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WRITTEN AT RANDOM.

"I first met old Jake Dunning away back in 1836," reminiscently remarked Col. L. D. Husbands yesterday. "I was a boy, and it was up in Crittenden county. I had a little two foot shot gun hunting when I came across some fine peaches. I had been taught never to take peaches or anything else from a man's orchard without permission, so I went in and there I found Jake. He was a sort of squatter, Jake was, and I found him turning bullets, while a long, flint-lock rifle with a walnut stock hung in a rack near the mantle. Yes, he was turning bullets, and when I asked him if I could have a few peaches he said 'of course, you can have all you want. If you had plenty and I was to ask you for some and you'd say no, I know it would make me feel bad, and I guess if I'd refuse you, you'd feel bad, too.

"'Just heard we're going to have war,' he then said. 'Mexico's declared war against the United States, the Indians have joined her, and I guess the Whigs will join them. Altogether, I guess they'll give us Democrats h—l.

"'I guess you'll be pretty well fixed for it,' I ventured, 'turning bullets and provided with a ready gun.'

"'Yes, and a gun as good as any man's,' he said as he glanced proudly up at the old weapon.

"I got my peaches and saw no more of Jake Dunning. I guess he went to the Mexican war. In 1885, however, fifty years later, I was up here in Dycusburg, Crittenden county, when I saw a caravan of wagons, the most dilapidated carts and vehicles you ever saw! There were ponies, dogs in almost countless numbers, and twenty or thirty barefooted women, and about as many men.

"'What is that?' I asked.

"'That's old Jake Denning and his family going to Arkansas,' they told me. 'Them's his sons and daughters and their wives and husbands.'

"And so it proved to be. Jake had changed mightily in those fifty years, and I guess he himself couldn't have counted his progeny. That's the last I ever heard of him. I guess he's long since gone to his last rest and probably left his progeny, horses and dogs, scattered all over the wilds of Arkansas."

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"In speaking of regulating the digging of streets," remarked a gentleman yesterday, "we also need an ordinance governing weights. These streets could be kept in much better condition if no more than the proper loads were hauled over them. There's no reason why such an ordinance should not be passed. It would save much money to the city in street repairs, and break up the practice of piling three loads of material or merchandise on one little wagon."

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Billy Francis is a son of Overseer of the Chain Gang John Francis, and carries water to the prisoners while they are at work on the streets. He is a very small boy, and when he has a few leisure moments, employs them often in playing with the shovels and cleaning the gutters for pastime.

A day or two ago he was out shoveling in the gutter when a lady in the lower part of town espied him and rushed into the house with an exclamation of horror.

"John," she breathlessly declared to her husband, "I wish you'd go out and look what a little boy they've got on the chain gang! It's a shame, an outrage, and he shan't work another minute. Go out and find what his name is, and I'll pay his fine myself!"

John went out to investigate, and when he returned to report, he no doubt muttered something about people making fools of themselves over nothing.

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A man with a patch over his nose and numerous gashes distributed artistically about his countenance shambled into Justice Winchester's office yesterday.

"What's the matter?" somebody sympathetically inquired, as they caught sight of his physiognomy.

"Aw, nuthin but them steers o' mine," he replied with a painful attempt to smile.

"How'd it happen?"

"Ye see I tuk 'em in hand arly and brung 'em in town so'ez ter train 'em not ter be 'frai' o' the street cyars.

"After a few smash-ups they cum 'round all right an' wa'nt no more 'fraid o' a street cyar then they wuz et a load o' hay.

"Yesterday I cum ter town with 'em agin, an' fust thing they met wuz a new fangled injine that run 'thout a track an' made more racket nor a Popilist cunvenshun, ay golly! Them steers seed the varmint wa'nt no cyar, an' they didn' stop ter 'bsarve no more, an' when we sil sorter slackened up, me an' the steers, we wuz nigh into the river."

"That was the steam roller," someone remarked. "They won't be afraid of it next time."

"Won't have no more chances," declared the man with the variegated face, "'cause they don't cum ter this town with me no more. No tellin what the people'll be doin' next. Fur's I know, they'd beringin' in flyin' locomotives an' air ships on us country fellers, ef we'd give 'em a chance, an' I haint goin' ter run no risk."

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So many fads and fashions drop in on a town that the average country man, when he visits the city, would have a hopeless task in attempting to keep up with them. Usually he does not try, and oftentimes makes amusing blunders as a result.

A young fellow entered a Broadway soda water dispensary a day or two ago and called for the inevitable "pineapple and bananner." He knew all about getting soup and lunch and a glass of beer in the saloons, but to dish out raspberries and sliced pineapple with every drink of soda water was something new to him. Yet there before him on the counter, and within easy reach of all, was a bowl of each. He hesitated a moment, but there was no one to watch him, so he walked over and dipped out a huge spoonful of raspberries and was in the act of transferring them to his mouth when the clerk opportunely discovered him and called the turn.

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If you have children, it is entirely unnecessary to bring them to the theatre to squall and fret, in order to let people know you are the for unate possessors of them. If you tell them you've got 'em, the majority of the people will take your word for it, without having the performance spoiled by the vociferous proximity of their realistic imitations of a menagerie with cramp colic. And if you want to attend the theatre, can't you do it without getting in just as the heroine pleads with the villain, and poses in tragic attitude for the scourdrel's knife thrust, that is opportunely warded off by the dauntless hero? To get in at this stage of the game brings the spectators around you back to the cold, unintersesting world, and despoils the act of its charm. Come earlier, if you have a spark of Christianity left in your callous heart!

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NOTES.

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The ferry boat Bettie Owen took an excursion to Metropolis last night.

The Joe Fowler was the Evansville mail liner out of this port this morning.

The City of Paducah is due here out of the Tennessee river tomorrow en route to St. Louis.

The big Mayflower passed out of the Tennessee river last night at 11 o'clock for St. Louis. She had a fine crowd of round trip excursionists in addition to a large cargo of freight.

The sand bars all along the river are beginning to loom up in great shape, to the regret of all packets.

The City of Sheffield leaves St. Louis this afternoon for Tennessee river points.

Owing to heavy business the H. W. Buttorff, which was due here out of the Cumberland river this morning, had not arrived at the hour she was scheduled to leave, but is expected to be out for Nashville before dark tonight.

AMID ARCTIC SNOWS.

How Explorer Peary Subsisted While on His Trip to the Frozen North.

Lieut. Peary, whose brilliant exploits in the far north have only been eclipsed thus far by Dr. Nansen, has imparted a few of his ideas in housekeeping in the arctic regions. Of course the mainstay of the larder is a supply of canned articles, such as preserves, jams, biscuits, vegetables, butter, tea, coffee, chocolate, cocoa and, in short, every variety of food that is capable of being preserved in a canister. Such supplies are, of course, most useful on board the ship; during sledge journeys it is, however, different. "On these," said Peary, "there must be the sternest simplicity in the matter of food. The changes which I should make in another expedition's sledge equipment would be all in the direction of cutting down the variety of food supplies. There are just four things in the way of provisions that I should take, and those are pemmican, ship's biscuit, tea and condensed milk. A fifth article would be furnished in the shape of fresh meat of any kind that we might kill on the way. On my previous journey I took a great many things that were not only useless, but worse, because they merely added weight to the sledges and thus wasted our strength unnecessarily. If a man cannot get along with pemmican and biscuit, with tea to drink, the arctic regions are no place for him. He mustn't expect the luxuries of a hotel dinner.

"Pemmican is beef mixed with a considerable quantity of suet. It is the staple arctic food, and is not at all disagreeable to the taste. It is much compressed. One pound of it is equal to four pounds of ordinary meat, so that the carrying of it reduces the sledge weight very much. One pound of it is the daily ration for a man. Of the hard ship biscuit one pound is also a day's allowance, and of tea about a quart. These rations are consumed almost always in two meals, which are all we have time to stop for on sledge journeys.

"The tea is in compressed, quarter-pound cakes, which are further marked off, somewhat like a cake of chocolate, into little divisions of a quarter-ounce each. One of these makes a pint of tea, and it is stronger than one generally drinks at home. The condensed milk is the ordinary article which you see everywhere. It freezes, of course, often perfectly solid, but that does not impair it. Tea is the only drink for sledge journeys. Coffee is not satisfactory, nor is chocolate or cocoa, which produces thirst. Lime juice I have no faith in at all, and I shall never try it again. It has always been thought necessary to counteract a tendency to scurvy, from the consumption of so much salt and fatty food. But I never had any indications of scurvy in any of my party.

"Dried vegetables have been carried by some explorers, and while they are well enough to have at the headquarters, where, as I said, there may be any variety one chooses, they are entirely superfluous while sledging. A man can get along perfectly well without vegetables; in fact, I never ate them, even at home, and there is much nourishment in them for so hard work. There is only one thing besides those I have mentioned which I consider good, and that is compressed vegetable soup. It has a great deal of nutriment in it and is especially palatable. But it can be dispensed with if reduction of weight becomes a highly important point, for the pemmican and biscuit are trustworthy stand-bys."—N. Y. Telegram.

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Seventh Street Baptist Church.—Sunday school 9 a. m. Preaching, 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Rev. W. S. Baker, pastor.

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Mr. Joe L. Hamilton is very sick with flux.

The ladies of the Tube Rose Club will give an entertainment at Burk's Chapel tonight for benefit of helping to pew the church. They cordially invite the friends, and most especially the members, to come out and help them. Rev. G. H. Burks, pastor, Miss Carrie Dodd, president, Miss Lena Skelton, secretary. The choir meets tonight at the church. All the members are requested to be present. W. H. Clark, leader ex-officio.

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Lv. Jackson	3:55 pm.	6 00 am
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Chattanooga	3 55 am	3 55 am
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Chattanooga	6 55 pm	8 10 am
Nashville	9 40 am	4 00 pm
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Nortonville	5 39 pm	3 38 am	10 50 am
Central City	6 30 pm	4 19 am	11 55 am
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Lv Cincinnati	11 20 pm	2 55 pm	.....
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Nortonville	9 12 am	11 27 pm	2 35 pm
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Lv Paducah	12 20 pm	1 37 am	6 15 pm
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Leave Paducah	12:10 p m,	6:15 p m
Arrive Metropolis	1:00 p m,	7:40 p m
" Grantsburg	1:42 p m.	8:40 p m
" Parker City	2:15 p m,	10:05 p m
" Marion	2:45 p m,	11.04 p m
" Carbondale	3:25 p m,	.....
" Pinckneyville	4 50 p m,	1:50 a m
" St. Louis	7:16 p m,	7:16 a m
SOUTH BOUND.	301	303
Leave St. Louis	8:00 a m,	8:04 p m
" East St. Louis	8:18 a m,	8:18 p m
" Pinckneyville	10 25 a m	11 00 p m
" Carbondale	11:45 a m,	.....
" Marion	12:24 p m,	2:40 a m
" Parker City	12:55 p m,	3:45 a m
" Grantsburg	1:20 p m,	4.00 a m
" Metropolis	2:06 p m,	4:53 a m
Arrive Paducah	2:50 p m,	7:30 a m

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