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Secretary.**Items Gathered in
From Far and Near****Blacklisting Drunkards.**

From the Philadelphia Ledger.—New Jersey is trying out an interesting experiment looking to the elimination of the habitual drunkard by the expedient of having prepared an official list of persons to whom saloon-keepers are forbidden, under penalty, to sell liquor at any time. It has not progressed far enough to warrant a judgment as to its wisdom or practicality, but there have already arisen some curious controversies in connection with its enforcement. One of these has just been made the subject of a judicial decision at Glassboro, which is to the effect that the "board of protectors" is guilty of "malice" in having placed the name of a fellow-citizen on the obnoxious list. This is only one, however, of the many questions which so drastic a law is likely to raise, and much more serious and prolonged litigation will be the probable outcome.

The Secret Divorce Abuse.

From the New York Times.—Secretary in divorce suits when the parties have high social standing in the community is growing into a grave abuse in our courts. The law authorizes the withholding of testimony from the public eye when, in the opinion of the referee or the court, its publication might endanger public morals. This privilege, however, was never intended to permit the wealthy to get their divorces with little trouble and next no publicity. The proceedings in the Rockland county court yesterday, when a man and woman of large fortune and influence were divorced, were such as to make the administration of the law seem farcical.

Business.

From the Dayton News.—There is not a section of the United States that does not report at the end of the week an increased volume of business. From every quarter come reports of great activity, of a shortage of labor, of a car famine, or a threatened car famine, of new industries and increased operations. The fall trade is satisfactory everywhere.

Teaching Swimming.

From the New York World.—The inclusion of swimming among the required studies of the Boston high school is a new and a commendable departure in public-school education. It is likewise one for which graduates will have reason to be grateful in after years.

Champions Come and Go.

From the Philadelphia Inquirer.—Walter J. Travis has gone down in defeat before a great unknown who turns out to be a Philadelphian. Let every crack golfer beware lest he fall. A possible champion on the links is born every minute.

Certainly Not.

From the Memphis Commercial Appeal.—"Swinging around the circle" has certainly not impaired Taft's chances for a second term.

Crumbling.

From the New York Telegram.—Cracks in the courthouse? Huh, go look at Tammany Hall!

TWINKLES

(By Philander Johnson)

Unlucky.

"What's the number of your automobile?"

"I don't remember what it is," answered Mr. Chuggins. "But it ought to be thirteen."

A Question.He got a dollar safe and sure
For every word! Oh, lucky chance,
Is this a case of literature.

Or is it simply high finance?

And Yet Rollo Doesn't Understand.
"Father," said Little Rollo, "what
is an iconoclast?"

"An iconoclast, my son, is usually a

THE VEIL LIFTED

Since the Winona speech the people of Indiana, particularly in this Sixth Congressional District, at least, have been wondering at the friendliness of President Taft toward Cannon, Aldrich, Payne and to the protected interests. During the debate in Congress over the tariff, it was believed in Indiana that the president would keep to the spirit of his speech of acceptance of the nomination of the republican party.

That these promises were unequivocal is certain, when it is recalled that they were frequently used by Senator Beveridge to defend his Republicanism when assailed and taunted by Mr. Aldrich. Those same promises were quoted by the Indiana Republican Editorial Association in giving its support to Senator Beveridge on the occasion of Aldrich's attempt to "read Beveridge out of the party."

When Beveridge did not vote for the tariff he was applauded by the whole state of Indiana and by the people all over the United States, whose representatives and senators had proved faithless to them.

These same people awaited the movements of the Chief Executive. He signed the tariff bill and through the influence of the ten Republican insurgents in the senate secured all the "substantial reductions" which were forced out of the conference committee.

The people then were disposed to say that Taft had done the best he could under the circumstances—those circumstances being Aldrich and Cannon.

But the laudation of Aldrich at Boston and the similar performance at Winona, left the people wondering what is going on behind the veil.

And now that veil is lifted.

The correspondence between Mr. Taft and Mr. William Dudley Foulke (so unofficially official) throws far more light on the situation than if the whole correspondence had been made public.

In another place in this issue we carry a story reprinted from Mr. Charles P. Taft's paper, the Cincinnati Times-Star, which shows more plainly than ever what has already been suspected. What the news story in Mr. Charles Taft's paper shows is that the president is having the wool pulled over his eyes as to the true situation all over the country. The article has been dictated by Some One—with the chances that that Some One was none other than Mr. Charles Taft, who, owing to the amount of money which he put up for his brother's election, may be thought to have some weight in the councils of the administration.

It seems probable that the influence of Mr. Taft's immediate family has been cunningly expressed as hoping that he will have an administration for himself and that he need not adhere to the Roosevelt policy or methods. Add to this Mr. Taft's judicial inertia, his too good nature and surround him with a sphere of influence constantly radiating conservatism and the thing can be plainly seen.

There is certainly something in the remark of Collier's Weekly when it says of the President:

"He is in the midst of extreme conservatives, some honest, some not. Those nearest in his councils include Duffy's Malt-Whisky-Sherman, golfer, fryer of fat, and Vice-President of the United States; Senator Aldrich, boss, bully, and chief asset of Big Business in its control of legislation; Payne, constructor in the House of the disappointing tariff compromise; Hitchcock, political manager to his finger-tips; Knox, as ignorant of progressive public spirit as Collier's is of radiogram; and lastly Richard Achilles Ballinger, tricky, furtive, and menacing to the most far-reaching interests at present before the Administration for consideration."

It is a tragedy that is passing before our eyes. Mr. Taft, in our opinion, is honest—but he is being deceived. In the words of the street he has proved an easy mark or as Collier's well remarks:

"Mr. Taft's character is so high, his aim so pure, his intellect so clear and trained, that nothing can prevent approval from the people in the long run except two amiable human traits: blind confidence in those about him, and dislike of controversy."

From the internal evidence presented by the story of Mr. Charles Taft's apparent dictation, we are of the opinion that in his personal letter to the President, Mr. Foulke told the exact temper, not only of the people of Indiana and the Middle West, but also of the whole country.

When the correspondence is published, it will be more easy for the people to see the false impressions which have been poured into President Taft's ear by his immediate surroundings. It is apparent from the really official statement of Mr. Charles Taft's organ, the Times Star, that the President is being played upon for purposes which are not honorable.

The President may awaken to the situation too late as he did in the Ballinger episode, in perfect trust of those friends in wolf's clothing.

We hope the correspondence will be published. It will do more for the Insurgent cause—the cause of the people, and more for the discomfiture of the bossism of the interests masquerading as Republicanism in the national Capitol than anything which has yet appeared. It may have the effect of disclosing to the President what has really been going on since his election this time last year.

man who seeks to overthrow other people's idols in the hope of seeking recognition of his own works of art."

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

Almost every one has need of more sense than he has.

Ever notice that when your judgment gets in its work it is too late?

A great many men imagine they would be governor if the office really sought the man.

It is awfully hard to believe that the man who catches you stealing jam found you at it accidentally.

When a widower is having a love affair, he must wonder what idiot wrote, "The whole world loves a lover."

When people are too easy with you, be careful. They may be letting out enough rope for you to hang yourself with.

Occasionally a man marries to prove that he can do as he pleases and finds when that is done that he no longer can.—Atchison Globe.

In the Great Game.

"I was in the hands of my friends," said the disappointed statesman.

"Yes," answered Senator Sorghum. "In the political game being in the hands of your friends is a pretty sure way to actually learn as much as we thinks we knows at twenty or thirty."

It is all swiftly he vented his rage. When they dragged him back there on the stage.

They cried "Get the hook!" and they got it!

But all swiftly he vented his rage. He blackened the eye of a stage hand. And the ears of the manager burn.

From his language so blue when he said "I'll teach you that even a hookworm will turn."

A fisherman sat by the water. On a dull and unpromising day. He patiently cast in an eddy. With never a bite to repay.

Then he threw the small barbs in the bilow.

And said to the fish. "You'll discern by my frown and my leer and my actions so queer.

That even a hookworm will turn."

A man with his fingers all punctured. Was trying to fasten a dress. He was softly repeating some language.

Whose purport 'twere needless to guess.

Then he lit a cigar and he vanished.

While his wife, still near-clad, seeks to learn.

Where her husband can be. He just writes, "Now you see

That even a hookworm will turn!"

Scott Told Him.

A dissipated and unmanly nobleman, presuming upon his "nobility," once asked Sir Walter Scott, who sat opposite him at dinner, what the difference was between Scott and so.

A local druggist expressed the opinion that every rheumatic and kidney sufferer will be grateful for this item.

**ITALIAN HAND OF
THE GOVERNOR IS
EVIDENT IN MOVE**

Captures Stokes Jackson, a Taggart Supporter, in His Plan to Reorganize the State Committee.

**HE WOULD ELIMINATE
TAGGART FROM GAME****Rules Will Be Changed, by the
Agreement, So That the
Time of Electing Delegates
Will Be Changed.**

(Palladium Special)

Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 22.—The announcement that Governor Marshall and Stokes Jackson, of Greenfield, democratic state chairman, have practically reached an agreement to work for a change in the rules of the democratic state committee so as to change the time when the committee shall be elected, has caused much comment here, because these two leaders represent, or are supposed to represent two different factions of the democratic party in this state. Jackson was elected state chairman by the Taggart men on the state committee two years ago, and has always been regarded as the representative of Taggart on the committee. On the other hand, Marshall was nominated for governor in spite of Taggart, who wanted Samuel J. Ralston, of Lebanon, nominated, and ever since, Marshall has been in the governor's office, he has been quietly working to bring about a reorganization of the state committee on a basis that would eliminate the influences that have been behind Taggart in the control of the state organization. There has not been any secret about this proposition.

At State Convention.

But now it is announced that Jackson and Marshall have decided, after a conference, to try to induce the organization to change the rules so that hereafter the new members of the state committee will be elected at the state convention instead of many weeks or months in advance, as is done at present. Just why they wish to make this change is a matter of speculation.

Jackson came to the city Saturday as had been planned, and when he left home he announced that he would call the members of the state committee to this city for a meeting on December 14. The purpose of this meeting will be to set a date for holding the primaries at which the delegates will be elected that will attend the district conventions and elect the district chairmen. All other matters relating to the reorganization of the state committee will be taken up at that meeting and be thrashed out.

Is Too Far Away.

It is even said that something will be considered with reference to the date for holding the state convention next year, but it is not at all likely that there will be any definite decision of that matter. The time for holding the state convention is too far away to require any consideration at this time.

Jackson also said he and the governor had discussed the proposed change in the time for electing the members of the state committee, and that they agreed that a change would be a good thing. Jackson calls attention to the fact that the national organizations elect national committees from the various states at the national conventions, instead of beforehand, and he believed it would be well to do the same thing in the states. He says it would be better for the party if the delegates at the state convention would meet by districts and elect the district chairmen in that manner.

It is possible that when the members of the state committee meet here on December 14, if the proposed change appeals to them as being proper, they may decide not to call any primaries for the election of delegates to elect district chairmen, but decide to wait and present the matter to the state convention next year. In such event the present members of the state committee would hold over until the state convention, and the present committee would have in its hands the arranging for the convention. This is regarded as an important job, especially next year, when the affairs of the party will have to be handled in a delicate manner in order to keep everybody in line and avoid eruptions.

Reiley Opposed to It.

Joseph Reiley, the secretary of the state committee, however, is opposed to the change, and his opposition makes the situation one difficult of understanding. Reiley is an out and out Taggart man of the most pronounced stripe, and always has been. He has been secretary of the state committee for so many years that no one is able to remember when he was not secretary, and he has held the office all the time because of Taggart's influence.

Therefore, whatever Reiley says is taken by many to be what Taggart thinks, and since Reiley is opposed to the change in the rule many persons believe Taggart is opposed to it, also. If this is true, then it probably means that Taggart is afraid of the present make-up of the committee. The present committee is his committee, of course, but it is not by any means unanimous in its support of Taggart.

It will be rememb'ed that when the committee met a year ago, last winter, for reorganization there was a long contest for the chairmanship. Tag-

**PEARY'S****OWN****STORY**

of the Discovery
of the North Pole
will appear
exclusively in