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ALEXANDRIA, LA.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20, 1883

There is more base-ball playing this year than ever before.

A scientific chemical compound that gives health and strength is Brown's Iron Bitters.

Register Bruce objects to the word "colored" because it is apologetic in tone, and says he is a negro and is proud of it.

Another use for cotton has been discovered. Manufactured into duck it proves a superior covering for the roof of houses, possessing advantages over shingles or slate.

Striving Bull is to be baptized into the Catholic Church. A wag suggests that to make a sure thing of it the baptism should be by immersion, and the priest should hold Mr. Bull under during the long prayer.

A well known New York physician, in alluding to a recent death in a Russian bath in that city, declared that the practice among many bathers of eating before bathing, was reckless and wrongful. A bath of any kind, he says, should always be taken on an empty stomach.

The Memphis Avalanche says: Tilden, Hendricks, McDonald, Bayard and Pendleton are actively at work, and before the summer is over there will not be one of them left on the political field. It is a sort of sham battle, so to speak. The real fight for the presidential nomination will be between Hancock and Randall.

The opening of the University of Texas at Austin is announced to take place September 1 for the admission of students of both sexes. The literary, scientific and law departments are fully organized. The members of the faculty are all gentlemen of recognized standing and long experience in their respective departments of instruction.

The location of the national conventions next year has already begun to attract attention. Cincinnati is said to have entered the field for the purpose of securing the Republican gathering in case Ohio does not go Democratic, while Chicago is represented as eager to shelter the Democrats for a week. Long Branch is suggested by those inclined to pleasure-seeking, and San Francisco by those people fond of long journeys.

The Post Master General advises the public that in sending newspapers, books, pamphlets and other articles by mail to foreign countries or to points within the United States, the address should always be placed on the articles inclosed, as well as on their wrappers, so that should the wrappers become detached, through friction and movement incident to mail transportation, it will be still possible to deliver the articles without wrappers.

New York World: "Capt. Michael V. Sheridan, of the 7th Cavalry, has been appointed by the President Major and Assistant Adjutant General to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Gen. Michael. He was jumped over the heads of a lot of deserving officers. Being the brother of Little Phil, it was necessary to show him special favor. It is this sort of thing that drives our army officers to the bottle and the gaming table."

The Republican journals are remarkably unanimous in their recommendations of Mr. Sam. Randall to the Democrats as the best man they can select for speaker of the house. They say that his election would give the tariff question a rest and then all would be well—for the Republicans. But what the Republicans really desire is to see the Democratic party in Congress commit the serious blunder of electing Mr. Randall. Their advice is not likely to be followed.

Why They Call Him "Old Man." "Yes, that's sadly so," said Jenkins, "my hair is turning gray and falling out before its time. Use something? I would, but most hair restorers are dangerous." "True," answered his friend, "but Parker's Hair Balsam is as harmless as it is effective. I've tried it, and know. Give the Balsam a show and the boys will soon stop calling you "Old Man Jenkins." It never fails to restore the original color to gray or faded hair. Richly perfumed, an elegant dressing.

THE MANSFIELD TRAGEDY.

The following statement made by Miss Mary Butler, the young lady whose name has been mentioned in connection with the killing of the Rev. J. Lane Borden, at Mansfield last Saturday, was furnished the State Central Express yesterday, and through the courtesy of the Editor of that paper we are permitted to give it to our readers. We may state that Miss Butler's statement will present the whole matter in a very different light from that as reported in the various dispatches that have already been published. Her statement concerning the alleged confession made to Jenkins on the train and which resulted in the tragedy of last Saturday is as follows:

Compromise Plantation, June 18th, 1883. I hereby deny having made at any time a confession to Mr. Ben F. Jenkins, Jr., to the effect that Mr. Borden had in manner ill treated me, only so far as shall be explained below. When asked by Mr. Jenkins if Mr. Borden had treated me badly I told him, "yes." He then asked in what way. I told him I can't tell, but you can think any way you wish. The only indignity ever offered by Mr. Borden to me, was in the library about ten days ago when I was there for some books, when he approached me and attempted to put his hands upon me, and I immediately left the room and was never in his presence again during the remainder of my stay at Mansfield. This treatment of Mr. Borden's to me was never mentioned to any one but my mother. (Signed) MARY BUTLER.

A VIOLATED CONSTITUTION.

ART. 67 of the Constitution of Louisiana declares: "The Governor shall receive a salary of Four Thousand Dollars per annum, payable monthly on his own warrant."

ART. 169, declares, that—"No officer whose salary is fixed by the Constitution shall be allowed any fees or perquisites of office, except where otherwise provided for by this Constitution."

The last Legislature appropriated for the maintenance of the Governor the following items, to wit: For the Governor's salary \$4000 Governor's Private Secretary 2200 Governor's Messenger and Porter 1000 Postage, telegrams, stationery, 1500 Traveling expenses 500 Rent of dwelling 600 Furniture for Governor's house 1500 \$11,300

Doubtless it will strike the minds of our readers, that these are tolerably steep figures for a Reform Governor, limited to a salary of \$4,000, fees and perquisites rigidly excluded by Art. 169.

Heretofore we have been regarding the Capitulation-Advocate, as a chivalrous defender of the Constitution against the ill-natured assaults made upon it from many quarters, and we have been in full sympathy with its eloquent essays in defence of the code of organic laws of 1879. But now that we discover two articles of its cherished work rendered nugatory by a plain and facile Legislature and violated daily by the Chief Magistrate; and all done without a word of warning from the champion of the Constitution of 1879, we begin to weaken in our support of that instrument and conclude that there must be something defective in the Constitution of 1879, or in the organs of the champion we have been backing against the restless innovators.

To return to our Mutton; we admit in advance, for the sake of the truth, and with the charitable purpose of saving the apologists the onerous task of ferreting out the Acts of the last Legislature, that each one of the items above enumerated are included in the appropriation bill. But if they are in the appropriation bill in contravention of the Constitution, it was the duty of the Governor to veto the bill; or if he failed to apply the veto, it has been his duty every day since the Legislature adjourned to neutralize the evil effects of unconstitutional legislation by abstaining from the use of the unconstitutional perquisites. Has he done it?—[Southern Watchman.]

COMMUNICATION.

ALEXANDRIA, LA., June 14.

Editor Democrat—Your article in regard to the ditch contractor of the city, did indeed awaken hopes in the hearts of your readers—those who live in the rear of the city.

But, alas! you were entirely too mild; you told but half the tale of woe that can be seen back of Fifth street any day after an ordinary rain. It is no uncommon thing to see the water entirely over the streets and walks, at times as deep as twelve inches; and our gardens—well, it is indeed sad to think of them! Is this what we pay taxes for?

If the Honorable Council have a pet whom they want to assist, why not give him an office and not subject the people to such an outrage? If a fire should occur it would be impossible for the Engine to reach us, although we pay a very heavy Engine tax.

The city has never been in as bad condition as it is at present, and has never had as much money spent on its streets as now.

Can we not have a meeting of those interested and do something to relieve ourselves? It is not to the contractor but to the Council that we must look. They say that the Morgan road interferes with the ditch, but any one who will take the trouble to look will see the folly of such an assertion, for if the ditch was as clean all the way as it is at that point we would be safe. FOURTH WARD.

TRAGEDY IN DE SOTO PARISH.

REV. J. L. BORDEN KILLED AT MANSFIELD BY A BROTHER MINISTER.

(Special Dispatch to the Times-Democrat)

MANSFIELD, June 16.—Rev. J. Lane Borden, president of the Mansfield Female College for the last two years, was shot and killed this morning at 10:10 o'clock by Rev. Benjamin F. Jenkins, Jr. About 10 o'clock Mr. Jenkins was in his father's store, when Mr. Borden approached the store, speaking to Mr. Jenkins' brother Ned. The testimony taken at the coroner's inquest is to the effect that Mr. Jenkins came out of the front door of his father's store, and directing his pistol at Borden's left breast, fired, hitting him near the left nipple. A watch worn by Borden protected him the effects other than a great bruise.

Borden then ran down to William and Hobgood's store, two doors below, passing through to the back door, when he was fired on again by Jenkins, who was in pursuit, without effect. Just outside of the store Jenkins shot him again, the ball taking effect in the leg, from which he fell. Jenkins advanced to Borden's feet and fired again, the ball taking effect in the forehead, shooting out his brains.

Wm. Keitly, the only witness who heard a word passed, says Borden after falling exclaimed: "My God! I did not do it!" The jury of inquest returned a verdict that the deceased came to his death by having been shot through the forehead a little to the left of the centre of the frontal bone, the ball having penetrated the brain, and another ball having passed through the fleshy part of the thigh, the shot being fired from a pistol in the hands of B. F. Jenkins, Jr.

On last Thursday a beautiful and highly accomplished young lady of 17 years, the rumored affiancée of Mr. Jenkins, and also a student for the past session at the Mansfield College left here by the New Orleans Pacific train in company with Jenkins for her home. Jenkins remained about two weeks with her. Between here and Robeline, 40 miles distant, it is rumored she had been ruined by Borden. He left her at the next station to return home to avenge their mutual ruin, the result of which is told above. He was perfectly reticent on his return home Friday morning, not even telling his family the cause of his pale and haggard appearance, though they besought him to know the cause of the trouble.

The parties to the tragedy have been confidential friends, Jenkins being an enthusiastic supporter of Borden's, and having joined the church and entered the Methodist ministry under Borden's influence. Mr. Jenkins immediately surrendered and is guarded by the sheriff and deputies. Nothing ever occurred in this community that so startled and agitated its quietude. Rev. Mr. Jenkins was raised here, and is considered one of the purest young men known to the people.

Mr. Borden has been engaged in teaching for years, having had charge of colleges at Monroe and Homer, La., for years past. He will be buried to-morrow morning from the College building, where he now lies ready for burial.

The killing was done with a Smith & Wesson 38-calibre pistol. Very little information can be gotten as to any definite circumstances prior to the killing. Aside from the actual killing, nothing is known of the affair, except through rumor.

[The commencement exercises of Mansfield College occurred on Wednesday last. Upon that occasion Mr. Borden explained that recently he had tendered his resignation as president, but upon the urgent request of the trustees he would remain another year.]

SHREVEPORT, June 16.—The news of the killing of Rev. J. L. Borden by Rev. Ben. F. Jenkins, caused intense excitement here. Deceased is about 35 years of age, has a wife and several children and is well known here. He has been President of the Mansfield Female College, which is a Methodist Episcopal institution for several years past. Private dispatches received here say the lady involved was engaged to the slayer of Borden, and was a pupil in the college. Her name is reported here, but from such sources your correspondent does not feel justified in giving it at this time. The news has created a profound sensation here, as all parties are highly connected and well known in this city.

The Shreveport Times has the following editorial comment: "The young lady on account of whose wrong Borden is supposed to have been killed * * * has a father and two brothers living who should have been the proper avengers of her wrong, if wrong she has sustained, which we are disposed to doubt from the unreasonableness of any deduction which we can logically make from any circumstances with which we are acquainted."

Songs Never Sung.

"How does that verse run? Something like this, isn't it? 'There are who touch the magic string, And noddy fame is proud to win them; Alas! for those who never sing, But die with all their music in them.'"

"Yes, that's beautiful, pathetic and true," said your representative. "The poet alludes to people who are some how suppressed and never get their full allowance of joy and air. Which reminds me of a letter shown me the other day by Hiscox & Co., of New York, signed by Mr. E. C. Williams, of Chapman, Snyder Co., Pa., a prominent business man of that place. He writes:

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JOHN H. MANN.

A contemporary advances the ideal ticket for the Republican party in the incoming presidential nomination of "James G. Blaine for President, Harry Riddleberger for Vice-President." Our contemporary seems to forget one important fact. By the vote of Riddleberger's side-partner, Mahone-Virginia, no ex-confederate is eligible for either the presidency or the vice-presidency. Mahone-Virginia effected by his vote the passage of a statute which prevents any participant in the late rebellion from holding a commissioned position in the army of the United States. The President of the United States is ex-officio commander of the Army and Navy of the United States. The present accidental administration demonstrates the fact that a Vice-President may either through the machine work of the lottery of assassination, or the physical contingency of natural death be graduated into the executive chair, and as its occupant be general-in-chief of our army. By the vote of Mahone Virginia Riddleberger is constitutionally ineligible for the office even of Vice President.

It is a pity about Riddleberger. —[American Register.]

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"CLINTON, IOWA, April 29, 1881. I wish you would send me a spring for this Elery Watch * * * by the way this Elery is a watch I sold in your Screw Bezel Case to a farmer last fall. The first of January he lost the watch in the woods, and found it this week in about one foot of water. It had lain three months and over in saw and water, with but slight injury to the watch—only a hair-spring." C. S. RAYMOND.

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