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SATURDAY APRIL 17th. 1886.

A Romance of the Strike.

A dispatch from St. Louis, says: A curious result of the strike is one of Martin Irons' recent experiences. Said he yesterday: "I last night received a letter from Mrs. M. McLaughlin, of thirty seventh street and eighth avenue, south Brooklyn. She writes that she has read of a man named Martin Irons, who is figuring in the St. Louis strikes, and she wonders if he is her brother of that name from whom she has not heard for twenty years.

Well I am the brother. She tells the circumstances of our family history, so that there is no doubt about it. I had not heard from her nor she from me for twenty years. I left our family in New Orleans, and after the war we were scattered. It seems that my mother died possessed of considerable property, and they advertised far and near for me, that I might take my share as heir. But I never saw the advertisement.

Irons is preparing other rewards. He was busy with pencil and paper yesterday preparing an article of five pages, which the editor of Lippincott's Magazine had requested, accompanying the request with a check for \$50. Mr Irons seemed to be quite pleased with the request and only to be puzzled in making an estimate respecting the number of pages of his writing it required to make five pages of the magazine.

Two Brutes Justly Dealt With.

A special from Wassen, Tenn., says: William and Dan Kent met Miss Soards a respectable young lady on the street yesterday and insulted her. She told her brother Lewis, aged 17, about it. He seized a shot gun and went gunning for the Kents. When he found them, he emptied a barrel into each of them. Dan is mortally wounded and William will lose his left arm. The boy was placed in jail.

The girls in the public schools of Wassen are compelled to commit to memory the Constitution of the United States.

Horrible Cremation.

A Xenia, O., special says: the residence of John Douthett, south of town on the Cincinnati pike, was burned to the ground and Mr. and Mrs. Douthett, aged and respected citizens, cremated. When the fire was discovered it was beyond control and when the house was entirely consumed the charred remains of the old couple were found in the ruins.

The fire is believed to be the work of an incendiary. It is thought the old people were murdered and robbed and the house fired. Charles Morris who has been working on the farm for several years, has been arrested and will be held pending an investigation. Morris says he was asleep when he heard Mrs. Douthett call him. He thought it was breakfast time and got up and dressed himself. When he went down stairs he found the door leading from the stairway locked on the outside. He heard the crackling of the flames and surmising the house was on fire jumped from the window and summoned assistance. When he returned the entire house was enveloped in flames.

A Triangular Duel.

A special dispatch from Eastland Tex., says: A triangular duel on horseback took place near here yesterday, in which one man was killed and two others seriously wounded, one of whom will die.

The scene was the open prairie about a mile south of town. John Ellison and W. G. Hardin had been litigating over some land. They had been in attendance at court all day, and late in the afternoon mounted their horses and started for home.

Some talk was indulged in which resulted in a pitched battle between John and Tom Ellison on one side, and W. G. Hardin, on the other. No one in the affair escaped unhurt.

Tom Ellison was the first to fall, shot through the breast by a bullet from Hardin's pistol. He expired in a few minutes.

About twenty shots were fired. John Ellison and Hardin perforated each other with bullets. Hardin cannot live, and John Ellison is seriously wounded.

Fiendish Torture of a Child.

A negro residing in the vicinity of Faulkner's Gap, White county, Ark., last Wednesday, went to the house of Thomas Aldrich, and finding a 12 year old son of that gentleman at home captured him, took him into the kitchen, where a hot fire was burning, and toasted the boy alive over the flames.

The child's piteous cries caused the dogs in the yard to set up a howl and the negro dropped the boy and left.

The boy is reported as being in a critical condition, the flesh on the body and legs being cooked to a crisp.

People are scouring the country in search of the negro, and if caught he will be lynched.

It was in Texas, which produced so many mortuary novelties, that a negro passed his hat and collected \$22 for his own funeral expenses, just before the sheriff hanged him the other day. And what is more remarkable, he confessed the murder.

The bridal dress of the Princess Eulalia of Spain cost \$30,000.

Disastrous Explosion.

A special to the Evening Wisconsin from Clintonville announces a terrible explosion of giant powder at that place. While unloading eight kegs of powder from a train one keg was accidentally dropped, exploding it and the remaining seven kegs followed. Arthur Edwards, station baggage master, had the top of his head blown off, being instantly killed. James Ringwood a telegraph operator, George Storms brakeman, were fatally injured. The conductor and three other train men were also seriously injured.

Serious Accident.

Shortly before noon to-day while experiments were being made at the iron works of Singer, Nimick & Co., of Pittsburg, Pa., in compressing steel the mould containing over 1000 pounds of molten steel suddenly gave way, scattering the metal in every direction. Some fifty or sixty persons were witnessing the experiment and all were more or less burned. Five are supposed to be dangerously injured. Their names have not yet been learned.

Pasteur's hydrophobia cure has received another severe blow in the death of the third of the wolf-bitten patients. It may be that they were not treated in time, but the natural effect of failure will be to increase the prevailing doubt as to whether Pasteur's method really possesses any efficacy. Perhaps the persons whose lives had been saved by the eminent Frenchman were never in any danger of being attacked by hydrophobia.

Queen Victoria's personal household, in which there are 1,000 persons, costs nearly \$2,000,000 a year.

CONSTABLE SALE.

State of Louisiana—Parish of St. Martin.

ARTHUR CASTILLE } Justice of the Peace
VS. } Court 3rd. Ward.
ANDRE CHARLES } No. 75.

By virtue of a writ of fieri facias issued in the above entitled cause by the Hon. L. J. Bienvenu, Justice of the Peace in and for the 3rd. Ward of the Parish of St. Martin, State of Louisiana, and to me directed, I will offer for sale at public auction to the last and highest bidder, at my residence in said ward, on Saturday the 1st day of May, 1886, the following described property to wit:

One ox.

Terms—Cash.

J. N. BABIN, Constable.

Get your Flower Seeds from Martial Bienvenu, he has a full supply of fresh seeds.

FOUND ESTRAY.

I have in my possession a brown mare, with a white spot on her forehead, with a colt, (a mule) one year old, branded thus $\chi\bar{\Lambda}$. The owner will please prove his property and pay costs.

Lezime Address,
Lafayette, La.

1500 ARPENTS OF LAND FOR SALE.

Land of first quality, improved and unimproved, in lots to suit purchasers, situated on the Hills adjoining Cade's Station, St. Martin Parish La. Good water and easy communication. Terms easy.

For particulars address to
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Dealer in

Fine Family Groceries,

Liquors, Tobacco,

Cigars and

Plantation Supplies.

All at moderate prices.

AT CLOVER HILL.

(Near Key Stone.)

St. Martin Parish La.

Charles Renaud,

DEALER IN

Fine Family Groceries,

Liquors, Tobacco,

Cigars &c.

A Fine Bar at 5 cents a drink.

Main Street, adjoining

Journet and Regis' Shop.

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A fine Stock of Ladies' hats and trimmings just received by Mrs. M. Bienvenu.

Get our prices for job work.