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"I'm mighty glad," said Farmer Brown,
to his boy just home from school.
"Ye studied fencin while away, fer as a
gineral rule
A boy at school don't learn a thing that's
worth a row o' pins,
But now we've fence enough to build to
last 'till school begins."

Tears Legitimate Arguments Before a Jury.

The supreme court of Tennessee has made a somewhat novel and interesting decision. It holds that a lawyer has a right to shed tears to influence the verdict of a jury, and, in fact, says that if he can bring tears to his eyes at will he is derelict if he neglects to do so. The case in point was one to which the defendant had appealed on the ground that the weeping of the attorney for plaintiff had undue influence on the jury. The court found that the point had never been raised before and asserted that the manner of defense must be left largely to the judgment of attorneys. "Some," said the judge "deal wholly in logic and argument without any embellishment. Others use rhetorical and occasional flights of fancy and imagination. Others rely upon noise and gesticulation, earnestness of manner and vehemence of speech. Others appeal to the passions, prejudices and sympathyes of the jury. Others combine all these modes." He declares that no cast iron rule should be made, but that tears have always been considered legitimate arguments before a jury and would appear to be one of the natural rights of counsel, as it would be difficult to decide whether or not the emotion was natural if such a point should be raised. He says a trial judge should not interfere with the shedding of tears unless they are indulged in to such an excess as to impede, embarass or delay the business before the court.

JUDGE TESTED THE MILK.

A number of dairymen arrested a few days ago at Omaha, Neb., on the charge of using drugs to keep their milk from souring, when arraigned on Saturday, admitted using a preservative compound but declared it was harmless, and Judge Samuel Gordon believed them.

The prosecuting attorney asked Judge if he was willing to drink some of the milk as a test, and his honor answered: "Yes, bring in a quart of it."

The Judge drank it and adjourned the cases until Monday, so as to see what effect if any, this milk has on the court. Monday a telephone message was sent to the court house saying that the Judge was ill and would not be on duty until the next day.

A substitute was appointed to the bench, and he fined each of the accused dairyen $25 and costs.

Chemists say that the preservative which is sold over drug store counters is principally formaldehyde, a powerful chemical.—Philadelphia Record.

A BIG FEE.

Dr. McCormack Files Claim for $10,000 for Attending Goebel.

Louisville, Ky., Sept. 1—Dr. J. N. McCormack, of Bowling Green, who attended Wm. Goebel after he was wounded, has filed his claim against the estate of the dead man. It is for the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars The enormous fee has however been approved by Arthur Goebel, who states that it was due to Dr. McCormack's effort and skill that his brother was kept alive long enough to attain his great ambition to become Governor of Kentucky. As Arthur Goebel is sole beneficiary under the will of the late William Goebel his apprpval of the claim makes payment of it certain, and it is said the estate of the deceased democratic leader will amount to at least $100,000.

This is undoubtedly the largest fee ever earned in Kentucky by a Kentucky doctor in so short a time. Dr. McCormack attended his patient only from Tuesday till Saturday evening, and in conjunction with several other surgeons. What the other doctors may claim has not been disclosed.

Judge Kingman for Bryan.

Samuel A. Kingman, of Topeka, Kan., for ten years chief justice of the supreme court of Kansas, a lifelong Republican and a pioneer of the state, announces his determination to support W. J. Bryan and the entire democratic ticket. He leaves the party of his younger days, which he served with conspicuous credit with great reluctance, but he believes the party has departed so far from its original teachings that he can no longer consistently remain with it.

Judge Kingman stands on the Kansas City platform regarding the issues growing out of the Philippine war. He regards militaryism as the greatest menace to the Union that has arisen since '61.

DEMOCRATS MAY CONTROL THE NEXT CONGRESS.

That the next Senate of the United States, coming in on the 4th of March, 1901, will be Democratic or controlled by the united opposition to the Republicans is a strong probability, according to the calculations and claims of the Democratic leaders at Congressional Campaign Committee headquarters at Washington.

Secretary James Kerr, than whom there is no shrewder nor more careful political reckoner in the country, is positive in the assertion that if Bryan is elected both houses of Congress will be Democratic.

Chairman Richardson and Secretary Kerr are in close communication with every Congressional District in the country, from which they are receiving daily advices. They are familiar with the political situation in every State and their most conservative calculations give the Democrats, or the opposition to the Republicans, more than enough additional Senatorships as a result of the forthcoming November elections to capture the United States Senate.

A change of nine Senators will make the Senate a tie. With the election of a Democratic Vice-President this change of nine Senators will be sufficient to control.

The Republicans at present have a majority of eighteen, but there will be thirty-three newly and re-elected Senators to take their seats next 4th of March, barring contest of title. Of this number the Democrats count with almost an absolute certainty on a gain of seven, with a doubtful column of six from which the probability is strong they will add the necessary two or three Senatorships to obtain the majority in the Senate

The States to return newly elected Senators, some of whom have already been chosen, are: Alabama, Arkansas, Colorado, Rhode Island, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Montana (two), Nebraska (two), New Hampshire, North Carolina, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Caroiina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, West Virginia, Virginia, Wyoming and Delaware.

The States from which the Democrats are assured gains to the Senate are: Colorado, Idaho Montana (two), Nebraska, Utah and Delaware.

The doubtful States from which sufficient Democratic gains are expected to be added to the above are: Illinois, Kansas, Minnesota, West Virginia, Wyoming and Pennsylvania.

Illinois Central R. R.

OF INTEREST TO STOCKHOLDERS.

Free Transportation to Attend the Annual Meeting at Chicago.

The Board of Directors of the Illinois Central Railroad Company, at a meeting held July 18, 1900, adopted the following preamble and resolution:

Upon the recommendation of the president, the resolution adopted July 21, 1897, authorizing the free transportation of stockholders over the company's lines, to Chicago and return, at the time of the annual meeting of the stockholders, was reconsidered and amended so as to read as follows:

RESOLVED, That until the further order of this Board, there shall be issued to each holder of one or more shares of the capital stock of the Illinois Central Railroad Company, as registered on the books of the Company, enabling him or her to travel free over the Company's lines from the station on the Illinois Central Railroad nearest to his or her registered address, to Chicago and return for the purpose of attending, in person, the meetings of stock holders. Such ticket to be good for the journey to Chicago only during the four days immediately preceeding, and the day of the meeting, and the return journey from Chicago only on the day of the meeting and the four days immediately following when properly countersigned and stamped during business hours - that is to say between 9:00 a. m. and 5:00 p. m.—in the office of the Assistant Secretary, Mr. W. G. BRUEN, in Chicago. Such ticket may be obtained by any registered holder of stock on application in writing, to the President of the Company in Chicago. Each application must state the full name and address of the stock holder, together with number and date of such certificate. No more than one person will be carried free in respect to any one holding of stock as registered on the books of the Company.

By order of the Board of Directors.

A. G. HACKSTAFF,
Secretary.

The next annual meeting of the stockholders of the Illinois Central Railroad Company will be held at the office of the Company, in Chicago, on Wednesday, Sept. 26, 1900, at noon. For the purpose of this meeting the Stock Transfer Books will be closed from the close of business on Sept. 11 to the morning of September 27.

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BRYAN PREVENTS A PANIC.

Timely Platform Joke in the Speaking at Chicago.

Chicago, Sept. 3.—By a trite little joke sprung with cool, but effective declamation, W. J. Bryan to-day arrested a stampede of frantic men and women in the speaker's stand at Electric Park, preventing a panic.

The Nebraskan had just fought his way through the crowd and had taken his place in front of the orator's platform, when the overcrowded floor of the small stand creaked and began to waver. A section of the floor gave way and women shrieked in terror and men tried to jump over the railing on the heads of the packed throng at the rear of the stand.

"Hello," laughed Mr. Bryan, turning a smiling face upon the scared people. "This can't be a Democratic platform. There are no bad planks in that. Come now; stand still wont you? If you stand together where you are you will be al right. If you stampede the thing will fall on you," and he laughed as if it was an every day occurrence. His self assurance had a quieting effect on the crowd. When the dust cleared away it was found that a few people had been precipitated into the chamber under the stand, but none was seriously injured.

A RICH BOY.

"O my!" said Ben, "I wish I was rich and could have things like some of the boys that go to our school."

"I say, Ben," said his father, turning around quickly, "how much will you take for your legs?"

"For my legs,?" said Ben in surprise.

"Yes, what do you use them for?"

"Why I run and jump and play ball, and do everything."

"That's so," said the father, "you wouldn't take ten thousand dollars for them would you?"

"No sir."

"Nor your good health?"

"No sir."

"Your hearing and your sense of taste are worth five thousand dollars apiece, at the very lowest, don't you think so?"

"Yes sir."

"Your eyes now. How would you like to have fifty thousand dollars and be blind the rest of your life?"

"I would not like it at all."

"Think a moment, Ben. Fifty thousand dollars is a lot of money. Are you very sure you would not sell them for that much?"

"Yes sir."

"Then they are worth that much at least. Lets see now, legs ten thousand; arms ten; voice, ten; hearing, five; taste, five; good health, ten; eyes, fifty. That makes one hundred thousand dollars, my boy, at the very lowest figures. Now run and jump, play, throw your ball, laugh, and hear your playmates laugh, too, look with those fifty thousand dollar eyes of yours at all the beautiful things about you, and come with your usual appetite for dinner, and think now and then how rich you really are."

It was a lesson that Ben never forgot; and since that day hever saw a cripple or a blind man but that he thinks how many things he has to be thankful for. And it has helped to make him contented.—Selected.

Definition of the Word.

"What does the word honeymoon mean, papa?" asked the small boy.

The old gentleman coughed once or twice and looked at his wife.

"You know what 'honey' means in slang don't you?" he asked at length.

"It means money," answered the boy.

"Precisely. Well, 'moon' is a period and 'honeymoon'—well, figure it out for yourself. Its easy."

Home Folks Preferred.

Small Margaret had said her prayers, and her mamma was tucking her in to leave her to her slumber, when the child begged that mamma would not leave her alone.

"Why, Margaret," said mamma, soothingly but surprised at this unexpected demand, "you know you are never alone, for God is with you."

"Yes," repined the small maiden doubtfully. "I know. But mamma, I'd rather have some of my own relations."—Woman's Home Companion.

Farmers Free Column.

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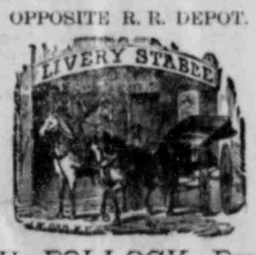

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