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Pen and Picture Pointers

Very soon The Illustrated Bee will commence the publication of a series of interesting letters from England on a subject of paramount interest—the church and charity work of Great Britain in connection with the social life of the kingdom. These will be written by Rev. Henry Tuckley, D. D., of Binghamton, N. Y., who has just sailed for London. Dr. Tuckley is a well known investigator and writer and has done much work along the line of that he has now undertaken. One of his best known books, "Masses and Classes," is a study of industrial conditions in England. His present intention is to supplement this with a similar study of the social conditions, especially as related to church and charity. He will cover a wide range of topics in the discussion of the general subject. Dr. Tuckley's work as a pastor has been most eminent. He has just closed a successful pastorate at Binghamton, extending over a term of five years, and is leaving a church of nearly 1,000 members to take up his present work. Before he went to his New York charge he was pastor of Trinity



HERMAN ELLERMAN—INTERNAL REVENUE COLLECTOR FOR THE DAKOTAS.

Methodist church at Springfield, Mass., one of the largest in western Massachusetts.

High school oratory never loses its flavor. And while "rhetoricals" have succeeded the old-fashioned "speaking" just as elocution and voice culture have taken the place of the old-time singing, there is no flagging of interest on the part of parents and friends. Iowa, like Nebraska, has a High School Declamatory association which recently held a meeting at Indianola. Twelve pupils from as many different parts of the state competed, having won that right by competition at home. This week we print the photographs of the winners. Frank Travis of Hamburg was first in the oratorical class, his selection being "Tom Corwin's Speech in 1845 Against the Acquisition of Mexico." Mabel Dawson of Colfax was first in the dramatic class, her selection being "The Confessional." Miss Mayren Thomas of Corning, who spoke "Miss Splicer Tries the Toboggan," was first in the humorous class.

When the commissioner of internal revenue made the order taking the two Dakotas out of the Nebraska district and setting them up as a separate collection district he almost precipitated a riot among the statesmen of those two states. In adding the district he added a new federal office, and there was a dispute at once as to whom it belonged. The matter has been adjusted by the appointment of Herman Ellerman of Yankton to the position. Mr. Ellerman has been a resident of South Dakota for more than thirty years. He is an active republican.

"Barefoot boy, with cheeks of tan," sang Whittier, and he described boys of all ages and countries. That Nebraska is no whit behind New England is shown by the photograph of one of our future statesmen as he appears in spring costume on the streets of David City. The Nebraska boy—in fact, the general boy—misses lots of the fun his daddy had, but he makes up for this along lines his daddy never dreamed of. Torn hat and torn breeches indicate that the boy is still a "live one," and the bare feet show a promise of stubbed toes and stone bruises that have always been a part of boyhood's joys. "Blessings on thee, little man."

Three new companies of the Iowa National guard have just been organized and two of them will be at the brigade encampment in Council Bluffs in August. The new companies are being officered by young men, who will soon bring them up to the standard. Company G, Fifty-first regiment, organized at Winterset to take the

place of the disbanded Des Moines company, elected for captain James J. Crossley, a man of great activity and varied talents. In 1887 he entered the Iowa State university and was graduated from the classical course with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in June, 1891, at 21 years of age. While in the university he took an active interest in athletics, being president of the Athletic association and left tackle on the football team. He took the master's degree at the state university in 1897, his thesis being "The Concentration of Capital in the United States." In this same year he entered Yale university as a post-graduate student and spent two years working for his doctor of philosophy degree in the departments of political and social science, history and law. His thesis was on "Commerce and National Expansion," and his work was under President Hadley and Profs. Sumner and Phelps. In the fall of 1898 he was on the Yale football squad, playing left tackle. He was also president of the Iowa club at Yale. In June, 1900, he was granted the degree of LL.B. by the State University of Iowa and admitted to the bar and began the practice of law.

On April 26 of each year the Odd Fellows celebrate the anniversary of the founding of their order in the United States. A public display is always a feature of this celebration. In some sections of the country what are known as celebration societies are formed, usually composed of all the lodges within a certain district. This arrangement gives the affair a prestige, in point of numbers at least, that would be impossible for a single lodge. In former times the only attempt at uniform was the cap worn by the lodge members, but since the establishment of the military rank of the order the Patriarchs Militant, with their showy and striking uniform, add a touch of color to the column. The staff photographer caught several excellent views of the column that passed along the streets of Omaha during the celebration of the last anniversary, reproductions of which will be found elsewhere in this number.

The figures which are to be carved on the tympanum surmounting the east entrance to the new High school building will be of heroic size. The recessed space the carving will occupy is forty-three feet long and eight feet high. A woman in a sitting posture is the central figure in the piece. In her right hand she holds the torch of enlightenment and in her left hand is the book of learning. On each side of the woman stands a cupid. One of these figures holds a palette and is painting. The other is working a piece of statuary with mallet and chisel. Reclining figures adorn the ends of the triangle. The one at the right of the central figure is a man who is leaning on an architect's figure and holds a book of mechanics in his hand. The other figure is a woman who represents literature and music. In her hand is a roll of manuscript and at her feet are a lyre and sheets of music. Sinclair Shearer designed the figures and has prepared a clay model from which enlarged models will be fashioned for the use of stonecutters. All the carving will be done after the stone has been laid in place.

Prof. Charles Noble Gregory, who is at present associate dean of the law department of the University of Wisconsin at Madison, has accepted the post of dean of the law school of the University of Iowa. He is not only a lawyer of ability, but a writer of note, and oddly enough for a jurist, a poet of considerable talent. Prof. Gregory is in his fifty-first year. He is a native of Unadilla, N. Y., but almost all of his life has been spent in Madison. The dean is a democrat of liberal opinions, and he has consented to hold office three times as an alderman. He is president of the Wisconsin Civil Service Reform association and secretary of the local association. He is president of the Madison Literary club and a member of the executive committee of the American Bar association, a curator of the State Historical society and a director of the Madison free city library. Prof. Gregory will complete his college year at the university and will go to Iowa in September in time to begin his work for the fall semester. The salary of his new position will be \$4,000 a year.

About Noted People

When Henry Ibsen was in his teens he took up the study of medicine and read for examinations in Christiania. In the course of his study he read "Sallust," and the character of Cataline so took his fancy that he wrote a little play, introducing him. It was so successful from a literary standpoint that the young author's life current was changed at once.

It is said that Minister Wu Ting Fang is

about to memorialize the Chinese throne, calling attention to the progress of Japan and urging that China also awake from the lethargy of ages and imitate her island neighbor. When it was intimated to Minister Wu by a Washington friend that such a course might cost him his official and perhaps physical head he shrugged his shoulders and said that was the usual fate of reformers.

M. Flammarion, the French astronomer, believes that the study of astronomy is conducive to longevity, since it calms the human passions. He points out that the French Astronomical society, composed of about 2,500 members, possesses one member who is 105 years old, a dozen who are over 90 and a very large percentage of octogenarians.

A London paper says that half a dozen men of education and position there were recently discussing the comparative cost of royal and republican institutions, when someone suggested Switzerland as a model of economy. Not one man of the lot could recall the name of the Swiss president. The inquiry was extended until twenty men had been consulted, including a cabinet minister, a peer and three members of Parliament, but all were ignorant. Whitaker's almanac finally informed them all that Walther Hauser is the man.

Mr. Depew's happiness is almost contagious. Was there ever a happier man than on his late 67th birthday? "Everything comes my way," he said at the birthday party. "I have no pains and aches; no sorrows or anxieties, no unsatisfied ambitions, no jealousies, no disagreements with



DELL KOHLER, AN 11-YEAR-OLD OF DAVID CITY, IN HIS MAY DAY DRESS

Mayor Tom L. Johnson of Cleveland has redeemed a promise made to his schoolgirl daughter by purchasing for her a \$1,000 automobile. One night recently she asked for an automobile, and Mr. Johnson finally declared he would purchase the best steam carriage in the city the moment she learned to operate one. The subject passed out of his mind until Thursday, when he espied a young woman skillfully operating an automobile at high speed down the street. She brought the automobile up in front of him with a sharp turn. Mayor Johnson went directly to the supply house, turned in the rented vehicle, and the young woman came away with her own automobile.

The Philadelphia North American relates this incident of Attorney General Knox's college days: "He was expelled from the West Virginia university for disobedience and refusal to promise not to offend again. This was in 1870. There was a rule against students attending the theater, but when a company brought 'East Lynne' to the old academy at Morgantown several of the young men determined to go. Prof. Stevens of the faculty also attended the performance to catch the truants. He employed the play so much that he stayed to the end, and even to witness the 'after-piece,' but duly reported the boys. Five of them, including Knox, were suspended. Three were reinstated, on promising to refrain from theatrical entertainments in the



PRIZE WINNERS AT THE CONTEST OF THE IOWA HIGH SCHOOL DECLAMATORY ASSOCIATION.

future. Knox and one companion preferred to leave the university."

Ernest Howard Crosby, who has written a clever pamphlet upon the absurdities of militarism, says the situation is ripe for a great satirist like Cervantes. The modern soldier, he declares, is a Don Quixote. The heroes of war fight for a few hours and spend as many years quarreling over the results. They rush home from the field of battle to advertise their exploits in the magazines at \$100 a page. He declares that a standing army could not be kept together a month without brass buttons and epaulets. Soldiering is not taken seriously. Ninety-nine men out of a hundred have no heart for war, and the hundredth man, who has, is insane.

Told Out of Court

It all came about from Circuit Clerk J. M. Starling's reading the novels of Rev. Charles Sheldon, relates the Hopkinsville (Ky.) New Era. After reveling in "In His Steps," for the fourteenth time, the pious official decided to write hereafter his minutes without deviating an iota from the truth and playing no favorites.

Wednesday morning Mr. Starling sprang a sensation and created amusement by incorporating the following order in his minutes. At first nothing unusual was detected in the order, but after hearing a few lines it was discovered that the solemn tones of the clerk were spreading information not usually contained in a legal note. The order follows, the name of the defendant, for obvious reasons, being omitted:

"Commonwealth of Kentucky against ———. This day this prosecution came on for hearing on the motion of defendant for bail, the commonwealth's attorney of the Third Judicial district of Kentucky, the Hon. W. R. Howell, not being present to prosecute for the commonwealth herein, being necessarily absent prosecuting his claims for congress among the democracy of the Second Congressional district, knowing that the plaintiff would be ably represented by Christian's talented son, O. H. Anderson, its county attorney, but he could not be present, the fiscal court being in session and needing his advice and legal suggestions, so he thought, but he was not disturbed, knowing his friend and co-counsel, John Boland, would be on hand when needed, as usual; but John could not be present, as he had to perform his duties as clerk of the board of commissioners of the Western Kentucky Asylum for the Insane at its monthly meeting at said institution, which said arduous duties usually unfit him for the practice of his profession for several days thereafter, but Judge M. D. Brown was present, and arose and stated that he would not have been on hand himself but that he had nothing else to do, and though he was the sole and surviving representative of the commonwealth herein he felt able and willing to battle singly and alone in its behalf against the combined legal forces of the defendant, to-wit: C. Howard Bush, Lawrence Yonts and Thomas Llewellen Hazell, but the said Brown overestimated his strength. "The combination, led by that eloquent orator and philosopher, the senior member of the law firm of Yonts & Hazell, dubbed

Aristotle II, by Major Phelps, who was present, an ardent admirer of Aristotle I, won in the first round, scoring a victory for their client, the eloquence of said attorney being so powerful and convincing the judge was too much affected to render his opinion orally, but in writing handed down his rulings herein without leaving his seat, sustaining motion for bail, and fixing the same in an amount which, up to this hour, said defendant has not been able to give."

His Business Way

Chicago Tribune: "No, Mr. Veeder," said the pretty village milliner, with a blush, "I like you very much, but not enough to marry you." "Bless you, Miss Phoebe," replied the commercial traveler, "I never give it up at



JAMES J. CROSSLEY, WINTERSET, Ia.

the first trial. Sometimes I have to make a dozen trips before I sell a bill of goods, and I can be a good deal more persevering than that when I'm looking for a wife. You won't marry anybody inside of the next thirty days, will you? All right, I'll be around again in exactly that time, with the same—with the same sample of young man. Goodday, Miss Phoebe."

Pointed Paragraphs

Chicago News: Better a chin without a beard than a head without brains.
A small man in a large place is like a gimlet in an auger hole.
The owner of a mackintosh has something laid up for a rainy day.
A wise man avoids extremes—especially those of wasps and hornets.
Appearances are often deceitful. Many a bad egg has a good shell.
Usually when a woman is in the wrong she cries—then she's all right.
Woman may be an evil, but she comes under the head of necessary evils.
Praise a woman's taste and you may attack her sense with impunity.
The forger may be a bold, bad man, but he is ever ready to write a wrong.
Superstition would soon die out if it had few nurses to minister to its wants.
He who is unwilling to fill a place he is fitted for will find no place fitted for him.
A man requires a lot of time to study a woman, but a woman reads a man at sight.
When too much beer comes in at the door too much glass is knocked out of the window.
A man occasionally admits he was wrong, but a woman never does—she was only mistaken.
A man's friends are apt to avoid him for a few weeks after his return from his first trip abroad.
You seldom hear a woman trying to talk through her hat. She's probably afraid her words will get tangled in the trimmings.
Some clergymen deal in rhetoric, some in logic and some in common sense. The first is popular with women, the second with most men and the third with but precious few of either sex.



TYMPANUM FOR THE FACADE, NEW OMAHA HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING.