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HIS CHARACTER.

An Old Friend Tells the Interesting Story of the Life of Jim Conley, the Boone Stage Driver.

The Light, at the Request of Other Friends, Recites an Injustice Done to a Citizen.

The Review Advance publishes the following interesting account of the life of Jim Conley, the Boone stage driver, who has recently died from injuries received when his team ran away.

"Ben Ure, now driving on the mail line between San Antonio and Boone, was a fast friend of Jim Conley, and if you get him in the right humor can tell many interesting incidents of his life. We hustled Ben into a chair and begged him to tell us some of his experiences as a stage driver.

"Well, let's see, now; I believe you'd rather hear something about poor Jim and leave me out, so here goes.

"In 1857 I was handling the ribbons on the Iowa City and Fort Des Moines stage road. I was a young man then, about 25 years old, and Jim was not more than 15 or 16, but we were friends even then, and it wasn't long before Jim got to driving. Jim and I got acquainted a while during the war, but met again in St. Louis in 1867 and drove together on the El Paso road, running from Baxter Springs to El Paso. John May, Mike Hall, better known as 'Three-fingered Mike,' and Billy Walker were also driving on the El Paso road at that time, and Jim was a favorite with them all. A stage driver's life is a hard one at best, and the sun ain't warm enough some times to melt the ice on a man's beard in some of those Northern and Western States. I've seen drivers lifted off the stage and as a cigar sign, and I could tell you of some pretty tough times in Jim's life on most every road he's run on, but the most exciting time he ever had was when he was running on the overland route from Atchison, Kansas, to San Francisco. This was in 1855 or 1859, before Wells, Fargo & Co. bought the Holladay out.

"You know, in those days, a man drove good stock, and when I say good stock I mean it. There were six fine horses to each coach, and the trip of 2,000 miles was made in 22 days—100 miles a day—and horses were changed every 10 miles. You needn't grin boys; changing horses in those days didn't mean taking them off one side and putting them on the other, and each man had from three to five teams to drive.

"The Indians were troublesome in those days, and a man had to keep his hand on his head to hold his scalp on. Poor Ed Killbourne, a friend of Jim's, was about to leave the road, and was breaking in a new driver. Ed said this was to be his last trip, and, poor fellow, it turned out to be true, although he didn't mean it that way. The Indians surrounded him between Cottonwood Bluffs and Julesburg, on the U. P. road, and cut him all to pieces. Some of the passengers were killed, too, but the strangest part of it was that the green driver got clear of the Indians and made his way back.

"Well, as I was going to say, about this time Jim had a lot of stock to take down for the stage company—about 24 four horse coaches. Jim always was a light hearted, devil-may-care sort of a fellow, always happy and in good humor, and the last thing he was thinking about was an Indian, but the other boys were expecting them, and kept a good lookout. Just before they reached Cheyenne City, sure enough, down they came, and the way the boys hustled themselves was a caution. They made a circle and fixed the coaches around them so as to be pretty well protected from arrows, and the Indians bowled around for three days. At one time it looked pretty much like the boys were gone up. Ammunition was getting scarce, and Jim was about the only one that got any sleep. He said he'd 'be everlastingly fixed if he'd let any copper-colored dancing machine cheat him out of his sleep,' and he didn't.

"The third night a council was held, and it was proposed to take the best horses in the outfit and make a break for life, but this was overruled and the boys concluded to hold out a little longer, and see if some kind of help would come along. Jim said if they only wanted a lock of his hair they were welcome to it, but when it came down to the whole scalp, he called it kind o' hogwash. Jim was always light-hearted, and never let anybody know he was worried, and was brave and generous as a man could be. For some reason or other the Indians skipped out that night, and the boys got through safe to San Francisco.

"Jim has been in a good many scrapes like this, and has had many narrow escapes. He has driven on the Dallas, Fort Worth, Sherman and Austin roads, and was well known and liked all over the State. Most of the old citizens of Texas know him. He had a runaway while driving on the Austin road, and broke his leg, and has had several runaways in which he was not hurt much. He was a first class driver, but no man can hold four horses when they once get a start, and are bent on traveling.

"Well, boys, let's see if we can't make the Great Western set 'em up.

"I suppose you know that a subscription has been started to put a grave stone for Jim? Yes, I started one, and Dave Dolson, a young San Antonio lawyer, has promised to help me out with it.

"Well, here's how and begin! Jim will have a smooth road to travel in the next world."

On the whole, the story is true, and gives an illustration of the brave and chivalric career of unfortunate Jim Conley, but there is too much newspaperishness in it, which transpires the facts into the semblance of a cheap novelette. Better men than poor Jim Conley don't live, so far as honesty, truthfulness, fidelity and bravery, the noblest attributes of manly character, are concerned. But the sad end of the story is where injustice is done to a really good man. The LITTY refers to Officer Chadwell, of the city police. Mr. Chadwell was an intimate and devoted friend of Jim Conley, and when he received the news of his death, while on duty, after passing the period of regret that governed him, prepared a paper which he circulated himself and raised funds, by subscriptions ranging from 25 cents to \$5, to place over the last resting place of his friend a monument to mark it. In doing gross injustice to Chadwell's character and honor, under these circumstances, where it is not due, the many friends of Jim Conley ask the LITTY to place this matter as it should be before the public. The strongest blow a true man can receive is a thrust against that purity of motive which actuates him when he strives to show his love for the good attributes that may have belonged to a devoted friend.

THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

The Board is Fully Organized and Dr. Heart Attended Yesterday.

The Board of Health met yesterday for the first time, and the Mayor, J. H. French, Dr. F. Herz, Dr. I. Fyner, Dr. Amos Graves, and the City Physician, Dr. Jules Braunwald, were present. Mr. Rayon, city clerk, Assistant City Clerk, and ex-officio Secretary to the Board, was also present.

The Mayor called the meeting to order and stated that the first business was to elect a President. On the motion of Dr. Amos Graves, Dr. F. Herz was unanimously elected, and took his seat accordingly.

Alderman Lockwood's resolution regarding the river and ditches, referred to the Board by the City Council, was then considered. The President thought it would be advisable to refer the matter to some member of the Board for report and then to discuss it. Dr. Tyner concurred. Mayor French admitted that the river and ditches were impure, and thought the people should know it. The city had failed to keep the water undisturbed with the present stringent regulations. The Board were decided as to the impurity of the river and ditches, but differed as to the propriety of converting them into sewers. Dr. Amos Graves opposed their condemnation before means were taken to provide the citizens, who are now compelled to use the river and ditch water, with pure water. That provision must be made before anything could be done. On the motion of Mayor French the matter was referred to the President and Dr. Tyner for investigation and report.

The Board decided to meet on the third Thursday in each month, and then adjourned.

COAL FOR TEXAS.

Organization and Prospects of the Sabine Coal Company, of Saltillo, Mexico.

The Sabine Coal company, of Saltillo, Mexico, has been organized, and the following gentlemen have been elected to office: President, Governor Esteban Malheur, Coahuila; Treasurer, J. B. Lacoste, San Antonio; General Manager, R. H. McCracken; Directors, Miguel Ma Gonzalez, Francisco Sado and W. N. Moore.

The mines are situated on the Sabine, in the district of Montalva, in the State of Coahuila, Mexico, on the line of the Mexican National railroad, and are only 73 miles from the Rio Grande. The company has purchased nine leagues of coal land on the Sabine river. The coal lies in horizontal strata, and present developments show 31 inches of fine bituminous coal, yielding a good coke, while in the lower strata six feet of coal is found of the same quality. The coal will be serviceable in Texas, and will considerably reduce the cost of fuel for domestic and manufacturing uses. About 20 miners are engaged in developing the mines.

M. R. H. McCracken, General Manager of the company, to whom the LITTY is indebted for these particulars, is in the city and leaves to-night to visit the mines.

Decorate Your Houses.

The Volkees committees are doing all they can, on their part, to make San Antonio present a beautiful appearance to visitors, and the citizens should do their part to second the efforts which are made in that direction. Many are going to decorate their houses, stores, etc., with hunting, flags and evergreens, in such a way as shall put San Antonio in her holiday attire, but this decoration should be general to be effective. If it is done it will exhibit an enterprising spirit on part of the citizens, and will tend more to make the Volkees what it really is in spirit and sentiment—a people's festival.

A Determined Colored Woman.

A LITTY reporter was informed of the brave act of a colored woman this morning, by a gentleman who declares the story to be true. The woman, named Williams, was robbed of all her earnings, and suspecting an old fisherman, living two miles down the river, in a kind of a cave, she repaired thither, armed with a six shooter, forcing the old man to acknowledge his theft and restore the stolen articles. She says he had four baskets of stolen goods belonging to different people.

TELEGRAPHIC.

Examination of O'Donnell—England Anxious About Mexican Trade—Terrible Storm on Lake Erie. &

Murder of an Indiana Lady and the Killing of a Wife at Boston—Fred Douglass at Louisville.

PROVIDENCE, September 25.—President Arthur embarked on the cutter Dexter, at Newport for Bristol, this morning.

NEW YORK, September 25.—F. Mayer & Co., wool men, to-day assigned to Simon Danzig, who owns preference to the amount of \$210,373.

CHICAGO, September 25.—William B. Strong, President of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad, is here, and says that he has no intention of resigning.

NEW YORK, September 25.—About 450 members of the county Democracy started for Buffalo this morning to attend the Democratic convention. The train consisted of 15 Wagons.

CHICAGO, September 25.—A Daily News special from Buffalo, New York, says: "During the terrible storm last night on Lake Erie, the schooner York State went down with all hands, consisting of Captain Hayes and six men. The schooner was loaded with 10,000 bushels of wheat.

ARIZONA, Ind., September 25.—The small jail at this little town was burned yesterday, and one prisoner, name unknown, was burned to death. He was an umbrella maker, and claimed to come from the Dayton Soldiers' Home. He had considerable money, and it is thought that he was murdered, and the building burned to conceal the crime.

GALVESTON, September 25.—Jacobus, the ripper charged with libeling the woman, Spencer, by a publication in the Pilot, one week ago, was to-day held in the sum of \$250 to await the action of the grand jury, in November. The bond was promptly given. The number of vessels in the harbor is gradually increasing. The recent arrivals are principally British steamships.

HUFFALO, September 25.—A disastrous storm occurred here late last night. The wind at one time attained a velocity of 54 miles per hour. Trees and sign boards were bent down, and the roof of road house of the Rochester and Pittsburg railroad, on the lake shore at South Buffalo, was levelled to the ground, while a fine house on Perry street was entirely demolished. Large pieces of glass, in several Main street stores, were completely shattered.

WASHINGTON, September 26.—Consul General Merrill, at London, in a letter to the State department, says: "The proposed commercial treaty between the United States and Mexico has naturally created attention in England, both in business and government circles, and Parliament is being constantly reminded by commercial bodies to again open diplomatic relations with Mexico, so that the English trade with that country may not be impeded by the United States."

BOSTON, September 25.—About 1 o'clock this morning Nellie Currie, aged 26, a cook at Perkins' cafe, was shot and killed by her husband, Richard Currie, at the doorway of their lodgings. She was returning from work, and it is supposed the husband had been drinking. The couple had not lived in harmony for some time, but occasionally met. After firing Currie ran, but was captured by the passers-by. He was evidently under the influence of liquor. The woman had an excellent reputation, but the husband had not.

LAFAVETTE, September 25.—Yesterday evening Cephas Atkinson, a wealthy farmer residing at Atkinson station, west of here on the C. T. St. L. and C. railroad, went over to Oxford to attend to some matters of business. He was accompanied by all the family except Emma, about 14 years old, who was left in charge of the house. Upon returning home, about 6 o'clock, the family were horrified at finding the body of Miss Emma lying in a pool of blood in an upstairs room, with her throat cut from ear to ear, while many knife wounds were seen on various parts of her body. The whole affair is wrapped in mystery. It is supposed that the crime was perpetrated by Emma, who were seen in the vicinity of the farm about 4 o'clock. Another version is that the girl was outraged and murdered by a discarded lover.

LOUISVILLE, September 25.—When Fred Douglass, at 10 o'clock, came into Linder Krantz hall, to deliver his speech, he found a very large crowd in attendance, many white persons having come to hear his plea for his people. On the stage, besides leading colored men, sat ex-Attorney General "ped," of the Lincoln cabinet, General James A. Eakin, of the United States army, retired, and a number of other whites of prominence. Douglass, who spoke two hours, his speech being legal, often humorous and always interesting. He sketched the history of his race since emancipation, was frequently sarcastically severe on the Government and incidentally on the Republican party. He was listened to with interest and received frequent and generous applause. After the conclusion of his speech the convention in rain had to complete its organization. There were 100 many orators on the list, and the temporary Chairman, who presided while Douglass rested from the exertion, was unable to control them.

LONDON, September 25.—O'Donnell was examined this afternoon before Magistrate Flowers. Poland opened for the Crown and recounted the passage out on the steamer of the Carver family and O'Donnell and repeated the details of the murder. Poland said that O'Donnell's assertion when he was arrested that he had acted in self defense would be contradicted by the testimony of Carver's eldest son, who would swear that his father had no pistol. Boatman Jones, an eye witness, swore that O'Donnell's words to Mrs. Carver after shooting her husband, were, "shake hands, Mrs. Carver, I did not do it." Carver's son testified that after witnessing the shooting of his father, he ran to the latter's berth and obtained his revolver, but had not time to give it to him before one of the officers of the steamer took it from him. He said he heard O'Donnell tell his mother he, O'Donnell, "was sent to do it." The Captain of

CASINO HALL.

Friday, Sept. 28.

GRAND ENTERTAINMENT

GIVEN BY THE

VAUDEVILLE COMPANY.

Ladies are specially invited. Admission 75 cents; Orlery 50 cents.

No extra charge for reserved seats, which may be obtained of Sim Hart, Main plaza. [P. 2]

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Have opened a branch of their Galveston house at 230 Commerce street, San Antonio, and have the largest stock of pianos, organs, sheet music, strings and musical instruments of any house in the city. They are State agents for the world renowned Strinsky

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and the favorite and popular Emerson pianos, and sell the same, as well as all other goods in their line, as cheap as any house North or South. Thos. Goggan & Bros. sell pianos and

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on such small monthly installments that every family can afford to buy one. 9-25-jm

In Advance

As the fall weather has already set in we desire to call the attention of our friends to the fact that we have spared no pains to prepare for them, and are now receiving, a large and well selected stock of fall and winter clothing.

OUR FURNISHING GOODS

department contains a complete line of shirts, white, red and fancy underwear, hosiery, etc. We also show a large and varied a line of hats and caps as can be desired. We shall be glad to see you whether you purchase or not.

A. MORRIS,

Men's clother and outfitter, 252 and 254 Main street. We make a specialty of men's linen collars, and are selling our best grade for 12 1/2 cents, equal to any in the United States.

BOARD AND LODGING

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The Melrose testified to finding an electric machine in the prisoner's baggage. Mrs. Carey, owing to fatigue, was unable to testify. The statement of the son of Carey that O'Donnell said that he was sent to do it is a sensation in the court room. John Marvin, Inspector of the Post of Elizabeth, who testified that an extract from a paper was found in O'Donnell's box, headed "Irish Freeman in America," a supplement of the weekly Freeman's Journal, Dublin, containing a portrait of Carey and a certificate showing that O'Donnell was an American citizen, was also found. The examination was adjourned until Friday.

Texas Patents.

The following patents were granted to citizens of Texas, bearing date September 18, 1883, reported expressly for this paper by Louis Bigger & Co., mechanical experts and solicitors of patents, Washington, D. C.: Holt, Theobald, Lexington, plow gears, 285,264; Oberon, A. E., Waco, oil press mat, 285,300.

The Tyroler Singers

Will be back again October 2, and will sing at Summers & Uehlinger's postoffice pavilion.