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THE POLITICAL BARD.

The leafy Spring, when the sap begins to flow, and the gentle lambkin begins to leap and play, is productive of the poetic muse, who bursts into so called rhyme, of Gentle Sprig.

The summer with its dog days, and other kinds of days, develops the mid-summer madness in the rhymester, which may be in season, but be without rhythm, and dealing with various topics from the gentle bovine to the musical mosquito.

Joined to these and other bards of the season, in this year of 1900, is the political bard, who lifts his voice in cockalorum style, and already has he burst his bounds, and sings.

Listen to this lyricist from Fox Lake, Iowa:

"Flags are flyin'
High for Bryan
And Adlai Stevenson, too;
But Mr. McK.
And Theodore, they
Are feeling pretty blue."

And the rhymester of the New York Sun, carols:

"To shout for Bill and Teddy
I always will be ready;
But not for Bill and Adlai,
Although they need it badly."

And from Minnesota comes the hymn in nursery style.

"Oh, the babies all are cryin'
Aloud for Billy Bryan—
Not for the other Billy,
Because they ain't so silly."

And this poetic melodious lay from a Michigan Exchange.

"They've taken down
The name of Towne
And put up that of Adlai,
And you'll agree,
It seems to me,
They might have done more badly."

And from another exchange, thus flies the muse.

"The Bills are running at the head,
And after them come Ad and Ted,
While Debs and Barker in the rear
With Woolley and the rest appear."

And yet there are those who would decry these lines, and demand the suppression of the Political Bard.

There are those who cannot appreciate such warblings, and in the event of political success would forbid the giving of a post-office to such a bard who predicted in tuneful rhyme the victory for Bill and Ted, or Will and Ad.

All hail the campaign poet, for his tribe must ever increase, even with no reward in sight!

THE ALARM OVER NORTH CAROLINA.

To the resident of North Carolina living in this section of the State, the State election which was held on Thursday, the 2nd of August, except for its importance as one which by its vote would eliminate the ignorant negroes as a political factor in the State, this election was the quietest held since the war.

To the resident in many large northern cities, the day was one upon which was to occur strife and blood shed, rivaling the horrors of the Bozars in China.

The JOURNAL is not representing conditions except in its own section, and this section was called the "horror pen" in the 1896 campaign, which was the beginning of the movement for White Supremacy.

In the present campaign, there has not been a single campaign "horror," locally, to record in this paper.

There have been no meetings called such as were held in 1896, to stir to the public safety.

There has been no marshaling of armed men, or red shirt brigades.

This office which was threatened in 1896, has received no warning letters during the campaign of 1900.

The single possibility of friction, that of a colored man being a candidate for the local office of Justice, one held for the year by election now, was promptly eliminated by the Chairman of the Republican County Executive Committee, removing the name by public denial of any such candidacy.

White Republicans openly voted for the Amendment, and colored men openly voted the Democratic State and county tickets.

Not a single protest over the election in Craven county has been made, except it may be from a few Populists, who had no thought of being elected, and whose vote may be smaller than they hoped it would be.

Such has been the political campaign situation in this county, where in previous political campaigns there has been clashing and constant danger of bloodshed.

The reason for this change is no doubt due to the fact that the colored voter in Craven recognizes that he is not through political efforts to be made the equal of the white man, socially and otherwise; and that the government of county and State affairs are for the white man to take care of.

So far as the outside alarm over what might happen in this section of eastern North Carolina election day, such anxiety was wasted.

And it is a matter of congratulation that the people of Craven county have passed through such an important campaign and election, and preserved such order and peace, with nothing to disturb any interest, individual or public.

TWO STANDARDS OF VIRTUE.

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TRY IT



Women suffering from female troubles and weakness, and from irregular or painful menses, ought not to lose hope if doctors cannot help them. Physicians are so busy with other diseases that they do not understand fully the peculiar ailments of women. What the sufferer ought to do is to give a fair trial to **BRADFIELD'S Female Regulator**, which is the true cure provided by Nature for all female troubles. It is the formula of a physician of the highest standing, who devoted his whole life to the study of the distinct ailments peculiar to our mothers, wives and daughters. It is made of soothing, healing, strengthening herbs and vegetables, which have been provided by a kindly Nature to cure irregularity in the menses, Leucorrhoea, Falling of the Womb, Nervousness, Headache and Backache. In fairness to herself and to Bradfield's Female Regulator, every suffering woman ought to give it a trial. A large \$1 bottle will do wonderful amount of good. Sold by druggists.

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Rufus Choate's Bad Writing.

George Ticknor, the historian of Spanish literature, was once called as a witness in a case in which Rufus Choate was engaged, and being seated by the eminent counselor, was attracted by the notes which he had made of the evidence. After cycling them with interest, he remarked that the writings resembled him of two autograph letters in his possession—one of Manuel the Great of Portugal (dated 1512) and the other of Gonsalvo de Cordoba, the great captain, written a few years earlier. (Any one who has glanced over these remarkable specimens of idiomatic writing will marvel that it was possible to make out a syllable of such illegible scribbles.)

"These letters," Mr. Ticknor assured Mr. Choate, "were written 350 years ago, and they strongly resemble your notes of the present trial."

Choate instantly replied, "Remarkable men, no doubt; they seem to have been much in advance of their time."—Caroline Ticknor in Truth.

Sweet and Low.

A young man named Sweet engaged to marry a young woman named Low. A few Sundays previous to the wedding the happy couple attended church together, and as they walked along the aisle the choir began singing the song "Sweet and Low," entirely unconscious of the meaning of the words which were being perpetrated. "And all this happened in a city in Michigan!"—Choir Journal.

SHAH'S NARROW ESCAPE.

Attempt On His Life in the Bois de Boulogne. Saved by His Grand Vizier.

PARIS, August 2.—Following close upon the assassination of King Humbert at Monza and the attempted shooting of King Alexander at Belgrade, a determined attempt was made here this morning to kill the Shah of Persia, as he was leaving the Palace of the Sovereigns, where he is the guest of the French nation.

A letter dated from Naples was received by the Shah in the mail this morning, warning him that his life was in danger. This letter was posted in Paris. It said:

"To-day you shall meet the same fate as Humbert."

The letter was signed by an Italian, who gave his address.

Disregarding the letter, the Shah left the Palace shortly after 9 o'clock in the morning on a visit to the pottery works at Sevres. The gates on the Avenue Malakoff side were opened wide, and while the guard turned out to present arms the royal landau started at a walk in the middle of the avenue and turned to the left into the Avenue du Bois de Boulogne. Beside the Shah sat his Grand Vizier, Amn Sultan, and facing the monarch were Dr. Adcock, his physician, and General Parent of the French army.

Bicycle policemen and detectives in plain clothes, also riding on wheels, proceeded and surrounded the monarch's carriage. It proceeded only about 20 yards towards the Avenue du Bois de Boulogne, when a young man, having the dress and appearance of a workman, pushed the police aside and sprang upon the footboard of the carriage. He held a drawn revolver and quickly pointed it at the Shah, almost touching the monarch's breast with the muzzle. For some reason he hesitated a moment before pressing the trigger. Instinctively the Shah bent slightly to the left, putting out his right hand at the same time to ward off his assailant.

The Grand Vizier, a man of great strength, promptly seized the would-be assassin's wrist and gripped so hard that the man dropped the weapon, which fell on the carpet at the bottom of the carriage. At the same instant a detective in spectator seized the man around the waist and threw him to the ground.

"I'd like to have a photograph of that man," nonchalantly exclaimed the Shah. Then addressing a few words in his native tongue to his companions in the carriage, he told the coachman to drive on.

The would-be assassin was dragged off to a police station. All he would say when questioned there is his reason was this:

"I did what I wished to do."

He refused to tell his name. The would-be murderer speaks in the strong southern accent, and may prove to be an Italian, though a handkerchief found on his bare the mark of the 10th and 11th regiments of the French army stationed at Sevres.

Paris has received the news of the attempt with one sentiment—that of indignation. All join to condemn this outrage upon the guest of the nation.

CHINESE THREATEN.

In Case Allies Advance The Ministers Will Be Murdered.

Japanese Advance Line Reported Troops Ordered Up. Russia Is Backward. Conquer Message Genuine.

Special to Journal.

WASHINGTON, August 3.—The movement of the allies toward Peking began last Sunday from Tien Tsin. The Russian commander made a show of reluctance to join in the advance but part of the Russian troops had already been thrown forward.

The Japanese troops in the advance struck a Chinese village and arsenal. The Chinese opened fire from loop holes and wounded thirty Japanese. The latter then retired from their position and fresh forces were pushed up.

Sheng, the Chinese director of railroads, declares officially that if the allies continue to march on Peking, all the ministers will be killed. The viceroy of Nankin makes the same declaration.

The Chinese viceroys declare that no more messages will be sent to the ministers because the allies are advancing on Peking.

Two Chinese officials who have shown friendship for foreigners have been beheaded.

The State Department has a dispatch from Consul Fowler at Chefoo which says that the cipher message from Minister Fowler at Peking was genuine and was dated July 20th.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3.—It would not be surprising to well-informed military experts here should the Chinese army which promises to dispute the advance of the allied troops upon Peking be caught between two fires, for, coincident with the advance from Tientsin, a second column, composed of Japanese troops, has left Shan Hai Kwan.

Shan Hai Kwan is on the same parallel of latitude as Peking. There is a good road leading to Peking from that place, and the column following it could cooperate with the one leaving Tientsin.

It is expected by officials here that the Chinese troops will make an effort to stop the Tientsin forces a short distance from that city. Falling in this it is believed the Chinese will fall back behind the walls of Peking.

The disposition in official circles seems to believe that another defeat to the Chinese forces outside of Tientsin will mean the collapse of organized opposition.

American Coal Export.

LONDON, August 3.—Much attention is being given in manufacturing circles to the report of the British Consul at Philadelphia, stating that the United States had become large exporters of coal to Europe, Germany, Italy and Austria using it in preference to the English coal.

It is his opinion that its introduction into England itself is threatened.

East River Tunnels.

NEW YORK, Aug. 3.—A surprise was sprung at the meeting of the State Railroad Commission in this city today when the full scope and plans for two projected tunnels under the East River were fully explained.

These tunnels are to cost \$30,000,000, and are to be completed in five years, and the money is to be put up by English capitalists.

The companies making application are the New York & Brooklyn Union Transportation Company and the New York, Brooklyn & Jersey City Rapid Transit Company.

Storm In Wilmington.

WILMINGTON, N. C., August 3.—This city was swept by a terrific rain and wind storm this afternoon. Lightning struck and partially unroofed Bonitz's Hotel, and the wind carried off the roof of the Seaboard Air Line freight warehouse. The rainfall was almost equal to a cloudburst.

Water stood more than a foot deep in Market Street, and the street floors and basements of many of the principal buildings were flooded with water.

The three-masted schooner Sarah D. Fell, Captain Loveland, Philadelphia, broke from her moorings at the Atlantic Coast Line wharf, dragging the pillars with her, drifted into the channel and collided with the two-masted coastwise schooner Joseph. The Joseph was dismasted and the hull badly damaged.

"SPARTACUS."

The Author's Story of How He Came to Write It.

A writer in the Lewiston Journal who interviewed Rev. Elijah Kellogg says:

When asked if he had written any declamations besides "Spartacus to the Gladiators," "Virginius to the Roman Army" and "Pericles to the People," he replied that he had written "Illius," but that it had never been published. Then he asked the writer if he had ever heard how "Spartacus" came to be written, and when told that he had never heard an authentic statement concerning it Mr. Kellogg said:

"During my first year in Andover Theological Seminary we were required to write original declamations and declaim them before an audience. A committee of three seniors criticised the speaker publicly, and Professor Parke performed the same duty privately. I always dreaded to face an audience and especially to be criticised publicly, and so I thought I would write something that would so interest them in the story of it that the critics would forget to notice the errors, and so I wrote 'Spartacus.' When I had finished declaiming it, the professor asked the committee if they had any suggestions to offer, and they said they had not, but Professor Parke told me privately that there were errors that might be mentioned, but that he was glad I had made a departure from the old custom of declaiming nothing but sermons and moral disquisitions and had given them some rhetoric."

So the author of "Spartacus" was the first declaimer of it. Little did he think that he was the first of thousands of academic and collegiate youths on both sides of the sea to recite a composition of so humble origin. This bit of literary history is precious as coming from the lips of this grand old man, and this interview will forever have a safe place in the treasure house of the writer's memory.

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Looking Chinward.

Watts—By the way, who is the god of war—or was, rather?

Potts—I've forgotten the deity's name, but I think it was Astarte.

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When She Has Done They Are Proud.

It is a great drawback to have sense. What do you mean?

When a girl has sense all the men she likes best are afraid of her.

Current Reading.

Nell—Do you know the language of flowers?

Belle—I know that when he sends me a \$100 bunch of American Beauties, it means he's in love with me.

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