

DESCRIPTION OF THE BIBLE.

From the Pictorial Bible. It was found in Westminster Abbey, nameless and dateless.

A nation would be truly happy if it were governed by no other laws than those of the blessed book.

It is so complete a system that nothing can be added to it.

It contains everything needful to be known or done.

It gives instruction to a Senate, authority and direction to a magistrate.

It cautions a witness, requires an impartial verdict of a jury, and furnishes the judge with his sentence.

It sets a husband as a lord of the household and a wife as the mistress of the table, tells him how to rule, and her how to manage.

It prescribes and limits the sway of the sovereign, the ruler, and the authority of the master; commands the subject to honor, and the servants to obey, and promises the blessing and protection of the Almighty, to all that work by its rule.

It promises food and raiment, and limits the use of both.

It points out a faithful and eternal guardian to the departing husband and father, tells him to whom to leave his fatherless children, and whom his widow is to trust, and promises a father to the former and a husband to the latter.

It teaches a man to keep his house in order and know his will; it appoints a dowry for his life, and entails the right of the first-born, and also shows how the young branches should be kept.

It defends the rights of all, and reveals vengeance to every defaulter, over-reacher and trespasser.

It is the first book and the oldest book in the world.

It contains the choicest matter, gives the best instruction, affords the greatest pleasure and satisfaction that was ever enjoyed.

It contains the most ancient antiquities, strange events, wonderful occurrences, heroic deeds and unparalleled wars.

STATE TREASURER'S REPORT.

During the Year a Total of \$7,093,803.09 Was Received.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Jan. 1.—State Treasurer Williams today gave out his annual report, as follows:

Balance December 31, 1900.....\$1,078,031.53

Receipts and transfers for 1901.....7,093,803.09

Disbursements and transfers for 1901.....6,929,603.63

Balance December 31, 1901.....1,243,130.97

Transfers for year 1901.....1,969,388.42

Which leaves net receipts.....5,127,414.67

Net disbursement.....4,963,215.23

JANUARY.

January, bleak and drear, First arrival of the year, Named for Janus—Janus who, Fable says, has faces two; Pray, is that the reason why Yours is such a fickle sky? First you smile, and to us bring Dreams of the returning spring; Then, without a sign, you frown, And the snowflakes hurry down, Making all the landscape white, Just as it blushed with light. You obey no word or law; Now you freeze and then you thaw, Teasing all the brooks that run With the hope of constant sun, Chaining all their feet at last Firm in icy fetters fast.

Month of all months most contrary, Sweet and bitter January.—FRANK DEWEYER SHERMAN.

JANUARY.

By her who in this month is born No gems save garnets should be worn, They will insure her constancy, True friendship, and fidelity.—NOTES AND QUERIES.

Interstate Quail Shooting.

TOLDO, O., Jan. 1.—The case of Eddie Rawson, charged under the Ohio statute with shooting game out of season, develops a funny situation. An investigation shows that Rawson stood in Ohio and fired across the border line into Michigan, and a quail, flushed in the latter state, dropped dead. Under the circumstances nothing could be done to him, and he was dismissed.

E. M. Rowland, of Claremore, I. T., formerly of this city, has returned to this city with his family. Mr. Rowland will take a position at the Black Flag.

Harry Wolf, who died a few days since, had \$2,000 insurance on his life.

Over-Work Weakens Your Kidneys.

Unhealthy Kidneys Make Impure Blood.

All the blood in your body passes through your kidneys once every three minutes.

The kidneys are your blood purifiers. If they are weak, they filter out the waste or impurities in the blood.

If they are weak or out of order, they fail to do their work.

Pain, swollen ankles, dropsical swellings, are signs of uremic blood, due to neglected kidneys.

Kidney trouble causes quick or uneasy heart-beats, makes you feel as though they had been troubled, because the heart is over-worked in pumping thick, kidney-poisoned blood through veins and arteries.

It used to be considered that only urinary troubles were to be traced to the kidneys, but now modern science proves that nearly all constitutional diseases have their origin in kidney trouble.

If you are sick you can make no mistake by first doctoring your kidneys. The mild and extraordinary effect of Dr. Kline's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases of all kinds of kidney troubles.

It is sold in its original form of 50-cent and one-dollar sizes.

You may have a lovely refinement in your blood, but if you have kidney or bladder trouble, this paper will convince you. Dr. Kline's Swamp-Root, I. V.

SOCIETY.

Mrs. Chris Hall is home from Kentucky.

J. G. Trimble and wife have returned to Kansas City.

The History Class met Friday at Mrs. Reed's on South Jefferson.

Judge and Mrs. Joe Rodas and little daughter returned to Sedalia last night.

Mrs. J. W. Reed, after a visit to her sister, Mrs. M. A. Gibbs, has gone to Moberly.

Mrs. Millon gave the young women of Hardin College a croquet party Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Sanford and son have been visiting in Cent, guests of Mr. Sanford's family.

The Young Married Women's Club will be entertained by Mrs. Ellen Sharp at the college.

Mrs. Cole and little niece, Miss Audrey Mitchell, returned to Sedalia the middle of the week.

Miss Russell leaves for St. Louis Tuesday, where she will be joined by Mrs. and Miss Rods and go to Florida for the winter.

Miss Madge Robertson delightfully dined Miss Dorothy Russell, Alice Brooks, Elizabeth and Frances Gill at Friday evening.

Master Henry Baker gave a candy pulling Wednesday night to a number of his girl and boy friends at his home in Woodland.

Miss Fannie Clark will entertain the S. S. S. Friday night at an assembly room; also will have as her guest Miss Ware, of Jefferson City.

There were two of our young men out calling New Year's day, if no more. Messrs. Sam Locke and Joe Luckie went. At least Mr. Luckie said they were going. They didn't call on South Jefferson; I wonder why.

Miss Cross entertained at progressive carous Tuesday night. The guests were Misses Shea, Wallace, Messrs. Will Harris, Kent, and Prof. Thompson. The professor won the prize, a water color, one of Miss Cross' own paintings.

The Whist Class had a delightful meeting at Mrs. A. S. Houston's. They work so hard over their work and are so exhausted that you could hear a pin fall even while they partake of the nourishing food the hostess most always prepares for them. The cream and cake was lovely Friday.

Miss Frances C. Cunningham entertained the club, of which she is a member, during the holidays. The parlor was tastefully decorated with holly and mistletoe. Among those present were: Misses May Offutt, Floyd and Leola Blatter, Messrs. Robert Trimble, James Luckie and Otis Hudson.

Mrs. Margaret T. Cunningham royally entertained a number of her schoolmates Thursday evening. Playing games was the principal feature of amusement. Each was presented with a beautiful souvenir. Fruit was served at a reasonable hour and all enjoyed Miss Margaret's very charming hostess.

Miss May Offutt entertained the club Tuesday evening. They watched the Old Year out and the New Year in. Lovely refreshments were served at a late hour. Among those present were: Misses Frances C. Cunningham, ham, Floyd and Leola Blatter, Messrs. James Luckie, Robert Trimble, Clyde Johnson and Otis Hudson. All had a delightful time.

Will the dinner jacket take here? I am speaking of Mrs. Roosevelt's dress return. You may have noticed it spoken of. It is to be a do-main, short in back, long in front, made of crepe de chine or some other soft stuff—quilted lining. I think that part is a mistake, it will be too heavy; low in the neck, that is no collar, & Slippery another expensive garment to cover the already expensive gown. Why not wear any old thing and cover it with this new coat.

Miss Vera Houghland entertained. Wednesday afternoon Miss Vera gave a lovely party to fifteen of her friends at her home in south Mexico. Games were enjoyed and lovely refreshments served.

For Miss Hay. Monday afternoon Miss Hathaway entertained a few of Miss Hay's most intimate friends. Lovely refreshments were served. The guests included Misses Hay, Ford, Mesdames Yancy, Will Wilkins, Foville, W. C. Johnson.

Dave Robertson Entertains. At his home on East Monroe Dave Robertson gave one of the loveliest parties Wednesday night of the gay week. There were about thirty there. Dancing was the chief amusement. Lovely refreshments were served.

Party. Miss Minerva Johnson gave a lovely party Monday night to about fifty of her friends. Loving refreshments were served. The out-of-town guests included Miss Lillian Deane, of Sedalia, Miss Tina and Harrison Cave, of Texas.

Watch Party. Mrs. Kelly Quisenberry delightfully entertained last night at her home at a watch party at her suburban cottage Tuesday evening. Elegant refreshments were served and croquet and carous were played. All enjoyed a most delightful time.

Theatre Party. Friday night at "Rip Van Winkle" at the Grand theatre was a theatre party of the following young women and men: Misses Ricketts, Salmon, Sue Robertson, Lakeman, Messrs. Graham, O'Neil, Crawford and Clarence Burt.

Misses Pinkett's and Baker's Party. These young women entertained last night at their home on Tuesday night. They had a guessing contest. Miss Jessie Karnes won the prize, a bunch of roses. Lovely refreshments were served. Nearly all who were there went to the dance later in the evening. So they had a doubly good time.

Maquerade. Misses Annie Kemper and Eugenia Crockett, at the Kemper home, gave a maquerade Tuesday night. About thirty responded to the invitation. Dancing and games were enjoyed. All departed after wishing each other a "Happy New Year," having enjoyed a delightful evening.

HE FEARED HE HAD LOST

When Wu Ting Fang, the famous Chinese politician, was in the city, he was dreadfully frightened. A friend pointed out that the stationer had had a letter from him, but he was so nervous that he did not know what to do. He was so nervous that he did not know what to do. He was so nervous that he did not know what to do.

THE BIG DIAMOND ON HIS HAT

While a party thing to look upon, was as practical use. But Benson's Plaster was so effective, that it relieved him of all his troubles. He was so nervous that he did not know what to do. He was so nervous that he did not know what to do.

Miss Morris' Japanese Luncheon.

Wednesday afternoon Miss Grace Morris gave a very pretty luncheon, a la Japanese. The table had a Japanese parol in the center. At each guest's plate was a pretty card tied with ribbon. It was a course luncheon of five courses, each served most daintily. Twenty-two little misses sat at this table with its candles glowing under Japanese shades, and enjoyed the whole immensely.

The Younger Set.

This set of young folks have not been letting any grass grow under their feet. They go somewhere most every day and night. Monday afternoon Miss Lella Wilson entertained at her home. The guests were Misses Lillian Deane, of Sedalia, and Misses Yancy, Will Wilkins, Foville, W. C. Johnson.

A June Wedding.

Miss Elinor Bartlett, of Monongah, Va., and Mr. James Watson, of Fairmont, Va., will be married in June. Their engagement was announced Thanksgiving night with great éclat. Miss Bartlett is well known here, having made Miss Lakeman a visit. The groom-to-be's brother, also known as Miss Lakeman, is a very lovely girl, is much admired here. Her friends wish her much happiness and heartily congratulate Mr. Watson.

Montezuma Club.

Each Thursday night from now on I am authorized to say the members are invited to take their lady friends to the club rooms for a dance or other amusements. The front room will be devoted to those who do not wish to dance. Now if the older members would go up right after ten, they would be ready to go home before the younger crowd began to gather.

Miss Mollie Houston Entertained.

Tuesday afternoon Miss Mollie entertained for Miss Hay, of Liberty. The guests were Misses Ford, Grantham, Hathaway, Wallace, Norris, Larrimore. Twenty characters had been selected. The guests were to give the names of the books and the author's name. Miss Hay, of course, was the wise one and received a lovely bunch of carnations, delicious refreshments were served.

Miss Lillian's Party.

Saturday night Miss Lillian Lackson had a lovely party at her home southwest of town. It was a most lovely party. The refreshments were served at a late hour. Among those present were: Misses Frances C. Cunningham, ham, Floyd and Leola Blatter, Messrs. James Luckie, Robert Trimble, Clyde Johnson and Otis Hudson. All had a delightful time.

Miss J. C. Wilkins Entertains.

Monday at 2:30 Mrs. J. C. Wilkins entertained a number of her friends at her home. The guests were: Mrs. L. B. Morris, of East St. Louis. It was her tenth anniversary and they all carried tinware with them; now her kitchen is a perfect border of bright new tinware, & the guests included Mesdames Ready, Geo. Morris, C. B. Morris, R. E. Hisey, Joe Lakeman, Rufus Hisey, Chas. Gledy, Joe Morris, Misses Morris, Lakeman, Julia and Emma Morris. Mrs. Wilkins served a delicious lunch.

Dances.

Wednesday at the couples dance there were about ten couples who who tripped the light fantastic most gracefully for several hours. The last week of the Christmas holidays began with a matinee dance at Miss Deane's on south Mexico. About thirty enjoyed the terpsichorean art from 2 to 6.

Tuesday night there was another dance at the S. S. S. room. Quite a goodly number of the younger set attended and a great many went to look on. It was a most enjoyable function. Most of the young people at the Plunkett-Baker party came in late in the evening and enjoyed themselves dancing.

A True Story.

One of our prominent business men donned his dress suit Thursday night for the first time in seven years. As he and his wife started for the Masquerade he placed the front door key in his pocket. It didn't go down into the pocket quite as it ought, so he put it in his thumb and pulled out a (sure enough) plum; for a ten dollar green back—crisp and new was in his hand; for a moment he was stunned, then events began to chase through his brain and he recalled the last time he had worn that suit (which was also the first time) was the night he was married. When he suddenly felt a cold perspiration on his manly brow and he paused, stock still, for he wondered if that was not the "wedding fee" he had intended for Doctor Jackson.

ENTERTAINED FOR MRS. JOE RODAS.

Mrs. Frank Jesse most delightfully entertained a number of friends for her sister, Mrs. Rodas, of Sedalia, Tuesday afternoon. It was an "artists' party." The guests selected entertainers, then proceeded to draw a sketch of their partner. The result can be better imagined than described. Then these lovely drawings were placed in sunny places around the room and numbered, each with a writing on a card after a corresponding number the name of the original of the drawing. Mrs. Cole, of Sedalia, very kindly remained in a good humor when a few decided her portrait was just what she most wanted, but by playing it safe she was not to be so. "All looked alike," except when it came to the clothes—they were mostly drawn with great correctness, to the smallest detail. Five of the guests guessed correctly the list in full, but Mrs. Wilson was the one who drew the short straw, so she was given a large box of lovely chocolates (just what she most wanted, but by playing it safe she was not to be so). The luncheon was most palatable. Mr. and Mrs. V. O. P. King were gorgeous in costumes. Japanese Misses Grace Boyd, pink evening costume; Ruth Lakeman, dancing girl; Alice Rodas, evening costume in red; Marie Ricketts, "going to the opera"; Eugenia Forrest, "re idem type maiden"; Elizabeth Arnold, "a girl from the plains"; Elizabeth Robertson, French maid; Annabelle Hudson, black, white and green evening gown; Frances Cook, white lace evening gown; Louise Salmon, "Dolly Varden"; Mesdames S. B. Cook, "The woman in black"; E. S. Wilson, an old-fashioned girl; Gus and Chas. Graham, nuns; Lee Craddock, evening costume; Jas. Johnson, nuns; Will Harper, tambourine girl; John Maxwell, Spanish lady; Susie Buckner, black, ornate; R. M. White, as Eugenia Forrest; Mrs. S. B. Cook, negro preacher; Wat Woodridge, Japanese; Hughes Graham, Will Atkins and Mitchell White, clowns; Joe Moore, Jr., "Hayseed"; Wallace Fry, demon; Henry Miller, Mexican; J. T. Johnson, dutchman; Frank Robertson, Spanish noble; Louis Haly, "Columbus"; the waiter; Chas. Graham, Father Time; Cassius Jay in evening costume. Miss Jane Clay came late with Rhodes Jay. She wore white liberty suit, hair on, having just returned from St. Louis. She came in traveling gown. Mesdames Ooms, Ford and Hall and Messrs. Wise, Ford, Harold Buckner, Geo. Morris, John Maxwell and Major Ricketts were also there and seemed to enjoy themselves as much as those in costume. Mesdames E. D. Graham, M. R. Wise, E. D. Cook were the chaperones.

Dinners.

Thursday Mrs. J. C. Wilkins had the family from Lakewood to dine.

Miss Madge Robertson most delightfully entertained friends with a dinner Friday night.

Miss Carrie Baldwin very delightfully entertained a number of her schoolmates on Xmas day with a dinner.

Mrs. C. B. Morris had her husband's and her family for dinner Tuesday in honor of Mrs. Landon Morris, of St. Louis.

Wednesday Mesdames G. B. and T. J. Null entertained Mrs. Kelly Quisenberry and family at dinner. It was a thoroughly enjoyable affair.

Mrs. Dick Carter gave a very charming dinner to eight of her husband's nieces on New Year's day. The dinner was very prettily decorated in mistletoe; the menu was delicious.

Mrs. Joe Lakeman had Mrs. Rufus Hisey, R. E. Hisey and wife, Charles Gledy, wife and son, William, and C. B. Morris and family Sunday for dinner, in all sixteen. It was a reunion of the family and a most delightful one.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sharp gave a delightful dinner Wednesday. Covers were laid for twelve. The guests included Rev. and Mrs. Koenderoff, and Mrs. P. H. Cullen, Dr. and Mrs. Hilde, Misses Mollie Houston and Mr. Claud Ellis. The table was decorated with ferns.

New Year's eve Mr. and Mrs. Edmonds, assisted by Miss Hatte, delightfully entertained at dinner Mesdames and Messrs. E. D. Chas. Robertson and Mrs. Burt. The table looked lovely with its carnations, roses, ferns and smilax. The dinner was exceptionally good.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker Pollock gave a large family dinner party yesterday. The guests were Mrs. Mary Gibbs, Mrs. J. W. Reed, of Montona, Mrs. W. A. Rothwell, Moberly; Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Watta, Moberly; Dr. C. A. Rothwell, Benfro Gibbs and family, J. A. Glendon and family, H. I. Miller and family, of Benton City. It was not in the least a "quiet affair," but it was a most delightful reunion of a happy family.

Cassius Jay gave a swell dinner Thursday evening. The table was exquisitely set with ferns, smilax, and flowers. The dinner was served in many courses. The guests were all in full evening gowns, including Misses Louise Salmon, Marie Ricketts, Frances Cook, Anna Belle Arnold; Messrs. Woodridge, Orel, Morris, Rhodes and Cassius Jay. I'm

VERY SORRY LACK OF SPACE PREVENTS MY GIVING THE GOSWORN BY THE YOUNG WOMEN; THEY WERE ALL EXHAUSTED.

"We may live without looks, what is knowledge but striving; We may live without hope, what is hope but dreaming; We may live without love, what is passion but dining; But where is the man that can live without plining?"

THE NEW YEAR BEGAN LIKE A MAY MORNING.

Miss Elizabeth Atkins gave a dinner at noon on that day. The guests were Miss Jane Clay, Messrs. Hughes Graham and Joe Moore, Jr. Wednesday evening Miss Annie Jay gave a dinner, quite the most elegant of the holidays. Covers were laid for twelve. The electrolier was decorated with smilax and pink satin ribbons, which extended to the four corners of the table; also to the sides resting on a mirror; in the center of the table was a cut glass bowl filled with pink carnations. The fair hostess wore light green crepe de chine. The guests were people's friends, Mrs. Elizabeth Arnold, Maggie Lusk, Louise Lakeland, Rose Guthrie, Messrs. Louis Hart, Mitchell White, Joe Moore, Hughes Graham, Dave Robertson and Henry Miller. The dinner was in ten courses.

RIKED A FORTUNE FOR LOVE.

Miss McComb, of New York, forfeits a \$4,000,000 Request by Wedding Mr. Lewis Herzog.

New York, Jan. 1.—Fannie Raynes McComb has risked the lovely millions for love's sake and has just married Lewis Herzog. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Henry Van Dyke at the Brick Presbyterian church, this city, in the presence of a large number of people's friends. The bride is a daughter of the Millionaire James J. McComb, who died on March 31 last at Dobbs Ferry.

Mr. McComb objected to Herzog as a prospective son-in-law, and a few days before his death he added a codicil to his will which has deferred the wedding until the present. McComb's fortune was estimated at the time of his death at upward of \$20,000,000. By the provisions of his will, which had been in existence for years, his daughter Fannie would have received upward of \$4,000,000. By the codicil, it was provided that if she were married to Mr. Herzog she should be cut off with an income of \$15,000 a year during her life, \$300,000 on or after her death of each of her children absolutely.

Soon after her father's death Miss McComb, through her attorney, W. McFarlane, brought suit against the Title Guaranty & Trust Company, executors of her father's will, seeking to have the courts declare the new codicil void. The courts refused to consider the question prior to the marriage of Miss McComb.

YOU KNOW WHAT YOU ARE TAKING

When you take Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic because the formula is plainly printed on every bottle showing that it is simply Iron and Quinine in a tasteless form. No cure, no pay. 50c.

GIVES BOTH HANDS TO MILES.

Mistress of the White House Did Her Best to Heal the Sorech Between Her Husband and the Old Veteran.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—Mrs. Roosevelt today did her best to heal the breach between her husband and Gen. Miles. When the General entered the blue parlor and Col. Bingham announced "the Commanding General of the army," the President grasped the soldier's hand and gave it a vigorous pump. Mrs. Roosevelt held out both her hands to the head of the army and was even more demonstrative in the cordiality of her hand shake.

The grizzled veteran smiled on both President and helpmate. Those who saw the incident declared that the broken entente cordiale between the President and the Commanding General has been repaired.

Rainfall for Two Years.

On account of the unprecedented drought during the year 1901 in Callaway county, a comparison with precipitation for 1900 is quite interesting. The total rainfall for the year 1901 was 25.78 inches, while that of 1900 was 38.27 inches, making a shortage in 1901 of 12.49 inches. The following is a comparative table of the rainfall by months during the two years:

Table with 3 columns: Month, 1900, 1901. January: 1.35, 1.00; February: 3.59, 1.19; March: 1.57, 3.97; April: 5.17, 3.29; May: 2.04, 4.40; June: 1.38, 1.69; July: 3.06, 1.41; August: 2.84, 2.38; September: 3.60, 1.75; October: 5.85, 1.16; November: 1.47, 1.50; December: 7.25, 3.57; Total: 38.27, 25.78.

MOTHER.

Often, when some great deed is tried Of, by flood or flame, who died, Of men who sought and won their fame, While all the land rings with the name Of her.

I think you of me warfare long, Of Sarah's water, bitter strong, Of sword and fire that pierced the heart,

All of the dumb, unuttered part, And say, with eyes grown moist, wet, (Love's vision, that cannot forget), "All heroes are not counted yet."

—VIRGINIA WOODWARD CLOUD.

ENTERTAINED AT AUXVANS.

Mrs. J. T. Atkinson gave a most delightful house party in honor of her niece, Miss Anabel Criswell, of near Mexico, last Saturday evening. This party was given at the spacious home of Miss Ann Dyer. There were about fifty of sixty young people present.

Mrs. Atkinson and Misses Dyer and Criswell are such hosts as make visitors feel so much at home that they can not help but enjoy themselves. Palate-tickling refreshments were served.

The Steel Trust has secured leases on coal lands which will supply it with fuel for thirty years and coke for sixty years.

J. M. Pollard is home from a pleasure trip to his old home in Shelbyville, Ill.

P. E. Locke's many friends will be glad to know that he is able to be out again.

Miss Anna Macfarlane is home from Fulton.

Mrs. Daniel Woodward is visiting friends in Moberly.

TUTT'S PILLS

FOR TORPID LIVER.

A torpid liver deranges the whole system.

SICK HEADACHE, DYSPEPSIA, COSTIVENESS, RHEUMATISM, SALLOW SKIN AND PILES.

There is no better remedy for TORPID LIVER PILLS, as a trial will prove. Take No Substitute.

VICTOR-BARTH WEDDING.

Rabbi Leon Harrison, of St. Louis, Officiated at Ceremony.

BOONVILLE, Jan. 1.—The marriage of Miss Ida Felix to Felix Victor took place this evening at 8 o'clock at Turner Hall, Rabbi Leon Harrison, of St. Louis, officiating. Miss Flora Barth, of Staunton, Va., a cousin of the bride, was bridesmaid, while Adolphus Victor, a brother of the bridegroom, was the best man. The wedding march was played by Miss Sadie Barth, of Boonville.

Among the out-of-town guests were Alexander Leoh, of St. Louis; S. V. Barth, of Atchison, Kas.; Joseph Barth and wife, of Mexico; Isador Victor and wife, Victor Barth and wife, and Gus Barth, of Columbia.

The bride is a daughter of Joseph Barth, one of our wealthiest citizens, while the bridegroom is a very successful business man and a member of the firm of Victor Bros.

After the ceremony the young couple left for Charleston, S. C., to attend the exposition. They will go to Cuba before returning.

E. W. Moore

This signature is on every box of the genuine Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets.

A Father's Curse for His Son.

Here is a condensed version of one of Tom McNeal's popular fables in the *Popula and Breeze*: There was once a youth averse to toil and he conceived the idea that actors have a good time. He went off with a traveling show, but found it the hardest work he ever struck. When down in the Ozark Mountains he wrote home:

Dear Father: I have been captured by a gang of bandits and held for ransom. The bandits demand \$500 before they will let me go. Please send this amount by return mail and release your loving son from captivity. Yours son, JAMES.

He thought he would ask for enough to get home on and then some, but the parent thought the letter had a mousetrap about it, and wrote in reply:

My dear James: I write you to say that we are all well and hope this will find you enjoying the same blessing. The bandits ask too much for you, after they get real well acquainted with you, they will not let you go. I know and I will see what I can do for you. In the meantime, my son, you will have to worry about your more than your own skin. From your loving parent, JOHN TOMPKINS.

Twenty Years Ago This Week.

Leslie Ferris sold out at Centralia.

John Atkins returned from Colorado.

Gus Keen opened a harness shop here.