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The Doctor—No; I told her a trip abroad would prove anything but beneficial to her in her present state.  
Mr. Smythe (with a sigh of relief)—Shake!—Brooklyn Life.

### His Criticism.

"What do you think of our new oil painting?" asked Mrs. Cumrox.  
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# FREE FROM CONTEST

Coming Session of Congress to Be Without Excitement.

Two Men from Iowa Will Continue to Shape National Legislation—Some Historic Speaker-ship Fights.

[Special Washington Letter.] BY CONSTITUTIONAL requirement the congress must convene annually on the first Monday in December; and in compliance with that mandate of the basic law the statesmen are gathering.

Usually at the beginning of a new congress there is a scramble for the speakership and the offices of both the senate and the house of representatives; but this year there is no contest, no excitement, no indication of acrimony in any quarter.

The writer has witnessed many organizations of the congress, and remembers well the contests which resulted in the elections of Randall, Carlisle, Reed and Crisp to the speakership. In those days the adherents of the aspirants for that high honor were busy by day and by night during the two weeks preceding the convening of the congress. The older members were carefully watching the railroad depots and the hotel registers, either personally or by proxy, in order to gather in the new members and secure their votes in caucus for their favorites.

In November, 1883, the democrats had a majority of the house of representatives and the great contest was between ex-Speaker Sam Randall and John G. Carlisle, resulting in the selection of Carlisle. It was the first great battle inside of the democratic party between the protectionist and free trade elements. William R. Morrison, of Illinois, was the leader of the Carlisle faction, and his successful management naturally caused his subsequent selection for the chairmanship of the committee on ways and means. In that capacity a free trade bill was formulated by him, and it was well known as the Morrison bill. It was a celebrated measure, and all of the newspapers gave columns upon columns to its discussion. So fleeting is fame, however, that the name of neither Morrison nor Carlisle is now known to the average reader of daily newspapers.

The next great speakership contest was at the beginning of the Fifty-first congress, in November, 1889, when Reed, of Maine; McKinley, of Ohio; Burrows, of Michigan; Cannon, of Illinois; and Henderson, of Iowa, were the leading candidates. Mr. Reed was selected, and McKinley was made chairman of the committee on ways and means. A protectionist bill was framed which became celebrated as the McKinley bill. That measure was rejected by the people in 1890, and McKinley was defeated for reelection to congress. It is a singular fact that out of McKinley's defeat for reelection grew his presidential opportunities. He was twice elected governor of Ohio, in which position he served without flaw or blemish. The fame of the McKinley bill did not die. Thus he became the champion of protection, and his party kept him to the front until finally he was made president of the republic. Very well might he have repeated Tennyson's popular lines:

"'Tis hold it true with him who sings  
To one clear harp in divers tones;  
That men may rise on stepping stones  
Of their dead selves, to higher things."

The next great speakership contest was in November, 1891, when Crisp, of Georgia; Mills, of Texas; McMillin, of Tennessee; and Springer, of Illinois, were the leading candidates for that honor. The writer was in the room of the committee on appropriations that evening, when Springer, of Illinois, concluded to withdraw in favor of Crisp; and that brought about the selection of Crisp, with the subsequent appointment of Springer to the chair-



HON. JOSEPH H. MILLARD.  
(One of the New United States Senators from Nebraska.)

manship of the committee on ways and means.

Some time in May, 1889, Speaker Reed declared his intention of resigning from congress, and that opened another fight for the speakership in which Henderson, of Iowa; Hopkins, of Illinois; Sherman, of New York; and Bingham, of Pennsylvania, were the candidates before the republican caucus; but it was all over before the congress convened, and Henderson was chosen. That is an interesting story, and it has never been told before. Here are the facts: During the six months preceding March 2, 1899, Henry Casson, ex-secretary of state of Wisconsin, was a candidate for the position of director of the census. Mr. Hopkins, of Illinois, was chairman of the committee on the census. The Wisconsin men begged Mr. Hopkins to act as chair-

In urging Casson's appointment; but Mr. Hopkins declined to exert his influence in that manner, and on March 2, 1899, Mr. Merriam, of Minnesota, was appointed director of the census. In June following, when the speakership contest was being waged, it was a question whether the great west would support Hopkins, of Illinois, or Henderson, of Iowa. The Wisconsin members gathered in Milwaukee to decide for whom they would vote for the speakership. It was the recollection of the refusal of Mr. Hopkins to support Mr. Casson for the census directorship, and the keen recollection of the fact that Mr. Henderson, of Iowa, had diligently supported Mr. Casson, that was mainly instrumental in influencing the Wisconsin congressmen to decide in favor of Henderson; and that settled it. The en-



HON. PARIS GIBSON.  
(New United States Senator from the State of Montana.)

tire west fell into line for Henderson, and Mr. Hopkins withdrew. Col. Henderson also had the support of Pennsylvania's big delegation, by the withdrawal of Bingham, in his favor, and he was selected unanimously.

The contest for the speakership of two years ago will not be repeated. Speaker Henderson will be chosen without opposition by the republican caucus, and will be elected; because the republicans have a large majority in the house of representatives. This admitted fact accounts for the quiet and apparent apathy in political circles at this time. The democratic minority will choose Hon. James D. Richardson, of Tennessee, and all of the members of that party will vote for him. This is not an empty honor. The man who is chosen as the leader of the minority at this time will tacitly retain his leadership until such time as the democrats shall have a majority; and then, if he lives, Mr. Richardson will undoubtedly be chosen for the speakership. Therefore, it is that Mr. Richardson seeks and will receive the nomination of his party, because he is looking to the future for his preferment. Wise men in the political world must have the sagacity to peer into the coming years, and "learn to labor and to wait."

There will be no political contest of any kind in the organization of the senate. That body always has a "president pro tempore," whose duty it is to preside during the absence or inability of the vice president to perform his functions. When the last congress adjourned Vice President Roosevelt was the presiding officer of the senate, and Senator Frye, of Maine, was the presiding officer pro tempore. Inasmuch as the senate is a continuing body, and does not need reorganization every two years (as the house of representatives does) Senator Frye will take the gavel and call the senate to order, without the intervention of a caucus or other parliamentary machinery.

Because the senate is a continuing body, it will not be necessary to elect sergeant at arms, secretary or other officers. The senate, in January, 1900, elected its officers, and they will continue to serve until such time as the present minority shall have a majority, when complete changes will occur in all of the prominent official positions.

The senate has no masterful official who has power to shape legislation. The party which happens to be in the majority at any time holds caucuses and selects the chairmen and members of the committees. The senate itself retains the power which the house gives to its presiding officer. The senate majority always recognizes its oldest members, those longest in continuous service, as leaders.

Because of these diverse conditions in the two bodies comprising the congress, a singular condition is now presented. Senator Allison, of Iowa, is chairman of the committee on appropriations, chairman of the steering committee which shapes legislation, and chairman of the majority caucus. Because of his 24 years of continuous service, he is the recognized leader of the senate in all things.

Thus, by reason of events which seem to have shaped themselves, two men from Iowa, Senator Allison and Speaker Henderson, both of them not only from the same state, but also from the same county, and from the same city, Dubuque, have marvelous power in the congress. The one shapes and controls affairs in the house of representatives; the other as unostentatiously shapes affairs in the senate. These two men, from the same city, have more power in national affairs than any other two men on earth, excepting the czar of Russia, and the emperor of Germany. And the senators and representatives cheerfully follow their leadership; for they are honorable men, as well as capable of performing their high

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## AN EXPERIENCE MEETING.



Hungry Howard—Say, Mister, I ain't had a square meal fer 'ree days.  
Jonesy—Shake, old man; my wife can't cook, either.—Chicago Daily News.

### A Hand Game.

Although in an unselfish tone  
Men preach the golden rule anew,  
Each always tries to keep his own  
And gets the other fellow's, too.  
—Washington Star.

### Her Natural Expression.

She—I positively look silly in that photograph.  
He—I suppose the photographer asked you to look natural, didn't he?  
—Yonkers Statesman.

### An Accommodating Beggar.

"I can't give you anything, my man; charity begins at home."  
"All right, boss; I'm willin' to go home with you."—N. Y. Herald.

### Getting Along Nicely.

George—How is your suit with Miss de Pink progressing?  
Jack—Finely. When I call now her dog wags his tail.—Tit-Bits.

### The Way to Poverty.

"How did he lose his fortune?"  
"His daughter married a nobleman."—Town Topics.

Direct from Distiller to Consumer, is the plan by which The Hayner Distilling Co., of Dayton, Ohio, are disposing of their entire output. Try four full quarts for \$3.20, express prepaid. See their offer appearing elsewhere in this issue.

"Oatmeal water, two cents a glass!" cried a thrifty sidewalk merchant in Philadelphia one of those hottest days. Crowds of people, men and women alike, surged about him as though at a bargain counter sale, and it was evident that he believed in making hay while the sun shone. "Oatmeal water, two cents a glass!" he continued to yell. "Healthful and nutritious! Prescribed by all doctors. Drink oatmeal water and save your lives!" It seemed as though everybody within the sound of his voice had heard of the medicinal qualities of oatmeal water as a hot weather beverage, and the man was simply overwhelmed with customers. Five buckets were emptied in an incredibly short space of time, and he went away for more.

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# CHASES STRAWBERRIES.

Liverpool Millionaire Who Travels Much in Quest of the Fresh Fruit.

The queerest fad of a millionaire globe trotter is that of John K. Hampton, of Liverpool. He made his millions on the corn exchange and holds the golden key to the world's pleasures. Yet he spends his life chasing the strawberry, says the Cincinnati Enquirer.

When he was working night and day amassing gold he found that a plate of really fresh strawberries and cream was the finest delicatessen he could have. Fortune smiled on him in 1891, and the following year found him so wealthy that further work would have been madness. It was early September and he went at once to Cairo, where fresh strawberries can be obtained during that month. Since that date he has regularly followed the late spring, and so the strawberry, from Cairo to Algiers, from Algiers up through Spain from south to north, and likewise through France. Then, in early May, when the strawberry season in that country is finishing, he crosses to the Channel Isles and chases the smiling fruit across to Cornwall, generally landing in England in the middle of June. His trip finishes in Scotland at the end of August, when he takes a through ticket back to Cairo, and so commences his tour again.

### The Man Got Away.

Miss Ann Teek—I discovered a burglar in our parlor last evening.  
Miss Sharpe—My! Did you faint?  
Miss Ann Teek—O, no. I tried to catch him, but—  
Miss Sharpe—But you had your usual poor luck, eh?—Philadelphia Press.

### A Shameless Maid.

Miss Highup—I think Miss Glober-troit ought to be ashamed of herself. She says she found the paintings of the old masters dreadfully stupid.  
Miss Wayup—So do many others.  
Miss Highup—Yes; but she says so.—N. Y. Weekly.

## IN THE WINTER.

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For coughs and colds Benson's Porous Plasters are an incomparably better remedy than any other—external or internal. Their medicinal properties enter the skin and go straight to the seat of the disease. They relieve and cure a "seated" cold without disturbing the system or upsetting the stomach. Cough mixtures often nauseate. Benson's Plasters are medicinal in the highest degree, and quickest to act.

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Cautious But Inconsiderate Man.  
The young wife was weeping when her mother called.  
"It's all because of John," she wailed. "He's a brute and he doesn't love me any more. I asked him if I wasn't the dearest little wife in the world."  
"I know, I know," interrupted the elder woman. "And he said his check-book indicated that you were."  
"No, he didn't."  
"He didn't?"  
"No."  
"Well, husbands must have changed since I was a bride. What did he say?"  
"He said, very cautiously: 'Well, you know, my dear, I haven't seen them all.'"—Chicago Post.

### A Love Verse.

Her father gave the bride away  
To the bridegroom rich and old.  
But all the wedding guests that day  
Knew quite well she'd been sold.  
—Ally Sloper.

### IN SEARCH OF INFORMATION.



"She fell in love with me at last night's ball."  
"Really? How were you disguised, old man?"

### After the Struggle.

By toiling hard and trying long  
And suffering many a wrench and blow  
He rose, at last, above the throng,  
And turned to look at those below.  
His boyhood friends and neighbors came,  
He saw their wonder and was glad,  
Until he heard them all exclaim:  
"Well, well! what luck the fellow's had!"

"The pitcher that goes often to the well is broken at last." There's a world of wisdom in that familiar proverb, and a sound application of it to disease, especially to such familiar forms of disease as coughs and colds. Singularly enough the very thing that ought to cause alarm is given as excuse for a feeling of safety. "It's nothing; only a cough. I've had it before." The fact that a cough recurs periodically should be warning enough to take it in time, for the most serious and mischievous of all maladies begins with a cough.

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Unknown New Jersey.  
There are parts of New Jersey, within a very short distance of Philadelphia, too, which, strange as it may seem, are but little more known to-day than they were 200 years ago. In fact, there are portions of the "Pine Barrens" which have never known the tread of a white man.

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### Is Punishment Beneficial?

This question was asked of a large number of persons: What punishments or rewards have you ever had that did you good or harm? The majority claimed to be benefited by punishment. The boys thought the effects of a good plain talk were salutary, and none had complaint to make against a good "dressing down." Many were grateful for having had a punishment in due season. There is a time in many a boy's life when he thinks he is lord of everything, and it would seem that a good whipping is often the best way to cure this defect. Tenderness is excellent for most children, but there are certain natures on whom it is wasted, because they simply abuse it. Conscience does not seem to be very powerful in children before the age of nine. Preaching or advice unsought for does not seem to do much good, while suggestion does. As to the influence of companions, it was great between the ages of ten and fifteen. This influence is next to that of home.—Everybody's Magazine.

### How Smoke Travels.

A dim, dry fog prevalent in Germany, known as the Hohrauch, has been traced for a distance of 150 miles from its supposed source without great diminution of its intensity or distinctive smell. It is commonly attributed to the extensive burning of peat in North Germany, where the tillers of the soil will at certain seasons hoe up the rank growth of their fields and burn it on a large scale. A haze of a very similar description has been observed in New England and Upper Canada; so also, according to Livingstone, in the Barotse valley; the cause in all cases being assigned to the extensive burning, often at a great distance, of grass or forest timber. The self-same results must be looked for in the case of the burning of coal on an equally gigantic scale in London, with the one difference that the effect must be incomparably more pernicious.—London Mail.

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