

SHREVEPORT: Wednesday Morning, January 30th 1867.

'Sayings' of Josh Billings. 'A man running for office puts me in mind of a dog that's lost—his snout or everybody he meets, and wags himself all over.'

Hon. David Paul Jones, of the Philadelphia bar, relates the following good story in a late work of his: A quack had instituted a suit for medical services against one of his neighbors, and the suit being brought for the use of another, became himself the witness.

DEATH AND PUNISHMENT.—There are various ways of manifesting sorrow for the loss of loved ones. The grief of some persons is so agonizing that it only makes evident by laggard tears, and it is only made evident by laggard tears, touching tones and gray hair.

A LION IN HIS OLD AGE.—When a young lion reaches the age of two years he is able to struggle or pull down a horse or ox; and he continues to grow or increase in strength till he reaches his eighth year, and his claws, teeth and mind are perfect and he grows no more.

ICE IN INDIA.—We chanced to arrive in India almost simultaneously with one of the first importations of ice from America. It was most amusing to see the anxiety with which it was sought after.

Hunting a Murderer. In the year 184-1, I was living in a remote little shooting lodge on the southern coast of Ireland. About a month previous to the time of which I write a gentleman had been shot down at his own gate in Tipperary. Every body knew that the murderer was lurking somewhere in my neighborhood, in the hope of obtaining a passage to America.

'You have heard of this murder, of course, Harry,' he said, 'that is what brought me over to-night; it occurred in my district, and the gentleman was an intimate friend. I would have dined with him that day, but he was called suddenly on duty, and sent an apology at the last moment. I was told since that he walked down to his avenue gate to meet me. His hand was on the latch when the villain fired from behind a tree, and he did not bring his life to the ground. You know this country well,' he added abruptly.

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'You are a good fellow, Harry, and I thank you; I didn't know what I was doing.' He turned away with a shudder, while I poured some brandy from my flask, and threw it in the murderer's face. He recovered after a time and sat up, staring wildly round and rubbing all over. I never saw a wretch so completely subdued; he clung to me for protection, and became as abject and cringing as he had been insolent before.

'Call off yer dogs,' he shouted, 'av yer care for them!' 'Let the dogs alone, Ryan,' said Frank, coolly. 'I have a warrant for the murder of Captain— Put your pistol down and come forward.'

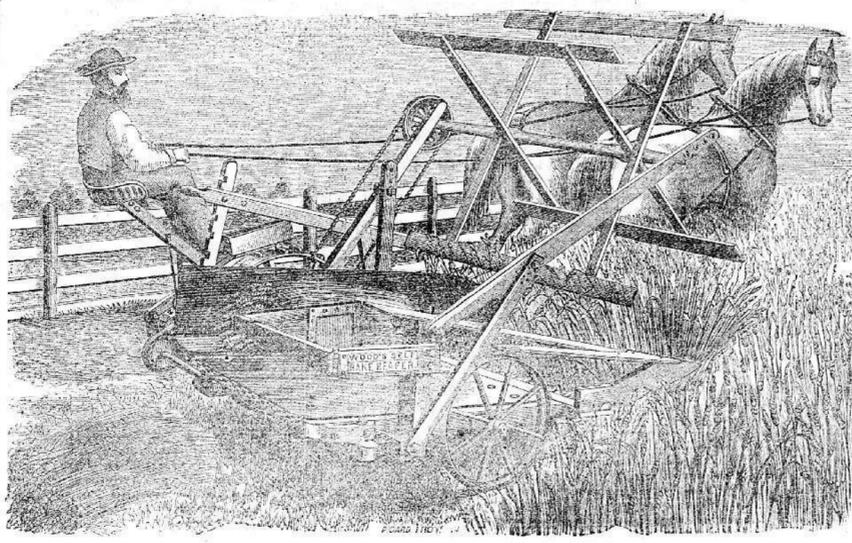
'I had you not better get some of your fellows? I will keep guard until you return.' 'They would shoot him down at once. I dare not risk their lives on that narrow path. No, dead or alive, I shall not leave this place without him.'

'Your time has come—look up!' involuntarily he did so, and caught my eye; a spasm of mortal fear passed across his features. He made no effort to raise the pistol, but a wire carried from Frank's gun flashed on the cliff behind him, passing within an inch of his head. The weapon dragged him in his clutch, dragged him over the rock, and the struggle began.

'I could stand no longer; there was a long check cord which I had fastened for my dogs, in my pocket; fastening it to the bush, I lowered myself down. As I touched the ground, I succeeded in drawing a knife; Frank parried the thrust, and disengaging his left hand, struck heavily twice. The man dropped on his knees, and began to beg for mercy. I rushed forward with a vague feeling of terror. As I came up the unfortunate wretch cried out:—'Save me, for God's sake, sir! He is going to throw me overboard.'

'I looked at Frank's face; there was an expression there I never saw before, and I would never like to see it again. 'Let him go, Frank,' I shouted; that's the hangman's work, not yours.' He did not hear me; grasping the fellow with both hands, he swung himself half round, and flung him off with all his strength. It was well the coat the villain wore was made of the strongest frieze; as it was, we were nearly going over together. I laid him on his back, and he remained without sense or motion. Frank glared at him for a few seconds in silence, then took my hand, and said slowly:—'You are a good fellow, Harry, and I thank you; I didn't know what I was doing.'

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