

MURRAY HOBSON CASE

An Explanation Made By His Brother, O. J. Hobson.

The readers of the Graphic who knew Murray Hobson as a boy in Newberg, and who read in the Graphic some months ago an account of the trouble he was in with the Federal authorities over postal funds in connection with his position as postmaster at a small office in the state of Washington, will be pleased, as the Graphic is, to know that the offense was not as great as appeared in the report then given.

The matter was recently settled in court and his brother, O. J. Hobson wrote the Graphic the following concerning the case: "I said nothing at the time in defense of his action knowing it would be worse than useless until the action by the court had taken place. The facts were that a neighborhood row and a domestic feud combined with the crookedness of some of those taking part in it made it appear very probable that he had been guilty. W. M. had a serious misunderstanding with his father-in-law which resulted in an estrangement. The old man (Stewart) was very bitter against my brother and himself removed the funds belonging to the post office at Riparia, Washington, and of course Murray, being postmaster, was the responsible party so far as the Federal authorities were concerned. The postal inspector who reported the case went with D. P. Price, the attorney for my brother and interviewed the District attorney and stated the facts which constituted a technical violation. D. P. stated the facts to the court and the court asked the District attorney for his recommendations and the District Attorney advised the court that there had been no wrong-doing on the part of the defendant but the facts were as stated by the attorney for the defense. The judge remarked from the bench that it appeared to him that 'This man Stewart is more guilty than the defendant and the court is disposed to grant every leniency permissible in the case.' He was fined the minimum because there was a technical violation of the law and he was therefore compelled to plead guilty although the other man was the guilty party. One of the postal inspectors, Mr. Fullenweider, had on one or two occasions reprimanded Mr. Stewart and family for trespass in the postal departments property. He kept his own money in the same safe as the postoffice money was kept and one morning came in and asked my brother for all the money he had in the house. W. M. went to the drawer and took all the money which belonged to Stewart and passed it to him. That evening he noticed a considerable shortage of the postoffice money, and supposed possibly the old man had accidentally put the postoffice money with his own and would soon replace it with his usual deposits from the hotel and store funds. Instead, the old gentleman discontinued making deposits in that safe. It's a long story but that is the situation in brief and I thought you might see fit to briefly mention the fact that he had been exonerated of any moral turpitude in the matter. You can verify the above by communicating with D. P. Price who represented him in the case.

I might also say that the reports of the manner in which he left that place up there were untrue as he and his family and another family left in broad daylight and with the full knowledge and consent of all their friends, and the shortage, as he supposed, had been amply provided for. It is difficult and unsatisfactory and therefore unpleasant to attempt to explain such an occurrence. If he was apparently

indifferent to some of the strict regulations of the postal laws the discipline was sufficiently severe."

A Curious Name Combination.

"What is in a name?" has been a question sufficiently unanswered to still remain a subject for discussion, but what is in two names should have a double interest. If you don't think so, take two names as well known as any in American history and look at them. They are the names of Lincoln and Hamlin. Of course there is nothing peculiar about them as they stand, but set them differently and observe the result. For an instance, place them this wise:

HAM LIN
LIN COLN

Read up and down and then across. There is something in that, isn't there? Now, again:

ABRA-HAMLIN-COLN.

Can you find two other names of two other men whose official lives and names combine as these do?

The Origin of the Kiss.

Concerning the kiss and its origin opinions differ. Some wise men declare that the kissing habit is one of the remains of cannibalism and that its beginning was nothing more than the carnivorous impulse to bite. When primitive man gave a kiss he expressed an affection equal to his love for his foods. The kiss meant, "I love you well enough to eat you." It is certain that kissing was one of the most ancient customs. It was current among the ancient Jews and is well known among all orientals. Nor is it to disappear. Exalted by the dying act of more than one historical hero, sung by all the poets from Solomon onward, the kiss is here to stay. The world could not do without it.—Harper's Weekly.

Base Canard.

Spring chickens were scarce, and they had killed the ancient gamecock for Sunday dinner.

"Ah," said the old farmer reverently, "this certainly was a game chicken. In fact, he was the bravest in two states."

The star boarder glared at the carcass of the deceased fowl.

"If I only had an ax," he mumbled.

"And what would you do with an ax?" demanded the farmer curiously.

"To assassinate the man that started that expression. 'The bravest are the tenderest.'—Chicago News.

A Saving Grace.

Emerson says there is always time for courtesy. Pat, in the following anecdote, might respond that there was never time for anything else. Robert Boody Coverly tells the story in the "Annals of the Coverly Family."

In the rebellion a bombshell whizzed toward an Irishman's head. Pat dodged it with a low bow, and it went by, taking off the head of a man behind him.

"Faith," exclaimed Pat, "ye nivir knew a man to lose anything by bein' polite!"

It is a popular saying that the first love is the true one, unique in its excellence, says an exchange. As well say that the first picture of a painter is the best of all he will paint in the course of his life; that the first speech, the first book, the first statue, the first composition, will be the best of the statesman, novelist, sculptor or musician, as the case may be. First works have all the imperfections of uncertainty, of inexperience and ignorance. And it is rather by chance than by anything inherent in the nature of Cupid's ways that the first love turns out to be the great one.

Barrie's Juvenile Coworker.

While J. M. Barrie was composing his play, "Peter Pan," he went to a children's supper party. Among the guests was a little boy whose healthy appetite provoked from his mother the pleading threat, "You will be ill tonight." "No, mother; not till tomorrow," was the calm response of the contented creature of the moment. It caught and pleased the ear of Mr. Barrie, who put it into his play and promised to the juvenile joint author a half-penny royalty upon every performance.

Sollicitous Sons-in-law.

"Where is Mrs. Brown going to live now her two daughters are married—in London, where one of her sons-in-law lives, or in Manchester, where the other lives?"

"I don't know. One wants her to settle down in London, the other in Manchester."

"What charming sons-in-law!"

"H'm! It's the one in London who would like to send her to Manchester and the Manchester one who would like her to stay in London!"—London Mail.

GOT THE THIEF'S SKULL.

Curious Old Story That is Told of the Elder Booth.

The elder Booth acquired a skull for use in "Hamlet" in an odd manner, according to an old time story that is told about the great actor. The tragedian, somewhat in his cups, was traveling near Louisville, when he took a horse from a field and rode off with it. Horse stealing at that time was a capital offense in Kentucky, and the greatest horse thief was a man named Fontaine. Booth was soon overtaken and when asked where he got the animal said: "I captured him in a field back here."

"Indeed!" said one of the farmers. "And what might your name be?"

"My name is Fontaine," said Booth, without a smile.

"Fontaine!" ejaculated both men simultaneously. "Then you are the very man we want. Come back to town with us."

"Certainly," said Booth in the most good natured manner, and, wheeling his horse, he rode back to Louisville with his captors.

The city jail was then in charge of a Colonel Thomas, who knew Booth well. "We have brought you Fontaine, the horse thief, and claim the reward," said the farmers proudly, addressing the jailer.

"Where is he?" they were asked. Booth was produced. "Why, what does this mean, Mr. Booth?" asked Thomas.

"I haven't the slightest idea," said the great tragedian, with the utmost simplicity. "I met these two men with this horse, and they insisted upon giving it to me. I guess they stole it. I think one of them is Fontaine."

The rustics were about to be locked up when by the most singular coincidence a man rushed to the prison door on horseback and shouted out the information that the real Fontaine had been taken into custody. Booth made Fontaine's acquaintance after the desperado was lodged in jail, and the horse thief, who was executed later, left by will his skull to the actor.—Exchange.

The Useful Soap Weed.

Greatest as well as most common of all cacti is the "soap weed," which grows wherever cacti grow and which is man's only friend in the great southwestern deserts of the United States and in Mexico. It furnishes always a quantity of water when cut. As its name indicates, it can be manufactured into a soap, perhaps the least alkaline soap ever made, even though the weed itself may grow in the center of an alkali desert. Beer is brewed from it, the Indians make a hemp-like fiber from it, and horses and men can eat parts of it if the spines are cut away. Also when it shoots up its one great arm skyward it tops that arm with one of the most gorgeous flowers in the world.—Chicago Record-Herald.

Ancient Thomas Parr.

Thomas Parr lived 152 years and was buried in Westminster abbey. Born in Shropshire, England, in 1483, Parr led the life of an agricultural laborer in his native place till blindness and extreme old age kept him indoors. Early in 1635, his longevity having made him famous, Thomas, earl of Arundel, took him to London to be exhibited to Charles I. He was lodged in the Strand, but the change of air and diet told upon him, and in November of that same year he died. He was described as a good looking man of medium size, with a deep chest and a thick beard. He attributed his excellent health to moderation in eating and drinking.

Curious Titles.

The English reformers adopted some curious titles for their devotional and controversial works. "Matches Lighted at the Divine Fire," "The Gun of Penitence," "The Shop of the Spiritual Apothecary," "The Bank of Faith," "Six-pennyworth of Divine Spirit," "Some Fine Biscuits Baked In the Oven of Charity, Carefully Conserved For the Chickens of the Church," "The Sparrows of the Spirit" and "The Sweet Swallows of Salvation" are among the number.

Carefully Guarded Tea.

The tea used in the Chinese royal household is treated with the utmost care. It is raised in a garden surrounded by a wall, so that neither man nor beast can get anywhere near the plants. At the time of the harvest those collecting these leaves must abstain from eating fish that their breath may not spoil the aroma of the tea, they must bathe three times a day and in addition must wear gloves while picking the tea for the Chinese court.

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