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Married Seven Times.

Uncle Johnny Runyan, a pioneer settler of eastern Kentucky, and well known all over the State, is dead at his old home in Pike county, near Regina. He was 103 years old, and leaves twenty-three living children and a thousand descendants. This remarkable old man died in the same hut he began housekeeping in more than eighty years ago. His wife, who survives him, is 102 years old. He has been married seven times.

The Value of the Local Paper.

One young lady knows the importance of giving personal items of news to the editor, says the Dover News. She went away on a visit, and the News said so. She returned, and the editor was silent. Then she sat down in quietude and wondered why her best fellow didn't write. She grew sad and pale as the days waxed long. Tears grew in her eyes as she waited and he wrote not. With a desperation born of despair she asked an explanation. His excuse was a valid

one. He had seen a notice in the News of her departure. He had waited for a notice of her return.

The 4th Kentucky.

Already the prediction is freely made that the Fourth will be the finest regiment to leave Kentucky. It will go from here with 1,300 men, big, stalwart fellows already hardened, and perhaps more able to stand service than any regiment of volunteers in the entire country. In fact, there is no doubt but what these men could undergo right now just as many hardships as the regulars. Of course they are deficient in military tactics, but being capable of standing so much work they can soon become drilled.—Lexington Leader.

Pink-Eye in Scott County.

Harry Blackburn informs us that he has thirteen head of horses affected with a disease known as pink-eye. Every horse on his farm is affected and he has not even one that he can

use. This is the first we have heard of this disease for some time, and it is to be hoped that it will not become an epidemic in this country.—Georgetown Sentinel.

L. W. Gaines, retiring President of the Kentucky Press Association, in his address praises the grand old State as follows:

"We have in Kentucky the biggest caves, the fleetest horses, the finest churches, the best schools, the richest minerals, the best sulphur water, the most modest editors, the best fed preachers, the fattest cattle, the biggest shocks of wheat, the largest tobacco fields, the biggest ears of corn, the most diversified climate, the most politics, the prettiest women and the smartest babies in the world.

When the Charleston was bombarding the forts at Ladron Islands the Spanish Governor, not knowing that war had been declared, thought he was being saluted, and sent out word to the American Commander that he regretted that he could not return the salute as he hadn't powder enough.—Exchange.

Northern Bank Liquidates

By the volunteer action of stockholders of the Northern Bank of Kentucky, the oldest and the bank with the largest capital stock in the State, have agreed to go into liquidation. The capital stock of this bank is upward of a million dollars. The Northern Bank was established in 1835. It succeeded to the business of the old United States Bank, which stood on the same spot in Lexington where the present building now stands, and has enjoyed a long season of prosperous operation.

More Trouble in Clay.

A special from Barbourville says: "Persons from Manchester arrived here this evening giving details of another bloody tragedy in the Baker-Howard feud. John Baker, a brother of Thomas, the leader of the Baker faction, was released from jail Monday and went back to Clay. While on his way home from Manchester, accompanied by a negro, they were fired on from ambush by the Howards and Whites and both were killed by the first volley. The men in ambush then rushed out and fired forty-one 45 calibre bullets into Baker's body and twenty into the negro's. A later report says a man by the name of Clark, a member of the Baker side was also shot from ambush."

Some of our country merchants are rendering themselves liable to severe fines on account of failure to observe the provisions of the stamp law which went into effect July 1. All stocks on hand which were liable to be stamped should have been stamped at once. For instance, all soaps that are recommended as complexion soaps, or as good for skin diseases, such as Cuticura, etc., must have a stamp one-eighth of a cent on each five-cent cake. All patent medicines and proprietary remedies must be stamped. All tins, even in broken packages, must have a four-cent stamp for one dollar's worth or less. A fine of fifty dollars for each failure may be inflicted.—Exchange.

The following letter is said to have been written an editor by a man who felt that taking his county paper was a waste of time and money:

"I think fokes otto stop paying out ther munny fur papers my dad dident an' ivry buddy sed he wuz the intelligentes man in the kentry and razed the smartest fambily of boize that ever dug taters."

It is a peculiar fact that with most men the growth of the hair is greater on one side of the face than the other. It is said that hair always grows more quickly on that side which we are strongest.

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Zootherapy consists in transferring a disease from man to some animal, and is the converse of medical theory that animals convey disease to man. This system of curing ills was devised by Ferapi, a Florentine. He mentions the case of a man suffering from rheumatism who made his dog lie across his bed. The man recovered and the dog died.

A Curiosity in A Duck.

Mr. Belle Dugger has a curiosity in the possession of a duck with four perfectly formed wings. One pair of the wings are situated near the center of the back, and when it swims these wings flop at a rapid gait above water. The duck is full grown and bids fair to reach a ripe old duck age.—Somerset Reporter.

Only an Oversight.

"See here, I only got one piece of meat in my order to-day. I always get two."

Head Waiter—"That's so. Guess the cook must have forgotten to cut the piece in two!"—Exchange.

The Mother Tongue.

Willie—"Papa, why do they call language the 'mother tongue'?"

Papa—"Because the father so seldom gets a chance to use it."—Philadelphia Call.

It is computed that an inch of rain falling upon a square mile of land is equivalent to 17,500,000 gallons of water.

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