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In order to cut down our stock. We are taking inventory, and want to figure up as few goods as possible.

Note these reductions:

\$10.00 Buys choice of an elegant line of

MENS SUITS

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Overcoats at HEAVY REDUCTIONS.

Ladies Tailor-Made Suits

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IN DUE TIME.

Goebel's Assassins Will be Turned Up.

Frankfort, Feb. 12—Detectives to-day believe more than ever that Jones, the mountaineer arrested Friday is the most important arrest made in connection with the Goebel assassination. Jones claims that he had nothing to do with the shooting, but several admissions led the police to believe that he knows more about it. He told the police that Holland Whitaker under arrest at Louisville can tell about it if he will, and has twice referred to a prominent republican leader in a mysterious way, saying the latter could clear him if he would.

Chief Williams said to-day that detectives are in possession of a great deal more information than they have given out, and he thinks it certain the entire conspiracy and all parties connected with it will be unearthed. Jones is badly frightened and has intimated that he will make a public statement some time next week.

Peanuts have been recommended by medical authorities as the best possible food for boys for school luncheon. No doubt the boys will welcome this idea until they learn that the peanuts are thought to be good for them, and they will quietly develop a distaste for the delightful goober. Human nature is as strong in boys as in other people.

THE STEVE STAR.

Livery and Feed stable.

Below Post-office, and opposite R. R. Depot. Keeps Surreys, Buggies, Horses, &c., for hire. Every accommodation given. Your patronage solicited.

C. E. EAKER,

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Powell Block, Clinton St.

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Blacksmith and Undertaker

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GIVE ME A TRIAL when you want Blacksmithing done, or repair in Wagons, or Horseshoeing a specialty. I also keep a full line of

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Common, Rosewood, and Solid Black Walnut Coffins and Cases, which can be fitted up in short notice, and at reasonable prices. Give me a call. Shop near the Jail.

LOCAL NEWS.

A lodge of "The Bankers Union of the World" was instituted in this city Wednesday night, with some 12 or 15 members.

Mayor Gardner, of Union City, ordered all the dogs muzzled. Several children were bitten by a dog supposed to be mad.

The people of Union City, by request of the authorities, do not assemble in congregations in church or elsewhere, out of abundant caution as to spreading of small pox.

Miss Light Paris is visiting Miss Emerson, at Columbus, and Miss Light Paris is visiting at Terrell, Tenn. Miss Marie Brevard is expected to visit Columbus, Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Bob Buchanan, formerly of this place, lately of Jackson, passed through the city yesterday, en route to Louisville, where he will be employed as window dresser for the Barr Dry Goods Company. Bob is one of the best expert window dressers in the country.—Union City Com.—Courier.

That corn bread makes big men is proved by the fact that the six footers of Indiana, Illinois and Kentucky, as a rule, were brought up on hominy or corn bread as the main food supply.

"When we were married," the young wife sobbed, "he said he loved me with a love more enduring than the everlasting granite!" And it didn't last? queried the sympathizing friend. "Last!" echoed the young wife, drying her tears. "It didn't last as long as a water block pavement!"

Fulton Guard: Mrs. Annie Mitchell, wife of A. F. Mitchell, aged 54, died in her suburban home in West Fulton, Friday morning at 4 o'clock, of heart failure. Mrs. Mitchell was a good woman, a devoted mother and a consecrated Christian. She leaves a husband, two daughters, and a number of relatives in this city, together with a host of relatives and friends at Mt. Sterling, Ky., her former home, to mourn their loss.

The fruit raisers hereabouts agree that as yet this winter that none of the fruit trees or shrubbery has been injured. Owing to the dry weather last fall and the greater part of the winter, the trees buds did not swell out, and are now smaller than they ever are at this season of the year. It has not as yet been cold enough this winter to hurt the peach trees, and from the present outlook there will be a big crop of fruit next season.

Boycott the trusts! exclaims an ex-chance. That's the way to drive them to the wall. Boycott the steel trust—be honest. Quit the soap trust and go dirty. Boycott the tobacco and chewing gum trusts—chew the rag. Quit the sugar trust—don't get sweet on anybody, male or female. Boycott the match trust—don't get married. Quit the whiskey trust—drink buttermilk and capn tea. Quit the oil trust—go to bed at dusk. Boycott the coal trust—the next world will be hot enough for some of you to make up for any chilliness in this one.

In a New York courtroom the other day two boys were soundly spanked in the presence of the judge and visitors for stealing apples and breaking branches off the trees. When the boys were brought into court a big, burly policeman stood at the judge's desk. After deciding that the boys were guilty and deserved punishment the judge ordered the policeman to hand his belt to the fathers of the children and then directed the fathers to spank them soundly with the belt. The boys were the only ones who saw nothing funny in the situation.

A duel was fought by two men named Shott and Nott. Nott was shot and Shott was not. In this case it is better to be Shott than Nott. There was rumor that Nott was not shot, but that Shott was shot, notwithstanding Circumstantial evidence is not always good. On trial it might appear that the shot Shott shot, shot Nott, or it might be possible that the shot Shott shot shot Shott himself, when the whole affair would be as at first, and Shott would be shot, and Nott would not. We think, however, that the shot Shott shot, shot not Shott, but Nott, but anyway, it is hard to tell who was shot.

W. T. Noonon Dead.

Mr. W. T. Noonon, one of the oldest and most highly respected citizens of Fulton County, died, at his home, this county, on Wednesday night at 11 o'clock. He had been for many years afflicted with consumption. He was in his 75th year. He will be buried at Rush Creek to-day at 11 o'clock. Our county did not have a more just and upright citizen.

Large Standing Army.

At the present time the regular army is composed of an enlisted strength of 64,000 but this force is authorized only until July 1, 1901, after which, unless fresh legislation intervenes, the army will have to be reduced to a peace footing, that is to say, to the strength authorized prior to the war with Spain, which was 27,000 men.

It is understood that the increase desired will be to make the regular army number 100,000 men. Democrats should recognize this proposed increase of the standing army and should not neglect to inform the people of the plans formed by the imperialists.

That Now Famous Agreement That Taylor Refused to Sign.

The text of the agreement reached by the conference on Monday night follows:

"For the purpose of ending by proper mutual concessions, the unfortunate condition of political affairs now existing in Kentucky, a conference was this day held at Louisville, in which the subscribers, after many hours of patient and frank discussion, unanimously determined to recommend an arrangement of the difficulties upon the following basis:

WOULD NOT DISPUTE.

"1. That should a resolution be passed by the General Assembly during its present session in joint session of the two Houses declaring that the action heretofore taken by the General Assembly did invest Wm. Goebel with the title of Governor of this Commonwealth on the 2d day of February, 1900, and did invest J. C. W. Beckham with the title to the office of Lieutenant Governor of this Commonwealth as of said date, the contestees, Wm. S. Taylor and John Marshall, shall not dispute the said titles respectively.

"2. That should the General Assembly pass the resolution stated in the foregoing paragraph, immunity shall be extended to all persons from all accusations growing out of political acts done pending the contests for the offices of Governor and Lieutenant Governor.

"3. That all legislative action by the present General Assembly shall be postponed until Monday, Feb. 12th, 1900, except only such steps as may be necessary under the Constitution to make lawful adjournments.

"4. That the Board of State Election Commissioners, sitting as a board of contest, shall postpone all of its proceedings until Tuesday, Feb. 13th, 1900, or until such later date as it may determine; provided, it may in the meantime meet and adjourn if it shall determine that such meetings are necessary or expedient.

PARTISAN FEELING.

"5. That it is earnestly requested of both parties that in the consideration and determination of all pending contests for the offices of Representatives and Senators, all partisan considerations shall be eliminated as far as may be; but this provision shall not be regarded as anything more than a recommendation.

"6. That the present General Assembly shall provide an absolutely fair and non-partisan election law, which shall secure to the voter the fullest measure of protection, to the end that he shall have the fullest liberty to cast his vote without let or hindrance and have it counted as cast, and shall secure to the officers of election the fullest protection in the discharge of their duties.

"7. That as soon as possible from this date the State militia now on duty at the seat of government shall be withdrawn, and sent to their homes, due regard being had for the preservation of the public peace.

"For Republican party: (Signed) John W. Barr, Augustus E. Wilson, T. H. Baker, D. W. Lindsey, David W. Fairleigh, Charles B. Ballard.

"For Democratic party: (Signed) Jo. C. S. Blackburn, Jas. B. McCreary, Robert J. Breckinridge Urey Woodson, S. J. Shackelford, Phil. B. Thompson, Jr., E. T. Lillard Sr., J. B. Thompson.

"We approve the above. John Marshall, J. C. W. Beckham, by Jo. C. S. Blackburn."

Tax on the People.

According to Congressman Williams, of Illinois, a member of the Congressional Committee on Insular Affairs, the promise of material benefit from the permanent holding of the Philippines—save to the monopoly interests—is not as bright as it was painted by U. S. Senator Beveridge in his famous "nugget of gold" speech.

The Philippines, Mr. Williams points out, have already cost the country a total of \$170,000,000—a one year's tax \$2 on every American. He estimates that the annual cost of governing these distant islands will range from \$100,000,000 to \$150,000,000, for which taxpayers will receive no direct benefit. As to the American farmers, he says they could not live in the Philippine climate.

STATE COURTS SUPREME.

Will Settle Kentucky Affairs.

U. S. Court Refuses to Interfere

The now famous agreement as to the Kentucky Governorship, entered into by seven prominent Republican leaders and seven Democratic leaders, was repudiated by Taylor, and, of course, was, therefore, of no effect.

The Republicans took their case before the United States District Court at Cincinnati, seeking an injunction to prevent the Democratic claimants for the minor State offices from exercising, or attempting to exercise, any of the duties, &c., of their respective offices, but Judge Taft, the Judge of that court, decided that that court had no jurisdiction, and that the State courts must decide the matter.

The Democrats have brought suit before the Circuit Judge at Georgetown to possess Beckham of the office of Governor and to dispossess Taylor, and it will be decided in a few days, and immediately appealed to the Court of Appeals. It is said, also, that the Republicans will file a similar suit before some other Circuit Judge.

In all probability these suits in the State courts will settle the whole matter. However, last week when the Democrats obtained an injunction before this same court, Taylor gave no heed to it except to arrest the court's bailiff who came to serve the summons. But since, he has freed that officer, dismissed the larger part of the militia, recalled the Republican part of the Legislature from London, and given consent for the Legislature to meet in the State Capitol. The Republican branch thereof are meeting there, and the Democrats in Louisville refusing to return until all the militia is dismissed. The indications now point most certainly that the Democrats will return, and whatever may be the decision of the State Courts, that that decision will be obeyed and respected by all concerned, and that law and order will henceforth prevail.

KILLING OF LOUIS DEMONTCOURT.

BUSINESS TROUBLES.

Shooting Took Place at Supper Table Both are Well-known Lumbermen. No Arrest Made.

[Carthersville Democrat.]

H. Grogan shot and killed Lewis DeMontcourt, at the saw mill, about two miles from Coater at 6:30 last night. The information came here by telephone from Tyler this morning and as yet the full details of the affair are not known.

The trouble, as told the Democrat by wire from Tyler, occurred at the boarding house of Will Cassidy, where DeMontcourt was stopping. DeMontcourt was at supper when Grogan came in, and seeing him there said: "Hello, old man, you here?" or something similar, drew his pistol and fired several shots, all taking effect.

DeMontcourt fell out of the door on the ground, dead. Grogan reloaded his pistol, went out and put his foot on DeMontcourt and fired two more shots.

The two men had formerly been partners in the sawmill business. They built the big mill where the tragedy took place. They disposed of the mill, however, and Bob Howard runs it now.

The two partners fell out over their settlement, and it is supposed that this led to the killing.

DeMontcourt is one of the partners in the firm of DeMontcourt & O'Hara, large lumber dealers at Cairo, Ill.

Grogan had not been arrested this morning early. He was yet at the mill and evinced no desire to get away.

P. S.—He has been arrested and is held at Carthersville, Mo.