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The Man Who Showed Off.

At Fargo we got news of an accident on the line beyond, and the train had to wait there two hours. Every body got out to stroll around, and there were a good many people at the depot to look the passengers over. Among these we had our attention attracted to a big man who had on a buffalo overcoat, a wolfskin cap, and from the collar of the coat dangled seven or eight claws which had once assisted grizzly bears to scratch their way through life. He had long hair, a wild eye, buckskin leggins, and was evidently a mighty nimrod, if not a western terror. He was walking up and down the platform to show himself off, when an undersized, insignificant-looking passenger on our train, who had been dubbed "Godfrey's Cordial" ever since we left Chicago, approached him and said:

"Mistah man, ith that overcoat for thale?"

"No, sir!" was the thunderous response, as the wearer of it turned on the questioner.

"Oh! excuthe me, I thee yur have thome claws there. Did they belong to a cat?"

"Cat! Cat! Did you ever see a cat with such claws?"

"No, thir; and that's the reason I asked you. Ith that cap made of lambskin?"

"Lambskin! What are you driving at?"

"My deah sir, I nevah drive. Its against my principles. I am thimply theeking solid facts. Why don't yon have your hair cut and put on thome woolen pantaloons? I should think you would catch cold."

"Look here!" growled the big man as he came to a halt. "I want you to go away!"

"Do I make you tired"

"You do."

"I am tho thorry!"

"Now, you clear out, or I'll get mad."

"Real mad?"

You hear me!"

"I should so like to buy one of those claws. I will give you two shillings for"—

"If you don't clear out I'll slice an ear off!"

"Would you really slice my ear off?" innocently asked Cordial.

"I would and I will!"

"Which ear?"

"Both of 'em, you infernal fool!"

"Thay," said Cordial, after looking him over, "I don't like the way you talk. I think you ought to apologize.

"Apologize! Why you grasshopper, I've a good mind to hold you up by the hair!"

"Don'th you try it!"

"But I will!"

And he did, but he had scarcely reached out when Cordial was all chain lightning and fish bones and pounded glass. He jumped in with his left on the big man's nose, took him on the nose with his right as he fell, and the buffalo overcoat had no sooner hit the platform than the little man was swarming all over it, with both his fists working like piston rods.

In one minute the big man was licked, and then he was led off one way while we took Cordial the other. I don't know what old bear's claws had to say, but as we got the little fellow into the coach he retied the bow at his collar, dusted his shoes with his hankerchief, and explained:

"Wath I to blame? When I thaw those claws wasn't it natural that I should wonder where the cat wath? And I never thaw a wolf nor a buffalo in my whole life."—N. Y. Sun.

An Honest Conductor.

In the olden days, when railroad companies used to believe their conductors honest, says the New York Sun, an official, whose run was from Buffalo east, was called into the president's room at the end of one of his trips, and the big man kindly said to him:

"John, the receipts on your runs have been growing beautifully less for some time past."

"Yes, sir, but travel is very light, you know."

"Is it? I haven't heard of that. John, you have lately built a nice house?"

"Yes."

"You have a diamond pin?"

"Yes."

"Keep a horse and buggy?"

"Yes."

"And your salary is only $60 per month, John?"

"Yes, sir."

"I don't think you would steal from the company?"

"Oh, no! no! no! sir!"

"But I've a proposition to make. Suppose you give the road your receipts, and you take everything else coming in! If you don't I don't see how we are going to pay running expences over a month longer!"

Australian View of Parliament.

Pall Mall Gazette.

Here is a view of the House of Commons as it strikes the correspondent of one of the Australian papers: "It is an idle, gossiping, demoralizing, whisky and soda compelling atmosphere, which is repellent of men of affairs. The other day I was sitting next to one of the most eminent solicitors in England and as we rose to go he exclaimed. 'Three days of this place would send me into a straight waistcoat.' Until then he had nursed Parliamentary ambitions." This correspondent must really take care. or he, too, will figure at the "bar" of the House—for a purpose other than "whiskey and soda."

Southern Ways.

From the Pittsburg Dispatch.

In some parts of the Southwest, regardless of the great growth of towns and the building of school-houses, it is still almost impossible to get a direct answer to a question. One evening about dusk a man rode up to a fence surrounding a lot near the roadside, and thus addressed a woman who was attempting to persuade a few drops of milk from a muley cow:

"Madam, I am lost."

"Wall, that's what the preacher says is the matter with the most of us, an' I reckon the best thing to do is to get 'ligion an' then do the best we kin under the sarcumstances," she replied, giving the cow an awful jerk.

"I mean that I have missed the road to Dabney's Ferry,"

"Wall, I shouldn't wonder, fur it is a mighty matter fur some folks to foller these roads here, they air so crooked. You air travelin', I reckon."

"Yes, I wanted to go to Dabney's Ferry."

"Got kin folks livin' down thar, I reckon."

"No; I have no relatives living in this part of the country. Will this road lead me to the Ferry?"

"Wall, you'll hatter ax pap about that. He tromps roun' all over the neighborhood while I'm doin' the work, an' he oughter know whar all the roads go to."

"Where is he?"

"Who, pap?"

"Yes."

"Wall, the Lawd only knows. But I reckon ther yaller dog take you whar he is."

"Where is the yellow dog?"

"I don't know that nuther. You'll hatter ax one of the chillun."

Where are the children?"

"The Lawd in heaven only knows stranger, for I don't. Jist wait awhile an' mebbe one of 'em will holler, fur it is about time fur one of 'em to git snake bit."

"I haven't time to wait."

"Wall, then, I reckon you'll have to jog along the best way you kin."

"I wish you would give me some information."

"Yas, I reckon so, fur I have heard tell that information is a mighty fine thing when a pusson is pushed right hard fur it."

"Where does that road over there lead to?"

"Right to Dabney's Ferry."

"Why, that's the road I want. Why didn't you tell me?"

"Wall, you didn't ax me about that road. You kep talkin' about suthin' else. Wall, good day. Ef you travel round here much you'll learn to ax fur what you want without beatin' about the bush."

A Game Hen.

A game hen died on R. W. Gamble's place at Cuthbert, Ga., a few days ago. This hen had reached the age of 14 years, lacking only a few weeks. She continued to lay eggs until a year before she died. For several months she had been totally blind, but was fed and watered regularly by Miss Mary Gamble. In 1886, when Mr. Gamble moved to Macon, this hen was carried there, and brought back when he returned to Cuthbert. In the spring of 1882, when the cyclone struck Mr. Gamble's place and tore things up, this old hen was setting in a box on the kitchen hearth. The kitchen was blown away, the chimney was missing, but the hearth remained, and there sat the old hen in her box, as though nothing had happened.

The Judge and the Sport.

Mr. Justice Hawkins was once taken to be a member of the P. R. He was waiting to take his ticket at a railway station in Paris, at which there were a number of English roughs returning from the races, one of whom was very rude to him. The judge remonstrated, whereupon the man became more insulting, and said that if he would come outside he would give him "what for." Sir Henry, who wears his hair cut very short, then took off his hat, thinking that as the men were probably of the criminal classes they would recognize him, and quietly remarked:

"Perhaps you do not know who I am?"

Did the man in awestricken tones exclaim. "'Awkins, by thunder?"

No. What he said was: "S'lep me bob, a bloomin' prize fighter! Not me!" And the judge was not further molested.

Beat the Bell Punch.

From the Chicago Tribune.

A Kansas City street-car conductor has found an easy way to beat the bell punch. He goes off to some secluded spot at night, notes the number indicated by the register, pulls the machine till it has counted off the entire 10,000 and begin at one again, after which he rings till the register indicates 100 less than when he began and stops. He is then in a position to ring fares honestly all next day and be $5 ahead of the company at night. The only way now to beat the honest street car conductor is to make the counting capacity of the register 100,000, or handcuff him to some other honest man hired to watch him day and night.

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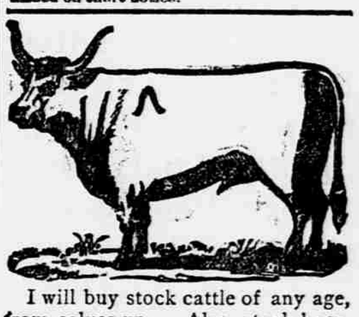

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PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, A joint resolution was adopted by the legislature of the state of Nebraska, at the twenty-first session thereof, and approved February 13th, A. D. 1889, proposing an amendment to the constitution of said state, and that said amendment shall read as follows, to-wit:

Section 1: That at the general election to be held on the Tuesday succeeding the first Monday of November, A. D. 1890, there shall be submitted to the electors of this state for approval or rejection an amendment to the constitution of this state in words as follows: "The manufacture, sale and keeping for sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage are forever prohibited in this state, and the legislature shall provide by law for the enforcement of this provision." And there shall also at said election be separately submitted to the electors of this state for their approval or rejection an amendment to the constitution of the state in words as follows: "The manufacture, sale and keeping for sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage shall be licensed and regulated by law."

Section 2: At such election, on the ballot of each elector voting for the proposed amendments to the constitution, shall be written or printed the words: "For proposed amendment to the constitution, prohibiting the manufacture, sale and keeping for sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage," or "Against the proposed amendment to the constitution prohibiting the manufacture, sale and keeping for sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage."

There shall also be written or printed on the ballot of each elector voting for the proposed amendment to the constitution, the words: "For proposed amendment to the constitution that the manufacture, sale and keeping for sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage in this state shall be licensed and regulated by law," or "Against said proposed amendment to the constitution that the manufacture, sale and keeping for sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage shall be licensed and regulated by law."

Section 3: If either of the said proposed amendments shall be approved by a majority of the electors voting at the said election, then it shall constitute section twenty-seven [27] of article [1] of the constitution of this state.

Therefore, I, John M. Thayer, Governor of the state of Nebraska, do hereby give notice in accordance with section one [1] article fifteen [15] of the constitution and the provisions of the act entitled "An act to provide the manner of proposing all amendments to the constitution and submitting the same to the electors of the state." Approved February 13th, A. D. 1877, that said proposed amendment will be submitted to the qualified voters of this state for approval or rejection at the general election to be held on the 4th day of November, A. D. 1890.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand, and caused to be affixed the great seal of the state of Nebraska. Done at Lincoln this 26th day of July, A. D. 1890, and the 24th year of the state, and of the independence of the United States the one hundred fifteenth.

By the Governor, JOHN M. THAYER,
BENJAMIN R. COWDERY, 10-3mo.
[SEAL.] Secretary of State.

PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, A joint resolution was adopted by the legislature of the state of Nebraska, at the twenty-first session thereof, and approved March 30th, A. D. 1889, proposing an amendment to sections two, [2] four [4] and five [5] of Article six [6] of the constitution of said state, and that said section as amended shall read as follows, to-wit:

Section 1: That section two (2) of article six (6) of the constitution of the state of Nebraska, be amended so as to read as follows:

"Section 2: The supreme court shall consist of five (5) judges, a majority of whom shall be necessary to form a quorum or to pronounce a decision. It shall have original jurisdiction in cases relating to revenue, civil cases in which the state shall be a party, mandamas, quo warranto, habeas corpus, and such appellate jurisdiction as may be provided by law.

Section 2: That section four (4) of article six (6), of the constitution of the state of Nebraska, be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 4. The judges of the supreme court shal be elected by the electors of the state at large and their terms of office, except as hereinafter provided, shall be for a period of five (5) years."

Section 3: That section five (5) of article six (6) of the constitution of the state of Nebraska, be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 5: "At the first general election to be held in the year 1891, and after the adoption of this amendment to the constitution, there shall be elected three (3) judges of the supreme court, one of whom shall be elected for the term of one (1) year, one for the term of three (3) years and one for the term of five (5) years, and at each general election thereafter there shall be elected one judge of the supreme court for the term of five (5) years. Provided, that the judges of the supreme court whose terms have not expired at the time of holding the general election of 1891, shall continue to hold their office for the remainder of the term for which they were respectively elected under the present constitution."

Section 4: That each person voting in favor of this amendment shall have written or printed upon his ballot the following:

"For the proposed amendment to the constitution relating to the number of supreme judges."

Therefore, I, John M. Thayer, Governor of the state of Nebraska do hereby give notice in accordance with section one (1) article fifteen (15), of the constitution, and the provisions of the act entitled "An act to provide the manner of proposing all amendments to the constitution and submitting the same to the electors of the state." Approved February 13th, A. D. 1877, that said proposed amendment will be submitted to the qualified voters of the state for approval or rejection at the general election to be held on the 4th day of November, A. D. 1890.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the great seal of the state of Nebraska. Done at Lincoln this 26th day of July, A. D. 1890, and the twenty-fourth year of the state, and of the independence of the United States the one hundred fifteenth.

By the Governor, JOHN M. THAYER.
BENJAMIN R. COWDERY,
[SEAL.] Secretary of State.

PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, A joint resolution was adopted by the legislature of the state of Nebraska, at the twenty-first session thereof, and approved March 30th, A. D. 1889, proposing an amendment to Section Thirteen (13) of Article Six (6) of the constitution of said state; that said section as amended shall read as follows, to wit:

Section 1: That section thirteen (13) of article six (6) of the constitution of the state of Nebraska be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 13: The judges of the supreme court shall each receive a salary of thirty-five hundred dollars ($3,500) per annum and the judges of the district court shall receive a salary of three thousand dollars ($3,000) per annum, and the salary of each shall be payable quarterly.

Section 2: Each person voting in favor of this amendment shall have written or printed upon his ballot the following:

"For the proposed amendment to the constitution, relating to the salary of judges of the supreme and district court."

Therefore, I, John M. Thayer, governor of the state of Nebraska, do hereby give notice, in accordance with section one [1] article fifteen [15] of the constitution, and the provisions of an act entitled: "An act to provide the manner of proposing all amendments to the constitution and submitting the same to the electors of the state." Approved February 13th, A. D. 1877, that said proposed amendment will be submitted to the qualified voters of this state for approval or rejection, at the general election to be held on the 4th day of November, A. D. 1890.

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