

Hot Old Times in the Early Days, According to Colonel McClure.

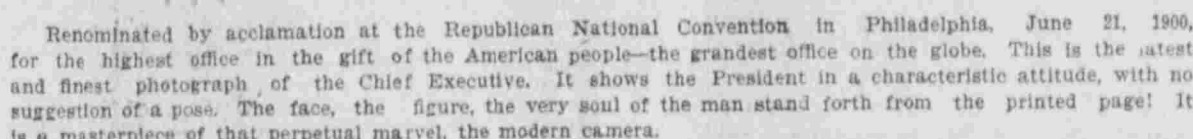
He remained in the executive mansion until midnight of the 3rd of March, 1891, when he and his family deserted it, leaving it vacant for Jefferson to enter without a host to welcome him. It is the only instance in which the retiring President did not personally receive the incoming President in the executive mansion, with the single exception of Andrew Johnson, who did not remain at the White House to receive Grant.

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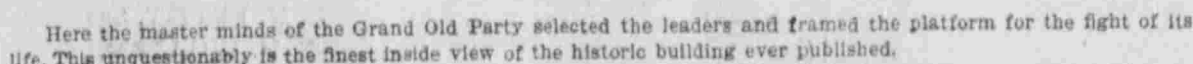
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GATE OF A HUNDRED SORROWS.



The big packing houses out west employ decoy animals to lead their brethren to the slaughter. These animals are called "steers" by the packing house men, and they are valuable adjuncts to the business. All packing houses are compelled to have them, says the New York Herald. A steer is trained to lead the animals out of the pens through the long overhead bridges into the packing house and down into the killing room. Such a steer is called "Judas lescartot" usually. Some of them have become famous for their intelligence. But there generally comes a time when they grow unruly or careless, or their powers fail, and they themselves are led to the slaughter.

In one of the packing houses in Kansas City in which a great many sheep are slaughtered a goat is employed to entice sheep from the stock yards where they are brought to the killing pens in the house. It is a long distance from the yards to the house, through streets, over a river and a railroad yard by bridge, and through lanes. Without an animal to lead them it would be impossible to get a large flock of sheep home safely and expeditiously. The goat's name is Willie and he is the cleverest beast of his kind. He cost less than \$2, but does work that a \$5,000 a year clerk could not do half so well, if at all. The sheep follow Willie with their confidence, and he leads hundreds of them to their doom every day. When the sheep buyer goes about the stock yards buying the animals Willie follows him. The yards are divided into pens by fences. On top of each fence is a board about three feet high. The wileke inspecting the animals that he

desires to buy. Willie walks the fence with the buyer and climbs up and down the steps with ease.

When the sheep are all bought a boy opens the gate and leads the way. Willie follows the boy, the sheep follow Willie. The sheep could not be induced to follow the boy unless Willie was there.

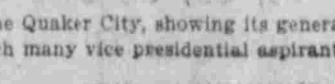
Occasionally Willie gets tired of being good, and when he is naughty he is very like "the little girl who had a little curl," and then he is horrid and that is bad for the sheep business. When this occurs Willie is not coaxed or pampered in the least. His master simply takes a big hickory club and maltreats him, and in a few minutes one would think Willie had the disposition of an angel.

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