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**Unusual.**

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"What would be the use?" she clucked "Nobody would believe it."

**Secret of this value.**

"You sold that prize building of yours for \$4,000, did you? What is there about a building that can possibly bring you more than \$4,000?"

"The fact that somebody thinks he's worth \$4,000."

**More than Rude.**

"The society of the Black Hand is very rude. Is it not?"

"In what respect?"

"Its members seem to have such an acclimated way of cutting their acquaintances dead."—Baltimore American.

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**Hurt to satisfy.**

"Physicians" remarked the thoughtful thinker, "are hard to satisfy."

"How's that?" queried the party at whom the remark had been aimed.

"If their patients get well," explained the t. t., "they lose them, and if they die they also lose them."

Whereupon the party of the second part dashed around the corner.

**Omissions of History.**

Hercules had slain the Erymanthean boar.

"I hated to do it," he said, "but it was an actual necessity. We are absolutely out of meat."

Still, his stern features relaxed with a smile as he reflected that by doing his own slaughtering he had escaped the payment of tribute to the meat trust.

**Under a Different Name.**

"Variety," quoted the man with the bulging brow, "is the spice of life."

"Yes," assented the man with the bulbous nose; "but that's not the name of it now. It's 'vaudeville.'"

**Filial Obedience.**

"Harold," she murmured in his ear "mamma says I mustn't encourage you to come here so often, and I have to do as she tells me, of course, but you don't need any encouragement—do you, dear?"

**Between Friends.**

Nan—Look at the youthful airs she puts on! She's 15 years older than I am, isn't she a day?"

Fan—And you wouldn't tear under the wing unless you would, you, dear?"

**In Doubt About One Point.**

"But I have talked long enough, my friends," said the long-winded orator. "Before I sit down, however, I am willing to answer any questions you would like to ask as to points I may have failed to cover in my discourse."

A brief pause followed.

Then a timid looking man in the audience rose.

"Is a motion to adjourn in order?" he asked.—Chicago Tribune.

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# CONGRESS CONVENES

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## DEMOCRATS DENOUNCE RULES

### Give Speaker of the House Too Much Power—Point is Lost and Cannon Chosen.

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The striking scene of the day were in the house of representatives, where the formal selection of Joseph G. Cannon again to speaker and the designation by the Democrats of John Sharp Williams as their leader, were occasions for ovations for those gentlemen. The speaker was given a warm reception from the minority as well from his own party. The appearance of William J. Bryan on the floor of the house also was the occasion for enthusiastic cheering.

When the adoption of the rules for the government of the house during the Sixtieth congress came up, the rules of the last congress were opposed by Williams and he was joined in the opposition by Democrats and by a single Republican, Cooper of Wisconsin. The old rules were declared to be too autocratic, placing too much power in the hands of the speaker, but after a somewhat acrimonious discussion they were adopted by a party vote.

Committees were appointed by both houses to inform the president that congress had met and was ready to receive any message he might wish to communicate. New senators and all the representatives were sworn in and both houses adjourned out of respect to the memory of members who have died during recess of congress.

Promptly at 12 o'clock Clerk McDowell entered the chamber of representatives accompanied by the veteran assistant sergeant-at-arms, Colonel E. S. Pierce, bearing the mace, the emblem of order in executive bodies.

The hum of conversation suddenly ceased and Mr. McDowell declared the body duly in session.

Chaplain Couden immediately offered prayer, after which the roll was called. The roll call occupied 20 minutes, and showed 365 members present.

The senate convened promptly at noon. After Vice President Fairbanks sounded the gavel the proceedings were opened with prayer by the Rev. Edward Dowling, chaplain.

La Follette was the first senator recognized, and presented the credentials of Isaac Stevenson, of Wisconsin.

The vice president ordered that the roll of senator-elect be called alphabetically, and they were sworn in and escorted to their desks. All of the senator-elect were present except Frank B. Rowland, of Alabama, who is ill.

Under the form observed by the senate neither Frank B. Rowland nor Johnson will be sworn in until the deaths of Morgan and Pettus have been acknowledged.

Robert L. Owen and Thomas P. Gore, of Oklahoma, not having been elected to the senate by their legislature, were not received by the senate and their credentials will not be accepted until after their election December 10.

The roll call showed 85 senators present. Allison and Teller were designated a committee to inform the president that congress had assembled and is ready to receive any communications.

Teller offered resolutions of respect to the memory of Morgan and Pettus, of Alabama, and they were adopted and the senate adjourned at 12:39 p. m.

## No Right to Buy Car Lines.

San Francisco, Dec. 3.—Judge Sturtevant of the Superior court, yesterday decided that the board of supervisors had no right to appropriate \$750,000 from the tax fund for the purchase of the ferry street railway. The board of supervisors instituted suit to have the ordinance declared invalid on the ground that the city's charter provides for municipal operation of public utilities only by direct vote of the people, or when the city's unexpended revenues will permit of such investments, and neither provision prevails.

## Ford Evidence Completed.

San Francisco, Dec. 3.—The second trial of Tracy Hurd, general counsel of the United Railroads and ex-attorney general of California, on the charge of having bribed members of a former board of supervisors in connection with the granting of an overhead trolley franchise, was resumed yesterday after an interruption of one month, caused by the intervention of legal holidays. The prosecution closed its case and the defense rested without offering any testimony. It is expected that argument will be concluded today.

## Race Under Lipton's Rules.

New York, Dec. 3.—Sir Thomas Lipton and other famous foreign yachtsmen will be invited to come to America next year to sail for a cup to be presented by certain members of the Brooklyn Yacht club. The race will be for boats similar to those suggested by Sir Thomas in his challenge for the America's cup, which challenge was declined by the New York Yacht club. A number of prominent yacht clubs in Europe will be invited to compete.

## Insurance Company Falls.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 3.—Attorney General Thompson yesterday prepared a petition asking for a receiver for the National Mutual Fire Insurance company, of Omaha. The attorney general alleges that the liabilities of the company are \$253,653 and the assets \$116,779. T. M. Coffin is president of the company and J. L. Abbie secretary.

## Japan Recalls Her Envoy.

Washington, Dec. 3.—It was reported here early this morning that Viscount Aoki, the Japanese ambassador, called on the president and Secretary of State Root yesterday and presented his letters of recall.

# AIMS TO PLEASE ALL.

## President's Message is to Be Conservative Document.

Washington, Dec. 2.—It is said that President Roosevelt's annual message to congress will open with a broad and confident expression of belief in the resources of America and an appeal to the citizens to keep their money in circulation.

It will be patriotic in tone, conservative without being reactionary. The message will be regarded by many as a political work of art. It reaches out to reassure and please the business man, the railroad man, the working man, the farmer, the labor agitator.

The president is in favor of currency legislation. He would have provisions made for the issuance by the banks of an emergency currency, safely secured by gold bonds, which should be taken enough to make it unprofitable to continue its use after the emergency had passed.

The president is in favor of legislation that will give the railroads a chance to live. He would have the Sherman anti-trust law amended. It should be changed so as to permit certain very proper combinations, necessary to industrial progress, and also made to prevent other combinations that are opposed to the public interest.

Mr. Roosevelt thinks the tariff should be revised at proper periods, but nothing is to be done in that direction with his consent until the next presidential election. He looks with favor on the proposal to remove the tax on printed paper and pulp, but only conditioned on the Canadian government permitting its pulp wood to enter the United States free of an export tax.

Though he wants the condition of the women and children who work in factories improved, he wants more investigation of the subject. So, too, the president wants technical training extended to the farmer. He does not expect congress will accept any of his recommendations at this session, except perhaps, currency reform and railroad relief. If his present plans are carried out, he will not have any fights on his hands with congress.

## CANNON IS CHOSEN.

Republican Caucus Nominates Him for Speaker of the House.

Washington, Dec. 2.—Hon. Joseph G. Cannon, of Illinois, was Saturday night nominated by the Republican members of the house of representatives for his third term as speaker, and he will be re-elected to that office upon the convening of the house at 12 o'clock today. The nomination was made in a caucus held in the house of representatives, which was attended by practically all of the 539 Republican members.

The caucus was called to order at 8 o'clock by Representative Hepburn, of Iowa, who presided, and within an hour's time the nomination not only of the speaker, but of all the officers of the house was completed and an adjournment taken. The other officers chosen were:

Alexander McDowell, Pennsylvania, clerk; Frank B. Lyon, New York, door-keeper; Henry Caswell, Massachusetts, sergeant-at-arms; and Samuel W. Langgum, Minnesota, postmaster.

## DEMOCRATIC NOMINEE.

John Sharp Williams Chosen Minority Leader of the House

Washington, Dec. 2.—By agreeing to place in nomination for speaker John Sharp Williams, of Mississippi, the Democratic members of the house Saturday in effect decided to continue him in the position of minority leader for the Sixtieth congress. The nomination of Mr. Williams was agreed on in a caucus of the Democratic members held in the hall of the house of representatives beginning at 2 o'clock.

Representative Henry D. Clayton, of Alabama, presided, and Representative Ryan, of the Buffalo, N. Y., district, was chosen secretary.

Immediately after the organization of the caucus had been completed, Representative Thomas, of North Carolina, was recognized, and he proceeded at once to place Mr. Williams in nomination. There was no opposition, and Mr. Williams was elected by acclamation.

## Barrad from California.

San Francisco, Dec. 2.—The Examiner says today that three of the largest insurance companies doing business on the coast have been denied certificates of authority to do any further business in this state by Insurance Commissioner E. M. Wolf. The companies affected are the Palatine, of London, the Commercial Union, of New York. The three companies insisted on taking suits for losses sustained in the great fire in the United States courts. This is in violation of a state law.

## Sanction for Fiat Money.

New York, Dec. 2.—It is announced that shortly after congress opens Senator Platt will introduce in the senate a bill providing for the national incorporation of clearing houses. The bill is similar to those which failed of passage in 1896 and 1897. It will provide that one clearing house in each state shall have the power to issue currency to its members and shall maintain a reserve equal to that required of national banks. The passage of this bill will give congressional sanction to the plan of issuing clearing house certificates.

## Test the Eight-hour Law.

Butte, Mont., Dec. 2.—Two Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway contractors, Michael Jennings and D. A. McIntosh, were today found guilty of violating the eight-hour statute and fined \$100 each, with costs. Immediate notice of an appeal was given, it being the intention of the contractors to test the constitutionality of the statute. The contractors aver that if the law is upheld it will greatly retard construction work on the St. Paul road.

## Graveyard Sinks into Sea.

London, Dec. 2.—Owing to the erosion of the sea at Lyme Regis a graveyard attached to the church is disappearing, and it was reported at a meeting of the county council that coffins could be seen projecting from the side of the cliff, while many coffins have disappeared in the sea.

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"Silent Smith," said a New York broker, "was an eccentric man, but in many ways a kind one. To his friends and employees he was exceedingly kind. Once, indeed, his kindness saved a lad from ruin. Mr. Smith a good many years ago employed a young man in a confidential capacity. Another employee came to him one day and told him he had better look out for the young man, as he was living beyond his means."

"Mr. Smith frowned.

"Living beyond his means, is he?" he said. "Dear me, that won't do. Send him here to me at once. I'll have to raise his salary."

**A Famous Ball.**

Elmer Strickfield, the "split ball" pitcher, had been listening a long while in a New York club to the boasting of a rival.

"Well," he said, exhausted at last, "you are pretty good, Mike; but out in Mountain-View there is a young fellow who can beat you. You'll hear from him next season. His specialty is the slow ball. This young fellow has such a slow ball that, when he pitches it and sees that it is going to be hit, he can run after it and fetch it back again."

**Ingatitaded.**

"Women," remarked the young man with the sorry look, "are delusions and snares."

"So?" queried the innocent bystander.

"Yes, verily," rejoined the y. m. "Not many moons ago I cut out cigars and lived on free lunch two weeks in order to blow myself on an opera and a supper for a young woman. After supper I asked her to marry me, and what kind of an answer do you suppose she handed me?"

"Give it up," rejoined the b. b.

"The said lady was very sorry," continued the y. m., "but I was entirely too extravagant to make a good husband."

Frohman, the American theatrical manager, said recently after his annual London business season was over: "Two-thirds of the communication in London that two or three years ago was settled by correspondence or calls is now done by telephone. The result is a man's work is more concentrated and he gets more time in perhaps 100 or more engagements I might have during the day, half are settled by telephone, even to engaging actors and listening to musical lyrics. I have decided more stage questions this year this way than by correspondence or personal meetings. In fact, I have engaged two star actors and made agreements with three authors for plays without having ever met them."

**Too Much for Him.**

It was the closing hour of the long weary trial. The courtroom was packed to suffocation to hear the venerable Judge's charge to the jury. There was a minute's silence before he cleared his throat and began to speak.

"Gentlemen of the jury," he said in part, "in arriving at a verdict in this case you must take the testimony of the witnesses for the defense into consideration and give them full weight."

At the words "full weight" one of the Jurymen fainter. He was a coal dealer.—Milwaukee Sentinel.

## Wentment of Luxury.

"Mildred, why did you let me sleep till 9 o'clock? I called you at 7, as you told me to do."

"I know it, mamma. I only wanted the pleasure of knowing that I was going to sleep two hours longer."

## Social Triumph.

"Did you attend Mrs. Skimmerhorn's miscellaneous shower the other night?"

"Yes."

"How was it?"

"Complete success. It rained cats and dogs the whole evening."

## His Mild Kick.

"Theoretically," muttered the professor, pocketing the small amount of change that had been handed back to him, "all the products of nature ought to be free, but some of them cost like blades."

He had just paid his bill for electric lighting.

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"Yes, sir," said Tufford Knut, "me and another fellow went run a Swiss