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A BALTIMORE girl's skin is said to be turning to fish scales, according to the Evansville (Ind.) Courier. Of course this is not a fish story, but simply an editorial fabrication.

It is barely possible that children may yet become fashionable. At any rate there is a chance that the baby may once more take the place of the poodle dog in the family carriage.

REASON and unreason are the influences that make or mar our fortunes. One upbuilds and the other destroys; one creates our happiness and prosperity and the other brings us misery and misfortunes.

If the big guns on our warships are going to prove failures we might put a charge of dynamite in J. Pierpoint Morgan and give it a jolt. The explosion would undoubtedly create a panic among the nations of the earth.

THE Globe-Democrat is making all the political capitol out of the bribery and boodling connected with the late legislature, which is its privilege to do, but then after all it is a case of "stop thief," or the "kettle calling the pot black." Men ought to be as honest and truthful in politics as in anything else. It is true that Democrats were in the majority in the 42nd general assembly and are justly held responsible for results in the way of legislation, but notwithstanding this, some Republican members could not resist the temptation to avail themselves of an opportunity to get their share of the boodle. Up to the present time four senators are known to have been indicted, and two of the number, Mathews of St. Louis county and Smith of St. Louis, are Republicans. This gives no ground for boasting of Republican honesty. The frauds in the postoffice at Washington, now being investigated, and the same in Cuba while the United States were in control are as mountains to molehills when compared to corruption in the Missouri legislature. Then why not be honest in the treatment of all boodlers? As long as the rascality of one class of officials is condoned, and that of another class condemned, the evils in government, which are becoming so manifest, will not be eradicated. The only safe way is to condemn and punish the wrongdoers, it matters not which political party they affiliate with.

NOT A CLEAR TITLE

The word "furlough" occurred in a reading lesson of a primary grade in one of the public schools, says the Philadelphia Leader. The teacher asked if any boy or girl knew the meaning of the word.

One small hand was raised and shaken vigorously in the eagerness of the urchin to display his knowledge. When he received permission to speak, he rose, and with the greatest assurance said:

"Furlough means a mule."

Not a whit disturbed at the teacher's "Oh, no, it doesn't," the small boy confidently answered: "I have the book at home that says so." Then the teacher told him he might bring the book to school and show it to her.

The next morning he came armed with the book, and triumphantly showed her the picture of an American soldier astride a mule, under which was printed, "Going home on his furlough."

Official Corruption.

Every loyal Missourian, without regard to party affiliations, will rejoice because of the fact that the cover is being lifted

from corrupt state and municipal officials, and that they are being exposed to the gaze of honest men and women in their corruption and putridity.

The legislative committee, appointed for the purpose of investigating charges of bribery against certain members of that body, reported they could find no evidence to sustain the charges, but, like the blood of Abel, the guilt of the bribe-givers and bribe-takers cried so loud and persistently that executors of the law had to move upon the boodlers. As it was quite evident that a good portion of the boodling was transacted in St. Louis as well as in Jefferson City a grand jury was empaneled by order of a circuit court judge at each place, before which testimony was given under direction of Circuit Attorney Folk of St. Louis and Attorney-General Crow of Jefferson City. So far the grand juries under the counsel of these able attorneys have been probing to the bottom and their labors are producing much fruit as well as many surprises.

Quite a number of senators, including Republicans and Democrats alike, have been indicted for receiving bribes to influence their votes. A man named Kelly, agent for the baking powder trust of New York, has been indicted as the bribe-giver and the end is not yet.

It has been pretty satisfactorily ascertained that no bill of any importance was presented in the last legislature unless there was money accompanying it to secure its passage or else to defeat it. Now this is a pretty kettle of fish to be shown up in the great commonwealth of Missouri. It is an eye-opener truly, and will no doubt be followed by a much-needed reformation. It has been known to almost every citizen that at our elections, whether primary or regular, votes have been bought and sold like sheep in the shambles, and very little if anything has been done to check this corrupt beginning.

Is it any wonder that men who buy votes to get office, sell their votes for money when in office? If this state of affairs continues the people will be to blame. They need not be fooled in their men for office more than once. One trial for the man that has been weighed in the balance and found wanting is quite enough. There are plenty of good men in both political parties to hold the important official positions, but they will not degrade themselves by getting down in the dirt and working to get them.

The remedy, we believe, is to disfranchise the man that sells his vote and punish the purchaser with a term in the penitentiary. Then we will have honest elections and officials that are immune against corrupting influences while in office. THAT after-election fight in Chicago seems to be about as spirited as the real thing.

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Will Someone Explain? It will be gratifying to a great many earnest men and women to hear just one good reason for denying to women a voice in our government, the fundamental principle of which is "consent of the governed," that does not apply with equal force to the disfranchisement of men.

It cannot be her want of physical power, for it does not require any great amount of physical power to cast a ballot or study the questions of the day.

It cannot be her lack of intelligence, for in the United States more women read and write than men, and there are three girls to one boy graduating from our high schools.

It cannot be a lack of moral force, as our prison statistics show that 95 per cent of the criminals confined in jails and penitentiaries are men.

It cannot be because she cannot perform military duty, for two-thirds of the men who do vote are exempt from military duty and the only class of men who are disfranchised, except foreigners, criminals, idiots and insane men, are the soldiers stationed at our various garrisons.

It cannot be that she is too good, for a just government could not compel its best citizens to be governed by its worst.

It cannot be her occupations, for they are varied as those of men, and would require no more time from the duties of women than those of men.

It cannot be her maternity, for being the one who must give the soldier to the state and rear the citizens for his civic duty, it would seem specially necessary that she should be a living factor in the government in order to educate him to the highest ideal of American citizenship.

It cannot be because women do not want to vote, for there have been more petitions sent to our United States congress and the various state legislatures asking for woman suffrage than all the other petitions combined, and furthermore, the women do vote at every election in the states where they have full suffrage in as great a proportion as do the men. The fact that some men do not vote is never made an argument why all men should be disfranchised.

It cannot be because women do not contribute to the support of the government, for they are taxed equally with men for its support.

It cannot be a fear that a voice in the affairs of government would degrade women, because that which added to the dignity and character of the men in the United States would not have an opposite effect upon its women.

What, then, is the true reason for this unjust discrimination against the women of this nation? Is it possible, as a prominent writer has said, that it is due to the selfishness of man, who having the power in his own hands, reluctantly yields it except by brute force?

ELNORA MONROE BABCOCK. Scribner Shots. (Crowded out last week.) Homer Gordon is reported to have the measles.

W. F. Johnson and Henry Wright were in Eccles Saturday.

Fred Burns and wife of Keytesville attended church here Sunday morning.

"The scribe" visited friends, north of Brunswick, from Saturday until Monday.

Allie Drace closed a successful three-months' spring term of school here Saturday.

Collinswood Chips. (Received too late for last week.) A little more rain this week. Wonder if the weather clerk is not more in favor of "water only" than mortals.

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Summer visitors this week: Messrs. Grindstaff, Williams and Tremon; Triplett visitors: Mrs. John Brock and sister and John Trotter and family.

Elmer Cox and wife visited Mrs. Cox's father, Wm. Tillotson, southwest of town, Sunday.

W. J. Doughty went up near Mendon Wednesday to spend a day with his sons, J. W. and R. L.

J. W. Ellis and family of near Pee Dee visited Mrs. Ellis' parents, J. M. Job and wife, Sunday.

Rev. C. DeWeese delivered three interesting sermons here Saturday night, Sunday at 11 a. m. and again at night.

"Uncle" Geo. Conrad returned from Moberly Friday after spending three weeks with his daughter, Mrs. M. Pearman.

Earl, son of John Q. Perkins, happened to a serious accident Sunday while visiting with his parents at M. F. Wright's. He and some other boys were climbing around in the barn when young Perkins fell and was pretty badly shaken up, necessitating the calling of a physician, but is some better at present.

Julius Sleyster had an experience he does not care to have again. On going into the yard he saw a snake and concluded he would kill it. After gathering up some rocks he made a charge on Mr. Snake and threw a few rocks when the snake concluded to turn the joke and advanced on him, chasing him in the house where Julius reached for the shotgun and dispatched his snakeship. It was of the blue racer variety, about four feet long and a scrapper.

Indian Grove Items. (Received too late for last week.) L. Joseph and L. Moore were in Mendon Tuesday afternoon on business.

B. F. Brewer and A. Newsome were transacting business in Brunswick Tuesday.

Will Thompson and family of near Bluff Point spent Sunday with A. Senn and wife.

Sam Mitchell of Nebraska is visiting the family of his brother, J. W. Mitchell of East Indian Grove.

Harry Williams returned to old Missouri last week after spending the past two years in Oklahoma.

The children of Ed Glenn are now having a siege with the measles, but are getting along quite nicely.

Dr. A. W. Zillman's baby, little Miss Helen, is quite sick at this writing with pneumonia following measles.

Davy Mauzey and Miss Leola Roberson of Prairie chapel were calling on friends in our midst Sunday evening.

Miss Lena Kinkhorst of Brunswick spent the past week with the family of her uncle, Fred Schumacher.

Wm. Callahan is putting up a windmill on his farm, which will prove very useful as well as adding to the appearance of his farm.

Miss Maude Withers, who is teaching the spring term of school at the Woods schoolhouse, has been re-employed for the coming fall and winter term at the same place. We congratulate the school board in its wise choice of a teacher.

Our school funds having run short our school term was shortened a month, consequently closed week before last. Miss Lizzie Lee, the teacher, going to her home in Triplett last week. Before leaving she was given the school for the coming fall and winter by a unanimous decision of the school board, which of itself is sufficient evidence of her ability as teacher, as she had given entire satisfaction the past school term.

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Ludwig Kinkhorst, Miss Daisy Rowland and Mrs. Fred Collins, all of Brunswick, were visitors here Tuesday. The party was joined here by Messrs. Brock, Collins and Saunders, and enjoyed a snipehunt. Some 70 snipes were carried home besides a number of ducks.

Your correspondent had the

misfortune of riding over the public roads between this place and Brunswick first of the week. How it comes that more suits against the county are not on file is marvelous. Roads are simply terrible while the bridges are infinitely worse.

Jas. Grindstaff seriously injured his foot last Friday. It appears that he was sitting on side of his wood wagon, and ran too close to a stump. His foot was caught between the wood rack and the stump, mashing the toes from the foot. At this writing he is getting along nicely.

John Gunn and Mr. F. M. Collins are engaged in building a high water bridge across Yellow creek at this place. The bridge will be safe for water at any height and will be completed in 10 days. This is a long-felt want and will let many from the west into Collinswood that were barred heretofore.

Newhall News. (Unavoidably crowded out last week.) Farmers are busy now plowing their lands for corn.

I. S. Smith and wife were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Allen Sunday.

Misses Emma and Rosa Houg are recovering from a siege of the measles.

Mesdames I. S. Smith and R. R. Kelly visited Mrs. Eudora Ringer Monday.

R. C. Enyeart and son, Artie, brought home their ditching machine from Porch's prairie Monday.

Mrs. J. M. Campbell and sons, Masters Nova and Ray, were visiting and trading at Marceline Friday and Saturday.

John Gladbach of Brunswick, formerly a resident of Newhall, was transacting business in these parts Friday and Saturday.

Vince Gladbach was hauling lumber from Guthridge's sawmill Monday preparatory to building an addition to his dwelling house.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Campbell started Tuesday on their way to see the sights to be seen at the grand opening of the Louisiana purchase exposition.

Our ever obliging postman makes his appearance regularly every day in spite of ugly roads. He travels in a cart, on horseback and afoot, just as fancy suits him best.

Our township board met at the town hall Wednesday, April 22. There being one newly elected member of the board, and Nathan Clair being the oldest member of the new board was elected chairman.

Misses Ettie Shaughnessy and Bessie O'Bryan of Keytesville were at Newhall Monday working in the interests of the COURIER'S piano contest. The ladies were very courteous, and were not let go away unrewarded.

Oats, especially, the first sown, looks fine, but some have just finished sowing. Meadows are looking well, but wheat is spotted. Some fields have a large growth on rich soil. Wheat on hilly land, unless we have sufficient rainfall, will be short and thin on the ground.

The Brookfield Argus will issue next week what it calls a school edition of that paper. It will contain the pictures of all the school children of Linn county.

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Order of Publication. STATE OF MISSOURI, COUNTY OF CHARITON. In the Probate Court, February, 1903, term.

In the matter of the estate of Manose E. Schee, Order of publication, an insane person.

Now at this day, comes Louis Schee and files his petition, alleging among other things, that his wife, Manose E. Schee, has been found upon inquiry as provided by law, to be an insane person and has not recovered but remains insane; and that the petitioner, her husband, is the owner of certain real estate, to-wit: said petition described situated in said Chariton County, State of Missouri, which he desires to sell and convey; that he prays that he may be appointed said insane wife according to law, and according to the ability, situation in life and circumstances of her said husband, under the order and control of the Probate Court and that his insane wife has no guardian in this state and praying for an order directing the Public Administrator of said Chariton County to join with her husband on behalf of her said insane wife in a deed of conveyance of said real estate, on examination whereof, it is ordered that all persons interested in the personal estate of said Manose E. Schee, an insane person, be notified that application as aforesaid has been made and that the same will be heard by the Probate Court of said Chariton County, at the Court House in the City of Keytesville in said County and State, on Friday, the 15th day of May, A. D., 1903, and unless the contrary be ordered will be made by the court directing the Public Administrator of said County to join with the said husband on behalf of her said insane wife, in a deed of conveyance of his real estate situated in said county and described in said petition.

It is further ordered by the Court that twenty days public notice be given of the time and place of hearing said application and petition, by publication in a weekly newspaper of general circulation, published in this county.

STATE OF MISSOURI, COUNTY OF CHARITON. I, H. C. Minter, judge and ex-officio clerk of the probate court in and for said county, hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the original order of publication therein referred to, as the same appears of record in my office. Witness my hand and seal of said County, this 20th day of April, A. D., 1903.

H. C. MINTER, Judge and Ex-Officio Clerk. TUNNELL & HART, Attorneys for Petitioner.

Trustee's Sale by Sheriff. Whereas, Oliver P. Ryals and Susan E. Ryals, his wife, by their certain deed of trust, dated February 1st (1st), 1902, and duly recorded in Book 21, at Page 521, of the Records of Chariton County, Missouri, conveyed to Oswald Hicks, as trustee, the following described real estate, situated in the County of Chariton, and State of Missouri, to-wit:

The east half of lot number one (1) of northwest quarter, and west half of lot number two (2) of northwest quarter, all in section three (3), township fifty-four (54), range eighteen (18), containing eighty (80) acres, which said conveyance was made in trust to secure the payment of two certain promissory notes, in payment of which said notes, which said notes are due and unpaid together with accrued interest. And

Whereas, the said deed of trust provides that in the case of the failure of the grantors to pay said debt or interest, or any part thereof, when any part of the same shall become due and payable, then the whole shall become due and payable. And

Whereas, the said Oswald Hicks, trustee, is absent from the county and the said deed of trust providing that in case of the absence, death or refusal to act, or disability in anywise, of said trustee the acting Sheriff of said County, Missouri, shall act in his stead and may proceed to sell the property therein described.

Now, therefore, by virtue of the authority by said deed of trust vested in me, as Sheriff, at the request of the holder of said notes, I will on Saturday, the ninth day of May, A. D., 1903,

between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and five o'clock p. m. of that day, at the east front door of the Courthouse in the City of Keytesville, Chariton County, Missouri, proceed to sell the above described real estate at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash to satisfy said notes, and pay the costs of executing this trust.

F. M. VEATCH, Sheriff of Chariton County, Missouri.

Trustee's Sale by Sheriff. Whereas, E. A. Geringer and Laura E. Geringer, husband and wife, by their deed of trust, dated Feb. 6, 1902, and recorded in the Recorder's office for Chariton County, Missouri, in book 22, at page 19, conveyed to John J. Werninger, trustee, the real estate hereinafter described, in trust to secure the payment of the promissory notes and coupons thereon, subject, however, and junior to a prior deed of trust of the same date, given to secure the payment of one principal note of \$7,500 with interest at six per cent per annum, evidenced by ten coupons attached, the same being of record in the Recorder's office aforesaid on page 516 of book 21.

Whereas, it is expressly declared in said junior and first mentioned deed of trust, that, upon a failure to perform an agreement in this or said prior trust deed, the note secured hereby becomes due at once, and this trust deed may be foreclosed at once. And

Whereas, the interest coupons due on the first day of March, 1903, secured by said prior trust deed, was not paid at the maturity thereof and still remains due and unpaid, by reason whereof the note secured by said junior trust deed became due and payable, and still remains due and unpaid, and claim of the said Werninger, the trustee named in said deed of trust, has declined to act and carry out the conditions of said trust.

Now, therefore, I, F. M. Veatch, Sheriff of Chariton County, Missouri, in pursuance of the power conferred upon me by said deed of trust, and at the request of the legal holder of said note, I will on Tuesday, the ninth day of June, A. D., 1903,

at the east front door of the Courthouse in the City of Keytesville, Chariton County, Missouri, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 5 p. m. of that day offer at public vendue, to the highest bidder for cash in hand, all the right, title, interest and claim of the said E. A. Geringer and Laura E. Geringer, in and to the following described real estate, situated in said County, Missouri, to-wit:

The southeast quarter, and the east half of the southwest quarter, and the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter, and the south half of the northwest quarter, and the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of section fifteen (15), and the north west quarter of the northwest quarter of section twenty-three (23), township fifty-four (54), range twenty-one (21), west fifth principal meridian. And

Whereas, John J. Werninger, the trustee, named in said deed of trust, has declined to act, and carry out the conditions of said trust. And

Whereas, the said note, described and secured by said deed of trust, is due and has not been paid. And

Whereas, the legal owner of said note has requested me to execute the power vested in me by said deed of trust, to sell said real estate, and out of the proceeds of said sale pay the indebtedness secured thereby. Now, therefore, in compliance with said request and in pursuance of the power vested in me by said deed of trust, I will on Tuesday, the ninth day of June, A. D., 1903,

between the hours of nine o'clock a. m. and five o'clock p. m. of that day at the east front door of the Courthouse in the City of Keytesville, Chariton County, Missouri, sell said real estate at public vendue, to the highest bidder for cash, subject to two prior deeds of trust, to-wit: one of \$7,500, recorded in book 21, page 516, and one of \$500, recorded in book 22, page 19, of Chariton County, Missouri, recorded.