

An Irish day laborer, of Brownington, Henry county, fell from a hotel window at that place Sunday night of last week into a wash tub and was killed.

HON. NAT. C. DRYDEN, of Hannibal, one of the best political speakers in the state, has been invited and will probably address the Democracy, of Clay county, some time during the campaign. If Mr. Dryden opens upon the enemy there, salt won't save their carcasses.

Mrs. GROVES, wife of W. H. Groves, a well known farmer living near Effingham, Vernon county, took a dose of strychnine Monday night of last week and died before the arrival of a physician. When asked why she took the poison she said she did not want to be talked about.

The Joplin white lead works, the largest concern of the kind in Missouri, was destroyed by fire Thursday afternoon of last week. The fire started at 3:30 o'clock in the blue room and at 6 o'clock the entire establishment was in ruins. The loss, \$200,000, was partially insured.

The president has selected Senators Allison, of Iowa, and Jones, of Nevada, Representative McCreary, of Kentucky, General Francis A. Walker, of Massachusetts, and Hon. Henry W. Connon, of New York, to be delegates to the international monetary conference to be held in one of the European capitals.

NEAR Buena Vista, Kentucky, a family named McIntyre and the cook ate a cabbage dinner and were soon taken with pains which caused the death of four of the family and the cook in a few hours. In looking for the cause of the sudden deaths it was found that a snake of the spreading viper species had been cooked in the pot of cabbage.

The latest reports from the interior of South Carolina say that the condition of the cotton crop is much more favorable than at any other time this season. The alternating showers and parching heat a while back tended to hinder the natural growth of the fruit and, hence, delay the crops. The conditions have materially changed during the last week or ten days.

TEN years ago Mrs. Watson M. Smith, of Batoon, Michigan, made her husband happy by giving birth to a pair of twins. Eight years ago she repeated the operation, and three years ago again astonished him by bearing another pair of lusty babies. But the great surprise came a few days ago when she gave birth to her fourth pair of twins. The eight children are all healthy and well.

WHILE excavating for a cellar in St. Louis a few days ago the pickax struck with metallic clang upon an iron casket, which at first the startled workman thought was a treasure box filled with Spanish doubloons and pieces of eight. Investigation showed, however, that it was the coffin of a man named McGinnis who died in 1848. The property was on the site of an old cemetery which had been forgotten.

JOHN A. WITTEN, an enterprising farmer of Pike county, says that one year ago, when chinch-bugs were destroying his corn, he got sick bugs from one of his neighbors and put them in his corn, resulting in the destroying of all the bugs. He bottled up some of the bugs, and this season his neighbor, Charley Bibb, had a piece of corn that was almost black with bugs. Witten let him have some sick bugs and at last accounts the pests were dying rapidly. This is certainly a fair test.

Three Harvest Excursions.

On August 30th, September 27th and October 25th, the Wabash line will sell round-trip excursion tickets at the low rate of one fare for round trip. Tickets will be sold to points in Alabama, Arkansas, Indian Territory, Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Missouri, Mississippi, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, North and South Dakota, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Texas, Utah and Wyoming. Tickets will be limited to continuous passage in both directions, with a final limit of twenty days from date of sale. For any other information enquire of any Wabash agent.

Little Curious Things.

John McDarby, of Salmon Falls, Mass., has double teeth all around and a stomach which doesn't rebel when he chews and swallows glass, stones and other indigestibles.

A dwarf residing at Shigaken, Osaka, is 36 years old and but 17 inches high. He is well educated, and gains a livelihood by teaching penmanship.

A few years ago, in 1884, a child was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Kuerwitz, of Spring Creek, near Hebron, Neb., that had two well-developed brains, the second and useless adjunct being in a sac attached to the real head by a ligament 6 inches in length. The child lived but two days.

The condor soars higher than any other bird, spending nine-tenths of its time floating in the rarified atmosphere at a distance of three miles above sea level.

The total acreage of Scotland is 18,946,694. Of this comparatively small landed area one nobleman owns 1,326,000 acres and his wife 149,879 acres more.

The Puget sound oysters are the largest known, being sometimes 2 feet across and weighing inclusive of the shell, as much as 60 pounds.

Alhazen, an Arabian, born in the year 1,000 A. D. first taught the present theory of vision, and explained why we see but one picture of an object with our two eyes.

The fourth verse of the twentieth chapter of Revelations contains more words than any other verse in New Testament—86.

Anaxagoras, of Ionia, born 500 years B. C., taught the true cause of solar and lunar eclipses and how to discriminate between planets and stars. He was also published as an atheist for saying that the sun was not a god.

An exchange, speaking of the effects of a cyclone, says: It turned a well young side out in the state of Mississippi; turned a cellar upside down in Wisconsin; moved a township line in Nebraska; blew all the staves out of a whiskey barrel in Iowa and left nothing but the bung hole; killed an honest Indian agent in the far West; blew the hair off a baldheaded man in Texas; killed a truthful lawyer in Illinois; blew the mortgage off a farm in Minnesota; scared a red-headed woman in Michigan; blew the cracks out of a fence in Dakota, and took all the wind out of a politician in Missouri.

GEO. W. FALK, owner of the famous Cap-a-Pie Poland-China swine farm, near Richmond, Ray county, left Monday for Sedalia to attend the fair taking with him twenty-four of his finest hogs. Last year Mr. Falk captured 42 first premiums, and thinks that the animals he will show this year will do even better. From Sedalia he will follow the fair circuit and will be absent about six weeks.

A. R. JONES, a plasterer, of Cincinnati, O., who has been employed at Boonville for some time, was run over by a local Missouri, Kansas & Texas freight Thursday of last week. He had one leg cut off and the other foot badly crushed. He was going to the depot to buy a ticket. The freight obstructed the crossing and he attempted to go between the cars and fell under the wheels.

It is said that Frank Walker's 10-year-old daughter, Kate, did quite as much towards securing her father's nomination for the attorney-generalship as any other one person. She attended the convention at Jefferson City, moved among and became acquainted with all of the delegates, asking each of them to lend his support to her father.

A Few days ago Joe Potter, of Douglas county, Mo. was shot and killed by Hugh Holstein, of Arkansas. The killing occurred near Ava and grew out of trouble between Potter and Holstein's younger brother. Potter commenced the assault by throwing rocks at Holstein, who had started for Arkansas with his family.

Dr. T. PFEIFFER, a young physician of Ray county, committed suicide at Excelsior Springs, Clay county, Sunday night of last week by taking cocaine. He had been a victim of the cocaine habit for some years and had recently taken the Keeley treatment for the curse but evidently had not been cured.

Tiresome Cant.

That sterling Democratic sheet, the Kansas City Times, puts it thus: No man can support at once Cleveland and Warner without being either a hypocrite or a trifier.

Saying nothing of principle, the two men are as different as any two of the same race could be. Cleveland is plain, sincere and truthful. Warner is demagogic, pretentious and an opportunist. What Cleveland thinks he says. Warner says various things to various people. In Grand Army circles he is a blood-thirsty irreconcilable. Among mugwumps he is a mugwump. Talking to straight Republicans and negroes he is for a force bill; talking to Missouri Democrats he is against corporations; he speaks severely of labor unions.

Can anybody imagine Cleveland parading through a state with the shibboleth of changing the entire aspect of production, education and trade into a utopia by his personal magic?

Kansas City has the most fatiguing degree of mugwump cant. The Star is Democratic for Cleveland and Republican for Warner. It adopts the entire Republican system of producing virtue by official declaration and applies the system in its Warner editorials.

The Star's independence led it to recommend Smith Moses Ford to the unlimited confidence of the people in 1888 and now leads it to refuse a mention of Ford's name in 1892.

Cleveland will not carry Missouri unless Stone does. He ought not to carry Missouri unless Stone does.

Stone is a Democrat, an incorruptibly honest man, an educated publicist and a level-headed administrator.

He is as worthy of any citizen's support as Cleveland and a Democrat who could contemplate voting for Cleveland and not for him would only display his total want of capacity for political thought.

An independence of principle is creditable, though its disconnectedness may make it useless.

An independence which is merely an excuse for playing fast and loose with men is contemptible.

To refuse a surrender of private judgment to any church, any party, any deity, any laws, any society evinces some elements of heroism, even if it is foolish and punishable. To break through restraints of consistency, propriety and pledge in order to indulge an appetite for revenge, for money or for notoriety is falsehood and nothing else.

The Missouri voter who supports Warner is a Republican in fact. He ought to be a Republican in name.

Stolen Thunder.

It has at last been discovered where the phrase "Stand up for Missouri," originated. At a Democratic love feast among the farmers of Cooper county in the campaign of 1890, the speaker had just informed the grangers how soon the state tax would be reduced from 25 to 15 cents on the \$100 valuation. An old hoary headed Jackson Democrat arose in the excitement and shouted to the rest of the audience to "Stand up and give three cheers for Missouri," which was done with a vim. As usual, the Republicans have stolen the campaign slogan and abbreviated it to "Stand up for Missouri."

DAVIS DANIELS, a young man who has been working on a farm near Richmond during the summer, was watching a game of base ball at Richmond on Saturday of last week and was struck in the face with the ball and badly injured. His nose was terribly mashed and bruised and his face otherwise injured. Dr. Shottwell was called to see him and dressed the wounds and pronounced the injuries very serious.

THE politician is aboard in the land. He may be found sitting on stumps in the corn field while the weeds are choking his crop, or he may be seen at the corner or cross roads grocery store, or on the street or indeed almost anywhere, discouraging learnedly on the "tariff," "free trade," "reciprocity," etc., etc.

SAM WRAY, of Metz township, Vernon county, was in Nevada Thursday of last week. He was recently bitten by a dog. Not being thoroughly satisfied as to the seriousness of the wound he went to a drug store and had a mad-stone applied.

A LEADING farmer, of Harvey county, Kansas, contemplates planting a field of corn late in the fall as an experiment. He has from year to year made observations with reference to volunteer corn after having laid in the ground all winter, and finds that with proper cultivation it always makes good corn. This fall he proposes to prepare a field, as for spring planting, and plant the seed late, and believes that he will not only save time in the spring, but that the corn will be matured before the dry and hot weather sets in. Should his experiment prove satisfactory and profitable as he seems to think, ere long it will be winter corn as well as winter wheat.

The three companies of cavalry in the Cherokee strip have been busy during the past week driving a few families of boomers out of Black Bear valley, and burning a lot of hay that Kansas farmers had cut to haul home. They have gathered up a few hundred cattle found in small bunches, but have not tackled the large herds, as they do not know what to do with the ones they are now guarding, being prohibited by the quarantine law from bringing them off the strip either to the north or south.

THE steamer, State of Kansas, enroute up the river, lost its rudder opposite Camden, Ray county, Sunday of last week and was compelled to tie up until new ones could be made. The officers of the boat invited the young people of Camden aboard on Monday night where they whiled away the fleeting hours in the merry mazes of the dance. The boat was repaired and continued its journey up the river on Tuesday.

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