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### New Home Items.

Miss Susie Melvino has returned home after an extensive visit at Peoria, Ill.

John Irwin spent Friday and Saturday at home.

Marshal Callaway has a presidential bee in his hat.

Mrs. N. M. Dibble is on the sick list, but is better at this writing.

Miss Myrtle Caswell of Rich Hill, was the guest of Miss Sallie Hurst Sunday.

Earl Fox, who has been dangerously sick for some time, is getting better under the skillful treatment of Dr. J. E. Lockwood of Butler.

Mr. Frank McCoy of Arthur, was the guest of Miss Earnie Warren Saturday.

F. T. Aleshire has rented his farm and is going to move back to Butler. We are sorry to lose Mr. Aleshire from our midst.

Jas. Jenkins of Rich Hill, was in our village Saturday shaking hands with his old friends.

W. F. Bartlett was in our village Saturday, and said the high water did not drown him out.

The Cornland debate was a grand success on last Friday night. The boys are doing better.

Ike Appleby was the guest of Mr. Warren Sunday.

Albert Uhler and Mrs. Laura Boyd spent Sunday with relatives and friends near Virginia.

Anyone wishing to buy, sell or trade a horse, call on P. H. McCoy at the north end of Park ave., Cornland.

Bud Smith and wife spent Saturday and Sunday with his mother in Cornland.

W. M. Dibble has had the epizootic for the past six weeks, but with good care we think he will soon be out again.

Mrs. Alice Findlay returned to her home at Webb City Monday after an extensive visit with her sister, Mrs. H. H. Maggart.

Mrs. E. Hillswick of Ills., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Walter Jackson.

### New Home Items.

Miss Dolly and Master Nelson Nestlerode have a fine riding pony.

Mr. Shalley's team ran away Monday morning, but Cyrus Nestlerode caught them without much damage being done.

Ed Lutes will start for the Nation next week overland; it's pretty bad weather camping out.

Miss Lottie Burk spent Saturday with Miss Lottie Miller.

Miss Lula Shalley spent Monday night with Misses Pearl and Maud Littlefield.

Wiley Woods and Miss Minda Gentry passed through New Home Sunday evening.

D. W. Steele and family attended preaching at Foster, Sunday.

Mrs. McGlaughlin's family has the mumps.

Al Butcher of Butler, visited his brother James, Sunday.

The Cope boys presented their invalid mother with a handsome reclining chair, now she can sit up or lie down as she pleases.

J. H. Cope is keeping bachelor's hall this week, his wife is visiting her parents near Virginia.

Our teacher is making arrangements to have a good time last day of school.

I received a copy of the Foster Breeze last week; it's a newsy sheet, full of home news.

Miss Lula Shalley talks of having a birthday party Feb. 15th, and judg-

### THEO. RUNYON IS DEAD.

Sudden End of the United States Ambassador to Germany.

Berlin, Jan. 27.—Hon. Theodore Runyon, United States Ambassador to Germany, expired suddenly and unexpectedly at 1 o'clock this (Monday) morning of heart failure.

Mr. Runyon had been in some pain for some time past, but no immediate fatal results were expected. No longer ago than Tuesday evening he was present at a dinner given in his honor by ex-Empress Frederick, mother of Emperor William. Last summer he had planned to make an extended trip through Norway, but on the advice of his physician, he abandoned the trip, and instead, went to Carlsbad, where he took the cure. He subsequently went to Axenstein, in Switzerland, for the purpose of taking an after cure.

Since that time, however, he has manifested great activity in the discharge of his office, which have been more than usually onerous on account of the complications in European affairs which have more or less demanded the attention and care of the diplomatic representatives of all nations. His death will come as a great shock to official and social circles here in Berlin, where he was a great favorite.

Mr. Runyon was the successor of William Walter Phelps, who held the place of German Minister four years. He was a gallant soldier, and Fort Runyon, on the Alexandria railroad at the south end of the bridge near Washington, D. C., is a perpetuation of his name.

At the time of the appointment of Mr. Runyon it was remarked as being that of the office seeking the man. His name had been presented to the president by Senator McPherson and Senator Smith, and he knew nothing of the application which was being made in his behalf until he was asked by letter if he would accept. The unequivocal indorsement which he received from the senators, and the high reputation enjoyed by him in the state, led the president to make the appointment without hesitation. He was a man of unquestioned ability and high social attainments.

### Summit Items.

The beautiful snow has come and—well, we've not been sleigh riding yet.

Big oyster supper at Mr. Couchner's Tuesday night.

Jas. Allison, wife and daughter were visiting G. B. Parker and family in Summit this week. Also Mrs. Tellie Parker is down from Kansas City visiting in Summit.

Mr. Crouch has found the remains of the hog which caused so much trouble in the courts recently.

We understand the Summit band will agree to disband provided they can get a full meeting of the boys.

We hear of some who, if set free by Uncle Sam, would pack their grips and start for Cuba to make cause with the insurgents. This patriotic feeling is natural with the American people, and the way or gap should be left down and let all stray across who feel like so doing.

W. J. Cox has moved on the Scully farm, formerly belonging to G. B. Parker.

Harry Blime has been locking through Hickory, Dallas and other counties and seems to be very well pleased with part of the country.

Since the snow very little corn is going to market.

The literary paper at Summit center last Friday night was worn rather threadbare by its make-up on a certain line.

Hick Ray talks as if he might have caught the Argentine Republic fever. Hope he will get over it, however, as we can't well spare Hick from Bates.

All are through husking corn and are waiting now for spring to open when a rush will be made to produce another big crop and one which is hoped to prove more remunerative to the toil of the farmer.

### ANOTHER MASSACRE.

Terrible Slaughter of Christians at Birdjik—Panic at Angora—Turkish Situation.

Boston, Jan. 27.—The following letter from Constantinople, under date of January 4, surveys the general situation in the disturbed district of Turkey:

On December 31, a terrible slaughter of half of the Christian inhabitants of Birdjik took place. It is said that Kurds did these things. Panic prevailed at Angora and all along from there to Nicomedia last week. Some new danger has threatened Sivas. At Marsh the situation is not good. Mr. Terrell has been promised that regular troops shall replace the relief guards there and has had new cautions given the governor. At Caesarea the situation has improved, though confidence is weak. At Harpoot destitution is terrible, beyond all comparison with other places heard from. The total killed heard from is 12,058. The area included is about one fifth of the whole devastated, but it seems likely that the losses are one third of the whole. At Mardin it is still impossible to go outside of the walls of the city. At Bitlis there is more security for the missionaries, who will probably remain there all winter. Adana has suffered a good deal from panic. Hadjin is still safe, but reports are now circulating of trouble there. The college (male) of the American board of Harpoot has commenced its classes. At Sivas the missionary schools have been reopened and the people are making out fairly well. A season of fasting and prayer was held at Masovan. The people say that even the nursing babies were made to fast until noon. Relief work grows apace. The duke of Westminster's committee has sent out \$25,000 more.

### ROMAN CANDLES AND SKY-ROCKETS.

Weapons of Warfare Used by the British in Ashantee.

NOT ONE GUN WAS FIRED.

Red Lights and Aerial Bombs Stamped the Warriors of King Prempeh.

New York, Jan. 23.—A cable from London to a local paper says that the most extraordinary war of modern times has just closed, the ferocious barbarian King of Ashantee has surrendered to the British expedition. The funniest part of it all is the way the English troops frightened the brave African monarch and his warriors almost to death without even firing a gun.

The path from the coast to the interior led through a dense African jungle—an ideal place for an ambush. The army engineers went ahead of the troops with a corps of woodchoppers to clear the way for the army. As the expedition approached the kingdom of the brave King of Prempeh they found the woods full of armed savages.

Suddenly the engineering corps, after darkness had settled on the crest, set off an enormous display of sky-rockets, Roman candles, aerial bombs, pin wheels and fire-crackers. They sent the rockets whizzing into the underbrush and exploded the many colored bombs among the trees. Red, blue and yellow lights glowed here and there and Roman candles shot their exploding balls up over the heads of King Prempeh's ambushed braves.

The warriors were astounded. Their eyes bulged with terror and in five minutes there wasn't a corporal's guard of the valiant army to be seen. The fireworks were kept up all night and at daybreak a courier from King Prempeh crept up to the British picket lines and begged to announce that the King was ready to agree to anything the English commander wanted.

The way this war has been carried out is the funniest part of the whole opera bouffe performance.

When the steamer Angola left Liverpool, hidden away down in her hold was an immense quantity of sky-rockets and Roman candles.

She had tons of these Fourth of July fireworks among her cargo of warlike implements. There were sky-rockets of every kind, fire balloons, shooting stars, red, white and blue powders, pin wheels, "snakes," and Chinese firecrackers.

Another ship followed the Angola similarly loaded and containing no rifles or cartridges whatever. This ship bore to the Gold Coast simply an enormous consignment of fireworks.

Long wooden boxes that looked as if they contained rifles with which to shoot down the warlike Ashantees really had within them harmless sky-rockets with patent tails that made fiery streamers of sparks through the African jungle and exploded in gorgeous clusters of stars of every hue. Some of these sky-rockets released strings of red balloons of fire to float serenely over the dense Ashantee forests.

Other rockets had bombs in their head and would finally terminate their career with a loud explosion far from the place where they had been set off. Still other sky-rockets that were taken along on the Ashantee expedition carried a curious whistle and as they shot through the air made a hideous noise that could be heard for many miles and seemed weird and uncanny in the thick tropical forest through which the British forces had to advance.

London, Jan. 23.—Cables from British West Africa describe the fall of Coomassie and the humiliation of Prempeh, the Ashantee King. King Prempeh was greatly im-

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pressed by the show of force in the square, the Maxim guns being conveniently posted and every yard being utilized by the British and their native allies. Finally the King, through an interpreter, replied that he was ready to submit to the British, took off his crown and sandals and advanced to the seats formed by biscuit boxes, upon which Sir Francis Scott and the Governor were seated, surrounded by their staff. His Majesty then placed his head between the feet of Sir Francis Scott and those of the British Governor, clasping them with his hands and actually groveling in the dust as a mark of his complete submission to the power of the Queen of England.

The Governor finally made the King arise and recalled to his Majesty's mind that he had been requested to immediately pay 50,000 ounces of gold to the representatives of Great Britain. In reply his Majesty, who was greatly agitated, said he only possessed 280 ounces of gold and that he had no means of collecting the 50,000 ounces demanded by the British.

To this the Governor replied that such a statement was merely child's play, and that the demands of the British must be complied with, as the King's ability to pay the amount demanded was too well known to admit of any discussion.

King Prempeh then asked for time, but the Governor answered that upon a previous occasion the Ashantees had failed to keep their promises made to the British, and that the latter had no intention of giving them the opportunity of doing the same thing again.

A strong guard of British troops then moved forward and surrounded the King, the Queen mother, the King's father, the prominent chiefs and the Embassadors without any trouble, so suddenly was the movement made and so effectively was it carried out. The prisoners were quickly removed to a large house, which was surrounded by the guard, and then the Ashantees were quietly dispersed by the troops.

Near Coomassie the British discovered and burned the notorious sacrificing grove full of skulls and bones of the victims of King Prempeh, which has been fully described in various manners for years past. The making of human sacrifices was one of the leading complaints which the British had against King Prempeh and his predecessors, and this practice has now been put a stop to.

### Hon. James Gibson.

Harrisonville Democrat.

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It may naturally be expected that as Kansas City has never had a governor, the democracy of Jackson county will urge with great enthusiasm the candidacy of one of her most popular and talented citizens.

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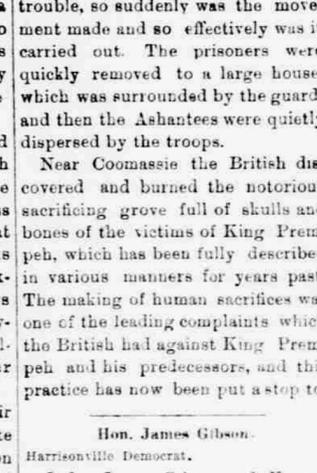
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