

From the Independent.

THE Kansas City Times thinks Carl Schurz is the worst stumbling block to American civilization and commerce ever imported to the United States.

The women are getting too contented coming, altogether. A Boston wife slyly attached a pedometer to her feet husband when, after supper, he started to "go down to the office and balance his books." On his return fifteen miles of walking were recorded. He had been stepping around a billiard table all the evening.

RECENTLY President Hayes appointed James Hill, a well known colored man, Collector of Internal Revenue for Mississippi, and he was required to give a bond in the sum of \$220,000. The Vicksburg Herald points to the fact that white men readily went on his bond for this amount, in order to show that deserving colored men get full recognition in that State.

HAMILTON Hamiltonian: John M. Anderson, a Linn county farmer, aged 66 years, has broken and plowed 156 acres of ground during the present season. It would pay to import a few such men and distribute them over the State as examples to the young men who measure side-walks and ballast dry goods boxes, yearning the while for better times.

A small boy was seen to carefully approach the windows of the county jail, at Raymond Miss., a few days since, and stealthily hand in through the bars some thing that was supposed to be an immense crowbar. The police were informed of it, and a posse of men surrounded the jail while a couple of officers proceeded to the cell to recover the prisoner. The weapon turned out to be a yard of bologna, which one of the prisoners was devouring.

THE stampede to Leadville has had a wholesome effect upon the whole Black Hills country. I have drawn off the gamblers and lazy roughts, and purified the general atmosphere. The population of the Black Hills was never so numerous and stable as a present. Business of all kinds is prosperous, mining of gold increases, new mills are being constructed continually, and the product of the precious metal this year will mount up to an astonishing figure.

THE other day the chief operator of the Western Union Telegraph Company, at Richmond, Va., put himself in communication with some friends in Washington for a talk through the telephone, and a conversation was kept up for some time. Every word was distinctly heard. Indeed one of the telegraphers present recognized the voice of a friend at the instrument in Washington and called his name. The distance between the two cities is 120 miles.

It is singular how numerous a man will become if you owe him \$13.29 and can't pay him. You will meet him everywhere. He is awful plenty. He rises up before you in the most unexpected places. You even go on a back street and he is there. But when he owes you \$11.80, and can't pay it, he becomes painfully scarce. He is not at home, at his place of business, or anywhere. Where do all the people go to, anyway, that owe money? Nobody can find them.

"Got a paper to spare?" "Yes, sir; here's one of our last. Would you like to subscribe, sir, and take it regularly?" "I would, but I'm too poor."

That was just come from the circus—cost 50 cents, lost time from his farm, 50 cents, liquor, judging from the smell, 50 cents, making a dollar and a half actual throw away, and then begging for a newspaper, alleging that he was too poor to pay for it.

That is what we call saving at the spigot and losing at the bung-hole.

Senator Wisdom says that while the Democrats are professing to be protectors of human rights 10,000 persons are fleeing to the West from the tyranny of Democratic State governments in the South. Will Senator Wisdom please inform us how many hundreds of thousands are fleeing in the same way to the West from the tyranny of Republican State governments in the East? For every laboring man that is emigrating from the Democratic States of the South to Republican States in the West, there are at least ten emigrating from Republican States. There are more men of Northern birth in Texas to-day than there are men of Southern birth in Kansas. —C. A. Hall.

Mrs. Vinyard, wife of Cyrus Vinyard, who lives near this city died Monday night. Mr. V. has the sympathy of the community. A shower accompanied with high wind passed over this country on Monday evening, several fences were blown down during the gale. The rain, although not as copious as might have been desired, did much good.

We heard a gentleman say the other day, that the wheat was heading out in his section, and was only a foot high, and that nothing would save it but rain. Let us hope for rain.

Mr. McMillen, who was kind from here some time ago for Leadville, with considerable stock, is reported seriously ill at Ft. Lyons, Colorado. Mrs. McMillen started to see him on Monday evening.

About the guiltiest looking people in this world is the man accused of a crime of which he is innocent, and a newly married couple trying to pass as veterans.

The latest use for paper is in the manufacture of umbrellas. Now is the time to subscribe. A paper umbrella can be borrowed as readily as a silk one, but the borrower is not so much in pocket by the operation.

MARRIED.—At the residence of the bride's parents, in Prairie township, Carroll county, by Presiding Elder Nolan, Mr. John A. Cherry and Miss Bettie Hampton.

As the special train with Jay Gould and party went rushing through town on Sunday last, at struck and killed a horse belonging to Mr. Timmons.

If some kind of amendment should be added to the marriage service, which would make it mandatory upon the part of the bride to get up in the morning and kindle the fire, there would be fewer old bachelors thumping about the country.

He blew his gun to see if loading up was needed; The jury to a man agree That the gun blew after he did.

The annual meeting of the National Temperance Relief Union, was held at the store of Brown & Garner, on the 1st inst., when the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, M. W. Burton; Vice-President, T. Irish; Medical Examiner, C. D. Latimer; Secretary and Treasurer, W. F. Impey; Agent, D. D. Bullock; Delegate to the Home Office, T. Irish; Executive Committee, T. C. Brown, A. W. Stickle, and Rev. G. J. Warren.

How She Described.

He was a bald-headed bachelor, whose heart for the first time had been moved by the tender passion. "Then you confess," he said, "a trembling voice, to the object of his regards, 'that you like me a little—that you admire certain qualities of my head?'" "Yes," slyly responded the young lady. "And may I ask," he continued in a voice of emotion, "what those qualities are?" "I can hardly explain," said the young lady bashfully, "but I think it is because your head is so mellifluous—I can't express it more clearly."

"And you can never know how I appreciate your high opinion," explained the happy bachelor as he pressed her hand.

He didn't know just what "mellifluous" meant, but he was sure it was the synonym for something grand and ennobling, and when he bade her good-night, he rushed eagerly home, excitedly took down the dictionary and feverishly turned to the encircled word. His blood changed to ice as he read: "Smooth, soft, mellow."

Aphorisms.

To be in a passion is to punish one's self for the faults and imperfections of another.

What we learn in our youth, grows up with us, and in time becomes part of the mind itself.

To teach early is to engrave on marble; to teach late is to write on sand.

As every thread of gold is valuable, so is every moment of time.

All is but lip wisdom that lacks experience.

Candid thoughts are always valuable.

THE statement of Auditor Holladay as to the receipts and expenditures of the revenue and interest funds for the two years ending January 1, 1881, was submitted to the House of Representatives last week, and differs widely from the statement of Treasurer Gates which was sent in several days ago, the latter estimating a surplus of about \$100,000 at the date above mentioned, while the former strikes a balance of over \$140,000 the other way. There is evidently a big miscalculation somewhere.

The Drug Store Law.

The law regulating the sale of liquors by drug stores has passed both houses, and as it is a matter of general importance the full text is given below: Sec. 1.—No dealer in drugs and medicines shall, directly or indirectly, sell or give away any intoxicating liquor or medicated liquor containing alcohol, in any quantity less than one gallon, and in no quantity to be drunk upon the premises, without first having obtained in the manner provided by law, a license as a dram-shop keeper, except as hereinafter described.

Sec. 2.—No person shall be deemed a dealer in drugs and medicines within the meaning of this act, and no such authorized to sell or give away intoxicating liquors as herein specified, unless he shall have and maintain a store or known place of business, shall have complied with the provisions of "druggists' licenses" and shall have at all times on hand at said store or place of business a stock of goods such as are usually kept in drug stores, exclusive of intoxicating liquors.

Sec. 3.—Such dealer in drugs and medicines may sell or give away in any quantity, when for sacramental purposes; liquors of any kind when the same are prescribed by a regularly registered physician, or are used solely in the administration of necessary remedial compounds, the preparation of tinctures, and the compounding of a written prescription, made and signed by some regular practicing physician, who shall have stated in such prescription that the liquor therein prescribed is a necessary ingredient: Provided, that such prescription shall in no case authorize such sale or gift more than one time.

Sec. 4.—Any dealer in drugs and medicines who shall violate the provisions of this act, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction be punished by a fine of not less than forty nor more than two hundred dollars.

Sec. 5.—Any physician, or pretended physician, shall make or issue any prescription to any person for intoxicating liquors, in any quantity, or for any compound of which such liquors shall form a part, to be used otherwise than for medicinal purposes, or who shall make or issue any prescription contrary to the true intent and meaning of this act, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction, punished by a fine of not less than forty nor more than two hundred dollars.

Sec. 6.—Any person who shall forge or counterfeit any prescription or certificate, in the name of any physician, for the purpose of procuring, or enabling any other person or persons to procure, any intoxicating liquor, or the sale thereof, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction be punished by a fine of not less than fifty nor more than three hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail for a term of not less than thirty days or more than three months, or by both such fine and imprisonment, at the discretion of the court.

Sec. 7.—Every druggist in this state shall carefully preserve the prescriptions of all intoxicating liquors sold by him under the provisions of section three of this act, and shall produce them in evidence whenever legally required to do so. Any druggist who shall fail to comply with the provisions of this section shall be fined not less than \$10 nor more than \$100. All courts having jurisdiction in criminal cases are required to give effect in charge to each grand jury empaneled in such court.

Sec. 8.—An act entitled "An act to regulate the sale of liquors by dealers in drugs and medicines," approved May 2nd, 1877, and all other acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Dram-Shop Licenses.

The bill for the government of cities of the fourth class passed by both houses provides that "no license shall be granted to keep a dram-shop, or tipping house until a majority of the tax paying citizens shall sign a petition for such license to be granted, which petition shall be filed with the city clerk." Cities of the fourth class are those having a population between 500 and 5,000; they embrace the greater number of considerable towns in the State heretofore it has been comparatively easy to secure dram-shop licenses, because, even where the conditions were not strictly complied with, there was no one who felt called upon to point out the defects in the petition, and to oppose the granting of the license; but this law will make it difficult to secure licenses in towns where there is an active opposition. The signatures of a majority of the tax-payers to the petition will not be easily obtained, and the result will be no saloons at all, in many of the towns, or a general system of unlicensed liquor selling.

Killed in the Storm.

One of the saddest accidents we have been called upon to chronicle for sometime past, occurred during the severe wind-storm last Monday evening, resulting in the death of Mary, the little eight-year-old daughter of Mr. Godfrey Button, who resides in the bottoms nearly opposite the city. When the storm came up, Mary was playing in the yard near the house, and the wind blew a large limb from a tree, which fell and struck her on the head, crushing her skull and killing her almost instantly. Mr. and Mrs. Button were out in the field at the time of the distressing accident, and when they returned, they found their little boy in the house, but it was only after the most vigorous search around the premises, that they found the dead body of the little girl, and when they did their grief can better be imagined than described.—Lexington Register.

Thoughts for Teachers.

"The secret of securing order is to secure interest. An idle child cannot be kept quiet." "Leisure is sweet to those who have earned it, but burdensome to those who get it for nothing." "He that studies books alone, will know how things ought to be. He that studies men will know how things are." "It is one of the most beautiful compensations in life that we cannot sincerely try to help another without helping ourselves." "Make no noisy assertions of authority, and do not threaten. Be quiet but firm; be dignified but not distant. Let pupils feel that your friendship is desirable. Talk little, but do what you say you will."

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