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TALENTED TONGUE

City and County Committees
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The committee appointed by the County Council to confer with the City Council re the maintenance of the administration of Criminal Justice, met the Finance committee of the City Council in the County Clerk's office, Harrison Hall, yesterday afternoon. There were present Mayor McKenough, Finance Minister Marshall and Ald. Tye, of the City Council, and Warden Sifton and Messrs. Haggart, Grant, and Treasurer Fleming of the County Council. The object of the meeting was to settle the matter of the amount to be paid by the city as their share of the cost of installing the steam heating plant in Harrison Hall. The meeting was a very unsatisfactory one as far as settlement was concerned. No real agreement was settled upon. The point of discussion was whether the city should pay one-fourth or one-third of the cost of the plant. After considerable discussion it was decided that the Finance committee would refer the matter to the City Council for action.

As to the cost of lighting the Hall it was decided that the city should pay half of the gas accounts.

In reference to the paying for the plant Mayor McKenough suggested that the matter be laid before the city solicitor, but this was not satisfactory to the members of the County Board.

It was noticed that Ald. Tye had not much to say in the proceedings, and when asked the reason he replied:

"I am the silent member of the Council since the last time I spoke at the Council Board. I spoke once and I was reported in the papers too concisely. After this I am content to be the silent member."

It was suggested that Warden Sifton might help the matter out if he would address the City Council.

"He might sing a song that would not suit some of the members of the Council," commented Mr. Haggart. "Perhaps the other members of the Council may grant more concessions than the members of their Finance committee."

Ald. Tye, humorously—He might not be a match for G. G. Martin. Mr. Haggart—I understand Mr. Martin has a good flow of language. Here someone suggested that it was sometimes more flow than language.

Mr. Haggart—if the city is desirous of selling their interest in Harrison Hall the County Council are willing to buy, and it might be well to have your Finance committee hand in to us as estimate of what you want for your interest and we will consider the purchase of it. All of the County Councilors are in favor of buying.

And thus the meeting ended. The matter will be brought up at the next Council meeting.

Why the Mexicans Call Us Gringos

In the southwest, especially along the Mexican border, Mexicans are vulgarly called "gringos" by the American cowboys and ranchers. The Mexicans have retailed by contemptuously referring to the Americans as "gringos," unconsciously that they are using a word of American origin first applied to themselves.

During the Mexican war the army of Santa Anna was composed mostly of Indian peons who could neither shoot, drill nor fight. To distinguish these ignorant recruits from the trained regulars the Americans called them "greenies," and the Mexicans, with their Latin pronunciation, converted it into first "greenies," then "gringos." Later they applied it to those from whom they had first heard it, thinking it meant something especially bad.

Gunpowder Bags

It is possible to weave a very attractive fabric—as regards appearance, at least—out of ordinary gunpowder. The cloth looks very much like silk and when ignited instantly disappears without leaving a trace behind.

The fabric is used for making bags to hold gunpowder, which in this shape are loaded into big guns. When the bags are of canvas, as is customary, they are not consumed by the explosion, and what remains of them after firing has to be removed from the powder chamber of the weapon. But if gunpowder bags be substituted for canvas the sack actually becomes part of the explosive charge, and no trace of it is left after the shot has sped.

Sound Enjoyment

The spirit of modern life is to plunge into experiences vigorously and get the most from them. This was the spirit that animated the man who preferred tough beefsteak because there was more "chew to it." Similarly virile was the attitude of Mr. Skillings, who had come to town to order a new family carriage.

"Now, I suppose you want rubber tires?" said the agent.

"No, sir," replied Mr. Skillings. "My folks ain't that kind. When we're ridin' we want to know it."

Beginning Young

The feminine instinct begins young. The little girl who wore her new cloak for the first time in an east wind was not thinking of the east wind. Her mother, however, was, and she suggested that people who allowed their cloaks to blow over their heads sometimes caught cold. "Oh, no, mother," observed her daughter complacently. "You don't catch cold when it's such a pretty thing!"

Minard's Lintiment is used by Physicians.

THE STAGE

"All the world's a stage
And all the men and women merely players."

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

At the Chatham Grand:—
"Hello, Bill!"—March 3.

(Supplied to The Planet by Press Agents.)

AT THE GRAND TO-NIGHT!

Mr. Harry Blakemore and a Company of Comedy Players will appear at the Grand Opera House to-night in the big, jolly, military comedy success, "Hello, Bill!" by Willis Maxwell Goodhue. The play is presented under the personal direction of the author, who makes no apology for his efforts, believing that many another poor, luckless wight placed in Mr. Fuller's position, would have done exactly as he did.



CAROLYN McLEAN
In "Hello, Bill," at the Grand To-night!

"Hello, Bill!" will be produced under the stage direction of Mr. Macomber, the following being the cast of characters:—

Mr. William Fuller—Harry Blakemore.
Gen. William Fuller—Geo. Macomber.

Two men there were, and both named Bill.

And each did work the other ill.
Christopher Cutting, who fixes things—J. Francis Trader.

Ned Hemingway, who loves Dorothy—Eugene Shakespeare.

Dr. Elsie—P. Hastings, who just came over—Wm. H. Woodside.

Zack Phelps, who represents the law—Robt. Watt.

Mary, who answers the bell—Marion Kirby.

Harriet Sterling, who blew in from the West—Margaret Sykes.

Dorothy Dare, who loves Ned—Gertrude Raymore.

Matilda, who thinks she is the only Mrs. Fuller—Lena Lorraine.

Isabella Dare, who, while now the relic of Thomas Dare, deceased, has every expectation of being the wife of her own "Bill"—Carolyn McLean.

Regard Erysipelas as a dangerous disease. Anoint the swollen, itching skin with Weaver's Cerate, reduced with hard, sweet oil if it smartens sharply. Take Weaver's Syrup.

Stood by the Reporter.

The late George W. Childs, the proprietor of the Philadelphia Ledger, was a man who supported his subordinates when they were in the right. During a bitter congressional campaign one of the candidates called upon Mr. Childs and said:

"Mr. Childs, I have always considered you my friend. Am I right in that assumption?"

"Yes," said Mr. Childs in his quiet way, wondering what was coming.

"Well, I come to complain about your political reporter. His reports of my campaign have done me much damage."

"Understand," said Mr. Childs, "that our reporter has been putting your own speeches, is that true?"

"Yes," said the publisher, "you are the guilty man. You are killing your own candidacy, and the Ledger is simply giving a faithful picture of the performance. Blame yourself and not the Ledger reporter."

And that was all the satisfaction this influential politician could get from the publisher.

Why Cut Apples Turn Color.

The rapid change of color in cut apples is due to chemical action on the exposed surface of the apple after the free admission of oxygen and not, as was once supposed, to the presence of micro-organisms, for if apple pulp is sterilized and altered the same thing happens. The juice of an apple not only contains water, sugar and various acids, but a starch which ferments when exposed to the air.

Lindet holds that the fermenting matter and the acids also are in different cells in the uncut apple, but are brought into contact as soon as it is cut. This is, however, not to the point, as the fermenting matter can only attack the aromatic body in the presence of oxygen. So long as the skin of the apple is whole no change can take place, but immediately this is wounded the oxygen begins its work, carbon dioxide is evolved, and the reddish brown appearance sets in, especially on unripe fruit.

Passing of Great Parliamentarian

After a political career embracing more than forty years, Sir William Vernon Harcourt, it is about to relinquish his seat in the British House of Commons, and retire into private life. Sir William is nearly 77 years old, an age at which even politicians begin to wear out, and that he is choosing the part of wisdom in planning to devote the remaining years of his life more fully to those intellectual pleasures which have been such a solace and delight to him cannot be disputed. The wonder is that he has clung for so long to his seat. Politics in the past ten years must have been gall and wormwood to him. Ever since Lord Rosebery, instead of Sir William Vernon Harcourt, was made the leader of the Liberal party in 1894, he must have felt that "the world was out of joint." Still he remained in politics, gradually fading into the background and absenting himself more and more from the House, even on those occasions when his party needed so much his great abilities. It had been better for his own fame if he had resigned ten years ago, at the moment when his ancient friend and enemy triumphed over him. He had done so the Liberals to-day might be calling for him to emulate Cicinnatus, and lead them on to victory. Now, as he prepares to bid farewell to the scene of his many triumphs and his few defeats, he neither accuses regret nor stirs affectionate memories. Thus passes a notable English politician.

HIS ONE GREAT DEED.

It is safe to say of Sir William Vernon Harcourt that rarely has a man of such fine qualities withdrawn from the hurly-burly of public life, leaving behind him so few lasting monuments. To the question "What has he done for the Empire, or for England?" his eulogists will be puzzled to return an answer. This great jurist, this eminent financier, this ripe scholar, this tremendous controversialist, this eloquent debater, leaves behind him, in the Finance Act, the record of his single great deed. While Chancellor of the Exchequer in 1894 he equalized the death duties on real and personal property. The budget of this year is said to have been the most socialistic ever presented to the British House, and it was prepared by one of the most uncompromising aristocrats who ever spoke in that chamber, by a Minister whose descent from the Plantagenets is direct and unswerving. How ever Sir William came to do this golden deed must remain a mystery to those who study his long career. It is significant that it was by his one inconsistency that he is celebrated among law makers.

SACRIFICES FOR HARCOURT.

The son of a Canon of York, the grandson of an Archbishop of York, William George Grenville Venables Harcourt was born on Oct. 14, 1827. He was educated at Trinity College, Cambridge, whence he graduated with honors in 1851. Three years later he was called to the bar, and for several years travelled the circuit. While a fledgling lawyer his political career may be said to have begun. In 1858 he came to head prematurely, and he was defeated in an election. In 1866 he was made a Queen's Counsel, and was everywhere acknowledged to be one of the most brilliant of legal practitioners. Two years after his election he had been conferred on him he contested the riding of Oxford, and was successful. In 1869 Mr. Harcourt was appointed professor of international law at Cambridge, and in 1873 came to the knighthood with the position of Solicitor-General in Mr. Gladstone's first Administration. In 1880 he was made Home Secretary, but on going back to his constituency for re-election was defeated. Thereupon the patriotic Mr. Parnell resigned from his Dorset constituency, and handed over his seat to Sir William. A similar disconcerting experience was his in 1895, when he was beaten in the Midland county because of supporting the Vote Bill. Then it was Mr. Womington, M. P. for Monmouth, who politely stood up, and ever since Sir William Vernon Harcourt has represented Monmouth.

AN UNSURPASSED DEBATER.

Year-books tell little more about the veteran politician than is contained in the preceding paragraph. He was twice married, his first wife being a daughter of John Lubbock, the distinguished American Ambassador and historian. This marriage may account for the fact that Sir William is popular with the people of the United States, but it does not explain why he is not popular with the people of England. For one thing, he is not an approachable man. No one would dream of approaching him in the back. His manner forbids familiarity and his biting humor reinforces his high-headed, austere demeanor. For good reason was he dreaded in debate. His only living equal on the floor of the House is said to be Mr. Chamberlain, and if Mr. Chamberlain's attack is as disconcerting, if his defense is equally adroit, his manner is hobbled compared with the Sir William Vernon Harcourt's. In the past generation of Parliamentary debaters his only peers were Disraeli and Gladstone, and it may be doubted if either of them surpassed him. He was not their inferior in any of the qualities which make a man a power in the House, but because a large number of Englishmen believed in Disraeli, idolized Gladstone, and refused to take Harcourt seriously, he never rose to the pinnacle to which both his illustrious colleagues attained.

DEFEATED BY ROSEBERY.

Ten years ago the newspapers were full of prophecies that Sir William Vernon Harcourt was to succeed Mr. Gladstone as Premier and leader of the Liberal party, but Lord Rosebery was called, and Sir William had to be content with the House leadership. Rosebery had been Under-Secretary when he was Secretary of State, and a warm personal friendship had existed between them, but Rosebery abandoned Gladstone and Harcourt clung to his chief, and so a coolness arose. This developed into enmity, and Rosebery's friends said that Sir William was not a loyal lieutenant to his leader. Neither was he free from suspicion of coquetting with Disraeli soon after Gladstone had given him his first Cabinet position, but he learned early the lesson that the Grand Old Man would not tolerate maneuvering of this sort. Therefore, when the occasion offered he was ready to drown Morley's voice in praise of Gladstone. But even his partisanship has not availed, and so Sir William turns his broad back on friend and foe alike, leaving to lesser men the prizes which he failed to win.

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