

WASHINGTON.

The Contest for the Senatorship Ended.

Mr. Randall Wins.

Missourians who Voted for the Pennsylvanian.

Washington dispatches announce the result of the Democratic caucus Saturday night, and the nomination of Randall, of Pennsylvania, to the speakership. This result can hardly be a surprise. From the first, Randall's chances were better than that of any of his opponents, notwithstanding the strong western feeling which had been created in favor of Morrison, of Illinois, and Saylor, of Ohio. The issue upon which the nomination turned was the SOUTHERN PACIFIC RAILROAD.

This brought to Randall's support all of the southern and many of the western members. It was well understood that neither Morrison or Saylor were friends of a measure which the south had more at heart than ever the prospective reformation of the currency. This circumstance made Randall's candidature almost a walk over, and all things considered, the event is decidedly fortunate for the country. It places the South and West largely on a par with Eastern interests, and renders necessary legislation in our behalf of comparatively easy accomplishment. The result indicates

A FAVORABLE OUTLOOK for Western river appropriations, and the possible building, at the government expense, of the Mississippi levee. This will give the West what it has so long wanted, cheap transportation to the sea. But there is still another favorable circumstance connected with it. Randall is decidedly in favor of the reorganization of silver and currency reform, and the committees of Congress will be organized with

A VIEW TO THIS OBJECT. The BAZOO notices in the record of the votes given in the caucus, that Messrs. Buckner, Hatcher, Franklin, Rea and Glover, members of Congress from this state voted for Randall.

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS. The following are believed to be among the several chairmanships that have been decided on:

Ways and Means—Fernando Wood or Potter, of New York. Appropriations—Atkinson of Tennessee. Blount of Georgia, or Clymer of Pennsylvania. Judiciary—Goode or Harris of Virginia. Banking and Currency—Backner of Missouri. Military Affairs—Williams of Michigan. Naval Affairs—Whitmore of Tennessee. Post-offices and Post-roads—Ragan of Texas or Waddell of North Carolina.

FATALLY INJURED.

A Gun Bursts in the Hands of a Hunter.

The report was brought to town to-day that a young man named Adam Franklin, living with Mr. English, four miles west of Dresden, was fatally injured Saturday evening by the bursting of a shotgun in his hand. It was a muzzle loader with a defect in the breech. It had been loaded for several weeks and when discharged the piece struck Mr. Franklin in the forehead and producing a fracture of the skull. These are all the particulars which the reporter was able to learn.

Cutting Affray.

A Bazaar concert of the Glasgow Journal, writes the following: "A desperate encounter took place last week between Wm. Embree and Jas. Patton. The weapons used were knives. Embree lost his knife early in the fight and was compelled to retreat. Both parties were wounded, but neither dangerously."

Sherman's Financial Policy.

The Democrats have agreed to put through the House as early a day as possible in the session a resolution of want of confidence in John Sherman and his financial policy.

Missouri Appointments.

A Washington dispatch says that it is expected that a batch of appointments will be announced next week, possibly including a number from Missouri. Secretary Schurz has stated in very positive terms that he has no intention of retiring from the Cabinet, all reports to the contrary, and without understanding that several persons are very anxious that he should.

A Terrible Accident.

Reas Overy Broom: A frightful accident, occurred to a little eight-year-old son of Mr. Bradley, living near Coalville, on Saturday last. He was playing around a cone mill, which was in operation, and in some way unknown, got his head caught between the beam and the frame of the mill, crushing his skull. He expired in a few hours.

An Unsuccessful Attempt at Suicide.

The Noshoo Times says that a young man named Judd, from Carthage, attempted to commit suicide, at that place, one day last week, by shooting himself through the head. He was not successful.

A Murderer Convicted.

Orville Besser: The second trial of John Ables, of McDonald county, for killing one Lane, four years ago, was concluded in the circuit court in this city last Saturday and resulted in a verdict of murder in the first degree. Judge pro tem WILLIAMS acquitted himself creditably, giving the reasons all the benefits of doubt or where there was any question about the admissibility of testimony. A motion for another trial had been filed which will be argued a week from next Monday, and, unless some untoward event will be pronounced and the case for hanging fixed. The costs and expenses in this case have now run up to between \$2,000 and \$3,000 to be paid by the people.

All the world over baby games. Yet often disease will overcome the baby and then it is that Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup proves its worth by conquering the disease. Price, 25 cents per bottle.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

Meeting of the Grand Lodge of the State—Delegations from Abroad—Purposes of the Order—Parade Upon the Streets.

It is unfortunate that a gloomy and disagreeable day has attended the meeting of the Grand Lodge of the Knights of Pythias, in this city. But for that circumstance, it would have been in all respects a memorable event. The city had prepared itself for a gala day, and would have worn its best brightest attire, but even those who were most elated at the prospect of a holiday could scarcely force their enthusiasm above the depressing effects of a wet and disagreeable day, with an atmosphere thick with vapors and streets that were a veritable lullaby. Nevertheless, our people struggled bravely against the unfortunate condition of the weather, and as far as it was possible, put on a

SMILING APPEARANCE.

At an early hour the visitors began to arrive from abroad. The incoming trains brought delegates of Knights from all parts of the State and the battle on the streets began to indicate an event of no ordinary importance. In the intervals in which the sun peeped out from gathering clouds, brilliant regalia flashed upon the streets, and groups collected on the corners and along the pavements, wearing

THE INSURANCE OF THE ORDER.

As the day advanced towards noon, the rifts in the overhanging clouds grew wider and a bright sun at last flashed through the atmosphere. Then the crowds came out and thousands of evergreen began to appear upon the prominent buildings. Little by little the city put on its holiday attire, and those who had looked forward with so much pleasure to the demonstrations, began to recover their spirits in the hope that their delightful anticipations might yet be measurably realized. By noon, it is possible that as many as

THREE HUNDRED KNIGHTS.

had reached the city, and then distributed over town, as their inclinations led them, combined to form a spectacle as novel as it was attractive. In the meantime, the preparations for the assembling of the Grand Lodge went steadily forward, and in spite of an of the unfavorable indications of the early morning, the representation was as large as the Order had anticipated. Of the proceedings of

THE GRAND LODGE.

it is, of course, impossible to speak, since its work was confined to the business usual upon such occasions. But a brief retrospect of the Order and its purposes may not be out of place. It was organized fourteen years ago in Washington City, by the Rothsbro Bros. It was meant to supply a place which other benevolent organizations had failed to fill. Originating in the belief that all men should be drawn together in the brotherhood as generous and kind as possible, it took for its motto

"CHARITY, FRIENDSHIP AND BENEVOLENCE."

Founded, as it is said to be, upon the beautiful dramatic legend which has been woven into such fascination under the title of "Damon and Pythias," it is meant to illustrate as far as human frailties will allow that wealth forms such a conspicuous feature of that wonderful concert with which the author of "Damon and Pythias" has fascinated the DRAMATIC AND LITERARY WORLD.

HAVING THIS ROMANTIC ORIGIN, but appealing to the sense of duty which is inherent in all men, the Order had a sudden and vigorous popularity, and soon took rank with the most popular organizations of the country. It spread over the country, and revealed in extent and success, the pioneers of charitable institutions. Its quaint conceit may have at first attracted, but the purity of its principles aided largely to confirm its proselytes, and now, in every city, town, and country, the

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

are known and honored as among the most successful of our social institutions. Unobtrusive in its mission, and unostentatious in its purposes, it has succeeded in winning popular respect and confidence. It would be of course invitations and inexorable to draw a comparison between it and other institutions which have been organized for similar purposes, but it will do no injury to any one to say that this new order has accomplished an amount of good and genuine benevolence, which fully entitles it to recognition as

A NOBLE MISSIONARY.

Free from political prejudices and religious influences except in this; that it inculcates a pure life, a recognition of the redeeming agencies of the Bible and a reliance upon

THE PROMISES OF GOD.

it has started out upon a career which is sure to accomplish great and benevolent purposes. It inculcates clarity for all—it draws the veil of compassion over human errors, and endeavors to raise the fallen. It recognizes the universal brotherhood of man, and has for all, friendship and kindness. Believing that it is the duty of the strong to succor the weak it inculcates benevolence; the duty of all men to alleviate suffering and mitigate distress. Actuated by these influences the Order has gone on adding new members to it and

INCREASING IN POPULARITY.

until it now numbers, perhaps, one hundred and fifty thousand souls. In a community so thoroughly in sympathy with benevolent undertakings it would be superfluous to say anything eulogistic of an Order of this kind. The fact that it has drawn to it some of the most useful and intelligent of our fellow citizens, who are thoroughly impressed with the nobleness of the Order, and are devoted to its purposes, is in itself, the

HIGHEST ECONOMY.

that could be passed upon it. An Order that is constantly augmenting its resources by the addition of the best men in the country, need not be troubled for its future. It will be carried forward to a prosperous career by its own inherent vitality, and by the sympathies and good wishes which it is constantly winning from the public. That the Knights of Pythias have such a future in store for them, those who have watched their rise and the influence for good they are exerting, can

HAVE NO DOUBT.

The BAZOO has been led into this somewhat extended comment more by reason of the comparative newness of the order, than by any hope of adding to

its popularity. It is making sufficiently rapid advances in that direction on its own account without any outside aid.

THE PARADE ARRANGED.

It was arranged in the order of exercises that a parade through the principal streets should take place at half past one o'clock, but owing to the rain which commenced again in the afternoon it had to be abandoned. This was a source of sincere regret to many people who had prepared themselves to enjoy the spectacle.

THE RECEPTION ENTERTAINMENT.

will, however, take place at Smith's Hall, at half past 7 o'clock this evening when speeches will be delivered by prominent members of the order. Subsequently a banquet at Sieder's.

RECEPTION AND BANQUET.

As previously announced in the BAZOO, the Knights held a brilliant reception at Smith's Hall, last night, and notwithstanding the unpleasant evening, a large audience assembled to take part in it. Owing to the illness of Judge Jno. A. Lacy, who was expected to deliver the address of welcome to the Grand Lodge, that duty was performed by seeing Mayor Brown, who after prayer by Rev. Mr. Wallace, delivered the following address:

Grand Officers of Visiting Knights of Mo: GENTLEMEN AND KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS:—

It is my privilege to participate with you generally on this interesting occasion, extending to you the cordial greetings of the goodly city of Sedalia. Gentlemen, you have come together from different parts of the State. You are the representative of the different divisions of your order, the objects of which are to exercise friendship and benevolence one toward another; to alleviate the suffering, to comfort the dying, and to bury the dead and to console and care for the bereaved. Your Order is certainly a worthy one. It commands itself to the consideration of all reasonable beings.

Therefore, in behalf of this city, and its representatives, I tender to you a most hearty welcome. We wish you to feel at home in our city, to alleviate the suffering, to comfort the dying, and to bury the dead and to console and care for the bereaved.

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Gentlemen, we had you welcome, three weeks ago, to the "Queen City of the West."

This was responded to by Mr. Charles D. Lucas, in an address which recited the objects and purposes of the Order, together with an acknowledgment of the hospitable manner in which the Grand Lodge had been received in Sedalia. An address was then delivered by Mr. W. H. H. Russell, of St. Louis, entitled, "Pythian Knighthood and the practice and principles of Friendship, Charity and Benevolence," which contained a graphic recital of the history of Damon and Pythias, upon which the Order is founded. Succeding Mr. Russell, Mr. W. J. Stone, of Nevada, delivered a brief but very eloquent address upon

"SECRET ORDERS."

All of these speeches were really so excellent that the BAZOO would take pleasure in reproducing them, but for their length. They were listened to in pleased attention by the audience, and the orators were frequently made the recipients of marked applause. A conspicuous feature of the evening's entertainment was the music furnished by the Sedalia brass band, which very properly won the applause of all present. The music was simply exquisite. The Knights then adjourned to

THE BANQUETING HALL.

where a very elegant repast had been prepared by the famous Sieder Bros. Of this, more should be said than the limits of this report will allow. It will suffice to say that the Knights surpassed themselves, and prepared a banquet that would have done credit to any caterer in the land.

A NUMBER OF TOASTS.

They were then offered, which were responded to by Col. Jacob Childs, of Carrollton, Mr. Paul H. Bowman, of St. Louis, and Dr. Willis P. King, of Sedalia. The Doctor, in his humorous and characteristic speech, fairly carried off the honors of the evening. Altogether, the entertainment was a most enjoyable and delightful affair, and formed one of the pleasantest episodes that has occurred in Sedalia for many a day.

The Grand Lodge will continue its sessions for several days.

ATTEMPTED ROBBERY.

A Thief Attempts to Enter a Farmer's House and is Shot at. About 12 o'clock Saturday night, some unknown person attempted to force an entrance to the house of Mr. Henry Fowler living ten or twelve miles southeast of Sedalia. Mr. Fowler, who always sleeps in a rear room on the ground floor, was awakened by some one attempting to cautiously raise the window. Knowing that no one had a right to be there at that time of night, he got up and

TOOK HIS REVOLVER.

from the bureau drawer, and as the noise continued, fired at the sound. There was a sudden cessation and the sound of footsteps running rapidly away. Before Mr. Fowler, however, got out of the house, the thief had disappeared. The next morning an old piece of iron was found under the window, with which the thief had endeavored to

PRIZE UP THE SASH.

It is hardly probable that the shot took effect, as no blood could be found anywhere. The probable theory is that the attempt was the work of a tramp, who had applied at the house for dinner that day, and who wandered about the yard an hour or two, before going away. He is not likely to try his experiment over again.

KANSAS CITY.

She Blows Her Bazoos in Regard to Railroad Communication. The progress of Kansas City in new railroad connections is astonishing, considering the disposition of bidders elsewhere. It is positively assured that both the Chicago and Alton, and the Rock Island roads will each build a line into this city within a short time, and the old Memphis road is also being put under construction as far south as Vernon county. Another branch of the L. & G. road is being built southwest at the rate of a mile a day, and a branch of the Kansas Pacific road runs up the Solomon Valley at the same rate. All of these lines will open up a new trade section, both wholesale and retail, for this city. The new Union Depot, costing over \$150,000, will be ready for occupancy by February. The walls are now nearly done. The city was never so crowded, and there are neither residence nor business houses for rent.

SPENCER MURDERERS.

The Arrest of the Perpetrators of the Horrible Crime—A Brother-in-Law and a Brother the Assassins.

At last the curtain which concealed the mystery of the terrible Clark county tragedy has been lifted, and justice has traced to their fair perpetrators of the awful deed. But humanity will be shocked and civilization will be appalled, in the announcement that the fiends who butchered an entire family of one helpless old man and his innocent boys and girls, were a brother and brother-in-law of the victim.

Agreed that the law has kept its readers: it now relates the

CLEARING OF THE MYSTERY.

which has been brought to light by the genius of the detective officer. The honor of this achievement is due to Capt. George N. Sanson, who, aided by a skillful detective, has worked up the case thoroughly and furnished to the grand jury indisputable evidence of the guilt of Willis James and Elijah Spencer, the brother and brother-in-law of

THE MURDERED MAN.

Saturday last Capt. Sanson, Sheriff Frazee and D. Martin went out and arrested them, finding James at a place near the scene of the murder, and Spencer just over the line, in Scotland county. Leaving James with the two, Frazee and Martin, in Clark county, Capt. Sanson went to where Spencer was at work, grinding sugar-cane, and represented to him that he wanted him to attend to some business over in Clark county, in this way inducing him to go with him into the hands of Sheriff Frazee's jurisdiction, where the arrest was made.

IN KAHOKA JAIL.

The reports recently published intending to relieve James of suspicion were for an effect, and aided in making the investigation more easy. The blood spots which were then pronounced genuine, and blackberry stains were nothing less than human blood. A bloody handkerchief, belonging to James was also found in the woods adjoining the Specker place. He confessed that it was his, but said that

HE HAD BLED ITSELF.

Why he left it there is unexplained. As yet it is unknown how full or conclusive the evidence against him is, but it is presumed that with the cool deliberation shown all through the affair, the prosecution had not acted hastily or without warrant in arresting the men. Presenting Attorney Ben. E. Turner, who of course is acquainted with the facts, says that he is ready to proceed with the case whenever it may be called. It is not known that it will be reached this term of court, but an impatient public will, of course, hope that it may.

BERRY'S CAPTURE.

He is Overhauled on His Way to Texas and is Captured After a Fierce Resistance. A few days since the BAZOO published a telegram from the Superintendent of the Express company, offering a large reward for the capture of James Berry, of Callaway county, one of the supposed robbers of the Union Pacific train at Big Springs. He was arrested Sunday afternoon, in Callaway county, by a number of St. Louis and Chicago detectives, just as he was starting for Texas; but not without resistance. A shot which struck him in the leg, unseated him from his horse, and before he could rise and mount his captors were upon him. Desperate as he was, he could not contend against

OVERWHELMING ODDS.

But up to the time of receiving the shot, his bearing was that of a man who would fight to the last. Indeed, he had given previous examples of his desperate and daring nature. He was, however, his unshakable courage was tested in many a terrible fray which had both partisan led all into who followed his banner. Indeed, so great was the terror of his name, that while in Mexico, where he exchanged his gold for greenbacks, although believed to be one of

THE EXPRESS ROBBER.

there was none bold enough to arrest him. When taken Sunday he had twenty-eight hundred dollars on his person. The balance of the nine thousand dollars which he had with him in Mexico has been disposed of. Sheriff Glascock, of Andrain county, claims the honor of first laying hands on the bold free-booter. Berry is a native of Callaway county, where he has a large family of respectable relatives. He went to

THE BLACK HILLS.

last spring, and failing to make a raise, it is supposed he joined the desperate band of robbers who stopped the train at Big Springs, and robbed it of the gold bonanza. The gold he exchanged at the Mexico banks has been identified as part of the coin taken from the train.

STOP THAT COUGHING; if you do not it will kill you. A bottle of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup only costs you 25 cents, and its timely use may save your life.

A Merchant's Device.

Last spring the firm of Post Brothers, of Clinton, loaned out a large quantity of flax seed, making a contract with each borrower to buy the crop this fall at \$1 per bushel. These gentlemen have so far shipped over one hundred car loads of seed, 375 bushels on an average to the car, making over \$37,000 which they have expended, less the number of bushels returned for seed. The entire crop that they will handle will amount to over 70,000 bushels. Two car loads per day have been the average shipments, and from \$400 to \$800 per day the amounts paid out.

A Colored Preacher in Trouble.

In its Wyandotte notes the Kansas City Times relates the following incident: No little excitement was occasioned on Sunday last at the colored Baptist Church by the arrest of the Rev. Morris Bell, who was delivering his sermon at that time, on charges of appropriating money belonging to a number of colored people in Kentucky, from whom he had collected various sums, claiming to be going to form a colony out West, but did not do so, and has not since been heard of till Saturday last. He has his hearing before Judge Cable to-day.

No one can develop the good of mankind by listening to a crying baby. Stop its fretfulness by cutting the colic with Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup. Price, 25 cents.

A WICKED MAN.

A Naughty Lothario Tries to Induce His Wife's Maid to Elope.

Few places in this world are as wicked as St. Joe. The BAZOO has had frequent occasion to call attention to that fact. And now comes the story of an able-bodied young man, with a delicate wife, who wanted to elope with a robust German girl; that is the man wanted to elope, not the delicate wife. He was in the habit of giving this pretty Scandinavian all sorts of loving presents, whispered into her ear the softest and most persuasive compliments, and one day when she was passing through the hall, this naughty young man in St. Joseph packed her to her

PROCK HER LITTLE CARPET BAG.

and fled with him to a cot in some vast wilderness, where their loves might have free way and invalid wives could not interrupt. But this innocent German girl was no Mormon. She thought one man was as much as one man could handle in comfort and declined to fly. She did not like to see any woman. Perhaps it was this idea of living in a cot which made her so indignant. But, at all events, she declined to tell her husband, and did so.

It was easy to imagine the feelings of that stricken female when the first intelligence was imparted to her. At first she thought SHE WOULD TRY.

Then she concluded she would have just one interview with her old man before she kicked the bucket. That interview happened to be of a character so exciting that it led her to forget all about being sick. She rose to the dignity of the situation and literally snatched that naughty husband by the head. When she got through with him he couldn't have persuaded an

INDIAN SQUAW.

much less a pretty little German girl to flee with him to some vast wilderness. Nor were his troubles yet over. The lover of that pretty little German girl called around to see him. The handle of a Beringer peeped from his pocket, a mitrailleuse was swung across his shoulder, and a small army of bowie knives was thrust through a belt in his waist.

This gentleman wanted to know if the man with the sick wife was in the habit of inveigling maids into a wilderness of cots, or cots in a wilderness; it didn't make much difference which. He just wanted to know about it. Then the man with

THE SICK WIFE.

went down on his marrow-bones and promised his interesting visitor that if he would say no more about it, that he would never attempt to elope with his wife's maid again; that the military looking gentleman with the pistols and the mitrailleuse and the bowie knives, should marry her herself and that he—the man with the invalid wife—would give that obstinate German virgin the most brilliant wedding that St. Joseph ever saw. Then all parties were happy—they shook hands, and the thing was settled.

Cooling Softly.

Esoterio-Monster: The St. Louis Journal-joker is dipping in his car in favor of Left, of the Hannibal Clipper, for postmaster of the latter place. That comes of their having been bed-fellows during Farmer Gentry's "kivered wagon" campaign. "Ah! well, we do remember—remember—the gentle Gene coasted, soft, sweet words of peace and consolation to the 'savage Hourbons' about Huntville, while the spectacled Tenton talked reform to the sovereigns, and the frolicsome tadpole, who wanted to be Secretary of State, pitched 'crack-ho' with a retired Good Templar, in the corner grocery."

Hannibal Excurionists.

A large party of Hannibal excurionists, accompanied by friends from Quincy, Ill., and Boston, Mass., arrived at the Garrison House last night, and improvised one of the most delightful parties that famous hotel has ever known. The proprietors flung open their large parlors and dining room, and the gay excurionists sang and danced until a late hour. It was one of the most brilliant parties Sedalia has seen for many a day.

A Negro Shot.

Mr. Heffer, proprietor of a saloon in Joplin, shot and killed a negro barber, by the name of Thos. Doss, the ball entering the right side of the breast and passing through the right lung and shoulder lodged in the region of the shoulder blade. The negro wanted to play cards in the saloon and the keeper objected, which resulted as above.

The Wrong Place.

A little incident is reported by one of the Knights, Mr. J. H. Turner, of the Carrollton Recd., to have occurred at Lexington on his way to this city. As the train pulled into the depot a diminutive little darkey was seen intensely interested in watching the Knights in their uniform. Finally his curiosity getting beyond his control, he inquired of Mr. Turner:

"What all dem shoulder straps mean?" "We are recruiting officers," was the reply.

"For the Lord?" replied the Knight. The darkey's curious face faded into a look of inexpressible pity and turning away with disgust, he remarked:

"Mister you 'come to do wrong place."

He Fights and Runs.

Last night a man went into Ed. Lyon's saloon, and being intoxicated, became abusive. He was put out, and fell into the hands of Officer Turner, who took him to the cooler. This morning the prisoner was sent out to empty a bucket of slop, and forgot to come back. He was caught later in the day and consigned to his old quarters.

Proo.

Best Newman was let out of the county jail to-day after taking the oath of insolvency. He is the fellow who frightened his wife and threatened his mother-in-law with a very uncomfortable death some time ago. No money released than he was nabbed by officer Conner, charged with stealing money, cakes and sausage from Heydingsfelder's restaurant. This case was dismissed and he now goes to terrorize that mother-in-law again.

There will probably be more music over this case in the court.

—Babies cry because they suffer; and the most reliable remedy for the relief of their discomfort is Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup. Only 25 cents per bottle.

DEFAUDING THE REVENUE.

The Tricky Devices of Illicit Tobacco Vendors.

The BAZOO contained an account some weeks ago, of the arrest of William May, at the instance of Revenue Collector, John L. Rogers, of this city, charged with illicitly dealing in tobacco. A correspondent of the St. Louis Republic writing of the incident says, that although a manufacturer of several years' experience and fully cognizant of the revenue law, his transgressions lacked the cunning of an expert, and led to an easy detection. A large proportion of buyers were country merchants, who never suspect ed his crooked manipulations. It was May's plan, when a sale was made, to have two sides and one end of the caddy, which he returned in his wagon. By this means the purchaser received a portion of the revenue stamp, while May, by fastening two of these together, had remaining a complete box, apparently properly stamped. The length of time these transactions have been in progress, or the amount of tobacco thus sold, has not been ascertained. Among those who have purchased from May are merchants at Clinton, Callone, Lewis' station, Windor, and a country store-keeper twelve miles north of Clinton. The manufactory at Knob Noster was seized by Detective Collector Rogers, together with its contents of five hundred caddies and machinery, valued at \$2,000 or \$3,000. It is now in the hands of the marshal. May's attorney has made an offer of compromise with the government.

A BLIND GIRL.

Incidents in a Life of Darkness. A book has just been published which records the incidents in the life of a blind girl. The author is Mary L. Day, who will herself interview the people of Sedalia with reference to the sale of her work. It is a charmingly written biography and full of graphic incidents. It is full of feeling and the pathetic longings which are visible through all the pages, appeal to the heart of the reader. Miss Day will deliver the book herself, and then those who buy it will have the opportunity of helping along a deserving lady and at the same time get full value for their money. It is to be hoped she will do well in Sedalia. The price is one dollar.

A KNIGHT'S EXPERIENCE.

His Opinion of Sedalia Mud Holes—Coursing Under Difficulties. It ought to be the ambition of all to appear well in the eyes of strangers. It is the same way with a town. People judge from appearances. If a village or a city looks gloomy or neglected—damp, muddy and disagreeable—it is sure to leave an unpleasant effect on the mind of a stranger. It is, however, in the latter light that Sedalia has been seen by the Knights, who are now our guests. It is possible that we couldn't help the rain, and the gloomy aspect of the overhanging clouds; but a considerable improvement might have been made in the condition of the streets, before the advent of our visitors. Be that as it may, one of them has had a

VERY SAD EXPERIENCE.

in attempting to navigate a Sedalia thoroughfare after dark. It seems he had left his hotel last night, to visit a lady acquaintance. Being a good looking youth, and desiring to make a favorable impression on his fair friend, he had, very naturally, put on his best bib and tucker. His polished boots shone like glass, and as for his apparel, Solomon, in all his glory, was not more

GOODLYLY ABRAVED.

Of course the young man meant to make an impression. But unfortunately, he made it where he least intended it, and indeed, where he least desired it. For, in attempting to cross over Sixth street, on Ohio, near the Leroy House, he missed his footing, and oh, my countrymen, what a fall was there! His feet shot out under him with the force of an electric battery, and his center of gravity hit the ground with the shock of an earthquake. It didn't hurt him, but the demoralization of his feelings and his garments, was something awful to contemplate. He was covered with mud from head to foot, and while recumbent upon mother earth, a passing stranger impatiently inquired if

HE HAD FALLEN DOWN.

"Oh, no," replied the Knight. "I just stopped here for a moment to rest." The stranger passed on with an animated smile, and the Knight struggled sadly to his feet. Under the circumstances, he concluded to defer his visit to his sweetheart, and return to his hotel. But this morning, urged by an insatiable curiosity, he visited the scene of his discomfiture. There it was—with a