

Bacon—Do you believe that when a man marries his troubles begin?
 Egbert—Not always. Sometimes a fellow's troubles begin when he asks the girl's father.—Yonkers Statesman.

"Another hero dat deserves a medal whether he gits it or not," said Uncle Eben, "is de man dat goes right along 'tendin' to business wifout no complaints 'bout de hot weather."
 —Washington Star.

If Senator Gore Could See.
 "Think of the novelty and strangeness that life would hold for Senator Gore if he should recover his eyesight," said one of his friends. "His acquaintance among men is limited mostly to the sounds of their voices. Wouldn't he be surprised to find that Gov. Haskell does not wear long whiskers, overalls and cowhide boots, and that his hands bear no traces of the plow handles, and that the smoke of the forge and foundry does not besmudge his face?"

A "Bill" Campaign.
 "Bill" Bryan and "Bill" Taft. We call each "Bill," and where's the harm? "Bill" has a hearty, honest sound, expressing admiration warm. We've had our "William" candidates and praised them well with voice and quill; But now's our chance to pin our hopes unto a candidate named "Bill."

"Bill" Taft and "Bill" Bryan. We call each "Bill," and where's the hurt? "Bill" has a sturdy, whole-souled ring, and we who use it are not pert. We've had our "William" presidents; revered them then, revere them still. But now it looks as if we'll have next term a president named "Bill."

The Boy Who Didn't Pass.
 Detroit Free Press.
 A sad faced little fellow sits alone in deep disgrace,
 There's a lump arising in his throat, tears streaming down his face;
 He wandered from his playmates, for he doesn't want to hear
 Their shouts of merry laughter since the world has lost its cheer;
 He has sipped the cup of sorrow, he has drained the bitter glass,
 And his heart is fairly breaking; he's the boy who didn't pass.

In the apple trees the robin sings a cheery little song,
 But he doesn't seem to hear it, showing something's wrong;
 Comes his faithful little spaniel for a romp and bit of play,
 But the troubled little fellow sternly bids him go away.
 All alone he sits in sorrow, with his hair a tangled mass,
 And his eyes are red with weeping; he's the boy who didn't pass.

How he hates himself for failing, he can hear his playmates jeer,
 For they've left him, with the dullards—gone ahead a half a year;
 And he tried so hard to conquer, O he tried to do his best,
 But now he knows he's weaker, yes, and duller than the rest.
 He's ashamed to tell his mother, for he thinks she'll hate him too—
 The little boy who didn't pass, who failed of getting through.

Oh, you who boast a laughing son and speak of him as bright,
 And you who love a little girl, who comes to you tonight
 With smiling eyes and dancing feet, with honors from her school,
 Turn to that lonely little boy who thinks he is a fool
 And take him kindly by the hand, the dullest in his class,
 He is the one who most needs love, the boy who didn't pass.

Arabella—Lil is going to marry Dick, is she? Isn't that just too ridiculous to talk about!
 Estelle—I should say not. It's too ridiculous to keep still about.—Chicago Tribune.

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Washington Whisperings

Interesting Bits of News Gathered at the National Capital.

Seek Reason for Halt in Alien Tide



WASHINGTON.—Immigration officials who at first regarded the decrease in immigration as of a temporary character, have determined upon an investigation to discover its cause. The continued falling off cannot be accounted for, and it is considered necessary to take steps to ascertain whether anything not now apparent to the United States is being done to deter people in foreign countries seeking new homes from finding them here. It is known that the peonage investigation in the south has resulted in the posting of notices in some countries of Europe warning its laborers not to come to the United States, but this has never been seriously regarded as a reflection upon conditions here. When the unusual departure of the

laboring classes to Europe occurred during the early winter it was attributed to the dull times following the financial flurry. It is doubted if this condition, which has now been to a considerable degree supplanted by a steady demand for labor, can be held responsible for the continued decrease which records kept now show. Serious objection is made in certain countries of Europe to the rate at which emigration to the United States has reduced their population. The United States will now seek to learn through its representatives abroad whether the methods taken to keep immigrants from this country are such as to misrepresent conditions here.

Austria-Hungary, Italy and Russia show the largest decreases. The decrease of those coming from Italy for the month of 32,591 suggests that peonage prosecutions have been well and perhaps not always truthfully advertised. Small increases are shown from China, the Pacific Islands, British North America, British Honduras and Mexico; all other countries show decreases.

Gaines Will Be Missed from the House



JOHN WESLEY GAINES, the silver-tongued orator of Tennessee, the guardian of the Jackson Hermitage and bearer of the Democratic ark of the covenant in congress for 12 years, will no longer grace the floor of the house. After his present term expires he will return to Tennessee to take up the simple life and muse on the "ashes of empire" and "what might have been."

In the primaries in the Sixth Tennessee district he was defeated for the renomination. Joseph W. Byrne, a cold-hearted corporation lawyer, who told the voters that Mr. Gaines was of no account in congress, seems to have been taken at his word, for Mr. Byrne won over Mr. Gaines by a big majority. As the nomination is tantamount to an election, Mr. Byrne will take his seat next March. John Wesley has filled more pages

of the Record than any living human being since the beginning of the government's history. If speech be silver, he has coined more of it than all of the mints since the crime of '73. John Wesley first sprang to fame when "Bob" Taylor was governor of Tennessee. One day there came to the gubernatorial sanctum a tall youth who said:

"I am John Wesley Gaines."
 "Have a chair, Mr. Gaines," said "Bob."

"I am Col. Cole's son-in-law," impressively added the visitor.

"Take two chairs, Mr. Gaines," said "Bob."

Whereupon John Wesley became famous. He campaigned against J. R. McReynolds for congress when that young scion of the tennis cabinet chartered a street car and a brass band and went out to create a bigger noise than John Wesley. He didn't, and Gaines went to congress.

Now cometh young Joe Byrnes to smite the Goliath of the Sixth Tennessee district. While he may fill the place with credit, there will be an aching void of dense and dignified silence where once the corridors of the national house rang with the echoes of a people's wrongs.

Big Money Earned by Women Embalmers



THERE are several jobs in New York for women that are "going begging." The work pays ten dollars or more per day, and in some instances over a hundred per week, yet there is practically no one to take up the occupation.

"There are only three women in New York who do this work, which is embalming," said the night manager of an undertaking establishment.

"These three are kept so busy that we are compelled, in numerous cases, to confess our inability to comply with the wishes of patrons who prefer women embalmers, and so we have to instruct the work to men instead."
 "It is really much easier than nurs-

ing in a hospital," said another, "for the embalming methods of the present day are very simple. But where there are thousands of women who are anxious to become nurses there are none who desire to start on this work."

"A woman can show a greater amount of sympathy for the bereaved relatives than a man is capable of doing."

"In many ways they seem so fitted for the work, and it is beyond my comprehension why women don't enter this profession."

"The fact that they do not fear the presence of death can be easily proven by inquiry at the morgue or at any police station. More women than men gather at these places after some tragedy."

"There are embalming schools in this city where woman can enter upon a course in this work, but very few do. Upon graduation they can obtain work immediately, and probably get one or two cases a day at ten dollar each."

Spies Hired by Both of the Goulds



THE filing of a suit for absolute divorce by Mrs. Frank J. Gould has revealed how both Mrs. Gould and her husband have been employing private detectives to watch one another. Mrs. Gould placed detectives on her husband's yacht, Helenita, and it is said the evidence secured by these men will play an important part in Mrs. Gould's suit. Mr. Gould in turn placed detectives in his wife's home as servants, it is alleged.

Mrs. Gould will seek her freedom on statutory grounds. The most sensational feature in the action has to do with an episode on Mr. Gould's yacht, in which a young singer, whose name has not been divulged, played a leading part.

It will be alleged, according to report, that Mr. Gould has for several years been training this woman's voice for the grand opera stage under the best masters in Europe, and that she accompanied him on long cruises on his yacht. A specific act of misconduct with the young woman will be alleged to have taken place three or four years ago at Sidney, N. S. There will be much testimony from former members of the Helenita crew.

This, it is said, was only one of a number of acts of misconduct to be charged by Mrs. Gould against her husband.

Mr. Gould has had his wife shadowed for a long time, though it was not until her old butler, Paul, found one of the jealous husband's paid agents peering through a keyhole that even the servants suspected the house was filled with private detectives.

At the present time acquaintances of the Goulds say, Mrs. Gould has spies in her husband's establishment and the husband has spies in his wife's.

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