

Personal Gossip.

David M. Stone, editor of the New York Journal of Commerce, boasts that he has not been absent from his editorial chair for recreation in more than thirty years, but his is not a good example to follow. Few men can endure such unremitting application to business.

The record of young Irving Hale, of New York, who carried off the highest honors at West Point this year, beats any record that was ever made at that famous institution. The boy commenced at the head of his class. He was first in every study in the first year he entered the academy. In the second year he held his first position in all his studies but one, and in the third year he found himself again at the head in every branch of study. He now stands first in the graduating class in all but one study, Spanish, and in that there is but one-tenth of a mark between him and Cadet Sanford, who is first. Hale is the son of a school teacher. He will be assigned to duty in the engineer corps United States army.

A Vassar College girl-graduate thus treated the "dude" in her recent commencement essay: "God made the dude, therefore let him stand for a man. Man wants but little here below, nor wants that little long. The dude is a curious specimen of the genus homo, made over a year ago. The brain of a dude is not the real brain—it is only something like it. The object of the dude is to render himself agreeable to society. Had Darwin lived he would have used the dude as an illustration of the development of the species. His plumage, though not brilliant, is abundant. All the sensible of both sexes tire of him. In the future he will exist only in a museum of anatomy."

United States Minister Lowell presented a gold medal to George Read, formerly chief of the life-boat brigade at Deal, Eng., for an act of heroism performed by him nearly twenty-two years ago. In October, 1862, the American ship Annie Hooper was wrecked off the Kentish coast near Deal, and Read and his men by the exercise of great skill and daring, in which Read especially imperiled his life, succeeded in rescuing the whole crew of the doomed vessel. In replying to Mr. Lowell's eulogistic speech and accepting the medal, Read said that he had only done his duty, and that in fact the circumstance had made so little impression upon him that when he was notified that he was to receive a medal he had almost forgotten the occurrence of the wreck.

The marriage of Mr. Hallam Tennyson to Miss Audrey Boyle was solemnized at Westminster Abbey, proved to be the leading society event of the season. The bridegroom is the eldest son of the poet laureate, and was named for his father's earliest and warmest friend, Arthur Hallam, whose untimely death inspired the poem, "In Memoriam." In addition to the poet laureate and scores of lords, both temporal and spiritual there were present Premier Gladstone, Minister Lowell, Mr. Henry Irving, and a host of other celebrities. The bride was charmingly attired in a robe of ivory-colored satin covered with Brussels lace, and a rich bridal veil with pearl and diamond ornaments. There were ten bridesmaids uniformly dressed in silk of the palest blue, with India muslin overskirts. The bride received over three hundred presents, including the inevitable India shawl.

Princess Elizabeth, of Hesse, and Grand Duke Sergius, of Russia, were married in the chapel of the Winter Palace, St. Petersburg, recently, with the customary pomp. Two services were performed, the first in accordance with the orthodox ritual and the second according to the Lutheran rites. At the conclusion of the services a salute of 101 guns were fired in honor of the newly-wedded couple. A state banquet was given in the afternoon, at which toasts were offered in honor of the Czar and Czarina, the bride and bridegroom, and the Grand Duke of Hesse. In the evening there was a grand ball. All the festivities were on a scale of unusual magnificence. The Grand Duke Sergius is brother of the Emperor, and was born May 11, 1857. The Princess is the daughter of the late Princess Alice, second daughter of Queen Victoria. She is 20 years old.

Carlyle on Webster.

Daniel Webster's personal appearance was so striking that people would turn and gaze at him as he walked the streets. Even that grim, cynical critic, Carlyle, seems to have been impressed by the American statesman. In writing from London to Mr. Emerson, he thus speaks of him:

"Not many days ago, I saw at breakfast the noblest of all your Notabilities, Daniel Webster. He is a magnificent specimen; you might say to all the world, 'This is your Yankee-Englishman; such Limbs we make in Yankee-land!'"

As a Logic-fencer, Advocate, or Parliamentary Hercules, one would incline to back him at first sight against all the extant world.

The tanned complexion, that amorphous, crag-like face; the dull black eyes under their precipice of brows, like dull anthracite furnaces, needing only to be blown; the mastiff mouth, accurately closed;—I have not traced as much of silent Berkserkir-rage, that I remember of, in any man. "I guess I should not like to be your nigger!"

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