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LOCAL. The Times Chicago Ill NATIONAL.

SENATOR QUAY, says the Chicago *Times*, has gone a-fishing, but it must not be assumed that the boss is dreaming over a sunny pool waiting for a fish to bite. He always has business on hand when he goes a-fishing, and he has a way of "getting there" even as Eli has. Senator Quay but recently returned from a fishing trip, yet the legislature of Pennsylvania has knocked the letters of the word reform in the reform ballot bill into something which resembles pi. The senator now has on hand a project for strengthening the party of reform by placing one of his henchmen on the bench of the court o fclaims. How many other great and patriotic projects the senator will map out while bobbing for eels one may not guess. There is one thing clearly to be seen in the senator's fishing, and that is that if the ballot can be sufficiently corrupted and the factions be placated by office the grand old commonwealth of Pennsylvania will be held in line next year for the grand old party of Carnegie, Quay & Co.

A CYCLONE struck the northern part of Audrain county on Wednesday afternoon of last week, carrying death and destruction in its wake. Houses, barns and orchards were swept away, wire fences were torn up and scattered over the country, while horses, cattle and all kinds of stock were either killed or terribly mangled by the flying debris. Twenty people were killed and many others seriously wounded. The pathway of the mad wind was about 300 yards wide and ten or twelve miles long.

THE last legislature made an important change in paying sheriff's criminal fees. Heretofore they have been compelled to wait a disposal of cases before anything could be collected. In a murder case a delay of four or five years is not unusual. The new law provides that fees for boarding prisoners shall be paid out of the county treasury once every three months, and the county in the end is to be reimbursed by the state.

THE citizens of Brookfield have been considerably exercised for several weeks over a rumor to the effect that the machine shops and dispatcher's office of the Hannibal & St. Joseph Railroad company were on the eve of being removed to Hanibal. Steps were taken at once by prominent citizens to counteract the movement if possible. Just what will be done in the premises can not now be conjectured.

DELA PHILLIPS, the 7-year old daughter of a well-to-do farmer in Gentry county, died in St. Joseph the other day from the effects of drawing a lima bean into one of her bronchial tubes, where she had been taken for surgical aid. The doctors were unable to extract the bean, and the little sufferer, after lingering five days, died in great agony.

BOONE county always gets to the front in monstrosities. Last week R. B. Coleman had on exhibition at Columbia a four-legged chicken. It was well developed, the legs being well shaped and in no way interfering with its locomotion. This singular freak is actually living and getting along well.

THE little three-year old son of D. M. Brooks, of Moberly, got hold of his father's razor the other day and in trying to imitate his father in shaving, inflicted a number of terrible wounds on his face before the razor could be taken from him. The wounds will disfigure him for life.

State Teachers' Association.

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MEXICO, MO., May 21, 1891.

Fellow Teachers of Missouri—

Our state association is to meet at Pertle Springs (Warrensburg), June 23-25. We desire to make a direct personal appeal to you to attend this meeting and use your earnest endeavors to make it a session worthy of our great state. A good programme has been prepared and we can invite you to come, confidently beliving you will derive both pleasure and profit from the meeting. The Missouri state training school will hold its first session (of 2 weeks) immediaetly after the adjournment of the association. This school will be conducted by about half a dozen of the ablest educators in the country, and from it will go out the trained and licensed institute conductors, who, under the new law, are to hold institutes in the various counties of the state. Missouri is the great keystone state of the Mississippi valley, and in natural resources she stands superior to them all. Educationally she is making progress, and the present is a critical period in her educational history. One united effort of her teachers and people now will place her in the front rank. Will you not meet with us at Pertle Springs in June and let us take counsel of you how best to secure the advancement of all our schools?

Confidently believing that our next June meeting will be one of the largest, most pleasant and profitable in the history of the association, we cordially invite and earnestly urge you to attend. Any inquiry in relation to the association will be cheerfully answered.

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THE Clinton *Democrat* has this to say of one the very best officials Missouri ever had. "Secretary Lesueur is of all men the right man in the right place. He is one of those wonderful combinations of thorough business tact and rugged and unwavering honesty, within exhaustible patience, that makes an officer quick to serve and eager to accommodate. He has such a splendid grasp upon the business of his office that it makes but little difference how much additional work the legislature imposes on him, he always sees that everything is attended to at the right time and in the right way. It is the universal sentiment that he must consent to be his own successor.

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To My Friends:

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Dishonoring the Pension Roll.

Among the names recently added to the pension rolls were 150 100-day men from Ohio, whose cases had been thrown out on investigation during Tanner's administration of the bureau. Their war experiences were confined to an outing in and about Washington, where they never saw a rebel, never heard the whistle of a bullet and were never even sick, but they have somehow managed to place themselves in the way of being supported by the people for the rest of their lives. The new law hit them just right, apparently. The choking of the pension roll with cases like those tend to make it anything but a "roll of honor."—*Springfield Republican.*

PRESIDENT HARRISON'S home organ, the Indianapolis *Journal*, says: Any persons who doubts President Harrison's popularity with the people should ask the opinion of railroad men who have accompanied the presidential train on his trip. They say the entire journey was a continuous ovation and that everywhere Harrison's renomination was "in the air."

The president's renomination, then, just as has been expected, hangs as high as the traditional goose. And it will continue in the air unless perchance Blane makes up his mind to lower it to the earth.

A FUNNEL shaped cyclone one-half mile wide passed a mile north of Centralia on Tuesday of last week. By it a number of dwellings were totally destroyed and many persons injured, some fatally. Barns and fences were swept away, chickens hogs and stock killed in large numbers, and numbers of large trees turn up by the roots. A horse belonging to Joseph Tucker was carried a quarter of a mile and blown over Tucker's house.

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Be lovely and loveing and dear,
As sweet as a rose and as bright as the May
When her liver is all out of gear?

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THE conductors' order delegates, with their wives and families, arrived in Sedalia on Friday evening of last week from St. Louis on a special train of nine cars. They were met at the depot by the Sedalia military band and the commercial club and conducted to the leading hotels, where a banquet was spread. They were tendered a ball and public reception at night. They left Wednesday morning for the South.

THE Baptist Central District association of Missouri convened at Marshall, Mo., last week. There was a large representatiom from the numerous churches in the district, and the delegates were right royally entertained by the good people of that city. The session was very harmonious and disposed of quite a large amount of official business.

THE Southwest Missouri and Southeast Kansas Lead and Zinc association has completed arrangements for sending an agent to Europe to advertise the mineral resources of Southwest Missouri and Southeast Kansas. W. E. Weise, of Sarcoxie was accredited as the agent of the association, and he will sail for Germany May 30.

THE pestiferous tramp is getting high-toned. One called at a lady's house in Moberly the other day and asked for a cup of coffee. The kind lady prepared not only coffee but a nice lunch, and placed it on a bench in the yard. The fellow became indignant and lef without his breakfast, because the good woman did not invite him in the house.

MISSOURI is fast coming to the front as one of the most productive and reliable fruit states in the union. It is the belt of country unsurpassed both for soil and climate, and there is no reason why the planting of orchards should not increase abundantly.

THE New York *World* says that while Mr. Harrison was shedding a a few tears in Indiana, Uncle Jerry Rusk was on the other side of the car throwing stones at a dog. Thus are the sentimental and practical happily blended in this administration.

THE uncertainty of criminal prosecutions are becoming more apparent every day. The recent trial of John and Alexander McKinzie, at Fulton, is another striking example of this fact. These parties were tried once in Randolph county for the same offense. One of the parties received a sentence of 52 years and the other 15 years in the penitentiary. A new trial was granted and a change of venue taken to Calaway conuty. At the trial of the case rn Fulton the other day John was sentenced to the penitentiary for two years and the old man wes discharged. The people of Randolph feel indignant, as the crime occurred in that county and was an atrocious murder.

A NUMBER of wealthy and influential citizens of Linneus held a meeting in that city one day last week and organized an agricultural and mechanical fair association at that place. It was decided to organize a joint-stock company, and in pursuance of this plan a committee was appointed to dispose of the stock and to select the grounds. The character of the gentlemen moving in this matter assures its success.

THE librarian of a public library in Kansas City received a few days ago the head of an Egyptian mummy from some friend. The appearance of the blackened head of an Egyptian three thousand years old in that city was not greeted with an austentatious display of modern pyrotechnics, but never the less there were some who gazed with interest on the grim features of the old chap.

THE Rev. John H. Jackson, pastor of the Methodist Church, South, at Columbia, is a unique character. Besides endoctrinating his congregation on Sunday, he gives them elegant and graceful examples in bicycle riding during the week. He is said to be an expert bicyclist, and that his performances do not detract from his ministerial dignity in the least.

Two murder cases were disposed of by the supreme court last week which have been hanging fire, as usual in such cases for several years. Chris Young, of Lafayette county, for the murder of Stephen Ferguson, in 1887, was sentenced to hang July the 2nd, and Henry Henson rereceived a similar sentence and will hang the same day for wife murder.

MORE than one hundred ladies and gentlemen from Columbia, Mo., accompanied Mr. Divilbiss, the young orator of the state university, who represented Missouri in the interstate oratorical contestat Des Moines, Iowa. The young man did not capture the prize, yet his effort, it is said, was acredit to himself and the state that sent him.

COLUMBIA has the largest colored school in the state, outside of the large cities. It maintains a school of 639 dusky children between the ages of six and twenty years, two hundred and seventy-four of whom are males and three hundred and sixty-five are females. A pretty good showing where color is the exception and not the rule.

A TRAIN load of zinc oar pulled out of Joplin on Thursday of last week for Baltimore. From there it will be shipped by ocean steamer to Swansea, Wales. This is the first consignment of Missouri oar to that port. The shipments will continue until 1,500,000 pounds have been exported.

CHAS. RHODES, of Paris, Monroe county, sold a thorough-bred water spaniel last week to John L. Chandles for $50. Mr. Chandles is a prominent lawyer of St. Louis, and is a lover of sport. He will take his dog to the northern lakes some time during the summer.

A TERRIFC rain and hail storm passed over Moberly and surrounding country on Thursday morning of last week, destroying crops of all kinds. The storm lasted about an hour, and during the time the gloom and darkness rendered the situation appalling.

MRS. T. M. EVANS, living on the old Butler, farm near Madisonville, Ralls county, was severely burned about the face last week, by the explosion of a bottle of extract of lemon that she was handling about the cook stove.

THE wife of the Rev. Mr. Cole, of Brookfield, besides making herself useful in the discharge of her household duties, even assumes the functions of a minister in the absence of her husband, and generally to the satisfaction of his congregation.

CAREFUL measurements made at different points of Europe show that the earth wobbles upon her axis. This causes a very slight change of latitude for places at different times. The north pole may not always be at the same fixed spot, but may vary a half a millionth part of a mile from time to time. It may be the old thing is getting rickety by spinning around and around so many millions of years, and is getting shaky upon her center pins. The scientific men say the variation is probably owing to some changes in the internal mass of the planetarp disturbances in her insides, in other words. Well, she has carried enough upon her surface in the long centuries, heaven knows, to disgust her and make her out of kelter.

THE grand old state of Missouri seems to be out of luck just now. Not long since her thrifty and enterprising people paid into her treasury $32,000. The custodian of her exexchequer, however, proved faithless to the trust reposed in him and used the money for his individual self—in other words he became a thief—what natural and ethical law denominates a common thief. Notwithstanding the fact that his guilt was evident beyond the shadow of a doubt he was mercifully granted the privilege of a legal trial. His case was submitted to a set of men supposed to be fair and impartial as the the mariner's compass, the jury hung, and a mistrial was the result.

THE Moberly *Democrat* in speaking of the Noland trial says: "The fact that the Jefferson City (Hog Hole) *Tribune* attempts to justify judge and jury in the Noland mistrial is additional reason for wanting to move the capital to Sedalia. A part of the political deadbeats, leeches and boodlers that have so long disgraced the state not to mention the money cost of maintaining them might thus be left behind. The advantage of a purer atmosphere would at least be enjoyed for a season, which alone would be worth all it cost the state.

COMMENCEMENT exercises are wheeling into line throughout the state. Those at Central and Howard colleges, Fayette, promise to be more interesting this year than ever before. Better selections than those who have been chosen to deliver the commencement sermons and the addresses before the two literary societies could not have been made though the country had been searched throughout Fully 5,000 people are expected to be present on the occasion of Hon. W. C. P. Breckenridge's oration.

THE annual meeting of the State Medical association met at Excelsior Springs, Clay county last week. Many interesting medical and surgical topics were discussed. Pertle Springs, Johnson county, was chosen as the place of the next meeting. Dr. T. F. Prewit, of St. Louis, was elected president of the association. Dr. Prewitt is a native of Fayette, in this state, and has practiced in Missouri about thirty years. He fills the chair of surgery in the Missouri Medical college, of St. Louis.

IT remained for a St. Louis man to evolve a novel scheme for decreasing drunkenness. His idea is to establish a state asylum for inebriates and compel those who make and sell liquor pay for its maintainance. He would tax the distiller $1,000, the wholesaler $500 and the retailer $100 a year in its behalf. Then he would treat drunkenness as insanity, and confine all drunkards in the asylum until they are cured.

A COUPLE of reptiles known as hoop-snakes, were recently killed in Barton county, Missouri. This species is considered the most deadly of the serpent family. It taks its name from the habit of assuming the form of a hoop when desiring to inflict punishment on its enemies. Naturalists have always doubted its existance, and the presence of such a reptile in Barton county, like other snake stories, should be taken with a degree of allowance.

A WRITER in Colman's *Rural World* says that the immerorial custom of farmers in discarding the end grains of corn when selecting seed and only planting grains from the middle of the ears is the cause of the almost universal failure of corn to fill out plump at the ends. He says that in order to get a full developed ear, that the end grains are just as necessary for a good crop as those from any other part of the ear.

COL. SWITLER'S TASK.

A Warfare on the Indiscriminate Use of Military Titles.

Col. W. F. Switzler, editor of the Coluumbia *Statesman*, has commenced a warfare on the indiscriminate use of military titles in those who never smelled gun-powder. Referring to the customary prefix to his own name he says he was called colonel before the Mexican war. He gives some very good reasons why the title of colonel should only be applied to men who hold or held the rank indicated in some military organization.

There is logic in the argument of Colonel Switzler, but we fear that it it will not be heeded. A rising young politician and lawyer in this state was introduced to a lady as Col.———. The lady remarked that the gentleman was evidently too yonng to have been in the army, and asked how he came to acquire the title. "Madam," said he, "I was born a colonel." And so Col. Switzler will find any number of such cases. Comparatively few of the politicians bearing military titles acquired them in military service. Many of them were not in the army, and many of those who were have been promoted since peace was declared. Eastern papers have made many flippant remarks about all the Missouri privates being killed during the war, only the colonels surviving, but this has not tended to discourage those who believe that military titles may properly be conferred on prominent politicians in defiance of military code. Col. Switzler is old enough to know better than to attack such a commom and popular custom.—*Jefferson City Tribune.*

AN exchange says: It is a pity that more guiena fowls are not kept by farmers. Their quaint call and shy habits show that tney are not far removed from game birds, which almost everywhere are disappearing. No kind of fowls lay so many eggs. Their meat is dark colored and to those unaccustomed to game it is sometimes not thought good; but wild flavor is just what very many like, and more would if they tried to overcome prejudice. The guinea fowl in any yard is one of the best defences of domestic fowls from hawks or other feathered enemies. They see such marauders very quickly, ank instantly give the warning which the instinct of every bird in the yard has taught it to recognize and heed.

THE parent who flies to the rod to correct every trifling fault or misdemeanor, says the *Ladies' Home Journal*, will have no influence with her children, when they are to old to be governed by force. A child should never be struck in anger. A box on the ear may rupture the membrane that forms the drum, and cause permanent deafness. A hasty blow may do mischief that years of repentance can not undo. Punishment is for discipline, not for revenge. It is to teach the child to avoid evil and do right. It should be a vent for the passion of the mother. Love, patience and firmness are the instruments she must use to mould her child's character.

IT is announced that Gen. John M. Palmer, of Illinois, is going to attend the Moberly fair next fall. This announcement t is already creating quite a stir among the local admirers of the "Grand Old Man." Gen. Palmer is the most popular man in America—Cleveland excepted—with the people of Missouri and the fact that he will be in Moberly and attend her fair Tuesday, of fair week, will take hundreds of people to that city from all over the state. The splendid fair grounds of the association will be taxed to their utmost to accommodate the people.

AN exchange, in speaking of the boundless resources of Missouri, says that a sow belonging to a Vernon county farmer died the other day, leaving a young family. Another sow which had lost her pigs adopted the little orphans and is performing all of the duties of a mother to them. Such a circumstance would not have occurred outside of grand old Missouri.

THE board of commissioners, which for nine months has been attempting to settle the differences between the Merchants' Bridge Terminal Railway company, at St. Louis, and the Missouri Pacific Railwas company, relative to the former's attempts to gain access to the union depot, has completed its labor at last and filed its report.

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