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## Snapshots at People of Note



RICHARD B. HALDANE.

MUCH importance is attached to the announcement of the Right Hon. Richard Burton Haldane, war secretary, in introducing the army estimates in the British house of commons, that the military expenses of the empire are to be cut down. The estimates amount to nearly \$150,000,000, and the war secretary stated that the government now accepts what he denominated "the blue water principle"—namely, that the navy at its present strength is capable of defending England from invasion. In accordance with this principle many fortifications along the English coast will be abandoned and some of the colonial garrisons will be reduced. Secretary Haldane expressed the hope that other nations of Europe would take steps to reduce the armaments, which constitute such a heavy burden upon the people.

The British war secretary under the new Liberal government was born in 1856 and educated at Edinburgh academy and Edinburgh and Göttingen universities. He has represented Haddingtonshire in parliament since 1885, has been a university lecturer and is the author of works on educational, philosophical and economic subjects.

Brander Matthews since he has become prominent as a spelling reformer has discovered that he has many followers among the students of Columbia university, where he is professor of dramatic literature. Professor Matthews recently explained to one of his classes the plans of the simplified spelling board, of which he is a member, and told how Andrew Carnegie had made provision for the expense of the work the board proposes to carry on. It was not long after this that the students formed a spelling reform association and elected "Professor Brander Mathuz" president. The following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, Numerous prominent educators throughout the United States have pronounced the system of spelling now in vogue cumbersome, unwise and illogical, and

Whereas, A movement headed by one of our own professors has been instituted for the purpose of creating a sentiment in favor of a reformed, revised and simplified method, and

Whereas, This movement meets with our approval and with the approval of Columbia students in general, be it

Resolved, That we students of Columbia today assemble do hereby form ourselves into an organization to be known as the Phonetic Spelling Association of Columbia University, and be it further

Resolved, That we hereby bind ourselves to abide by the decisions of the "simplified spelling board" recently organized by Andrew Carnegie, when made public, and adopt the following principles for the spelling of words ad interim, said principles to be a guide in all private correspondence and in our college examinations papers. These principles are:

First.—That all silent letters be dropped.

Second.—That all diphthongs be replaced by single vowels wherever possible.

Third.—That the fonetic system of spelling be adopted.

William H. Truesdale has been in the public eye recently both as chairman of the so called Truesdale committee of the Mutual Life Insurance company and as president of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western railroad, which is one of the coal roads and as such has been represented in the negotiations between the miners and the coal operators. It was the Truesdale committee which instituted the house cleaning that was undertaken in the Mutual Life in consequence of the revelations of the Armstrong committee. This led to the retirement of the McCurtlys. Some have claimed, however, that the house cleaning done by the committee was not thorough enough.

President Truesdale was born in Youngstown, O., in 1851 and has worked his way up in the world. He began his railroad career in an auditor's office in Indiana on a salary of \$5 a week. He now draws \$45,000 as president of the Lackawanna. He is a hard worker, is said to be worth several million dollars, and is six feet in height.

Samuel Gompers, who claims that congress has not given sufficient consideration to the interests of labor and who headed a delegation which recently visited Washington, is president of the American Federation of Labor and as such represents over 2,000,000 wage earners banded together for mutual advancement. He joined the cigar-makers' union thirty-nine years ago, when he was fourteen years old, still

pays the usual dues regularly and still rolls a cigar every now and then to keep his hand in. Mr. Gompers was born in England, and when thirteen years of age came to America. He was speaking one day of the attitude of capital toward labor and said that it reminded him of a farmer he knew in the old country.

"This farmer," he said, "had one day a visitor, a cockney from London, and the pair of them took guns and went out shooting.

"They walked and walked, finding no game in the farmer's fields, and at last they came to a fence and a row of pigeons perched on the top rail.

"There you are," said the farmer to his visitor. 'Bang away.'

"But those birds are not game; they are domesticated," the cockney objected.

"What's the odds! They're all the game you're likely to find hereabouts," said the farmer, and accordingly the cockney shot and brought down a half dozen pigeons.

"Now," said the farmer, picking them up—"now we'll run."

"Why will we run?" asked his friend.

"Because these birds are not mine, and I see their owner coming."

Enrico Caruso, the star tenor of the Metropolitan Opera House, New York, is said to have made over \$115,000 in the season now drawing to a close and thus to have won more good American dollars than any masculine artist who has ever entranced the opera goers within the Metropolitan's walls. It is stated that Jean de Reszke once received \$100,000 for a season's work, but Caruso has beaten even that great singer's record. Signor Caruso's mother always believed that her boy had talent and called him "the treasure of the family," but his father was less flattering. He discouraged his son's ambition to go on the stage. Speaking of this incident in his career, the famous tenor once said:

"My father did not encourage me. He wished me to become a mechanic like himself. Yet, though he quarreled with me when I accepted my first engagement, he was very much interested in my performances. Once, when I was billed to appear in Naples at the Bellini theater, he was refused free tickets at the box office.

"Very good," said he. 'I will pay for my seat.'

"I was much surprised that night to see him in the lobby when I got to the theater.

"What are you doing here, papa?" said I.

"Oh, I have bought a ticket," he replied, 'so sing in tune tonight, my son, or I shall hiss.'

Bellamy Storer, whose recall from his post as ambassador to Austria-Hungary has created a sensation in diplomatic circles, is a Cincinnati lawyer, has served in congress and has held diplomatic positions in European capitals under several administrations. He is fifty-eight years of age, is a graduate of Harvard and married Miss Maria Longworth, aunt of Congressman Nicholas Longworth, the president's son-in-law. Mrs. Storer is said to have inherited about \$10,000,000 from her father. President McKinley appointed Mr. Storer minister to Belgium and after the Spanish war promoted him to the court of the king of Spain. He was appointed to the Austrian mission by President Roosevelt in 1902. His peremptory recall left the status of the embassy somewhat complicated, owing to the diplomatic precedent that an ambassador remains an ambassador until the presentation of his letters of recall either by himself or his successor. Mr. Storer was not in Vienna at the time the cablegram recalling him was received, and the nomination of his successor, Charles S. Francis, was confirmed by the senate but a few days ago. Mrs. Storer is an enthusiastic member of the Roman Catholic church, and it has been reported that her activity in furthering her desires as to the creation of another American cardinalate was considered by the state department to be injurious to the usefulness of her husband as an ambassador.

Attorney General Moody when he returned to Washington from Chicago, where he worked hard to put the beef trust officials in jail, went to his residence to take a short nap. A visitor called to see Mr. Moody, but met an obstacle in the person of a negro butler, who said: "It would be agin de constitution to wake de attorney general. Can't you call later?"

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I allude, for instance, to the emergence, at very early and immature stages, of men uniquely endowed, who carry genius to a pitch which all after ages can but submit to admire afar. Homer, Virgil and Dante, to say nothing of the Bible writers, may have appeared on the summit of particular civilizations, but they belong to the race more than to epochs, nations or civilizations, and in the history of the race they appeared early and not late. Great men are not made by their milieu, which gives them no more than a field and form. It provides them a language, it offers them their problems and presents them the issues. But the answers are latent in the miraculous quality of their native genius and not inherited by them from the spirit of their age. They are not orators who absorb a vapor and give it forth as a flood. They are prophets whose spiritual quality is an original but rational mystery and whose revelation is as secret in its source as it is fertile in its course.

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## HADLEY AND HIS FIGHT.

Missouri Attorney General Who Won Victory From Oil Trust.

Herbert S. Hadley, attorney general of Missouri, who has forced the magnates of Standard Oil to disclose some of the secrets of that powerful institution, declares that all around honesty is the only cure for social ills which are now attracting so much attention. It is not often that a man starts out to fight the big oil trust and wins a victory, but that is what Mr. Hadley has done, and his name is now familiar to millions of people who had never heard of him a year ago. The object of the suits brought by him against the Standard in the state of Missouri is to establish charges of violation of the laws against trusts. At first the oil corporation's spokesmen refused the information Mr. Hadley wanted, but he obtained a decision from the su-



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Mint Sherbet.

Boll together for five minutes a pound of sugar and a pint of water. Pound well the leaves from one large bunch of mint, pour over them the hot sirup and set away until cold, then strain. Add the strained juice of three lemons and freeze. When hard, remove the dasher, mix well with a spoon, re-pack the freezer and set aside for several hours.

The fifteen Altoona hotels that have refused to accommodate veterans who will attend the Grand Army encampment in that place in June will lose their licenses, on the ground that they are merely saloons that are masked under the name of hotels.

Nervous Disorders

Include all affections of the brain, spinal cord and nerves, such as Dizziness, Lulliness, Headache, Fits, Blues, Melancholy and Insanity, Backache, Neuralgia, St. Vitus' Dance, Epilepsy, and all disorders arising from a weakness of the nerves of any organ or part, as Weak Lungs, Heart, Stomach, Kidney, Bladder, etc.

If you have any of these ailments, your nerves are affected, and you need Dr. Miles' Restorative Nervine because it reconstructs worn-out nerve tissue, is a refreshing, revitalizing tonic food-medicine for worn-out nerves.

"My son, when 17 years old, had epilepsy; could not attend school. Following the failure of physicians to cure him, we gave Dr. Miles' Nervine, and Nerve and Liver Pills. In ten months he regained perfect health."—J. S. WILSON, Dep. Co. Clerk, Dallas Co., Mo.

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This week our store will occupy the entire floor of the McBride Building, on corner of Allegheny and Bishop Sts.—three rooms which is found necessary in order to provide space for new lines and more extensive assortment occasioned by the demands of our increasing trade.

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| 3500 yds. Lancaster Gingham, worth 7c.                    | 50c     |
| 2000 yds. bleached and unbleached Muslin, worth 7 and 8c. | 6c      |
| 1500 yds. Dress Goods, 10c quality.                       | 8c      |
| Ladies' Wrappers, worth \$1.25 and \$1.50.                | 95c     |
| Children's White Lawn Dresses at.                         | 25c     |
| 250 pairs Lace Curtains, worth \$1.25.                    | 95c     |
| 250 pairs Lace Curtains, worth 75c.                       | 48c     |
| Ladies' Mohair Skirts, all colors, worth \$7.50.          | 5.00    |
| Ladies' Mohair Skirts, all colors, worth \$6.00.          | 4.50    |
| Ladies' Mohair Skirts, all colors, worth \$5.00.          | 3.75    |
| Ladies' Brilliantine Skirts, all colors, from.            | 2.50 up |
| Ladies' Spring Coats, latest design, \$10.00 kind.        | 7.50    |
| Ladies' Spring Coats, latest design, \$8.00 kind.         | 6.00    |
| Ladies' Spring Coats, latest design, \$5.00 kind.         | 3.50    |

CLOTHING. Just received a large invoice of Men's, Boys' and Children's Clothing at "right prices."

SHOES. Our line of Men's, Ladies' and Children's Footwear is larger than ever.

Men's Working Shirts, worth 50c. 39c  
 02 doz. Overalls, worth 50c. 39c  
 Fine Dress Shirts from. 39c up to 1.25  
 Large assortment of Neckwear in all the latest patterns. 15c up

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SECHLER & CO., Parc Food Store.

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who has been buying his clothes at our shop for years told us that he owed his success to a suit of well-fitting clothes. At least his rise dated from the day he decided that no man would employ the services of a man whose appearance spoke so little for his ability as his did. That day he invested \$15 in a suit of Kuppenheimer ready-to-wear clothes and his improved appearance, (so he said) secured for him his first case of real prominence. Of course his ability did the rest.

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Everything entirely new—all the latest shapes and stocks for Spring and Summer use.

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EVERYTHING WE HAVE IS ENTIRELY NEW

The Dorothy Dodd Shoe for women were never better, and all other lines are as complete as ever. In fact we are prepared to please every member of the family, and all we have is clean, fresh and new—NO OLD STOCK.

Don't forget the beautiful and useful premiums you get entirely free when you buy your Shoes of

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