

Iron County Register.

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WILLIE BAREFOOT.

There's mud upon the carpet and there's mud upon the stairs... Willie Barefoot is a character who is always getting into trouble with mud.

Spirits of Killarney Lakes

By Martha Young. From the National Geographic Magazine. Reprinted by Special Permission.

There are no more beautiful violets in the world over than the violets of Lakeview beyond the Highlands of Birmingham... This is a story about the beauty and legends of Killarney Lakes.

'She's dead sixteen year.' 'Ah, me, that it is always. They are dead—dead. What's the age of you?'... This is a long narrative piece about a woman named Nora and her life.

Nora put her arms about her, a warm, steady support. 'Is na Beal tinn! My morning!'... This continues the story of Nora and her relationships.

THE SOUTHERN FANNER. One Who Was Proud of Her Lot Occupation of Fly Chaser. When the battles were being fought between the north and the south... This is a story about a 'fly chaser' and the social conditions of the time.

PITH AND POINT. To forget is sometimes of more value to us than to remember.—Town Topics. 'Did Touits lose his money on fast horses?'... This column contains various short stories and sayings.

BRYAN'S RENOMINATION. What It Means and Why He Has Become the Democracy's Chosen Leader. The renomination of William J. Bryan is a notable honor to a remarkable man... This is a political commentary on Bryan's re-election.

REAL MOTIVE DISCLOSED. Troubles in China Being Used by the Administration to Hide Home Affairs. It is much to be doubted whether the rationale of imperialism is understood... This is a commentary on international relations and domestic politics.

TOO MANY GODFATHERS.

That Accounted for the Fact That the Infant Jones Got No Gift.

The late Senator Philletus Sawyer was noted for his generosity, but unless he was tactfully approached, or the cause appealing to him was an especially worthy one... This is a humorous anecdote about a senator.

Birds and Hares.

An enterprising woman in New York has been advertising for birds, which is one step higher than an institution for sick cats... This is a humorous piece about a woman's business.

Uses for Chimney Soot.

Experiments in France have shown that chimney soot is valuable, both as a manure and as an insecticide... This is a piece of agricultural or scientific news.

Know His Business.

'Look here,' exclaimed the irate customer as he entered the meat shop, 'that steak you sent me this morning is no good—it's from the back of the neck.'... This is a humorous dialogue about a customer's complaint.

Couldn't Fool Her.

Mrs. Hiram Offen-Bridget, did you string the beans, as I told you? New Servant—No, ma'am, I didn't. An' let me tell ye, ma'am, ye can't string me. Ye kin see thim loose us not at all.—Philadelphia Press.

Standing Room Only.

Ma—The trouble is women don't stand together. Mrs. Hiram—They don't? Well, you just watch them at a bargain counter!—Chicago Evening News.