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leave in the law should turn to and he a warm advocate of it, but it is decidedly indiscreet for them to publish matter which can only encourage the other nation to show its teeth.

The law prohibiting Chinese coolies to come to this country was passed a long time ago, and the authorities proceeded to execute it at once; yet we had no trouble with China. The GEARY law is designed to prevent the coolies from defeating the ends of the other law.

It is difficult to see why the Chinese should object to registering. Americans are required to register in order to vote, and this is to prevent illegal voting.

If the first Chinese exclusion law is just, the people have long since ceased to condemn it, then there is but one feature of the GEARY law which can with the slightest reason be criticized. That is the provision making it necessary to deport Chinamen who came here before the first law was enacted.

If Chinamen were as easily identified as the people of other nations, this law would never have been enacted. But it is very difficult to distinguish one from another; and it is an undisputed fact that the coolies residing here have assisted thousands of coolies in China to reach our shores through forged certificates. This fraudulent business is continually followed.

However, this paper is not a champion of any Chinese exclusion law, but only wishes to view the present situation in the light of what it believes to be common sense. Every American citizen of any prominence should wait until China has expressed itself definitely upon the subject before jumping up to condemn the law as being an insult to that government.

THE CITY'S LOSS.

The most shocking and sad occurrence of years in St. Paul was the death of CHARLES S. ROGERS yesterday afternoon. He was in the prime of life, possessed wealth, most excellent health and a happy disposition, had a lovely and devoted family, and enjoyed social and business distinction—he had everything to live for. His intimate friends and business associates assert that his business affairs were in excellent condition, and there is no apparent reason to believe otherwise; in fact, it is difficult to see how they could be otherwise.

The cause for his rash act will probably always remain a mystery. It appears that both he and his family were absolutely free from any tendency to insanity. There seems to be no other way to account for the deed except upon the theory of the noted French writer who asserts that people with no taint of insanity, happy in disposition and surrounded with everything to make them happy, are sometimes overcome suddenly with a mania for self-destruction. This may last for only a day, the writer says, but it may last long enough to haunt them through the remainder of their lives.

There was not a better known business man in the city than Mr. ROGERS. He was always ready to assist with purse and hand every public enterprise or undertaking which could further the interests of the city. His wife, as was known, is a daughter of the late Col. E. D. DRAKE. He leaves with her a family of bright and promising children. He was devoted to wife and children, and enjoyed in turn their devotion.

His departure is a loss to the city in a business way which will be realized by all, and in a social way which will be mourned universally. It was a pleasure to meet him at any time or place, for one, whether prominent or not, was always greeted with a cordial expression of good cheer.

PRETTY KETTLE OF FISH.

Between the editorial association and the commissioners and "his excellency" there is a nice howdy-do over the dedication of the building which the good people of Minnesota have built on the grounds of the Columbian exposition. It is dedicated, and it isn't dedicated. It is legitimate, and it is illegitimate. The editors have ridden rough-shod over official dignity, ceremonial precepts and sovereign authority. They came like a pack of young Lehighvans out of the West "to tread but one measure, and to cut a cap of defiance and have snatches from the Good Book, and to state a thing of beauty their ward and appropriated it to their own jollification. And in turn they have been snubbed with all the cold propriety of official station. They have been officially told that their conduct was highly improper; that the dignity of the state has been affronted, and that they might as well know it.

It is a nice kettle of fish, and this is the way it came about, as nearly as the public mind can follow the trail of some contradictory statements and a desire on the part of "the administration" to keep the affair quiet. Precedent and propriety, of course, demanded that the Minnesota building should be dedicated by the governor, and the commissioners used on such occasions. The commissioners were to present it with duly prepared extempore speeches to the governor, and the governor with equally studied unpreparedness to respond and accept on behalf of the mass of the people of the state, who only privilege in the matter was to pay for it all. As the editors of the state had decided to make a descent on the White City this year with their wives and sisters and other fellows, and as they were the means by which the money of the proprietors of the building could ever know anything about it, it was decided to have the ceremonies of dedication take place when the thought most were there. There was a happy coincidence of policy, and the result was that credit to the sagacity of the proprietors. So the editors fixed on the 15th for their party, and went off in great glee and style to the baptism and consecration. But meantime there was another building to be dedicated. The sons of Thor had broken their house, and had asked the present governor of this state to take the prominent part in which, as the only chief executive in the nation of their race, he was entitled. This call, any candid person will admit, took precedence of the Minnesota affair, and the commissioners complacently postponed the Minnesota dedication until June 1.

As the financial condition of the editors was not to mention the pressing home duties, would not permit of their remaining over until that date, or of coming again, they decided that they would take matters into their own hands and have a dedication of their own, all by themselves. So they elected a poet laureate to verify the event, and one to make the speech of presentation and another that of acceptance, and those to make the interludes of talk, and set the law for the day. To tell the truth, the boys, as they elected a poet laureate, as well as the regulars could have done it. It was a success, they were doing the dedication act in the Minnesota building, but it is estimated by his secretary the governor, who is telling the Norwegians over in their

house all about their glorious achievements at home and here. Then, having finished, "his excellency," without stopping in his own domain even to say howdy to the boys, sped for the train and came home.

And the editors are vexed. They insist that the governor snubbed them willfully. The superintendent tells them that they were a presumptuous lot of bumpkins in forestalling "his excellency," and "his excellency" secretary advises the commission that, after what the editors did, it would be a sorry farce to have the dedication take place on June 1. The governor is huffy, the commission are ditto, and the boys will probably express their feelings in the next issues of their respective papers. As we remarked in the outset, it is a very pretty kettle of fish, indifferently cooked, though.

DRAMATIC DRIFT.

"The Country Circus," that has passed through the city, is now at the Metropolitan opera house this week, will be seen for the last two performances at this theater today. The matinee will be given at 2 o'clock, and the farce performance tonight. Seats are now selling for the twenty-second subscription performance of the Metropolitan tomorrow night. The company will present the great German success, "The Knecht Ruprecht." Seats and boxes can now be secured at the Metropolitan box office, and the success of the company is assured.

This afternoon will terminate the engagement of "A Fair Rebel" at the Grand, as that theater will be occupied tonight by our local talent in "The Mikado."

PEOPLE OF NOTE.

It is said that the young Earl of Dudley holds the largest life insurance ever effected, the amount being \$1,200,000.

Pere Hyacinthe delivered an oration in London recently with all his old vigor, though he is now sixty-six years old.

Mary Wales, an ancient Boston spinster who died last week, left her entire fortune, amounting to about \$8,000, to her pet Thomas cat.

Some one whose identity is a secret has made Rev. Father H. A. Adams, of the Holy Trinity church, New York, the recipient of a life income of \$4,000 a year.

Mrs. Madeline Ninton Dahleren has in the dining room of her house in Washington the mirror used by Dolly Madison in the White house and afterward in her own home as long as she lived.

Mrs. Ormiston Chant occupies a pulpit every alternate Sunday. She has preached in the churches of all denominations, with the exception of the Church of England and Roman Catholic church.

STATE PRESS NOTES.

The Anoka Union makes this drive at the newspaper men: Revivalist Mills is holding forth in St. Paul, and so far not a single newspaper man has been impressed. They are either too wicked or they don't require conversion.

The Waseca Radical perpetrates this quip: It is rumored there is not much left at the world's fair at Chicago, nothing of importance at least, as the Minnesota editors bought up all that amounted to anything and brought it home as "a nice bait."

SELECTED A JUNTA.

Three Persons Will Administer the Affairs of Nicaragua's Provisional Government.

United States Legation at Managua Barricaded to Prevent an Attack.

GRANADA, Nicaragua, May 19.—A junta composed of three persons, has been elected by the provisional government organized by the revolutionists, to administer its affairs. They represent the three political parties who oppose the government of President Somoza. The junta's members are Gen. Augustin Avila, president of the revolutionists, Gen. Juan Jose Hernandez, chief of the revolutionary forces, and Gen. Juan Jose Hernandez, chief of the revolutionary forces. Under his direction the army is being thoroughly organized, and will be in good fighting condition in a short time. William Newell, United States consul at Granada, visited the camp of the revolutionists today, and was met by a long line of soldiers. The result of the conference has not been learned. Consul Newell says that the revolutionists are not in a hurry to return to Nicaragua by the revolutionists, and that they are waiting for representatives of the navigation company. There appears to be plenty of money among the revolutionists, and the Bank of Managua, in the national capital, where President Somoza is still in control, has closed its doors. It has a branch here, however, which is transacting business as though no revolution had broken out. The revolutionists have been in the United States legation. The government troops are disorderly, and said the barricade was put up because an attack on the legation was feared.

Miss Oakes Married.

NEW YORK, May 19.—A message was received at the Waldorf last night announcing the marriage Wednesday afternoon of Miss Zilla Oakes, daughter of Thomas F. Oakes, president of the Northern Pacific railroad, and George Curtis Rand, Jr., of Lawrence, L. I. The marriage ceremony, which was performed by Rev. David H. Green, of this city, took place at Mammone, the home of the bride.

Iowa Bar Leader Dead.

Drs. MOINES, Mo., May 19.—B. F. Kaufman, for many years one of the leaders at the Iowa bar, died here tonight.

A JOYOUS OCCASION

Was the Complimentary Banquet to the Visitors at the Ryan.

The Ladies Graciously Participate on Invitation From the Banqueters.

And Add a Distinct Touch of Brightness and Pleasure to the Event.

Neat Speeches, Wise, Witty and Enjoyable, by Some of the Celebrities.

The complimentary dinner given last night at the Ryan by the St. Paul Press club and citizens to the International League of Press Clubs was a happy occasion, and thoroughly enjoyable.

It was made more than ordinarily happy occasion when the ladies accompanying the delegation accepted an invitation and appeared in the dining hall, headed by Secretary Price and a delegation of ladies, which had been invited to the dinner and acted as an escort.

The dinner was half over when the ladies to the number of nearly a hundred appeared. When their presence at the door became known the gentlemen broke out into applause and arose to bid them welcome. After the ladies had been seated the gentlemen resumed their seats with animated faces. From that time the hitherto somber hue of the banquet hall was dissipated, and the scene became bright and cheerful. The coming of the ladies brightened the conversation, and the scene seemed to change from gloom to the brightness of midday.

It was near midnight when the last course of an excellent menu had been dismissed. Immediately afterwards ex-Gov. William R. Merriam, as master of ceremonies, arose to say:

A Word of Welcome.

coupled with the line, "May we be welcomed by St. Paul," which has been the motto of the press club since its organization. Gov. Merriam assured the guests of a most hearty welcome and greeted by the delegates and guests had been so pleasant they would depart with regret and a desire to come again. A few remarks as to the characteristics of the people here and throughout the state were made by the speaker, and he then declared it possible that from this combination might be expected to spring a better and more intelligent press. The resources of the state were also alluded to as inspiring the people and promoting the greatness of the state.

M. H. De Young, secretary of the International League of Press Clubs, coupled with the sentiment "May it continue until the active pressmen have worked throughout this world and in the one to come are members." Mr. De Young declared that every lady and gentleman visitor had thoroughly enjoyed themselves, and that he had not been a member of the league for many years, but that he would be glad to join it.

He extended thanks on behalf of the visitors. He expressed the hope that members of the press hereafter would not turn their backs on the state, but each other, but will leave the wielding of the satirical pen to the other fellows; and after this he retired to his seat amid applause.