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When Choosing A WIFE

A man of sense wants not only good looks, but charming manners, a genial temperament. So it is when a gentleman is in search of a suit or overcoat. Sweatshop clothes are frequently made from nice looking cloth, but character is lacking. The cloth is not shrunk like "High Art Clothes"; instead of High Art linen canvass, others put in cheap burlap. Instead of hair cloth stiffening as in High Art clothes, cheap clothing has some poor starched material.

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P. A. STOKES

MITCHELL WILL SUPPORT FULTON

Election of Astorian to Senate Now Said to Be Definitely Assured.

CONFERENCE AT METROPOLIS

Journal Says Influence on Senator Will Go to Man Whose Efforts Resulted in His Election.

(Portland Journal.)

John H. Mitchell, junior United States senator from Oregon and the most powerful man in the republican party of the state decided Wednesday, finally and definitely, to support Charles W. Fulton to succeed Senator Joseph Simon. Mr. Mitchell also decided to give his support to George Brownell, state senator from Clackamas county, for president of the Oregon senate.

The announcement is as important a piece of political news as ever was given out in the state, so far as it affects state politics. It determines the position of the man who is held accountable for the wielding of major influences in Oregon politics. Senator Mitchell will endeavor, so it is assumed, to force the Multnomah county republican legislation delegation to the support of the Astoria man and the man from Clackamas, against any candidate that may be decided upon by the local republicans as calculated to best serve the state in the upper national house, and against Dr. Andrew C. Smith of Portland, who has been regarded as the leading candidate for the state senate presidency.

The conference at which this remarkable decision was reached was held in the room of Senator Brownell at the Portland hotel, between the hours of 11 o'clock p. m. and 1 o'clock a. m., Wednesday night. At the conference were United States Senator Mitchell, Congressman-elect J. N. Williamson and State Senator George Brownell.

The next day Senator Fulton arrived, accompanied by Secretary of State F. I. Dunbar and State Senator J. A. Booth of Lane is also in the city and is interested in the arrangement. It is expected that a number of other prominent state republican politicians will arrive in the city tonight.

Tomorrow, Senator Mitchell leaves for Washington to attend to his duties in congress. He will remain away from Oregon until after the fight is ended.

With these facts stated, and they are facts, come speculations by everybody who has heard of the arrangement, the number being rather limited, for the reason that it was desired to keep the fact from the public until the senator had left the state.

The fact is already known to the friends of H. W. Scott, and to some of the regular followers of Mr. Mitchell, as well as to some of the faithful adherents of Mr. Simon. It has started an under-current of feeling that may yet swell out into a tidal wave of what? Strengthening Fulton, or an intensifying of the opposition to him? That's the question.

Those who know the history of Oregon politics know these things.

Mr. Mitchell is under obligations to Mr. Scott for what the latter did during the June election, both state and city. And it has been urged by the Scott people that Mr. Mitchell owes more to the astute editor than to any other man in the state.

Then, too, Mr. Mitchell is under obligations to Mr. Fulton for promises made to the Astorian when Mr. Mitchell was elected to the senate, and for years of devotion.

And, for Sol Hirsch, who has kept free from all entangling alliances and who has with remarkable statesmanship avoided making an enemy in Oregon, while yet manipulating a strong position in the politics of the commonwealth, Mr. Mitchell owes a debt of lifelong friendship and favors that could have come from no other source.

It has been said lately that there was a quarrel between Walter F. (Jack) Matthews, republican chairman and United States marshal for Oregon, and Senator Mitchell, over this very matter of the endorsement of a senatorial candidate. Some who claim to know, assert that there is in reality no such quarrel, but that it has been a part of a political game whereby the Mitchell forces could be held in position to meet all contingencies. Mr. Mitchell, being loyal to Fulton, and yet desirous of having a friend in the opposition camp to look out for his interests. It is claimed that anything that Matthews does will be agreeable to the general plan of Mr. Mitchell, and it is slyly and cautiously hinted that it is the intention to "hand a bunch" to Mr. Scott, on account of old scores. No one knows, but that is the assertion, anyway.

The next question that arises is: What will Multnomah county do in the premises? Will the local delegation consent to a man from Astoria? In short, will the Fulton program go through without the fiercest fight that ever raged in Oregon? That is the problem that today will absorb attention here when this statement goes to the people, and throughout Oregon, when it reaches the outside counties.

J. HAMILTON LEWIS

Late of Washington, Aspires to Be Gentleman From Illinois.

CHICAGO, Oct. 24.—James Darden has abandoned the candidacy for congress in the Illinois ninth district. The probabilities are that J. Hamilton Lewis, formerly a member of congress from the state of Washington, will be nominated in his place.

Darden concluded to withdraw after a conference with Mayor Harrison following the publication that he had been arrested in 1886 in Portland, Oregon, on charges of forgery and embezzlement.

HANNA IS FAILING.

Is a Very Sick Man, But Stays With Campaign.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Oct. 24.—Senator Hanna accompanied by Senators Fairbanks and Beveridge put in 12 hours of hard campaigning today. Hanna and Fairbanks departed for Canton, Ohio, tonight to attend a meeting of the McKinley Memorial association. At South Bend late tonight Hanna all but collapsed. At the end of an address he had to be assisted to his chair.

NOME IS STORM SWEEPED.

Buildings Are Wrecked and Lives Are Lost.

SEATTLE, Oct. 24.—One of the worst storms that ever raged in Behring sea raked the Nome coast from October 11 to 14. Three lives were lost in the Nome sea and a large amount of damage was done to the buildings along the water front. The drowned men are:

GENERAL FURTH, engineer.
GEORGE ROBINSON and C. F. KELLY, boatmen.

SUBSTITUTE FOR CANTEN.

Root Approves of Plan to Provide Soldiers With Comfort.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 24.—Secretary Root has approved the preliminary plan for the expenditure of the appropriation intended to provide substitutes at military posts for the canteen. The intention is to provide reading rooms, gymnasiums and other amusements for the soldiers.

MITCHELL STARTS EAST.

PORTLAND, Oct. 24.—Senator John H. Mitchell will leave for Washington, D. C., via Tacoma, tomorrow.

LONE DESPERADO HOLDS UP TRAIN

Northern Pacific Passenger Express Robbed Near Drummond, Montana.

ENGINEER SHOT AND KILLED

Nervy Robber Forces Messengers to Open Safe, but Secures Little Booty for All His Trouble.

BUTTE, Oct. 24.—One of the most daring train robberies in the history of the Northern Pacific railroad occurred early this morning three and one-half miles west of Drummond, Montana. As far as known but one man was engaged in the robbery. That one man seemed to be a host in himself for he killed one, cooped up the whole train crew and a trainload of passengers, and kept three men at work obeying orders.

Engineer Dan Oneill was shot and killed when he grappled with the desperado, who had covered him with two revolvers.

The robber made little by the desperate deed. A charge of dynamite failed to open the safe in the express car and the postal authorities state that the amount in the registered packages was small.

The train had left Bearmouth, and as the fireman turned to gather a scoopful of coal he was startled to see a man standing on the coal, pointing two revolvers at his head.

"Throw up your hands!" shouted the man, elevating his voice to overcome the roar of the train. "Throw up your hands and obey my orders and you won't get hurt."

Then the robber commanded: "Go and put out that headlight, and mind you come back here."

The fireman lost no time in obeying the order and was returning to the cab when he heard a shot and peered in just in time to see Engineer Oneill falling backward out of the gangway to the ground.

Just then steam was shut off and the brakes applied and the train came to a stop in Mulkey canyon.

Engineer Oneill, it seems, grappled with the robber and tried to overpower him. The fireman jumped to the ground and hid himself until what followed was over.

The robber went from the engine to the express car, and when the passengers began poking their heads out of the car windows there followed a fusillade of shots, which speedily sent the frightened passengers back to the coaches.

The robber pounded on the door of the express car, threatening to blow it open. The two men inside opened the door to find themselves facing two revolvers. The robber tried to blow open the big safe with a light charge of dynamite. This failed, and 15 sticks of dynamite were placed in the next charge. The outer door of the safe was blown open and another charge of 15 sticks was used. This charge blew the express car to pieces.

Clerk C. W. Otis refused to open the mail car door until threatened with dynamite. Once in the mail car the robber went to work on the registered mail pouches, which he forced the mail clerk to open. The packages were handed to him, and with the utmost coolness the fellow took a seat and opened the first package and then another, using his gun to break them. During all the time he was with the prisoners he kept a running talk and joked with the crew over his poor success in getting any valuable plunder.

He expressed his regrets at having been forced to kill the engineer, whom he characterized as foolish for trying to resist. The robber declared:

"If there is anybody who wants to know who I am, tell 'em I'm the fellow who held up the Southern Pacific out at Portland last fall."

The robber is described as a small

man not over five feet four inches in height, and weighing less than 100 pounds. He was heavily masked. Bloodhounds from the state penitentiary have been put on the trail.

The Northern Pacific today posted notices of a reward of \$5,000 for the capture of the man, dead or alive.

AMENDMENT IS OPERATIVE.

Ruling of Attorney-General as to Initiative and Referendum.

SALEM, Oct. 24.—Governor Geer has submitted to Attorney-General Blackburn the question as to whether the constitutional amendment adopted at the last election for the initiative and referendum is operative, without legislative enactment. The attorney-general holds that it is operative. The conclusion is that it is self-executing. He says the people, in the adoption of the initiative and referendum, simply reserve to themselves the power which they originally held, but had voluntarily vested in legislative assembly.

TO MURDER EUROPEANS.

Sultan's Prompt Action Prevented Success of the Plot.

MADRID, Oct. 24.—A dispatch from Tangier, Morocco, says that the sultan's vigorous action in dealing with the murderer of Missionary Cooper was due to the discovery of a plot to murder all Europeans in Fez.

NEW PRESIDENT FOR S. P.

CHICAGO, Oct. 24.—The Record-Herald tomorrow will say: It was announced on good authority yesterday that H. R. Nickerson, vice-president and general manager of the Mexican Central railroad has been offered the presidency of the Southern Pacific.

NEELY ABANDONS CLAIM.

MUNCIE, Ind., Oct. 24.—Charles F. W. Neely has abandoned plans to return to Cuba. He says that for a time, at least, he has abandoned the demand upon the United States government for \$8000 taken from him at the time of his arrest.

EDITOR'S ALLEGED VICTIM DIES.

BUTTE, Oct. 24.—Dr. H. A. Cayley, who it is alleged, was shot by Editor J. W. Kelley, of the Inter-Mountain, October 11, died today. Kelley's hearing is set for next week.

TREASURE SHIP IN PORT.

SEATTLE, Oct. 24.—The steamer St. Paul arrived this morning from Nome with \$284,284 in treasure and 416 passengers.

HELENA PITCHER SIGNS.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Oct. 24.—The Cleveland club has signed Pitcher Wiggs of the Pacific Northwest league with Helena this year.

MINERS RETURN TO THEIR WORK

Big Increase in Forces Reported Throughout the Anthracite Districts.

UNION MEN GET PREFERENCE

Despite Contrary Statements the Operators Are Giving Them Their Places—Commission Meets.

WILKESBARRE, Oct. 24.—There were 22 mines more in operation in the anthracite region today than yesterday, and the output will be close to 100,000 tons. When in full operation the mines employ in every capacity about 145,000 men and boys. Of this number it is estimated that 82,000 were at work today. A more amicable feeling prevailed today between the employer and employe than yesterday. The excitement over the commencement of work yesterday wore off somewhat today and there was more work and less talk. The non-union men, despite what may be said to the contrary, are slowly being displaced in many mines and the old employes are taking their places.

MORE MEN ARE AT WORK.

Mines Around Scranton Employing Few Imported Workers.

SCRANTON, Oct. 24.—All of the mining companies in this region reported today that large additions were made to the working forces. The imported workingman was decidedly minus quantity today. Superintendent Rose of the Delaware and Hudson company, which operates 30 plants, said he did not know of a single "import" still in the company's employ. Other superintendents said that a very few remained.

MEETING OF THE COMMISSION.

Arbitrators Meet President and Choose Judge Gray Chairman.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 24.—The members of the strike arbitration commission appointed by President Roosevelt, met at the White House shortly after 10 o'clock this morning and went into conference with the president. Several of the members had never before met. The introductions were made in Secretary Cortelyou's office, and immediately thereafter the commission ascended the stairs to the president's reception room.

The president greeted the members of the commission cordially. The interview was brief, lasting scarcely 20 minutes.

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