HUMBUGGING JOHN BULL.

British Ideal of the Western America.

A writer in the *Overland Monthly* dilates upon the eagerness which the British manifest for thrilling stories of adventure, saying that the American of the far West, in the respectable British imagination, is a reckless, bloodthirsty, impetuous, vindictive being, hung with six-shooters and bowie-knives. He goes on to relate a reply which he once made to two gentlemen who had asked him if there was not a great deal of cutting and shooting among his people.

I perceived that these men were hungry for a meal of wild, western, bloody fiction. It was cruel to deny them.

I said: "Certainly. We shoot much. We shoot often. We shoot socially. If, for instance, the company be sitting about the stove in the Rifle saloon, and the conversation flags, and things generally are dull, nothing is more common than for a gentleman to get up, stretch himself, draw his revolver, cock it, flourish it about his head and proclaim himself the royal Bengal tiger of the southern mines. Then the sluggish blood begins to quicken in the veins of some other gentleman, and he gets up, stretches himself, draws his revolver, cocks it, flourishes it about and proclaims himself another Bengal tiger of the southern mines! Then are heard ten or twelve short, sharp reports. The lights are blown out by the concussions. The rival Bengal tigers shoot about at random in the dark, and hit everybody else save themselves. The unhurt portion of the company scramble behind the bar and under the billiard tables, and cry out, 'Don't shoot this way!' When the barrels of both revolvers are emptied the combatants clinch, and, as they imagine, cut each other all to pieces with bowie-knives; although, when the lights are brought, it turns out to be somebody else. Then the two royal Bengals shake hands, fraternize over a drink, and go off to the gunsmith's to get their pistols reloaded. The survivors pick up the dead and wounded. There is a great deal of talk over the affair for several days. The bodies are kept until Sunday. Then there is a splendid funeral. The Odd Fellows, the Masons, the military companies and the Temperance societies, all turn out, with music and banners. The Sunday school children, dressed in white, appear in the procession, singing, 'There is a happy land, far, far away,' &c. The minister preaches a very effective discourse, and is very careful not to say anything to wound the feelings of the two Bengal tigers who stand in the front pew overlooking the coffins as quiet mourners, holding together by their left hands the same hymn book, as they sing out of it, while the right of either grasps his revolver, ready to send a ball through the clerical organization, should he say anything in the funeral sermon personally offensive to them. Everybody for twenty miles around comes on horseback and in buggies. The saloons and shops do a good business, and the day commonly winds up with a grand ball and supper. All the young ladies are proud to dance with the two Bengals, all the young men envy them, and resolve to kill somebody at the first convenient opportunity. Before morning there are probably two or three more 'fatal affrays,' and so the life and excitement peculiar to our free, easy, unconventional society is sustained from month to month and year to year.

"When all this is over, subscription is generally set on foot in the camp for erecting monuments over the graves, and when this is all raised, the man to whom it is entrusted goes to San Francisco to buy the marbles, and there he falls in with old friends, and drinks and grees, and gambles all the money away. If he comes back and makes confession we either blow the top of his head off or say, 'No matter. If you had a good time it is just as well. Bob, Jim and Tom will rest quite as easy without any monuments.' Then we put over them a very cheap wooden tombstone, with a pretty verse painted on it. Those boards, after a few years, rot away at the lower end, and the goats and cows, pastured in our camp burying-ground, rub against them and knock them over, and finally we gather and split them up for stove kindling."

They liked this sketch of California life. They relished it. They picked its very bones clean.

Peculiar Cuban Customs—A Scarcity of Women.

[London Times Letter.]

Looked at from a social point of view, what immediately strikes a stranger is that Havana, like the Rome of Romulus, is a city without women. There die annually, out of a population of 205,000 souls, 3,662 white males to 1,204 white females, while the deaths among the colored people are for the males, 1,046; for the females, 1,009. Thus, while the sexual numbers of the negro and mulatto population are almost balanced, with respect to the whites the proportion is something more than three males to one female. The fact, however, is self-evident. Hardly any decent women than negresses are ever to be seen about. Ladies with any pretension to youth and beauty would sooner die than venture out unprotected even to their early mass; and so uncommon is the sight of decent women unattended in the streets that foreign ladies, unacquainted with the custom, and sauntering from shop to shop, become the object of a curiosity not unfrequently degenerating into impertinence. The causes of the disproportion between males and females are not far to seek. Besides the priests, the soldiers and sailors, and the public functionaries, whose tenure of office is extremely precarious, and who are either debarred from marriage or dread its encumbrances and responsibilities, there are here thousands of Spanish immigrants of the lower classes attracted to the spot by high wages, but lookings upon themselves as birds of passage, who, consequently, would hardly dream of sending for women from home, while their contempt for the native race seldom allows them to look upon the creole women with honorable intentions. I need not dwell upon the obvious results of this state of things. Suffice it to say that regard for women is by no means enhanced by their scarcity. There ensues an exclusively male society. The charms of cafe and club life, such as they are, wean the Havana husband from home, where real feminine accomplishments are as unknown as hearth-rugs and fire-irons. Housekeeping in the town, and still more in the suburbs, is terribly up-hill work. Foreign consuls and other strangers usually try it on their first arrival, but soon learn to look even upon the hotel, with its smells and noises, as a haven from domestic storms. Nothing like available free service is to be obtained in a slave-holding community; the laziest, and, unless awed by the lash, the insolence of the negro bondmen communicate themselves to the hired help, whatever be the color, race or sex, working at the same task with him in a common household. Hence a man's life in Havana is wholly out of doors, while for women there is no life worth the name. In no town in France or Italy have I ever seen so many, or proportionately such sumptuous and constantly crowded cafes and restaurants. The Havana merchant is as eager to make money as he is ready to squander it. But the town supplies little besides gross material enjoyment for his money. A box at his third-rate opera, a drive in his dreary prado, are all the amusements he can have in common with his wife and daughter. For the rest, the women are left to mope alone at home, playing bo-peep with the passers-by from their window grailings, or pacing the flat roofs of their houses like so many Sister Anneses waiting for those who are never coming. With so little wholesome domestic society, it is pleasing to hear the character universally given for good conduct by the Havana women. Few of them, even of the lower classes, frequent the cock-pit and the bull-ring, and the profligacy, the symptoms of which are everywhere only too conspicuous, is of Spanish or American—altogether of foreign importation.

A Snake with a Head on its Tail.

Several weeks ago, while Sylvester Bowman, of Clayborne county, was cutting the sprouts off his oats, he saw what he took to be a large black snake, and struck at it with his scythe, when, to his astonishment, the snake struck at him with its tail, which it lifted several feet from the earth. Bowman, thereupon, again struck at the snake, but the vicious reptile, not at all intimidated, returned the blow, and pressed Bowman so closely that it was with difficulty he got away. Returning to the attack, Bowman, by means of large rocks, at last succeeded in crippling the snake and fastening it to the earth. With the assistance of Jordan F. Longmire it was now examined, and to their astonishment was found to be over six feet long, and to have a horn at the end of its tail a little over an inch and a quarter long, shaped like a rooster's spur. But what was still more astonishing, it had two eyes in its tail, which, excepting the horn, was shaped exactly like the head, but was not so large. Indeed, to see the tail, one would have thought that it was the head, and that the horn was its tongue. The horn was very sharp. The snake seemed very fierce at its tail end, and endeavored to strike everything that came near its tail. Various experiments were made to ascertain whether it could see with the eyes in his tail, and it was demonstrated beyond a doubt that it could. These eyes had lids, which opened and shut, and gleamed with anger. Indeed, the tail end seemed far more fierce than the other end. Although the snake tapered somewhat from its main head, still the tail head was as thick as a large thumb, and just as blunt.

Bowman carried the snake home while disabled, but it continued to strike at every intruder with its horn, and the family becoming alarmed, Mr. Bowman shot it dead.

Messrs. Bowman and Longmire vouch for the truthfulness of these statements, and so will many other citizens of the neighborhood. The writer of this knows Mr. Longmire to be a truthful man, a man of wealth and intelligence, and an old member of the Methodist Church.—*Knoxville (Tenn.) Chronicle.*

THE MARKETS.

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Gold, 111¾.

Baltimore Markets.

BALTIMORE, August 8.—Breadstuffs—Flour.—There is no change to note in the market for flour, which continues quiet and steady, as before reported. The demand to-day was chiefly for the best grades, and prices were not quoted lower. Western Family at $7.50@7.75; do do Brand do at $7.87½@8; do do fancy do at $8.

Wheat.—The entire offerings were sold as follows: 1,000 bushels good white at $1.36@1.41; 900 do choice do. at $1.70; 4,000 do. prime do choice amber at $1.60@1.62; 1,000 do. at $1.64; and 2,000 do. good to prime red at $1.30@1.32.

Corn.—The market for Southern white Corn is dull, with limited offerings, amounting to-day to 1,600 bushels, of which only 800 sold at 74 cents, but there is no yellow offering, and we quote nominally at 76 cents. Western mixed is held firmly at 57 cents, without transactions reported. We note sales 1,500 bushels No. 2 mixed, in Elevators, at 56 cents, and 1,000 bushels received at 56½@57 cents.

Oats—Sales to-day were 2,000 bushels Southern at 44@46 cents, and we quote Western at 40@41 cents for mixed, and 42@44 cents for bright.

Rye—We learn of a sale of 10 bushels prime at 86 cents, and quote at 80@85 cents per bushel, as to quality.

Corn.—We quote prime as follows: Middling, 16¼ cents; fair middling, 15¾; low middling, 15¼; good ordinary, 14¾; ordinary, 14¼; and now and nary to full do., 13¾@14 cents.

Provisions.—We quote Bulk Meat, packed, at 8 cents for Shoulders, and 10@10½ cents for rib and clear sides, and Bacon at 9@10 cents for Shoulders, 12½@13 cents for rib, and 14@14½ cents for clear rib sides. Hams are steady at 14@14½ cents, as to brand and quality. Lard is firmer, with sales of tierces at 9¾ cents, and kegs at 10 cents, and we quote nominally at 9@9¾ cents for former, and 9¾@10 cents for latter. Rose Pork is firmer, and we note sales of 100 barrels at $18 for city bbl, and Stamp we still quote at $18@18.50 for light and heavy.

Sugar.—We continue to quote prices as follows, viz: Raw sugars refining 10¼@10½ cents for Porto Rico, 9¾@9¾ for good refining, English Islands, 7¾@8 cents; Cuba Centrifugal, 8¾@9¾ cents; do. boxes and bbls, 8¾@9 cents; Porto Rico grocery, 9¾@10 cents, and Demerara vacuum pan, 10@10½ cents.

Whisky.—The supply of High Wines is more liberal, and the demand is weaker. We quote at 90@91c for Western and 91@92c for Ohio, which is the highest price at which it can be quoted.

MARRIED.

HARRIS—BANNERMAN.—By Rev. Dr. Gulbert, at 721 Eleventh street, G. H. HARRIS and Miss MARY O. BANNERMAN.

DIED.

CLARK.—On the 7th day of August, 1873, 10 25 p. m., BARNEY CLARK, the beloved wife of John Clark, in her forty-third year of her age.

Her friends will take notice from her late residence, 347 F street southwest, Sunday, 10th instant, at 2 o'clock p. m.

HICKETTS.—On the 7th instant, after three weeks patient suffering, which she bore with Christian fortitude, DEBORAH M., beloved wife of Richard Hicketts.

Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from her late residence, No. 61 New York avenue, on Saturday, August 9, at 4 o'clock p. m.

SHAW.—At 4 a. m., on the 8th instant, at No. 218 Tenth street northwest, JENNIE, infant daughter of Clara and Wm. H. Shaw, aged twelve days.

HUSSEY.—On the 8th instant, MICHAEL HUSSEY, aged twenty-nine years and four months.

Notice of the time of the funeral from the residence of his mother, No. 243 Massachusetts avenue, between Second and Third streets northwest, to-morrow afternoon, at 3 o'clock. Interment at Mount Olivet.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, THE 8TH DAY OF AUGUST, 1873.

Sarah V. Burnett vs. Philip Burnett. } No. 3,858, Equity Docket 12.

On motion of the plaintiff, by Mr. T. W. Jones, her solicitor, it is ordered that the defendant, Philip Burnett, cause his appearance to be entered herein on or before the first rule day occurring forty days after this day; otherwise the cause will be proceeded with as in case of default.

By the Court. True copy. Test:
aug 8-eod1 W. J. MEIGS, Clerk, &c.

UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE, WASHINGTON, D. C., August 1, 1873.

On the petition of Edward S. Arnold, of Brooklyn, N. Y., praying for the extension of a patent granted to him on the 1st day of November, 1859, for an improvement in Cutoff Valves of Steam Engines:

It is ordered that the testimony in the case be closed on the 20th day of September next; that the time for filing arguments and the Examiner's report be limited to the 10th day of October next, and that said petition be heard on the 15th day of October next.

Any person may oppose this extension.
aug 8-w W. D. LEGGETT, Commissioner.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, THE 8TH DAY OF AUGUST, 1873.

J. M. Ormes vs. Harvey Kennedy, Executor, &c. } No. 3241—Equity Docket 12.

On motion of the plaintiff, by Mr. J. B. Stewart, his solicitor, it is ordered that the defendant, Harvey Kennedy, executor, &c., cause his appearance to be entered herein on or before the first rule day occurring forty days after this day; otherwise the cause will be proceeded with as in case of default.

By the Court. A. C. GUY, Justice, &c.
A true copy—Test: W. J. MEIGS, Clerk, &c.
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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

John H. Daly et al., vs. M. J. Daly et al. } No. 3,861.

Upon consideration of the report of John C. Will, auditor, and the bill of the plaintiff, filed the 25th day of July, 1873, and of the subsequent proceedings had in the cause, it is ordered, that the sales made and reported by them be ratified and confirmed unless cause to the contrary be shown on or before the second Tuesday of September next; Provided, a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed at Washington city, once a week for three successive weeks before the said date. The report states the amount of sales to be $1,000.

W. D. HUMPHREYS, Justice.
A true copy. W. J. MEIGS, Clerk.
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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

Louis H. Schneider vs. Sarah A. Turton et al. } In Equity, No. 3807 Docket 12.

The cause having been referred to the auditor, notice is hereby given to the creditors of the estate of John S. Turton, deceased, to appear before me and prove their claims, on TUESDAY, August 12, 1873, at my office, in Berdoux's law building, No. 480 Louisiana avenue, Washington city, at 11 o'clock a. m., of said day. Notice is also hereby given to the parties to this cause, and to all persons interested therein, to appear at the same time and place and see the proofs of the claims.

August 8, 1873. ROBERT LEECH, Auditor.
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UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE, WASHINGTON, D. C., July 26, 1873.

On the petition of ISAAC P. PARKER, of Harlem, N. Y., praying for the extension of a patent granted to him on the 1st day of November, 1859, and reissued on the 27th day of September, 1859, and the 11th day of April, 1865, and on the 6th day of December, 1866, for an improvement in Trunks Valves:

It is ordered that the testimony in the case be closed on the 8th day of September next; that the time for filing arguments and the Examiner's report be limited to the 10th day of October next, and that said petition be heard on the 15th day of October next.

Any person may oppose this extension.
jy29-Tu&w M. D. LEGGETT, Commissioner.

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PROPOSALS.

PROPOSALS FOR IRON COLUMNS AND GIRDERS.

NAVY PAY OFFICE, No. 437 CHESTNUT STREET, PHILADELPHIA, August 11, 1873.

Sealed proposals, indorsed "Proposals Bureau Yards and Docks," will be received at this office until MONDAY, at 1 o'clock p. m., August 11, 1873, for

16 Cast-iron Columns, say 16,000 pounds.
16 Cast-iron Joist Beams, say 12,000 pounds.
46 feet Compound Iron-plate Girders, 30½ inches deep, in lengths as directed.

All to be furnished as per drawings, to be seen at the office of the Civil Engineer, Naval Station, League Island, Pennsylvania. To be delivered on or before August 30, 1873, free of charge, at League Island Naval Station, subject to the usual conditions of inspection, approval, &c. Responsible security will be required for the prompt and faithful delivery of the same in conformity with stipulations on the blank forms for bids, to be had at this office, otherwise bids will not be entertained.

A. W. RUSSELL,
Pay Inspector U. S. Navy.

PROPOSALS FOR DIMENSION STONE REQUIRED IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW GOVERNMENT BUILDING AT PHILADELPHIA, PA.

OFFICE OF SUPERVISING ARCHITECT, TREASURY DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON, July 11, 1873.

Sealed proposals will be received at this office until 12 m. of the 25th day of August, 1873, for furnishing and delivering at the site of the proposed Government building, at Philadelphia, Pa., all the DIMENSION STONE required for the exterior of the building.

The species of stone from which a section will be made will be confined to granites, marbles and sandstones and the qualities especially insisted upon will be uniformity of color and texture, durability and the capacity for receiving a smooth dressing or hammer.

A sample block, thirteen inches, showing on one face the natural fracture of the stone, and on the others different kinds of cutting, must be submitted with each offer.

No stone that has not been tested by actual use as cut stone in buildings for at least ten years will be considered; and absolute proof that it has been so used for that period must be furnished.

The stone must further have a good grain, and be free from all disintegrating substances, and the quarry from which it is procured must be fully opened and capable of furnishing the quality and quantity desired within one year.

About 25,000 cubic feet, more or less, will be required. The actual average of the stones cannot now be given, but will be appropriate to the largest stone, containing about 30 cubic feet. The stones will be ordered on a schedule of not sizes, in order that the contractor may make proper allowances for cutting in the quarrying, and on the schedule payment will be made, allowing an additional price for each cubic foot of rough ashlar, or marble stock, and of one half inch to each cut face of sandstone.

Bidders will state how soon they can commence delivering the stone, and the amount per week they can deliver. They will also state the average and maximum size of the stones that can be obtained from their quarry.

No bids will be received except from the owners or lessees of the quarries from which the stone is proposed to be furnished, and a certificate from the recorder of the county in which the quarry is situated, that the party named is the owner or lessee of the quarry, must accompany the bid.

All proposals must be made on and in full according to the printed forms to be obtained on application to this office, and must be accompanied by a penal bond in the sum of fifty thousand dollars ($50,000) that the bidder will accept and perform the contract, if awarded to him, and give bond therefor in the penal sum of one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000) and a valid and binding lease of the quarry to the Government as security for the faithful performance of the contract, the lease to take effect upon the failure of the contractor to comply with the terms of the contract. Said lease to authorize the Government to take full possession of the quarry and work it at the expense of the contractor in case of default.

The Department reserves the right to reject any or all bids, or to divide the contract and use two or more kinds of stone.

Proposals must be inclosed in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Proposals for Dimension Stone for the New Government Building, Philadelphia, Pa.," and addressed to A. B. MULLETT,
jy14-5d Supervising Architect.

PROPOSALS FOR COAL.

NAVY PAY OFFICE, 437 CHESTNUT STREET, PHILADELPHIA, August 1, 1873.

Sealed proposals, in duplicate, indorsed "Proposals for Coal," will be received at this office until SATURDAY, the 9th inst., at 1 o'clock p. m., for twenty-five hundred (2,500) tons (2,240 pounds to the ton) of anthracite steamer coal (steamboat size) to be delivered, free of all expense, at League Island Navy Yard, in such quantities as may from time to time, prior to the 1st of October next, as the commandant of that station may direct.

The above coal to be of the best quality, uniform in character, selected free from all impurities, and subject, as to quality and quantity, to inspection by the inspector appointed for the purpose, who will have the right of peremptory rejection.

Bids will only be received from bona fide miners of or dealers in coal. The right is reserved to reject any bid that may not be deemed advantageous to the Government. Responsible security will be required for the faithful delivery of the above, in conformity with the stipulations on the blank forms for bids, to be had at this office, otherwise bids will not be entertained.

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