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THE American earnestly charges that the Mugwump-Blair billities made Gov. Bob do it. It won't be long until Robert will be sorry "he was made that way."

Gov. Alf Taylor's brother Robert has his "me too" in the person of Prof. Blair bill Smith who hastily rises up to remark that Col. Lewis McWhiter is related to Ananias.

THE Submission resolution passed its third and final reading in the House Tuesday by a vote of 87 to 4. There were several members absent. A motion to reconsider was tabled, so that it now only remains to fix the day on which the election is to be held, which will probably be fixed for the first of August of the present year.

Pulaski Citizen: Clarksville has organized a L——d and I——t c——y and will build three b——t f——s and proceed to go on a big h——m.

Col. Laps, you cught to come up here and see what Clarksville is doing before you go off so *dashed* rapid. Railroads, steamboats, high schools, 50,000 hogsheads of tobacco, high river, iron mountains, coal banks, National Banks! You'd be delighted as well as surprised. Come to see us.

A man has actually been discovered in Warren county who don't think he possesses the intellectual ability to constitute a member of the Kentucky Legislature.

That fellow is either a saint or a start-naked fool, and he could either sing "Amazing Grace" in the midst of a Kansas cyclone or carry the hat around after one of Laps McCords tearful sermons on the gumelastic piety of his friend John Littleton of the Review.

BOB WHITE of the Lebanon Herald, sometimes strikes the centre in matters of plain justice though in his old age he is occasionally erratic in his political ideas. Of the celebrated Godwin case in Memphis he says:

The trial of young Godwin, at Memphis, for killing Dalton, who had boasted of his improper intimacy with the former's sister, is attracting wide spead attention. Dalton deserved what he got. Even if he did not slander the woman, as alleged, he ought to have been killed for telling on her.

Lebanon Herald: "Drive whist" seems to be the fashionable amusement in Nashville "society" circles, just now. We suppose the dudes and dudines who engage in it really imagine that they are playing whist—but they are not. In the first place, whist is not an amusement—it is an intellecual employment, fit only for the strongest and best balanced minds; and, in the second place, it may be laid down as an axiom that no woman can play whist.

You see, Colonell Bob, it's the required silence that cramps their genius. The fact is, not one woman in a hundred can keep count of the game and tell what's trumps in a plain game of seven-up.

FARLEY'S last trade report, issued from Philadelphia says: The iron market does not let up but is firm all round. The gossip of all the speculative trades is full of the features with which the situation abounds. The foreign markets are still out of the reach of importers to this market and that element of safety still remains. There is a good demand for pig iron in Boston and Chicago while the market is firm in New York and Pennsylvania. Steel rails are firmer being quoted at the Pittsburg mills at $39 per ton cash.

Baltimore Sun: For over a century the wealthy planters of Maryland lived in ignorance of the deliciousness of terrapin, and only their slaves ate them. Now they are glad to get them at fifty cents a plate.

Perhaps the Tennessee "terrapin" is not a thoroughbred, but we never heard of a white mae here eating anything of that kind smaller than a big soft-shell, or a snapping-turtle of the hard-shell variety. People don't eat them in Guthrie, but they may eat them in Pulaski or in Union City—think we'll ask Col. McCord and brother Tatom the first time we meet. The hard-shell yields a prolific soup, with a flavor something like gum overshoes in summer time.

THE first message of the new Governor, Taylor, which we publish, contrasts strikingly with the outspoken, manly papers of his predecessor, Gov. Bate. He originates no suggestions for the benefit of the State, and only misrepresents public sentiment when he claims that Tennessee wants to join the treasury-plunders under the feeble plea of pauperism.

In his inaugural address he boasted of the wealth of the State. In his speeches, when a candidate, he opposed the Blair bill fraud, and now we find him contradicting his own words and in a public message misrepresenting the men to whom he is indebted for his election. At this rate his public career henceforward will be more brief than brilliant.

THE celebrated trial of Russell Godwin for killing Tom Dalton; the slanperer of his sister, Mrs. Polk has occupied the Court in Memphis for three weeks—ending last Monday. Speeches have been made by Gen Luke Wright and Col. Turner for the defense, and by Gen. Chalmers, Mr. Lehman and Attorney General Peters for the prosecution. The jury had the case under consideration until 2:30 p. m. on Tuesday, 15th, when they brought in a verdict of not guilty. This verdict is in strict accord with the sentiment which we hope will ever live among Tennesseans that he who slanders or seduces the wife or daughter shall surely die by the hands of any friend or kinsman of the injured one.

The present legislature ought to enact this principle into a law. As the law now stands on our statute books a man is justifiable in shooting a burglar or a highway robber, but the law denies him the right to kill the wretch who slanders his wife or his daughter, and subjects him to the penalty and costs of a trial on the charge of murder for discharging the highest duty of a citizen—that of defending the honor and good name of his loved ones by slaying the craven wretch who threatens black-mail or utters his slanderous language. The legislator who advocates and secures the passage of such a law will win the plaudits of every good man and woman in Tennessee.

MAKING it warm for "Our Bob" would aptly describe the language of some of the Senator's when the appointment of F. M. Smith came up for confirmation. Senator Thompson, of Wilson county, expressed himself thus:

Mr Thompson took the floor. He had no interest in the matter only as a Senator, representing the people. He had no prejudice for or against Mr. Smith. He had not even had a candidate for the position. He had never heard of the gentleman until his name was presented to the Senate. He had a duty to perform, however. In the first place he didn't think the Governor had the power of appointing a man. The Senate was the appointing power, the supreme legal power. The State Constitution said simply that the Governor might nominate a man, name a man for the office, or that if the Senate saw fit it could appoint the man named. This was simply a courtesy extended the Governor by the people permitting him to suggest the name of some individual for the Senate to appoint. It now looked very much like the tail was trying to wag the dog. Some gentlemen were attempting to shirk the responsibility by saying it was simply the duty of the Senate to confirm the nomination made by the Governor. The Senate was responsible. Mr. Smith seemed to be a gentleman. He is reported as an educated man. He might be disqualified. He might be a polygamist. He might be a Blair bill man. "If he is any of these, then I say he is disqualified. I say it is dangerous, from my standpoint, to put any such man where he will be allowed to go around to all our public schools and instill any such principles in the minds of our youth, and thus undermine and break down the great foundations of our Government.

"Now I say the Governor has gone back on us. What did he do during the late campaign? Didn't he tell you not to vote for Alf Taylor because he was a Blair bill man, and tell you to vote for himself because he was against the Blair bill? But he comes here and tries to put on us a man who stands exactly where Alf Taylor stood. It is an insult to the Senate and gentlemen, I can't vote for him. I wouldn't degrade myself and the Senate. And as for courtesy. Now didn't we all swear that we would vote on all measures and men without favor, courtesy or partiality? I am a great stickler for courtesy, but not enough so to perjure myself.

"I have nothing against Mr. Smith personally. He is simply unfitted for the position. He should not be allowed to indoctrinate his terrible heresies into the minds of our children. It is your duty to the people of the State of Tennessee to not vote for this confirmation, and you can't vote for it without committing perjury. Now with respect to the report that the Governor had said that Senators were showing their spleen because they had axes to grind themselves and had been disappointed." He didn't think the Governor had used that language. It was the language of a lowflung demagogue. It was the language of a slanderer and a liar. This was all he had to say.

ONE John A. Edmonson, (Rev. we believe he styles himself) is "cutting fantastic tricks" by charging Laps McCord with being a Kuklux. He ought to silence himself before the people rise up and arrest him as the author of "Betsy and I are Out."

Col. McCord said to him in last week's Citizen:

We call the attention of the noble sons of terror, through whose veins courses the reddest and richest blood that ever animated heroes and patriots, to these treasonable utterances.

Brave men do not strike women nor cranks. The devil could run amuck through this great people and emerge unharmed if he should don a clerical garb. This man's cloth is a rampart about him.

We beseech our people to be patient! We beg you curb your wrath! This man knows not what he does. We appeal to the noble sons of terror to pass these ravings by unnoticed and unavenged.

We have spoken!

As Prof. Smith has already assumed the duties of "fighting editor" of Gov. Alf's brother Bob's administration we can now understand the wherefore of his appointment—he will "teach the young idea how to shoot."

CHOICE NEW GROCERIES.

Turkeys, live or dressed.
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PRESIDENT CLEVELAND was certainly right in vetoing the Life-Everlasting-Pension-bill. It was nothing less than the open decaration of a scheme to make thieving not only legal but perpetual. It was a meaner thing than the Blair bill and vastly larger in length, breadth and depth of premeditated villiany. It was not intended to benefit northern soldiers, but was calculated to tax them as well as all other citizens to fill the pockets of "protective" tariff thieves at one end of the line and bounty grabber thieves at the other.

The bill appears to have claimed that every man who had been in the army long enough to have an attack of measles, and all others who since the war have been afflicted with Ring-bone, poll-evil, hiccups, blind-staggers, opthalmia, whiffles, kleptomania, stone-bruises, hysterics, swinomania, dullness of comprehension, boubtful veracity, bad teeth or radical proclivities should receive a pension. The contrast between those classes and the genuine Federal Soldiers who did the fighting on their side is as striking as the clown's analogy in the circus:

"Queen Viccoria's got the gout,
Bismarck has the measles,
Susan's got the whooping cough,
Pop goes the weasel."

If there is any man in Clarksville to whom the following remarks of the Avalanche will apply we ask him to read those remarks carefully and give the subject due consideration. There has never in the history of Clarksville been a more propitious time for action. Owners of lots and lands with a mile of the corporate limits of this city have now a certainty of profit in the advance of real estate and the power is in their own hands to bring about this desirable result:

ONE SERIOUS DRAWBACK.

Avalanche.

The real obstacle in the way of the growth of many of the cities and towns of the country is that the prices demanded for lots are too high. They are waiting until they can grow up to the real estate. Memphis, in common with other places, suffers from this cause. With vacant lots in the heart of the city, there is no necessity for crowding those who are anxious to secure homes or business houses, out into the suburbs. The policy pursued by some of those who hold large bodies of real estate advantageously located, for a speculative value, is a narrow one, and cannot fail to react to their detriment in the end. So tenacious are they that they will not yield a single foot, when by disposing of alternate lots those remaining would soon be worth double the money that could have been secured before. But while this is not denied each man waits for his neighbor to take the initiative, and the result is that nothing is done. Real estate is worth what it will brring in the open market, and if those who managed to get the first and biggest slices would allow a stranger to take an occasional bite the general growth would more than compensate him in the end. Some one has illustrated the subject by saying that a quart of dry beans in the quart measure would always remain a quart, but if a few were removed and the space filled with warm water the measure would soon overflow. The illustration is homely, but it serves its purpose of pointing a moral. It is probable that Memphis is less hampered by this disposition than other cities, but it is unfortunate that she is hampered at all.

THE American of the 13th in a column editorial gives Gov. Taylor a lecture on the Blair bill utterance contained in his first message to the Legislature. The inconsistency (to use no harsher term) of Gov. Taylor's conduct is truthfully set forth in the following extract from the American's editorial:

There was never a case where any doctrine was so distinctly and emphatically repudiated by any party as the principal embodied in the Blair Educational bill has been by the Democrats of Tennessee. Its advocates seized upon it, believing it to be a popular measure, and made a vigorous and aggressive fight for it. Their organs rung the changes upon it from day to day and speeches were made, published and scattered over the State from one end to the other. Its advocates demanded that it should be made an issue, and it was made an issue in every Congressional district, in every legislative district, and in the Gubernatorial and the Senatorial contest. The result was that not a single Blair bill Democrat was elected to Congress and the Democracy gained one Congressman; the Democratic members elected to the Legislature are practically unanimous against it, the three leading candidates for the United States Senate were opposed to it, and the successful candidate, Senator Bate, is opposed to it. And the man who, when he was a Democratic elector, had denounced the principle of distributing Federal taxes among the States from one end of the State to the other, was nominated by the Democratic party for Governor, and the man who assailed the Blair bill from one end of the State to the other was elected—to wit, Robert L. Taylor.

That was the result of the contest over the Blair bill as an issue in the last campaign. And since it has ended we have heard of but one convert to the scheme—Gov. Robert L. Taylor. Gov. Taylor has a perfect right to hold whatever views he pleases upon any measure. But he has no right to publish to the world that Tennessee Democrats are beggars and mendicants and that they are willing to break down the Constitution to get swag from the treasury.

LAST week we published an illustrated sketch of the Battle of Fort Donelson, a battle in which many of our friends and readers were engaged, the battlefield being in an adjoining county on the Cumberland river only 40 miles below Clarksville.

On the first week in April we will publish a sketch of The Battle of Shiloh, which also was fought in Tennessee, and in which several thousand Tennesseeans were engaged. Following this we will give, on the anniversary of each, sketches of The Peninsular Campaign, and the Seven Days Battles around Richmond; Stonewall Jackson's Campaign against Banks, Milroy and Fremont; Pope's Campaign, including Cedar Mountain, Gainsville, Second Manassas and Chantilly; South Mountain and Antietam; Bragg's Kentucky Campaign, including Richmond and Perryville. The Battle of Murfreesboro will conclude the series. This will be entertaining to our readers and their friends, many of whom were in those terrible engagements where shots flew thick and bombs burst low.

THE Review and Journal, like all other Democratic papers in the State, denounces the Mugwumpery of Gov. Bob Taylor. It says: Since the message of Governor Taylor was submitted to the legislature, a great deal of surprise and dissatisfaction has manifested itself among Democrats in this county, as well as in other sections of the state. The message when compared to the speeches he delivered during the canvas, is not at all in harmony, and leaves room for harsh citicism at the hands of men who believe in consistency and fair dealing. If Gov. Taylor had been known before his nomination to entertain such views as are expressed in his message, it is more than doubtful if he could have secured the nomination.

THE apology of the Avalanche for Gov. Taylor's lack of honest consistency and manly firmness is an admission that "all along" during his race for Governor he "he ardently desired" to express his honest convictions—but was afraid to tell the Democracy whose votes he was soliciting. The Avalanche of the 17th says:

He was obliged to declare himself, in his annual message, upon all the leading questions of the day, and could no longer hesitate to express his honest convictions, a thing he had most ardently desired all along, and from which nothing held him back except a knowledge that it would immediately create some dissatisfaction, perhaps make a division in the ranks of his party.

"O, most lame and impotent conclusion."

WHEN Gen. Quarles introduced Bob Taylor in Clarksville to an immense audience the General said of Bob that "he hoped it might be said that he wore the white flower of a blameless life," but Bob has already trailed his white rose in the dust and its wasted fragrance is now mingled with bad odors of the foul socks, soiled linen and greasy napkins of the Mugwumps. Alas! poor Yorick!

WHEN President Cleveland lets the corners of his mouth slowly down like a drop-curtain they call it a veto smile.

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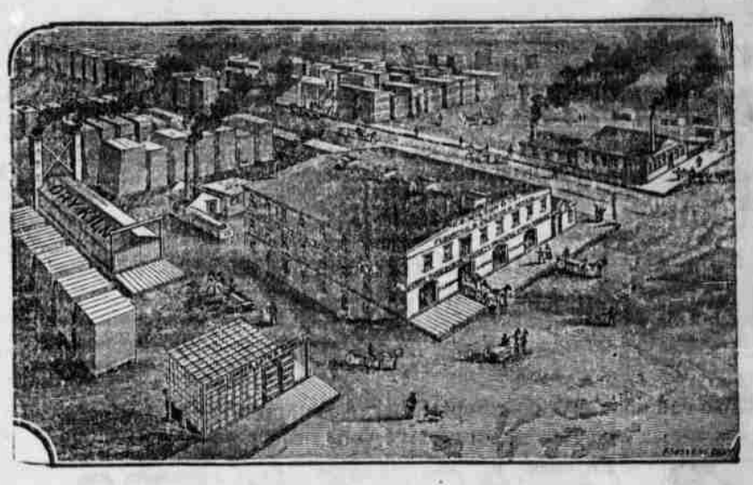

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