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To Succeed Col. Oswald Tilghman as Secretary of State.

Gen. N. Winslow Williams, of Baltimore city, and formerly brigadier-general on Gov. Warfield's staff, has been named by Gov. Crothers as his Secretary of State. The selection of Gen. Williams, while his name was not generally spoken of as the probable recipient of the honor, was well received.

WHY THE CHOICE WAS MADE.

Gov. Crothers said that General Williams' deep knowledge of existing conditions, together with his freedom from connection with faction and his legal ability, had greatly influenced him.

Speaking of his appointment, Gov. Crothers said:

"I have given the subject of the selection of Secretary of State much consideration and consulted many of my closest friends and others regarding the best-fitted man for the position. Many names of other excellent gentlemen were mentioned. The final selection of General Willians was on the grounds that I believed him in every way entirely competent and ably fitted to fill the position.

"There was no political preferment considered in the selection. While General Williams has been a lifelong Democrat he has never been affiliated with any factions in Baltimore. Because of his wide knowledge of city affairs and his general ability I believe General Williams will be of the greatest service to me during my term of office. He is a brilliant lawyer and this gives him additional qualifications to meet the requirements of the office."

BORN IN CLEVELAND.

Gen. Nathan Winslow Willaims was born in Cleveland 47 years ago. He is the son of the late John Butler Williams and received his elementary education in the public schools of Baltimore city and later attended Baltimore City College, after which he entered the department of law and political economy at the Johns Hopkins University. He was educated, grew up and was imbued with the spirit of the city and State while a youth and young man. He received his degree in law and was graduated from the Columbia University, of New York, in 1883.

Soon after being graduated and admitted to the bar of Maryland he was appointed an assistant in the State's Attorney's office under the late Chas. G. Kerr. Later he began the general practice of his profession with his brother, Henry W. Williams, and Mr. W. S. Thomas under the firm name of Williams, Thomas & Williams.

Governor Warfield appointed Mr. Williams brigadier-general and judge advocate on his staff.

In 1890 General Williams married Miss Annie Foster, daughter of Frederick Rose Foster, of Hartford, Conn. He has three children—Miss Annie Winslow Williams and Messrs. Frederick Foster Williams and John Winslow Williams.

General Williams is winely known and has a large circle of friends in Baltimore.

The chief delight and hobby of the General are reading and literature. Many of his hours are whiled away in his library, with his leather-bound friends, and others are employed in writing for magazines or more ambitious work. His best-known work is probably his book "A Master Hand," which has reached its fourth edition. The volume is a professional study of detective work.

Another appointment announced was that of J. Clarence Bowermrn, who will be Gov. Crothers' stenographer. Mr. Bowerman acted in the same capacity to former Governor Brown and made an excellent record.—Balto. Sun.

GREAT DEMAND FOR GRAIN.

Dealers Anticipate a Good Trade Next Year.

The grain trade during the year has been in many respects, one of the most remarkable in a long series of years, according to grain men. The demand has been extraordinary. There was a fair crop of wheat, supplemented by fair reserves; a large crop of corn, with considerable old corn remaining on which to do business, and railroads were not pushed to the degree to move freight experienced in recent years.

One of the most singular features of the trade has been the small movement of corn from contiguous territory, such as Maryland and Virginia. In former years the receipts of this description of corn have heen an important factor and furnished the basis for considerable activity. This year, owing to the damp condition of the grain, the movement so far has been so small as to challenge the record. In fact, it does not seem that there will be any increase until later on in the new year, when cold weather and drying conditions may enable the holders to market their grain with some assurance that it will pass grade.

Grain dealers say there seems every reason to anticipate a fair trade next year.

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WATCH THE LIPS.

Their Sensitive Muscles Make Them Great Telltales.

"It's a queer thing," remarked the professor, "how people can control their eyes and not their mouths."

The inventor with whom he happened to be talking made the comment that the professor probably meant tongues when speaking of mouths.

"No, I didn't mean tongues. I meant mouths," the professor rejoined. "I mean, if you want to be scientifically accurate, the action of the lip muscles. There's nearly always, in a moment of excitement, of exaltation, depression or emergency, a telltale movement on their part which can't be guarded against. Why can't it be guarded against? Because it is so largely unconscious. Most of us from our youth up have been trained to use our eyes and to use them in such a way as to conceal our emotions. It's different with the mouth. Perhaps we haven't advanced far enough to do two such important things at the same time. Anyway the fact remains that we don't do it.

"If, for example, I have reason to believe that a man is not telling me the truth I don't give my attention to his eyes. He may look at me as fearlessly as he wants. What I watch for is something significant in the region of his face below the nose. If there is no change in the expression of his lips I am disposed after all to believe him. But if there is the least trembling or twitching, the least exhibition, let us call it, of nervousness—well, then, I have my doubts."

"I suppose," observed the inventor, "that while that fact does not explain the wearing of the mustache it shows that the mustache has uses."

"It does," returned the professor, "but you must remember that the mustache, as a rule, doesn't obscure the lower lip. And the lower lip, if you'll take the trouble to notice, is if anything more revelatory than the upper one. It is usually that lip which gives the expression to the mouth. The upper lip follows suit, as it were."

"Well, well," said the inventor, fingering his mustache.—New York Press.

A KING'S UNDRESSING.

The Ceremony Was a Wonderful One In Louis XVI.'s Time.

In "Memoirs of the Comtesse de Boige" (1781-1814), edited from the original manuscript by Charles Nicoullaud, is found the following realistic description of the "coucher" of Louis XVI.:

"The king's coat, waistcoat and shirt were taken off. He stood there naked to the waist, scratching and rubbing himself as if he had been alone, in the presence of the whole court and often many strangers of distinction. The first valet handed the nightshirt to the most highly qualified person, to one of the princes of the blood if any were present. This was a right and not a favor. When the person was one with whom he was on familiar terms the king would often play tricks while putting it on, stepping on one side to make the holder run after him, accompanying these charming jokes with loud guffaws, which greatly vexed those who were sincerely attached to him. When his shirt was on he put on his dressing gown, while three valets unfastened his waist belt and knee breeches, which fell to his ankles, and in that garb, scarcely able to walk with these ridiculous fetters, he would shuffle round the circle of those in waiting. When the king had had enough of it, he shuffled backward to an armchair which was pushed into the middle of the room and dropped into it, lifting up his legs. Two pages on their knees immediately seized his legs, pulled off the king's shoes and let them drop with a crash, which was a point of etiquette. As soon as he heard the noise the usher opened the door, saying, 'Gentlemen will please pass out.' Those present went away, and the ceremony was finished. However, the person who was holding the candlestick was allowed to stay if he had anything special to say to the king, and hence the value that was attached to this strange favor."

Unlucky Suggestion.

An old vicar had a groom who had been detected stealing his master's oats. The vicar had not decided what course to take, and meantime the groom had gone to the curate to ask him to plead for him, and the sympathetic young fellow hastened to the rectory to appeal to the vicar. The old vicar heard his curate out, but looked obdurate, so as a last resource the curate quoted Scripture as a plea for leniency and said we were taught when a man took our coat to let him take the cloak as well.

"That's true," said the vicar dryly, "and as the fellow has taken my oats I am going to give him the sack."—London Answers.

Bulls In the Graveyard.

The kirkyard was full, and a brand new cemetery was laid out. Sandy McTavish, looking over it with Andrew Bruce, protested that it was "too continental" in style. "I'd rather dee than be buried in sic a spot," he declared.

Andrew was less difficult to please. "Weel, it's the verra reverse wi' me," he said, "for I'll be buried naewhere else if I'm spared."—Glasgow Times.

Elementary Arithmetic.

Judge—What age are you? Pat—Eight and fourscore my lord. Judge—And why not fourscore and eight? Pat—Because, my lord, I was eight before I was fourscore.—London Answers.

Ungratefulness is the very poison of manhood.—Sidney.

DRYING THIN GLASSES.

A Dealer Tells Why the Maid Breaks Them So Often.

"Our maid certainly worked destruction on those sherry glasses, those delicate little glasses," said the customer to the dealer. "There were six, and she broke three inside of three months."

"Oh, you got off easy, judging from the stories that come to us," replied the store man.

"Well, I see how it is," responded the customer. "I tried wiping a few of these glasses myself the other night, and the first thing I knew I wiped the side right out of one. As the maids say, 'Why, they break right in the towel!'"

"Now, if you would wait until they were nearly dry," remarked the dealer, "you'd never break any at all. Take this cordial glass with the very thin stem. You naturally seize it by the foot and turn it while you wipe the bowl with the other hand. While the glass is wet the dish towel, gripped between two fingers, holds the bowl like a vise, and you just naturally twist the stem in two. But if you let the glass get nearly dry the towel slips, and the danger is over."

"Doesn't that make streaked glasses?"

"No, not if the water and towels are clean. Of course you ought to have towels that you use only for glassware. Towels that have been used on dishes are likely to have grease on them, and grease is the great enemy of brilliancy in glassware."

"Then can soap be used in the water?"

"Oh, yes. We use pure white soap with ours. The main point is to have the water hot enough. That helps with the drying, too, because when you take a glass out of very hot water and set it aside to drain it will dry itself before you can take a towel to it. Tissue paper is good as a polisher because usually it has never touched grease. Alcohol has a reputation as a polisher, but its function is rather to clean. Cut up potatoes are good to shine up the insides of pitchers and carafes."—New York Post.

A FAREWELL CHAT.

Interview Between the Boss and the Man He Fired.

Neither of the partners had arrived, and the clerks that morning were indulging in their usual bout of gossip.

"Did I tell you, chaps, that I was leaving?" drawled the languid swell of the staff, whose incompetence was as palpable as the splendor of his attire.

"Heard you'd got the sack," replied the spectacled cashier gruffly.

"I answered an advertisement yesterday for what looks like a first class job," resumed the overdressed one, ignoring the remark. "I've pitched rather a strong yarn, but you've got to do that if you want to keep up with the times."

Just then the senior partner entered, and all wrote intently.

Within five minutes the "old man," who had been opening letters, called the last speaker into his room, and the following dialogue became plainly audible to those outside:

"Have you been in our service seven years?"

"No, sir; only fifteen months."

"And is your salary £4 10s. a week?"

"Eh, no, sir; 30 shillings."

"And are you in entire charge of the counting house?"

No reply.

"And are you leaving us because of a difference with the firm regarding the management of our colonial branches?"

Dead silence and a short pause.

Then the old man:

"You should be more careful in your statements, sir. This is a small world. The advertisement you answered was for the situation you are leaving on Saturday. That will do."—London Tit-Bits.

Americanism In England.

The following speech is put into the mouth of an American heiress in an English story called "A Subaltern of Horse:"

"I've a hunch that this is the biggest game of spoof I've officiated in yet, Mr. Herries. You have a nerve and no mistake." Then as Herries withdrew she caught sight of Fox's smiling face. The Bud turned on him hotly. "You were in this too. I like your neck. You'll have to pitch a tale to pop. He's drawn on a man for less out west. Come, Margi, let's get; we're the lobsters this hike. Captain, will you please escort us to our carriage?"

He Aimed Higher.

He kissed her hand.

She withdrew it hastily and gazed reproachfully at him.

"I didn't think it of you," she said, almost tearfully. "I had always considered you a young man with ideals and"—

"I—I am sorry if I have offended," he stammered. "I"—

"Well," she said bitterly, "I certainly expected you to aim higher."

So he took heart and made new resolutions and things.

A French Bull.

On seeing the gallantry of the Moors the commandant could not help clapping his hands and exclaiming, "Bravo!" as he advanced with his saber in one hand and his revolver in the other.—Cor. Paris Matin.

General Smashup.

Mrs. Benham—It seems as if everything was broken when we moved. Benham—Shouldn't wonder. I know the moving broke me. — New York Press.

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