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A school-teacher of Rochester, N. Y., boxed the ears of a pupil rather more severely than the mother of the lad thought best, according to the Post- speakership and his defeat for reelec-

FREE FROM CONTEST

Coming Session of Congress to Be Without Excitement.

Two Men from Iowa Will Continue to Shape National Legislation -Some Historic Speakership Fights.

[Special Washington Letter.] Y CONSTITUTIONAL require-B ment the congress must convene December; and in compliance with of Iowa, had diligently supported Mr. that mandate of the basic law the Casson, that was mainly instrumental statesmen are gathering.

Usually at the beginning of a new gressmen to decide in favor of Henspeakership 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 memroad 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 democrata had a majority of the house of repre sentatives 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 Mc-Kinley was defeated for reelection to congress. It is a singular fact that Express. She sent the teacher this tion grew his presidential opportuni- and "learn to labor and to wait."

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 energy. One sleepless directorship, and the keen recollecannually on the first Monday in tion of the fact that Mr. Henderson, night works more lasting

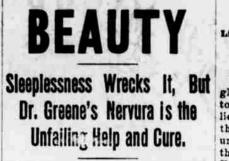
in influencing the Wisconsin con-

congress there is a scramble for the derson; and that settled it. The en-



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 out of McKinley's defeat for the political world must have the sa-

gacity to peer into the coming years, News.



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Mrs. Martha Jordan, lew Vineyard, Maine,



Hungry Howard-Say, Mister, 1 sin't had a square meal fer t'ree days.

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 Teck-I discovered a burglar in our parlor last evening. Miss Sharpe-My! Did you faint? Miss An Teek-O, no. I tried to catch him, but-

Miss Sharpe-But you had your usual poor luck, ch?-Philadelphia Press.

A Shameless Maid.

Miss Highupp-I think Miss Globetrott ought to be ashamed of herself. She says she found the paintings of the old masters dreadfully stupid. Miss Wayupp-So do many others.

Miss Highupp-Yes; but she says so .- N. Y. Weekly.

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days. Jonesby-Shake, old man; my wife ean't cook, either.-Chicago Daily have declared them to be one of the fow

"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 feel-ing of safety. "It's nothing; only a

ing of safety. "I cough, I've had it before." The fact The fact that a cough re-curs periodically should be warning enough to take it in time, for the most serious and disastrous of all maladies begins with a cough.

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rhages, diseases which if neglected or unskilfully treated find a fatal termination in consumption. Accept no substitute for "Golden Med-Ical Discovery." There is no other med-icine "just as good" for weak lungs.

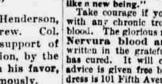
icine " just as good " for weak lungs. "I was very sick indeed," writes Mrs. Mollie Jacobs, of Felton, Kent Co., Delaware, "and our Imity doctor said I had consumption. I thought I must die soon for I felt so bad. Had a bad cough, spit blood, was very short of breath, in fact could hardly get my breath at all some times. I had pains in my chest and right lung, also had dyspepsia. Before I took your "Golden Medical Discovery" and 'Pleasant Pellets' I was so weak I could not sweep a room, and now I can do a small washing. I worked in the person. I believe that he Lord and your medi-tions have saved my life. I was sick over two years. I took thritteen bottles of the 'Golden Medical Discovery,' and four vials of Dr. Pierce's P. Pierce's Common Same Medical

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Unknown New Jersey.

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note: "Nature has provided a proper ties. He was twice elected governor of place for the punishment of a boy, and Ohio, in which position he served withit is not his ear. I will thank you to out flaw or blemish. The fame of the use it hereafter."

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Not to Be Forgotten.

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A Mean Doctor.

The Doctor (after seeing Mrs. Smythe)-It's nothing serious. Mr. Smythe-No?

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.

"Well," answered Mr. Cumrox, "it looks right good from the front, but if you turn it around and look at the other side I must say the material seems kind o' cheap."-Washington Star.

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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:

"L hold it truth with him who sings To one clear harp in divers tones; That men may rise on stepping stone

Of their dead selves, to higher things." The next great apeakership 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



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 lowa; 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: 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 cheerfully follow their leadership: on the census. The Wisconsin men for they are honorable men, as well berged Mr. Hopkins to act as chair as capable of performing their high

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 Reosevelt 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 initervention 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 majority at any time holds cau-cuses 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.

sented. Senator Allison, of Iowa, is chairman of the committee on appropriations, chairman of the steering committee which shapes legislation, and chairman of the majority nized leader of the senate in all things.

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 During the six months preceding 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

A Hand Game.

Although in an unselfish tone Men preach the golden rule anew, Each always tries to keep his own And get 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 ge 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.

positions. The senate has no masterful official who has power to shape legislation. The party which happens to be in the material official discussion of their entry output. The party which happens to be in the material official discussion of the senate output. The party which happens to be in the material official discussion of the senate output. The party which happens to be in the material official discussion of the senate output. The party which happens to be in the senate output. The party which happens to be in the senate output. The party which happens to be in the senate output. The party which happens to be in the senate output. The party which happens to be in the senate output. The party which happens to be in the senate output. The senate output.

"Oatmeel 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 evi-Because of these diverse conditions | dent that he believed in making hay in the two bodies comprising the con- | while the sun shone. "Oatmeal water, gress, a singular condition is now pre- 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 caucus. Because of his 24 years of of his voice had heard of the medicinal continuous service, he is the recog- qualities of oatmeal water as a hot weather beverage, and the man was simply overwhelmed with customers. Thus, by reason of events which Five buckets were emptied in an incredibly short space of that, and he went away for more.

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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-

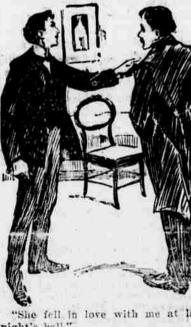
"I know, I know," interrupted the elder woman. "And he said his checkbook indicated that you were." "No, he didn't." "He didn't?" "No."

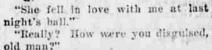
"Well, husbands must have changed since I was a bride. What did he say?" "He said, very cautiously: 'Well, you know, my dear, I haven't seen them

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.







After the Struggle. By tolling hard and trying long And suffering many a wrench ich and bloy And suffering many a wrench and now 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: "Wellt wall phat luck the fellow shad!"

Is Punishment Beneficial?

This question was asked of a large number of persons: What punish-ments 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 sgainst 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 greatest 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 Ger-many, known as the Hohrauch, has been traced for a distance of 150 miles from its supposed source without great dimination 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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