

DR. ALVA H. DOTY.

Appointed by Gov. Morton as Health Officer of New York.



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Dr. Doty's candidacy was endorsed by prominent members of the medical profession.

Dr. Doty is about thirty-five years old, and a native of Albany.

He was appointed an inspector by Dr. Vanderpoel, then Health Officer of the Board of Health.

Niagara Falls 32,000 Years Old.

For more than a hundred years the scientists of the Old and New World have been figuring out the age of the great Falls.

The Niagara Falls as we know them, or nearly so, will last at least 5,000 years longer.

A Reform Editor.

E. Lawrence Godkin, editor of the Evening Post, New York, is one of the best known editors in the country.



E. L. Godkin.

efforts in behalf of "mugwump" politics, but on account of the enemies he has made among his brethren of the press who do not agree with his political ideas.

Flight of Model Flying Machine.

The solution of the problem of air navigation is not only possible, says Prof. Boltzmann, the eminent Vienna physicist, but very likely in the near future.

Another Big Telescope.

The optical department of Dr. Schott's works at Jena, Germany, is at present occupied with the casting of an objective for an astronomical telescope, which is to be, when finished, the largest lens in the world.

Steel Billiard Balls.

Some cast-steel billiard balls have been made by Mr. Peter Ostberg, of Stockholm, Sweden.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTES.

Signorina Rosina Penco, the great singer, for whom Verdi wrote "Il Trovatore," died at Porretta, a bathing place near Bologna, Italy.

The Samoans, it is reported, will erect an obelisk over the grave of Robert Louis Stevenson, which from its great height on the Vaea Mountain will be a conspicuous landmark from the sea.

It is estimated that the number of Jews in London is between 100,000 and 120,000.

The only woman chemist in Paris is a Vassar girl, Miss Ida Welt.

Wilford Woodruff, president of the Mormon Church, has for years cultivated a farm of forty acres with no other labor than that of his own hands.

Sixty-three years ago Daniel Webster had Isaac Hassett appointed a page in the Senate.

Dr. Edward S. Holden, director of the Lick Observatory, has just received, through the Secretary of State of Saxe-Meininingen, the diploma and cross of commander of the Saxe-Ernestine Order.

The large majority of contemporary authors of international fame are small men physically.

After all, it isn't so astonishing that the model for Artist Gibson's typical American girl should be Irish.

Philo Norton McGiffin, who is commander of the Chen Yuen, the largest warship of the Chinese navy, is a native of Washington, Pa.

FACTS AND STATISTICS.

London has 5,656,000 population and 16,993 police.

The valuation of Maine has increased \$10,000,000 since 1892.

The earliest snow ever known in Great Britain was on October 7, 1820.

M. de Naucourt, a French sportsman, has a record of having killed 500 tigers.

Burmese children of both sexes begin to smoke almost as soon as they can speak.

In twenty years there have been only nine Christmases in New York with freezing weather.

Fifty-five years ago the trip from St. Louis to New York consumed eight days and five hours.

An Anfractile iceberg has been seen that was twenty miles wide, forty miles in length and 400 feet in height.

February is the month in which the greatest number of births occur; June the month in which occur the fewest.

The bed of the North Atlantic consists of two valleys, separated by a mountain range that runs from the Azores to Iceland.

The cars received and sent out from the Chicago stock yards in 1894 were much in excess of the number used in 1893, despite the great strike.

The total amount of gold in circulation at the present time is estimated at about 1,970 millions of pounds sterling, weighing altogether 865 tons.

A decapitated snail, kept in a moist place, will in a few weeks grow a new head, quite as serviceable and good-looking as that which was taken away.

It is calculated that if the children under the care of the London School Board were to join hands, they would reach from London to Carlisle, a distance of 300 miles.

Recent insurance statistics show that if the wife dies first, the husband on an average survives nine years; while if the husband dies first, the wife survives eleven years.

Five million dollars' worth of cattle were shipped to Eastern markets from the Black Hills, S. D., during the fall.

So far as the number of students is concerned, the Medical Times says that Philadelphia is the medical centre of the United States.

THEY WERE ALL THERE.

Why It Was a Lighthouse Keeper Did Not Get Restored.

When the president, Secretary Carlisle, Secretary Gresham and Capt. Evans were on one of their trips down the coast they happened to be near by where the Cedar Point Lighthouse burned down owing to the dereliction of the keeper who was absent from his post of duty.

"I want to know who wrote the letter recommending this man's dismissal," said the Congressman.

The polite secretary invited the member and friend to be seated and touched his bell. "I will send for a copy of the letter, and you shall see it for yourself," said he.

"I suppose," proceeded the Congressman, taking a seat, "that the dismissal was made on the report of some disreputable inspector who didn't know half the facts."

"By this time the letter-book was brought, and, placing it before the member, the secretary said: "You see, the letter is signed by Capt. Evans."

"Oh, Bob Evans signed it, did he?" Then reading the letter, he added, "It is just as I thought; he has based his recommendation on the report of an inspector. Give me a copy of that letter; I am going to see Capt. Evans about it."

"Certainly," replied the bland secretary. "I will have a copy prepared at once; but—er—I believe that Capt. Evans is personally advised of the facts in this case."

"Personally advised! What does he know about the matter except from this inspector's report?"

"Well, you see, it happened that Capt. Evans was at Cedar Point when the lighthouse was burned."

"Evans was there himself?"

"Yes; he was there at the time, on one of the lighthouse vessels, and, I think, he made some inquiry into the matter."

"Oh, well, if the captain was there, and has signed this letter, I suppose there is no use of my seeing him. Give me the copy, though, and I will go and see Carlisle."

"Certainly; of course the copy will be ready in a moment; but, I think, the secretary, too, knows about the matter, as he was also at the lighthouse at the time."

"Carlisle was at Cedar Point when the lighthouse was burned up?"

"Yes; he and Capt. Evans were there together."

"The devil they were. Well, then, there's no use of my seeing him. I'll have to go to my friend Gresham; he'll fix it for me. Let me have the copy all the same."

"Yes; to be sure; but—er—general—the fact is—that Secretary Gresham was there also."

"Do you mean to say that Carlisle and Gresham and Bob Evans were all at Cedar Point when the lighthouse burned up?"

"Yes; it just happened that they were all there."

"Well, I'll be d—d. This is very strange. I'll have to see the old man himself; I'll go to the President. Is that copy ready?"

"Yes; it has just come; here it is; but—perhaps I ought to say—you ought to know—that is to say, that the President probably knows about the case, as he was likewise at Cedar Point."

"The President was there? Good God! Well, Smith," turning to his man, "I guess your goose is cooked. We'll have to give it up."—Washington Star.

A Mean Revenge.

The man knocked at the door of a boarding house on Cass avenue and the landlady opened it.

"I presume you are the landlady?" he said, after saying "good morning."

"Why do you presume that?" she asked with a snap, for the visitor looked as if he might be some kind of an agent.

"A friend of mine, Mr. Smith, who used to board here, told me I'd recognize you as a lady of about fifty."

"She fairly gasped at this."

"Did he tell you that?" she inquired with suppressed emotion.

"And you recognized me by that description?"

"The visitor knew something about discretion being the better part of valor, having been an agent for a long time."

An Untimely Blow.

"I may as well tell you," said the brave swimmer, as he reached the side of the struggling girl, who was just going down for the third time, "that I have a wife and you cannot marry me as reward for saving your life."

It Was Mutual.

Pater (entering suddenly)—Phur-ri! What do you mean, sir, by thus embracing my daughter? Ethel, I am surprised.

A Good Indication.

Friend—Well, Dock, how's business? Doctor—Fine. Got two new cases in the next room.

Friend—What, smallpox?

Doctor—No, champagne.—Truth.

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