

### HE DEFENDS THE SULTAN.

Gen. Lew Wallace has a Few Words to Say About the Turkish Affair.

Gen. Lew Wallace, former United States Minister to Turkey is reported to have stated in Washington a day or two since:

"I think I am better acquainted with the Sultan of Turkey than possibly any other American, and I know that he is an honest man, and I never knew him to break a promise. Abdul Hamid is no more to be blamed for the gross atrocities committed, and the property destroyed by the Kurds than Wm. McKinley would be if the Apache Indians should go on the war-path and slay the white settlers as they have done in times past. The acts were perpetrated upon the Armenians, but no American suffered the loss of a hair. The Christians in Turkey are there under the patronage of the Sultan, and without protection they could not remain. There are some 3,000,000 of Greeks and perhaps 4,000,000 of Armenians who are Christians, and the Sultan regards them as his subjects. All that Kurds, who are the perpetrators of these crimes against the Christians, have in common with the Sultan and the Turks is that they, too, are followers of Mohammed. They are numerous on the eastern border of the empire, and have never been fully conquered by the government."

### The Girls Went Work.

The situation in St. Louis in regard to the servant girl problem is thus expressed by the Post-Dispatch poet: There's a security of servant girls: it left thro' all the town, And housewives, they are seeking them, but vainly, up an down. The housewife's answer not the call and will not serve for hire. The dinner goes uncooked; the house unwept; the night is dire.

Say, what are housewives going to do? Take up with the Chinese? I don't like "washie-washie" meals—no pig-tail soup for me! Will all the women go to work in factory or shop? And men do up the dishes—is that where it will stop?

### A VOICE FROM THE PAST.

Opinions of a Newspaper Published Over One Hundred Years Ago.

On Sunday the DEMOCRAT was shown a copy of the Gazette of the United States, published at New York on April 15, 1789, and edited by John Fenno. Appended will be found part of an article from this paper. It was intended evidently as a sort of combination prospectus and editorial. A reading of it however, will serve to convince one that a very few changes would make it apply very appropriately to the conditions which now confront the United States and its recently acquired possessions. The article referred to is as follows:

"At this important crisis, the ideas that fill the mind are pregnant with events of the greatest magnitude; to strengthen and complete the union of the states, to extend and protect their commerce under equal treaties, yet to be formed, to explore and arrange the national funds, to restore and establish the public credit, and all under the auspices of an intricate system of government, will require the energies of the patriots and sages of our country."

America, from this period, begins a new era in her national existence. The world is all before her. The wisdom of folly, the misery and prosperity of empires, states and kingdoms, which have had their day upon the great theatre of time, and are now no more, suggest the most important mementoes. These, with the rapid series of events in which our own country has been so deeply interested, have taught the enlightened citizens of the United States that freedom and government, liberty and laws, are inseparable. This conviction has led to the adoption of the new constitution, for however various the sentiments respecting the merits of this system, all good men are agreed in the necessity that exists of an efficient Federal Government.

A paper therefore, established upon national, independent and impartial principles, which shall take up the promised articles upon a competent plan, it is presumed will be highly interesting and meet with public approbation and patronage. The editor of this publication is determined to leave no avenue of information unexplored. He solicits the assistance of persons of leisure and ability, which united with his own assiduity, he flatters himself will render the Gazette of the United States not unworthy of general encouragement."

### Stockholders' Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Southern Missouri & Arkansas Railroad Company will be held at the office of the Company, northeast corner of Independence and Spanish streets in the city of Cape Girardeau, Missouri, on Tuesday, May 8th, 1900, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of electing Directors for the ensuing year and for the transaction of any other business that may properly come before said meeting.

E. F. BLOMEYER, President.  
NEWMAN ERB, Secretary.

### AN IMPORTANT DECISION.

Officer Can Shoot the Wrong Man and not be held on his Bond.

The United States Court of Appeals decided Monday that when an officer's posse makes a mistake and shoots the wrong man the officer's surety is not responsible on his bond. The decision is unique, notable and far-reaching. It was rendered in the case of James Chandler, plaintiff in error, against Samuel Rutherford and others, defendants in error. The liability of sureties for federal officers for the acts of the officers is the question at issue.

The defendants in error were sureties for a deputy marshal in the Indian Territory. The deputy organized a posse to arrest a horse thief. The plaintiff in error, Chandler, was walking with a woman in Muecoee after dark, and the posse mistook him for the horse thief, shot at him, wounding him seriously. He sued the marshal's sureties for \$25,000. The lower court held that they were not responsible under the circumstances and the higher court sustains this opinion.

### Missouri Timber.

Bloomfield Cosmos: The best timber of Southeast Missouri is rapidly disappearing and several kinds will soon be exhausted. The great groves of walnut and poplar found in our river bottoms have long since disappeared. At the present rate of cutting there will practically be no white oak in the district after 1910. The red oak and gum are also going at a good rate and cannot be counted on after 1915. The hickory will be exhausted even sooner. Fortunately, in most of the bottom lands where the timber is being removed good farms are being opened and cultivated. But this is not true as to much of the pine lands. The state of Missouri should take more interest in the wholesale destruction of timber before public interests are injured, as in New York and the eastern states and several states of Europe, where an effort is being made to re-establish forests to prevent injurious changes to the climate.

### Employ More Teachers.

Quite a number of citizens who have been spoken to on the subject are heartily in favor of the school board employing a larger number of teachers next year. The board will have a meeting some time next month and at this meeting the teachers for the following year will be selected. Citizens who are interested in the schools might do well to make it a point to converse with the members of the board and give those gentlemen their views on this subject. It has been stated that the board has the necessary funds on hand and would be willing to employ more teachers, provided they were satisfied that the people desired to have it done and this extra expense incurred. The DEMOCRAT does not know that the position of the board on the matter has been correctly stated, but we have been given to understand that the situation is as given above.

But, be this as it may, the people can talk to the members of the board and give them their views. There is only a short time intervening between now and the date of the meeting at which the teachers will be selected, and whatever is done should be done promptly. There is no reason to doubt the willingness of the board to do whatever is considered advisable in the premises, and the views of our citizens on this subject will certainly have their weight. Talk to the gentlemen of the board on the matter and let them understand just how you regard the affair under consideration. It is believed that a large majority of the citizens would much rather the board would incur the expense for the additional teachers, than to have the efficiency of the schools hampered by an insufficient teaching force.

### WILL COME DOWN THE RIVER.

St. Louis Young Man to Make the Trip to the Gulf in a Houseboat.

About May 1, Thomas S. Hawley, son of Dr. Thomas G. Hawley of St. Louis, will start from St. Louis to the Gulf of Mexico in a houseboat. The Republic devotes a column to the contemplated trip, and says among other things:

"Mr. Hawley is about 25 years old, and is very proficient in the use of tools. He has built several skiffs and duck boats, in which he has hunted and fished in the near-by lakes. Being very fond of an out-door life, he has decided to spend a long vacation on the water, where he could fish and swim to his hearts content, and he then put into operation the plan for building his houseboat. He has been at work on the boat at odd times for about a year, and is very proud of his handiwork.

He says he may rig up some means other than paddles and push poles to propel his boat before he starts on his trip. He has about decided to utilize a bicycle in the stern of his boat for that purpose. His plan is to attach the sprocket wheel on the rear wheel of his bicycle to a shaft which will extend over the sides of the boat, and which he can turn by pedaling as if he were riding. He says that he will be able to go down stream at the rate of about eight miles an hour in this way."

### BIG BATTLE SHIPS.

Our Three New Naval Vessels Will be the Greatest Afloat.

The Naval Board on Construction today finally approved the plans for three battleships authorized by the last Congress and gave instructions to have specifications prepared at once, preliminary to calling for bids from the shipbuilders. The ships will be enlarged Iowas in type, with the same rectangular superstructure and the two turrets, bow and stern, on the main deck. The turret guns will be twelve-inch caliber, like the Iowa's guns; there will be a turret at each corner of the superstructure carrying two eight-inch guns and twelve six-inch rapid-fire guns will be disposed along the sides of the central citadel.

The ships will make nineteen knots speed and have a displacement of about 15,500 tons, making these new ships by far the largest in the United States Navy and as big as latest type of British armored cruiser. As the constructors are limited in the draught, by our shallow harbors, to a little over twenty-five feet, and as seventy-five feet represents about the greatest beam consistent with speed, it will be necessary to provide for the weights by giving the ships more length than the Iowa class, and they will be almost 400 feet long. The secondary battery will be made up largely of fourteen-pounders. Altogether, the ships will be more than equal to any warships of their size in the world's navies.

### Notice to Contractors.

Sealed bids will be received by the Cape Girardeau County Fair & Park Association at the office of E. H. Engelman, Secretary, for the construction of the Grand Stand in accordance with plans and specifications, said bids to be opened on May 1st, 1900.

### TOO OLD TO SPANK.

Connecticut Court Settles a Most Important Question.

GREENWICH, CONN., April 27.—When is a girl too old for a step-mother to spank her?

That question, so important to many thousands of young stepdaughters, was answered in this borough court today.

The answer is "sixteen years." Mrs. Llewellyn Palmer, the second wife of a prominent resident of North Greenwich, was accused of having spanked and otherwise abused Miss Eva Palmer, 16 years old, her stepdaughter, and of having tried to assault Mrs. Ezekiel Mead, Miss Eva's aunt, who protected her against Mrs. Palmer. The testimony of Miss Eva and the neighbors went to prove that Mrs. Palmer had punished her stepdaughter in the ways that follow. Spanking is put first, because the young woman regards it as the highest indignity:

Spanked her.  
Threatened to shoot her.  
Put her to bed in the day time.  
Pulled her hair.  
Beat her.  
After she was spanked, Eva went to her aunt's home, where she is now.  
The justice placed the woman under bond.

### THE BIG FAIR.

Those Who Have the Matter in Charge Will Make it a Success.

The fair which will be held to raise funds to aid the hospital, will take place during the first week of May. It was the original idea to have the fair at the Riverview Hotel, but this plan has been abandoned. The building on the corner of Broadway and Main streets next to the postoffice has been secured and the fair will be held there.

Workmen are now engaged in getting the place in proper shape for the event. The decorations will be of a very elaborate character, and there will be about 3,000 feet of garlands and festoons.

There will be a fine display of fancy goods, ladies' work, silverware, etc., and the exhibit will be a grand one. A number of firms in St. Louis, Chicago, Detroit and other cities have sent some handsome contributions which will add greatly to the interest of the affair.

There will be a restaurant in connection with the fair where first class meals will be served at a reasonable price. Music and other attractive features will abound and there will be no trouble about the visitor finding entertainment.

On Thursday evening of the fair week there will be a progressive euchre party in the parlors of the Riverview Hotel, and on Friday night, the grand ball will take place there. Prizes of an elegant and valuable character have already been selected for the euchre party, and the lucky winners will have some mementoes of the occasion that will be worth preserving.

### Take Notice.

Left at my farm at the Rock Levee on Thursday, April 12, 1900, by a stranger, a cow described as follows: black, with small white spot in forehead; ear mark, upper slope in both ears and split in the right ear. Said cow is now in my possession, and the owner may come and prove property, pay damages and receive the same.

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### PROBATE DOCKET.

List of Executors, Administrators, Guardians and Curators who are required by law to exhibit their accounts on the day and date below named, at the May Term, 1900, of said court, to be begun and held at the court house in the city of Jackson, Cape Girardeau county, Missouri, commencing on Monday, May 14th, 1900.

MONDAY, MAY 14th, 1900.

Allen, Thomas A., guardian of William M. Siskard, a minor.  
Abernathy, Eli, administrator of estate of Margaret R. Hope, deceased.  
Allen, Thomas A., guardian of minor heirs of J. F. Herzinger, dec'd.  
Brund, Anna, executrix of estate of Henry Brund, deceased.  
Blair, Ben D., guardian of Mary Tolliver, a minor.  
Brennecke, George, guardian of minor heirs of Jessie P. Riddle, dec'd.  
Clippard James C., guardian of Cels and Alleyne Malone, minors.  
Craig, John W., guardian of Ivy Craig, a minor.

TUESDAY, MAY 15th, 1900.

Crites, David, guardian of Bennett Seabough, a minor.  
Crump, Louisa E., guardian of Edna May Crump, a minor.  
Clippard, Price C., guardian of Ethel Powell, a minor.  
Clippard, John D., guardian of C. C. Powell, a minor.  
Clippard, Walter F., guardian of Taurman C. Powell, a minor.  
Conner, Louis O., guardian of John A. Colner heirs.  
Coyer, Curtis L., guardian of Anne W. Coyer, a minor.  
Clingsmith, James A., administrator of estate of Louisa Latt, dec'd.  
Conner Susanna A., administrator of estate of Joseph L. Conner, dec'd.  
Draie, Henry C., guardian of Edward C. Bornemann, a minor.  
Drum, William W. and Thos. B., guardian of Mary E. Drum.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 16th, 1900.

Evans, Susan E., guardian of minor heirs of Danley Evans, deceased.  
Engelmann, E. H., executor of estate of E. D. Engelmann, deceased.  
Gross, Louis V., guardian of Rae Green, a minor.  
Horrell, John A., guardian of minor heirs of H. W. Howard, deceased.  
Hoffmeister, Charles, guardian of Bertha and Emma Hoffmann, minors.  
Kieber, Levi J., administrator of estate of William B. Eakins, deceased.  
Kastan, Johanna, administratrix of estate of Charles Kastan, deceased.  
Kehne, Henry F., guardian of Julia Amelung heirs.  
Lange, August, guardian of his own minor children.  
Miller, William H., guardian of Albert G. McGuire, a minor.  
McFadden, Mitchell, guardian of minor heirs of William Ingram, dec'd.

THURSDAY, MAY 17th, 1900.

Morrison, Nancy E., executrix of estate of Robert Morrison, deceased.  
McCallister, C. D., guardian of Gale McCallister, a minor.  
McLain, Ivy, guardian of minor heirs of D. B. McLain, dec'd.  
Miller, Adolph C., guardian of Charles G. Miller, a minor.  
Morgan, Thomas V., guardian of Lulu A. Morgan, a minor.  
McGee, Andrew J., guardian of Ernest, Jessie L. & R. B. Crump, minors.  
Penzel Gustav, guardian of George Kromann, insane.  
Penzel Gustav, guardian of Willie Kromann, a minor.  
Poe, Albert H., administrator of estate of Caroline Bauer, deceased.  
Poe, Albert H., administrator of estate of Franklin Greath, deceased.  
Poe, Albert H., administrator of estate of Mary Green, deceased.  
Poe, Albert H., administrator of estate of Mary J. Tonz, deceased.

FRIDAY, MAY 18th, 1900.

Powell M. J. & W. F. Clippard, adms of estate of Peter Powell, dec'd.  
Russell, Narcena C., executrix of estate of E. W. Russell, deceased.  
Rabich Herman, guardian of Lulu Griffith, a minor.  
Slatter Gilbert D., guardian of Charles E. Slatter, a minor.  
Schothoff Frank B., guardian of his own minor children.  
Schmidt, Louis A., guardian of Albert Winkler, a minor.  
Suelekun Henry, guardian of his own minor children.  
Semers F. W. H., guardian of Henry Schwab, a minor.  
Sawyer John J., guardian of Otto Templeton, a minor.  
Sebastian Henry L., guardian of his own minor children.  
Siewers Augusta, executrix of estate of Henry Siewers, deceased.

SATURDAY, MAY 19th, 1900.

Schneider Andrew H., guardian of Bernard Bitter, insane.  
Tuschhoff Charles, guardian of Alvan Brown, a minor.  
Tuschhoff Charles, administrator of estate of Christian Tuschhoff, dec'd.  
Thompson Nancy J., guardian of minor heirs of J. C. Thompson dec'd.  
Umbeck Julius F., guardian of minor heirs of Ernest Umbeck, dec'd.  
Weltsche F. H., guardian of Goo. W. Bean, a minor.  
Willis Drury, guardian of J. B. Willis heirs.  
Williams Harrison R., guardian of Irene B. Williams, a minor.

HENRY PULS,

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