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Washington, Jan. 31.—[Special to The Bee.]—One hundred and thirty-four of the supreme court of the United States held its first meeting, and on Monday next all of the justices leave Washington to celebrate its centennial at New York. The supreme court is now the most dignified body of men in our government. It ranks with congress and the president in its importance and the chief justice, as it does for life, is more desirable than the office of chief executive of the United States. The business of the court shows better than anything else the growth of our country during the past century. For the first thirty years the supreme court had practically nothing to do. Now it is 1,600 cases behind, and justice Miller tells me that the judges work all day and far into the night. During the first half century of the court's history the record of admissions to the court were recorded in a book not much thicker than a copy of Harper's Magazine. Now 300 lawyers come before the bar and his little old bible upon which they swear to practice honestly before it, every session, and not infrequently a dozen lawyers are admitted in a single day.

The supreme court of the United States holds its meetings in a room not as large as many a country court room. There are dining rooms in many of the houses of Washington which have more floor space, and the city councils of towns of 10,000 people demand a bigger hall. It is situated midway between the city hall and the capitol, just off the busy corner which runs between them. An old negro, as solemn as Erebus, guards the door. You ask for admission. He pulls the string and the door flies noiselessly open. As it does so another door opens on the inside, and a moment later you stand in the presence of the supreme court of the United States.

The whole court wears a comfortable look and the majority of the judges correspond with Shakespeare's definition of the justice: "Whose face round belly with good capelin lined," warrant you there are no wrinkles in the stomachs of these men. Those faces shun with good living and upon each you find the wrinkles of a man who has had a single care and that he has for life \$10,000 a year. Justice Miller there has received \$50,000 in salaries from Congress and Justice Field has carried in his pocket Uncle Sam's good drafts for \$70,000. Bradley has received \$200,000 in salaries from Congress and Justice Field has carried in his pocket Uncle Sam's good drafts for \$100,000. Gray \$30,000, and Blatchford's each have amounted to \$50,000 in cash each. Each will receive \$10,000 more for each year that he has served. It is not clear whether he remains upon the bench or not. If he leaves it the government will have to get a new \$10,000 man to take his place. Uncle Sam will not get \$20,000 more for \$10,000 as long as he lives. There is no doubt that any one of these men can make more than this amount at the law, and in fact, well worth the salary paid him. All have made big fees before they came here, and every one is a man of reputation.

Chief Justice Fuller had an income of \$30,000 a year in Chicago when President Cleveland asked him to leave it for a salary of \$10,000 for life. He is a rich man and he has his salary and through his first wife inherited a property which rents for \$20,000 a year. His second wife is wealthy and he has nothing to fear from a falling market. He is the richest man in the national treasury. Chief Justice Fuller is the shortest man on the supreme bench. He is not over five feet seven inches high and he does not weigh over 120 pounds. He has, however, a dignified bearing and when he sits in his gown upon the bench he looks like a giant. Justice Gray who is six feet five and kicks the beam at 300. Justice Fuller has a remarkable face. His forehead is high and full, his nose large and wide, his eyes blue and his complexion is of a colorless white. He has a great mass of silver white hair which is combed up from his forehead, which hair grows out of his scalp, which falls upon the collar of his gown at the back. He will be fifty-seven years old on the 14th of February, and is one of our great men he inherits his most prominent quality of brain through his mother. She was the daughter of the Chief Justice of Maine, Nathaniel Chipmunk, and a graduate of Bowdoin college and he is a man of culture. He studied law at the Harvard law school and after a short practice in Maine removed to Chicago. He is a fine orator as well as a good lawyer and his oration on Washington was a masterpiece. He has several families who had rather underrated him. Chief Justice Fuller lives here in one of the finest houses of the capital. It is the big double brick house on the corner of the interior, by the way, is much changed by Justice Fuller's furniture. The chief justice has turned the old house into a library and the walls are now lined with a fine collection of well-thumbed books. I noted that the German and French classics had a place beside the best of our own authorities, and that the works of English and American science were many. Chief Justice Fuller is a man of broad reading, and he has a family of five sons and eight daughters who are possessed of considerable literary tastes. Two of his daughters are now in Germany at school. His wife is a fine dinner talker, and Senator Cochrill calls him the Chauncy Dewey.

ENGLAND AND NEW-YORK.

Justice Brewer is a nephew of Justice Field and this is the only family history that an uncle and nephew have ever been on the supreme bench at the same time. An extraordinary vein of legal brain must have existed among the Brewers. Justice Field's family here is David Dudley Field, for years one of the greatest lawyers in New York. Justice Field, is on the supreme bench, and his nephew, a judge for more than a generation. Brewer, the son of Field's sister, makes a reputation in Kansas as a lawyer, and is now on the supreme bench on his merits.

Justice Brewer was born in Smyrna, and it is a curious fact that Justice Stephen J. Field spent a part of his childhood in Smyrna. His sister married a missionary, and at thirteen years of age she took her brother with her to Asia Minor. Brewer did not remain in Asia long enough to have his skin tanned by the tropical sun, and when he was a swimming class of eleven months he was brought back to New York. Justice Field studied law with David Dudley Field in New York, and went west to practice.

The two men have no features in common. Justice Field is one of the finest looking men in public life, and Brewer is also fine looking but as a different type. Justice Field might pass for a Venetian dog as he sits with a black velvet cap upon his head upon the bench. He has a high forehead, a full beard of sable silver, and his face is the most classic on the bench. He is six feet tall and his great frame is symmetrically developed. He has a fine, grown older in appearance since the late forty years in California and it must have been a terrible annoyance to him. Justice Field is also a highly cultured man. He is well read in almost every branch of literature, and he talks most entertainingly and he has broad ideas as to the future of this country. He is a man of great questions and is fond of society. His wife is one of the noted social beauties of Washington, and the two live in a beautiful house across the park from and facing the capitol. I don't know much as to Judge Field's wealth. His brothers are millionaires, but justice once told me that his salary was not sufficient to pay his expenses, and he referred in this to the immense cost of the traveling

expenses of a supreme justice. Justice Field crosses the continent once or twice a year, and he always pays his fare. Justice Brewer is the youngest man on the bench. He came to Smyrna a baby, after Field left as a boy, and he was born at just about the time that justice graduated at Columbia college, New York. He is now thirty-three years old. He is, I judge, about six feet high, and has a slight stoop in his broad shoulders, and his face is dark. He has a broad, full forehead, black hair grows in thin at the top, a nose slightly inclined to the Roman and a moustache and chin beard of glossy black. He is a graduate of Yale and a man of culture. He is living now at the Arno flats.

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The oldest justice on the bench in point of years and one of the ablest jurists in public life is Justice Miller. He is six feet tall, weighs at least 220 pounds and every molecule of his anatomy is packed with good sense and judicial ability. He is now five years old, for he is over seventy. He likes his work, however, and does not intend to become a country justice. He was appointed by Lincoln in 1862 and when Salmon P. Chase died it was thought that he would be made chief justice. Grant, however, appointed Walter Justus Miller as chief justice and he has since then been a new man take his place upon the bench. Justice Miller is a man of well-to-do. He is worth a hundred thousand dollars. He lives in a very nice house on Massachusetts avenue, and his brick house is on a high terrace just opposite that of Justice Lamar. Justice Miller is a good talker. He has as many reminiscences as you will find in Dan Perley Poor's books, and his good sense frequently goes to the roots of the matter. Not long ago, in speaking of one of the most upright senators, he said: "My dear sir, I like you, and I want to say that you are one of the few politicians who in my opinion are of a chance of being saved. But the good world won't be crowded with them," he added as he shook his sober old head. "It won't be crowded."

Justice Miller was born in Kentucky nearly four years ago. He was educated at an academy, and he was especially strong during his schooling in mathematics and grammar. He is probably the only man on the bench who is not a college graduate, but he is notwithstanding this a fine Latin scholar and a master of his language. He began life as a draughtsman and studied medicine and practiced eight years before he decided to become a lawyer. He was three years out before he was admitted to the bar, and when he was appointed on the supreme bench he was unanimously confirmed by the senate without a dissent being offered to any committee. He is a self-made man all over, and he ought to be proud of his job.

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Justice Bradley is another self-made man. His father was a poor farmer in the interior of New York and young Bradley's earliest schooling was that of a country teacher. He worked in the summer and went to school in the winter until he was sixteen, and after this he taught country school and practiced surveying. His ambition to be a great jurist was told at Albany how a citizen of that place, when young Bradley was doing some rather menial work for him, asked what he intended to do in life. The boy answered that he was then hardly in his teens. He was backward with his answer and said he hadn't quite made up his mind. The man then said that the supreme court of the United States and justice of the peace, and he talked further with the boy. He urged him by all means to get a college education if possible. Justice Bradley saved enough from his country school teaching to send him to college. He was graduated at Rutgers in 1835 at the age of twenty-three. He practiced law in New Jersey for two years before he went upon the bench and he has been serving as a supreme court justice for twenty years. His decisions appear in forty volumes of reports, and he is one of the most wonderful knowledge of English and American law. Justice Bradley has a remarkably analytical mind, and he is one of the most skillful mathematicians of the present day. He amuses himself in working out geometric problems for recreation and he delights in eating up calendars showing at what hour the moon will rise on January or February 2, 1890. He likes to figure out the days of the week on which the June 1st, for instance, will occur in a thousand odd years or so, and he thinks in figures. The origin of his mathematical tastes came from his father's library. Though the old man was a poor farmer, he had a fine collection of books, and he had a lot of historical and mathematical books and young Bradley conquered algebra without a teacher in the intervals of charcoal burning. His mechanical and mathematical knowledge came in excellently well now. It makes him especially strong in patent cases, which constitute about one-fifth of the supreme court business, and his fifty years of working at the law had made him able to know by intuition what the law ought to be. Justice Bradley is a quiet man in Washington, and he has one of the finest libraries of the capital. He is a little dried and wrinkled man, but he is over 6 feet 6 inches in height. He has a big nose, sharp bright little eyes, iron gray hair and a pair of tightly-closed lips. His skin hangs in wrinkles on all of his face and neck, and he is seventy-seven years old, but there is a fair chance for his lasting at least twenty-three years longer. There is not much of a beard, and when his soul is disembodied it will not be much freer than it is now.

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