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It Was Amid These Surroundings That The Famous **One Thousand Dollars Apiece GIBSON DRAWINGS** That The Omaha Sunday Bee Is Distributing Were Created.

Former Secretary of Treasury Gage Joins Madame Tingley's Colony

LYMAN J. GAGE of Chicago and New York, banker and secretary of the treasury under President McKinley, has aroused widespread interest in his personal affairs by joining the group of theosophists whose home and headquarters is at Point Loma, in southern California. His reasons for the step are given in a personal dispatch to the Chicago Tribune. "Having passed my seventeenth birthday," Mr. Gage says, "I claim the privilege of withdrawing from the struggles of business life. At the end of the school year some time is profitably spent in the review of what has been studied. In graduating from life's long school term a similar course seems excusable, if not desirable.

and is a member of the Tingley society. He is an active factor in the dissemination of theosophical principles, and, to show his faith, he has his two children at the institution. Mr. Gage, Sr., has shown great interest in the colony for a long time. Recently he purchased a tract of land in the vicinity of Point Loma, and his friends here say it is his purpose to live there the greater part of his remaining years. He has made several trips to California and Point Loma in the last few years, and, although he was reticent about his mission, it is now learned that he was acquainting himself with the conduct of the Point Loma colony and with the principles of theosophy.

as to food. He said he desired to have them fed, while she desired to have them starved first, because they could then more quickly kill out the lower animal nature in those children. She believed in giving them little food, and the doctor protested. This she told him personally. He continued: "I was going through the grounds with Mrs. Tingley. We came to those babies and one was only a few days old. She was explaining her methods of starvation. She said that in one case she withheld food twenty-four hours. The child was about a year old. She said that the children's lower nature was subdued and broken—that the quickest way to bring it about was to adopt the course of withholding food until the child came to its senses—until its soul appeared."

ley on hand, for this is not by any means her first time on earth, relates the New York Sun. Back in 1800 B. C., just after Theseus whaled the Amazons, or thought he did, she and Mme. Blavatsky were making a pastoral sojourn in Egypt. She reappeared several times in various parts of the old world, always making the acquaintance of noted adepts, many of whom are now supposed to live in her pet dog Spots. But there is nothing about this in "Who's Who."

From then on she was referred to in theosophical circles as "The Veiled Mahatma." Her identity was revealed and after she had officiated as the veiled priestess in the remarkable ceremony which was performed in connection with the marriage of Claude Falls Wright, then secretary of the Theosophical society, and Miss Laura Leoline Leonard. After that she took actual control of the society and its affairs. Her husband, the Universal Brotherhood, Mr. Hargrove went back to Temple Bar and many other well known theosophists left the society, leaving the Tingley crowd in full control. Contributions were asked for the purple peace fund, and with the proceeds Mrs. Tingley and some of her allies made a crusade around the world in the interests of the new brotherhood. It was broadly hinted afterward that the "crusade" was a sightseeing tour.

Tingley's organization and never went back to it. This left her with a free hand and she rules with a rod of iron. Light was shed on the career of Mrs. Tingley and her management of the Brotherhood school when the board of social inquiry met at Ellis Island to give a hearing on the case of the eleven children brought from Cuba to be educated at Point Loma. Edward Parker, a retired Boston banker, said that he had first met Mrs. Tingley in 1877 at her request. He had heard that she had been a medium at Memphis and had been guilty of reprehensible conduct. This she denied, and he was obliged to tell her that the evidence was overwhelming. He had learned from Dr. Walton of New York City that the doctor's belief in Mrs. Tingley had been shattered in the ecstasy of an affectionate farewell at the wharf when Mrs. Tingley and her party were starting on a tour of the world.

fucha, Buddha, Jesus Christ, Mohammed, and now the greatest of them all, Katherine Tingley. She claimed that she had the power to stay in the spirit world, but that she preferred to come back here as the savior of humanity. I believe she is bent on going down to posterity as a second Christ, if not a greater."

"I am trying this life at Point Loma because I have personal friends here; because the climate is more agreeable; because it is just outside of the rush and roar of the world; because here one can lead the simple life. "Beyond these reasons there are two institutions established here which to me lend much interest to the place. The first is the United States military reservation, with its fine system of harbor defenses, its companies of artillerymen, etc. The second is the Raja Yoga school for children and youths of all ages. "The school was established and is being carried on by Katherine Tingley as leader and official head of the Universal Brotherhood and Theosophical society throughout the world. The school excites my interest, and the magnificent work it is doing in the development of clean, healthy, well educated and self-controlled young lives stimulates my hope for the future of the society. "I am not affiliated except in this friendly way either with the military station or the Theosophical society. I am too old to enlist in the army and I have not yet been invited to join the Theosophists. I would consider it honorable to be related to either of them. "No, I am just living my own life according to my best conception of it, and would much enjoy it if I could be left to mind my own business."

A Member's Testimony. This institution at Point Loma came into its first great notoriety a few days ago when its high priestess brought a libel suit against a California newspaper which printed an elaborate exposition of the alleged practices there. One of the witnesses at the trial held at San Diego, Cal., a Dr. Anderson, had been a member of Mrs. Tingley's cabinet. In his testimony he described the slothful work at ceremonies, he said he wore his gown "something like a shirt, but rather longer, belted at the waist, over his underclothing." It was the same with the women as with the men, he said. It was one of the pledges of membership that the costumes be worn. Dr. Anderson described his initiation into the Society of Lost Mysteries of Antiquity. He said all who were present sat on canvas and were supposed to be taking part in an ancient ceremony. All were dressed in light muslin costumes and the rite was solemnized in the open air. Describing the initiation, Dr. Anderson said it consisted chiefly of Mrs. Tingley telling of her dog, Spot, and what the dog had done. Then Mrs. Tingley ate some fruit, which was supposed to be a mysterious symbol and a part of the high initiation which was taking place. Dr. Anderson told of how he was made a member of the Order of the Rising Sun. The chief feature of this initiation was, he said, that a candidate held a sunflower. There was another order known as the Ancient Order of Scribes, which was high. In referring to the food of the children Dr. Anderson said: "The little tots are fed principally on bread and milk. They seem to have sufficient."

Seeking Notoriety. The Point Loma institution figured prominently in the public prints in 1892, when Madame Tingley, "the purple mother," imported eleven children from Cuba to be educated at her Raja Yoga school. She got more than an ordinary share of notoriety at that time. A strong effort was made to take the children away from her on the ground that the school was not a fit place for them, but she won out by an appeal to another secretary, Secretary Shaw, after the special inquiry board at Ellis Island had decided that the youngsters should be deported. **Mother Tingley's Career.** According to her own theory, there ought to be several obituary notices of Mrs. Tingley on hand, for this is not by any means her first time on earth, relates the New York Sun. Back in 1800 B. C., just after Theseus whaled the Amazons, or thought he did, she and Mme. Blavatsky were making a pastoral sojourn in Egypt. She reappeared several times in various parts of the old world, always making the acquaintance of noted adepts, many of whom are now supposed to live in her pet dog Spots. But there is nothing about this in "Who's Who."

A Quiet Tip. In the meantime Ernest T. Hargrove, a young English barrister of good family, had been called to New York and made president of the woolly westerner to fall for a chance or two in that ranch every time the subject came up, and it is said that the man with the ranch raffling game had more than a full book of 500 chances and the money for the same in his nankens when he disappeared one day, leaving behind him a fine bunch of brazen ha-ha notes for his victimized friends, in which he quoted the maxim that new ones were born every minute and that they never died, and rubbing it in in other less cleanly phrases. **When Settlement Comes.** It nearly always happens, however, that when these dodges are so thoroughly exposed in Washington that all hands have got into a sceptical mood about the good thing investments something happens to help the manipulators of the phony investment enterprises. Just a year ago, for example, a dull sort of a policeman attached to the Washington force and patronized a best in Georgetown, fell for a batch of gold mine stock that cost him \$50. He was offered \$50,000 for it two months ago, and it has been found by legitimate investigators to be worth a great deal more money than that. A sure enough big strike had been made after the cop had got hold of the stock. This ought to make it pretty easy for the gold mine salesmen in Washington, of whom there are many.—New York Sun.

Money Pours In. The school at Point Loma was built by money raised by the Tingley crowd all over the country. Mrs. Tingley is the undisputed boss of the entire institution. After the Chicago convention of 1898, where she was proclaimed the supreme head of the organization for life, with the power to name her successor, a large number of persons who had accepted her as the successor of Judge denounced her and left the organization. C. A. Griscom, Jr., who had selected the site of the school at Point Loma; Donald Nicholson of the Tribune, Alexander Fullerton, Dr. Thaddeus P. Hyatt and a host of others prominent in the old theosophical society abjured Mrs. Tingley.

Diversity of the Purp. Lewis B. Fitch testified: "I applied for the place of bookkeeper at Point Loma and Mrs. Tingley employed me. After a long conversation with her alone she said that Spots employed me. Spots is her spaniel. Mrs. Tingley told me that Spots could always tell a lover of thosophy at a glance and knew me at once. Spots was given to her, she said, by William Q. Judge. Mrs. Tingley said to me: 'I know that the spirit of Mr. Judge is in Spots directing this movement.' Spots is an object of reverence to most of the persons at Point Loma as well as to Mrs. Tingley. I never brought the books to balance in all the nine months I was there. I was always called off; sometimes by Mrs. Tingley herself. "All of the universal brotherhood went to the Holy Hill to greet the sunrise. I was at the Holy Hill once as a member of the Esoteric Society of Theosophy. It was night and I saw a lot of mummery. The men and women were dressed in a sort of Grecian robe which was worn over their under-clothing. No starched clothing was allowed. "What caused me to show up the whole thing was that I found that they taught the succession of teachers—through Con-

A Change of Scene. In place of the luxurious apartments, with servants on all sides anxious to do his bidding, the former Chicagoan will tread around the sacred ground each morning at sunrise. As the sun rises above the eastern horizon Mr. Gage may be seen with the Raja Yogas stooping down and seizing a handful of dirt, which he will toss over their heads. Then the procession will retrace its steps and the men will doff their Greek garments, for some of them will do duty as guards, while others will act as guides. In addition to this peculiar rite men and women in the Brotherhood colony circle about the veranda of the temple belonging to the "Purple Mother" three times and stopping on the eastern veranda chant the praises of Lomaland. Such are the rites which will be part of the daily work of Lyman Gage. In place of the garments worn by the financier and banker while sitting in his palatial office at Washington, or while conferring with his business associates in his New York office, he will appear at these ceremonies in chess-board garments, without shoes on his feet. The faith and the Brotherhood is said to be entirely in the hands of the "Mother Purple," Katherine Tingley. At the time of entering the faith the oath of the Esoteric Society of Theosophy is taken. This is very binding and is an oath to obey the leader in all things, the leader being Katherine Tingley.

A Family Move. The Chicago banker is not the only one of his family actively attached to "Madame Tingley Universal Brotherhood," as the organization is commonly known. His son, Eli Gage, who formerly lived in Evanston, Chicago's classical suburb, has been living at Point Loma for some time.

Slick Work of Speculative Crooks

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want many people in on the thing. It was going to be a pretty close corporation, but—well, the capital stock was pretty high all paid in, but he had a few shares left for \$5 a share.

Raffling a Bogus Ranch. A few years ago a large, bluff, loud voiced hearty seeming western worker picked up something handsome in the way of booty in Washington by raffling off an imaginary ranch, "comprising 8,000 acres," which he "owned" in southern California, in San Luis Obispo county. This grafter got into the swim of men about town by mingling with a lot of poker clubs. He always had plenty of money and spent it, was a good gambler, a great drinker, a gargantuan eater, a sonorous sweater and a typical sloper somewhat after the stage type, but filling to the eye and imagination. After he'd got acquainted with some hundreds of rounders, he let out the plausible enough yarn that as the east and little old Washington were going to be a good enough for him in the future, and as he was tired of ranch life anyhow, he was going to raffle his ranch off, at \$100 a shot, and \$50 chance. He had some fine pictures of the ranch and the rich old mansion buildings on the ranch, and some newspaper clippings that seemed to show that he really owned the San Luis Obispo ranch. It became a sort of bug with the woozy

pals of the woolly westerner to fall for a chance or two in that ranch every time the subject came up, and it is said that the man with the ranch raffling game had more than a full book of 500 chances and the money for the same in his nankens when he disappeared one day, leaving behind him a fine bunch of brazen ha-ha notes for his victimized friends, in which he quoted the maxim that new ones were born every minute and that they never died, and rubbing it in in other less cleanly phrases.

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