

A DINNER TO HARLAN

Supreme Court Justice on the Bench Twenty-five Years.

SPEECH BY PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT.

Brilliant Assemblage Attends the Function—Three Sons and Daughter of the Kentucky Jurist Grace the Occasion.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The dinner by the bar of the supreme court of the United States at the New Willard hotel to Mr. Justice John Marshall Harlan in recognition of the completion of twenty-five years of service on the bench of the supreme court was a brilliant function.

In the absence of Attorney General Knox Mr. Wayne MacVeagh presided. When the guests had been seated,



JUSTICE HARLAN.

grace was said by the Rev. Richard D. Harlan of Lake Falls, Ill., the eldest son of the justice, who had come to Washington especially for the occasion. Justice Harlan was in his happiest mood and gave every evidence of his appreciation of the honor bestowed on him.

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A Horrible Tale of Bacteria. WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—Twelve million bacteria inhabit the skins of half a pound of cherries, according to Dr. Ehrlich, a German scientist, who has made extensive experiments in regard to the infection of fruit with bacteria.

Minister Buck Dies Suddenly. WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—The Japanese minister has notified the state department that while Alfred E. Buck, the United States minister to Japan, was on a hunting trip he was taken suddenly ill and expired.

Bishop Doane Hends Regents. ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 5.—At a meeting of the state board of regents the Right Rev. William Crowell Doane, Protestant Episcopal bishop of Albany, was elected chancellor, to succeed the late Anson Judd Upson, and Regent Whitlaw Reid was elevated to the position of vice chancellor, to succeed Bishop Doane.

Women Carrying Mail. WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—It has recently been brought to the attention of Postmaster General Payne that about twenty-five women are holding positions as carriers in the rural free delivery service.

Mr. Dooley Married. NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—Finley Peter Dunne, author of "Mr. Dooley," and Miss Margaret Abbot, daughter of Mrs. Mary Abbot, formerly of Chicago, have been married in this city.

REED RULES DOOMED

Congressmen Are Tired of Being Bossed by the Speaker.

Col. Henderson's Successor Will Be Simply a Presiding Officer and Not the Autocrat of Congress.

[Special Washington Letter.]

AND now, in accordance with the constitutional duty devolved upon me, I declare this house adjourned without day. Exactly at noon on March 4, 1903, those words will be pronounced by Speaker Henderson, the heavy gavel will resound and the Fifty-seventh congress will come to a close.

But a majority of the house of representatives has been in favor of changing the rules, in some particulars, for at least six years. Congressman Hepburn, of Iowa, has been the leader in the attack upon the Reed rules, and he will continue to be the leader in the fight.

There is a great deal of speculation already concerning the speakership of the next congress, but one thing may as well be regarded as settled, and that is, no matter who secures the prize of that exalted position, he will be simply a presiding officer, as the constitution intended him to be, and not a ruler of representatives selected by sovereign constituencies precisely as he was himself selected.

Speaker Reed was autocratic. Speaker Henderson has not been. No more conservative speaker ever occupied the chair than Mr. Crisp, of Georgia, for he was not autocratic. There is no complaint concerning the man who may have been, or who may be, speaker of the house of representatives. Criticism exists concerning the rules rather than concerning the man who enforces them.

Whoever shall be chosen for the speakership when the new congress shall have convened on the first Monday of December, 1903, will in all probability be allowed the power of the appointment of the committees and committee chairmen; and that will be power enough for one man to wield over his fellow representatives.

It is well remembered that Speaker Reed blandly smiled when a petition signed by a majority of the house of representatives was presented to him, praying for consideration of the bill for the Nicaragua canal.



HON. WM. P. HEPBURN. (Iowa Congressman Who Will Lead Attack on Reed Rules.)

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HON. CHAS. E. LITTLEFIELD. (Maine Congressman Who Wants to Succeed Speaker Henderson.)

see that the rules will be changed, so that no man who may occupy the chair of the speaker shall have such imperial power in this republic. It is barely possible that the house will name its own committees, as the senate does; but that reform is not so imminent.

Under existing rules no representative of the people is allowed to lift his voice in debate, no matter what outrages (according to his opinion) may be under contemplation. The speaker sits in his exalted position, and never sees nor hears any representative of the people who may clamor for recognition, unless the representative shall have previously called and stated his business and secured permission from the speaker to address the house.

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THOMAS NAST DEAD.

Our Consul at Guayaquil Succumbs to Yellow Fever.

GUAYAQUIL, Ecuador, Dec. 8.—Consul General Nast is dead after a three days' illness with yellow fever. He was interred at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The funeral was attended by the governor, the consular corps, the American colony and by many friends.

Thomas Nast was nominated consul general at Guayaquil May 1, 1902, and left New York for his post July 1. He arrived at Guayaquil the latter end of the same month. Consul Nast was born in Landau, Bavaria, Sept. 27, 1840, and came with his parents to the United States six years later.

Interesting Discovery Reported From the University of Chicago. CHICAGO, Dec. 9.—The discovery of a new means of causing rhythmic beats in a strip of heart muscle is announced from the University of Chicago.

Santiago to Havana by Rail. SANTIAGO, Cuba, Dec. 9.—Two thousand persons, among them the American representatives of the Cuba company, witnessed the departure at 7 o'clock yesterday morning of the first regular train to Havana with 150 through passengers.

Shot While Playing Indian. AMSTERDAM, N. Y., Dec. 9.—Ford L. Messinger, the fourteen-year-old son of Charles G. Messinger, a prominent contractor of this city, was shot by a companion, Arthur Morris, with whom he was playing Indians.

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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL. Closing Stock Quotations. Money on call firm at 6 per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 6 per cent.

NEW YORK MARKETS. FLOUR—Ruled quiet and firm at old prices; Minnesota patents, \$1.90/4.15; winter straight, \$1.45/3.55; winter extras, \$1.25/3.10; winter patents, \$1.90/3.30.

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CASTORIA. The Kind You Have Always Bought. Bears the Signature of J. C. Watson.



Sickness steals more savings than the burglar. Slowly, coin by coin, the money that has been so hard earned is paid out for drugs and doctors.

Accept no substitute for "Golden Medical Discovery." Nothing else is "just as good." Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets regulate the bowels.

McClure's for December. Ends the Year Better than Ever.

The Christmas McClure's is primarily a holiday fiction number, but the four articles represent the very cream of the month's magazines writing.

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NEW POSTAGE STAMPS WILL BEAR THE FLAG.

For The First Time in our History National Emblem is Used.

For the first time since 1869 and practically since the establishment of the United States postal system the people will have the privilege of using a postage stamp bearing the flag of the republic, with the issuance of the new series of postage stamps now in process of printing.

The stamp displaying prominently the Stars and Stripes will be the two cent denomination, but it will bear no resemblance to the two cent stamp in use today. Washington's portrait, which has appeared upon the common letter postage stamp since the beginning of the use of postage stamps, except during the single year 1869, when the portrait of Washington was displaced to make room for a wild and woolly, wide-stacked, wood burning locomotive of the "Rocket" type, will again occupy the position of honor upon the label, but the bust of Washington, so long familiar to the public, will disappear, probably forever.

The portrait of Washington, drawn from Jean Antonie Houdon's profile cast, is abandoned, to be succeeded by a photo direct from Gilbert Stuart's famous painting, which now adorns the national Capitol building. It is remarkable that considering the deference paid the flag by Americans that the flag has, hitherto, been practically ignored in the designing of postage stamps.

The public has many times indicated a desire that the flag should be accorded a place of prominence upon one of the much-used values, but until now the department has not responded to this desire. When the Columbian series, commemorating the Chicago World's Fair in 1893, was projected the department was flooded with letters requesting that one of the denominations be given to the flag.

The department has not been unmindful of the wishes of the people, but mechanical difficulties have seemed to preclude the possibility of producing a "flag" stamp that would meet the approval of the department, and no effort has been made to produce one.

A man's conscience will always tell him when somebody else is doing wrong.

A widow usually looks blacker than she feels.

"I feel as if I should fly to pieces." How often these words are on a woman's lips. They express to the uttermost the nerve racked condition of the body, which makes life a daily martyrdom.

If this condition had come suddenly it would have been unbearable. But the transition was gradual. A little more strain each day of the vitality. Any woman would be glad to be rid of such a condition. Every woman tries to be rid of it. Thousands of such women have been cured by Dr. Pierce's treatment with his "Favorite Prescription" when local doctors had entirely failed to cure.

"Favorite Prescription" contains no opium, cocaine or other narcotic.

The saloon presents a bar to many a man's success.

THE CHRISTMAS DINNER.—In spite of the fact that the word dyspepsia means literally bad cook, it will not be fair for many to lay the blame on the cook if they begin the Christmas Dinner with little appetite and end it with distress or nausea. It may not be fair for any to do that—let us hope so for the sake of the cook! The disease dyspepsia indicates a bad stomach, that is a weak stomach, rather than a bad cook, and for a weak stomach there is nothing else equal to Hood's Sarsaparilla. It gives the stomach vigor and tone, cures dyspepsia, creates appetite, and makes eating the pleasure it should be.

Nothing succeeds like success, unless it is imitation.

DROPSY AND HEART DISEASE.—"For ten years I suffered greatly from Heart Disease. Fluttering of the Heart and Smothering Spells made my life a torment. Dropsy set in. My physician told me to prepare for the worst. I tried Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart. One dose gave great relief, one bottle cured me completely."—Mrs. James Adams, Syracuse, N. Y.—54 Sold by C. A. Klein.

Gossip travels fast enough without wireless telegraphy.

CINNAMON-COATED PILLS.—Dr. Agnew's Liver Pills are coated like a cinnamon drop, very small and delightful to take. One pill a dose, 40 in a vial for 10 cents. Their popularity is a whirlwind, sweeping competitors before it like chaff. No pain, no gripping, no inconvenience.—55 Sold by C. A. Klein.

The dreamer seldom wakes up to find himself famous.

ECZEMA RELIEVED IN A DAY.—Dr. Agnew's Ointment will cure this disgusting skin disease without fail. It will also cure Barber's Itch, Tetter, Salt Rheum, and all skin eruptions. In from three to six nights it will cure Blind, Bleeding, and Itching Pills. One application brings comfort to the most irritating cases. 35 cents.—56 Sold by C. A. Klein.