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AMUSEMENTS.

A. B. Stickney.

The eastern magazines that are printing the history of American captains of industry could find a unique subject at St. Paul.

A. B. Stickney, president of the Chicago Great Western railway, has won eminence as lawyer, financier and railway builder and manager.

In 1884 Stickney, then a young lawyer, built a short line of 120 miles from St. Paul to Lyle, intending to sell it to the Illinois Central. Failing in this, he decided to go ahead and build a system. Alone he conceived the idea and alone worked it out. His labors in interesting foreign capital and pushing his system to completion were little less than herculean.

Now this great railway extends to Chicago, Kansas City, Omaha, Des Moines, St. Joseph, and is seeking other gateways of traffic.

As Mr. Stickney was alone in the promotion of his railroad so he has been alone in its management. It has been operated without entangling alliances and because of its independence has been a thorn in the side of its competitors.

Stickney has played his lone hand most skillfully.

Some few years ago there were threats that the Great Western would be ruined financially if it did not show more community of interest. And then came Stickney's great coup. By one move he took his road out of Wall street. He simply exchanged his bonds for stock. By no possibility could the speculators throw the Great Western into the hands of a receiver.

His later moves have shown a like ability to take care of his large interests. Because of this disposition other railway men have called him a "pirate." They say he is a disturber and a rate cutter.

He is.

Last summer Mr. Stickney saw his road was not getting its fair share of the packing house traffic. He went to the big packers and got a seven years' contract on a 20-cent rate, 3 1/2 cents below the normal traffic. This contract will bring the Great Western \$7,000,000 of revenue.

Later came the Omaha coup.

By inaugurating through rates on grain originating west of the Missouri river Mr. Stickney put Omaha on a level with Kansas City. The latter squirmed somewhat. Omaha rejoiced.

Again and again it has been announced that the Great Western has been sold. It is safe to say that when such a report has been confirmed by Mr. Stickney the consideration will be sufficiently high. And the price grows larger all the time.

More power to his elbow.

The man deserves the great success his high abilities have won him. And the people—they pay the freight—the people will be sorry on the day the Great Western passes to less capable hands.

Press Views to Cure the Blues

BUSY MAN.

Mayor Boyd opens the meeting of the Federation of Labor next Monday with an address. We're wondering if he qualifies by writing those awful five-day letters to keep a politician-politician in power? This certainly entitles any man to be known as a friend of the working classes.

BAPTISTS' GOOD MOVE.

The Press is waiting patiently to find the outcome of the First Baptist union services. Fifty special ushers will be on hand, 10 from each church. The sermons are said to be of a better order than usual. The Press heartily endorses all these movements, and especially urges the young men of this town to cease their lax ways and spend a night, once in a while, listening to one of the strong pastors of the Baptist church. Boys, it will do you good; and you won't have the "grief of cats," next morning.

TAKING THE POOR TO MAKE TOWN "RICHER."

Of course, we know it's come. It's the "bikes" again, this time. They're down for \$1 each head tax. The great local politico-economic brethren, who pride themselves on "doing things," certainly have "done things." It's on a par with the same peanut financing by which, after loud wailing of official horns, local saloon keepers were "raised" the magnificent sum of 27 cents per day on a year's whisky license. Now wouldn't that cause you to praise the great local statesmen? The Press recalls that the king can do no wrong, especially if the slum element is behind the local political throne. The tax is an imposition on workmen, laborers, clerks and the thousands of young men and young women who use a bicycle to go to work.

WE HOPE HE'LL REFUSE.

The chief of police says, "I will not be sheriff." Is the present office so pleasant or does he refuse to shine before the public? We know the chief to be a quiet, reserved man, but a sheriff need not make speeches. No; we need him where he is.

WAIT ON THE SAND.

In the lodge of Elks is a memorial window, a beautiful square of ornamental glass, imitation of golden onyx. Hereon are inscribed the names of those who have passed away. By a skillful arrangement of electric globes, the window at times is flooded with soft light, and the names of the absent brothers shine

like stars. Under the names is the motto: Their virtues we inscribe on the tablets of memory, their faults we trace upon the sand."

Go thou and do likewise with your own friends.

"IT IS AN ILL WIND."

If Russia and Japan go to war all the Inland Empire farmer will have to do is say nothing but sell wheat.

By supplying the missing words you will be enabled to determine the political situation in a certain well-known city. Remember, nothing personal! A prize of a bunch of bananas will be offered for the first correct solution. The paragraph reads:

As the day for holding municipal conventions for the March election approaches rumors grow daily more persistent and pointed that frameups have been made with certain law-breaking elements providing for police protection in exchange for political support and contributions in interests of the candidacy of _____ within the ranks of his own party continues unable to center upon any other candidate, though renewed efforts to that end are in progress. Fifty prominent citizens and business men met this evening and, with _____ as chairman, organized a civic league for the promotion of purity in politics and the adoption of business methods in municipal administration.

PRESS POINTERS.

BY FRANK T. SEARIGHT AND THE REST OF THE OLD CROWD.

UNCLE HENRY SAYS: If a man could only forget his troubles as easy as he forgets what it wuz his wife told him 't' bring home he'd be a lot happier.

IF NELS MILLS AND BUFFALO BILL FORM A PARTNERSHIP THEY WON'T NEED A PRESS AGENT.

Nels can attend to the press work.

MR. FRANK ENDRESS OF RUSH PRESENTED BY EDITOR WITH TWO WEEKS MOTHER HUBBARD SQUASHES LAST TIME—STOCKTON (Ill.) NEWS.

"Everything points to war in the east."

"Yes, I see both Russia and Japan have placed big orders for beef with the Chicago packers."

"Yes, and I've been reading that the mikado has ordered some typewriters from an American firm."

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THE OLD MAIDS—GOD BLESS 'EM!

Things are warming up at the Spokane Amateur Athletic club, but the real torrid part of the election will not be well started until the latter part of the week. It is not definitely known whether Al Ware will again make the race for pres-

ident of the club. In case he does not, there are candidates who will appear—good ones at that; but if Ware wants it, he can again have the office. That's what everyone says, and what everyone says must be true, eh? Two factions will offer tickets, today or tomorrow. A member of the club said today, "It is a cinch that the old maids of the organization will not sway the destiny of this club again!" The old maids are the quiet sort, who won't allow any strenuous sports, but prefer a quiet game of billiards, checkers or ping-pong.

MCINTURFF AS STOCK BREEDER.

Bishop McInturff left on the Great Northern this morning for Newport, Wash. He has a 160-acre farm near that place which he intends to stock with Durham cattle and Berkshire hogs. The bishop is fond of stock raising. He recently imported a carload of 16 Durham cattle, which he says he will turn loose on his farm and "let nature take its course."

THE MAN WITHOUT A SHADOW

Translated from A. von Chamisso, by Tobias Mitchell especially for the Spokane Press.

Alone on the wild heath, I unbattered my heart of an insupportable load. I drank in the poison which the mysterious stranger had poured into my wounds. As I retraced in my mind the loved image of my Minna, and deplored her sweet countenance pale and in tears, as I beheld her in my late disgrace the bold and sarcastic visage of Rascal would ever thrust itself between us. I hid my face and fled rapidly over the plains; but the horrible vision unrelentingly pursued me, till at last I sank breathless on the ground, and bedewed it with a fresh torrent of tears—and all this for a shadow—a shadow which one stroke of the pen would wipe away. I pondered on the singular proposal, and on my hesitation to comply with it. My mind was confused—I had lost the power of comprehending. The day was waning space. I satisfied the cravings of hunger with a few wild fruits, and quenched my thirst at a neighboring stream. Night came on; I threw myself down under a tree, and was awoken by the damp morning air from an uneasy sleep, in which I had fancied myself struggling in the agonies of death. Bendel had certainly lost all trace of men, and I was glad of it. I did not wish to return among my fellow-creatures—I shunned them as the hunted deer flies before its pursuers. Thus I passed three melancholy days.

I found myself on the morning of the fourth on a sandy plain, basking in the rays of the sun. On the sunlit sand before me flitted the shadow of a man not unlike my own; and wandering about alone, it seemed to have lost its master. This sight powerfully excited me. "Shadow!" thought I, "art thou in search of thy master? In me thou shalt find him."

The shadow, as I moved, took to flight, and I commenced a hot chase after the airy fugitive, solely excited by the hope of being delivered from my present dreadful situation; the bare idea inspired me with fresh strength and vigor.

The shadow now fled towards a distant wood. I came nearer and nearer—I was within reach of it,

when it suddenly stopped and turned towards me. Like a lion darting on its prey, I made a powerful spring and fell unexpectedly upon a hard substance. Then followed, from an invisible hand, the most terrible blows in the ribs that anyone ever received.

The moment the man regained his feet he looked all round over the wide sunny plain to discover his fortunate vanquisher, but could see neither him nor his shadow, the latter seeming particularly to be the object of his search; for previous to our encounter he had not had leisure to observe that I was shadowless, and he could not be aware of it. Becoming convinced that all traces of me were lost, he began to tear his hair and give himself up to all the frenzy of despair. In the meantime, this newly acquired treasure communicated to me both the ability and the desire to mix again among mankind.

I entered the garden. I heard something like a hollow laugh which caused me involuntarily to shudder. I cast a rapid glance around, but could see no one. I passed on; presently I fancied I heard the sound of footsteps close to me, but no one was within sight. My ears must have deceived me.

It was early; no one was in Count Peter's bowers—the gardens were deserted. I traversed all the well known paths, and penetrated even to the dwelling house itself. The same rustling sound became now more and more audible. With anguished feelings I sat down on a seat placed in the sunny space before the door, and actually felt some invisible fiend take a place by me, and heard him utter a sarcastic laugh. The key was turned in the door, which was opened. The forest-master appeared with a paper in his hand. Suddenly my head was, as it were, enveloped in a mist. I looked up, and, oh horror—

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The Press' Fair Sex.

Several delicate designs in organdie, tulle and mousseline de soie are seen in Spokane's big stores. One that is particularly pretty is of the first-named material with a yoke formed of valencienes insertion joined with feather-stitching with white and gold silk. The yoke is finished in points bordered with a ruffle composed of valencienes insertion alternated with chiffon embroidery, then bound along the edge with organdie. The sleeves are close-fitting at the top and below the elbow are formed of the insertion gathered into a simple cuff of organdie.

THE WEAKER SEX IN SPOKANE.

Father's in the kitchen, with his fingers in the dough;

Willie's in the parlor, practicing his do, sol, do;

Mother's jumping hurdles with a dumb bell in each hand;

Lulu's in the ball team, and she never yet has "fanned."

Sadie's playing football, and she says it's her delight.

Molly puts the hammer, and the way the hammer flies

Shows that she's entitled to the plaudits and the prize.

Father's awful patient, but you'd think his heart would break

When ma says his coffee's not like her pa used to make.

Walls, Walls, Wash.—A movement is on foot among the Good Templars to close this town on Sundays.

..The Stage..

The tuneful Olympia Opera company is a great hit. The company was well received in "Olivet" last night. Miss Lottie Kendall made a decided hit. Go there tonight to hear her sing. Miss Eleanor Jenkins is also excellent. Carl Hayden shows fine tenor ability. Robert Pitkin, Leo Adde, Corene Uzzie and Carrick Major do good work. Tonight, "The Beggar Prince."

FINE ENGAGEMENT FOR SPOKANE THEATRE.

"Richard Carvel" will be given at the Spokane, Friday, Saturday and Saturday matinee, this week.



SEWING HIS OATS.

For Roosevelt.

TOPEKA, Kan., Jan. 5.—The Republican state convention is in session here today; pursuant to the call of Chairman Albaugh, for the purpose of deciding upon the date and place for the state convention to select delegates to the republican national convention early in March in order to be the first state convention of 1904 to come out strong for the re-nomination of President Roosevelt.

A Little Romance.

BOSTON, Jan. 5.—The marriage of Miss Mary Osgood, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Hamilton Osgood of Beacon street, took place today in Trinity church and was one of the most brilliant weddings of the season so far. The romance culminating in the marriage is a sequel to the recent visit of the Honorable Artillery Company of London, of which the bridegroom is a prominent member.

IF YOU HAVE DYSPEPSIA, READ

The old way of taking pepsin, bismuth, etc., to cure dyspepsia is all wrong. They may be put up in tablets or in liquid, the result is just the same. The object is to create artificial digestion, but this does not make a cure. Stop taking the pepsin, etc., and you have your dyspepsia or indigestion back again. People use cocaine or opium for nervous troubles and sick-headache. It does cure. Stop taking the drugs and the pain and distress return. The only common-sense method is to drive out of the system the cause of dyspepsia and sick-headache, by cleansing the stomach and bowels, at the same time using a medicine that will act on the liver. This forces through the glands of the stomach the digestive fluid that nature intended. The medicine that cures dyspepsia by this method is called Dr. Gunn's Improved Liver Pills. They put the body in condition so that the different organs can do their work in a natural way. Druggists sell these pills at 25c per box, or we will send them, post paid, and receipt of 25c in stamps. Sample sent free. It only takes one pill for a dose. Address: Dr. H. B. Gunn, Philadelphia, Pa. For sale by Charles McNab, corner Washington street and Riverside avenue.

THE CHICKEN, IT'S ALL RIGHT.

Miss Nellie Beverly, living in the American avenue colony, north of the Anahem road, is just recovering from a very peculiar accident. Several days since she undertook to throw a rock at a chicken and strained one of the cords in her neck. Partial paralysis followed and she was in a dangerous condition until very recently a change for the better set in.—Long Branch Press.

Ask Guardian For Rich Man Too Much Drink

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Jan. 5.—In the municipal court today a hearing was had in the petition of Mrs. Mary Catherine Banigan asking that Dr. James E. Sullivan, her brother-in-law, be appointed guardian of the person and estate of her husband, John J. Banigan. The petitioner averred that Mr. Banigan's excessive drinking and want of discretion in the management of his estate are likely to reduce himself and family to want.

GROUP.

The peculiar cough which indicates croup is usually well known to the mothers of croupy children. No time should be lost in the treatment of it, and for this purpose no medicine has received more universal approval than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Do not waste valuable time in experimenting with untried remedies, no matter how highly they may be recommended, but give this medicine as directed and all symptoms of croup will quickly disappear. For sale by all druggists.

Castleman's Trial.

NORFOLK, Va., Jan. 5.—A court-martial convened at the navy yard here today for the trial of Lieutenant Kenneth Castleman, commanding the gunboat Yankton, on charges arising out of a collision in the harbor of Norfolk on Nov. 27, in which the Yankton, sank the tug Hustler and endangered the lives of eight men aboard. Lieutenant Castleman is the son of Gen. John B. Castleman of Louisville, Ky., and was recently married.

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High-Class Chickens.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—The fifteenth annual exhibition of the New York Poultry, Pigeon and Pet Stock association opened at Madison Square Garden today, and will be continued until the 10th inst. Nearly 10,000 entries of high-class chickens, ducks, turkeys, geese and pigeons are on view, the display of water fowls being especially fine. The exhibition represents a dozen or more states and various parts of Canada. In conjunction with the poultry show is being held an exhibition under the auspices of the Atlantic

Cat Club.

Helena, Mont.—Isaac Gravelle was sentenced yesterday to pay a fine of \$5000. Gravelle is the man convicted of sending threatening letters to the Northern Pacific railroad. He has yet to be tried on four charges of burglary.

Washington.—The American government will exert every effort to prevent China from becoming entangled in the trouble between Russia and Japan. China in the mixup would mean a menace to American trade.

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