The Intelligencer.

MARK TWAIN'S BOYHOOD.

How Sam Clemens and Pole Pavey Puzzled the Ornithologists.

From the Hannibal (Mo.) Courier.

An article recently published in the Courier brought up in a party of gentlemen, two of whom were Messrs. David Dean and William Brown, of Ralls county, a conversation in regard to the early youth of Sam Clemens, (Mark Twain).

Several very amusing anecdotes were related about Mark when he was a small boy, among others the following:

Mark had a constant playmate and a chum, a boy about his own age, named Napoleon Pavey, or, for short, Pole Pavey. One warm, spring day, the two boys having got a holiday, Mark shouldered an old flint-lock musket, and Pole an old squirrel rifle without any lock at all, which he carried along, as he said, just for the looks of the thing, and went duck hunting over in Shy bottom. The boys hunted faithfully for several hours and succeeded in killing a chicken-hawk and a crow, after which they commenced their homeward march, not very proud of their success, as in this region at that day game abounded.

Finally, Mark stopped suddenly, as an idea struck him, and exclaimed:

"See here, Pole, let's get up a rare—what d'ye call it? A rare geological specimen for the boss; you see he's got a great hankerin' after these things."

"What's a rare geological specimen, Mark? said Pole, as he opened wide his eyes.

"Why, it's a rare bird what ain't never been seen in these parts before; something very uncommon-like," answered Mark.

"Where are you going to git her at, Mark? We ain't got nothing but this old chicken-robber and egg-sucker, and they ain't a bit uncommon," queried the skeptical Pole.

"We'll git her up to order, Pole," answered Mark, as he flung himself on the green grass beneath a giant old elm tree.

The two boys went to work on their rare "geological" specimen. As Mark would pluck a feather from the tail of the crow, Pole would hand him a corresponding feather that had been taken from the tail of the hawk, which Mark would carefully insert in the socket from which he had just pulled the crow's feather. And thus, after two hours of steady work, every one of the long feathers of the hawk's tail had been transferred to the crow, and it would have required a careful examination to have detected the fraud.

"How is that for a specimen, Pole?" said Mark, as he admiringly exhibited the retailed crow to the gaze of his companion, resplendent in the rich plumage of the chicken eater.

"She is a stunner, Mark; a regular stunner. I guess they ain't never seen a bird like that in Hannibal before."

The hawk was thrown away, and the boys trudged homeward. By the time they arrived in town the blood of the crow had congealed, and the false feathers in the tail had become firmly fixed.

As Mark had said, Judge Clemens, his father, was somewhat of a naturalist, and had a passion for whatever was rare and strange in the animal kingdom.

"Why, Mark!" he said, "where in the world did you get that strange looking bird?"

"It's my opinion," replied Mark, with an air of greater importance than he was accustomed to assume in the presence of his father, "that is the Bird of Paradise; leastwise that it belongs to that species."

That night the bird was carefully laid away in a place where it would be safe from the devouring presence of the old tom-cats, which Mark afterwards wrote about as creating such fearful destruction at his sister's candy pullings. The report soon circulated through the town that a strange bird, the like of which had never before been seen, was killed, and Mark and Pole became the heroes of the hour. The next day being Sunday, Judge Clemens invited all the wise men of the village of Hannibal to his house to examine and pass his opinion on the new "geological specimen." They came. The bird was exhibited on a table around which the savans gathered. One faction, headed by Dr. ——, maintained that the bird was nothing more than a common black crow, the tail of which had been turned gray by some accidental cause not understood, having possibly had salt thrown on it in the young and tender days of the bird. The other faction, headed by Judge Clemens, scouted such an idea. It was absurd—ridiculous. They were willing to admit that the bird very much resembled the crow; that possibly it was a crow; but, if so, it belonged to a separate and distinct species from any that had ever before been discovered.

The discussion was continued, and became exciting. Neither faction would admit themselves wrong and the other right. Mark and Pole occupied a position near the door, and were attentive and interested, though silent, auditors.

"What!" exclaimed Judge Clemens, warming up, "do you tell me that it would be possible by any eternal process to turn the feathers in the tail of that bird from black to the colors they are? These uniform rings and spots would defy the skill of the greatest painter that ever lived. No, gentlemen," continued the Judge, as he rather violently took hold of the bird by the tail, to examine the spots more closely; "no gentlemen—" But the discussion was cut short by the bird dropping back on the table, while the Judge held the tail in his hand.

"Let's scoot, Pole," said Mark, "the show's ended." And the two boys vamoosed.

The Judge contemplated the "rare geological specimen" with consternation, and then his eye wandered to the open door and caught a glimpse of his young hopeful and his companion in mischief cutting across the back yard for high timber.

"Let us adjourn for dinner, gentlemen; we will renew the discussion after dinner," said the Judge; but he never willingly renewed it with any person except Mark. That night, when Mark had got into bed, after creeping through the back window, a vision of his father, standing by his bedside, appeared to him:

"So it is your opinion is it, you young rascal, that the rare geological specimen is a bird of paradise," said the vision as it tickled Mark on his naked legs with a keen, cherry switch.

Mark said he felt sick, and didn't have any opinion, which was probably true, as he had dined and supped that day on green radishes found in the garden of Pole's mother.

ADDITIONAL LOCAL.

A LARGE number of Methodist ministers arrived in the city yesterday and last evening, in attendance upon the annual Conference, which will convene today.

CUSHION STOLEN.—A very handsome cushion was stolen from Mrs. A. Goering's pew, in the St. Alphonsus Church, on Monday evening. It is supposed that some tramp walked off with the cushion, and made it answer for a bed.

AFTER A HUNTINGTON BANK ROBBER.—Mr. I. H. Michell, Marshal of Huntington, was in town yesterday after a requision for one of the Huntington bank robbers, who he has reason to believe is in the custody of the authorities at Sedalia, Missouri.

DELEGATE TO DRUGGISTS' CONVENTION.—Mr. Samuel Laughlin was elected on Monday by the wholesale druggists of Wheeling to represent them in the Convention of the Wholesale Drug Trade of the South and West at Indianapolis tomorrow. Mr. Laughlin left for Indianapolis yesterday morning.

THE COURTS.—COUNTY COURT—*Judge Cochran.*—The County Court met at 9 A. M. yesterday, as usual, and disposed of the following business:

The case of S. Bing & Co. vs. Thomas Howley was set for March 27. Pendleton, Cowden & Pendleton for plaintiff and McKennan for defense.

On motion of the plaintiff, and at his costs, the case of Jos. Kitheart vs. Robert McMurray was dismissed. Peck for plaintiff and Good and Woods for defense.

The will of Ella P. Jones, proved by S. B. McCulloch and Jas. P. Rogers, was admitted to record.

The case of E. E. Zane vs. Wm. Armstrong was on motion of plaintiff continued until the next term. Hubbard & Erskine for plaintiff and Davenport & Dovener for defense.

The case of Margaret Miller vs. Wm. McManaway was dismissed at plaintiff's costs. Taylor & Barr for the plaintiff; Good for the defense.

In the three cases of the State vs. Frederick Reincke, indicted for selling liquor on Sunday, second offense, the defendant was fined $30 and costs in each case.

The case of C. W. Seabright vs. W. Crumbacker was set for the 29th inst.

Adjourned to this morning at 9 o'clock.

The following cases will be called today:

Wm. Stoetzer vs. George Coffer. J. P. Rogers for plaintiff; Taylor & Barr for defendant.

Margaret Miller vs. August Mathews. Taylor, Barr & Boyd for plaintiff; Good for defendant.

Margaret Miller vs. George Andreas. Taylor, Barr & Boyd for plaintiff; Davenport & Dovener for defendant.

Margaret Miller vs. Louis Keller. Taylor & Barr for plaintiff; Good and Cracraft for defendant.

Wm. Vick vs. W. T. Chambers. Peck for plaintiff; Russell for defendant.

M. F. Tracy vs. S. J. Ellifritz. Boyd for plaintiff; Davenport & Dovener for defendant.

Wm. Vick vs. Isaac Linton. Peck for plaintiff; Russell for defendant.

State vs. Thomas Sweeney, felony.
State vs. Edward Florence, felony.
State vs. David A. Buchanan, felony.
State vs. Amos Ferry, bigamy.

POLICE COURT—*Judge Cranmer.*

His Honor yesterday examined and disposed of the following cases:

George Gould, charged with drunkenness, paid a fine of $2 and costs.

John McHale, for using abusive language towards Thos. McCormick, was committed to the city prison for thirty days.

The case against Thos. McCormick, charged with assaulting John McHale, was dismissed.

Richard Gardner paid a fine of $2 and costs for drunkenness.

The case against Louis Stebenrugh, charged with assaulting Mary McNamara, was dismissed.

Chales Rolf was fined $5 for assaulting August Garve.

Jennie Reed, for drunkenness, was committed to jail for ten days.

VERY POPULAR.—Daily that sterling preparation, McLain's Pectoral Syrup, becomes more and more popular, more of a household necessity in consequence of its being resorted to with such confidence as a certain relief from colds and coughs, after other much vaunted remedies have entirely failed. It is so certain in its effects that families having a supply on hand feel safe during this changeable, cold producing weather. We are credibly informed that narcotics of any description do not enter into its composition; nor is it a patent nostrum, but is prepared according to the formula of an old and celebrated physician, who made diseases of the throat and lungs a study for many years, and who depended principally in his treatment of them on this preparation alone.

REQUISITION ISSUED BY THE GOVERNOR.—Governor Jacob yesterday issued a requisition upon the Governor of Missouri for the apprehension and delivery of B. F. Keeney, who stands charged with the crime of robbery, by him committed in Cabell county. I. H. Mitchell, Marshal of Huntington, Cabell county, was appointed agent on the part of the State to receive the said Keeney from the Executive authorities of the State of Missouri, and convey him to Cabell county. Keeney is said to be one of the Huntington bank robbers.

THE dryer March is, the more productive the season. According to the old proverbs, "a peck of March dust is worth a king's ransom," and "a dry March never begs its bread." Of course we expect winds, but as it "came in like a lion," we shall expect it to "go out like a lamb." The dawn of spring this month is hailed with more universal pleasure than any of the twelve, even though, as is often the case, it is far more wintry in its aspects than its predecessor, February.

WE understand that the Hon. Sherrard Clemens, as next friend of his minor children, intends to bring a suit in the Circuit Court of the United States (he being a non-resident) on the equity side of the court, against Hannibal Forbes, Esq., Charles Fisher and others, for the recovery of funds arising out of a deed of trust executed by him in favor of his minor children. Glover & Shipley, of St. Louis, are named as the solicitors.

PROBABLE REDUCTION OF FARE.—The Elm Grove people are happy with the prospect of a reduction of the railroad fare to this city. The fare is at present twenty cents each way, or forty cents the round trip. An effort is being made, with some prospect of success, to have the fare for the round trip reduced to twenty cents. This, we take it, would be a very fair consideration, as the distance is only four and a half miles.

TRANSFERS OF REAL ESTATE.—The following deed in fee transferring real estate was yesterday admitted to record at the County Clerk's office:

Deed made March 10, 1876, by Sarah Goldenburg to Frederick Happy, for the east one-half of the west one-half of lot No. 204, in the part of the City of Wheeling formerly called Middle Wheeling; $1,400.

ARRESTED IN BELLAIRE.—Luther McCannville, alias "Peduke," who is charged with robbing Jacob Massear in the Market House on Sunday afternoon last, was yesterday arrested in Bellaire by Officers Liston and Birch and brought to this city. He was taken before Justice Caldwell and committed to jail in default of $200 for his appearance at 10 o'clock this morning for examination.

AMERICANS on the average are loth to call things by their proper names. The thief who robs his employer is known as a defaulter, the liar as a prevaricator, and the ward politician as an influential citizen. We are thus modest with others, not knowing how soon we may know how it is ourselves.

THE delegates to the annual Conference who arrived yesterday were received in the basement of the Fourth Street Church by the Committee on Homes, consisting of Dr. Reiley, Elder Ball and Messrs. Joseph Seibold, Henry K. List, Benjamin Davenport, John Baille and Wilbur C. Brockunier, who assigned them places of entertainment.

ACCIDENT AT A SHOOTING GALLERY.—On Monday night John Tracy, an attache at Bulger's shooting gallery, on Market street, between 14th and 16th streets, accidently shot himself while loading one of the guns. The ball passed through his left wrist and shoulder. The wounds are very painful and may prove serious.

THE question of the introduction of mechanical drawing into the public schools will probably be discussed at the next meeting of the Board of Education.

ARREST OF MOONEY.—Officer Bogard on Monday night arrested Joseph Mooney on the other side of the river between Bridgeport and Martin's Ferry. Mooney is charged with stealing a lot of tools from Messrs. Gordon & Gerry, the Peninsula bridge contractors. He was committed to jail, and will probably be examined by Justice Caldwell to-day.

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