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HILL WARNED.

The New York World recently delivered a "lecture" addressed "To Senator Hill." It closed with these words: "The Democratic State Committee will meet in this city tomorrow under your direction. It will call a state convention to elect delegates to Chicago. It intends to fix upon February 22 as the date of that convention."

"You know that we are not your enemy. You know that we have upheld you in every step in your political career. You know with what vigor we supported you for governor in 1884 and again in 1888. You know that we first proposed and advocated your election to the senate against your own inclination. You know that we strengthened you in the recent fight to save the legislature at almost any peril. You know, in brief, that there is no political achievement in your record which you do not owe—in a small degree—to our free, independent support."

"On the other hand—
"We know that you mean to be straightforward and honest. We know that you are daring and far-sighted. We know that you are in sympathy with the masses. We know you are poor. We know you have never stained the executive power by yielding to greedy corporations and corrupting monopolies. We know that you have won from Mr. Cleveland much of the party enthusiasm which he possessed in 1884. We know that your control of the state committee is absolute. We know how great must be your temptation to use it absolutely. "But we warn you to beware of this dangerous scheme.
"It is wrong.
"You are playing with fire. You are forging knives for your enemies.
"Governor—don't."

The Oregonian says:

Astoria and The Dalles think no work ought to be done on the Lower Willamette and Columbia Rivers because it would benefit Portland only. Let us see how a wider application of this principle would work. Why should a good word be said for a railroad to Astoria? It would benefit Astoria only. And why should an appeal be made for construction of a portage road at The Dalles on the Oregon side? It would benefit the town of The Dalles only, while a road on the Washington side would serve the country equally well, perhaps better. Come to think of it, there is no community of interest in a state. Every locality for itself, and the devil take the hindmost.

Whatever may be true of Astoria it is not true that The Dalles is opposed to the deepening of the channel of the lower Columbia. But The Dalles people, if we may speak for them, claim, and with absolute justice, that a portage at the Dalles is of more importance to a greater number of people and a wider extent of territory than a deep channel from Portland to Astoria. It is utterly untrue that a portage at the Dalles would benefit The Dalles only. The Dalles has abundance of transportation facilities both by rail and water. What The Dalles would insist upon is, that if the present five cent congress is only going to appropriate a few hundred thousand dollars for the improvement of the Columbia that that sum should be devoted to the Dalles portage. A small amount of money devoted to this purpose would be of more benefit to a greater number than if the same amount were spent on the lower river. A deep channel from Portland to the sea would benefit Portland, a portage at the Dalles would benefit three states. It is beyond question, however, that there are hundreds of mossbacks in Portland who fear the Dalles portage, lest it should be the means of carrying river freight past that city to Astoria. The Oregon commonwealth is cursed with some very small souled inhabitants.

Hon. W. Lair Hill is reported to have said that his appointment to the vacant judgeship is still probable. The Oregon delegation, much to their shame, still urge the appointment of Joe Simon.

The papers over the state are agitating the propriety of reducing the fees received by county sheriffs and clerks. The proper thing to do would be to have fixed salaries for these officers, and such salaries as would command the services of competent men.—Willowden Chieftain.

How a Husband Should Be Regarded.

At a recent meeting of Sorosis, at which the subject of "Husbands" was discussed, Mrs. Herrick attributed the failure of marital happiness to girls being taught to expect too much happiness from marriage, and that love is its only essential by romance, poetry, songs and tradition. But, while not belittling love, she claimed that respect based upon superior qualities; esteem for those attributes that would make the wife desire the husband as a friend if she could not have him for a husband; common sense, which teaches her that a faulty woman need not expect a perfect husband, and great patience—"that passion of noble souls"—are quite as essential elements in the domestic bliss.

She cautioned the wife against holding up her soul to her husband always with a thorn in it. Men cannot understand intangible griefs and unrest. She also said that one of the first lessons a wife has to learn is that her husband has a right to his own individuality, and that, while she can inspire him to greater achievement in a work for which he has a bias, she cannot, as she may fondly dream, mold his character, and she wouldn't respect him if she could.

Girls should be taught that marriage is not the gateway of heaven, and that even at this Eden the angel stands with the flaming sword to turn back souls that seek an earthly paradise. Women should know their lovers so well that marriage can bring no great disappointments. Marriage is not a match made in heaven, but an earthly union founded on mutual respect, over which the love that made the bond possible sheds a tender influence.—New York Sun.

An Incident of Travel.

Not long ago, when one of the great through western trains left New York city, a man and a woman, aged about eighty, got on the cars. They were accompanied by a younger man, who appeared to be their son, who got their tickets to some place in Nebraska, put them on the cars and left them. Shortly after passing Poughkeepsie the old lady was taken ill. This drew around them sympathizers, and upon inquiry it was found that they had but a very indefinite idea of the journey before them, and that they had only a dollar and some cents in money between them.

The passengers raised a collection which furnished them with a berth in one of the sleeping cars to Chicago and seven dollars in money. It was evident from their actions that neither of them had ever seen a drawing room or sleeping car before, and the luxury and comfort was something entirely outside of their experience. They went on, the picture of content, and it is to be hoped reached their destination in safety.—Poughkeepsie Eagle.

A Wonderful Dakota Well.

The reports from the artesian well at Huron, N. D., show that it is the most wonderful well known to exist. The water spouts up to a distance of about 100 feet, and the amount that flows from the well is tremendous, being estimated at from 8,000 to 10,000 gallons a minute. Even at the lowest figures enough water is ejected to furnish every man, woman and child in the state of North Dakota with at least four gallons of water every four hours. As to the pressure, that has not yet been fully ascertained, but from tests already made it is known to be considerably more than 200 pounds to the square inch. With a fair test it is likely to reach 238 pounds. The pressure has steadily increased in the last three days, and may exceed the above figures.—Cor. Rochester Post-Express.

The Shot Shedding Ram.

The back frame of the big United States defense ram is now in place at the Bath Iron works and shows the skeleton of the great hulk in all its oddity. The philosophy of the whole thing is now made clear at a glance, and any man with an idea of the comparative ease with which a shot can be deflected when striking upon an angling surface will see that the gun capable of piercing that armored deck is not made yet. The only thing the strange looking vessel has to fear is a torpedo, and she is no more exposed to them than are any of the big battleships.—Lewiston Journal.

A Fireproof Solution for Dresses.

A chemist of Vienna has succeeded in discovering a composition which will make even the slight material of ballet dancers' dresses fireproof. The Prince of Lichtenstein gave this composition a first trial on the stage in his own palace in the presence of a numerous company. The rise of the curtain discovered two life sized dolls, dressed as ballet girls, to both of which a light was applied. One of the dolls was rapidly reduced to ashes, while the other, well saturated with the protective composition, escaped with a small hole in her dress.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

He Dreamed Wrong.

Pierre Ruau, an aged banker of Paris, had a prophetic dream a few years ago which told him that he would live until the year 1902. He was so firm in the belief that the dream was correct that he had a monument erected with his name, age and the date, 1902, cut upon it. The old man has just died and the marble cutter had put on Pierre Ruau inscription and date put on.—St. Louis Republic.

Married on the Threshold of Their Home.

Thomas Netting and Mary Jones were married by Justice Sloane, who pronounced the ceremony while the twain stood in the doorway of a prettily furnished cottage on Columbia street, which the groom had just completed for the woman of his choice.—San Diego Sun.

It Did Not Cease.

One hundred and twenty-seven years ago England seized the first eight bales of cotton grown in the south, and declared that its production should cease. For last year the estimate of the cotton crop is something over 8,600,000 bales of 500 pounds each.—Manufacturers' Record.

Lord Lytton's Pet Poodle.

Lord Lytton's favorite dog Darling, a beautiful poodle, has been the means of bringing to justice a notorious thief who has long been wanted by the Paris police. Darling has been very disconsolate over the loss of his master, and has lately taken to vagabond ways highly unbecoming in so well bred an animal. One day he disappeared completely, and all Lady Lytton's efforts to find him proved unavailing. About a week afterward a dirty, disreputable looking dog, with long hair, cropped ears and a mere stump for a tail made his appearance at the British embassy and refused to be driven out. Could this be the beautiful Darling with the shaggy mane, the close cropped hair and the long tail with a sort of full stop at the end of it?

The idea seemed almost ridiculous, but some one took the poor brute to Lady Lytton, who, in spite of his altered appearance, recognized in him her lost pet. The question was, Where had he been? And this was soon settled on examination of a strange collar around his neck, engraved upon which were the name and address of a man who has long made a profession of dog stealing. The imprudent thief, who seems to have taken a fancy to the dog and to have intended to keep him himself, actually succeeded in securing his own arrest, and he is now safely under lock and key.—Cor. London News.

Buying Early.

On the Monday following Christmas two women were noticed in one of the large stores strolling along in front of the bric-a-brac counter, picking up, examining and pricing with true anteholiday indecision and effort. "Poor women," thought the observer, "they are still possessed by the troubled spirit of Christmas shopping," but a nearer approach showed the falsity of the impression. One of them was saying to her companion, "I'll take this vase, which with the letter basket and that pair of bottles makes three toward next year's list. What a saving of money and strength to buy presents a year ahead! I made up my mind last week I should never be caught in the dreadful toils of such a situation as that in which I was placed by the rain of Thursday. I shall not stop today until at least a dozen of 1892's presents are selected." Which is certainly taking Santa Claus very decidedly by the forelock.—Her Point of View in New York Times.

Archduke Joseph and the Gypsies.

On being appealed to some time ago by the Archduke Joseph, the Austrian emperor gave him permission to act with regard to the gypsies in Hungary as he thought best. The archduke, who is the friend of these wild people, founded the colony of Teigan, in the neighborhood of his estate of Alosuth. He built them sixty small houses for sixty families and made them apply their energies to agriculture and the trades. He named a youth of twenty—strong, tall and handsome—as their "woiwode," and selected a pretty girl for his wife.

After a course of religious instruction the pair were christened, and a few days ago their marriage took place in the Church of Alosuth. The archduke and his managers were the witnesses. The archduke wore the dress of a gypsy "woiwode," and, according to Romany custom, carried a tall bamboo staff, with an enormous nosegay and some brilliant drapery.—London News.

Captured a Wildcat.

An old hunter set a trap some days ago at the falls at the lower end of the Warm Springs valley, Va. Next morning he found in it the remains of a groundhog, partially devoured. Staking what was left of the hog, and setting his trap near by, he returned the next morning to find that he had captured an immense wildcat. By a little maneuvering his daughter, who had accompanied him, slipped a collar around the cat's neck, and the old gentleman now has his lordship safely chained at his home.—Washington Post.

Wooden Ships Still in Favor.

The arrival of two well built clipper ships in New York, after a race from San Francisco, calls attention to the fact that wooden ships are no longer in disfavor on long voyages, but have in some instances displaced their iron rivals. This is an encouraging outlook for the United States, because in the past the fastest clippers have been built in this country, and a general return to wooden ships for long ocean voyages might result in a boom in the shipbuilding business in New England and elsewhere.—Boston Advertiser.

Cholera Among Sharks.

The curious news comes from Bombay that an epidemic of cholera has broken out among shoals of sharks, those terrible monsters that infest the Indian ocean. The bodies of several British seamen who had died of cholera in the harbor of Bombay were taken out to sea and buried, and it is supposed that the sharks contracted the disease by feasting on the bodies of the human victims.—Exchange.

A Peculiar Animal.

A peculiar animal was killed near Olney, Or., the other day. It is not a coon or a polecat, neither is it a wildcat nor a cougar, but it looks like a mixture or combination of all of them. Its teeth are long and sharp and its tail somewhat resembles a hog's ear.—Exchange.

Lawyers still predominate in congress, as probably they always will. There are 212 members of the present session who have at one time or another practiced law, while sixty-five are farmers.

Claims amounting to upward of \$500 have been served upon the Cork corporation in respect of glass broken during the progress of the late election by the rival Nationalist factions.

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