the hero of many a pugilistic battle, wants to go to congress from one of the Boston districts. It might be that John L. would be a valuable member in certain contingencies. One can imagine what would happen if the speaker would refuse to recognize the "gentleman from Boston" when he arose to address the house upon some weighty problem of state.

J. M. Darling, the Register and Leader cartoonist, is off on a protracted vacation and will spend the winter in Florida. He is suffering from severe cramps in the right arm and his physician tells him that only rest will restore the member to its old time vigor. "Ding's" cartoons will be greatly missed by Register and Leader subscribers. He is one of the best in the country.

Some of the democrats out this way who are lambasting Taft because he favored reciprocity with Canada seem to forget that but for democratic support in the national house of representatives the agreement would not have been ratified by the American congress. A large majority of the democrats voted for it. Yes, it received practically the solid vote of the democratic party as represented in the lower house.

Senator Cummins is also in favor of submitting the presidential preference in this state to a primary. As ex-Senator Young favors that plan, or did favor it a few days ago and may possibly stay hitched until next spring, it is possible that something will come of the suggestion first put forward by the Iowa City Republican. If it comes to a primary the Freeman-Tribune believes LaFollette, unless Cummins permits the use of his name in that connection, will carry the state. Cummins could win in Iowa over Taft as easily as he won over Lacey.

What has become of the Murphy-Haugen congressional contest from the Fourth Iowa district? Mr. Murphy, who was defeated at the election by Gilbert N. Haugen, made a great fuss about being unfairly beaten and he and his friends made motions toward a contest. But nothing has been heard of the affair since the meeting of congress last spring. Possibly Mr. Murphy and his backers concluded it would not be a good political move to steal a seat from Iowa in the lower house of congress when the democrats already have an overwhelming majority in that body.

Some of the newspapers are criticizing the grammar of President Taft. However, Senator Lodge, the scholar and literary genius of the United States senate, has been subjected to like criticisms. But if the president will keep the facts well in hand nobody will complain if he occasionally departs from the paths of correct English. Too many orators give more heed to grammar and diction than to facts. Well rounded periods and a harmonious comingling of fine English tickle the ear, but do not always carry conviction. Truths, eternal truths, whether grammatically stated or not, are what last.

People who disagree with Senator Cummins in some things must give him credit for forcing his amendment into the rate bill in the senate a couple of years ago. That amendment was worth millions to the people of the United States and but for the masterly leadership of Senator Cummins it would not have prevailed. When it comes to vital questions between the dollar and the man Cummins is always on the side of the man and he is there for keeps. What if he does not agree with you upon every question? His general course is right and his record as a whole is one of accomplishments for the general welfare. And this is really the true test.

The Iowa City Citizen explains the matter of Senator Kenyon's refusal to accept pay for his lectures before Chautauquas in the state. It is pointed out that the senator is only following precedents set by his predecessors. Senator Dolliver did not accept pay for his lectures in the

state, though he was paid \$150 for each delivered elsewhere. Senator Cummins has not accepted pay for his lectures in Iowa, though he has been paid outside. The same is true of Lafe Young. He is a leading attraction before Chautauqua audiences, though in Iowa he has been making no charge. Judge Kenyon is only following in the footsteps of his predecessors and his associate.

President Taft will strengthen himself before the people of the west if he succeeds in making them believe he is sincere in what he said in Webster City regarding tariff revision. The president's talk was all right. He should have adhered to the policy he outlined here when the notorious Aldrich-Payne gold brick was handed the American people. Taft then had it in his power to show by deeds what he now says he is in favor of doing, but he failed at that time to come to the standard. However, the west may overlook the past if the people are convinced that the president will be right in the future. Can he convince them? That's the question.

Talk about speed in growing orchards. An advertisement in the Waterloo Courier of Texas land takes the cake. The ad contains a cut of a plot of ground with the information that "this picture of our orchard was taken on June 6, 1911, at the time of our first special excursion." There are no trees visible in this picture—nothing but raw prairie. Then follows another cut with this inscription beneath it: "This picture was taken on August 20, 1911, and shows the marvelous growth the figs are making." In the second cut a large number of fine fig trees are in evidence. Probably by next week the Courier will have a cut of an old man who has taken fig syrup for the past forty years from figs produced in this orchard. One thing that can be said of the Texas land boomers is that they are affixed resourceful.

Dr. Wiley places the value of the health of the American people at \$540,000,000,000. This is pretty high, but we believe the doctor's figures will withstand the test of analysis. There is nothing in this world so valuable to man as his health, yet he neglects it many times for a few dollars. Dr. Wiley was speaking before the national conservation congress when he made the statement and was discussing the question of limitation of marriages, holding that society had the right to demand healthy parents for future generations. Some day the people will take more interest in this question than at present. We have expended more public money in years past looking to the health of our cattle, hogs and horses than to the health of ourselves and our children. Such men as Dr. Wiley are serving the country well in bringing these things to the notice of the people.

DISGUSTING SPECTACLE.
Ansley Jacobs, a young man of this city who was over to Fort Dodge last week and spent a short time at the so-called coursing meet, witnessing the rabbit chase, says it was the most disgusting and sickening spectacle he ever saw. It was simply an exhibition of brutal cruelty. The rabbits were so tame that in some instances they had to throw sticks at them to make them run. Some of the little animals were picked up by the ears by the human brutes in charge and thrown through the air to make them run in order that the motley crowd might be amused. One rabbit that was a good runner succeeded in outwinding two of the dogs. He ran around the arena time and again, but could find no way to escape. The dogs kept up the chase until they were exhausted and abandoned the field. Any genuine sport would say that rabbit, by all the rules of the game, had won its liberty. But what happened? Did the cowardly brutes who were managing the affair spare the life of this rabbit? No! They turned two more dogs loose and of course the poor little creature could not win against such odds. As a result it was caught

and ground to shreds in the cruel jaws of the hounds.
And to think the Fort Dodge newspapers, the preachers, the members of the Y. M. C. A. and other people and institutions of that town that ought to have some of the milk of human kindness in their make-up are too cowardly or too indifferent to decency and the good name of Fort Dodge to denounce such outrages! The governor of the state, B. F. Carroll, was appealed to by a well known citizen of this city to interfere, but he, like the cowardly people of Fort Dodge, did nothing so far as is known.

Second Annual Sale of Short Horn Cattle

At the Sunny Slope Farm, Five Miles Southeast of Ellsworth, Iowa, and Five Miles Northeast of Randall, Iowa, on the Chicago & Northwestern Railroad, on

Wednesday, October 11, 1911

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Attention is called to the following Short Horn sales: J. L. Reece, New Providence, October 12, and Grimm and Durham, Zeoring, October 13.

TERMS—Cash, or 12 months on approved notes at 7 per cent. Those wanting credit and not personally known, bring reference.

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M. H. Brinton, Clerk.

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DON'T GET GAY.
Cedar Falls Record: Many who attended the last republican state convention at Des Moines, remember well the Taft and Roosevelt picture incident of that memorable gathering. During the progress of the convention and some time after Senator Dolliver's victory as permanent chairman, some Taft enthusiasts unfurled a Taft banner. Almost immediately a clean-shaven young man from Hamilton county jumped into his chair and waved a picture of Roosevelt. The Roosevelt picture took the convention by storm. The young man was Fred F. Cash of Webster City, who now is the candidate for postmaster. He was recommended by Congressman Woods early in the spring. It is said that some very prominent Taft men in Des Moines recited the incident for the benefit of the president. At any rate, Cash is still waiting for his appointment. Whether his appointment is delayed because of Woods' lack of standing with the administration, or because of Fred's enthusiastic outburst for Roosevelt, is a debatable question. At any rate it well illustrates a moral: Don't get gay when you are a candidate for office.

POLITICAL ADVERTISING.
Omaha Bee: The ethics and obligations of the newspaper with respect to political advertising, especially in connection with the system of nomination by direct primary, continues to be a topic of current discussion. A letter written and published by Representative I. D. Evans suggests that the advertising columns of the newspaper ought to be absolutely closed to political quacks the same as they are to medical or financial quacks, declaring: "If, in matters of business, newspapers and magazines protect the interests of their readers by excluding from their columns fraudulent and misleading advertisements, why is it not a greater obligation to guard the reader against misleading political advertising? Next to the patent medicine ads and the claims of medical specialists some of the

political advertisers are the biggest of fakers that get into the newspapers."
We would really like to see Mr. Evans buy a newspaper and try the experiment he proposes for the benefit of the rest of us. Our own opinion is that if the newspaper would conscientiously perform its duty to advise its readers as to the relative merits of candidates for political office, there would be no necessity of drawing the line on political advertising except at the point where it is libelous or indecent. On the contrary, the newspaper is only one vehicle of publicity through which the political buncomer may attract attention of the voter, and his arbitrary exclusion from this avenue of campaigning, no matter how good the grounds, would be utilized by him to arouse public sympathy by posing as a victim of malice or conspiracy, and the reaction might win a nomination where other efforts would fail. The same principle is involved in the publication by the organ of one political party of the appeals and arguments in behalf of the candidates of other political parties, whether as news reports or for pay in the advertising columns. If the public halls are free to all who care to hire them, the mails open to anyone who can write a letter and affix a postage stamp, and handbills and posters easily accessible as publicity agencies, closing the advertising columns of the newspapers to political mountebanks would accomplish nothing. It is far better, in our judgment, to let all the office-seekers have their say in the advertising columns and let the newspaper on its own account fulfill its duty conscientiously as a monitor to the public.

College Man Caught.
Ames, Sept. 30.—Edward E. Smith, a student in the horticultural department of Iowa State college, has been arrested and bound over to the grand jury. The charge against him is that of having forged several checks at local stores and banks. He is a son of E. P. Smith, a prominent lawyer of Omaha.

Boy's Skull Fractured.
Iowa Falls, Sept. 30.—While at play in front of his home Wednesday evening, Lester Burgess, the 6-year-old son of Dr. and Mrs. J. K. W. Burgess, fell or was pushed off a retaining wall about four feet in height. He struck on his head and sustained a fracture of the skull. The lad was unconscious for several hours and is still in a critical condition, but it is thought he will recover.

German Aviator Killed.
Berlin, Sept. 30.—Captain Englehardt, the pioneer German aviator, fell and was killed yesterday. Captain Englehardt was trained by the Wright brothers and was the leading aviation authority in Germany.

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