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### ...TO-NIGHT.

...The Old Homestead"
...."Hoss and Hoss"
...."The Silver King"
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The Writer is mistaken. It is true that bossism flourishes in many parts of the "wild and woolly West," but an astonishing career of political infamy like MCKANE'S is only noted in the southeastern corner of New York state. So big a rascal on so grand a scale would be turned down in the West in a year. It is only in such "peaceable communities" as New York, Brooklyn and Coney Island that your MCKANE rises to his full possibilities. It takes Eastern culture and refinement to develop fully a MCKANE.

THE Anarchists should confine themselves to their fierce resistance of the bath tub and to occasional tiffs with the police. The Chicago Anarchist who sprang the story that his fellow murderer, LINGG, was murdered instead of having committed suicide, should be called out of the arena. Anarchy and fiction do not dovetail very neatly. In the present instance there is no more likelihood that LINGG was murdered than there is that he is now hobnobbing with the blessed. LINGG was a caged wolf. He chose death to a full enjoyment of his privileges as an assassin and took a horrible method to get out of the world. Any attempt to make a hero of him will fail. Perhaps Governor ALTGELD may shed a few bitter tears at the "horrible story told as the twilight fails;" but no one else will weep. The story lacks motive; it has no realism; and it is very, very tiresome.

### THE WATER WORKS CONTROVERSY.

Briefly summed up, the controversy between the city and the National Water Works company is this: The city has made to the company a proposition which the company rejects, and the company in turn makes a proposition to the city which the city rejects.

In rejecting this last proposition of the company, which is curiously called a compromise, the city is governed by every consideration of fairness and justice to itself. This proposition and everything like it should be rejected, because it is entirely one-sided. No basis of settlement should ever be agreed upon that does not recognize that the city owns its streets, and that the right to occupy and use them is a thing of value which the city has to dispose of; that the city has franchises to sell as well as give away. This important fact does not seem to enter into the calculations of the Water Company, nor of the various corporations which seek valuable privileges from the municipality. It is right now that there should be a change; that it should be made clear that the city has rights and is not entirely helpless in the matter; that the city may make terms as well as receive them from corporations.

The differences between the National Water Works Company and the city have been referred to the courts. Let them be settled there. Let the result of the litigation be what it may, it cannot result in anything so adverse to the interests of the city as an admission on its part that it does not own its franchises and that on the other hand it must pay for the use of its own. No court can ever decide anything so outrageous as that a city shall be bound to fulfill the conditions of a certain contract for twenty years, while the other party may withdraw on giving two years' notice.

The city should consider its own strong condition and exercise all its rights and privileges and all the authority it has at present over the corporations doing business within its limits, and there should never be a settlement that does not recognize the rule adopted by all great modern cities of regarding franchises as most valuable considerations in any "deal" with corporations, and the city as an equal "trader" and not a helpless purchaser.

### THE KANSAS CITY APPOINTMENTS.

The appointments of WEBSTER WITHERS for Collector of Internal Revenue for the Sixth Missouri district and of J. SCOTT HARRISON for Surveyor of the Port of Kansas City, may be classified under the head of "interesting" and indeed instructive.

These appointments illustrate, to begin with, the ancient prediction that "the last shall be first," and again it is the unexpected that has happened. The race, at any rate, has not been given to those who believed themselves the swiftest, nor to those who started out first. All the maxims that prevail among professional officeseekers about enterprise and diligence, and rising up early and staying up late, and about "being on the ground," seem to have amounted to nothing. Neither of the gentlemen who have received the coveted appointments engaged in any of the infinite toil and labor which the regulation office-hunter deems necessary to the attainment of his purposes. If there were wires laid they were certainly very deep underground and the "push" like the "pull"

...Government and of the business public—has been consulted; Mr. WITHERS will make a good collector, Mr. HARRISON a good surveyor, and all is well.

### JINGOISM RAMPANT.

A good deal of jingoism, misnamed patriotism, improperly called Americanism, and otherwise flimsily concealed, has been paraded over the action of the Administration with reference to the Hawaiian complications. It seems impossible for partisan organs to discuss calmly and intelligently the merits of the case, or to understand that it is not necessarily good Republicanism to uphold a mistake of the HARRISON government. It is not a question of pure sentiment or sympathy, but of national justice and should be treated as such. The New York *Sun*, an ardent hater of MR. CLEVELAND in and out of season, fairly foams at the mouth at any exhibition of statesmanship that has for its object the preservation of American integrity and honor. It assumes that the CLEVELAND policy is not the American policy, and in proof of this it cites the congratulatory message sent by Secretary of State BUCHANAN to France in 1848 on the overthrow of LOUIS PHILIPPE and the establishment of a Republic.

The citation is ridiculous. Minister RUSH did not conspire with Americans resident in Paris to overthrow the French form of government. Americus Vespucius of '48 did not land troops for the purpose of aiding the revolutionists and intimidating the royalists. In no way was the overthrow of LOUIS accomplished by American conspiracy or intervention. After the *coup d'etat*, which was brought about entirely without American aid and plotting, after the overthrow was an accomplished fact, the American Government recognized the Republic and congratulated France accordingly. In this there was nothing improper or indecent. Granting that MR. BUCHANAN "sped to the new born Republic of 1848 in France this assurance of America's sympathy for every people struggling out of the forms and traditions of monarchy," it is not recorded that he "sped" a man of war to take part against the royalists, or that he would have vindicated MR. RUSH in acting the part subsequently played by Minister STEVENS at Honolulu.

If MR. STEVENS was so purely American, so nobly and typically patriotic, so representative of the true national idea, why did Secretary FOSTER last winter send a dispatch rebuking him and disavowing his conduct in the name of the United States? If MR. STEVENS exceeded his powers, if he went beyond the limits of national honor in January is his conduct less reprehensible in November? If a Republican President felt that his country had been involved by the folly of his minister, why should that folly be upheld to-day by that same Republican as an ex-President? This sort of so-called Americanism is a very good thing for a stump orator in a backwoods campaign, but it is mighty poor policy for a great nation to argue before the entire civilized world.

MR. CLEVELAND recognizes that the United States, through MR. STEVENS and Captain WILTSE, criminally blundered; that the interference of a friendly nation in aid of revolutionists was a serious diplomatic mistake and an offense against international justice. This blunder he proposes to correct. As the abdication of LILIUOKALANI was accomplished by the unauthorized and ostentatious landing of United States marines, it is justly proposed to set this country right by undoing their work, which can be done only by replacing her on her throne. And this is why the jingoists howl. Further than this they propose to shut off debate.

Because the Administration in recognition of the country's error does a fair and just thing, it does not follow at all that it stipulates to keep her on the throne. There in the patient must minister to herself. If her subjects choose to rise against her, to depose her and to proclaim a republic, that is a matter to be settled in Hawaii by Hawaiians. Neither MR. CLEVELAND nor any other true American sympathizes with a monarchy as against a Republican form of government. If the people of Hawaii decide by revolution or arbitration to do away with monarchical power it is their privilege, and their success will receive the congratulations of the United States quite as enthusiastic as those tendered France within MR. DANA'S recollection. And this would not be jingoism, but rather the true American spirit, which is not afraid to do right, and is not ashamed of the manliness to correct an error into which it has fallen.

MR. STEAD had the distinguished honor of entertaining MR. FIELDEN at breakfast in Chicago, while they exchanged opinions as to the proper way of reforming the world. There was a bond of sympathy between

...would get ... a part of the vote of Colorado for ... nomination.

The ...roism of the schoolmistress, which ...been illustrated in many instances (as in ...braska where the teacher saved the children in the awful blizzard, and in cases of alarms of fire in city school buildings), has been again exemplified. The little school house at Coopersville, N. Y., caught fire on Tuesday while school was in session. The house was frame and burned rapidly. Seeing escape by the door was cut off, two of the largest boys escaped by the window. To these Miss MARY PORTER, the teacher, passed the smaller children one by one, the flames roaring about her and the black smoke filling the room. All the children were saved but one little boy. The teacher might have escaped but she stopped to save him, when a sudden whirl of flame and smoke enveloped both; when the gathered people tore aside the smoking ruins the dead teacher was found, only a yard from the window, with the dead child in her arms. She had passed nineteen children out to life and safety, and died with the twentieth. Lofty monuments have been reared upon which no such record of heroism could be written. The story of MARY PORTER will doubtless be lost in time with numerous other stories of woman's bravery.

NOW that MRS. LEASE has recovered from her headache she is sorry she said it. She is as good as pie to the men she lashed so bitterly with her rasping tongue only a week ago. Governor LEWELLING, according to this repentant woman, is a patriot, and a "clean, ironest gentleman," and his administration is little less delightfully pure than that in paradise. If the Populist administration were MR. LEASE she would put on her little brown apron and go out to the kitchen and cook it a dozen griddles of buckwheat cakes to make up for her hasty words. MRS. LEASE may bluster and storm around and go home nights without escort, but she is considerable of a woman after all.

### A PRAYER.

A stranger here, as all my fathers were
That went before, I wander to and fro;
From earth to heaven in my pilgrimage,
A tedious way for flesh and blood to go:
O Thou that art the way, pity the blind,
And teach me how I may Thy dwelling find.
—*John Ameer* (1615).

### INFORMATION FOR INQUIRERS.

SPEAKER CRISP—Charles F. Crisp was born in Sheffield, England, January 29, 1845. His father was a naturalized American citizen.

WORLD'S FAIR ATTENDANCE—The total number of paid admissions to the Columbian exposition was 21,477,212. No record of passes was kept.

### Transmitting His Order.

From Puck.

He entered the restaurant with the air of a man of elegant leisure, declined to take the seat which the head waiter indicated; but, after a survey of the room, chose one which suited him. He sat down, smoothed his napkin across his knee, adjusted his eye glasses, and carefully read the bill of fare from beginning to end. Then he glanced toward the waiter, who stood silent at his elbow, and by that sign indicated his readiness to give his order. The waiter slightly inclined his right ear, and the diner said:

"You may get me a slice of nice ham, neither too thick nor too thin, very little fat on it, and broiled over a charcoal fire. Also give me two eggs, new laid, fried in butter, on one side only. Be very particular to get them prepared properly."

The waiter strode haughtily away to the kitchen and yelled to the cook:

"Ham and!"

### KANSAS NOTES.

Wichita and Carbondale are winter quarters for two "biggest shows on earth."

The last election cost about $100,000 to the taxpayers of Kansas, but it was worth it.

It never rains but pours; Hudson is going to write another open letter to the Governor.

It is all over: The Kansas State Temperance union has given up its offices in Topeka.

J. M. Harvey, son of ex-Governor Harvey, was elected surveyor of Riley county last week.

The Topeka Elks have a piece of the flag which waved from Fort Sumter when it was fired upon.

A Hutchinson drummer sprained his ankle trying to learn the Berlin polka the other night.

The soldiers' home at Leavenworth is full. Has the dummy train stopped running under the bluff?

There is not a saloon in all Topeka where you can get rum—old fashioned Jamaica rum, that is.

The epidemic of diphtheria being over at Topeka the dog catcher is the only contagious thing in town.

Can some one call up the Duke of Iowa and find out where that union of the West and South scheme is?

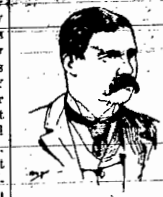
A ninety-eight pound pumpkin left over from the state fair should be gobbled up by Labor Commissioner Todd to use when his head aches.

The Abilene *Reflector* got the eye of the chair the other day to ask if George R. Peck also dictated the governor's Thanksgiving proclamation.

For the benefit of the Topeka Ladies' Literary society it should be reiterated that sandwiches are no longer tied with blue and white ribbons.

W. J. Haig of Kansas City, Kas., formerly private secretary of Senator Ingalls, has succeeded Harry Jetmore of Topeka as secretary to Justice Brewer.

A grand ball will be given at Ponca City next week to celebrate the erection of the first school house in the strip. The Kansas spirit is catching.



HAROLD FREDERIC.

Harold Frederic, a young American living in London, the foreign correspondent of the *New York Times*, has written several strong and truthful novels of American life. His latest one is "The Copperhead," a story of ... upright old farmer, who, single ... a community of abolitionists, supported the cause of slavery. The narrator is a 12-year-old boy, and the story is told so that not one line in it could be offensive to a person holding convictions on either side.

Abner Beech, the Copperhead, is a perfect representation of the American with Puritan blood, whose devotion to principle never wavers; whom circumstances and influences are unable to move. His only supporter is a red headed fighting Irishman, the hired man on the farm. This Irishman, Hurley, hates the blacks and loves a fight; as to the principles for which Abner is contending, principles are incomprehensible to Hurley. When Abner pours out his impassioned speeches, Hurley's wit always comes as a sort of anti-climax. But it always is wit and it makes the somberness of the picture endurable. The little boy is quite as good as Abner and Hurley. He never loses his childish point of view and his speeches have all the simple directness of childhood.

Mr. Frederic has succeeded in picturing all the toil and monotony of life on a farm, and though his descriptions are few and short, they bring up pictures of the days and the places, complete and natural. All Mr. Frederic's effects are produced simply, nothing has the air of a specialty, there is no exaggeration of characters or of surroundings, and yet the Americanism of it is felt everywhere. The higher realism which Mr. Howells is always urging seems to have found its exponent in Mr. Frederic.

BALLANTRAE.

### The Cruelty of Fate.

From the London Telegram.

There appeared last week in the middle of a column of advertisements not far removed from each other, two singularly contrasted appeals under the head of "Situations Wanted." One was from a young Scotch orphan lady, 21 years old, of good social position and education, who asked earnestly for employment, stating that "lack of experience in some cases and in others her youth and good appearance had proved fatal obstacles to any engagement." The only proposals she had received, said her advertisement, were to sit as an artist's model or to go on the stage and, objecting to both positions, she was spending her last money to issue this application. Removed from this by eight or ten ordinary insertions, another advertisement was to be seen from "a young man, deformed, whose affliction retards all his progress, seeking employment in any clerical capacity where 'personal appearance' is no object." Thus here, in close proximity, were specimens of the strange vicissitudes of life, the case of two young people, a maid and a man, one fatally handicapped in the struggle of existence by comeliness and one by malformation. To this one nature had been too bountiful; to that too unkind. The poor Scotch lassie was one "wearin' awa'" by reason of her good looks, the London lad crippled in his fortunes because crippled bodily. It is not often that beauty goes begging, but the case of the Scotch damsel was apparently that of a well and strictly brought up girl, who shrank from the theater as ungodly, and from the artist's studio with still greater repugnance, probably wishing heartily that she had been born plain. A little of her grace and charm, meantime, might have made the fortune of the poor London lad willing to do "any clerical work" if the affliction which burdened him could be overlooked by some kind employer. It is to be hoped that both of them have found a fair chance in the race of life by this time; but the strange and pathetic juxtaposition of the two advertisements—the appeal of a beautiful girl to have her loveliness no longer made her danger, and that of the youth to be compensated somehow for his bodily deformity—may console commonplace and plain people. It is by no means a bad thing for folks to be able "to pass in a crowd."

### Alligator Fishing.

From the Corpus Christi (Tex.) Caller.

Last Sunday Claude Fowler, Alexander and Henry Stevenson, Irving Westervelt, Willie Lyons, and —— Kimberlin went out to the pump house to spend the day on the banks of the Nueces river. While there two of the party, Claude Fowler and Alexander Stevenson, got in a skiff and went trolling for alligator gars. Fowler was at the oars and Stevenson was handling the line when suddenly the boat gave a lunge which almost threw them both out.

Something had got fastened on the hook which they imagined was a sure enough whale, so telling Stevenson to "give him line" Fowler at once pulled for the shore. The shore being gained, the fishermen began pulling in the line to see what was on the other end of it. It proved to be a monster alligator, the large hook having in some way become fastened to one of his forelegs.

After pulling the gator to the shore they were unable to land him for fear of breaking the line, so they called to some Mexicans, who came to the rescue with a rope. The alligator was then roped, after which it was an easy matter to land him. He lashed the ground and air furiously with his tail, but it did no good, and he was soon securely tied to a stout sapling, after which he was despatched with a rifle ball.

The 'gator measured twelve feet and seven inches in length, and was plenty able to drown and devour a good sized calf. It is said there are a good many alligators in the Nueces, and that they have been known to

...Bright wanderer ... Within these ... Where not a ... Thou ... The ... And then, like ... They ...

Alas! that thou ... Such joyance ... When, like an ... Weep ...

Born out of Him ... Like some for ... Down to thy ... A wra ...

S...

Last year N... clearing the streets ...

A photographic ... images of the same ... the same time or m...

Mrs. Bradley-... Jaffray, who was ma... cat's eye ring. Lad... tortoise shell fan.

A Methodist p... advertises that next ... mon against gambli... cards the methods ...

Mr. Sankey is ... York, and as usual ... to get into the crow... are soon to open an...

The Court of ... being demolished. ... en away, one of the ... stroyed and the oth...

The Conservat... a great deal of mone... halls with white ma... now the marble is ... over.

Last Sunday ... Most and the othe... cution of the Chicag... written on red pape... gallows.

Fany were ne... Queen Elizabeth's ... had a collection of ... with bangles of gol... monds, rubies and ...

Two men at R... rested for circulati... surely demand an... make a move to ... the law can be succe...

The new Chin... of eighty persons to... moved from Stewar... to home of the ... three brown stone h... tension of Fourteen...

The Baroness ... Maybrick, has been ... months looking af... and Kentucky. Mr... sentence in an Eng... husband. Sir Char... defense at the trial, ... is hoped he will use... The father of the b... once owned all of C... managed and the ba... cover more than 2...

Chicago paper... The rumors that Mi... the Prince Von ... papers insist that it ... the family. It is ... formal announcem... and Mrs. Pullman ... musician and linge... millions. The ... of his own. He ... exposition and ente... he was there. He ... the Pullmans, and ... bridge. Now, it is ... the world, going fr... impossible for the ... which does not be... essay on the "Mari... ago anent a knigh... Italy had conferre... palace cars.

### A R...

From Judge.

A countryman ... Episcopal churc... surprised to obse... ers, after seatin... heads for a few ... the pew in front ... "I never see tha... "but I wa'n't goi... I jest ducked mi... "You mean tha... er," suggested a ... "Well, skursel... ten."

### Th...

(To M...

The gabble-tree so... Sing Wow! for t... And various o'er-t... That down in the ... To never more fe... May be plunged all ... For infants don't e... For poems all dott... So cut it off shor... Just cut it of a ... Before the poor l... Sing Wow! F...

### Just...

From Judge.

Mamma—Wha... Johnnie—Boo... and hurt myself. ... Mamma—Well ... for?

Johnnie—You ...

From Puck.

Jimly—Self m...

Bimly—You a... always venerate...

### A ...

In England a S... ance policy is no... suspenders.