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The man who is only "smart" frequently gets left.

If Senator Ingalls has any enemies, let them show over his portraits in the newspapers.

The latest perpetual motion chain has turned up Toledo. He will turn himself down, in due time.

It is reported that Senator Warner Miller has bought an interest in the Saratoga. Perhaps he intends to get even with somebody.

If Great Britain will take the pains to discover an American way, we could almost afford to give them half, to pay them for their trouble.

If an English lord should land in America our boys would drive them over into Canada and then freeze and starve, among the blue-noses.

The local newspapers are trying to pave the streets of Canton. When they have met with a fair degree of success, we would be glad to have them come over here.

We already smile in anticipation of the disappointment and rage of the commander and men of an English fleet that shall scour the seas in search of an American navy.

How much will England take for Canada, anyhow? Philadelphia Record.

And throw Ireland in, to give good weight?

Lord Randolph Churchill did one good thing by his withdrawal from the cabinet. He thwarted the Anglo policy of the government.

He accomplished something else, too. He earned the praise of Gladstone.

If any of the Canadian cruisers wish to try conclusions with the late John A. Roach's Dolphin they will find her down on the coast of Venezuela. She is good for a dozen or more of them, if she did not come some time of it in getting into the good graces of Secretary Whitney.

The "beauty of the world" is now the wife of Senator-elect C. S. Davis, of Minnesota, but it is not cash to Americans to be told that she has "an English face."

She is expected to create a sensation at Washington. Cash, himself is not a bad looking man.

Lord Randolph Churchill made a really great speech in the House of Commons, Monday night. The cable reports say:

At the opening of his speech the praise of Lord Salisbury's foreign policy and the soundness of the government's legislative bills for the session, seemed to be leading up to a complete reconciliation with the government. This opinion was strengthened when Churchill extolled Sir Michael Hicks-Beach's efforts in Ireland.

Afterward, however, he changed his tone and began to strike all around. He referred to the weakness on the part of the Irish executive, attacked the Tories for their reliance upon the Unionists, charged Chamberlain with seeking an excuse to desert the cause of the union, and concluded with a moderate yet powerful vindication of the principles of economy in the national administration.

The whirligig of time changes all things, and so it seems with Springfield. For a city that has for years been the banner republican city for its size in the state, this seems to be a big back-slow.

There are certainly great hopes for democrats in Springfield. Cleveland Plain Dealer.

These great hopes are not based upon any lack of republican sentiment here, for it abounds and is the prevailing local sentiment; but upon the supposition that factions or sections of the republican party will give their own cause away.

If the republicans of Springfield wisely and unitedly, they can elect a city ticket next spring by from 500 to 1,000 majority. They can do it if they will, or they can make another act as had a break which they did a year ago. We do not believe they will. There will be no excuse for it.

The Citizens' Street Railroad company will build its proposed line from Main, northward, on Plum street, to the cemetery entrance, as soon as the weather will permit.

The steel rails have already arrived, and much of the lumber has been sawed, ready for delivery. The company will, also, at the opening of the season, extend the Main street line westward, to the second railroad crossing. When these two extensions are completed the company will have nine and a half miles of road in good condition. Eight new open cars are now being built in St. Louis and will be received here in March. They will be especially adapted to summer service.

President Stroop is now corresponding with parties concerning the purchase of horses or mules to be used on the extensions. When the new cars arrive the company will have thirty cars and will be well prepared for a rush of business.

Reply to D. M. Burns. To the Editor of the Republic:

What a spectacle indeed is presented, when the man, who falsely and uncalculatedly accused scores of our weather citizens of robbery and perjury, refers to the language of one asking for specifications, as a "malicious trade." There can be no conversation equal to that which is exhibited by making the charge above referred to, and then refuse to give a single individual specification. I am warranted in making the assertion that Mr. Burns cannot, from any evidence at his command, make a single case of "robbery" and "perjury"; and as an inducement for him to give to the public the benefit of any knowledge he may possess bearing upon this point, I will secure to him by bond, one hundred dollars for each case of "robbery" and "perjury" he will sustain against any of the "scores of our weather citizens" whom he, in such wholesale manner, accuses.

He says the proof of his assertion is at the auditor's office. This I deny. The records of certain returns are in my files. If Mr. Burns's statement of robbery and perjury be true—the evidence must be produced to contradict the statement or return which is of record. If Mr. Burns has any knowledge which will prove the falsehood of any return—if he can produce any evidence that any citizen is not paying tax

MINSTRELS IN PRIVATE PARLORS.

Mining Professional Parkees to Amuse Fashionable Guests—The Promenade Sixty expectant faces, beaming eyes, children sat close together in the large drawing room of a luxurious house in Thirty-sixth street, a minute walk from Fifth avenue, one afternoon last week.

There has not been a scintilla of evidence produced to show that any man rich or poor is evading taxes.

Mr. Burns says: "The duty of specification belongs to others." Why so? I submit to an intelligent public that the duty of individual specification belongs to the man who asserts that he knows from "reliable information" public and private, that "scores of our weather citizens" "perjure themselves annually"—and who is seeking to pose as a reformer.

Mr. Burns's political and official associates were indicted for certain offenses. He was seriously hurt, for he quotes—"Sam Small says. The hit one howls," "as he at once set up his infuriated howl," "Let the galled jule wince."

Mr. Burns denies that he made a plea for Davison and Wagoner, but that "they would doubtless make the plea," and then, not waiting for them to make the plea, he proceeded to make it for them, and quoted from the records in his possession.

Mr. Burns seems greatly worried and annoyed by the fact that I did not choose to parade my signature in connection with my comments on the "republican."

That is a matter of much less importance to the public than the names of those whom you denounce robbers and perjurers.

Mr. Burns has made an unwarranted assertion upon unnamed citizens. An unnamed citizen asks him to give names of parties against whom he has perjured himself and private, "that would warrant his declaration. This he will not do. This he dare not do, for the reason that his statement is false; and the only reason Mr. Burns can have for refusing further answer under my name is that in this matter he desires to drop out of sight rather than meet me in the open, which he has surrounded himself. It may be possible that there is capital in our country avoiding taxation—and if so, I have no sympathy with it, and would gladly give any information in my power to conduct any of such guilt; and I think it the duty of every good citizen to give any information in his possession, "public or private," to bring all such to justice.

When you give the names of those whom you say are robbing the public treasury of many thousands of dollars, will you give to the public my name; and I think, ere long, when you make your individual specifications, you will wish from the depths of your hollow heart, and from the bitter reflections of your shattered brain, that, instead of D. M. Burns township treasurer, it had only been CITIZEN.

THE FASTER'S FIRST DINNER. Merlati's Knife and Fork Idle Even After the Fifty Days' Fast.

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EAGLES IN INDIANA.

THE KING OF THE AIR DESCRIBED BY AN UNFRIENDLY SCIENTIST.

The Most Great of All Feathered Hobblers—Animals—The Dead Trees—An Eagle's Council.

"A great many persons," said Professor Collett who was asked well informed, seem to think there are no eagles in Indiana. The truth is we have quite a number, a great many more than we need. It was that sensible citizen, Benjamin Franklin, who suggested the turkey as our national bird, objecting to the proud eagle as unrepulsive, because he had been appropriated as the emblem of the monarchs of Europe.

The little men and women didn't know exactly what was behind that mysterious curtain, nor did any of the great folk, except a few who had been let into the secret. They guessed there were to be private theatricals, but when 4 o'clock was chimed and the curtains were drawn to either side, that was revealed was a crowd of seven empty chairs. A pianist in a corner struck a chord and in a flash a black-faced man in a white evening dress, with Knickerbocker shoes and stockings, and a white necktie, stepped forward.

"Minstrel," whispered a youngster, with a giggle, to a little girl by his side, and as he spoke the melody of "My Old Kentucky Home," in rich tones, rose to confirm the youngster's surmise.

Minstrel entertainments in private houses are gotten up chiefly to amuse the younger element, and incidentally they add variety to the lives of those who are in the full flush of social life. The first private minstrel entertainment was given by a group of Dock-stader's artists just before Christmas week, and since then nearly a dozen shows have been presented in houses in Madison and Fifth avenues and other homes of Murray Hill. The programme begins with songs and dialogues, and "rag" touching society follies are cleverly worked in. The first part ends with a comical "duch," and then some specialties in singing, dancing and tempo playing are given, followed by a short recitation, the whole closing with a short burlesque. The oddity of a minstrel show in a private drawing room has been picked up by the top ones of our fashionable circles, and theatricals for private theatricals are getting to be almost a rage, and besides require so much preparation for their successful presentation. The programme is specially prepared, and after it is all over the little ones are wild to go to the impromptu dressing room and see how the white men make themselves darkeys.—New York Tribune.

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