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The Strange Transformation of Bill Fritz into Hon. William Miller.

LIFE AT DAKOTA'S SUMMER RESORT

Railroad Suggestions and Suits-California's Big Tree-End of the Great Strike-Summary of Northwest News,

That "truth is stranger than fiction" is exemplified in western life. In no other section of the great republic does fickle fortune yield her treasures as lavishly to ardent wooers, regardless of color or previous condition. The lover may to reduced to aching stages of poverty; his hopes befogged and his courage well nigh exhausted; mayhap the Nemesis of ill tuck has shadowed his life. Oft when hopes are lowest, the clouds roll by and the glorious silver lining appears

to cheer and rejuvenate.

The strange career of Bill Fritz, related by The strange career of Bill Fritz, related by the Norfolk (Neb.) Herald, illustrates the fickleness of fortune as well as the amazing recuperative powers of the average western hustier. Eleven years ago Fritz was elected treasurer of Madison county, Nebraska. He served two terms and sought a third but was defeated. Then came an accounting and a revelation. A shortage of \$16,000 was discovered, and about that time Fritz decamped. An indictment was found against him and criminal proceedings commenced, but were held in account while Fritz returned and endeavored to effect a settlement. He faced his accusers down with more than ordinary courage and the matter was adjusted by his turning over all his property to the county. Sometime about 1884 "Bill Fritz." as he was familiarly called, left Norfolk for the far west, and from that time but little was heard from him except by immediate relatives.

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Way out in Washington where the white capped waves of Puget sound roll upon the shore with a musical swish a great city has been built. Magnificent monuments of the architect's art line thoroughfare after thoroughfare and rear their stately heads toward smiling skies. At the head of this matchless metropolis that has grown as if by magic in that far off western country is a substantial, solid appearing citizen about 45 years old, William F. Miller. Possessed of an ample fortune, for it takes over six figures to express it, and of an entorprising turu the mayor of Whatcom is one of its leading and most prominent citizens. His residence is one of the most beautiful and hospitable homes of the city. Favored with friends and fortune fate smiles kindly on this son of destiny and his life is full of the sunshine of success and happiness which mortals envy. The occupant of this paiatial home, the leader in social and political affairs, the honored mayor of the city is William Miller, alias Buil-Fritz of Madison county, Neb. Most men experience much difficulty in ascending the ladder of success once in a life time, but Bill-Fritz has scaled it twice. Twice has he arisen from penury and poverty to affluence and honor. scaled it twice. Twice has be arisen from penury and poverty to affluence and honor. His fortune now amounts to considerable over \$100,000 and he is the most prominent and influential man in his section of the state, but it is Hon. William Miller and not plain "Bill Fritz."

Utah's Mineral Product.

The special report of the director of the mint on the production of the precious metals

mint on the production of the precious metals in Utah for 1891 gives the following figures:

The output of the precious metals in the territory approximated 31,644 ounces of gold, of the value of \$654,140, and 8,750,123 ounces of silver, of the colnage value of \$11,313,330; a total of \$11,967,470. This was a gain of \$650,472 over the estimated product of the preceding year.

The steady increase of recent years in both the silver product and the tonnage output was maintained, and, as a rule, proportionately in all parts of the territory. A note-worthy exception is Juab county, where there was a failing off, due mainly to the iowering in grade of the output of a few of the large properties. The showing, however, for Juab county in tonnage and in gold and aliver output is still a gratifying one.

None of the large producers of the preced-

None of the large producers of the preced-ing year are missing from the year's list, but as a rule such properties show an increased product. On the other nand, it may be said there has been no addition of any importance to the list of producing properties during

the past pear.
Three new districts have added to the out put of the territory. Marysvale, in Piute county, while not strictly speaking a new district, has, after many years of inactivity, shown renewed activity and may be classed

among the producing sections.

La Plata, in Cache county, and the stretch
of country in Juab and Tooele counties, erally as the Deep Creek region, may be mentioned as producing sections.

The last mentioned has not added materially to the output of the precious metals, for the reason that owing to the lack of transportation only the high grade ores could be sent to the market, but with the advent of promised railroad facilities a largely in-oreased output may be looked for.

2 he discovery of the La Plata district was

s) late in the year, and its ores being, with-eut exception, high in lead, with very little silver or gold, has no considerable effect upon the precious metal product of the past year.

California's Greatest Need,

his duties as president of the Southern Pacific railroad with literary work. He is at present busy writing newspaper and magazine articles, in which he contends that it is not in the interest of California to offer subsidies to a competing railroad, that the Southern Pacific system can do all the work that is to be done, and that one road can do it at less cost than two. While it is true that the Southern Pacific has for years declared the decisions for California courts and has magnanimously attended to the election of state and national legislators for California, a recent speech of ex-Governor Pacheco of that state amply refutes the lit-erary railroad president. Mr. Pacnece says: I can say truthfully that San Francisco is

the pride of the state of California, but it is noticeable that its prosperity seems to be on the wane. We have a railroad, but of how much benefit is it to us! It is the only road we have, and in consequence we are isolated, so to speak, from the rest of the world. The w states which have been formed about have wooed many from California. I do not think we have any more population now than we had twenty-three or twenty-four years ago. I feel that it could be more prosperous if we had the means of increasing our population and that some grand move need, and sorely need, is a competing rail-

A Strike Ended.

The protracted strike of the Cour d'Alene miners has ended in a victory for the strikers. An agreement was reached and signed by the miners and mine owners on lith inst. The terms are ten hours a day's shift, sine hours at night and \$3.50 per day for all underground men. The resumption of work on the mines virtually settles the miner and mine owner association controversy, and it will only be a matter of a few days when all the miner will be reading full for all the mines will be running full force with miners' union men. The importation of scar labor has been an expensive experiment in the Cœur d'Alènes and a disastrous factor to the mine owners. There is great rejoicing over the great battle won. The miners' anion men and everybody is happy,

Big Suit Against the Union Pacific. Benjamin Jessarnitski has entered suit in the United States circuit court at San Francisco against the Union Pacific Railroad company for \$30,000 damages. Benjamin is a Russian, and also a man of business. On August 31, 1861, he was in the employ of Nicolas Foster as a manager of Jo Jo, the dog-faced boy; Unzie, the Albino with the flowing locks, and the freaks which constituted the side show to McMahon's circus. On the above date the outfit were traveling through Colorado, and plaintiff alleges that he undertook to accompany it from Denver to Georgetown over the Denver Central railroad, a line owned by the Union Pacific comments. rai raifroad, a line owned by the Union Pacific company. When nearing Idaho Springs enroute to Georgetown, the elephant car and the steeper is which Benjamin and his freaks repeated were thrown from the rack and wreeked. The plaintiff's right leg

Soldiers and Civilians Alike Receive Them

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# lman's Administrator's Closing Sale, 13th and Farnam

was broken and his spine injured. Interal injuries and financial loss were also caused him by the wreck, which it is alleged, was due to the insecure condition of the rails and of the foundation of the roadbed. So and of the foundation of the foundation of the foundation of the complain-ant, that McMahon, the owner of the circus, solicited the conductor to go very slow, but the latter replied that he knew his business and forthwith permitted the train to move along at an excessive and dangerous rate of

A California Big Tree.

A novel scheme is on foot to advertise Califorms at the World's fair, and there is every likelihood of it being carried out. It is no other than to exhibit at Chicago one of the state's greatest attractions, if not the greatest, a huge redwood of the species sequoia gigantea, or big tree.

It is well known that the state and federal governments have taken every precaution to preserve these trees from destruction or mutilation, and all the groves have been reserved from private entry and sale. Even for so laudable a purpose as that of attracting attention to the wonders of the state the gentlomen who have the scheme in hand would have found it impossible to secure one of the big trees. In fact, it would probably require an act of congress before any tree in the reserved groves could be touched with the woodman's ax. It came to their knowledge, however, that on a strip of land adjaining woodman's ax. At came at their another, however, that on a strip of land adjoining the grove, in Mariposa county, and owned by George B. Sperry of Stockton, were several trees which were available for their purpose, over which the government had no introl Negotiations were opened with Mr.

one of his trees. one of his trees.

He replied that the sequolas were not on
the market, and only consented to name a
figure when it was represented to him that would be a great attraction at the Columthe would be a great would probably cause more comment and draw more attention to the natural wonders of the Golden state than any other single exhibit possibly could.

An arrangement was finally reached with
Mr. Sperry, and he consented that one of his
monster red woods should be felled. The tree
will be trimmed and brought to San Francisco, a barre being employed for the pur-pose of transportation, as the size of the forest giant precludes the use of anything out a specially constructed train. The tree is about 300 feet high and at some dis-tance from the ground is thirty feet in diam-

eter, than which there are few larger in the famous groves of Mariposa or the King river It is estimated that it will cost \$3,000 to land the big tree in San Francisco. Here it will be placed on exhibition while the special train that is to carry it across the continent

is in process of construction.

On reaching Chicago the great tree will be set up on a strip of ground just across the way from the main entrance to the fair, which has been leased for that purpose. It will be bored so that persons may pass into the interior and ranged around the wall of bark booths will be set up, at which California wines, fruits and curiosities, such as toilet boxes made of polished redwood and the like, will be sold. is in process of construction.

Dakota's Summer Resort. The Black Hills Chatauqua assembly for this year will open at Hot Springs on July 27, and remain in session until August 8. The program has as yet been only partially arranged, but it will be one of the best ever presented by this assembly. Chancellor Haacher has selected an elegant list of lecturers and speakers.

show of winning. There have been sixteen territorial and state conventions show of winning. There have been sixteen territorial and state conventions held since the organization of Dakota, and the Black Hills has never had one. There is no city in the state better capable of accommodating the convention people than Hot Springs. There will be about 600 delegate—and probably as many more candidates and "strikers"—and with our new hotel of 200 rooms, besides a dozen or more other good hotels, all can be taken care of.

The soldiers' reunion on the 29th and 30th promises to be the grandest affair ever held in the Black Hills.

V. E. Prentice and C. A. Greeley of the

to make the resort attractive, and is succeeding admirably. The hillsides, besides being covered with beautiful evergreen trees, are now adorned with a rich growth of grass and myriads of handsome wild flowers.

Nebraska. Norfolk needs a new opera house. Verdigre will celebrate the Fourth with general hurrah.

in a becoming manner. Wilber's new roller mill, with 200 barrels capacity, started up last week. The Methodists are holding a camp meet

ng this week in the vicinity of Ravenna. A defective flue resulted in the destruction vard. Table Rock citizens want the B. & M. to build a new depot nearer the business part

Syracuse citizens are moving to secure additional facilities in regard to water, light and paving.

General Van Wyck has been campaigr for the past few days in Nuckolls and Kearney counties. A \$500 blooded colt fell into a cistern at Benedict and strained its back so badly that

Springview is making great preparations to entertain everybody in Keya Paha county on the Fourth of July. William Brown, a 75-year-old citizen of Table Rock, was fined \$5 and costs for re-sisting an officer. He was drunk.

it bad to be killed.

While driving to a funeral at Wanoo Sun day the team of William Bruce ran away, seriously injuring Mr. and Mrs. Bruce. The Broken Bow Leader, the pioneer

newspaper of Custer county, entered upon the twelfth year of its existence last week. Three boys between the ages of 12 and 15 broke into a store at Piainview and were captured while in the act of stealing goods, The Woman's Christian Temperance union of the Seventh and Eighth districts met at Stanton with thirty delegates in attendance.

Thieves secured \$300 worth of jewelry and \$18 in cash from I. J. Ball's store at Brock and failed to leave any clus as to their identity. Ground has been staked off at Gothenburg

for another brick block, 50x80 feet, two stories high, to be occupied by a Boston dry goods nrm. W. C. Wilkinson, a Custer county farmer, and two of his neighbors caught seven wolves by digging them out of their den one day last week.

It is reported that J. W. Harris, a farmer near Seward, has suddenly left for parts un-known, deserting his young wife and taking financial advantage of his sister. While playing with a hatchet, a young daughter of L. Johnson of West Union accidentally struck her little brother on the hand and chopped off two of her fingers,

A severe storm visited the vicinity of Wallace and hall fell for twenty-five minutes. It is feared that the rye and winter wheat is badly damaged, but to other grain the rain was beneficial. E. A. Nason, barness dealer at Scribner,

has failed, and attachments aggregating about \$850 have been yiaced upon his stock. It is said that he wen; away on a visit a week ago and has not yet returned. While George Young of Brock was trying to catch a pony he became entangled in the rope and was dragged by the animal for about 200 yards. His legs, back and arms are jammed, bruised and cut in a frightful

manuor. Roughs visited the beet field east of Pierce the other night and launched the tool house, tools and movable machinery into the North Fork and then proceeded to scare the life out of two Indian squaws who were occupy Raiph Piper, a 5-year-old son of B. N.

Piper, residing north of Butte City, lost all the toes from his left foot. A brother while planting sodoorn with an axe accidentally struck by foot. struck his foot, amputating the entire front Sealed proposals have been invited from lowns for the purpose of securing the location of the sixth annual reunion of the Cen

tral Nebraska Veteran association, to be held Attorney I. F. Gannt of North Platte is a candidate for the independent nomination for congress in the Sixth district. It is said Cascade company have arrived at the springs and will at once begin work upon the lake which they propose to have made by damming Cascade creek. They expect to make a lake to cover about twenty acres.

Nature seems to be doing its best this year

Attorney I. F. Gannt of North Platte is a candidate for the independent nomination for congress in the Sixth district. It is said Gannt sought and obtained a situation sa a laberer is the machine shops at North Platte a few months past, by which he was enabled to join the Knights of Labor, which puts

him in touch with the independents and makes him eligible for office. M. D. Barnes and family of Stuart.

crossing the Eikhorn river at an old ford, drove into a deep hole and the wagon was overturned. Mrs. Barnes and the children were in great danger of frowning, but Mr. Barnes by heroic action saved them all.

The fifth annual exhibition of the North Nebraska Fair and Driving Park associa-tion will be held at Norfolk on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, September 26, 27, 28 and 29, 1892. The society offers liberal premiums in every department. and offers special inducements for a show of fine stock of every kind. The speed purses are large, and will call out a good field of

Herman is a prosperous village in Washington county. The population is not large, but the business men are active and probut the business men are active and progressive. No other town of equal proportions can boast of a better exponent than is the Herman Gazette, which Editor Harris says "is yours for \$1.50." The Gazette is "the official paper of the proprieter," and is typographically far ahead of the avorage country weekly. The paper is not only well written, but well edited. The good people of Herman must certainly appreciate so of Herman must certainly appreciate so creditable an enterprise. Outsiders judge a own by the newspapers in it.

The Nebraska Columbian commission has ffered the following special premiums for grain designs to be exhibited at the state fair: Best ornamental designs made entirely of grains of corn, \$10; ornamental design made entirely of cars of corn, \$10; ornamen tal design made entirely of corn cobs, \$10; ornamental design made entirely of corn husks, \$10; ornamental design made entirely of a combination of ears, grain, cobs. husks stalks and silks of corn, \$20; ornamental design made entirely of heads of small grain, \$10; ornamental design made of a combination of all grain, shelled and threshed, and stalks, heads, cobs, silk and grasses, \$30. All designs receiving awards to become the property of the Nebraska State Columbian commission. These premiums paid in cash in full by the Columbian commission, without discount. Exhibits to be made at the Nebraska state fair, September 2 to 9, 1892.

The state reunion of the Grand Army for The state reunion of the Grand Army for the year 1892 will be held at Grand Island August 20 to September 3 inclusive. A rate of one fare for the round trlp has been announced from all parts of the state on all railroads. The attendance is expected to be larger than in any previous year. A program is being arranged with a view to having it particularly pleasing to all veterans, Sons and daughters of Veterans and members of the Women's Relief corps. It will bers of the Women's Relief corps. It will embrace some new attractive features not heretofore witnessed at any reunion in Nebraska. Camp accommodations will be more ample than ever before in every respect, and the camp will be located on the same ground it occupied last year. Seating accommoda-tions will be provided at speaker's stand. Full particulars can be had by addressing Seth P. Mobley, chairman; George H. Caldwell, secretary; or Happy Harrison, quartermaster. Communications concerning booth privileges should be addressed to S. N. Wol-bach.

Under the head of "All Broke Up," the Co-lumbus Telegram prints the following re-markable story: Further investigation into the fall of W. Hardy into the eighty-foot weil last Tuesday reveals some additional facts which show that Hardy is literally "all broke up." Both legs below the knees were broken, both knees disfocated, left ankle broken two inches from the joint and the ragged ends of the bones protruded through the dash wight applied input light dislocated left. the flesh, right ankle joint dislocated, left arm broken midway between the wrist and elbow, right foot badly bruised and his hips and back were fearfully stove up. After he fell he called to those above him to get him out of the well and lowered a broket and Hardy clumptothe only with his to get him out of the well and lowered a bucket and Hardy cluing to the pail with his unbroken arm and was hauled up out of the hole. He was then brought eighteen miles to the hospital, where his usual cheerful disposition; reigns supreme and the physicians is attendance regard his chances for recovery as being good, netwithstanding his broken up condition and his advanced years. He is now feeling much better than it seems possess. now feeling much better than it seems possi-ble under the circumstances, and if genuine pluck and good spirits count for snything, he will surely get well. We hope he will.

Sundance coal fields are being developed. Protests against martial law are general outside of Cheyenne.

Round ups in the north are proceeding harmoniously without event of any kind marring the peace. The report of the banging of four men is a canard. The country

was never in a more quiet or settled condi-The Wyoming mission of the Methodist Episcopal church assembles in Cheyenne June 22.

The Lapiata district near Laramie is attracting large number of miners and prospectors. The site of the Blanchard smelter in Chey-

ings will begin this month. The buildings on the abandoned govern-ment reservation of Fort Steele were recently sold for \$1,300. The structures origin-

William Pilger, an aged resident of Laramie, was killed by the cars in the local yards last week. He was 73 years of age, and was an employe of the rolling mills. Laramie people have subscribed \$10,000, the amount required of the city to insure the

construction of the Episcopal cathedral. The building will cost about \$40,000. It seems likely that Wyoming will abandon the plan of a separate building exhibit at the World's fair, owing to increase cost.

The notorious Jack Bliss, king of the rustlers and all-round thief, who escaped from jail at Lander some time ago, was run down on the Montana border and died with A pile of money will be paid to attorneys for prosecution of the cattlemen. Contracts for legal services have been made and Judge

Davidson is to get \$5,000; R. W. Breckons, \$1,000; E. A. Ballard of Denver, \$4,000. John Sprague, an old, crippled hunter residing on the Rosebud, refused to share a jug of firewater with "Three Bears," a Bears, a graduate of Buffato Bill's Wild West show, is now enjoying a liberal

South Dakota. Rapid City has organized a Harrison club Alcester has a large creamery in operation. Yankton cherishes hopes of direct rail ommunications with Omaha. The faith of the town is sublime.

A new cave was recently discovered six miles from Buffalo Gap. The cave has a large entrance and several chambers shining with crystals can already be explored.

Anpao Kin is the title of a religious publica-tion in the Indian language, issued at Madi-son, and edited by Bishop Hare. One thousand copies are to be issued each month and distributed among the Santee, Yankton and Teeton Indians. Anpao Kin, interpreted, is the Day Break. is the Day Break. According to Black Hills papers, arrangements had been made to present a tin gave to the chairman of the Minneapolis conven-

tion. The delegation wished Senator Moody to present the gavel, which was eminentifitting as he was the chief advocate of the duty, and a representative citizen of the Black Hills. When Governor Mellette learned the intention he refused to give up the gavel to the committee, and persisted in his retusal, though the committee as a com-promise suggested that United States District Attorney Sterling present the gavel

Road agents are making frequent profit able raids on northern stages. Three thousand men marched in the Miners union procession in Butte last Mon-Heavy rains and high water are causing

considerable damage along the Missour

valley.

The Anaconda company is now shipping from its mines in Butte to its plant at Anaconda an average of 3,000 tons of ore per day, which is about 500 tons more than ever be-

The remains of Ed Wilson, the government scout, who disappeared from Fort Yellowstone in the National park last August, were found in the timber near the springs. The bones and clothing were all that was left of the dead man. Marcus Daiy announces that he is out of politics and that he will stay out, that there

are pienty of young democrats in the state to carry on the machine work and that he will be found nereafter at his office pushing the interests of the Anaconda company right

The police of Helena jugged a gang of horsethieves composed of J. M. Fler nr, who served a term in the Dakota peritetiary, and B. Charles Drake and his wife. Nellie Drake. These three, with ano hr man known as "Missouri." occupied a caoin n Dry guich, south of town, and operated from there. Mrs. Drake is only 17 years old and year handsome. Brake is only 17 years old and year handsome. Drake is only 18 hot. and very handsome. Drake is not yet 21, but

he was 16 years of age.

Butte is inconsonable. The town's reputation as a sport center has been sadly riven by a tinborn who squealed over his losses. Adam Farraday invited Mrs. Romigh, wife of a professional gambler, to a game of poker and lost \$1,800. Faraday gave a check for the amount, and a few hours later caused the arrest of the woman on the charge of theft. So great is the indignation of the sporties that Farraday will be obliged to make himself scarce.

Utah and Idaho. A company has been formed to build a railroad from Nampa to Silver City, Idano. During the past two weeks 20,000 sheep were sheared in the vicinity of Brigham,

Colorado capitalists are on the ground, closely watching mineral developments in the Boise basin, with a view to investing. Salt Lake has contracted for a school building to cost \$30,990. The city school fund

is in excellent condition, having a balance of \$247,771 on June 1. An English syndicate is negotiating for the Gem mine at Wallace, Idaho. The price is said to be \$880,000. The mine paid \$180,000

n dividends last year. A Nampa, Idaho, saloonkeeper, enraged over the advance in the license, caused the arrest of all the members of thecity government on various criminal charges.

TOLEDO, Iowa, April 6, 1891.
Or. J. B. Moore, Dear Sir: My wife has used about six bottles of your Tree of Life, and thinks that she has received greater benefit from it than any medicine she has ever taken. Yours truly, L. H. BUPKIN. Gen'l Agent and Treas. West College.

Since receiving the above testimonial, I am inreceipt of a letter and check from the Rev. L.H Bufkin of Toledo, Iowa, April 25, to send Rev. J. W. Kenworthy, Crestline, Kan sas, six bottles of Moore's Tree of Life. For sale by all druggists.

Captured and Confessed.

Tom Murphy is confined in the city jail on the charge of a successful piece of sneak thieving at Koch & Nelson's meat market at 4024 North Twenty-fourth street. Murphy entered the market late Saturday night and took \$73.65 in change and a check for \$10 from the till while a confederate occupied the attention of the proprietor. Murphy was arrested yesterday morning and confessed his guilt. He took Detectives Savage and Dempsey to a piece of woods north of the city where he had secreted the money in ground. Both money and check were recov

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Board of Equalization. The city council will meet as a board of equalization at the city clerk's office on Monday at 10 o'clock, for the purpose of equalizing the damages on the Douglas and Hamilton street grades and for such other Dusiness as may come before the board.
Parties interested will please take notice.
George F. Munno, Chairman.

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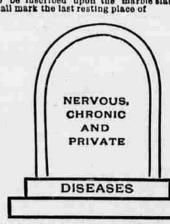
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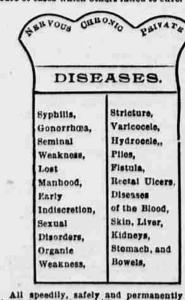
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