

THE FIGHT FOR CONTROL

Rival Interests in C. F. I. Are Still at Work.

New York, November 25.—Mr. Gould's expected rejoinder to the circular issued yesterday by Messrs. Edwin Hawley and E. H. Harriman, relative to the use of his name in sending out requests for proxies to be used at the approaching election of the Colorado Fuel and Iron company was given out tonight in the form of a statement made to the press.

Mr. Gould declares the circular in question to be "in some respects a direct misstatement of facts and in other an ingenious perversion of the truth," and expresses the conviction that it was sent out in order to secure control of the property by Messrs. Hawley and Harriman to the exclusion of himself.

The stock of the Colorado Fuel and Iron Company over the control of which there is a contest in progress, made a sensational rise today on the stock exchange, advancing 5 points during a spurt in the market. The stock was sold at 86 at the close of the market yesterday. It opened 85 1/2 this morning, but later went up to 91, and then receded, selling at 87 3/4 shortly before 2 o'clock. It was reported today that the conflicting interests were making effort to secure control of the stock to vote at the annual meeting to be held in Colorado on December 10. Large amounts of stocks were borrowed at good rates, with a jroxy accompanying each certificate, and purchases of stock also were said to have been made outside the exchange on the same basis.

The transfer books of the C. F. I. company are closed and stock purchased now does not carry voting power except that a proxy accompanies it.

Edwin Hawley was asked today whether the fight in Colorado Fuel and Iron would extend to the western railroads and he replied: "There is not any fight that I know of."

Mr. Osgood, of the Colorado Fuel and Iron company, was not at his office when a call was made there today, and it was said that he was in conference with George J. Gould.

STRIKE SITUATION BETTER

Government Takes Firm Stand and Represses All Disorders.

Washington, November 25.—A cablegram received at the state department today from Minister Squiers at Havana reports that the government is taking a firm stand and that the strike situation is better. Senor Quesada, the Cuban minister, called at the state department today and talked over the situation with the closest interest where it is believed that the ability of the Cuban government to maintain law and order and adequately safeguard the heavy investment of foreign capital at Havana is about to be subjected to a severe test. The interest of the United States in the matter lies in the fact that by the terms of the Platt amendment this government is made responsible for the maintenance of these safeguards in the event that the Cuban government itself fails.

DINNER TO JUSTICE HARLAN

Veteran Lawyer Will Soon Complete Twenty-Five Years of Prominent Service.

Washington, November 25.—Justice Harlan, of the United States supreme court, on December 9th, will have completed 25 years of service as a member of that court and his friends at the bar throughout the country have arranged to express their appreciation of his services by a dinner in his honor on that evening at the New Willard hotel in this city. The purpose is to make the affair a national one. The president and his cabinet, the justices of the United States supreme court, the speaker of the house of representatives, the president of the senate and some other gentlemen of note will be guests of the bar and about a thousand invitations have been sent to lawyers in all parts of the union practicing before the United States supreme court to be present. Among members of the committee on invitations are Attorney General Knox, chairman, Secretary Root, vice chairman, ex-Secretary Olney, of Massachusetts; Representative Littlefield, of Maine; Senators Platt, of Connecticut, Morgan, of Alabama; Culberson of Texas, Spooner, of Wisconsin and Mitchell, of Oregon; ex-Attorney General Griggs, of New Jersey; Governor Montague, of Virginia and others.

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New York, November 25.—President George F. Baer of the Philadelphia and Reading today denied the report that he has been elected president of the Lehigh Valley to take the place of President Walter who resigned last week. When Mr. Baer was asked whether the report was true he replied, "No, and I never will be."

A Wretched Millionaire.

The story is told of the owner of several railroads who was unable to get relief from the nerve-twisting agony of neuralgia. It is an unlikely tale. The sick man must have known that Perry Davis' Painkiller would help him at once, as it has helped so many thousands of sufferers in the past sixty years. There is but one Painkiller, Perry Davis'.

CLOSE OF NEGRO CONFERENCE

John C. Danney Makes a Speech. Concert at Red Springs-Marshall of Charleston Fair.

(Special to The Messenger.)

Fayetteville, N. C., November 25.—At the closing session of the conference of the African Methodist Zion church, J. C. Danney, recorder of deeds for the District of Columbia, made a speech full of fine and feeling, in which he dealt with the future of the negro politically and morally. He quoted President Roosevelt as saying to him that he "considered ability and fitness for position in a man, not color." He declared that prominent democrats had confessed to him that it was a sad day for their party when the negro was eliminated from politics.

Rev. T. A. Smoot, pastor of Hay street Methodist church (white) was introduced to the conference, and made a very graceful response, expressing his pride and pleasure in the growth and strength of Methodism in this city and the state.

Rev. T. A. Thurston, superintendent of the Ashley-Bailey silk mills, discussed industrial matters, and was followed closely by the large audience.

Professor E. E. Smith, superintendent of the state colored normal school, presented his faculties and students in a body, and, in the course of a very pleasing, scholarly talk, paid a fine tribute to Bishop Hood.

Last evening the faculty and students of Red Springs Female seminary gave one of those delightful concerts which have already made for that institution such an enviable reputation. Mrs. D. H. Graves and Miss Mamie Brown went down yesterday afternoon to enjoy the entertainment.

State Senator J. D. McNeill is in Charleston, S. C., preparing for that city's forthcoming big carnival, of which he is chief marshal.

Inspector General Bain arrived yesterday afternoon, and passed in review and inspection Company A, first regiment of state guard, commanded by First Lieutenant A. H. McGeachy, the excellent ranking officer, in the absence of Captain J. D. Hollingsworth. The command passed muster without a break, with expressions of commendation from General Bain for admirable bearing and fine personnel.

The cadets of the North Carolina Military academy at Red Springs will give a german in the opera house of that place on Thanksgiving evening, and many young Fayetteville society folks will attend.

Jessie Jones, Alex. Robinson, West Cain and Wright Smith, the four prisoners carried to federal court at Wilmington by United States commissioner Morrissey, are all negroes, and all charged with illegal liquor dealing.

Messrs. W. F. Williams and E. W. Townsend, of Red Springs, and J. G. McCormick, R. L. and L. S. Williams and D. Shaw are off today on a big hunt for wild turkeys, which are this year very numerous.

Mr. R. G. Haigh, dean of the board of aldermen, is acting mayor in the absence of His Honor C. B. McMillan, who is in Wilmington.

Misses Georgia Hicks and Katherine Robinson have returned from a visit to New York city.

Mr. R. L. Truelove, of Wilmington, paid Fayetteville a visit yesterday.

Mr. J. A. Huske has returned to Wilmington, after a visit to Tokyo.

Mrs. Baskerville, of Virginia, is the guest of Rev. and Mrs. H. T. Graham at the manse on Anderson street.

What It Means

"Fewer Gallons; Wears Longer" means that you don't have to paint your house so often, and you don't have to use so much paint. Costs less for the job, and you don't have to do the job so often.

The new paint is not new at all. It's the biggest selling paint in the United States, and the firm that makes it is 14 years old.

Devote Lead and Zinc—fewer gallons than mixed paints, wears twice as long as lead and oil.

M. W. Devine & Co. sell it.

A Church Controversy.

London, November 25.—As a climax to the widespread agitation caused by the sensational address made by the dean of Ripon, Rev. W. H. Fremantle to the churchmen's union, October 25th in which he suggested that the idea of the immaculate conception should be left out of account because, except in St. Matthew and St. Luke, the Virgin birth of Christ is not mentioned in the new testament, and also questioned the miracles, such as raising the dead, by Christ and his resurrection, the bishop of Ripon, Right Rev. Boyd Carpenter, has written a letter imploring the dean "on behalf of many devout and simple hearted christians," to reiterate his belief in the creed of the church. Such a statement, says the bishop, "your friends and many hearts are looking for with anxiety."

The dean of Ripon in replying to the bishops appeal ignores the controversial points, but emphasizes his belief in the absolute deity of Christ and his sincerity in reciting the creed.

Honors of French Government.

Washington, November 25.—The state department has been notified by the French embassy here that the president of the French republic has conferred diplomas of the order of the legion of honor upon the following officers of the state, war and navy departments for the part played by them in the dedication of the Rochambeau monument.

State Department—Mr. Edwin Morgan, chieftain.

War Department—Major General John A. Brook, commander; Brigadier General Samuel B. M. Young, commander; Colonel Albert L. Mills, officer.

Navy—Rear Admiral F. G. Higginson, commander; Captain Willard H. Brownson, officer; Captain Henry W. Lyon, officer; Captain Joseph M. Hemphill, officer.

A Monster Devil Fish

Destroying its victim, is a type of Constipation. The power of this murderous malady is felt on organs and nerves and muscles and brain. There is no relief till it's overcome. But Dr. King's Little Pills are a safe and certain cure. Best in the world for Stomach, Liver, Kidneys and Bowels. Only 25 cents at R. R. Bellamy's drug store.

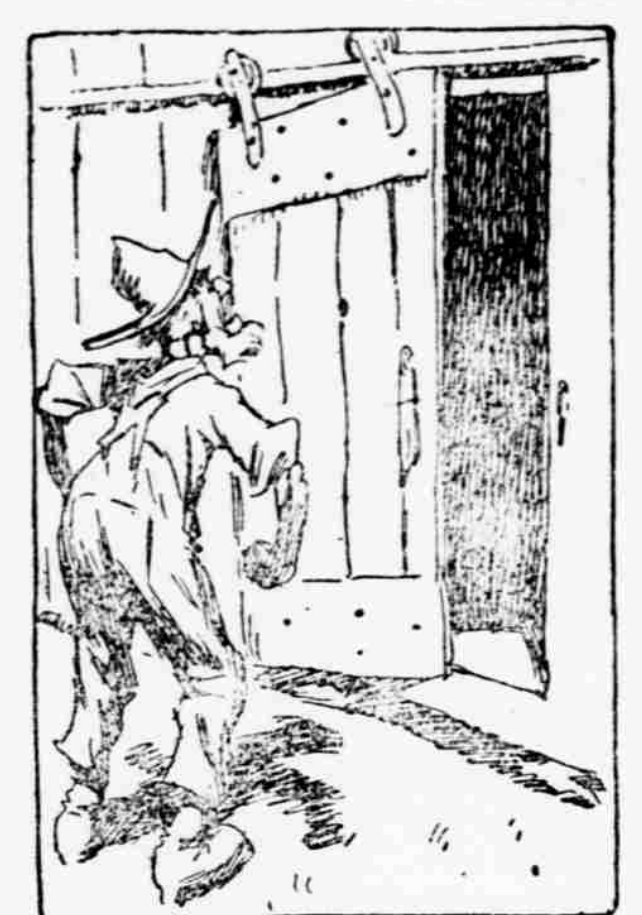
Mrs. DOLBY'S TALKS

Thinks the Deacon's Too Vivid For a Church Member

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SEVERAL little things had happened during the day to cause Deacon Dolby to look forward to a session after the supper dishes had been cleared away, and when the hour finally arrived he was as ready as he could be to take what was in store for him. He sat down in his rocking chair in the sitting room, pulled off his shoes and had been reading testimonials about a new patent windmill for ten minutes when Mrs. Dolby softly began:

"Samuel Dolby, just after breakfast this morning you went to the barn. Something was the matter with the stable door. When it would not open, you banged and kicked and muttered, and after five minutes you picked up a big stone and smashed at the door with all your might. At the same time you said something. I was too far off, and you saw me and didn't repeat it, but I want you to tell me right here and now what it was. Certain rumors



"SOMETHING WAS THE MATTER WITH THE STABLE DOOR."

have reached my ears, and I want to know if there is any truth in them. Did you say 'psawh,' 'sugar' or—"

The deacon had reached testimonial No. 4, and he became so deeply interested that he forgot to answer the question. Had it been otherwise he might have been compelled to admit that his exclamation had neither "psawh" nor "sugar" in it. Mrs. Dolby sat looking at a three-quarter view of him for two or three minutes and then continued:

"At the dinner table today I asked you to pass the fried eggs. The plate was hot, and you burned your fingers and dropped it with a crash. It was bad enough to have the plate broken and the contents spilled all over the tablecloth, but that was nothing to what you said. As the plate fell you yelled. As I didn't say anything at the time you probably thought I didn't pay attention, but I want you to know that I did. Samuel Dolby, you are a man fifty-nine years old, a deacon of the church and supposed to be a living example before the world, and yet when you burned your fingers you yelled out 'thunderation!' Don't deny it, sir. I not only heard it, but I wrote it down on the pantry door as soon as I got up. It will remain there as long as we live in this house, and I shall never see it without having cold chills go over me. What have you got to say for yourself?"

He had nothing whatever to say, but something like a smile appeared at the corners of his mouth. He was thinking what he would have said had he stubbed his toe instead of burning his fingers. He could have defended the word "thunderation" as perfectly proper under all occasions of sudden excitement, but before he had made up his mind to do so Mrs. Dolby went on:

"At 3 o'clock this afternoon I asked you to go up into the garret and get down my quilt frames while I went over to see Mrs. Green about fall pickles. Just as I returned you fell down stairs with such a clatter that for a moment I thought the house had been struck by a cyclone. I was so excited and I came so near fainting away that I don't remember what you said, but I know you yelled out at least four times. Samuel, I want you to tell me exactly what you said. It was something dreadful, but perhaps under the circumstances I can excuse it, and you can make a fresh start. I know that a fall downstairs is a sudden thing, and it is liable to throw even a deacon off his balance. Did one of your expressions refer to the bad place, Samuel?"

All four of his yells were directly connected with the locality mentioned, as he distinctly remembered, but the deacon didn't propose to enter into any arguments or discussions. He had said what he had said, and if Mrs. Dolby had any doubts about it then all the better for him, and he had made a safe escape of it. He tried his best to become deeply interested in testimonial No. 6, which stated that the "None Such windmill" only needed the breath of a sleeping babe to set it in motion, and after hearing a few sighs over the general situation Mrs. Dolby brought forward the last of fense:

"When I was ready to set about getting supper, I asked you to bring me in a pail of fresh water from the well. You went out with the pail, and I suddenly heard some one shout out. I went to the door and found you lying on your back on the ground. You had struck your toe against the soap kettle and fallen down. I didn't say anything, Samuel—not a word. I don't

think you even saw me. I am not asking what you said when you fell down, because I think it was, 'Oh, my!' But what I want explained is what you said later on, when you found the pump stuck fast. When you had worked away at the handle and the water wouldn't come, you jumped up and down and kicked the pump and shouted: '—it! —it! —it! —it!' three different times. I was having a chill, and my fingers were in my ears, and so I didn't catch the words, but I must know. You must confess to me and trust me to forgive you if I can. What does a man say when he grabs a pump handle and jumps up and down and looks red in the face? If you don't speak right up and tell me, I shall think the very worst."

The deacon laid down the circular as if he intended to make a full breast of the affair and depend upon Mrs. Dolby's wifely heart to forgive, but after a moment's thought he changed his mind and let his eyes fall upon the last testimonial. It was only ten lines long, and he read it over three times while she waited for his answer amid deep silence. By and by he yawned and stretched and got up on his feet, and, going over to the coal stove, he shut the drafts and carelessly observed:

"If you are going to make soft soap tomorrow, I guess we'd better get to bed a little early tonight."

M. QUAD.

THE LITTLE TOTS.

Funny Sayings Out of the Mouths of Windy City Youngsters.

Johnny Jones has a sister small. That he loves with all his heart. For when he doesn't get it all. He proceeds to take her part.

"Mamma," queried small Harry the first time he beheld a gaudy parrot. "Was that chicken hatched from an Easter egg?"

"Who lives next door to you?" asked little Edith of a caller.

"Why do you ask?" inquired the other.

"Because," replied Edith, "I heard mamma say you were next door to a crank."

The minister was dining with the family, and four-year-old Margie, who had been neglected, was heard whispering to herself, though quite inaudibly.

"What were you saying, Margie?" asked her father.

"I was just saying," replied the little miss, "that it's a measly shame the way some folks I know neglect their children."—Chicago News.

On His Latest Honeymoon.

Here briefly is the marital history of one of Brother Dickey's backsliding members:

"This is ter let you know ez one er my privileged chillun dat I done took ter mysef one mo' wife. Ef I makes no mistakes, dis makes three in all, not countin' dem what got monuments over dem. I dunno des what relation dis one'll be ter you, en I ain't got time ter study it out, ez I'm gwine on my honeymoon wid \$2 on a beaver hat."—Atlanta Constitution.

Fish Talk.



Deepwater Bass—Why don't you work for a living? You look strong enough.

Wandering Weakfish—Sir, unfortunately I was born a weakfish.—New York Herald.

Forearmed.

She—This is the restaurant where one always has to wait so long.

He—You know the reason, don't you? "No. Why?"

"Their prices are so high that they can't afford to serve any dish without first looking up the financial rating of the customer."—New Yorker.

A Pardonable Mistake.

Stella—I came near missing a proposal last night.

Bella—You did?

Stella—Yes. He got down on his knees, and I thought he was merely looking for a pingpong ball.—Harper's Bazar.

What More Could He Ask?

"But can you provide for my daughter properly?" asked the father.

"Certainly," replied the youth from Europe. "I can provide her with a title, can't I?"—Chicago Post.

Overzealous.

It is sad to observe how men suffer sometimes because their intentions are good. Their motives are lofty, and yet they are blamed.

Because they are misunderstood. A statesman will labor by night and by day.

Make speeches and try to be funny. Nor think of his pay nor once realize that he is giving too much for the money.

They say he's ambitious, an egotist bold; There's no telling where he will end. Unless he is curbed there's no limit to how.

His tyrannical sway will extend, And he strives till some rival of common-place mold. Steps in for the milk and the honey. He can't understand that it happens because.

He was giving too much for the money. —Washington Star.

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WINSTON PAPER CHANGES HANDS

Journal to be Enlarged and Improved—Matter of a Pardon.

(Special to The Messenger.)

Greensboro, N. C., November 25.—The Winston Journal, which had become one of the brightest local morning dailies in the state under the management of Messrs. X. Fawcette & Fay, changes ownership today. Mr. F. W. H. Leslie, of New York, has purchased the property, assuming charge at once. Mr. Fawcette will return to his former home in West Virginia, and Mr. Fay, it is learned, will remain as business manager. The understanding here is that Mr. Leslie will enlarge to eight pages, and take the full press dispatches. He is an experienced newspaper man and has entered a splendid territory for development.

Messrs. A. M. Scales and G. S. Bradshaw left for Raleigh this morning to present before the governor, pro and con, the matter of a pardon for Roscoe Murrow. Several weeks ago Roscoe Murrow, through Mr. A. M. Scales, filed his application with petition and affidavits in support of it. Later the governor decreed that the defendant be furnished a counsel for the prosecution with copies of his affidavits, etc., and afterwards ordered counsel for the prosecution to furnish the other side with copies of their affidavits, today being set for the hearing of the application for pardon. Mr. G. S. Bradshaw represents the prosecution. This case is one of unusual local interest because of the prominence of the parties and the families copies of their affidavits today being set than ordinary interest and attention. The defendant was tried and convicted, and is now serving a sentence on the roads for deception under promise of marriage.

A Night of Terror.

"Awful anxiety was felt for the widow of the brave General Burnham of Machias, Me., when the doctors said she could not live till morning," writes Mrs. S. H. Lincoln, who attended her that fearful night. "All thought she must soon die from Pneumonia, but she begged for Dr. King's New Discovery, saying it had more than once saved her life, and had cured her of Consumption. After three small doses she slept easily all night, and its further use completely cured her." This marvelous medicine is guaranteed to cure all Throat, Chest and Lung Diseases. Only 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at R. R. Bellamy's.

T. E. Houston Seriously Injured. Ronaoke, Va., November 25.—T. E. Houston, a millionaire coal operator of the Elkhorn, W. Va., district, while busy about one of his mines today, accidentally got on the track of the small coal hauling locomotives and was struck in such a manner as to break several ribs and caused serious internal injuries.

The Norfolk and Western officials here were telephoned and made up a special train at Elkhorn and gave it right of way over the tracks from Elkhorn to Lynchburg. Mr. Houston was taken aboard and accompanied by physicians started at once for Philadelphia, his home. He will reach Philadelphia early tomorrow morning.

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CRUM WILL NOT BE APPOINTED

Statement That the President Has Reconsidered His Expressed Purpose.

Washington, November 25.—The Post says that President Roosevelt has decided not to appoint Dr. Crum, the colored political leader, collector of the port of Charleston, S. C. It is understood, the Post says, that the president's decision is the result of statements concerning Dr. Crum's political career furnished to the White House by members of the colored man's own party.

Cleveland to Make an Address. Philadelphia, November 25.—Former President Grover Cleveland has accepted an invitation to preside at a public meeting to be held here on December 11 in the interests of the Berean Manual Training and Industrial school for colored people. Mr. Cleveland will make an address. Among the other speakers will be former Postmaster General Smith, Colonel A. K. McClure and Booker T. Washington.

"Let the GOLD DUST twins do your work."

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