

SENATORS FROM KANSAS.

Hoodoo Which Seems to Attach to Line of "Fated Succession"—Bad Luck Follows Them.

John T. Ingalls' "fated succession" is vividly recalled to mind by the present trouble in which Senator Burton finds himself. The brilliant Atchison statesman so designated the line of Kansas United States senators that started out with Gen. James H. Lane.

Those in the "fated succession," says the Topeka Capital, were James H. Lane, Edward G. Ross, Robert Crozier, Alexander Caldwell, James M. Harvey, Preston B. Plumb, Bishop K. Perkins, John Martin, Lucien Baker and the present Senator J. Ralph Burton. Lane committed suicide. Ross committed political suicide by voting against the impeachment of Andrew Johnson, and was driven out of his party. Crozier, who served about a year by appointment, died without leaving a single mark by which his brief senatorial career can be remembered. Caldwell resigned after two years' service to escape investigation.

Harvey, although he had been governor of his state and had made a fairly good reputation as such, made a very insignificant senator, and was, after three years' service, defeated for reelection and dropped out of political life. Plumb died in office at Washington. Perkins served a brief term by appointment and is scarcely remembered as a senator. Martin served two years, and left the senate poorer in purse and with less prestige than he possessed when he went in. Baker was almost a total failure, and his crushing defeat for reelection at the hands of Burton is still warm in the memory of the people of Kansas.

DISEASE NEEDS WATCHING.

Whooping Cough Not Simple Little Affair Many Suppose—Nearly as Fatal as Scarlet Fever.

Eliza H. Root calls attention, says the Woman's Medical Journal, to the fact that this disease is too little dreaded by the medical profession and that it is by no means the simple affair that many seem to suppose.

From the United States census of 1900 we find that 663 died in New York from whooping cough and 549 from scarlet fever. In Chicago 141 died from whooping cough and 373 from scarlet fever; Philadelphia, 179 from whooping cough, 182 from scarlet fever, and so on in the different cities. Death from whooping cough occurs most frequently from pneumonia as a complication that induces heart failure, or a bronchitis may occur that ends in suffocation. Asphyxia or marasmus due to the continued ejecting of the food or loss of appetite may cause death.

Even when death does not occur, severe disturbance of the nervous system may remain, as weakness of the intellect and memory, imbecility. Visual defects, strabismus, blindness and deafness, partial or complete, and even deaf-mutism may remain. Whooping cough, it is evident, should be under the control of health authorities, subject to quarantine and other preventive measures as much as scarlet fever.

In the words of Admiral Alexieff "Veni, Vidi, Ratsky!"

FORTUNE HUNTERS.

Marriages of Many American Girls of Wealth to Titled Foreigners Turn Out Unfavorably.

The marriage of many American girls of wealth to titled foreigners is just now receiving more than usual attention. The disclosures regarding the post-wedding experience of some of the brides who have left their homes and native land to become the wives of real or bogus noblemen of Europe are in many cases humiliating and distressing.

Margaret Van Etten in a cabled article from Vienna gives a few of the names of American women who have come to grief by such foreign alliances. There are thirteen on her list, and the number might be increased by a thorough study of the newspaper files. Every woman mentioned married a title, and most, if not all of them, were subjects of extensive newspaper notice when their weddings occurred. Their triumph was in the blaze of publicity; their humiliation and suffering have been chiefly in private. In every case cited these women have either secured divorces or are living apart from their husbands.

Some of the daughters of Americans of wealth, says the Rochester Democrat and Chronicle, have contracted happy marriages with foreigners and by their subsequent lives have reflected honor upon their native land in their new homes. There is no reason why an English nobleman should not fall in love with a rich American girl and marry her, precisely as he might have loved and married a poor English girl. It is not such cases which are open to criticism, but the numerous alliances which are clearly the product of fortune-hunting negotiators.

THE MODERN INDIAN.

Charges White Man an Admission Fee if He Wants to See Moki Snake Dance.

The Indians are rapidly "catching on" to the ways of the white man. The Moki snake dance for 1903 at Wolpi, Arizona, on the Santa Fe, is a good example of how the modern commercial spirit is spreading. Until now visitors have been permitted to witness this spectacle without money and without price, the Indians being content with what they could pick up from the camera fiends for posing, and from the tourists generally for baskets, pottery and blankets. This year each visitor was charged a dollar, with a sliding scale of special favors like going down into the kiva where the snakes are kept.

The dance was just as weird as ever and the spectators more than got the worth of their money; but the old-timers sadly viewed the change and predict that the dance will be discontinued before many seasons have passed. You would better go to the next one, or it may be too late to see this most remarkable pagan ceremony.

The Santa Fe has on exhibition in its Chicago office a notable painting by Cross of a snake dancer, based on a sketch made by him while in Mokiland in 1858. The difference between then and to-day is quite evident in minor details of costume, but the main features are much the same.

During the month of July, 3,501 vessels, measuring 454,573 register tons net, used the North sea and Baltic canal against 3,217 ships and 413,466 tons in the same month of 1902. The dues collected amounted to 211,501 marks against 192,719 marks.

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