

MEN OF PROMINENCE IN AFFAIRS WHOSE DOINGS ARE PART OF THE WEEK'S NEWS



HOKE SMITH

W.R. BROOKS

W.E. COOPER PROCTOR



PHILIP HEINKEKIN

CAPT. T.R. FRANKLIN

HUGH CAIRNS

NEW YORK, June 5.—(Special.)—Possibly the greatest living man of science is Ernst Haeckel, expounder of the monistic theory and long the most militant and powerful disciple of Charles Darwin. He has recently resigned his professorship at the University of Jena, which he has held for 45 years. He was born at Potsdam in 1834. He proposes to devote his "leisure" to writing a history of biology.

Senator "Big Tim" Sullivan sailed last week on the Mauretania for a visit of about 10 weeks. He expects to make a trip through Holland, Norway and Sweden and spend a few days in Ireland after seeing the Grand Prix race in Paris. The big Senator indulged in much enthusiasm before leaving. He kissed his friends and relatives and was "kissed" for at least \$400 by his Bowery friends in loans and gifts. There were enough "Goral pieces" to block the Bowery. Sullivan and his chief are the big power in Tammany Hall politics.

Philip Heinkekin succeeds Dr. Heinrich Wiegand as the active managing head of the North German Lloyd Steamship Company. He was born at Bremen in 1860. He was engaged in the cotton business in Liverpool and later established a cotton market at Bremen. In 1892 he became a member of the board of directors of the North German Lloyd and finally, after repeated offers, became one of its managing directors, and now is managing director.

It is stated that Captain Thomas R. Franklin, U. S. A., who it was recently reported would be court-martialed for alleged irregularities in his accounts when he served as commissary officer at West Point several years ago, may be tried by civil court. The Captain is one of the best known of the army's young officers and was treasurer of the Military Academy at West Point from 1902 to 1908, in which period about \$200,000 passed through his hands. He has been known as the army's "best business man." He declares that he will disprove all charges made against him.

Hugh Cairns, the Boston sculptor, in declaring that corsets and the modern woman's dress are causing a deterioration in type of feminine beauty, has caused no end of comment among women and physicians. Mr. Cairns says that

fashions are abominable and are the ruin of the charms of femininity. A number of prominent physicians and women agree with Mr. Cairns that the wearing of tight corsets and high-heeled shoes, to say nothing of the ponderous coats, on top of hair that is pulled out, with "rats," affect the health of the coming generation materially.

Governor Hoke Smith is in the news in connection with the anti-negro strike on Georgia railroads, and his refusal to call out state militia to protect railroad property. Governor Smith was born at Newton, N. C. In 1835 and became Governor of Georgia in 1897.

William Cooper Proctor, of Cincinnati, has made an offer recently of \$500,000 for the proposed graduate college of Princeton University. The gift is made on certain conditions and is the largest the university has received for a long time. One of the conditions is that an equal sum of \$500,000 be pledged by May 1, 1910, and another that a site satisfactory to the donor be chosen instead of the "prospect site," which is the site

on which President Woodrow Wilson's house is located. There have been a great many objections to the location for the graduate college and the alumni of Princeton generally will be glad to learn of the new plan. There is little doubt that the additional half million will be forthcoming in less than a year.

Dr. William R. Brooks, of Hobart College, Geneva, who has discovered more comets than any other living astronomer, is out with a new plan for signaling Mars. He suggests that we construct a large area of electric lights, so arranged that all can be turned on and off at once, enabling us to give signals by means of long and short flashes. He thinks such signals are far more likely to be seen on Mars, if there are intelligent beings there, than signals flashed from mirrors, which is the plan of Professor Pickering, of Harvard. He believes that it would cost less to use electric lights and the area of lights would be limited only by the funds available. Dr. Brooks has discovered 25 comets, a record that was surpassed only by Pons, now dead, who found 28.

Lorimer's Election Shows That Party Lines Fade

Parallel to Oregon Politics, but With Differences—Madden's Career Ended by Brand of Graft—Stockyards Clean and Beautiful—Chicago Charter Killed.

CHICAGO, June 5.—(Special.)—Into the election of William Lorimer as United States Senator by a coalition of Democrats with Republicans, the opponents of Lorimer are reading merely a meaning of party treachery and political bartering. Possibly that interpretation is right. More likely it falls short of the larger truth that party lines are not so unyielding as they once were. Oregon threw a temporary shock into the practical, traditional politicians of the East when the Republican Legislature selected a Democrat to the United States Senate. Undoubtedly that Oregon precedent has had a lot to do with modifying public sentiment on questions of party fealty. President Taft's appointment of two Democrats to places in his Cabinet has had the same tendency. Last February the Democrats of the Illinois Legislature united with the Republicans of one faction and elected a Republican Speaker. Illinois never had heard of such a thing in its politics and it grasped with surprise. Presently the situation was accepted as a matter of course and the legislative mill went on with its work. There was no more talk of party lines and there was a second stage of surprise. Oregon Republicans elected a Democratic Senator because the people advised it at the ballot box. Illinois Republicans and Democrats elected a Republican Senator, but did not choose the man selected for them at the ballot box. The difference in the conditions is a big one, but the best thought of Illinois is agreed that, if William Lorimer "makes good" as Senator, the manner of his election will be recalled as merely incidental.

It is more than likely, Mr. Lorimer will make good. Illinois never had a Congressman who worked harder than he. To him more than to any other man is due the sentiment aroused in favor of a deep waterway from the Great Lakes to the Gulf of Mexico. In his home town



William Lorimer, Newly-Elected Senator From Illinois.

and district he is a political trader and really and truly boss, but nobody ever has charged him with being false to his duties in Washington. The strife against him in Chicago has been factional within his own party. Over his enemies he has been singularly successful for nearly a score of years. But the point is that, if he measures up to the standard in his new capacity, future bipartisan coalitions will be looked upon with more complacency.

Madden Branded as Graft.
At last the brand of grafter and conspirator has been placed on "Skinny" Madden, the militant president of the Associated Building Trades, who was hoisted to power on the shoulders of hired slugs and kept there by his own bluff and cunning for years. Beyond branding the man and his co-conspirators, the jury which found them guilty went no

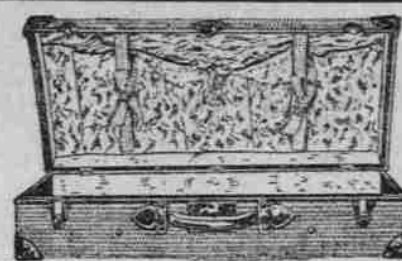
further than to decree a fine of \$500. Pointed out as the Sam Parks of Chicago, Madden escapes the fate of Parks, who died in Sing Sing prison for his crimes, but it is believed his power for mischief in the labor affairs of Chicago has forever been broken. The particular crime of which he was convicted was the extorting of \$1000 from representatives of the Joseph Kitzka Company as the price for the settlement of a strike. Frankness was one of the virtues of the jury. To a man it admitted its belief that Madden was guilty as charged, but some of it would be dogged if they would vote to send the man to prison. There was railing among the jurors because the law did not provide for the punishment of the man who paid the money to have the strike settled. Madden came to Chicago from Kansas City some 15 years ago. He had a remarkable faculty of keeping in the background and of luring other men to do his bidding. Surrounded by his henchmen, his advance to the place of labor boss was picturesque. It involved historic clashes with "Ed" Carroll, John C. Isenhour, Charles Dole and F. N. Necheles, each in his day a power in local labor affairs. Strewed in the bloody path of his progress were the bruised bodies of once powerful men. Among the victims of the Madden strong-arm tactics was Michael Donnelly, who was known as the "boss" of the city. Donnelly never fully recovered from the injuries then sustained.

"Show me an honest man and I'll show you a d—d fool," was a favorite expression of Madden's and his whole line of conduct was based on that philosophy.

Chicago Has "Earthquake."
It was only an earthquake, breaking a few dishes, toppling bricks from chimneys and causing skyscrapers to tremble, but it was a shock in another way. Chicago has been plunging itself for decades that it is immune from cyclones on account of the proximity of the lake and two or three rivers, and that it is out of the earthquake zone. It is not quite so sure now. Indeed this little tremor has called to the mind of seismologists that in 1811 there was a severe earthquake hereabout that which destroyed San Francisco. Given the present canyons of skyscrapers and the hundreds of thousands of persons at

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work in them, such a quake now would kill thousands where the San Francisco affair killed tens. Hence more anxiety in Chicago than heretofore. Scientists may find significance in the fact that the quake last week was severest near the shores of Lake Michigan and along the river valleys roundabout. One local geologist suggested as a possibility that a fissure at the bottom of Lake Michigan may have been caused by the quake. It is a theory that "slips" of the earth are more likely to occur under lakes or river beds than elsewhere.

A phenomenon in Lincoln Park, a short distance from the lake shore, may or may not be traceable to the earthquake. For years there was a well in the park which spouted water highly impregnated with minerals. Chicagoans came from far and near with buckets and bottles for this water, believing it to be most wholesome. Two or three years ago the well "lost itself." Experts investigated, but could not explain why the water quit flowing. On the day of the quake it resumed operations at the old stand. It is supposed the "slip" readjusted the pressure.

Making Stockyards Beautiful.
Since the Government got after the packers, following the publication of "The Jungle," there has developed a perfect passion for cleanliness and beauty at the stockyards. Now it is flowers and shrubbery and patches of greenward. J. Ogden Armour and Arthur Meeker have started the campaign for "the stockyards beautiful," and the infection is likely to spread. Visitors coming from the zany spectacle of the slaughter nowadays find a delightful foil outside the building for the merciless grinding of the wheels of industry. It is a far cry from a stuck pig to a delicate bloom, but in space the transition is easy.

Those who have not visited the packing plants for years are agreeably surprised by the transformation that has been wrought in many of the departments. The packing of the carcasses was started at Government behest, the packers themselves realized what a fine thing sanitary regulations really are. Fingers are manicured, aprons are cleaned nightly, toilet rooms are irreplaceable, tables are secured to the neatness of a German kitchen, and walls and floors are washed with disinfectant. Instant expulsion is the penalty for expectation. The packers would not think of going back to the old order of things. Government or no Government.

Can't Afford to Invite Taft.

Chicago is building a \$4,000,000 City Hall, but the city is too poor to have President Taft here for the laying of the cornerstone the latter part of this month. The appropriate council committee had made enthusiastic plans to have the Chief Magistrate here and to make the occasion one for the apotheosis of the town in toast and oratory. When the committee came to count the cost it found that \$500 would hardly cover the bill. It was only a bit compared with the cost of the stone pile which is to be reared as a companion piece to the city's greatest God. To threaten the maw of his \$1,000,000 forgeries in mortgages that the authorities might distinguish between the false and the true in the papers, Peter van Vliessen, once well-to-do and respected real estate agent, has gone to the penitentiary to serve his sentence. It was a dramatic story he told of his first forged mortgage and of the long struggle thereafter to wipe out the evidence of the crime with another until he became hopelessly tangled. In the meshes of his fraud he had caught two men who proved tartars. Those men he charged with being cognizant of his forgeries and of knowing months before the final exposure came that he was robbing others

to pay them. They are Maurice Rosenberg and Bernard Rosenberg, and they are now being sued by two of Van Vliessen's victims to recover \$20,000.

Winners on Wheat Boom.

Chicago has not stored up any ill-will against James A. Patten on account of the May wheat deal for the reason that it brought a lot of good money to this town from New York, Pittsburg and other Eastern centers of wealth. The men who lost the great bulk of the coin were Wall street plunger and corporation magnates and there were who like to take an occasional fling at the wheat market for the excitement of the thing. Nobody is hearing of any roar from the farmers of the wheat states. Flour costs more than it did, but so does everything else and after all is said, it is the cheapest thing that goes on the table.

Patten's followers in the market had a good thing. Hundreds who had faith in the judgment made from a few hurriedly gathered notes from a commission trader brought a lot of good money to this town from New York, Pittsburg and other Eastern centers of wealth. The men who lost the great bulk of the coin were Wall street plunger and corporation magnates and there were who like to take an occasional fling at the wheat market for the excitement of the thing. Nobody is hearing of any roar from the farmers of the wheat states. Flour costs more than it did, but so does everything else and after all is said, it is the cheapest thing that goes on the table.

Grain men of the Red River Valley found the Patten deal a bonanza. They profited to the extent of probably \$1,000,000 through the good offices of Charles Lewis of Minneapolis, who put a easy roll into his own pockets. Latterly not less than 90 per cent of the wheat which was delivered in Chicago to Patten on May contracts with the shorts, came from Duluth. The men who delivered it were

forced to pay a pretty premium. Speaking in the broadest sense, then, the steel crowd is poorer and the Westerner and farmer is richer for what has happened.

The Legislature knocked Chicago's proposed new charter into smithereens, but it made some amends by passing a bill allowing the city to increase its bonded debt by \$15,000,000. This will enable the city to go ahead with the replacing of river bridges condemned by the Government, with an extension of the water works system at a cost of \$7,000,000 to \$10,000,000, with the work on the new \$4,000,000 City Hall, and to get a start on the \$50,000,000 subway system which engineers say is absolutely necessary to relieve the traffic congestion in the business district.

Chicago finds many disadvantages in being such a large town when it comes to procuring needed legislation from the General Assembly. The down-state legislators have been anxious for years over the wonderful growth of Chicago. It now has more than a third the full voting strength in the Legislature, and the rural members think they foresee the day when Chicago will absolutely dominate the state legislative body unless she is curbed. The curb proposed is that her representation shall be limited to three. Because the Cook County members would not agree to it the charter bills were defeated and the town was lucky to come out of the wreck of legislation with her bond bills endorsed. It is an old, old conflict between city and country, and it seems likely to go on in future sessions.

Propbet's Name Prevails.

Boston Transcript.
In choosing his title the new sultan has nine recognized spellings of the name of "the prophet" from which to select. Mohammed, Mahomet, Mahomed, Muhammad, Mahmud, Mehmet, Mehemmed, Mehemmed and Mehemmed all refer to one and the same historic character. Turkey has had four sultans bearing the name Mohammed, one of them the conqueror of Constantinople, and one Mahmud. The new sultan's suffix, V, indicates that if he bows to simplified spelling he still adheres to the traditions of the great name of Mohammed.

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