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Weakness of Human Nature.

Kansas City Journal: "Talk about the frailties of human nature," said a well-known insurance agent the other day, "no one sees how of good an opportunity I have to answer them as an insurance agent. An incident occurred a few days ago which illustrates the weak side of a neighbor's character which I had never sung cried to extol. A fire broke out in his house, and as you know that man went three blocks to a telephone rather than to my house was a telephone right in his own house was.

"I saw the fire soon after it started and rushed to give assistance. It was while helping to pack the things out that I discovered the 'phone and turned in the alarm. Now it takes a good deal of faith in humanity to believe that the owner had forgotten there was a telephone in his house. That he should have acted as he did undermines one's faith in people in general.

"Think of it. There I was sweating and endangering my life to save his property, while he was anxious evidently to have it burn. Such conduct doesn't encourage one to exert himself for others.

"Now, you are asking a leading question," replied the insurance man, with a guileless smile. "What I am saying is that the actions of that man are a sad commentary on human nature."

Too Realistic.

Times-Herald: "Boggs bought his wife one of those popular Indian brave calendars for a birthday present."

"Did it please her?"

"No. She was afraid to stay in the room with it. No now he has bought her a woodpecker."

Prosperity for 1901.

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CURE SICK HEADACHE.

BATTLE CREEK REPUBLICAN

C. P. MONTROSS, Publisher.

BATTLE CREEK, NEBRASKA

An American art student in Paris says: "There are many hundreds of young lives and young ambitions in the Quartier Latin, the student quarter of the globe. Fellows who fancy they are destined to become great artists have flocked here from all parts of the world, but they refuse to leave. They are there from all parts of the world, stranded, hopeless beggars, living on the charity of their fellow students. Take, for example, Jim Cass, a young man caught my attention—that of an Englishman named Jones, let us say. His father is an evangelist, who came over here a few years ago, leaving his two fellow sons as a legacy to the charities of the most pronounced type. He associates with nobody, and his only companion is a little black dog. He will live for days on bread and milk, and the chances he may buy meat for his dog.

William Henry Pierce, A. M., of Yale, '89, and of Harvard, '90, a negro, who has been appointed to the chair of natural science in the Tallahassee (Fla.) state normal and industrial school, received his A. B. from Yale in 1890, and was the only man in his class in the Yale graduate school. He was in the Harvard divinity school two years, and for four years was in the Harvard graduate school. He will present himself for the degree of Ph. D. in June. In 1891, he has held one of the graduate scholarships at Yale and a Jonas Sondell and Hopkins scholarship in the Harvard divinity school. In the fall of 1898 he was appointed to the Boston Brownings society, being the first negro ever so honored. Individual, speedy upon health. If you have any stomach trouble try Hostetter's Stomach Bitters which cure dyspepsia, indigestion and biliousness.

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CLAY ANTAGONIZES THE SUBSIDY BILL

Georgia Senator Makes the First Speech in Opposition to the Pending Measure.

WILL BE ANSWERED BY HANNA

Ohio Senator Pays Close Attention to the Georgian's Argument and Will Make Reply—Postal Bill Referred to Committee.

Washington, Dec. 13.—The first speech in opposition to the ship subsidy bill in the senate was delivered by Senator Clay of Georgia, one of the members of the committee on commerce, which reported it to the senate. He is regarded as one of the most vigorous opponents of the bill in the senate, and during nearly two hours was accorded close attention by senators on both sides of the chamber.

Senator Hanna, who expects to reply to Senator Clay's speech, gave him a particular attentive hearing.

In the early part of the session a lively colloquy was precipitated over the reference of the bill to the Ship Canal, Harbors and Rivers committee. Finally, it was decided to postpone the discussion of the question of referring the bill to the committee on commerce. This was a victory for the friends of the bill.

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Today no business session of the senate will be held, as the day will be devoted to the ceremonies in the chamber of the establishment of the seat of government in Washington.

A resolution by Senator Cockrell of Missouri was ratified by the senate, directing the appointment of a committee of the District of Columbia, Indian affairs, Pacific islands, territories and railroads be filled by the appointment of Senator Towne of Minnesota.

The resolution offered Monday by Senator Hoar, providing for the appointment of a joint committee of three senators to make the necessary arrangements for the inauguration of the president of the United States on March 4 next, was adopted without debate.

Postal Bill Referred.

The postal shortage bill, which was taken from the table, was laid before the senate, and President Pro Tem Frye said that he was obliged, in view of the previous action of the senate on a similar measure, to refer the bill to the committee on commerce.

Senator Aldrich, chairman of the committee on finance, said he would offer no objection to that motion. Senator Vest, of Missouri, a member of the finance committee, contended vigorously that the bill belongs, in his opinion, to the committee on finance, and referred to the committee on finance. He declared that if the bill was an honest effort to raise revenue, and if it was a dishonest measure it was an effort to raise a revenue dishonestly.

Senator Proctor, of Vermont, moved that the bill be referred to the committee on agriculture.

The question was discussed briefly by Senator Stewart, of Nevada, Senator Allison and Senator Hale, the last named declaring that the Grout bill was a measure the principle of which was to tax one industry at the expense of another.

Senator Pettigrew, of South Dakota, and Senator Vest declared that it was proposed in this bill to turn congress into a state legislature and make it exercise power which should be vested in the respective states.

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Montana Senatorial Cases.

Senator Carter called up the pending motion to refer the credentials of W. A. Clark, claimant of a seat from Montana, to the committee on privileges and elections, and the question was discussed by Messrs. Carter, Hoar, Tillman, Jones, Clark, was not duly and legally elected to a seat in the senate, that the election was by the legislature of Montana be referred to the committee.

Senator Hoar, of Georgia, inquired what the object of the inquiry was, and Senator Chandler replied that before the senate had had opportunity to act upon a resolution the senator from Montana (Clark) "has gone through the form of resigning and then has taken a recess appointment, and the situation," said Senator Chandler, "is not the same as it was when the resolution was offered." Continued discussion of the questions involved, in the opinion of Senator Hoar, should be held, whether reason why he desired the resolution should be postponed was that the senate ought to have time to take some positive action upon the matter with which the resolution was dealing, whole case, he maintained, had not been before the senate in consideration of Mr. Clark.

In the course of a long reply, Senator Hoar said that he could conceive of no legitimate purpose in the desire for the postponement of the resolution, which dealt with a question which practically was before the senate, and which, in the opinion of the privileges and elections committee might have some other purpose in view, which he could not at this time divine.

Senator Hoar, who had entered the senate chamber, said the debate was "too sanguinary, especially of the chairman of the committee," the mover of recommittal, by consent, went over till Thursday.

The senate took its thirty minutes' recess, and then adjourned out of respect to the memory of Senator Long, of Kansas.

Pending the resumption of the discussion on the ship subsidy bill, an act providing that entry by men under the age of twenty-five years in the regular United States army, navy or marine corps during the Spanish war or the Philippine insurrection shall have certain service deducted from the time required to perfect title under the homestead laws was passed.

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Senator Clay contended that the proposed legislation was not in the interest of the commerce of the United States, and that the most important, if not the only purpose to be gained by the enactment of the bill into law, was the benefit that was known and talked about the operation of the proposed legislation was that it would take from the people of the United States $9,000,000 a year for a period of twenty years, and donate that vast sum to the shipowners carrying the foreign trade of this country. In reply he said that man's business is to be heavily taxed, and the money so raised is to be distributed to the private interests of our other citizens.

Senator Clay contended that small vessels, which really carried the profit of the foreign commerce, would receive little more than the subsidy paid to the fast passenger steamers. He elaborated on this point, and claimed to be the "injustice and inequality" of the proposed legislation. He said that as soon as the hearing before the committee had ended the farmer or producer appeared to advocate the passage of the bill; while the shipowners whose nonpublished the time of the committee in pointing out great benefits to accrue to the farmers of this country from the passage of the bill.

After discussing the facilities of the United States for ship building, Senator Clay argued that there was no necessity for the bill, and that the shipbuilders and owners than to the farmer who produces wheat or cotton or corn. If the ship trust of the country is to subsidy, he contended the farmer should be the beneficiary.

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BRITAIN AND CANAL TREATY

Would Regret Adoption of Proposed Amendment—Secretary Hay's Attitude Purely Negative.

Washington, Dec. 11—A prominent official of the state department said today:

"There is no foundation whatever for the report that the British government entertains any fear that if Great Britain that the canal convention will, be ratified with the pending amendment, be accepted by the senate, Great Britain would be compelled to abrogate the treaty recently adopted. The secretary's exact attitude in the matter is that he would regret the action of the senate if it should amend the senate or any other authority in the matter, but he would be opposed. Every intimation, however, that has reached here goes to show that the adoption of any amendment would be regarded by the British authorities.

"Although a misunderstanding on some other reason, the impression was conveyed to the public as a result of the proceedings in the senate yesterday in connection with the Hay-Pauncefote treaty that Secretary Hay would resign his office if the pending Davis amendment to the Hay-Pauncefote treaty were