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MAN WAS BORN TO HUSTLE.

He is of few days; but quite a plenty.

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Town elections in Connecticut pointed in the direction of a heavy republican plurality there next month.

Much has been said about Tom Watson withdrawing from the vice presidential race, but Watson declares he hadn't thought of it himself. So there.

And Dave Hill must come down off the fence. His friends—and enemies—are convinced that the straddle act is debilitating to the anatomical structure.

The anti-tobacco society, of New Jersey, have gotten a rather noted recruit—a woman who is now 107 years of age. She professes having become convinced that tobacco may shorten her life, and has thrown away the pipe which had been her solace for more than seventy-five years.

MARK HANNA is quoted as saying that he is no longer confident of republican success. Hanna denies it, and if he hadn't the shallowness of the thing is apparent. No general would be foolish enough to admit his defeat in the face of an inevitable conflict—even to his most intimate friends.

Four ounces of gold from six of silver—is what Prof. Emmons, one of the most skilled metallurgists in the country, claims as the result of an experiment wherein silver was successfully changed into gold. His gold stands the government test of pure gold, and, though the process is now a crude and expensive one, he expects to materially simplify and cheapen it. This is but the first step in the realization of the dream of the alchemist. The free silver question has nothing to do with it.

A church bazar down in San Francisco will have a Bryan free-silver booth and a McKinley booth as attractions, so that the devotees of either faith may enthuse for the political creed of their choice and indulge their fancy in anything from a campaign speech to a presidential button. Surrounded by such influences as the church affords, there ought to be nothing beyond the limits of friendly rivalry between the two campaign headquarters, but no immediate reformation in the methods of political bossism need be counted on.

FLORIDA and Georgia elections, held this week, will supply the last definite "straw" for fixing up election bets. A democratic plurality in either state is not seriously questioned, the bigness or smallness of it will cut a slight figure with those who wager money on results in the national contest. There is no use finding fault, though if one were inclined to pessimism he might suggest that the early state elections sustain about the same relation to the general election that the first heats of a well-jockeyed horse race bear to the final one.

A DISSOLUTE young New Yorker, who for five years has abstained from liquor, in accordance with the provisions of a will, is now coming into possession of half a million. Besides getting a fortune by practicing what at first may have seemed self-denial, he has demonstrated that liquor was not necessary to his existence. Other young men addicted to the liquor habit may not

have a fortune awaiting them for the successful termination of the habit, but that should be no reason for their failure to firmly resolve, and no reason why a good resolution, once made, should be broken. Absolution from the slavery of drink would of itself be a priceless fortune to thousands of young men who are gravitating down the path of moral decadence.

A RUSSIAN electrician has come over to London with a theory which he thinks will enable him to place Europe and America in conversational distance to render the slightest whisper in London perfectly audible in New York. The problem of trans-Atlantic telephoning has for years been in process of solution by Edison and a number of others who have occupied places in the van guard of electrical progress—and American electricians have led the world in most all prominent electrical discoveries—but it rather out-herods Herod for a native of the non-progressive land of the Czars—a country that is popularly looked upon as possessing but few of the privileges of civilization, and not entitled to them—to come to the surface with the sanguinary declaration that he has won.

The gold democrats seem determined to deliver a knock-out blow at silver fusion in Oregon. They have protested against placing the four fusion electors on the official ballot as democratic electors on the grounds that the democratic electoral ticket originally nominated was never filed, except as to Oglesby who afterwards withdrew, and that there can be no substitutions until nominations and acceptances were first filed; that until the nominees of the convention have been regularly filed there can be no official nomination, hence no legal vacancy can occur to be filled by an appointment by the committee deriving such powers from the convention. If the protest is made to stick, there will be no fusion electors though without entering into the merits or demerits of the contention, it savors of the strange methods to which politicians will willingly resort to gain vantage ground.

A DISGRUNTLED contemporary is sorely distressed because THE MAIL has not taken from its columns the several words that were employed in conveying to the reader the information that all notices published herein and emanating from a county official were so made upon the authority of and by the direction of the law. The contract of THE MAIL to do the official printing for the county expired the 15th of September, or rather was superseded by a new contract effective from that date, but all legal notices placed for publication prior to that date were placed with THE MAIL. The several incomplete publications were not disturbed by the new contract, but remained with this paper for completion on the basis of the former contract. For the purposes of the completion of said notices, THE MAIL remained, constructively if not actually, an official paper of Jackson county. The last of the work was finished October 2d—but what's the use? The rantings of our critic are hardly worth the space they take and his "tempest in a tea-pot" style of warfare is hardly worth creditable notice.

ONE of the most gorgeous frauds of the times is doing the gullible of San Francisco to both the satisfaction of himself and the large majority of those who are taken in. He is none other than Schrader, who calls himself the divine healer and succeeds in making thousands of people believe it, though why he himself thinks so, or finds anyone frivolous enough to fall at his feet, has been explained on no other theory than that he got tired of tramping and conceived the idea of the willingness of the people to be humbugged on these lines. He sprung into notoriety down in Texas claiming to be none other than the Denver man who was introducing the divine healing system there several months ago, but when pressed on the matter of identity admitted that he was not the same but

had taken up his work. The Texas papers further exposed his methods by showing that while he was doing business without money and without price, his services were remunerated by street car companies, who cheerfully put up a percentage of the profits realized on the vast crowds who flocked to see him. One paper, that is inclined to doubt, laconically suggests that a cake of soap and a pail of soft water would add immensely to his divinity.

A Charge Denied.

On September 4th THE MAIL published substantially the reply of Mr. Tongue to the charges made by Mr. Vandenberg in his election contest case, together with charges of irregularities made by Tongue, which alleged irregularities were favorable to Vandenberg. Among other charges appeared the following:

In Jackson county it is charged that W. O. Messner and R. H. Messner both voted at Rock Point and H. J. Messner voted at Gold Hill; that each voted for Vandenberg and that neither of them were legal voters of the state or citizens of the United States, nor have they declared their intentions to become such.

The initials were evidently wrong, and the persons meant were W. Q. Messner and R. A. Messner, of Rock Point precinct, and A. J. Messner, of Gold Hill precinct. These gentlemen firmly protest against any assertion that they are not citizens of the United States, and state that they are citizens of the United States and on the day of election were duly qualified electors.

Death of a Medford Pioneer.

In the death of S. S. Penwell, which occurred at his residence in this city Monday evening of this week, Medford loses one of its very earliest citizens.

Mr. Penwell was born in Indiana and from there moved to Kansas, thence to Portland, Oregon, where he resided eight years. From Portland he came to Medford where he has resided twelve years. He was sixty-seven years of age and leaves to mourn his death a wife and several children and grandchildren. He was an honest, upright and respected citizen and his demise will be mourned by his many friends.

He had been ill for some time with cancer of the stomach and for five months past he had been confined to his bed.

Funeral services were held at the family residence on Wednesday of this week, and were conducted by the G. A. R. post of this city, of which the deceased was an honored member. The funeral sermon was preached by Dr. T. N. Berlin, and interment was made in the Old Fellows' cemetery.

City Council Proceedings.

Tuesday evening of this week the city council met in regular session. Full board present.

Ordinance committee reported unfavorable upon matter pertaining to the extension of the fire limits to include two blocks west of S. F. depot. Reasons given were that petitioners were not a majority of all the property owners in the two blocks.

F. W. Wait's contract to put in stone street crossings on Seventh street was annulled, work not having been completed, or even commenced, by October 1st, the day set for it to be completed.

The recorder was instructed to advertise, by posting notices, for new bids for this work. Bids to be in by 12 o'clock, noon, of Friday, October 16th.

Moved, seconded and motion carried that water be shut off in all cases where water rents are not paid in full by October 15.

The following bills were allowed:

J. R. Wilson, blacksmithing	10 65
S. G. P. Co, wood, bill for 80 rods	65 00
J. A. Morey, labor on ditch	3 00
E. W. Gardner, engineer's salary	50 00
F. Adams, street care uniting	10 00
G. H. Haskins, recorder's book and hall rent	94 00
W. F. York, recorder's fees	10 80
D. Coffey, night watch and fuel	38 95
A. C. Nicholson, doctor bill, accident at fire	4 00
Total	\$233 65

Married at Yreka.

The Yreka Journal reports the marriage of Harry G. Mathes, of Phoenix, to Miss Kate Cooley, of that city, which occurred Sunday, September 27th, in the following manner:

"On last Sunday morning, Harry G. Mathes, of Phoenix, Or., and Miss Kate Cooley, the well-known and estimable daughter of the pioneer residents of Willow Creek, Mr. and Mrs. John Cooley, were united in holy bonds of matrimony, by the Rev. A. George, rector of St. Mark's church, at the residence of the bride's parents. Mr. Mathes is a well and favorably known gentleman of Phoenix, while Miss Cooley has been for a number of years past one of our most successful school teachers in this county. The young people have the best wishes of the Journal, in connection with those of numerous other friends, for a long life of matrimonial happiness. Those present at the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. John E. Cooley and family, Mr. and Mrs. Mathes and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. VanDyke, of Phoenix, Or., Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Cryderman, of Ashland, Or., Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Dockery, of Pokegama, Miss Minnie Hearn, of Yreka, and Mr. Fred Weeks, of Medford, Or. Mr. and Mrs. Mathes will reside in Jackson county, Oregon, where Mr. Mathes owns a profitable farm. The many friends of Mrs. Mathes wish her success and joy in her new home. The educational department of this county will lose one of its most active and intelligent workers."

Darlington, Wis., Journal says editorially of a popular patent medicine: "We have known from experience that Chamberlain's colic, cholera and diarrhea remedy is all that is claimed for it, as on two occasions it stopped excruciating pains and possibly saved us from an untimely grave. We would not rest easy over night without it in the house." This remedy undoubtedly saves more pain and suffering than any other medicine in the world. Ever family should keep it in the house for it is sure to be needed sooner or later. For sale by George H. Haskins.

A LITTLE OF EVERYTHING.

The Labrador fishing season just closed has proven a failure.

Thos. B. Reid is coming to the Pacific coast to campaign for McKinley.

The Bryan democrats of New York will protest in the courts against the right of the gold standard democrats to use the title "the national democratic party."

The Washington Post publishes this as Li Hung Chang's manual of etiquette: "How old are you? What is your income? Are you married? If so, why were you never divorced?"

A big fish story comes down from Alaska, and it has the floor at present. It happened at Karlub during the summer, when four hundred and twelve ton of fish were caught with one haul of the net.

On September 22d Queen Victoria's reign became the longest in English history. The event was observed by the press in productions of long patriotic editorials and the publication of poems incident to the occasion.

A Little Rock report says the democrats and populists of Arkansas will not fuse in this campaign. The democrats offer the populist four presidential electors, but the populist want in addition two of the six congressmen to be elected. This the democrats will not give and so the populists say they will not fuse.

Notes issued by the Bank of England are cancelled as soon as they return to the bank. Their average length of life is but a few days, although some stay out for a long time. A note for \$125 was out for 125 years, at the end of which time it was presented and paid. Had the owner been able to demand compound interest he would have received about \$30,000.

Outside of Jackson, Van Buren, the elder Harrison, Pierce, Lincoln (his second term) and Grant, there has been no president since the time of Monroe with an absolute popular majority over all candidates and Hayes and the second Harrison were actually second in the returns of the popular vote. Garfield only barely escaped the same anomaly of our electoral system.


The flying machine of Civil Engineer Otto Lilienthal, who met his death while experimenting with his machine, has been taken to pieces by order of his family, in order to prevent others from suffering a similar fate. The several parts of the machine will remain for the present at the shops of the late inventor, but nothing will be done toward completing or improving it.

The Baldwin theatre folks at San Francisco are continuing their warfare on the high hat nuisance by tendering the offender an engraved card on a silver salver—the card reading as follows: "The management sincerely regrets any personal annoyance this may cause you, but must respectfully request that you remove your hat, as complaints have been lodged that it interferes with the comfort and enjoyment to which they are entitled."

Half of three hundred girl employes in the Gould match works, at Passaic, N. J., struck last week because of an order requesting them to have their teeth examined and repaired. The reason of the order was the phosphorus, which is used in making matches, if allowed to act on decayed teeth will eventually subject them to disease and leave them crippled for life, and damage suits may result; the employes were ordered to submit to an examination and return with a certificate.

Another point has been revealed by a decision of the supreme court of the District of Columbia, where in "women's rights" are greater than those of men. It is while our naturalization laws do not permit male aliens to become citizens of the United States until 21 years of age, no such restrictions exist in the case of female aliens. This decision enabled an Irish girl, who had passed our civil service examination, to secure an appointment which had been previously refused her because she was only 19 years of age.

The "mint officials" of the Malayan peninsula claim the distinction of "coining" the most unique piece of money now in use in the world. This curious coin is simply a thin disk or wafer of hardened vegetable gum, the original source of supply being the bola tree and a bluff of emory sand. Dozens of trusty officials are constantly employed in collecting bola gum and sifting and pounding the sand which is to be used as "alloy." The coins so struck are not only unique and curious on account of the material used in their composition but because they have the least change of value of any medium, unless we except the shell money of the west coast of Africa. The elasticity of their currency is unquestioned.



Not Fire, But Water!

We place on sale this week 10,000 yards of Canton Flannel; in grey colors, for underwear, worth 10c per yard. Have been soaked with water and re-dried. We offer these goods

16 Yards for \$1

6 1-4 cts per yard, the price of calico

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