

THESE MEN SHAVE.

Only the fewest men in public life are entirely smooth shaven.

Bailey scrapes his dark countenance every morning. Senator George Frisbie Hoar lathers his cheeks before he takes his breakfast and Hoke Smith and Wilson S. Bissell are in the hands of the barbers daily. Senator Hoar's skin is very thin and very rosy. He used to look more like Horace Greeley than he does now. It was when he wore whiskers on his neck. Secretary Carlisle has no beard. His face is dark, sallow and angular. William McKinley, governor of Ohio, has never had whiskers. He resents being compared to Napoleon Bonaparte, but he has the same smooth shaven classic face. Ex-Vice President Morton scrapes his face every morning. He wears an iron gray wig, which is so carefully made that it is supposed to grow from the scalp. Colquitt objects to whiskers and Gorman's handsome face is striking enough without them.

ONE HUNDRED MUSTACHES.

There are 100 mustaches in the House of Representatives and about one-third of the Senators have hair on their upper lips. Jerry Simpson's mustache is of iron gray with a preponderance of black in it. He keeps it short and it fairly bristles. M. D. Harter has a gray mustache. The mustache of Boutelle of Maine is white and Tom Reed's little mustache is of the same color, with here and there a golden strand. Tim Campbell of New York has a mustache much like Jerry Simpson's. He always wears a white necktie and he looks like a preacher. One of the handsomest mustaches in the Senate is that of Gray of Delaware and a beautiful silvery one belongs to the rosy face of Butler of South Carolina. The handsomest whiskers in the Senate are those of Mitchell of Oregon. They are of a glossy chestnut brown and as you look at them and the handsome face of the Oregon Senator you do not wonder that he is the father of the beautiful Mattie Mitchell, whose handsome face was the sensation of the European capitals and who is now married to one of the old world's noblest dukes.

A WORD ABOUT LIPS.

The average mustache hides the lip of its owner and you do not thus get a fair view of one of the most characteristic features of a statesman's face. It will surprise you to know that the biggest and the brainiest men have thick lips. Now and then you meet one like George F. Edmunds, whose lower lip is thin, but a thick lip indicates character and the best men in public life have well developed under lips. Take Cleveland, the leaves of his mouth are half an inch thick and his jaw is of iron. Harrison had a thin lip, but the lip of Adlai Stevenson is as big as a baby's thumb, and that of Dave Hill, were it not kept so tightly pressed against his teeth, would be of equal size. The biggest lawyers in public life have strong jaws and thick lips. Take Justice Gray of the Supreme court, his under lip is as rosy as a piece of tenderloin steak and it shines out in its cherry like beauty above a strong full jaw. You can see Judge Fields' lip shining out through his beard of sable silver and Brewer has a pair of smooth shaven lips as thick as those of Julius Caesar. They make me think of the bust of Caesar in the Corcoran gallery and of a toothless old hag

whom I once saw standing before it. A beautiful girl was with her and they were discussing the bust. The toothless old hag looked at it and then said: "Tee-he, tee-he, it's a good mouth for kissing, ain't it?" If it were not irreverent I might say the same of the mouth of Judge Brewer. One of the strongest lips that ever uttered a word in Congress was that of Sam Randall. It was frequently tightly pressed against the lower teeth, but when in repose it was thick and sensuous. Bourke Cockran has a thick under lip and he is a great lawyer. Bob Ingersoll's lip is as thick as that of a mulatto and if Justice Brown would pout a small boy could ride on his lip from one end of Washington to the other.

A WORD MORE ABOUT WHISKERS.

I want to say one word more about whiskers. This is as to those worn on the side of the face. They grow scarcer and scarcer. Senator Washburn of Minnesota is about the only man in the body of the Senate who cuts his beard in this way, and the two most striking in the House perhaps are John T. Caine, the Mormon, and Blanchard of Louisiana. Both of these men have long side whiskers and both are men of ability. One of the queerest sets of side whiskers that ever came to Washington were those of Don M. Dickinson of Detroit. They were the color of tan bark, and they made their owner look like a college professor rather than the able lawyer and the great statesman that he is. De Witt Talmage, the preacher, wears Presbyterian side whiskers. Rising Sun Morse prides himself on the luxuriant brown hair which grows on the sides of his face, and old Senator Morrill has the most classic burnisides that have ever adorned a Senator's face. John Sherman used to wear side whiskers, but he discarded them a generation ago. Gen. Schofield, the head of the army, has white burnisides, and Gladstone, the great English premier, shaves only his lip and his chin.

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THE FAR NORTH.

SWEDEN.

A tourist hotel has been built at Røttvik, Dalecarlia.

Diphtheria is raging epidemically in Norrköping.

The Gothenburg Borås railroad has now been opened for business.

Four large houses were burned to the ground in the Nore Village, near Jusdal.

The crop of rye in the province of Smaland has been the most abundant for many years.

Judge Magnus Unger and his wife, of Hitorp, near Nora, celebrated their golden wedding.

A landslide occurred at Stoerdalen; our farms disappeared. No lives were lost.

A direct steamship route between Stockholm and Carlstad has been established.

August Strindberg's famous tragedy, "Fadren," (The Father) will be played by the Independent Theater Society of London.

The Gottcrea church, near Norrtelge, was struck by lightning, and notwithstanding tremendous efforts to save it, it burned to the ground.

A large fire raged in the old city of Pitea the other day. A whole block, consisting of ten buildings, was burned to the ground.

Dr. P. P. Waldenstrom, the Moody of Sweden, who, some years ago, visited America, has been re-elected as congressman from the Gefle district.

None of the Danish or Russian royalty will take part in the hunt on the island of Hven, as Prince Wilhelm, the brother of the Danish king, has been taken suddenly ill.

Farmer Anders Brodd was struck by lightning at Tye on Hammaröen in Lake Vennern, and was instantly killed. Several persons were dangerously injured at the same time.

Emperor William will travel directly to Sweden by way of Kiel, after the review of the troops in Austria. The proposed visit to Denmark will, consequently, not take place.

It has been proved that the cases of cholera that have occurred at Gothenburg have not been Asiatic cholera, but cholera nostras. Sweden is as yet free from the plague.

The monument of Nils Ericsson, the famous railroad builder, and the brother of John Ericsson, was unveiled at the Central Park. The statue is ten feet high and the weight about 600 kilograms.

A new edition of the novels by Emilie Flygare Carlen, the famous authoress, is now being published. As perhaps known, all of Emilie Flygare-Carlen's novels have been translated into English.

The fifth convention of Swedish Lutheran clergymen is being held at Stockholm. The delegates number 450. Bishop von Scheele, who recently returned from America, was elected president.

Prince Michael Nicolajewitsch, the youngest uncle of Alexander III, arrived at Stockholm with his son, Prince Georgi. After a drive through the city, the high travelers departed for the Tullgarn castle.

Director N. Jorgensen, the chief gardener at the Tullgarn castle, has obtained a large gold medal from Emperor William. The Kaiser declared himself much pleased with the flower arrangements of Director Jorgensen.

Governor Per Axel Bergstrom, of the Orebro Län, died at the age of seventy years. He was one of the most prominent politicians and statesmen of Sweden, and besides being at his death the very popular governor of the Orebro Län, he had been minister of the interior during several years.

Charles H. Shephard, the American consul, who has represented the United States in the city of Gothenburg during the last years, returned to his country the other day. Consul Shephard has been a member of the legislature in Massachusetts and was a delegate at the National Republican convention at Chicago in 1888. The local papers praise him much for his usefulness and friendly manners.