

EVE.

The serpent tempted thee to shame,  
 God's direct vengeance on the same,  
 And never may we hope to win  
 That golden garden close hedged in  
 From toil and tempest strife and sin.  
 Before thy wandering, wakened eyes,  
 Clashed shut the gates of Paradise;  
 Thy wandering feet, thy hands were torn,  
 By briar wayside weed, and thorn,  
 Thy babes in anguish great were born,  
 And yet God's vengeance knew no stay  
 Thy first-born did his brother slay,  
 Died not thy heart for woe and dread,  
 When Abel in thine arms lay dead,  
 And Cain red handed turned and fled,  
 Methinks I hear thee murmur "Nay,"  
 "Evil and bitter was my day,"  
 "Evil and full of pain, but still  
 I am Thy judge, work all Thy will;  
 I judge Thee, knowing good from ill."  
 "I stretched mine hand unto thy tree,"  
 "Not as the sightless boasts are wo,"  
 "Thy curse has fallen, let it abide,  
 I and my children opened-eyed,  
 Know thee, and judge, whate'er betide,"  
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HOFFENSTEIN EXPLAINS POLITICS.

New Orleans Times-Democrat.)  
 "Mister Hoffenstein," said Herman to his employer, as the two sat in the front of the store, waiting for a customer, "I was talking to Levi Loeb, who lives on Magazine street, and he tells me dat he was going to work for a position in de custom house, and go in hery for politics and be shust so big as any oder man in de town."  
 "Vell, Herman," said Hoffenstein reflectively, "I dinks he will do more better if he keeps mit his uncle in de dry goods piainess, you know. Bollitics was shust so much like a horse race dot ven you dinks you haf de sure ding you gets sold out so gwick dot your head swims und you goes around, und your friends dinks dot you haf de consumption. A man, Herman, vot don't haf plenty of money don't haf no more show den a blind man in a shumping match. Money is de ding vat gets de vorm und knocks de beatimon away, und ven you lifs as long as me, Herman, you finds dot out you know, und like a wise child vat flocks togedder you stay mit de clothing piainess. Bollitics was like a ding vat takes blace vonce ven I was in Vicksburg, und vat shows dot you don't can always dell ven you haf got a vindfall."  
 "Vat was dat, Misder Hoffenstein?" inquired Herman.  
 "Vell, you see, Herman, ve gets up a foot-race mit Moses Goldstein, vat lifs in Vicksburg, und Solomon Loeb, vat was in Bert Gibson. Ve all knows dat Moses Goldstein can run right away mit Loeb, und ve puts up de shob shust to vin Jacob Rosenfield's money, vat was betting on Loeb. All uf us dinks dat ve haf a soft ding, und Rosenfield smells someding und goes to Goldstein und dells him if he loses de race dot he gets dwenty dollars, und Goldstein dakes de money und vinks, und ve don't know anyding about it, you know. De day ven de race was, ve starts Goldstein und Loeb even togedder, und shakes out money und bets dree to von dot Goldstein vins. Goldstein runs a couple of yards ahead uf Loeb, und efery von dinks he vos a sure vinner; but ven he gets near de

end uf de drack he sees a pile uf shavings dere, und he snorts shust like a vild horse, und kicks his legs away up mit the air und runs out in de woods und Loeb vins de race, und I lose more as \$300, und I was so mad dot my eyes vos shust so green as de grass, you know. Dink, Herman, how dot tam tief Goldstein sells us out und svindles!"

"Don't you make Goldstein say vat for he does dat, Mister Hoffenstein?" said Herman, who was indignant.

"Yes, ve gets him by de collar und asks him vy he runs de road out, und vy he don't vin de race, und he says: 'Vy you leave dat bile uf shavings right by de blace vere I runs? You know dat I was young and vould get scared mit the shavings, und shump from de drack away.' Dat was all de satisfaction vot we gets, Herman, und dot was about all de satisfaction dat dey gif a man ven dey sells him out in bollitics," and Hoffenstein sauntered out on the sidewalk and left Herman to reflect on what he had said.

THE PRICE OF NAILS.

Our readers will find in another part of this paper an account of the meeting of the Western Nail Association held in Cincinnati on Wednesday last, together with a communication regarding the prices paid nailers in Western mills. The action taken by the manufacturers had been generally anticipated. They have made pledges to the feeders now operating their machines and the old nailers are not willing, of course, to return to their places while their successors are given employment. The breach between the manufacturers and workmen is therefore wider than ever before. In the meantime the Western Association mills are gradually increasing the number of machines in operation and correspondingly adding to their weekly output. Still the bulk of receipts in the Western markets are from Eastern mills. Still another element will be added to the situation when the new freight rates from Eastern mills goes into effect on November 18th. This amounts to 12c. additional per keg. An increase of 12c. to the present price of nails is a serious matter, and it looks as though nails might be scarcer in December than now. It is impossible, of course, to give anything like a close estimate of the present output of nails East and West. But some jobbers believe that it is fully equal to the current consumption. Even taking this for granted, it is very certain that the output of the Western mills now in operation is not equal to the Western consumption, so that the surplus must be shipped from Eastern and Southern mills. If the mills in these sections maintain present prices and the new freight rates is added, prices must go higher than at present. Naturally there is less demand for nails than for several weeks past, and as the winter season advances the demand will diminish until early in the new year. There has been no change in the matter of price during the last week. Iron nails are held at \$3 25 and steel at \$3 40.—Iron Age.

The popular superstition that the tongue of a snake as a veritable sting no less certain to produce a wound than is that of a hornet or bee Mr. Charles C. Abbott, in "A Naturalist's Rambles About Home," explains that when a snake is at all disturbed its narrow, cylindrical, forked tongue is darted out with great rapidity, which undoubtedly gives the animal a threatening appearance. But there the matter ends. The tongue of itself is as harmless as so much thistle down, and the creature uses it principally, if not wholly, in feeling its way along,

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for a snake's eyes are so placed that it cannot see directly in front of it. As for the needle like teeth with which the garter snakes make a show of biting viciously, their indentation are perfectly innocuous, and are likened, as we have seen, to the bites of insects.

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Monroe, La. March 14, 1884.

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G. A. PRESTON,  
 Successor to M. L. Dedman.

May 22, 1885.

BARBER SHOP,

CHAS. RANDOLPH, PROPRIETOR,

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HOT AND COLD BATHS,

Only Twenty-five Cents,

Can be had at my shop at any time, as well as a clean shave or a stylish hair-cut.

CHAS. RANDOLPH,

Monroe, Jan. 9.

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

AUGUST RAUXET vs. R. G. COBB, No. 2477.

The State of Louisiana, Parish of Ouachita, Fifth District Court. By virtue of fieri facias issued by the Hon. Fifth District Court, in and for the Parish of Ouachita, and to me directed in the above entitled and numbered suit, I have seized and taken into my possession, and will sell at public auction, between legal hours of sale, to the last and highest bidder, at the door of the Court House in the City of Monroe, La., on

Saturday, 5th Day of December, 1885,

the following property to-wit:

A certain lot of ground and all improvements thereon, situated in the City of Monroe, and described as follows:

A certain lot of ground and improvements situated in square No. 6, of the plan of Monroe as recorded in Notarial book G. being lots No. one (1) two (2) three (3) and one half of lot No. seven (7) being one hundred and eighty feet on St. John street and one hundred and fifty feet on Calypso street, as per plan, on the corner of said streets. Said property being that on which defendant now resides and purchased by him said defendant from Mrs. M. A. Pargoud on the 23d day of December, 1872.

Seized as the property of defendant, and will be sold to satisfy said writ and costs.

Terms of Sale—Cash, with the benefit of appraisement.

J. E. McGUIRE, Sheriff.

Tuesday, Nov. 3, 1885.

CONSTABLE'S SALE.

JOSEPH MARX vs. HENRY GOINGS, NO. 10.—The State of Louisiana, Parish of Ouachita, Third Ward Magistrate's Court.

By virtue of a writ of fieri facias issued by the Third Ward Magistrate's Court, in and for the Parish of Ouachita, and to me directed in the above entitled and numbered suit, I have seized and taken into my possession, and will sell at public auction, between legal hours of sale, to the last and highest bidder, at the door of the Court House in the city of Monroe, La., on

Saturday, 5th Day of December 1885,

the following described property, to-wit:

One Horse Wagon and One Old Buggy. Seized as the property of defendant, and will be sold to satisfy said writ and costs.

Terms of sale, cash, with the benefit of appraisement.

FELIX McCLOE, Constable.

Nov. 20th, 1885.

Notice To The Tax Payers Ouachita Parish.

I hereby give notice that the State & Parish Tax on the Roll of 1885 are now due and Collectible and will become delinquent on the 31st December 1885. If not paid on or before that date. The law imposes certain cost and penalties on all delinquent Taxes and this is to notify all parties interested that I will in every instance enforce the payment of all penalties and on taxes unpaid on the date above mentioned. Therefore pay in time and save money.

J. E. McGUIRE, Sheriff.

Nov. 7, 1885.

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Where all kinds of iron and wood work will be done in a first-class manner and fully guaranteed.

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All kinds machinery repaired in a satisfactory manner and durable work on steam boilers in a leaky condition.

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Monroe, La., Nov. 22, 1884.

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