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Pen and Picture Pointers

As a frontpiece we print a picture of Bishop C. C. McCabe of the Methodist Episcopal church, who was located at Omaha for the next quadrennium by the recent general conference. Bishop McCabe will pay Omaha a brief visit in July. After holding the fall conference he will return in December and establish a home for himself and wife. No man on the board of bishops could have been assigned to look after the territory surrounding Omaha that would have pleased the Methodists more than Bishop McCabe. For over fifty years he has been preaching, praying and singing members into the Methodist church and money into its treasury to carry on the work of this great evangelical denomination. In 1884, when he was elected general secretary of the Missionary society, he started out with the battle cry of "a million dollars a year for missions." The North Nebraska conference, to which the Omaha Methodist ministers belong, was the first to reach its proportion of the million dollars. He was elected bishop in May, 1896, and came to Nebraska for his first episcopal supervision of conferences in September of that year. Arrangements are already being made to give Bishop McCabe a reception in every way worthy of the man and the high office he fills when he shall come to Omaha to make it his home.

In the death of S. H. H. Clark Omaha has suffered the loss of a true friend. Thirty years of his active life were spent in and around Omaha, during which he made many friends and did much for the material advancement of the city. Appropriate memorial services were held on the evening



S. H. H. CLARK—WELL KNOWN RAILROAD MANAGER, BURIED AT OMAHA LAST WEEK.

of June 5 in the First Congregational church, which were attended by people of all classes, who united in their tribute to the memory of the dead railroad manager, whose heart always beat in sympathy with even the humblest of his employees.

George H. Shively of Lincoln, Neb., president of the Sixth division National Postal Clerks' association, is a Kentuckian by birth and has lived in Nebraska since boyhood days. Mr. Shively is a railway postal clerk on the Lincoln and Billings railway postoffice and runs between Lincoln and Edgemont, S. D., known as the east division of the Black Hills line of the Burlington. He stands high as a postal clerk, respected by his associates and popular among national association workers. Mr. Shively is an aggressive and able officer, of good judgment and has executive ability of the first order. He was elected president of the Sixth division for the first term May, 1899, and he threw so much energy into the organization he was re-elected president of the division, which comprises the states of Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska, Wyoming and part of other states, by the unanimous vote of the convention. On May 3, 1900, the postal clerks held their convention in Omaha. Mr. Shively was a prominent figure in that convention, as well as at the reception given by the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Railway Postal Clerks at the Commercial club parlors on the night of May 3. Mr. Shively is a natural leader and like all true Kentuckians has the gift of language and is an able and fluent speaker. The Sixth division stands second to none in national association affairs and the power it wields at the annual national conventions.

The honor graduates of the Omaha High school finish their four-year course with the highest averages for that period ever attained by any pupil in the institution since the building was completed in 1871. Miss Mary J. Edholm, who won the highest mark, secured an average of 96.68 per cent for the whole course. The performance of Willard Lampe was scarcely less noteworthy, his mark for the quadrennial being 96.61. W. Dwight Fierce's record is 95.87 and Jeanette

Newlean's 95.79. The young men of the class, while heavily in the minority, are able to boast of having two representatives among the four honor graduates. As it appeared on the stage commencement night, the graduating class numbered 130, considerably the largest ever graduated from the High school. In the matter of averages the present class of seniors has a slight advantage over others who have gone before, inasmuch as it has benefited throughout its entire course by the 85 per cent rule, those who attain that mark in their daily recitations being excused from examinations. The class is still considered, however, by Principal Waterhouse and other competent judges as one of the most notable in scholarship ever graduated in the city.

About two years ago one or two young men who had matriculated at Creighton Medical college inculcated into the minds of several of their intimates the advantages accruing from membership in a Greek letter fraternity. Eventually they established a local society, partaking in many respects after the pattern of the college "frats" and welding closely in the bonds of friendship the dozen or more young medical students who had membership in it. The culmination of this modest beginning came on the night of March 3, 1900, when a dozen practicing or embryonic physicians, all either previously or at the time connected with the student body of the Creighton Medical college, organized Eta chapter of the Phi Rho Sigma fraternity, a medical Greek letter fraternity of recognized influence in the medical student world. Such organization gave to Omaha one of the first medical fraternities ever established in the west, the local chapter being the seventh organized by the pa-



GEORGE H. SHIVELY—PRESIDENT SIXTH DIVISION OF NATIONAL POSTAL CLERKS' ASSOCIATION.

rent fraternity. The charter members numbered a dozen; since then three neophytes have been inducted into the mysteries of the "frat." Those of the members who are not now students at Creighton Medical college have since their graduation attained high rank in their profession. All of them were members of the secret order founded a couple of years ago and from which, as a foundation, Eta chapter, Phi Rho Sigma, sprang into life. The officers are: President, Dr. E. Hammond; vice president, E. Wendell Foster; secretary-treasurer, William T. Haney.

Father William F. Rigge of the Creighton university at Omaha is one of the most learned and distinguished astronomers in America and is recognized as a reliable authority on astronomical subjects. For

several years he has been in charge of the students' observatory of Creighton college, which stands in the foremost rank among the educational institutions of this country. Father Rigge, with a party of eminent and well known scientific men, went to Washington, Ga., to make observations of the total solar eclipse of May 28. The party had their station on the grounds of St. Joseph's academy, which are extensive and command an elevated position, isolated from the rest of the town. We print a photograph in this issue taken while Father Rigge was waiting for the first indention of the sun's visage by the moon.

About Noted People

Swinburne is deaf as a post. He lives in a somewhat somber looking house at Putney Hill, the dining room walls of which are covered with original pictures by Dante and Gabriel Rossetti which must be worth a fabulous sum. The famous poet is bald, with a thin, straggling, reddish beard and has beautiful hands.

John Glenn of Urbana, O., died the other day after having made a record for eccentric vows. Because his father bought what he thought was a better suit for his brother than for him he vowed that he would not wear a coat for twenty years. Another time he took offense at some trifling thing and vowed he would not leave his house for twenty years and for twenty years he was a voluntary prisoner. Except for a few eccentricities like these he was said to have been quite sane.

F. M. Spawn, 19 years old, a school teacher at Alto Pass, Ill., has exploded all physiological theories regarding the capacity of the human stomach by eating and drinking in one evening, in addition to his regular supper, one can of tomatoes, one can of peas, one can of sardines, seven glasses of soda water and two quart bottles of temperance drinks. This is only one of many like achievements by which he has astonished his acquaintances.

Jonathan P. Dolliver of Iowa of the ways and means committee in the house of representatives is a son-in-law of D. K. Pearsons, the millionaire philanthropist of Chicago, and in spite of his wealth he has won an enviable place in congress solely on his merits during his twelve years of service. Mr. Dolliver is an eloquent speaker and when he is set down for a speech the visitors' gallery is sure to be filled. He is particularly apt at repartee and most members fight shy of a running debate with him. Mr. Dolliver is perhaps best known by his peroration on the question of admitting American pork into European markets. "I hope the time will come," he said, "when the American hog with a curl of contentment in his tail and a smile of pleasure on his face may travel untrammelled through the markets of the world."

A new Canadian periodical, North American Notes and Queries, calls attention to a fact of interest to students of American history, illustrating anew the remarkable activity of the indefatigable Ben Franklin. It says the first printing press in Montreal was set up by Franklin in 1775 in order to print manifestoes appealing to the Canadians to cast their lot with the colonies further south. The press was not long in operation and was removed to the United States, but the vault in which it was set up is still standing. It is in the Chateau de Ramezay, a quaint old building whose history is contemporary with that of the city and which is carefully preserved as a relic of the French regime in New France. Franklin's idea from the first was to include Canada in the confederation and he wished to include Ireland as well. His journey to Canada later, however, convinced him that there was no possibility of



Mrs. E. E. Vallicott, great-grandmother. Mrs. C. S. Kelley, mother. Mrs. E. A. Handy, grandmother. Eunice Kelley, daughter. NEBRASKA QUARTET OF FOUR GENERATIONS. (Of Oxford.)

the Canadian possessions joining in the revolt.

Told Out of Court

A Chicago lawyer took in a new boy the other day, and as he had suffered to some extent from the depredations of the former one he determined to try the new boy's honesty at once. He therefore placed a \$5 note under a weight on his desk and walked out without a word. Upon his return half an hour later the note was gone and half a dollar in silver had taken its place. "Boy, when I went out I left \$5 under this weight." "Yes, sir; but you hadn't been gone five minutes when a man came in with a bill against you for \$4.50. I guess the change is correct." "You paid the bill?" "Yes, sir; there it is, all receipted. The man said it had slipped your mind for the last four years, and so—" He did not get any farther before he made a rush for the door. That boy is not in the law business any more.

One of the most interesting incidents of Thomas B. Reed's career in California, says Success, is told by Robert P. Porter and vouched for by the ex-speaker. It was in 1863, during the civil war, when the legal tender act was much discussed in California, where a gold basis was then maintained, that Wallace, whose office adjoined the one in which Reed was studying, happened in one day and said: "Mr. Reed, I understand you want to be admitted to the bar. Have you studied law?" "Yes,

sir; I studied law in Maine, while teaching." "Well," said Wallace, "I have one question to ask. Is the legal tender act constitutional?" "Yes," said Reed. "You shall be admitted to the bar," said Wallace. Tom Bodley, a deputy sheriff, who had legal aspirations, was asked the same question and he said "No." "We will admit you both," said Wallace, "for anybody who can answer offhand a question like that ought to practice law in this country."

A certain court which presumably knows all about the difference between spades and clubs lately seemed oblivious to the distinction between spades and shovels. An attorney claimed that an indictment for striking a person with a spade was not supported by proof of striking with a shovel. But the court thought it was all the same and held the variance immaterial. This seems to dull the edge of the old saw that a spade should be called a spade.

A Romance of 1910

Baltimore American: "Darling," he said, "I have brought you a little present this evening," and he handed the lissome maid a small package.

"Oh, what is it, Henri?" (His name really was Henry, but when people fall in love they idealize to a considerable extent.)

"Guess." So, of course, she guessed all the way from diamonds to candy, but at each guess Henri shook his head negatively. Then she opened the package and with a shriek of delight exclaimed:

"A chunk of ice! Oh, you extravagant man!"

For this was in 1910, after the ice trust had put Cecil Rhodes and his diamond associates into the almshouse.

Pointed Paragraphs

Chicago News: A society belle seldom has a ringing laugh.

Time shall be no mower when he hangs up his scythe.

The most tireless followers of fortune are a man's creditors.

A glazier must have his glass before beginning his day's work.

Sometimes circumstances make a man and sometimes it's a clean shirt.

A fool can make good resolutions, but it takes a wise man to keep them.

Some people are chronic liars, but the dumb man always keeps his word.

Some men are so full of human nature that they have no room for principle.

Occasionally a man gets married because he wants some one around to blame things on.

Mere trifles are responsible for more happiness and more misery than great happenings.

Somehow the marriage of a grass widow with a rake seems to savor of the eternal fitness of things.

The only difference between a violinist and a fiddler is that one draws a salary and the other doesn't.

A bachelorette says that a tyrant is a woman who fancies herself superior to her husband—and lets her neighbors know it.

If you have nothing to give to the poor but a crust of bread, make it palatable by softening it with a little of the milk of human kindness.



WATCHING CHAMPION JEFFRIES UMPIRE GAME BETWEEN THE OMAHA AND DES MOINES WESTERN LEAGUE BASE BALL TEAMS AT OMAHA, JUNE 4.



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