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HEREDITY IN OFFICE

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9, 1893.—[Special Courier Correspondence.]—Latterly considerable discussion has ensued concerning heredity in service in the house of representatives, citing instances where son has succeeded father in the house, such as in the cases of young Mr. Price, of Wisconsin, chosen to succeed his father, William T. Price, who died shortly after the expiration of the Forty-ninth congress; S. M. Robertson, of Louisiana, elected to succeed his father, E. W. Robertson, who died during the Fiftieth congress; also John C. Houk, who was elected to fill the vacancy created by the death of his father, L. C. Houk, of Tennessee, pending the Fifty-first congress, and who, as in the case of Mr. Robertson, of Louisiana, has been successively re-elected, and is a member of the Fifty-third congress. This discussion was occasioned by the recent election of Mr. Mutchler to succeed his father, the late Congressman Mutchler, of Pennsylvania. There are various instances of heredity in both house and senate, but necessarily those of the senate are few in comparison with those of the house.

Four Bayards have represented the state of Delaware in the senate—James Ashton Bayard, the elder; Richard H. Bayard, his son, who was chosen senator to succeed Arnold Naudian in 1836; James Ashton Bayard, another son, who succeeded John Wales in 1851, and Thomas F. Bayard, the present American ambassador to Great Britain, who was chosen in 1869 to succeed his father, James A. Bayard. Thus the "Blue Hen's Chicken" state has furnished three successive generations to the senate, one father, two sons and one grandson. Governor Richard Bassett, the maternal grandfather of Thomas A. Bayard, was also a senator from Delaware from 1789 to 1793.

The present senator from Georgia, Alfred H. Colquitt, is the son of Walter T. Colquitt, who was chosen senator from Georgia in 1843. He was a lawyer and divine of great eminence and oratorical reputation. Both Colquitts were graduated from Princeton college.

Henry Dodge, of Wisconsin, who entered the senate in June, 1848, pending the Thirtieth congress, was the father of Augustus C. Dodge, of Iowa, who was seated in the senate from Iowa of December 4 of the same year. The first term of Henry Dodge ended March 3, 1851, and the first term of Augustus C.

Dodge terminated March 3, 1849. Both were re-elected for the six years' term, ending respectively March 3, 1857, and March 3, 1855, so that father and son served together in the senate during a part of the Thirtieth, and the whole of the Thirty-first, Thirty-second and Thirty-third congresses, the father, however, remaining two years longer than the son. Both are dead.

James Donald Cameron was chosen a senator from Pennsylvania to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of his father, Simon Cameron, in March, 1877. He was re-elected in 1879, 1885 and 1890, his present term expiring March 3, 1897. His services in the senate so far will, therefore, comprise a period of twenty years, or two more years than that of his father. Simon Cameron was first elected to the senate in 1845, serving until 1849, and was re-elected in 1857 for the term ending in 1863. He resigned in 1861 to accept the secretaryship of war, which he vacated when appointed minister to Russia. He was again elected to the senate to succeed Edgar Cowan and took his seat in 1867 and was re-elected in 1872, resigning in 1877. An instance of heredity in cabinet preference occurs in the Cameron history, as James Donald Cameron, the son, was President Grant's last secretary of war, having been appointed to succeed Alphonso Taft, who succeeded W. W. Belknap, resigned under impeachment.

The two instances of presidential heredity were those of Presidents John Adams and his son, John Quincy Adams, and William Henry Harrison and his grandson, John Quincy Adams served as a senator and secretary of state, and after the term of his presidency became a representative in congress. His son, Charles Francis Adams, served as a representative in congress from 1858 to 1860, and was re-elected, but resigned in 1861 to accept the ministership of Great Britain, a position previously filled by his father and grandfather, so that there ensued to the Adams family a triple heredity in the important office of minister to England.

A case of heredity in the third generation of service in the house occurred in the election of T. L. Thompson as a representative from California at the Fiftieth congress. His grandfather, Phillip R. Thompson, was a representative in congress from Virginia from 1801 to 1807, and his father a representative from the same state from 1847 to 1849. An instance of father and son serving at the same congress is that of Charles S. Voorhees, delegate from the territory of Washington, who served at the Fiftieth congress at the same time with his

father, Daniel W. Voorhees, the distinguished senator from Indiana.

John Bozman Kerr, a representative in congress from Maryland from 1849 to 1851, was the son of John Leeds Kerr, who was also a representative and senator from the same state. John A. King, of New York, congressman from and governor of that state, was a son of Rufus King, previously senator from New York and minister to England under the administrations of Presidents Washington, Adams and Jefferson. Another son of Rufus King, James G. King, was a representative in congress from New Jersey from 1849 to 1851. Cyrus King, half-brother of Rufus King, was a representative in congress from Massachusetts from 1813 to 1817.

Congressman Clifton R. Breckinridge, of Arkansas, is the son of John C. Breckinridge, who was vice-president of the United States and senator from Kentucky.

Willard Saulsbury, of Delaware, was succeeded in the senate by his brother, Eli Saulsbury. George Bradbury, of Maine, who was a member of the House in 1812, was a son of Theophilus Bradbury, the eminent jurist, who represented the Essex, Mass., district in congress in 1795. Stephen R. Bradley, the intimate friend of General Ethan Allen, and the first senator from Vermont, was the father of William C. Bradley, a distinguished representative in congress from the same state from 1813 to 1815, and from 1823 to 1827. From 1817 to 1822 he was the agent of the United States under the treaty of Ghent.

John Branch, of North Carolina, governor, senator and secretary of the navy under President Jackson, was the uncle of Lawrence O. B. Branch, congressman from the same state at the Thirty-fourth, Thirty-fifth and Thirty-sixth congresses. The latter was a distinguished general in the confederate army and was killed at the battle of Antietam.

Stephen Russell Mallory, present congressman from the First Florida district, is the son of, and bears the same name as his father, Stephen R. Mallory, senator from Florida from 1851 to 1861, when he resigned and became secretary of the navy of the confederate states.

George F. Hoar, the present senator from Massachusetts, served in the house with his brother, Ebenezer Rockwood Hoar, of the same state, afterwards attorney general in President Grant's cabinet. Both are sons of Samuel Hoar, who was also a representative in congress from Massachusetts from 1835 to

1837. Sherman Hoar, who was a member of the Fifty-second congress from Massachusetts, is a son of E. Rockwood Hoar, so that three generations of this family have served in the house, and one member thereof in the senate.

William D. Washburn, the present senator from Minnesota, is the brother of Governor Israel Washburn of Maine, who served in congress from 1851 to 1861; of Elihu B. Washburne, of Illinois, congressman from that state from 1852 to 1869, afterwards minister to France, and also General Cadwallader C. Washburn, of Wisconsin, who served in congress from 1855 to 1861, and from 1867 to 1872. William D. Washburn also served one term in the house before being chosen to the senate. The brothers, Elihu B. and Cadwallader C. Washburne, served together in the house for many sessions. Hon. E. D. Baker, afterwards senator from Oregon, defeated Elihu B. Washburn for congress from the Galena, Ill., district in 1848. He had previously served one term in congress in 1844-45, having been elected from the Springfield, Ill., district. Subsequently he settled in California and ran for congress from San Francisco, but was beaten. He then settled in Oregon and was chosen senator from that state. He was killed at Ball's Bluff, Va., during the late war while leading his command of the Union army.

General James Shields represented three states in the United States senate—Illinois, Minnesota and Missouri, the sole instance of a senator being chosen from different states. Henry Livingston was a member of the house from New York and subsequently a senator from Louisiana. Charles Durkee was a member of the house from Indiana and subsequently senator from Wisconsin, and Charles H. Van Wyck a member from New York and subsequently a senator from Nebraska. Other congressional data of equal interest and like coincidence doubtless exist.

TO ORGANIZE.

A Scheme to Form a State Real Estate Dealers' Association in This City.

There is a movement on foot to organize a state real estate dealers' association with headquarters at Lincoln, and a call has been issued for a preliminary meeting to be held in this city August 17, at the Windsor hotel. Real estate dealers all over the state have been invited to present, and the responses already received indicate that there will be a large number of representative dealers in attendance. J. G. P. Hilderbrand is taking the initiatory steps in the matter, and he is encouraged over the prospect for the proposed organization.

WITH THE AUTHORS

It is not often that the Saunterer asks his readers to read the utterances of others that he may have the opportunity of reading elsewhere, but when a case is so plainly yet potently set forth as has just been done by Eugene Field, of Chicago, in a recent utterance wherein he pays his respects to the Gilderian crew, who are at the helm of a certain sort of so-called literature hereabouts, I cannot refrain from reproducing it. After proposing "a merciless war upon the intellectual hermaphrodites and dawdling pervers and petticoated clay-eaters who, on little tinsel thrones along the eastern coast, presume to set themselves up as dictators in the great realm of American literature," he closes with this prophetic utterance: "We are not for any skirmish with those humbugs; we are for a war of extermination. That war is bound to come sooner or later; it must not be begun, however, on the part of the west until the west is fully prepared to sail into and disembowel every last mother's son of those twiddling twaddling squirts and their queer little parasites." Will the *Century* et al please copy?—Town Topics.

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W. B. Beebe, first name unknown, defendant, will take notice that on the 26th day of July, 1893, Frank M. Miles, plaintiff herein, filed his petition in the district court of Lancaster county, Nebraska, against said defendant, the object and prayer of which is to settle and quiet the title forever in the said Frank M. Miles, as well as the possession thereof, to lot eleven (11), in block twenty-six (26) in Dawson's addition to South Lincoln, in Lancaster county, Nebraska, and to cancel and set aside and hold for naught and decree a certain tax deed to said W. B. Beebe for said lot, recorded October 30th, 1874, in book 9, at page 280, of deeds records of said county. You are required to answer said petition on or before the 11th day of September, 1893.
FRANK M. MILES.
Dated July 28th, 1893.