

# The Weekly

CHILlicothe, Livingston Co., Missouri, Thursday, February 11, 1884.

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Dr. Kimberlin,  
EYE  
"I have a great deal to say," when you  
know that for the last ten years he has  
been trying his best to get her off his  
hands.

"A man very much intoxicated was  
taken to the station. "Why did you not  
tell him out?" inquired a bystander  
of a friend. "Bale him out!" ex-  
claimed the other. "Why, you couldn't  
put him out!"

"Noting that twins had just happened  
to a deaf-mute couple in Michigan, the  
Boston Post remarks: "Nature occa-  
sionally realizes the fitness of things.  
Two yelling wretches that pair any  
more than you get a dog's muzzle."  
"I want for entering a hardware  
store. "Is it for your father?" asked  
the cautious storekeeper. "No, of  
course it isn't," replied the little  
indignantly. "It's for our dog."

"In the part of Africa known as Nubia  
there grows a species of acacia which  
is called the 'bale' tree. The stem is  
hollow, and the action of the wind pro-  
duces a sound similar to that emitted  
by a flute.

"Washington is a great place for  
poker playing, and it has been sug-  
gested that each poker party should  
give ten cents out of every 'pot' to  
go towards helping the poor of the  
city. In this way it is estimated that  
over \$2,000 could be raised nightly.

"Did you go down to the cable office  
and send off that cablegram?" was  
asked the boy. "Yes, sir," was the  
reply. "And up to the telegraph  
office and send off the telegram?"  
"Yes, sir." "And you went to the  
telephone box?" "Yes, sir, and sent  
off the telegram."

"I see that an Ohio postmistress has  
resigned her office in order to get  
married. She married an old Benedict  
to her wife. "Poor thing! I pity her,"  
said the helper. "Why so?" "Be-  
cause, after the honeymoon is over,  
she'll have to sit up nearly every night  
and wait till the male comes in."

"On all female servants in Prussia  
and Alsace-Lorraine who have un-  
interruptedly remained in the same  
family for forty years, the German  
empire confers a golden cross, with  
an autograph diploma, and between  
the 1st of January, 1877, and the 31st  
of December, 1877, when the or-  
der was founded, and the end of De-  
cember, 1877, when the order was  
bestowed on no fewer than 1,027  
persons—a creditable and interesting  
fact.

"A few weeks ago a gentleman enter-  
ed the office of a well-known insurance  
agent, and, tossing on a paper on the  
counter, said to the clerk: "That's run  
out yesterday, and I want to get it re-  
newed." The clerk unfolded the document,  
and with a smile inquired: "Are you  
sure that this has run out?" "Oh, yes!"  
said the gentleman. "My wife told me  
it had run out." "Well, I am  
sorry for you, but we are not taking  
that kind of risk now," responded  
the clerk, as he handed it back to him.  
It was his marriage certificate.

"A writer in a juvenile magazine  
recently gathered a number of small peo-  
ple, and defined the following words  
of which the following seems to be  
the genuine: "Dust—Mud with the  
juice squeezed out. Fae—A thing  
brushed with warm oil. Joe—Water  
that the figures are within bounds.  
There is nothing like experience in any  
business and the raising of mules is no  
exception. One thing is certain, a  
demand for mules is yearly increasing  
and it is not probable that a mule will  
cost as much to raise as a steer, while  
3-year-old mules will generally be worth  
more than a 3-year-old steer."

### CURRENT TOPICS.

**JOCKEY GAFFNEY** has gone to the City of Mexico to train and ride.

Among the journals recently started in Germany is a comic paper called **Mixed Pickles**.

**TREASONABLE** symptoms have been detected in the Spanish army, and another revolt is feared.

**MISS WELLES** is the name of a plaintiff in a breach of promise case in London, and Mr. Dickens is her counsel.

**JOHN HART**, in his suit at New York against George Alfred Townsend for \$20,000 for libel, secured a verdict for \$55.

**INVINCIBLES** and other Irish convicts in English prisons, will be removed on a war vessel, the destination of which is unknown.

**MR. JAMES KEESAN**, of Boston, offers to match Frank and running match against Jay-Eye-Son for \$1,000 to \$5,000 a side.

**NEAR CORNING**, O., Engine No. 12 and eleven gondolas fell through a bridge, a distance of forty feet. The engineer, fireman and two brakemen were on the engine when it fell, and, strange to say, they miraculously escaped without serious injuries.

**THE BORING** for the tunnel under the Mersey was completed on Thursday, on which day the chairman of the Tunnel company and a few friends walked from one end of the tunnel to the other. It is expected the undertaking will be in working order eighteen months hence.

**ROBERT BUCHANAN**, the poet and novelist, is suffering from an attack of gastric fever. His illness has retarded the publication of his new volume of poems, which will contain the ripest and most recent work of his pen. It will be entitled: "The Great Problem, or Six Days and a Sabbath."

**THE RECENT** loan of \$2,000,000 francs by the Panama Canal Company to the Republic of Colombia gives the French another grip on that canal that looks very close to an absolute investment. The company already enjoys possession of 150,000 hectares of land ceded by the government of Colombia out of the 500,000 granted by the canal contract.

**A LARGE** pasture is said to have been seen during the last two months on White Mountains near Ellerslie to Rocky Gap, Md. So far only one or two sheep have been carried off by him, and it is thought to be subsisting on wild animals. He hunts in the deepest ravines and very few of the farmers venture to hunt for the animal.

**ACCORDING** to advices received by a St. Louis journal from the lower Mississippi valley, the peach crop in Illinois and Alabama has been killed by the cold weather, while in Kentucky it was severely blighted, and in Arkansas somewhat injured. Blackberries and raspberries in Illinois were killed to the snow-line, but strawberries promise well.

**EGGS** have advanced materially in the Chicago market since the holidays. Just now they are so scarce that 40 cents per dozen is the price at wholesale, which is considerable more than is asked for a bushel of potatoes. The Atlantic cities are receiving large supplies of eggs from Europe, and it is stated that 20,000,000 dozen were imported during the year 1883.

**SENATOR COLQUHUN** is a hale and hearty man, and has many personal acquaintances whose faces are always familiar, but whose names he can not recall. When an acquaintance meets him, the senator shakes him warmly by the hand and mumbles something which the man can not possibly understand, but which is "I fit to suppose is his name. He goes away quite proud of being so well remembered.

**NO** bureau of the government exceeds in importance the United States Patent Office. From the start it has been self-sustaining, and now has an unexpended balance to its credit of about \$2,500,000. This money is the result of fees paid by inventors to secure the patents which protect their inventions. The business of the Patent Office has increased with each year of its existence.

**A** horrible powder explosion occurred in Texas, last Saturday. Wm. Wallon had brought a gallon of powder from the store in a paper sack. He poured it into his wife's lap and started to get a can, when his oldest boy threw a few grains on the fire. The flash ignited the powder in her lap, and the explosion that followed burned the mother and child fatally, two other children dangerously, and spread the walls of the house, causing the roof to fall in upon the victims.

**THE** British parliament opened its session Tuesday. The Queen's speech announced that an Anglo-American commission is now sitting in Paris to consider the Newfoundland fishery question, and that diplomatic relations with Mexico are in a fair way of being soon resumed. The order for the evacuation of Cairo was recalled in consequence of the Egyptian reverses in the Sudan, and General Gordon has been sent to assist the Khedive in carrying out a withdrawal. The Queen urges the passage of the bills to extend the franchise throughout the United Kingdom, and to reform local government, and states that plans will be prepared to extend municipal government to the whole metropolis, and to suppress corruption at elections.

### THE RIVER.

I know the way down to the river,  
The river's a wide and blue,  
Flowing on to the sea forever,  
In a current strong and true.

I know how the shadow lovelies  
From the trees above its brink,  
That hover and cross the lovelies,  
As if they'd in reality think.

Sometimes in the moon's glancing  
Go lovers when the moon is low,  
Who sit on the grassy bank  
And watch the water flow.

They watch the wake of the waters,  
As the river craft goes by,  
And the sails of the windmill  
That are so full of life.

"For the world is full of beauty  
Of God-given things,  
Since over the path of duty  
Love hath led of a youthful wing.

There are heroes upon the river  
That watch the water flow,  
There some will cross with guile,  
And some will cross with love.

And some who go to fish  
On gravel, coarse, and low,  
For the trout that is so prized,  
By art, and by the rod.

There are heroes of the river  
That watch the water flow,  
And some who go to fish  
On gravel, coarse, and low.

And the water of the river  
That flows so sweet and true,  
Is the life of the water,  
And the life of the wood.

When the trump of the south wind  
Blows the leaves from the tree,  
And the water of the river  
Flows so sweet and true.

Then again, oh! beautiful river,  
That flows so sweet and true,  
Thou shalt be the life of the water,  
And the life of the wood.

—Mrs. S. D. Dingman, in "The Society."

### AMY'S BALL.

THE night for the grand ball had almost arrived, and for weeks in many parts of the city great preparations had been going forward for what was to be the grand event of the season and in every respect a fine affair. So early in the morning I thought and so every one said as the proceedings were discussed in the circles of the invited guests.

"The ball was to take place in the elegant mansion of Mr. H., and was to be given in honor of his only daughter, Amy."

It happened to come about in this way: Miss Amy had for a long time given up society, and seemed to take very little interest in the pleasures of the world, and it seemed to live in a world of her own and so within herself that it had become almost impossible to gain her presence for anything. Her friends could not understand her actions or her ways, and she seemed to have a certain gloom over her once happy countenance.

Some remembered a love affair that had terminated well; some said it had been a disappointment, but she really no longer seemed to know the actual truth of the matter, so they kept on sending her invitations to all their gayeties, in hopes of drawing her from her solitude and bringing her bright eyes once more to shine in the hour of festivity, and she would occasionally accept an invitation, and then she would be as good as dead.

But, most of all, her strange conduct troubled her father, who, being fond of his daughter almost to idolatry, could not bear to see the light fade out of her face or to have her young life wasted in sadness. He alone understood her great trouble, for to him, as in all else, she had given her heart, and he had seen her in the hour of her grief, and he had seen her in the hour of her joy, and he had seen her in the hour of her sorrow, and he had seen her in the hour of her triumph, and he had seen her in the hour of her defeat, and he had seen her in the hour of her success, and he had seen her in the hour of her failure, and he had seen her in the hour of her glory, and he had seen her in the hour of her shame, and he had seen her in the hour of her honor, and he had seen her in the hour of her dishonor, and he had seen her in the hour of her life, and he had seen her in the hour of her death.

"Go on, Amy, dear! I am listening, impatiently, to you," he said, and she resumed her story.

"Ah, Ned, how can I ever tell you? You know how many and handsome Claudio always was? Well, on that night he appeared before me again, but his dark eyes flashed so against me, and he said to me, 'I have seen you in the hour of your darkest state if possible.'"

At first she refused even to listen to such a thing as a ball, and said: "Dear papa, how could I have been so foolish as to attend to such a thing?" But her father urged her so kindly to have some consideration for him as well as herself, that at last she gave her consent and determined that she would be as far as possible from the ball, and she had then committed a crime, and I resolved to do my utmost to find him and care for him and restore him to reason if possible, and—

She could tell no more, for the door was thrown suddenly open, and Claudio stood before them, and immediately followed her father, and he said to her: "Amy! my Amy at last!" exclaimed the excited man.

At last the last touch was bestowed upon the toilet, and Amy stood before the mirror a marvel of loveliness, and, notwithstanding all the furrows, seemed simply itself a few minutes later she descended to the ball-room on the arm of her proud father, who had impatiently and with some anxiety awaited the opening of his doors. But when it did open all his fears with regard to her appearance vanished and with a satisfied smile he landed her in the midst of many of their guests who had already assembled. Greetings arose on all sides, and she seemed to have entirely forgotten herself in the happiness of others.

Gradually the guests came, until the long and brilliantly lit room, with its exquisite floral trimmings, seemed a palace filled with fairies, but when the music commenced and the dances began it seemed like some enchanted place.

Apparently Amy enjoyed it all, and the tall, handsome partner at her side brought the blushes to her cheek by the low words he was uttering. Dance after dance she went through, many gentlemen claiming the place of her company, till at length an old acquaintance, the tall and brown-bearded Ned of former days, did not change any now, came to claim his waltz. Then down the long room they went, keeping time to the soft music, and with her white dress, which seemed something angelic floating in mid air.

The music stopped, and at the earnest solicitation of her company they went together to the conservatory, and there sat down under the old trees on every side, which seemed so restful and refreshing after the heated room just quitted.

A few moments of silence, which were broken by Ned saying: "Amy, I am so glad to find you once more appearing like your old self, and I thought you here to tell you something, and also, if possible, to draw your secret from you—the secret that has made a prisoner of you so long and separated me from you. Now, please tell me, for it seems that I can bear the suspense no longer. I know that I love you and my devotion has lasted for years."

"Ned, don't tell me that again. 'Tis no use, as I told you often before. You—but listen! What was that?"

"Go on, Amy, dear. 'Twas nothing, we are all alone."

She seemed so deeply engaged in what she was about to tell him that she seemed unconscious of his nearer movements and his taking her hand in his. Her dark eyes that were shaded by the sun's rays seemed filled with sadness, as she looked up at him and continued to speak.

"Well, Ned, you are fully deserving of my best love and life, but I respect your love for an enough to tell you the reason of my refusal, and also to ask your assistance as a friend."

"I will tell you my story, then, leave it to you to help or condemn me," continued Amy, somewhat hesitatingly.

"Of course you remember Claudio?—my acquaintance with him, and also his sudden disappearance?"

"Don't blame me when I tell you that I loved that man with all my heart, and I discovered how I loved him, or how deeply I had wronged him." Then her voice changed almost to a whisper, and she remained silent a few moments, but turning again toward her listener she said:

"I know that he loved me, for he had often shown it, but then I was too selfish and fond of my freedom to acknowledge that I appreciated his ardent devotion, or to allow him to show it very much. One evening we went together to Barton's—my father's member that evening for you were there also—to a soiree, and I fell in my gayest mood that night, and equal to anything; I flirted with many, and in the bargain."

"All went well with us while there, and the drive home was such an enjoyment. When we reached my father's door, Claudio night and assisted me to get up, and then we stood for a short time in the moonlight that made the snow sparkle like thousands of diamonds."

"Amy's hands felt listless in her lap, and her thoughts seemed far away, and tears seemed ready to start from her beautiful eyes."

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"Not a word, but he caught me in his arms, and then he said to me, 'I have seen you in the hour of your darkest state if possible.'"

"My father was the first to break the silence, and did so by saying: 'My daughter, you must forgive me for this startling intrusion at such a moment, but it seemed impossible to prevent it. Part of this was all arranged beforehand, the ball was to be the means of making you appear yourself again for Claudio's benefit, for he returned from abroad some days ago, and true to his honorable nature, and true to me, and I, knowing all things concerning you both, waited an opportunity to present him. He is a grand old fellow, and you were in the place, I asked him to accompany me to find you, and as we reached the door we heard your voice, and found the worst. But we listened and found things favorable to us both, and so we heard you through. Now you see you are claimed,' he said, laughing.

"By which one, papa?"

"There was no reply, or chance for her to say more, for she felt herself drawn within a strong arm, and in looking up found herself alone with her lover, and the distant music seemed to say: 'I have seen you in the hour of your darkest state if possible.'"

### A FATAL CUCKOO CLOCK.

A Christmas gift that brought me into a happy household.

"It's a cuckoo clock," said a young married man to a Tribune reporter the other day. The young married man was carrying a mysterious looking parcel, the brown paper covering which was marked with the initials 'W. J. M.' and was covered with a network of brown wood, carved after the fashion of the ingenious Swiss. The young man looked at the bundle with a face of comical apprehension, and then said: "I hope I'm about to see the last of it, but I'm sure I don't know. I wish the merry Swiss boy who devoted his long winter evenings to the construction of this infernal machine, at the time he was engaged in carving the bellows and other ornaments which upon examination proved to be portions of brown wood, carved after the fashion of the ingenious Swiss. The young man looked at the bundle with a face of comical apprehension, and then said: 'I hope I'm about to see the last of it, but I'm sure I don't know. 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