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NEW SHORT STORIES

The Magnate's Surrender.
One of the boasts of James J. Hill, the railroad magnate, has been that he has no telephone in his house. "My office is the place to do business," he has declared, "and my office hours the time in which to do business. When I am behind the door of my home I am safe from the world."

He has been, too, as can be proved by many a reporter who tried to interview him there at night. The best the reporter ever got was a sarcastic grin from the butler, who butted the reporter out to the cold world and a hot city editor. But the other day, according to Mr. Hill's own statement, his butler approached him. "The man is here to put in the telephone," said the butler.

Mr. Hill promptly willburwrighted. He wanted no telephone, he said. He would have no telephone. He regarded it as a piece of gross impertinence on



"WHY DIDN'T YOU TELL HIM SO?"

the part of the telephone company to assume that he wanted a telephone. "Why didn't you tell him so?" he demanded of the butler. Now, you would think that this mental, convicted of error, would have wilted beneath the magnate's frown. He did not. "Hi told him, sir," said the butler calmly, "that this telephone was wanted by the servants, sir. Hi told 'im you didn't desire hit, sir, but that we 'ad to 'ave it."

James J. Hill, magnate, looked at Mr. Hill's butler's impassive face. He twiddled his fingers for a moment on the mahogany desk. Then, confronted with the certainty of a servants' strike, he weakened. "Put it in, then," he said, and, with a return of courage, he growled at the butler, "But if I'm ever bothered by it I'll fire every one of you."

And the butler bowed in meekness and said, "Very good, sir."—Cincinnati Times-Star.

Tillman's Favorite Dish.
A year or two ago Senator Tillman gave to a chef in the senate restaurant a recipe for an excellent corned beef hash, the fame of which speedily penetrated to the uttermost recesses of the capitol.

When the head waiter wants this hash prepared with unusual care he orders it in this wise:
"One corned beef hash for Senator Tillman."

One day recently during the luncheon hour the restaurant was doing a land office business, and everybody seemed to want corned beef hash. Ten times at least did a waiter approach the serving table with the order for Senator Tillman's corned beef hash.

Finally the thing got on the chef's nerves. "Look here," he shouted to one waiter, bringing the same old order. "Dat's de twelfth order for Senator Tillman. He better watch out or he'll founder hisself!"—Lippincott's.

HAD A PRESENTIMENT THAT HOTEL WOULD BURN

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—Mrs. Sarah Jennings, a wealthy widow of Brewster, N. Y., who has been called the "Feminine Sherlock Holmes," made this prediction in the dining room of the Greek hotel last night:
"This hotel will be on fire before morning. I have a presentiment."

The hotel was on fire at 3 o'clock this morning, and the 50 guests it housed fled to the street.

Mrs. Jennings, according to the hotel records, changed her room three times during the night. Each time she moved she told the clerk she was overjoyed with the presentiment that the house would catch fire.

Investigation later developed the fact that the fire had originated in the bridal chamber of the hotel, a guest having thrown a lighted cigarette into a paper basket.

GOVERNOR CHAMBERLAIN TO RETAIN GOVERNORSHIP

SALEM, Or., Jan. 28.—George E. Chamberlain will never resign the governorship. Such is the word that has been passed around the capitol, and it seems to come from an authoritative source. He has not said that he will resign. What he has said is that he will be in attendance at the first session of congress after his election as senator.

Instead of resigning the office of governor, he will let his acceptance of the office of senator act as a vacation of the office of governor. There will not be a fraction of a second of time between his ceasing to be governor and his becoming senator.

The SPORTING WORLD

Pittsburg in Grand Circuit.
Pittsburg, once one of the best members of the grand circuit, promises to again become a prominent factor in the light harness world.

Land has been secured for the construction of a large park with a mile track and a big clubhouse that will accommodate not only horse owners, but automobile owners as well.
The present idea is to hold a great fair in connection with a race meeting of national importance. This combination seems to be the solution of the racing question, so far as the light harness horse is concerned. It is probable that the new association will ask for membership in the grand circuit, and those who remember the great meetings that were held in other days will extend a cordial welcome.

Ketchel May Fight Johnson.
Stanley Ketchel, the two time middleweight champion, who is fast growing out of his class, will soon forsake the middleweight ranks and will take on big Jack Johnson after the negro's battle with Tommy Burns, Dec. 26.

The report has been circulated that Johnson had challenged Ketchel to a long distance bout, no matter what



STANLEY KETCHEL.

the termination of his battle with Burns would be. Johnson is confident of winning the heavyweight title and says that Ketchel is the only available man in the world to put up a stiff battle with him.

Ketchel has expressed his willingness to meet the negro, but says that he will rest up next before he tackles any one.

Driscoll Wants Attell's Title.
That the world's featherweight title is in danger of changing hands and adorning a subject of the British Isles was presaged at the National Athletic club recently. Jim Driscoll is one of the classiest little men who ever came out from England. He can both box and punch and knows all the artifice of the game. Abe Attell, the present holder of the title, showed in his recent bout with Al Volger, that he is on the down grade. An analysis of the contest proved that he has lost speed, cleverness and ring generalship. These three attributes made him the great little champion that he is. If Driscoll can make the featherweight limit required in this country, 122 pounds, he will prove a dangerous customer for Attell to tackle.

WOMAN PICKS A HUSBAND FROM 1000 APPLICANTS

CHIPPEWA FALLS, Wis., Jan. 28.—Miss Frances Livingston of Boyd, who perhaps received more proposals than any other woman in the world, has chosen Louis Stravans of Dorchester, Wis., for her husband, and the county clerk issued a marriage license to them. Miss Livingston last October began to advertise for a husband. She said she was 36 years old and good looking; that she had a farm and money in the bank. She maintained that women should advertise for husbands, because this means a woman could get out of her narrow village or town sphere and search the entire world for her affinity.

Proposals came from men in two continents. By December 31 she had received about 1000 proposals of marriage. She then proceeded to classify and eliminate the candidates, and finally decided upon Stravans.

WESTON, THE WALKER, TO AGAIN CROSS CONTINENT

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—"Well, I'm off for another good sized walk pretty soon," smiled Edward Payson Weston, the 71-year-old pedestrian, today.

"I'm going clear across the continent this time and hope to set a mark that even the youngsters won't touch for a while."

The old plodder is going to start on March 15—his 70th birthday—to walk from the city hall here to the city hall in San Francisco. He expects to make it in 100 days.

AUNT CARRIE IS HANDED, NOT LEMONS, BUT EGGS

LONDON, Jan. 28.—Mrs. Carrie Nation, who is attempting to deliver a series of lectures here, met with a howl the reception at the Canterbury music hall. She was presented with eggs, one of them striking her in the face. The anti-men maintained a chorus of hisses. Mrs. Nation was obliged to quit the house under police protection.

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