

HOME WAS HER PARADISE.

Mrs. John M. Thurston Loved Her Family Afore All Else.

With the death of Mrs. John M. Thurston the most popular woman in Nebraska passed away. She had attained more prominence than any other Nebraska woman, and it was by no means due to the prominence of her illustrious husband. In fact, it is no secret that Senator Thurston owes as much of his political success to the advice and assistance of his wife as to any other one person's efforts.

Mrs. Thurston was an ambitious woman—ambitious for her husband's success in all he undertook. She had the mental capacity to aid him, and with her knowledge of men and measures took advantage of many little things to contribute to the Senator's political prosperity. The lady whose tender heart broke and ceased to throb in the presence of the awful misery of the Cuban mothers was related directly to a family whose history has been a part of the history of the nation. Mrs. John M. Thurston was the daughter of Colonel and Mrs. Luther Poland.



MRS. THURSTON.

Martha L. Poland was the niece of Luke P. Poland, a Vermont statesman of great renown and a politician of great ability. He was Chief Justice and United States Senator from that State for many years. She was born in that State in 1848. Mrs. Thurston's parents removed to Omaha twenty-eight years ago. Her father was a prominent citizen. He died a year ago. Mrs. Poland, a beautiful, white-haired, gentle-faced woman, lives to-day at the Thurston mansion.

When Senator Thurston and Martha Poland married in Omaha twenty-five years ago last Christmas he was a struggling young lawyer. It was then that the fine mental training of Mrs. Thurston came to her husband's aid. She was his chief counselor and assisted him to prepare many of his law cases. Mrs. Thurston was not a society woman in the accepted sense, though she moved in the most select circles. She was too much busied in the welfare of her husband and family to think about the small affairs common to society folks.

The photograph of Mrs. Thurston accompanying this sketch was taken about the time of her marriage. She was strongly averse to sitting for a photograph, and this is probably the only likeness of her that was ever preserved. She was urged by her husband to sit for the photographer the day after her silver wedding, but refused on the plea that it required more time than she cared to give to the subject.

AN AIRY FLEET.

A Nautical Windmill Pumps Water Into a Farmhouse.

This nautical windmill pumps water from the Bronx River into a Williamsburg, N. Y., farmhouse. The four



AT THE SPORT OF THE WINDS.

sloops are correctly built and rigged. They fill, jib and tack as they swing around the circle, often making great speed.

Tactful Persuasion.

Among Gen. Chalmers' troops, during the civil war, was a Mississippi regiment composed of boys from 12 to 14 years old, and old men from 60 to 75. They had responded to a call for troops,

and were mischievously known by the nickname, "Tax in Kind." For each farmer in the Confederacy had given the Government 10 per cent. of his crops, which was thus designated; and a rascal among the regular troops, one day seeing a little boy with an old squirrel rifle twice as long as its owner, said to him, "Are you Tax in Kind?"—and the phrase stuck.

Before going into camp, on the first night near Memphis, the colonel of the Tax in Kind regiment approached Gen. Chalmers and asked:

"Are we not in the State of Tennessee?"

"Yes, this is Shelby County."

"Well, sir," said the colonel, "my men volunteered to defend Mississippi. You would not allow us to bring cooking utensils, and we have no bread; therefore, I shall return to my State."

"Well," said the general, "let us talk about it." They walked along to the camp-fire, and he continued, to the man who was busy there:

"Jim, get to work. I have invited Col. — to take supper with me. Give us the best you have."

Jim started up the fire, and made his preparations. He stirred up some dough in a bucket, filled some corn shucks with it, and covered them up in hot ashes. Then he sliced some fat bacon, and broiled it over the coals, on the end of a stick.

Meanwhile, as the colonel watched these homely proceedings, the general recited to him the story of the Alamo. He told how the hundred and seventy-two patriots, under Col. Travis, resisted the attack of Santa Anna with his three thousand Mexicans, and how Col. Travis, when he found that all hope had departed, announced the fact to his men, saying, "I will die like a man for my country." Then, with his sword he made a line on the floor and called on those who would sacrifice all for freedom, to cross it.

"And do you know," concluded Gen. Chalmers, "they all crossed it but one. His name was Rose."

A hundred boys who had been listening to the story, applauded it, and at the moment of its conclusion, Jim announced that supper was ready. He began handing about ash-cakes in the shape of an ear of corn, and slices of bacon. The colonel was thoughtful. He took a bite or two, and then he spoke:

"General, I see the point. I can stand it if you can. If my boys are willing, we will stay."

"Stay, colonel, stay!" cried the boys, with one accord. And stay they did.

ELIZABETH HARRISON.

Baby Daughter of the Former President Is Growing Apace.

Elizabeth Harrison, the baby daughter of the former President of the United States, is growing apace. Miss Har-



HARRISON'S LITTLE DAUGHTER.

rison is now nearly a year old, and has traveled extensively for one of her age. She spent last summer at Old Forge, in the Adirondacks, where her father owns a fine camp. When the camping season broke up Miss Harrison paid a visit to Indianapolis and held court there during the fall. She received distinguished lights of society and eminent politicians of the State laid their tributes before her. During the winter Miss Harrison repaired to Washington and was one of the season's most important visitors to the White House, where President and Mrs. McKinley were presented to her with due form. Miss Harrison is the picture of her father, whose dear delight is to hold her on his lap for hours and feed his eyes on his satiny white skin, her big violet orbs and the pretty little dimple in her chin. Mr. Harrison would sooner hold his present job as "papa" of Elizabeth than be President.

Assays So Much Per Ton.

"Some things are cheap enough in Dawson City. The carpet beatin' works never charge nothing for renovating your carpets."

"How do they make it pay?"

"They just keep the dust."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

New-Fangled Medical Methods.

Aunt Becky—I don't believe in that young doctor, anyway.

Niece—Why not, auntie?

Aunt Becky—Well, the medicine he gives don't taste bad enough to do any good.—New York Journal.

Women Sailors.

Women sailors are employed in Norway, Denmark and Finland, and are found to be excellent mariners.

Electrical Novelties.

Electrical exhibits at the Trans-Mississippi exposition will embrace displays of all the important practical discoveries that have been made in the field during the past few years. They will include a special exhibit of apparatus and inventions of Thomas A. Edison, various vacuum tube exhibits of Lieutenant Squire and Professor Crohore in rapid synchronography or synchronoscope. The system of military telegraphy and telephony employed in the regular army will also be shown. Tesla's oscillator, which was described at the international congress of electricians at the World's Fair, will be another rare exhibit. The various systems of wire telegraphy that have become associated with the names of Marconi, Rhigi and Lodge will be exhibited and should prove opportune, as nothing much has been done on this side of the Atlantic in this promising field. Various forms of third rail railways will be shown. This type has been adopted on the elevated lines in the city of Chicago, and on several New England roads. It will probably be still more extensively employed in the future. Then, too, there will be an exhibit of alternating current motors adapted for street railway work, which experts assert will eventually supplant the present continuous current type.

The very interesting results obtained by applying electricity to the forcing of plants and the rapid germination of seeds by the stimulation of electrical currents will be demonstrated. Kite flying with electric recording instruments for determining the electrical condition of the atmosphere will be a striking feature of the electrical section.

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Luxury of the Current.

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Cement Admixtures.

For the past three years the cement trade section of the British board of trade has been making investigations into the question of cement admixtures, and the result is that the board announces that "Portland cement be defined as a mixture of two or more suitable materials intimately and artificially mixed in the requisite proportions, and afterward properly treated, to which nothing has been added during or after calcination except that an addition not exceeding 2 per cent of gypsum is permissible." If anything more be added the article so produced shall not be called Portland cement. The worst adulterants for Portland cement are decided to be ragstone and blast-furnace slag, the latter by far the more objectionable.

There are four millionaires in England to one in France.

BAD PAY AND HARD WORK.

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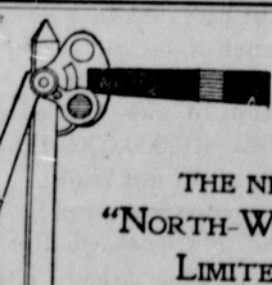
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