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George P. Bemis, formerly private secretary of George Francis Train, returned from a trip in the east on last Saturday.

Train did not respond in words, neither would he shake hands, but picking up a pencil and a piece of paper wrote on it that he was glad to see him.

After the greetings had passed a conversation with paper and pencils took place between the two, and the scraps written on by Train to Bemis were preserved by the latter and are given as they were written.

"From the funeral of your mother?" "Yes," replied Bemis. "Where buried?"

"In our family lot at Waltham," said Train; "all are buried there." "He then inquired: "Did your mother receive my psychogram on the death of Uncle Emery?"

"You seem to write more than ever," said Bemis to him. "I write than in old time," he replied, at the same time pointing to a hat and chair near him, which was filled with manuscript.

"I saw it," answered Bemis. "Did Rosewater send you that manuscript? I handed him!"

Bemis said that he always prays and without ceasing, but did not consider it necessary to kneel down in a

millon. They owned it all he said and gave him what he desired.

"Who made your suit, next inquired Train, and how much did it cost?"

"I am Jim Chapman in good health now," he asked. He wasn't very well in 1864 if I remember rightly!

"Is Kountz rich? Is Miller of the Herald well off? Is old Sam Rogers still living?"

Bemis answered all these questions correctly, and told him how Rogers and Kountz had made so much money out of the 500 acres comprising Train's Credit Foncier addition, upon which they had foreclosed.

"Was not that my programme," asked Train with interest.

Bemis here offered to send him a new map of Omaha, which he had just published, showing the late additions and subdivisions of the city.

"No," said Train, "I take no interest in Omaha now. They dropped G. F. T. Do you remember my arrangement to the City of Omaha of all my 500 acres for a park? Don't they regret not taking it? I see Omaha every day—don't need maps. Wouldn't accept Omaha as a gift, nor this country."

Bemis asked him if he ever felt like traveling any more. He referred to the fact that after they had been around the world, they were planning a cruise around the South American coast.

"At this period in the conversation, the hour approached Train's usual time to go over to the park, and putting on a plug hat, motioned Bemis to accompany him.

"Do you see that old man," he wrote on the margin of a newspaper he held in his hand, and pointing to an old and tottering man who was approaching him by one of the many paths leading to his seat: "he will die in sixty days," and the prediction seemed based on good grounds.

"Are there any papers in Council Bluffs," he asked after taking a seat, and having examined the immediate wants of the children who pressed around him for peanuts.

In a rambling talk he said that Senator Saunders had been to see him, and that he always considered the senator a true man.

He gave an exposition of his theory regarding psychology, or at least, as he has revised it, to meet his views.

He drew several circles on paper tapering in size from one, about three-quarters of an inch in diameter, to the sixteenth of an inch.

In the large circle he wrote, "This controls all the rest," meaning that he was the central figure and creative power of the world, and that all others took their power from him.

He asked Bemis whether he thought the time was now ripe for the publication of his autobiography. He was not sure himself whether it was the proper time.

Although he asserted that he was not at all interested in Omaha he was constantly recurring to the subject and asking questions about the town.

He was asked how he passed the time! He said he spent fourteen hours in summer in Madison square sitting on the bench. Took no exercise, ate no meat and had but one meal a day.

He had more money than enough. Money did not amount to anything, and no one had a right to have more than he can eat.

When asked about religion, he said: "Prayed in bed till 1872; then quit, chap, because I was dead. This is the old G. F. T."

In conclusion he told Bemis that if he had any political aspirations, he would help him. "I will make you a congressman or governor if you want," said he. "I know everything in advance, and can do as I wish."

Mr. Bemis asked him how much he did not know. He did not trouble himself about such things. He has a brown stone front in Madison avenue which is rented and a beautiful villa at Newport worth \$80,000, which is rented out during the summer season.

He said that he had not seen either of them for ten years. He thought his children would be worth a quarter of

million. They owned it all he said and gave him what he desired. Mr. Bemis then left him after a farewell was expressed on paper.

Train writes a good deal and is now preparing what he terms epigrams on the following subjects: "Peas and Kings," which relates to his experience in England and Ireland; "Langtry," "Dublin," the "Penal Code," "Bob Ingersoll," and "The Gods."

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