Names of Note In the News

A Joke by the Pope - Daniel Frohman on Playwriting -- Rear Admiral Willard H. Brownson-John M. Carson's Career.



T is not often that the supreme pontiff of the Roman Catholic church indulges very genial and kind hearted, and when he noted during a recent audience given to Herr' Schneider, bishop of Paderborn,

that the bishop, who had just been introduced, was very nervous, he made a facetious remark that at once put the German prelate at ease.

"Monsignore," said the pope, with a laugh, "we are brothers. Don't you understand?"

The bishop evidently did not, so the pope continued:

We both belong to the tailor family, Schneider, as well as Sarto." Schneider is the German for tailor and Sarto is the Italian.

Daniel Frohman, one of New York's leading theatrical managers, recently delivered some remarks about playwriting. "To succeed," said Mr. Frobman, "a play must have snap. Literary men, when they write plays, forget this fact. They create dramas of literary but of no dramatic worth. Snap is everything.

"A literary man asked me the other day to tell him what snap was. I described a play to

him-a one act play -that was full of snap.

"This play opens," I explained, "in a drawing room, with a man and woman seated side by side on a sofa embracing each other passionately.

"Into the drawing room stalks a man DANIEL FROHMAN. with a grip and an umbrella - of course, the husband, unexpectedly re-

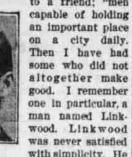
"The husband no sooner sees the couple on the sofa than he whips out a revolver and kills them both-her first, him afterward.

"Then he puts on his glasses, and, looking about him, suddenly gives a great start.

"'Good heavens" he exclaims. 'I'm on the wrong floor!"

Senator H. C. Hansbrough of North Dakota has long been the owner of a newspaper. Of late years other duties have prevented his giving it much attention, and he has depended on divers itinerant journalists, says Harper's Weekly.

"I've had some good men in the place, too," the senator once observed to a friend; "men



SENATOR HANS-

bombastic toe."

man named Linkwood. Linkwood was never satisfied with simplicity. He would refer to an 'equine horse' and in the case of a tramp killed in a railroad accident said that the 'unfortunate man sustained a fracture of the

"You probably didn't keep him long," suggested the friend.

"Oh, I didn't mind these so much, but when the daughter of a leading citizen was married and he spoke of the bridal procession 'proceeding down the aisie to the entrancing strains of Mendel & Son's wedding march' I decided that we had reached the parting of the

Brigadier General Frank D. Baldwin, who was recently ordered to Chicago to take command of the department of the lakes, is noted as the only man on the army lists who wears two congressional medals of honor. He won the first in the civil war and the second in fighting Indians, and his achievements in the Philippines caused talk of his being awarded another medal, but the authorities at Washfing concluded that two such medals were enough for any man. It was at Pench Trey creek in 1864, when he was He is a typical Russian in appearance a captain of volunteers, that he won his first medal. He led his company

in the recapture of the regiment's colors after a hand to hand fight with a much larger command. The second medal was won when he was serving with General Miles in Wyoming in 1878. The Indi-

fins were on a rocky hill with BRIG. GEN. FRANK steep sides that

D. BALDWIN. were covered with ice. It appeared to be impossible to take the place by assault. Baldwin asked permission to make the attempt. "It's death," said Miles, "but you may

Baldwin placed himself at the head of an assaulting party and went up the billside in the face of a fearful down-

ward fire. The men could not use their weapons. They could simply cling, tooth and nail, and toll upward, with their gallant leader urging them on The casualties were heavy, but the line moved forward, the summit was gained, and the Indians fled,

Major John M. Carson, who was recently appointed commissioner of manufactures, a new position in the federal department of commerce and labor, is dean of the correspondents' in a joke, but Pope corps at Washington. He has been Pius X., born Sarto, is twice president of the famous Gridiron club, and his friends have numbered the most eminent men in public life during the last thirty years. Born in 1838, he worked

as a young man in the newspaper business in Philadelphia, served three years in the civil war and came out a captain. He became a Washington correspondent in 1873, and for thirty-two years he has held a high

JOHN M. CARSON.

place in his profession. Major Carson is an authority on most matters of government, but particularly upon finance and tariff. He is also well informed about army effairs, and nearly every president has rought his advice in making promotions of men in the army to be general officers. A competent writer, a speaker who can instruct and entertain, he is one of the most accomplished men among the Washington correspondents.

President Harrison wanted to make Major Carson assistant secretary of war, and President McKinley asked him to be his private secretary, but he declined office on both occasions.

Lew Fields, the comedian, and Julius Steger were standing on the corner of New York, the other day when a stranger accosted them. "Do these cars stop at the Battery?"

he asked. "If they don't," replied Mr. Fields, 'you'll get an awful ducking."

Willard H. Brownson, who for some napolis Naval academy and has just Josh never had no spirit .- Puck. been made a rear admiral, was the naval officer who fired the shot in the harbor of Rio Janeiro which was heard around the world. It was in the Mello naval insurrection in Brazil in 1894. The insurgent naval force was trying to establish a block-



REAR ADMIRAL W.

to fire on American warships if they insisted on giving to the American coffee ships safe escort to their docks. Brownson was then in command of the Detroit, and he fired a six pounder at the leading Brazilian ship and cleared for

ade and threatened

H. BROWNSON. action. But no more shots were necessary. The blockade collapsed.

When a guest of Sir Thomas Lipton some time since the admiral told of another shot he once fired. He said:

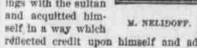
"While in command of the gunboat Petrel, about twelve years ago, then lying off Greytown, a monster shark came every day and lay on our quarter. Just how big he was I won't undertake to say, but there was a thirty foot whaleboat at the gangway one day, and when the shark's head was at the prow of that boat he could twist his tall all around the stern. I tried a number of shots at him with a rifle without any visible effect, so one mornspiral column.' Another of his pet ing I trained a one pounder on the spot expressions was 'tripping the light where he usually placed his head and told an orderly to notify me when he appeared. I had forgotten all about the matter and was at lunch below deck with some guests when the orderly entered. Raising his right hand in the customary naval salute, he announced with the utmost gravity and as if announcing the arrival of some one of importance:

" 'The shark's alongside, sir.'

"When the laugh that followed the rather startling announcement had subsided we all went on deck and found the monster with his head in the range of the gun. I fired. There was a tremendous splashing and a good deal of blood spilled, but the shark disappeared. I never saw him after-

His excellency A. J. Nelidoff, who has been designated by the czar as chief plenipotentiary for Russia in the peace negotiations with Japan, now pending, is the Russian ambassador to France. and has enjoyed an unusually successful career as a diplomat. He has represented Russia in Italy, and in 1897 was the Russian ambassador to Turkey. Difficult duties fell to him in this capacity, as the European powers were then urging upon

the sultan certain reforms in the administration of his kingdom affecting the status of foreigners, M. Nelidoff was charged with acting as spokesman of the powers in the dealings with the sultan and acquitted him-





Boston, Mass.

vanced the interests of Russia. He was promoted not long afterward to the French ambassadorship, and the important and often delicate duties that have fallen to him in this connect tion have been discharged with much ability and discrimination.

Bright Sayings by Wee Boys and Girls

AMMA (angrily) - Johnny, how stop that noise? Johnny (after a pause)-Seven, mam-

Father (looking at school report)-Who is the best writer in your class,

Bobby-Willie Jones. All the boys in the class get him to write their ex-

Little Margie (who has company)-

We've been playing school, mamma, Mamma-Indeed! And did you behave nicely? Little Margie-Oh, I didn't have to

behave. I was teacher. - Chicago keeper," care of the Astorian.

A little maid who had not yet reached her third birthday was one day recounting to her mother the many accomplishments of her adored cousin. Margery, who looked down on life from the exalted height of eight summers.

"Just think, mamma! Margery can dwess herself and button her own shoes and bwush her own hair and button little Edua's clothes and hold tiny baby and put on her own wubbers and coat and hood, and-and" (casting about for still greater marvels) "maybe she can even spank herself and save her mamma the twouble!" - Lippincott's Magazine.

Didn't Know "the Uncle." Aunt Jane - I gue w Mr. Spender must be a very neat person. Edith-And what leads you to that opinion? Broadway and Forty-second street, Aunt Jane-He told your Uncle George all his clothes but those upon his back were hung up. Some men, you know, throw their things round anywhere .-Boston Transcript.

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