FAME BEFORE FORTY

Stirring Examples of Achievement by Young Men

(Lindon Answers.) Nelson was a captain at 21, and a rear admiral at the age of 39. Howe yet was only 30 years of age when she became captain at 20, and was a rear admiral ere he reached the age of 44. Lord Cochrane, grandfather of the present Lord Dundonald, was a commander at 25 years of age, and less than a year later covered himself with glory by the heroic storming of Gamo,

Fighting men of the twentieth century have not, as a rule, had the chances of distinguishing themselves which fell to those who lived a hundred years years ago, and most of those who have become celebrities are much older than the heroes of a century back. Still, even today, there are a fair number of soldiers whose names became well known before they passed their fortieth birthday.

Lord Kitchener, born in 1850, was in command of Egyptian cavalry by the time he was 32. In 1886, at the age of 36, he was Governor of Suakim, and two years later was adjutant general of the whole Egyptian army.

Sir Hector Macdonald was not 30 when the received his commission by his gallantry in the Afghan war of 1879-1880. During the nexxt 10 years he was mentioned five times-in India, South Africa and in Egypt-and got the D. S. O. at Suakim, in 1889. Sir Eyelyn Wood, born in 1838, was only 17 when mentioned in dispatches for gallantry in the Crimea. He got the V. C. in India, in December, 1859, at the age of 21, and was a colonel before he reached the age of 40.

Sir Evelyn, but, he too, distinguished himself at an early age, and was a V. and lieutenant colonel before he reached his thirty-seventh birthday. Baden-Powell was brevet colonel at a much earlier age. Born in 1857, he was be of more service to our readers than bitter contest on for the election of a assistant military secretary in the to tell them of something that will be successor to Senator Pritchard, the South African operations of 1887, and of real good to them. For this reason man who defeated Ransom eight years

fia was repaired under a furious dervish fire. At the age of 40 he was one of the Lords of the Admiralty.

If in the army and navy promotion is nowadays slow compared with what it once was, in other walks of life gifted people rise perhaps more rapidly than they ever did. Shakespeare's first play was not written until he was about 27: and even that miracle of juvenile genius, Byron, was 24 when "Childe Harold" appeared. Kipling, however, was only 22 when he published "Plain he was 33 had written 15 world-famous

books. Oulda's first book, "Held in Bondthird year, and before she was 30 her works had been translated into a dozen languages. Hall Caine, born in 1853, wrote "The Shadow of a Crime" before he was 32, and "The Deemster" a couple of years later.

Men, however clever, do not nowadays become like Pitt, Prime Minisseveral of the greatest modern statesmen have become famous long before reaching middle age. Cecil Rhodes the debatable States. was born in 1853. By the time he was 31 he had become Treasurer General of the Cape Colony. Immediately after- is no sentiment in money matters. ward he was appointed Deputy Commissioner of Bechuanaland. In 1889, when 36 years old, he was recognized as the most powerful man in all South Africa. One year later he was

One of Rhodes' chief enemies was an even younger man. Ex-President Steyn of the Orange River Colony, is only 45 years old at present. He was elected president of the Free States at the age of 39 years. To come nearer home, our postmaster general, Mr. Austen Chamberlain, is at present only 39 years of age.

Young Lord Lytton, grandson of the famous novelist, is another example of successful youth. Lord Rosebery said The Raleigh Post has put out the of a speech of his in the House of following ticket for 1904: For President, Lords in January last that it was the Grover Cleveland; for Vice-President, best of its kind he ever listened to. C. B. Aycock. This suits us to a dot. Lord Lytton is only 26 years of age. But we are not very hopeful of hav-It is perhaps on the stage that real ing so good a ticket.

talent comes most rapidly to the front Mary Anderson, the Kentucky school girl, began her stage life at the age of 16 years. She retired with such fame as seldom falls to the lot of any woman at the age of 28 years. Ellen Terry was a very young girl when she played with Sir Henry Irving in "The Taming of the Shrew." She then retired from the stage for seven years, made her great success as Ophelia at the Lyceum. Even Sir Henry Irving, who is supposed to have struggled for many unsuccessful years, was only 35 years of age when he made so great a name in "The Bells" and in Shakespearean plays.

Marconi has given the world an invention more important than anything since Stephenson applied steam to the driving of locomotives. Already his name is known all over the civilized world, and yet he is now but 27 years

In music many of the greatest names have been made at a very early age. The Philharmonic Academy of Bologna suspended its rule by which no noe under 20 years of age was eligible for membership in order to elect Mozart, then a lad barely 15 years old. Sarasate created an extraordinary rage in London in 1874, when just 30 years of age. Kugelik is the latest instance of extraordinary musical ability in a mere

In the eccleciastical world it is easy to find instances of men who have made great reputations while still young. Canon Farrar's writings brought him to the front at the age of 30 years. Bishop Gore of Worcester and the present Bishop of London are both still young men.

Few names are better known than that of Dr. Nansen. He was only 27 raising cotton and the management of years of age when he crossed Greenland. Sir H. M. Stanley and the Duke of Abruzzi are other instances of great true to the regular organization of the Lord Roberts is six years older than explorers who made their fame before party, despite the "isms" to which he they were 40 years of age,

Semething That Will Do You Good

became brevet colonel at the age of we want to acquaint them with what ago. There are at least five principal we consider one of the very best candidates who are dyeing their hair At sea the palm for quick rise cer- remtdies on the market for coughs, to give themselves the appearance of tainly belongs to Lord Charles Beres- colds, and that alarming complaint, dark horses. ford. Born in February, 1846, he be- croup. We refer to Chamberlain's A deadlock seems almost certain to came a cadet on the Britannia at the Cough Remedy. We have used it with occur, but a Senator must be elected, age of 31, and a captain seven years such good results in our family so long and what more natural-what more later. eH made his name famous all that it has become a household reasonable, what better could possibly the world over by taking the little necessity. By its prompt use we hav- be done than the selection of former Condor in, right under the guns of the en't any doubt but that it has time Senator Matt W. Ransom? Upon him fort at Alexandria, in 1882, and served and again prevented croup. The testi- all of the discordant elements will be on Lord Wolseley's staff during the mony is given upon our own expe- able to agree in case none has a ma-Nile Expedition, in 1884. He was in rience, and we suggest that our read- jority for himself. It is this condicommand of the Naval Brigade at Abu ers, especially those who have small tion of affairs which makes possible Kiea and other battles, and also head children, always keep it in their homes the return of Ransom to the Senate. of the expedition which rescued Sir as a safeguard against croup.-Cam- The suggestion has been made and Charles Wilson, when the gunboat So- den (S. C.) Messenger. For sale by Mr. Ransom is willing. He is seventy-Crowell, McLarty & Co., Bobbitt- eight years of age, but still retains the Wynne Drug Co., North Side Drug vigor and activity of his youth, is still Store, W. G. Thomas.

The Party That Will Win in 1904

(Washington Post.) more favorable mention at the South liness of the Alabama solon. as time goes on. As we have already said; we do not doubt that he deserves it all, and more. The South, however, cannot elect a President, and unless the doubtful States of the North and Tales from the Hills," and by the time Middle West can be brought to accept Judge Parker as the safest and wisest Chief Executive available, his nomination would be a mere futility. age," was written when in her twenty- If the Democrats win in 1904, they must obtain, north of the Potomac and the Ohio, about as many electoral votes as the solid South contributes to the college. The question, therefore, is not one of pleasing the South, for that vote can be counted on with absolute security, no matter who the candidate may be. The question is one of nomiter of Britain before the age of 25. Yet nating a man who will command the confidence and secure the active support of the great business interests in

The party which nominates that kind of candidate in 1904 will win. There

Honest Prayer Availeth

(Franklin Times.) Wm. Allen, colored, who lives about

miles from town, finished his coffin on December 19th, 1902. Sixteen years Gone with the beauty of the Summer ago, he says, he owed \$2,800 and prayed for his life to be spared until he could pay this off, and now he is ready to die. He is 66 years old. He owns 3 The sky's soft glory and the earth's horses and a plantation and is pros-

Cleveland and Aysock-Suits to a Dot

(Newton Enterprise.)

Baltimore, Md.

SENATORIAL SITUATION

As seen by the Washington Times: From the pine forests of North Caro-Hon. Matt W. Ransom, soldier statessom is a representave of the old school of Southern statesmen and gentlemen. Since he was forced to leave the Senate there has been no one who exactly filled the place which he vacated. When the black wave of Republicanism. whitecapped with Populism, swept over the State about eight years ago, it inundated the Hon. Matt W. Ransom, but President Cleveland, remembering that the gallant North Carolina Senator had befriended the Administration in the Senate when others were abusing it, threw out a life line, and Ransom was landed in the City of Mexico ate and Messrs. Simpson and Williams with credentials as United States min-

But a plain ministerial toga was too ordinary for such as he. The post was raised to an embassy, and the envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentlary became an ambassador, the first sent from this Government to the republic of Mexico. Upon his return to the United States, when the Hon. Powell Clayton was appointed his successor, General, Senator, Ambassador

Ransom retired to the seclusion of his plantation home near Halifax. There he has assiduously applied himself to his large estate. A Cleveland Democrat, he has nevertheless remained did not wholly subscribe. When a call has been made for his service he has always responded, but he has almost entirely confined his political activity We know of no way in which we can to his native State. Now there is a

as stately and handsome as in the days. of yore when he used to charm the frightened by a motor car, but imagine galleries. At seventy-eight he is still the junior of Senator Pettus by several | run teuf-teuf-teufing down an avenue years (and he will be re-elected), and Judge Parker is receiving more and Ransom has all the energy and spright-

THE DEPARTING YEAR

He came, he brought us meadow-bloom and grasses, And bird-songs caroling the heavens

through; Now not a green blade flutters as he

Nor stays on thrush to hymn a sweet

Dry, rattling stalks and clumps of frozen rushes Are all that tremble to his parting

From cottage windows where the home-light flushes

No face looks out, no last farewell is

Bare are the walls where blushed his garden roses, And bare the tree-boughs sway o'er the lawn;

The grape-hung lattice not a leaf dis- around the ancient Indian capital there

The dreamy loveliness of vanished

June's rosy light and autumn's mellow haze.

begged, when first he shone with lavish splendor, A prince triumphant come to rule his

That he some token of his grace would

le bent and proffered, without stint or The utmost that my daring words

With full arms closing found each hoarded treasure, My lips forgot to bless the hand that | Post:

He made the evening glad, the sunrise lady, so when he went to sleep he cut golden,

And all existence richer that he came; Yet scarcely finds my spirit, thus beholden,

name. O kingly giver, old and unattended. The world's poor gratitude is not for

It leaves unsung the reign so nearly And turns to hail the king that is to

Mrs. Abba Goold Woolson.

Can Shoot Other Things Besides Ducks should go to the orchard and get all

(Waynesville Courier.) Cleveland for President and Governor of the apples and gave it to Adam. He Aycock for Vice-President. Cleveland ate it they was a snake that told them never; Aycock yes. Governor Aycock that God said that thos apples are not

be remembered as, if not called, the not touch them Apples so Adam said States, but his polished oratory, broad lina come the gladsome tidings that the statesmanship, rare executive ability, unbounded popularity, and wonderful man, ambassador, and still the pride of love of activity along useful lines, the Old North State, may be returned would grow restless under the limitato the Senate to occupy the seat he so tions and monotony of the duties of proudly filled for a quarter of a cen- the Vice-President. Nevertheless it is tury. This should be joyous intelligence a great honor and Gov. Aycock is emito those who glory in old-time memo- nently worthy of it and North Carolina ries and the brilliant achievements of is worthy of it, and we are heartily in the past, for the Hon. Matt W Ran- favor of it; but as for Grover Cleveland, one of the brainest men on this continent-no matter, plenty of brainy men who do not even aspire to be President-let Grover Cleveland shoot

Union's Representativees

(Monroe Enquirer.) Our Legislators and Senator leave fos Raleigh next Tuesday morning. No county in the State will send finer looking, more intelligent, more honorable men to the Legislature than Union sends. With Mr. Beasley in the Senin the House the people of this county may rest assured that their interests are in safe hands.

WHAT A DURBAR IS

(Springfield Republican.) On New Year's Day at Delhi, India, there will be perhaps the most magnificent pageant of modern times in honor of Edward VII, of England, Emperor of India. In short, the durbar will be held then. What is the durbar? The word itself is of Persian origin, signifying originally a King's audience language is to be found in the Second

Then Nebuchadnezzar, the King, sent Governors and the Captains, the Judges, the Treasurers, the Counselors. the Sheriffs and all the rulers of the Provinces to come to the dedication of the image which Nebuchadnezzar, the King, set up.

If Edward's coronation was by force of circumstances deprived of some of its glory, the gorgeous celebration of his accession to the imperial throne of India will make amends.

Princes, Governors, Captains, etc., when they gather together with their guests, bring with them many shekels of silver and many shekels of gold. They spend the coin lavishly. And the ancient arts and industries of the Orient-for which Delhi is still famous-will receive a new and vigorous stimulus. Motor cars are to be allowed, but not within the city walls. We hear so much of horses being the following N. C. Pine. the scene of a 40-horse-power Panhard of unaccustomed elephants. As it is, the authorities have been warned that the noise and excitement of the bands and salutes may upset the equilibrium of the more emotional pachyderms. At the durbar of 1877 several accidents occurred from runaway elephants.

In all the splendor of the pageant there will be three figures of special prominence. Of greatest consequence is Lord Curzon, Viceroy of India and Edward's direct representative. Next to him is the beautiful Lady Curzon, an American girl, who for the day will for early delivery. lord it over Princess and Peerless. The third important figure will be Arthur, Duke of Connaught, Edward's only living brother, who will represent the roy I blood at the Indian coronation

fete. These three will be seated on git oring thrones, draped in imperial crimson and gold, the Viceroy in the centre, Lady Curzon at his left and the Duke of Connaught at his right. Preparations for the grand celebration have long been in progress, and thousands of fashionable pilgrims have made De hi their Mecca. For 20 miles is an ephemeral city of gay pavilions, And no late watcher sighs that he is holding 70,000 persons, who have gathered for the durbar. It is a cosmopolitan throng, and there will be great commingling of the splendors of barbaric and civilized costumes. The vice-regal camp, where Lord and Lady Curzon will hold court, is the chief glory of this wonderful encampment. A straight road three-quarters of The largest of them is 108 by 60 feet. The drawing room is 88 by 36 feet, and the dining room is 130 by 40 feet. Here Lord and Lad Curzon and their 125 guests will dine. The tents are hung quality. with the costliest embroideries that Indian looms can produce. They were To me, a suppliant, on his bounty designed by Lady Curzon and are masterpieces of Oriental work.

Two Bohemian girls in the New York schools were asked to write essays on "The Creation." Here is the result, according to the New York

First .- God made the first person, ! that was a man, this man wanted a out a rib and made a lady. There was a lot of fruit trees and one was a apple tree.

God said they may eat all the fruit, but not the apple tree and those two peoples were forbidden not to eat the The time to weave this chaplet in his apples on the tree and Eve took some of the apples and gave them to Adam, Adam eat them and they stayed down his throat.

God saw that some one has been eaten the apples, Adam said that Eve gave it to him, and those two people had to work for their own living. God made Adam he was fast asleep

when God took the side bone and made a woman The womans name was eve She was Adams wife. God said they the fruit they wanted but do not The Raleigh Post nominates Grover touch the apple plant so Eve took one greatest Governors. He will probably Adam and said Didn't I say you should Hargett street, Raleigh, M. C.

educational Governor. State pride Eve gave me it so said you must leave makes one glad to see his name coupled this orchard. So Adam and Eve left with Vice-President of the United and Angel gied them out the Angel had a saw in his hand.

THE HOYS

Where are they?-the friends of my childhood enchanted-The clear, laughin eyes looking back

in my own,

And the warm, chubby fingers my palms have so wanted, As when we raced over Pink pastures of clover,

And mocked the gail's whir and the bumble-bee's drone?

Have the breezes of time blown their blossomy faces Forever adrift down the years that are flown?

Am I never to see them romp back to

their places, Where over the meadow. In sunshine and shadow, The madow larks trill, and the bum-

ble bees drone? Where are they? 'Ah! dim in the dust lies the clover:

The whippoorwill's call has a sorrowful tone, And the dove's-I have wept at it over and over-

I want the glad lustre Of youth, and the cluster of faces asleep where the bumble-bees

Could Lou Teli?

-James Whitcomb Riley.

(New York Commercial.) What is the relative weight of a one dollar greenback and a five-dollar gold chamber and hence the assemblies piece? How many one-dollar bills that congregate in such a chamber. must you take to obtain the weight Probably the briefest and most vivid of the coin? It happened that this account of a durbar in the English question has lately been put in a systematic fashion to the students of vaverse of the Third chapter of the Book | rious colleges. Ninety-seven students of Columbia university gave answers of which the average was 2,291. Let to gather together the Princes, the the reader stop here to make a guessthe correct answer is 7!

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