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**PROCTOR'S INTERESTING AD DRESS.**

How the South nominated Lincoln and other incidents not before chronicled of the memorable convention of 1860, at Chicago were told before the Hamilton club in Chicago by Addison G. Proctor of St. Joseph, Mich., who is perhaps the only surviving member of that historical session. Mr. Proctor, who at the age of 21 years, was a member of the Kansas delegation to the convention, depicted stormy scenes which took place in the old Briggs house, headquarters for many of the delegations. His relation of inside details which proceeded the balloting surpassed his hearers when he declared that organization among the scattered opposition to the nomination of William H. Seward of New

York and the ultimate selection of Lincoln was brought about by a stormy address made by a delegate from the south, Cassius M. Clay of Kentucky. "When we asked Greely, 'How about Mr. Lincoln,' said Mr. Proctor, he replied: 'While Mr. Lincoln is an adroit politician and a strong man in his own state, he lacks experience in public affairs and in the present condition of the country, while we are drifting towards a crisis I do not believe the country will trust a man so lacking in experience in national affairs.'" The Seward faction strength was weak, and at the critical moment there came Cassius M. Clay and a party of thirty men of the fighting kind from border states. "They impressed me as men moved by a feeling of intense purpose. We are on the eve of a great civil war," was about Mr. Clay's first sentence. "We are from the south. The south is preparing for war."

**THE KINGDOM OF DUST.**

Vast is the kingdom of dust. Unlike terrestrial kingdoms, it knows no limit. No ocean marks its boundaries, no mountains hem it in. No parallels of latitude and longitude define its boundless area, nor can the farthestmost stars in the infinite of space serve other than as twinkling outposts of a kingdom as vast as the universe itself. And what shall we say as to the component parts of this kingdom? In number form and variety they transcend all conception of the human mind. In shape they comprise every possible form. In position they include every possible substance that is material. In condition they are solid, liquid, vaporous and gaseous.

They are with us in the quiet seclusion of our homes. In the busy streets and marts of commerce, on the sunlit crests of the lofty Himalayas and out on the silent prairies, mingled with the deserts shining sands, amid the ice of the frozen Arctic. They fall as ambassadors from space on the clouds of canvas, the wings of the flying ships, thousands of miles from land. They come to us enshrined in the beautiful snow crystals and every drop of rain carries with it from the upper reaches of the atmosphere some of these tiny subjects of the mighty kingdom of dust.

Dust would not be possible were it not for the fact that matter is almost infinitely divisible. It has been estimated that an average puff of smoke from a cigarette contains about four thousand millions of particles of dust.

A single grain of indigo will give color to a ton of water, of course every drop of this water must contain an immense number of ultra-microscopic particles of indigo. A few grains of fluorescin, a substance derived from coal tar, will produce a distinct fluorescence, shining with a yellowish green light when strongly illuminated, in a hundred tons of water. To produce this result the fluorescin must be divided into hundreds of millions of particles.

Every conceivable substance enters into the composition of dust. In street dust may be found bits of iron and steel from the tires of the wagons and horseshoes, and even the nails of our own shoes, bits of leather from the harness, fragments of wood, cot-

ton, stone, silk, gold, silver, clothing, wool, hair, animal excreta, various ores, tin, paper, clay, sand, molds, bacteria—in fact everything under the sun.—J. Gordon Ogden, Ph. D., in the March number of Popular Mechanics Magazine.

**"THIS IS MY 64TH BIRTHDAY"**

Charles F. X. A. Chauveau.  
Hon. Charles F. X. Alexandre Chauveau, for many years a conspicuous figure in public affairs in Quebec, was born in the city of Quebec, Feb. 23, 1847. He is descended from an old French family who emigrated to Canada at the beginning of the eighteenth century. His father, P. J. O. Chauveau, was at one time premier of Quebec. The son studied first at the Jesuit's college in Montreal and completed his education at McGill and Laval universities. He was called to the bar in 1868, and four years later he began his career as a member of the Quebec legislative assembly. Subsequently he filled the positions of solicitor-general and provincial secretary. For fifteen years he served as professor of criminal law at Laval university. Some years ago he was made a chevalier of the Legion of Honor of France in recognition of the public service he had rendered to the French population of Quebec.

**LATEST MODELS SEEN HERE**

**SWINGING TRUCKS AND COACH LIKE BEARINGS**

Two New Engines Have Very Latest Devices.

Latest models in passenger engine types are presented in the two new passenger engines which reached La Grande yesterday, enroute to the O-W between Portland and Seattle. There are a great many new features on the engines. Not least of these, is the fact that a better "riding" effect is produced by the placement of the trailers. The trucks have a swing and the bearings are placed differently—similar to coach bearings—so that the roughness of the track is partly taken up by the devices named. This is a very desirable innovation in locomotives and local engines are anxious for the arrival for local services of similar engines. It is thought that similar types will soon be sent here, though these two mentioned go to Portland. Their numbers are 202 and 203.

**"THIS DATE IN HISTORY"**

- February 23.
- 1685—George Frederick Handel, the famous composer, born in Halle, Saxony. Died in London, April 14, 1759.
- 1764—William Eaton, who distinguished himself in the conflict between the United States and Tripoli, born in Woodstock, Conn. Died June 1, 1811.
- 1781—George Taylor, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, died in Easton, Pa. Born in Ireland in 1716.
- 1796—Napoleon Bonaparte appointed commander of the French army in Italy.
- 1821—John Keats, the great English poet, died. Born in 1796.
- 1827—Authorship of the Waverley novels acknowledged by Sir Walter Scott.
- 1836—Santa Anna invested San Antonio after its dismantlement by Gen. Sam Houston.
- 1848—Riots in Paris, resulting in the abdication of Louis Philippe the next day.
- 1865—Raleigh, N. C., taken by the federals.
- 1889—Rome refused permission to the Jesuits in Canada to confer university degrees.
- 1910—Chinese troops occupied Lassa and Dalai Lama fled to India.

Dinner to Congressman Gardner Washington, D. C., Feb. 24—The business organizations and citizens of Washington have completed arrangements for the complimentary dinner to be given to Congressman Washington Gardner of Michigan tomorrow night in recognition of his services in securing the passage by Congress of measures to benefit the national cap-

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ital. Speaker Cannon, Representative Champ Clark and numerous other public men of note have accepted invitations to attend the dinner.

**Georgia Drainage Congress**

Brunswick, Ga., Feb. 24—The Georgia Drainage congress held its annual session here today with a good attendance of delegates. In addition to the president, George W. Deen of Waycross, the speakers included C. G. Elliot, of the United States department of agriculture; S. W. McCallie, state geologist of Georgia and Dr. James Hyde Pratt, State geologist of North Carolina.

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