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"HORIZANTAL" Bill Morrison says he will not be a candidate for Vice President if an Indiana man is in the field, otherwise he is "there in the fullest sense of the word." That settles it "Horizantal Bill" is not a candidate. If Indiana hasn't a score of candidates you may know, the milennium is at hand, and political questions will cease to be of special interest.

THE weather is rather depressing on an old fashioned red hot hand to hand county seat fight, but it seems the citizens of the new county of Perkins are worked up to a terrible condition of mind over the contest between Grant and Madrid for county seat honors and that cold weather has no perceptible effect on the movements of the belligerents.

SOME special telegrams to the Omaha *Republican* yesterday were decidedly pleasant reading as they indicated a not very remote possibility of the strike coming to an early end, it seems the brotherhood are willing to meet Mr. Perkins more than half way and if that be true, the company will doubtles put a stop to this almost criminal loss of property. We only fear that the telegrams may prove incorrect.

THE Board of Trade meeting last night was fairly well attended and several matters of public interest were thoroughly discussed. Resolutions in favor of offering the Missouri Pacific railway $60,000 in bonds if they will build into this city and locate shops etc. were adopted. Some interested parties wanted to locate the depot, but that was wisely left to the company. Quite a feeling was manifested in favor of getting the B. & M. to build a line out from this city across the country. THE HERALD believes that a permanent bridge across the Missouri and Platte rivers would be of almost as much permanent value as a short line of railroad. THE HERALD believes we would get back more than 8 per cent interest on an investment of $40,000 in bridges across our rivers.

"As the preface of an article booming Judge Gresham for the presidency, the Chicago *Tribune* raises for consideration three possible objections to Senator Harrison, namely: That he took an active part with ex-Senator Edmunds against restricting Chinese immigration; that the labor members of the Indiana legislature would not vote for him for senator; and that by favoring the submission of a prohibition amendment in Indiana he may have alienated the German vote. The *Tribune* adds: 'Judge Gresham's record defies scrutiny. If any candidate can carry New York he can. He would carry his own state by a big majority. If the Hoosiers want a Hoosier president he is their man, because he can be elected, for he is a man upon whom all factions of the party, whether Germans or prohibitionists, or whatever their tariff views may be, could heartily unite. Let them be careful they do not make a grave mistake when they come to present their candidate. With Gresham in the White House and Harrison in the cabinent, Indiana would have a standing and influence in the national government such as she has never had in her whole history as a state.'"

SENATOR VANCE has a wit like the structure of a kangaroo, ponderous in the posterior, very slight in the anterior dimensions. That is to say, it lacks intellectual "heft." He waxed heavily humorous over the discussion of the Nicaragua Canal question, his buttock wit finding much to stimulate it in the idea that other than American material might be used in the work constructing the canal. With Gargantuan mirth he suggested that the corporation might buy iron and steel of England to the neglect of Pennsylvania manufactures, and puffed out the elephantine jest that Republicans would fail in their obvious duty did they not make provisions to have the American enterprise conducted on a strictly American basis. Evidently Senator Vance is emulous of that one true joker of the lower house, happy Sunset Cox. But he should not lose sight of the litttle lesson in the differences of ponderable matter set down by one Æsop. The stupidity of the affectionate ass, wishing for the caress of his master, imitated the nimble spaniel so far as to leap with a bray into the farmer's lap. Senator Vance possibly remembers the result. The tariff is no joking matter for the Democrats.—*Inter-Ocean.*

COWBOYS OF THE PLAINS.

Theodore Roosevelt's Pen Picture of a Class That Will Soon Pass Away.

Singly, or in twos or threes, they gallop their wiry little horses down the street, their lithe, supple figures erect or swaying slightly as they sit loosely in the saddle, while their stirrups are so long that their knees are hardly bent, the bridles not taut enough to keep the chains from clanking. They are smaller and less muscular than the wielders of ax and pick; but they are as hardy and self reliant as any men who ever breathed—with bronzed, set faces, and keen eyes that look all the world straight in the face without flinching as they flash out from under the broad brimmed hats. Peril and hardship and years of long toil, broken by weeks of brutal dissipation, draw haggard lines across their eager faces, but never dim their reckless eyes nor break their bearing of defiant self-confidence.

They do not walk well, partly because they so rarely do any work out of the saddle, partly because their chaparajos, or leather overalls, hamper them when on the ground; but their appearance is striking for all that, and picturesque, too, with their jingling spurs, the big revolvers stuck in their belts, and bright silk handkerchiefs knotted loosely round their necks over the open collars of the flannel shirts. When drunk on the villainous whisky of the frontier towns they cut mad antics, riding their horses into the saloons, firing their pistols right and left, from boisterous lightheartedness rather than from any viciousness, and indulging too often in deadly shooting affrays, brought on either by the accidental contact of the moment or on account of some long standing grudge, or perhaps because of bad blood between two ranches or localities; but except while on such sprees they are quiet, rather self contained men, perfectly frank and simple, and on their own ground treat a stranger with the most whole souled hospitality, doing all in their power for him and scorning to take any reward in return.

Although prompt to resent an injury, they are not at all apt to be rude to outsiders, treating them with what can almost be called a grave courtesy. They are much better fellows and pleasanter companions than small farmers or agricultural laborers, nor are the mechanics and workmen of a great city to be mentioned in the same breath.—Theodore Roosevelt in The Century.

Washington's Habits.

He was very simple in his domestic habits, rising often in midwinter at 5 o'clock. He kindled his own fire, and read or wrote by candle light until 7 o'clock, when he breakfasted very frugally. His ordinary breakfast was two small cups of tea and three or four cakes of Indian meal, called hoecakes. After breakfast he mounted one of his superb horses, and in simple attire, but which set off to great advantage his majestic frame, visited all those parts of the extended estate where any work was in progress. Everything was subjected to a careful supervision. At times he dismounted and even lent a helping hand in futherance of the operations which were going on. He dined at 2 o'clock and retired at about 9 in the evening. He was kind in word and deed to his negro slaves, and while careful that they should not be overtasked, was equally careful that they should not loiter their time away in idleness. The servants were proud of their stately, dignified, wealthy master, and looked up to him with a reverence amounting almost to religious homage. Washington was very fond of the chase. Often when riding to a distant part of the estate he would take some of the hounds with him in the hope of starting up a fox. The habits and tastes of the old English nobility prevailed in Virginia to an extraordinary degree. The passion for following the hounds was thoroughly transplanted from the broad estates of the English landholders to the vast realms which nature had reared and embellished on the banks of the Potomac and amid the ridges of the Alleghanies.

An Ancient Canal Uncovered.

H. J. Stevenson, surveyor for the Palm Valley Water company, reports making a singular discovery while surveying the canal line running south and easterly from the old Agua Caliente springs. He had run one line on a grade of four feet to the mile from the present terminus of the stone canal to the new town site, but in crossing the depression near the mountain it would become necessary to build a quarter of a mile of fluming. In order to obviate this expense he was instructed to make a new survey on a grade of eight feet to the mile, so as to strike the town site at a lower level and cross the depression without a flume. On this last survey, after crossing the depression in good shape, he struck an old canal that must have been used centuries ago, for large trees had grown up in the very bottom of the canal, and the indications were that when used it carried a very large volume of water. The most singular thing about the canal was that the surveyors found it just where they wanted to construct the new canal, and in following it up for a distance of about a mile it was found to have a regular grade of about eight feet to the mile.—Riverside (Cal.) Press.

Whenever a sentence beginning with "and" will make complete sense without the "and," it should be discarded.

How Men Die.

If we know all the methods of approach adopted by an enemy we are the better enabled to ward off the danger and postpone the moment when surrender becomes inevitable. In many instances the inherent strength of the body suffices to enable it to oppose the tendency toward death. Many however have lost these forces to such an extent that there is little or no help. In other cases a little aid to the weakened lungs will make all the difference between sudden death and many years of useful life. Upon the first symptoms of a cough, cold or any trouble of the throat or lungs, give that old and well known remedy—Boschee's German Syrup, a careful trial. It will prove what thousands say of it to be, the "benefactor of any home."

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John Excel is my ideal. When he sees a signal he gently touches the brake, draws in his horses, calculates to a nicety how much force will bring his car to a halt just at the crossing. When a passenger wishes to alight, John stops his car in the same level headed way; rarely turns around; knows when the man is off, by a delicate sense of feeling; starts easy, and the car glides off with a picnic smoothness. Nobody is tumbled into nobody, and everybody is really enjoying the ride. When the car is not overful gentlemen read their papers, put on their spectacles with ease, discuss the news, make nice bows to lady friends; and, when they alight, are never tumbled in the street. All from having the art of stopping.

THE DEACON'S FAILING.

Father D. was a pious old deacon in an Ohio church. He was relied on by his pastor as a right hand man. He was anxious to do his duty, and if called on to "testify" in meeting had it not in conscience to refuse. But, alas! poor Deacon D., how he should stop he never knew. He tried to speak his closing words, but every sentence, in spite of him, would close itself with an "and" or with a "but." This pledged him to another sentence, which also fatally closed with another "and." "Dear brother," I hear him patiently say, "I am an unworthy disciple, and have nothing to say that is worthy of your consideration—but. But I know that I ought always to be ready to testify of the Lord's goodness—and. And now I will close what I have to say—and. And I beg of you always to be instant in season and out of season, doing what your hands find to do—and. And, as I was saying, I know my own unworthiness to speak of what the Lord is doing in Zion—but. But I don't want to stand in the light of others who would do their duty—and." "And"—and so the poor fellow stepped on the trap every time, in spite of himself. At last, perspiring and scared, the ands and buts rolled into a confused ball of words, and the deacon fell back exhausted. His testimony was a terrible "cross," not only to himself, but to all the "brethren and sisters."

When Rev. Dr. M. was invited to lecture before the lyceum of A., he began at 8 o'clock. His lecture was from one of those topics that open at both ends. He lectured from each end alternately; now a bit of theory, and then a bit of application. He lectured for one hour. The audience was then somewhat overfull. They were getting uneasy. He lectured one hour and a quarter, and was just beginning to enjoy himself. The audience began to be markedly impatient. One hour and a half! Two-thirds of his audience left. One hour and three-quarters! He evidently wanted to stop, but could not get to an end. The audience that remained from respect to his character was excessively angry. Two hours! The affair grew ludicrous. People looked in each other's faces and laughed. Assuring them that he must not detain them any longer, the doctor broke off his thread. All for lack of the art of stopping.

THE GIFT OF LINCOLN.

In politics the art of stopping is pre-eminent. It was the particular gift of Lincoln. How terribly impatient we all got with him after the battle of Bull Run! But was he ever driven by clamor to one hasty step? What a terrible burden that man bore for those months when Chase said, "If he lives he will wreck us," and honest men wished he would die. It is a wonder he did not die. Lincoln had the marvelous power to lead, but never to be more than one step ahead of the people. Henry Clay had somewhat of this popular leadership, and so did Webster; but neither of them could be sure to stop—both lost the presidency for that reason. Douglas had the art, but he committed himself to one great error, and could never be allowed to stop. It is the doom of a political blunder that it leads on and on to perpetual complications. But you cannot read the life of Lincoln, and not admire his art of self-control.

I am peculiarly pleased with the training we are getting in these days by science in the art of stopping. If you study the life of Darwin you will admire nothing so much as his stopping short of mere speculation. I do not think he has been found ever to have gone one step beyond the direct and positive warrant of data. You may imagine what the evolution idea born into some brains would have led to. Indeed, we have seen some very eminent men compelled to back out of some very ludicrous places, because they did not stop in time. Scientific training is having a wonderful influence in compelling us to test and prove as we go.—"E. P. P." in Globe-Democrat.

"Bummer" Is Not Slang.

Even students of language may be surprised to hear that the word "bummer" is not only not slang, but it is not even an Americanism, being found in the "English Market By-Laws" of 200 years ago, and appears in several advertisements in The London Publick Intelligencer of the year 1660 under the form bummaree, It originally meant a man who retails fish by peddling outside of the regular market. These persons being looked down upon and regarded as cheats by the established dealers, the name became one of contempt for a dishonest person of irregular habits. The word first appeared in the United States during the '50s in California and traveled eastward, until during the civil war it came into general use.—Chicago News.

Icelanders Going to Manitoba.

The total population of Iceland appears to be threatened. A scheme has been set afloat in Manitoba to transport 75,000 Icelanders still remaining in their native country, together with their flocks and herds. This would be an exodus as complete as was that of the children of Israel from Egypt. There has been a steady flow of Icelandic emigration to Canada for the last fifteen years, yet the population is said to be still too large for the resources of the island. Several flourishing towns peopled by Icelanders are already found in Manitoba.—Chicago Herald

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