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THE WEATHER

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SAMUEL ELMORE.

There is an immense amount of satisfaction everywhere in the city of Astoria now that it is practically certain that Samuel Elmore has consented, even conditionally, to run for the mayoralty.

The mere mention of his name, five days ago, was the cause of illimitable expression of assurance and gratification among the business men of the city as to the future possibilities of administrative security and economic regulation; and the farther the matter goes the greater that sense of civic ease is apparent.

It is idle to assert, or attempt to confirm, the qualities that beget this confidence; every man in this section knows what is meant when he is spoken of as the highest type of a businessman, and what those gifts will mean to the city if he be given a council that will stand with him in the conduct of the policies he will introduce and assist in their application.

Commanding the wide interest Mr. Elmore does in this city and country tributary, no man need look for anything but wise and careful government, always with the good of the city foremost in the calculations and motives that shall inspire his acts.

Mr. Elmore has already been apprised of the direct concern of at least 100 of the leading men of mercantile and professional standing in this community, by petition and personal declaration, and this group is strongly representative of the business and property interests over which he will preside if he permits the matter to come to a happy issue.

"HOBSON'S CHOICE."

Richard Pearson Hobson, Alabama Congressman, Democrat, par excellence, and paid orator for the Democratic National Committee in the West and Northwest, enjoys the peculiar distinction of being able to entertain all manner of men with political addresses in which, at no point, does he name William Jennings Bryan nor his running mate, John W. Kern.

It is strikingly evident to the analytical mind that while the valiant captain is an ardent Democrat, Bryan and Kern are not his "choices" for the great offices they are out for; a conclusion which makes his public appearance as a party, and partisan, pleader, radically incongruous.

The Republican who would dare to do this thing would be hailed from the stump in a flash, either by an expressed and instant resentment at the hands of his first audience, or at the quick command of his National Committee. No such anomaly would be permitted for a moment in the Republican field, and the wonder is that the wise men at the head of the Bryan campaign will stand for it. Local Democrats are busy as bees

trying to account for the uncommon and pronounced laches, and are having a hard time of it. They endeavor to charge it up to a whimsical spirit, to unintentional oversight, to mere inadvertence, to anything on earth but definite and deliberate purpose; but the unprejudiced public is not to be put off with vaporings and non-essentials in so raw a case, and insists that Captain Hobson's choice in this great issue lies widely remote from the men he is supposed to be supporting. It is a matter pregnant with cause for thought, and all Astoria is thinking of it, as are certain other Oregon communities.

Great Public Improvements.

All the way from South Africa come J. S. Schoeman and Mrs. Schoeman to study for the benefit of their own country what is being done to reclaim the arid regions of the United States. They find in progress here the greatest work of reclamation and irrigation ever undertaken by any government in ancient or modern times. It is a work which President Roosevelt has justly said comes next to the homestead act in its importance to the American people.

Great and beneficent as this work is, it is but a feature of the general policy of Republican administrations from the period of reconstruction and especially within the past twelve years—to do the best possible for all the people and for all sections of the Union—to make the United States, east, west, north and south, a country worth living in, and to develop to the utmost the resources of the soil, of the forest, of the mines and waters of every region within the bounds of the republic.

The present political campaign will decide whether this policy is to continue, whether the nation is to go ahead or to halt, whether we are to have progress and prosperity under Taft or reaction and ruin under Bryan. The very platform on which Bryan stands and by the language of which he has repeatedly declared himself to be bound denounces Republican expenditures in general, including those for irrigation, as "unnecessary and wasteful." Bryan, if elected, would be as much bound by the platform as he is in the campaign, and this mighty undertaking, by which arid portions of sixteen states and territories are being converted into thrifty farms, would undoubtedly suffer.

The people of those states and territories are not the only parties interested in preventing such a calamity as stoppage or delay in the work of reclamation. Every patriotic and broad minded voter in the United States ought to be and will be influenced in his attitude toward the presidential contest by a determination that not only the reclamation service, but every other great scheme of national betterment begun and carried on under Republican administrations, shall continue and that the work shall not be handed over to the avowed enemies of progress. A vote for Taft and Sherman will be a vote for the earnest prosecution not only of the task of redeeming arid lands, but of every public improvement directed by federal authority.

Saved His Boy's Life

"My three year old boy was badly constipated, had a high fever and was in an awful condition. I gave him two dozens of Foley's Orino Laxative and the next morning the fever was gone and he was entirely well. Foley's Orino Laxative saved his life." A. Wolkush, Casimer, Wis. T. F. Laurin, Owl Drug Store.

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A HOPELESS TASK AHEAD.

BASE INGRATITUDE.

Young Chicago German Forges Name Of His Benefactor.

CHICAGO, Oct. 23.—Charged with victimizing a friendly employer who had given him expense money so he could complete his education in the English language, Frederick Gijzen, graduate of a German University and son of a Belgian army officer, was arrested for forgery in Chicago yesterday. He was indicted later by the grand jury. Gijzen is accused of forging the name of E. A. Bean, vice-president of the New Prague, Flour Mills Company, New Prague, Minn., a check for \$500 which he cashed at the First National Bank Tuesday.

Gijzen came here from his native country four months ago and went to New Prague with letters of recommendation to Bean who hired him as a private secretary because he could speak several languages. When Bean sent Gijzen to St. Paul, Minn., Saturday, to master the English language thoroughly he gave the man \$40 to pay his preliminary expenses.

Before Gijzen left it is alleged he stole several checks from Bean's checkbook and instead of going to St. Paul, came to Chicago. Knowing Bean had an account at the First National Bank, Gijzen went there and presented for payment a check for \$500 to which Bean's name is said to have been forged. He was given the money.

Last night Gijzen told about his parents in the fatherland. He said his father was a respected citizen of Aalm in Belgium and for more than 20 years was an officer in the Belgian army and is now pensioned, said the prisoner.

RAILWAY ATTACHED.

Popular Eastern Line Attached For A Paltry \$18,000.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—In an effort to collect a judgment for \$18,000 against the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad. Deputy Sheriff Burns yesterday attempted to attach the entire railroad. The deputy went to the offices of the railroad and served the attachment on Treasurer Thomas F. Paradise, announcing that he would levy on the office furniture.

Being told that the furniture would not cover the amount he stated that he would levy on the railroad. He then left the treasurer's office with the intention of attaching one of the trains standing ready to leave the station. While officers were explaining to him that the rolling stock of the road was all mortgaged, and therefore could not be attached, the road's attorneys secured a stay of execution from the Supreme Court. The judgment represents a verdict of \$17,500 costs obtained by William Carroll, whose legs were cut off while he was repairing a car in the company's yards.

RACES TO INTER-MARRY.

Former Chicago University Professor States Philo-sophic Ideas.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Oct. 23.—Professor Charles Zueblin, former-

ly of Chicago University, lectured at Central High school on "Fraternity," last night. He was strong in his denunciation of the treatment accorded the negroes by the "So-called Anglo-Saxon race, whatever that is." It was the professor's belief that this life is a game of give and take; that each person should give what he can to his fellows and take all he can from them in return.

"The wise man knows no boundary line of convention or prejudice," he said. "It is like standing on the top of a great high mountain. All around him one can see the hundreds of people, pygmies, but he can tell no difference in their color, their size, their beliefs or their political standing. He takes what he can from them as a whole and as individuals, and so again broadens his own life."

The Professor declared that enlightenment of the world would not reach its highest stages until the whites, blacks, red men, yellow men and brown men had all swept away the bonds of racial prejudice and become reconciled on the same social plane with one another. One of the things necessary to this advancement is the intermarriage of the races.

SERVING THE COUNTRY.

New York Boys Choose The Different Branches of Service.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—That 1,272 boys and young men who last year sought the aid of the Children's Aid Society afterwards enlisted in the United States forces, either the army, the navy or the marine corps, is the statement made by C. Loring Brace, the secretary of the Society. Most of those enlisting were boys and young men who at various times were cared for in the Newsboys Home. Herbert Van Dyke, employment agent of the society, has during his 25 years of service, inducted thousands of young men who seemed of little use in other walks of life to enlist. He looks up the record of the young men and secures the consent of their parents or guardians where there are any, and where there are not has himself appointed special guardian of any of his boys who wish to enlist. During his service with the society he has been so appointed guardian of more than 5,000 boys who have enlisted. Mr. Van Dyke takes pride in the statement that of this entire number not more than 10 have been represented to him as having deserted from from the service.

KING OF THE GYPSIES.

Bands Of Rovers And Goo-For-Naughts Are Gathering.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 23.—"King" Joe Adams and his band of roving gypsies expect to spend the winter in St. Louis County and perfect the organization of the National Gypsy Association of America, with St. Louis as general headquarters. The chief and five families arrived yesterday from Dubuque.

These are merely the advance guard, according to Adams. Two or three hundred more families will arrive from the four corners of the earth to make quarters here. As soon

as all the tribes arrive, the annual conference and governmental ceremonies will be held. Several marriages are scheduled before the tribe breaks camp again.

An application filed at Clayton, March 5, for a pro forma decree of incorporation will be pushed as soon as the gypsies get settled. If the decree is granted, Joe Adams will be clothed with more power over his people than the head of a monarchy.

COAL FOR FLEET.

AMOY, Oct. 23.—The collier Man-shan has arrived here with coal for the American battleships and will await the arrival of the fleet.

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