

# Gossip About New Governors

Higgins of Rhode Island, Buchtel of Colorado, Stuart of Pennsylvania and Other Men Who Were Successful at the Polls.



**JAMES H. HIGGINS.** Rhode Island is usually counted in the Republican column. The state went Republican except on the governorship. The Republican candidate for governor was the present incumbent of the office, George H. Utter, and Higgins won against him by a plurality of 1,238. His election was rendered possible by the support he received from Independents organized as Lincoln Republicans.

When Governor Elect Higgins was first chosen mayor of Pawtucket four years ago, he was only twenty-six years old and was at that time reputed to be the youngest mayor in the United States. At thirty he wins a reputation as the youngest governor. He looks even younger than he is, and when he first went before the electors five years ago as a candidate for member of the Rhode Island assembly he seemed hardly more than a boy. At the first rally in which he participated he was greeted with cries of "Whose kid are you?" But he showed the voters that in spite of his youthful appearance he was worthy of their trust and was nominated the following year for mayor of Pawtucket, being three times re-elected. He is a graduate of Brown university.

In Colorado the election resulted in the choice of the Republican candidate for governor, Chancellor Henry A.



**GOVERNOR ELECT H. A. BUCHEL.** Buchtel of Denver university. He is a Methodist minister, is a native of Ohio, is about fifty years of age and began life in the drug business. He became owner of a large wholesale store in this line of trade, but sold it in order to devote himself to study with the intention of entering the ministry. He graduated from De Pauw university, Greencastle, Ind., in 1872. Some years ago while stationed in Denver he won much popularity as a pastor and public man, and, although the itinerant system of the Methodist church took him east, he was recalled in 1900 to become the head of the University of Denver. He was elected governor by about 12,000 majority. Although a minister and a Methodist, he announces that he will pursue a liberal policy as governor in regard to such state issues as pugilistic contests and regulation of gambling. "Smile and push" was his motto as a candidate, and when opponents asked questions he did not care to answer he responded with eulogies on the climate of Colorado. Dr. Buchtel was a missionary in Bulgaria for a short time after his graduation from De Pauw.

In Connecticut the Republican candidate for governor, Rollin S. Woodruff, was elected by a substantial majority over his Democratic opponent, Mayor Charles F. Thayer of Norwich.

In California, where there was a three cornered contest between candidates of the Republican and Democratic parties and the Independence league, the Republican nominee, James Norris Gillett, won. He is now congressman from the First California district, was born in Viroqua, Wis., in 1860, graduated from a Wisconsin high school, entered the bar and has resided on the Pacific coast since 1883.

The governor elect of Pennsylvania, Edwin S. Stuart, is a book publisher. Born in 1853, he graduated from the post of errand boy to that of clerk behind the counter and in due time was owner of the business. He has been mayor of Philadelphia.

## Humor From England, Germany and Austria.

**FIRST** Thespian—And the audience, my boy—you should have seen them. They were glued to their seats.

**Second Ditto**—Ah, a good way of keeping them there.—Bystander.

**He**—Have you really broken off your engagement with him?

**She**—Oh, I had to. He was getting too sentimental—began to talk to me about matrimony.—Pick-Me-Up.

**Mother-in-law** (on a visit to her married daughter)—I have just found a bill for 200 marks from the china shop. Have you and Friedrich been quarreling so much?—Fliegende Blatter.

**Bridegroom** (a week after the wedding)—I haven't seen anything of your father's 1,000 mark check yet. He promised it, didn't he?

**Bride**—Yes, but he heard that your father had already given us one, and he knew we shouldn't care to have duplicate presents.—Ich Begleite Dich.

**Youth**—You are seventy years old. Have you ever enjoyed one happy moment?

**Old Man**—Up to now, no; but I still hope to do so.

**Youth**—And when might that be?

**Old Man**—When people stop asking idiotic questions.—Bombe.

### For the Sake of Safety.

Mr. Smith had looked in at the new ledger clerk's house an evening or two after he had engaged him at his office.

"Let me see," Mr. Tomlin, he said pleasantly, "you like fishing, don't you?"

"Yes, very much," said Mr. Tomlin, wishing he was at that moment.

"Had you much sport when you went to North Devon last year?"

"I fear I was one of the unfortunate ones," declared Tomlin ruefully, "for I only caught one little trout."

"Ha, ha!" laughed old Mr. Smith. "That's just what I expected. Not much good my going there. Good night."

"John, how could you tell such wicked stories in that way?" said the bookkeeper's wife after the visitor had gone. "You know you caught over twenty fish weighing over five pounds each, and one weighed nearly eleven pounds."

"My good woman," said John, "you don't think I would have my employer think I was a liar first go off, do you?"—Answers.

### Thorough Devotion.



"And could you be contented in a country place?"

"At your side, baroness, certainly. Everything rural interests me since I met you."

"Is it possible?"

"Have even taken hay fever."—Lustige Blatter.

### Enough Said.

The widow had just selected a monument for the late lamented.

"What was his age?" queried the stonemason, preparing to make a note of it.

"He was just seventy-nine," answered the widow.

"And I suppose you will want an appropriate epitaph?" he said.

"Yes," she replied. "You might add, 'The good die young.'"—Woman's Home Companion.

### A Bargain Driver.

"I believe old Grabbitson would give his soul for money."

"Yes, and he'd probably get more than it was worth, no matter how small the amount happened to be."—Chicago Record-Herald.

### Where the Fault Was.

Patience—Does this hat look funny on me?

Patrice—No, but you look funny under that hat.—Yonkers Statesman.

### He Saved Money.

Until a few short years ago No bank account I carried. But just about that time, you know, I thought of getting married.

To marry would be very rash—No fellow in his senses Would do it—without ready cash. Laid by to pay expenses.

My salary was small and shy, And so it's not surprising That to put by some money I Began economizing.

So I shut off on dainty whets For appetites, was chary Of flowers and candied violets, Both quite unnecessary.

Our weekly tickets to the play I thought no more of buying, But tucked my little wad away, Bare wants alone supplying.

My beard it grew and grew and grew. Some time, indeed, it took me. I got enough to wed, it's true. But then—the lady shook me. —Chicago News.

## DR. LEE DE FOREST.

**His Achievements in "Radio-Telegraphy" and "Misfortune in Love."**

One should not say "wireless telegraphy" now if he wishes to be scientific. The term adopted by the recent conference at Berlin on the subject of such communication is "radio-telegraphy." The conference framed an agreement between all the nations represented providing for free communication between the different systems of radio-telegraphy.

Dr. Lee De Forest, the inventor of one of the most widely used of these



systems, recently read a paper before the American Institute of Electrical Engineers describing a new wireless receiver of which he is the inventor. It is asserted that this receiver is far more sensitive than any of those invented earlier, and instead of utilizing a liquid it employs a sensitive gas.

Dr. De Forest has been eminently successful in science, but in love he has been less fortunate. He courted his wife by the radio-telegraphic system and, it is said, asked the important question several times by means of the apparatus in his own house and the instruments he set up in the apartment where lived the young lady he admired. She learned to talk by the wireless system, but it was some time before she used it to say "Yes." Their happiness was brief, for a short time ago an application was made for the dissolution of the marriage.

### CAESAR AND CLEOPATRA.

The Forbes Robertson and Their Portrayal of These Characters.

Shakespeare wrote a play about "Antony and Cleopatra," but it remained for George Bernard Shaw, the English playwright who has had the hardihood to criticize the Bard of Avon, to write a drama entitled "Caesar and Cleopatra." It is being played at a New York theater by Forbes Robertson, the noted English actor, and his wife, Gertrude Elliott, sister of Maxine Elliott. It is one of the principal subjects of conversation in theatrical circles both on account of the ability shown by Mr. and Mrs. Robertson in the interpretation of the leading roles and because of the unconventional way in which the dramatist has treated the characters.

Forbes Robertson is considered the greatest Hamlet of the English stage



FORBES ROBERTSON AS CAESAR AND HIS WIFE AS CLEOPATRA.



today. His wife, who made his acquaintance while playing with Nat Goodwin and Maxine Elliott in England, is a woman of much cleverness and beauty. One of the noted successes of the Forbes Robertsons was "The Light That Failed," in which Mr. Robertson took the part of Kipling's hero, Dick Helder, and his wife that of Maisie. In the play Helder, an illustrator and correspondent, woos Maisie, an artist, in a studio. That is a place familiar to Mr. Robertson, for he enjoyed a reputation as a painter before he won fame as an actor. He once painted for Henry Irving the wedding scene in "Much Ado About Nothing." It contained portraits of all the leading characters.

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