



HUGH McCULLOCH,  
Secretary of the Treasury.

Judge Gresham has retired from the office of secretary of the treasury and resumed judicial functions. He is succeeded as head of the treasury department by Hugh McCulloch, who, as all will remember, is a veteran financier. His official record as such is exceedingly high, and the consequence is that his re-appointment to the position he dignified during President Johnson's administration is regarded with universal satisfaction.

He is a native of Maine, and was born at Kennebec in 1810. His early preference was for the profession of the law. In 1833 he was admitted to the bar and removed to Fort Wayne, Indiana, where he opened an office. Shortly after he was offered the position of cashier of the state bank of Indiana. He accepted it and thus made the turning point in his life, that from which his entire future has been developed. His connection with the state bank of Indiana, as cashier and director, lasted until the year 1857, when he was elected president of the state bank. In 1863 President Lincoln appointed him comptroller of the currency. This was followed by his being made secretary of the treasury, March 7, 1865. After the death of Mr. Lincoln, Mr. McCulloch was continued in the same position, which he held throughout the administration of President Johnson, until March 11, 1869, when Mr. Boutwell, appointed by President Grant, succeeded him. Thereupon Mr. McCulloch established in London the banking house of Jay Cooke, McCulloch & Co., with which he continued until the disastrous condition of business in the United States led to the suspension of Jay Cooke & Co. in 1873. The London house was then organized under the name of McCulloch & Co. In 1874 Mr. McCulloch returned to this country. Since then he has been interested in a number of financial enterprises, but has not been conspicuously identified with any. He has lived during the winter in Washington, and has spent the pleasant months of the year on his farm, which is situated about six miles north of the capital city.

Mr. McCulloch is a well-preserved old gentleman. Every confidence is felt in his ability to administer the affairs of the treasury department with old-time success, especially so as the finances of the country are in a much better condition now than they were when he superintended them formerly. Upon his return to the department he found there a considerable number of employees who had held positions during his earlier administration.

No More Arbitration.

Probably if there is any one conviction more deeply impressed upon the average American citizen than another it is that no more presidential elections will be settled by arbitration, and that returns tainted by fraud shall not be counted. The country is in no mood for further work of that character, and it is pretty certain to lead to disturbances if attempted. Everybody should have a little patience until the count is complete, and then, whether the majorities are found to be large or small, it should be the aim of all to see that they are returned as cast and faithfully observed.—Chicago Herald.

They Resembled.

"Did you ever think there was a similarity between Bob Ingersoll and Ben Butler?" asked Mrs. Fulloreligion of her husband.

"Similarity, No!" replied her husband.

"I think there is," continued Mrs. F. "What, think Bob Ingersoll and Ben Butler are similar?" quizzed Mr. F. looking at his wife with lowering brow.

"Yes, dear."

"Well, I don't know where in the deuce you discover a resemblance."

"Why, you know Mr. Ingersoll has a bad idea, and you can't help but know that Mr. Butler has a bad eye, dear."

Mr. Fulloreligion looked transversely at his wife, and stepping over quickly kicked a hole in the wood box.

Shocking a Crowd.

"I saw something up in Wisconsin the other evening," said a Chicagoan who had a satchel in his hand and who was on his way home. "A patent medicine man was selling something or other from a carriage in which he had a rather pretty young woman and a gasoline lamp. The lady sang one or two songs very sweetly and then the man talked and sold his nostrum at \$1 a bottle."

When he had disposed of thirty or forty bottles he said: "Now, gentlemen, before bidding you good-night I will give you an exhibition of the wonderful magnetic powers of my wife, who sits here by my side. I hold in my hand a common piece of thread. Now one of you take hold of the end of it and walk off and let all the others take hold of it

and at the signal which I will give she will take hold of the other end and you will feel the shock instantly."

About 150 men and boys grasped the thread and walked off about half a block with it. "Now keep perfectly quiet," said the man and you will feel the shock, delicate at first and then strong enough to tingle at the end of your fingers and toes. Are you all ready?"

They all said "Yes."

"Well, then, I will put out the light," said he, "and my wife will take the thread in her hand at that instant."

The light went out and the man's voice was heard: "What have you in your hand, my dear?"

"The longest string of suckers I ever saw in all my life," came in a sweet, musical voice, at the same moment the horses and carriage were driven off at a great speed, leaving the crowd holding on to the string completely dumbfounded.

It was the worst shock a good many of those fellows ever got."

A Problem.

How many apples did Adam and Eve eat? Some say Eve 8 and Adam 82—a total of 90 only. Now we figure the thing out differently. Eve 8 and Adam 82—total, 90. And yet the above figures are entirely wrong. If Eve 8 and Adam 82—total, 90. Scientific men, however, on the strength of the theory that the antediluvians were a race of giants, reason something like this: Eve 81 and Adam 82—total, 163. Wrong again; what could be clearer than that if Eve 81 and Adam 82, the total was 893? If Eve 81st and Adam 812, would not the total be 1,623? I believe the following to be a fair solution: Eve 814 Adam, Adam 8124 Eve—total, 8,938. Still another calculation is as follows: If Eve 814 Adam, Adam 81242 oblige Eve—total, 82,056. We think this, however, not a sufficient quantity. For though we admit that Eve 814 Adam, Adam, if he 818124 keep Eve company—total, 8,082,026. All wrong. Eve, when she 81812 many, and probably she felt sorry for it, but her companion, in order to relieve her grief, 812. Therefore, when Adam 81814240f Eve's depressed spirits. Hence, both at 81,866,864 apples—Green's Fruit Grower.

A Pointer.

"Now," said the photographer, taking hold of the cloth over the instrument, "are you ready?"

"Yes," replied the customer. "Well, just keep your eye on that sign," he said, pointing to a legend on the wall which read, "Positively No Credit," "and look pleasant."

Carrying Him Through.

"Darling," she whispered, as she stood beside his chair and rubbed the bald spot on his head in the gentlest manner, "why this gloom to-night?"

"Effe," he replied, in a broken voice, "are you prepared to hear bad news?"

"Yes—no! What can it be?"

"I am short on pork, and the next ten days will probably witness my financial ruin!"

"O, no! no! I can save you; yes, I can save you!"

"How?"

"I'll at once issue cards and invitations for our wooden wedding, which is only seven days away. We'll invite at least 600 of our friends, each one of whom will be bound to send a present. Next day you can sell the whole business to some corner grocer and secure enough cash to carry you through. Hold on for eight days, Richard, and we'll be long on pork and short on rolling-pins and potato-mashers."

Largest Land Sale on Record.

An exchange says the largest land sale of farming land ever made on this continent was made in northern Mexico. The purchase was made by a syndicate of English and Scotch capitalists. The price paid was \$41,000,000 cash down. The area purchased is larger than some of the New England states. The lands lie in the states of Chihuahua and Durango. An additional million is to be invested in cattle, blooded horses and agricultural implements. The area embraced by the property is 27 Spanish leagues, which is an equivalent in English measurement of 70 by 23 miles or 1,610 square miles. Large tracts of these lands are under cultivation. They are capable of grazing 100,000 head of cattle and 500,000 sheep. More than 1,000 people, as tenants, are living on these lands. The estate consists of immense ranches sub-divided into six contiguous haciendas, upon each there is a village. The same syndicate has purchased two other ranches adjacent containing 500,000 acres. Included in this purchase are 35,000 head of sheep; 1,200 head of unbroken horses; 300 saddle horses; 800 broken mules; 300 work oxen; 1,000 saddles and bridles; 800 sets of harness, with immense quantities of farming tools, etc.

The remains of an English traveler had been exhumed for interment in the family vault. When the coffin was opened the spectators started back in affright. "Why these appear to be the remains of a lion," "Yes," replied a nephew of the deceased, with a sigh, "that's the lion that ate him up; uncle's inside of him."

A bright little miss of three summers was seated beside her father at the dinner table. She was full of mischief, and her father finally said to her: "Doty, if you don't behave better I shall have to spank you." The little one remained in deep thought for a few moments and then answered with a saucy twinkle in her eye: "Oh, tant, pa; I'ssittin' on it."

A rumor is gaining credence in this town that James Gibson is shortly to be married. At the risk of being considered previous, we extend congratulations.—Sun River Sun.

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