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CONGRESSMAN WHO WED HIS NURSE

Congressman William Sulzer, whose marriage to a nurse, which became known recently, was the result of a hospital romance, is a Democratic congressman from New York. According to the Congressional Record he was born March 18, 1863, but the place of his birth is unknown. He is an able lawyer and has been a Tammany leader for many years.

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Laborer Returns to Kansas City from Lynn, N. M., Exhausted and Swears Out a Warrant for Employment Firm.

Kansas City.—Because a contractor in Lynn, N. M., refused to pay the scale of wages represented by the employment firm of Mucci & Downs, whose offices are on Union avenue, Kansas City, Vincent Nogga, an Austrian laborer, has walked back 800 miles and swore out a warrant for their arrest, charging violation of the city ordinances regarding the conduct of such institutions. Nogga admits, however, that the seventeen-day journey, fourteen of which were consumed in tramping, was more for the object of demanding the $3 which he paid the employment bureau than bringing the action against the concern.

Nogga was a dilapidated-looking specimen of humanity when he reached the city attorney's office. His shoes, which 17 days ago were heavy and brand new, were worn through to the feet and the heels completely gone.

"On January 14," said Nogga, "myself and seven other men were shipped out by this employment agency to Lynn, N. M. The firm had an advertisement on the blackboard saying that men were wanted there at $2 a day. We paid $3 each for the job and left here at 2 p. m.

"When we arrived there at 6 o'clock the next evening the boss informed us that he was paying only $1.75 a day for men. He said we could get that if we went to work right then, but if we waited a day longer he would give us only $1.25 a day."

Nogga says he was also informed that he would have to pay $5 a week board in the boarding car, that he must take two blankets at $2 each, and have 75 cents a week deducted from his pay for hospital fees. He remained at the camp over night and announced his intention of leaving. Then he was informed that as he had enjoyed the hospitality of the camp for a night and had partaken of the "choice" food, he would have to work one day anyway, or get both of his legs broken with a pick handle in the hands of a stern boss.

The Austrian said he had the sense to leave "under cover." He had $8.50 with him, his savings of months, after he had paid $3 for his job. Nogga started home on foot, passing through Trinidad, Lajunta and Caddoa, Colo., a mountainous country. He slept out of doors at Lamar, Colo., January 17. He walked the tracks by day and built a fire at night, often suffering from the cold and hunger. He was saving a small sum of money to take him back to Kansas City, when he felt that he could walk no further. That time came when he reached Emporia, Kan., after enduring great hardship. He had $2.90 left, and $2.70 of that he paid for a ticket to Kansas City, arriving 17 days after his departure. He walked 14 of the 17 days.

Choctaws to Go to Mexico.

Tushkahoma, I. T.—A commission of chiefs has closed a deal for the Choctaw Indians for about 100,000 acres of land in Mexico. The tract is located in the states of Pueblo and Oaxaca and combines mountain and stream and prairie as an immense hunting reservation. The prices agreed upon range from one to five dollars an acre.

The Choctaws have been dissatisfied with their lands in the territory, and negotiations for lands in Mexico have been pending for two years. They will go to Mexico as soon as they are able to dispose of their territory lands. There is now $600,000 in the tribal funds.

DISCOVERY SOLVES MYSTERY.

Remains of Prehistoric Race Connect Mound Builders and Mayas.

El Paso, Tex.—Prof. A. H. Blakiston, archaeologist and possessor of the largest private collection of Mexican antiquities in the Smithsonian institution in Washington, has returned to this city after what he announces is the most important of his discoveries in Mexico. He says he has discovered remains of people of prehistoric America and that these people complete the link between the mound builders of the north and the Mayas on the south.

Prof. Blakiston brings some of the most valuable acquisitions to ancient American relics, among them the largest stone ax ever found and stalks of maze and tornillo brush 300 years old, found in a perfect state of preservation buried in the adobe walls of the new-found city.

The site of the discovery is across the continental divide from the sceen of the Casas Grandian ruins, which have been the source of most extensive studies by archaeologists in Mexico in the last decade. In an almost impassable wilderness 30 miles west of Dos Cabezos, in a land never before trod by the foot of a white man, the ancient city was found. Two months ago the deserted city was located by an Indian guide.

The village was found situated on a precipitous bluff, in part surrounded by a large natural cave, 1,500 feet above the Bavispe river, which flows in the deep valley below. Here were discovered the ruins of hundreds of adobe houses, all but a few in a good state of preservation. The quality of pottery found in these houses is superior to that made by the Toltecs and the Aztecs.

HUSBAND AND WIFE SWAP JOBS.

Man Takes Care of the House and Woman Goes to the Factory.

Winsted, Conn.—Joe Whitcomb got tired of his job in the factory; his wife got tired of doing the housework.

"What d'ye say to swapping jobs, Julia?" asked John.

"Suits me up and down," answered Julia. "I can do your work and you can make a good bluff at keeping house. We'll try it for awhile, anyway."

Mrs. Whitcomb was familiar with her husband's work and had little trouble making good. Joe did the washing, swept the floors and saw that the baby, who was creeping, didn't pick up too many slivers; but he fell down on the cooking. The new arrangement has been operation a week now, and both are well satisfied.

"I've got all the best of it one way," said Joe. "I handle the money. Before I only carried it away from the shop to her lap. Now she forks over every penny to me. You'll have to excuse me. I think them biskits is burnin'."

LANDLORD SMOKED 'EM OUT.

Now He Is Sued for Damaging Tenant's Household Goods.

Pittsburg.—Because Frederick Jankovicz refused to move from his home on Brereton avenue he declares that his landlord, Wincenty Schumanski, placed a board on top of his chimney and tried for two weeks to smoke the family out.

Jankovicz says his children all became sick and his household goods were completely ruined by smoke, and he began suit against the landlord for $10,000 damages.

When Jankovicz mounted to the roof and removed the board that covered the flue he says Schumanski entered charges against him of malicious mischief. At the end of the two weeks the family was almost frozen and dependent on the neighbors for any cooked food that came to their table, the plaintiff declares.

WHERE DO THEY GO?

QUESTION OF INTEREST TO CHURCH PEOPLE.

Nonattendant at Religious Services, Converted in Boyhood, Makes a Frank Confession That Is Worthy of Attention.

A recent number of the American Magazine takes up the subject of "Religion Inside the Church and Out." In the course of the article, which is a defense of the church, the following confession of a young Chicago nonchurchgoer is published:

"Your story of 'The Rev. Billy Sunday and His War on the Devil,' in the American Magazine refreshed the memory of my own conversion back in 1888 under the preaching of another great revivalist. I was 11 years old at the time.

"I had been making trouble in school when the meetings began. My people were worried about me. The revivalist offered a way to reform. So I was urged to attend the meetings. Of course, I heard a great deal about hell and the damnation of sinners. Scores were being converted. There was great excitement. I was pushed and pulled. Finally, I surrendered, although I was not conscious of anything but a desire to please my parents, to avoid future punishment and to effect the necessary reform in my conduct at school.

"The next step was joining the church. That was easy. All I had to do was to go through the ordeal of a meeting with the church committee, composed chiefly of respected old men in the town whose confidence I was glad to have.

"I enjoyed the experience of being a full-fledged Christian for a long time. My father and mother were pleased beyond expression, and for years I think that I was a better boy—that is, more restrained in my behavior in school, perhaps. I cannot recall any other definite manifestation of 'conversion.' I continued to go to Sunday school and to church twice Sunday. I had become a habitual church-goer.

"By the time I was 18 or 19 I began to grow sick of it all. I began to see that I had no genuine interest in the church. I was not going to the bad, either. Far from it! My conviction that decency makes for happiness was taking deep root. I intended to be a good man, and I began to want to work it out in my own way. I felt that I was just about to begin my serious life, and—do you want it straight from the shoulder?—I felt that I wanted to begin outside the church. I don't know why. I am not arguing this thing or trying to prove anything. I am just trying to tell you.

"Very soon—I was 21, I think—I left the little town where my father and mother brought me up and came to Chicago to live. That was nine years ago. And—shall I tell you? I have never been inside a church more than a dozen times since.

"Now I don't want you to interpret this as a criticism of the church. Do you think I would rebuke the institution which has given my good father and mother that peace which is my happy assurance of their future well-being? Neither do I find fault with the Rev. Billy Sunday. Not one out of 100,000 whom he has converted may turn out the way I have. He may not try to convert children, either. I don't know about that. I think that that makes very little difference, however. Many people are children, no matter how old they are. All I know is that ever since I can remember the churches have been rushing names onto their membership rolls. And yet the cry is that the churches are failing off in numbers. Where do they all go?"

Collection of Rare Bulbs.

The collection of rare plants at the Phipps conservatory and the cabinets in the Carnegie museum will be enriched by a number of donations from Miss Ida Vera Simonton, who has just returned from Africa. To the conservatory Miss Simonton will give a package of bulbs of the famous camellia rose, which on the stem or in a bouquet is ever changing in color. White in the morning, it becomes a delicate pink at noon. At sunset its petals are a brilliant red. Some rare orchids and the famous lily, gloriana superba, are in the collection. The savage tribes of western Africa still perpetuate in a crude way the lost arts of ancient Egypt. Their idols are typically Egyptian and their method of handling dyes is the same as that of the subjects of the mummy curers of the pharaohs on the Nile. Articles in burnt wood, pieces of cloth dyed with gay and everlasting colors and the grotesque idols will go to the museum.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

The Sphinx and the Infinite.

I can imagine the most determined atheist looking at the sphinx and, in a flash, not merely believing, but feeling that he had before him proof of the life of the soul beyond the grave, of the life of the soul of Khufu beyond the tomb of his pyramid. Always as you return to the sphinx you wonder at it more, you adore more strangely its repose, you steep yourself more intimately in the aloof peace that seems to emanate from it as light emanates from the sun. And as you look on it at last perhaps you understand the infinite; you understand where is the bourne to which the finite flows with all its greatness, as the great Nile flows from beyond Victoria Nyanza to the sea.—From Robert Hichens' "The Spell of Egypt," in the Century.

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