

A FOOL'S ERRAND

How a Morgan County Constable Made a Fool of Himself

And Balked the Police of Sedalia.

In December last, Logan Anderson made an assault with intent to kill upon the person of a man named Overhall, near Versailles, Morgan county. Anderson, who is reported a worthless and desperate man, struck Overhall in the head with a mace, and for a long time his victim wavered between life and death from the effects of his injuries, but finally recovered.

Anderson was arrested by the sheriff of Morgan county, but in some manner succeeded in making his escape. A reward of \$75 was offered for his arrest, but he succeeded in eluding the vigilance of the officers. At certain times he would make his appearance at his old home, and would be seen and recognized by the neighbors, but the authorities could lay their hands upon him, he would disappear as suddenly as he came.

Yesterday morning Anderson entered a store on Richmond creek, in Morgan county, to make some small purchases, and while thus engaged kept one hand up to his face to conceal a mole or blemish, which he could easily be identified. Constable Meyers, who was in the store, immediately recognized him, and as he was unknown to Anderson, entered into conversation with him, during which he learned that since making his escape Anderson had been living in Sedalia engaged in teaming, at times making visits to his old home. He also said he was then on his way to this city.

The constable then left for his home, a couple of miles distant, for a warrant for the arrest of Anderson, and his arms and other articles were taken to the store. Anderson mounted his horse and started for Sedalia to overtake and arrest his man. At Haw creek he overtook Anderson and concluded to pass him and make the arrest in this city. Getting in here late night, Constable Meyers informed Marshal Smith of the object of his mission, who immediately gave him his hearty cooperation.

The marshal procured him a pair of handcuffs, and knowing where Anderson would most likely be found, dispatched Officers Gossage and Connor to assist the constable. It was then noticed that the aforesaid constable manifested more timidity than is consistent with the efficiency of his office, and notwithstanding the assistance of the police and a legal warrant for Anderson's arrest, he could not be prevailed upon to do his duty when the house where Anderson was supposed to be was entered.

In fact this Morgan County Constable got so worked up and excited that he could not only not do his duty, but by his foolish timidity balked Officers Connor and Gossage in their efforts to capture their man. Finally Constable Meyers mounted his horse and struck out for his native hills of Morgan, carrying with him the warrant, and here the matter will probably end.

The healthy growth of the baby is dependent upon its freedom from the pernicious effects of opium. Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup is the best remedy known for the diseases of early childhood.

The Kansas Suicide. The BAZZO telegraph report, yesterday evening, contained an account of the suicide of a young man in Pleasanton, Kansas, in the presence of the young lady who had rejected him. The following from the Fort Scott Monitor gives further details:

The subject of this short article was formerly a resident of this city, and no doubt will be remembered by many of our people. Several years ago the young man's father was the proprietor of a marble shop on Scott avenue near Heine's lodging house. The particulars of this sad affair are furnished by a correspondent of Pleasanton, and are as follows:

The usual quiet of our village was disturbed this morning by a very sad tragedy. A young man by the name of Chas. Bowles, whose father was formerly in the marble business in Fort Scott, has, for some time, been devoting much of his attention to Miss Bessie Powell, the accomplished daughter of King R. Powell, of this place. When young Bowles entered Mr. Powell's parlor last night he laid a revolver on the table, saying he would leave it there until he started home. During the course of the evening he pressed his suit, but was refused by the young lady, whereupon he took the revolver from the table, deliberately laid down on the sofa and shot himself, the ball passing near the heart and producing death in a few minutes.

A coroner's jury this morning returned a verdict of self murder. It is thought from statements made previously by the young man to the young lady's mother, coupled with the fact that there were two chambers of the revolver loaded, that he intended to make the murder a double one, but that something changed his mind at the last moment.

The remains will be removed from the residence of Mr. Powell this afternoon, and will probably be taken to Fort Scott for interment.

Shooting a Horse. Constable Conners last evening arrested Charles Harklen, ten miles out on the Cole Camp road, charged with shooting John Money's horse. The warrant was issued by Justice Clark. Harklen gave bond in \$50 to appear and answer June 1st.

A Queer Robbery. Last night some artistically inclined thief stole an illustrated plate of British costumes from the front of Malcolm's tailor shop, on Second street. It was published by Jno. Williamson, London, and is the only one of the kind in the West, which will make its identification easy.

Tape Worm. Mr. Augustus Schlafli, the gentlemanly attendant at the Sample room, on the corner, near the railroad news agency, was safely delivered of a tape worm, nearly forty feet in length, on Sunday last. Mr. Schlafli, has been suffering for about a month, during his confinement, but is now convalescent and able to attend to duty.

By every consideration of profit and propriety, the blood should be kept absolutely pure by using Dr. Bull's Blood Mixture.

Dr. W. A. Mayfield has moved from Main street to Myhill's Building, on Ohio street, first office up stairs. Office hours between 8 and 10, a. m., and 1 and 3 p. m.

SENSATIONAL & RIDICULOUS.

A Man Drowned—Another Knocked Down—A Fight in Church.

Editor Basso:

The citizens of our quiet and classic town of Georgetown had an unusually lively day yesterday, the 25th, commencing early in the morning with the report that a man had drowned himself in Muddy Creek at the iron bridge on the wagon road to Hughestown.

Early on Sunday morning a small boy found on the bridge a full suit of clothing, a man's first reported, excepting the hat. To the shirt was pinned a lengthy note, addressed to one of the most respectable young ladies in Georgetown, which note was respectful and affectionate but sensationally worded, bidding her a last farewell, and that when she should read it that he would be cold and stark in his watery grave; that he had committed suicide and on her account, because she had rejected him, and presuming to advise her of his deception, etc. The report soon spread throughout the town, and many citizens prepared for the search for the drowned man, and departed to the spot, now known as the latest "lovers leap"—the iron bridge—a place offering unusual attractions and facilities for such kind of revenge. What did they find, everybody inquired. Well, they found a pair of No. 7 boots, a pair of pants that would be a fit for a man six feet six inches in height and proportionately large, a coat supposed to have been made for the Kentucky givut, a shirt that would fit Commodore Nutt, and a vest that would fit a small man than either. The party held a short inquest over the clothing, resolved a verdict that it came to its demise, by long, hard and natural usage, and that the man who so heartily deserted it after such faithful service, and especially one whom it would fit, ought to drown himself, but in some other creek; and after folding it in an ambulance, provided for the occasion, departed in the direction of the Georgetown cemetery.

When at the object of the perpetration of this practical joke was, it is to be seen if even found out, as there was no name signed to the note left with the clothing, and no foundation in fact for such ridicule.

About the time the town became quiet again the colored people met at their church to have a class meeting as reported, which class it appears was principally composed of females, who went through some of them, what is known as the pugilistic examination. One of them was on trial, and another on the witness stand, and the "lie" was given, and in close proximity to the word "lie" of the other was given, and as quick as thought the attention of the audience was given to the exercises which had the semblance of an "Irish free fight," resulting in the arrest of all of the combatants who were immediately taken before Judge Cross and held to bail for their appearance next Tuesday.

Next came a loose horse running with a saddle. He had broken loose, probably disgusted, and in the attempt to catch him, ran over a man knocking him down, but no serious injury was done.

Then the orb of day soon passed away, and thus permitted the excited world to rest.

GEORGETOWN.

Strange Accident. A dispatch states that on Tuesday night last a terrible accident occurred on the Kansas Pacific Road, near Denver. As freight train No. 16 was crossing a long trestle bridge it suddenly gave way, and the engine and eighteen cars were precipitated into the yawning abyss below. When the engine went down there were three men upon it, and so far none of their bodies have been recovered. Another queer and almost unheard of thing is that no signs of the engine can be found, although the sand has been dug up all about. The storm which began about an hour before the accident was one of the most severe ever seen on the plains. It was a perfect torrent of rain and wind, and resembled a water spout at sea. One of the freight cars was found six miles from where the accident happened. The break has been repaired, all trains are running on time.

Death of a Venerable Lady of Booneville. A Republican special from Booneville, Saturday night, says: Col. Robert McCulloch, collector of Cooper county, received this afternoon the sad news of the death of his mother, Mrs. Patsy McCulloch. She was the wife of the late Capt. Robert McCulloch, who served with that commission in the war of 1812. She was in her eighty-ninth year; born in Albemarle county, Va., and with the captain came and settled in Booneville in the year 1835. She was known throughout the county as a generous and amiable Christian woman.

The beauty of the ladies of Baltimore has become the standard of comparison the world over. They maintain that peculiar clearness and richness of complexion by the occasional use (as required) of Dr. Bull's Blood Mixture.

Married. On May 30th, 1878, at 12:30 p. m., at the residence of the bride's mother, on Broadway, by the Rev. J. E. Shuckley, Mr. W. W. Lower, of the city of Pettis county, to Miss Mary McClellan, of Sedalia.

The usual felicitous compliments are tendered the happy couple together with *mil gracias*, as they say in Spanish, for nothing less than a thousand thanks could compensate for that highly enjoyable piece of wedding cake that came so opportunely to hand to gratify the palate, and that was talismanic of too many bright conceptions for particular enumeration.

The annoyance occasioned by the continual crying of the baby, at once ceases when the cause is (as it should be) promptly removed by using Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup. Price, 25 cents a bottle.

Whatever name or designation is given to cause of Fever and Ague, or other intermitting disease, it is always malaria. Eliminate that from the system, and a sure cure is the immediate result. The safest, surest, most effectual, and at the same time, perfectly harmless preparation for producing this happy effect, is Clifford's Febrifuge. It represents, in their utmost purity and free from all irritating properties, the remedial principles of the East India Cinchona bark, as grown on the Neigherry hills. It is the most powerful antidote to malaria known, and yet as harmless as water.

J. C. RICHARDSON, Prop'r. For sale by all druggists. St. Louis.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

A Sedalia Doctor Tries to Cross to the Shining Shore—Thinks He Cannot Find a Worse Hell Than This Earth is.

Editor Basso:

Twenty years ago there came to America, a little German named E. A. Harten. He married in Chicago in 1863, and afterward practiced his profession in Jefferson City and Galveston, Texas. Latterly he has kept a boarding house in Sedalia, and it is financial embarrassments, along with DOMESTIC INFELICITY that caused him to take poison last evening, with the intention of bidding a final adieu to the scenes of this world. Before taking the deadly dose, he wrote a note as follows:

SEDALIA, May 27, 1878. Three o'clock in the afternoon. I don't want to lead such a kind of a life any longer. If it had not been for my children I would have killed myself long ago.

DR. E. A. HARTEN. But the stuff failed to work, and the unfortunate fellow, who had expected to be soon ushered into the novel scenes of another world, where he was ready to make what he considered a good plea for arriving among the angels in so sudden and unexpected a manner, now found himself detained on terra firma, in a way that filled him with unutterable disgust.

Harten, according to his statement, has been WORRIED TO DEATH by his wife. They have had periodical rows. On Saturday Mrs. Harten appeared before Justice Clark, and swore out a warrant against him. Constable Conners arrested the gentleman and Monday took him before the magistrate, where he was fined \$5 and costs. The doctor could not pay the money, but was allowed to go on his own recognizance.

Constable Conners did not want to put the man in jail, but wanted some security. This the doctor promised to give, to-morrow, and then, going to his room, attempted suicide as heretofore stated.

The constable wanted to get hold of him again for a little talk, but could not get in his room. He then got an axe and bursted his way into the private apartment of the gentleman, where he was found laboring under

THE EFFECTS OF POISON. Constable Conners immediately secured the services of Dr. Neale, who with the assistance of Dr. Boyer pumped air into the lungs by compressing the chest, at the same time giving the body a rotary motion. The man's life was saved by the medical men. Constable Conners afterward found another letter in the room as follows:

SEDALIA, May 27th, 1878. 6 o'clock in the evening. To the unknown friend of my youngest child, living in the city of Sedalia. We met him in the case when we were coming from Jefferson City. I hope he will recollect if he reads this. It is very hard for me to leave my unprotected children in such hands as those of my wife. I therefore adopt my children, as he has none of his own. I would not have asked him if it had not been for the latter fact. Whatever the parents have done the innocent children should not suffer for it. O, how hard it is for me to leave my dear children behind me, being uncertain of their fate. I forgive all the wrongs done to me as I hope that those that I ever have offended in any way will forgive me. I don't want to accuse anybody but I am unable to continue a life which is a hell to me on earth. I hope Mr. Conner and Mr. Clark will accept security and believe the words of a dying man when I tell them that they may have everything I leave behind me, except my honor and children, dearer to me than my life.

DR. E. A. HARTEN. Sulphate of atropia was administered hyperbolically. The suicide breathed. The effects of the poison was neutralized. Coffee and ammonia were then administered, after which he was taken out on the street and forced to walk for several hours. He took four ounces of laudanum for the purpose of getting out of the way, and says that he will do so again the first chance he gets. He is bound to join the angels on the shining shore, as soon as possible, esteeming even the fallen ones, better company than he finds on this planet.

THIS MORNING Harten got up from his pillow and attempted to take some more of his own particular medicine.

He reiterated his declaration that he wanted to be with the angels.

Officer Gossage had great difficulty in preventing him; though certain people have said, "if the man is so anxious to fight out," why not let him go. This is the opinion of those who believe in free moral agency.

II O'CLACK A. M. He has not turned up his toes to the daisies yet, and probably will not do so, unless he steals a march on his protectors.

Another Robbery. The thieves are hard at it, and scarcely a night passes but the property of a citizen is entered and his property laid under contribution. The police are as vigilant as it is possible for them to be, but it is evident to all that Sedalia is cursed with an army of scoundrels, who are laying it under contribution. A good dose of buckshot is the only antidote to this disease.

Last night at the house of Mr. Bello, on the corner of Jefferson street and Washington avenue, north of the railroad, was entered by a burglar, during his absence. Mrs. Bello was sleeping in a rear room and her two children were in the front room. Entrance was effected by cutting the slat of the window blind, raising the window, whose nearness to the door allowed the thief to reach in his arm and turn the key in the lock. Entering through the door he began to collect what clothing he could, and while so engaged Mrs. Bello awoke. Hearing a noise she entered the room, and seeing the burglar, had the presence of mind to call aloud for a gun. The burglar immediately darted through the door and dropped his booty on the outside. His exit was so rapid she could not tell whether he was a negro or a white man.

A Tough Story. The Washington Star says: "Mrs. Frenchman, of Gasconade county, Mo., while planting corn, placed a basket containing \$70 in greenbacks by the side of the field. A calf reared the greenbacks by swallowing them. It was immediately butchered and the fragments recovered from the stomach were laid right, a check was returned for the full amount."

Babies are too highly prized to permit them to suffer with colic, flatulence, etc., when Dr. Bull's Syrup will at once relieve them. Price, 25 cents.

STATES S. S. CONVENTION.

Large Number of Delegates Arriving—Interesting Proceedings—Gathering of Three Hundred Children Last Evening.

Editor Basso:

The ladies of our city, under the leadership of Mrs. Hathaway, very successfully arranged the Ohio Street M. E. Church for the reception of the Sunday School Convention. There were beautiful bouquets of flowers, wreaths of evergreen, and the word "Welcome" over the rostrum, in large and artistic letters of evergreen. There were also on the blackboards the mottoes, "We must work together, we must trust each other, we must be in Christ Jesus," "Our God is able to deliver us; if we suffer with Him we shall reign with Him," "God loves, God honors, God blesses early piety," and others. The artistic preparation of a bundle of letters, bound securely together, with the motto of "Love and Fidelity; the fiery furnace; the lion's den" were also very fine and creditable to those who did the work. The delegates began their work last evening with

A CHILDREN'S MEETING. Some two hundred and fifty or three hundred children were in attendance, while the remainder of the house was filled with adults and the exercises were very enjoyable. The music was led by Judge Taylor, and his reputation as a leader makes it unnecessary for us to say that it was excellent.

The President of the organization, Dr. T. N. Hubey, President of the college at Mason City, was on hand in time, as is characteristic of him, and presided.

In his address he said: Another year of labor has closed, and we have again to stand by the plow and back upon the field and see many things which might have been done and were not done, and the fragments of partially completed enterprises are scattered all along the way. Many of our children, I feel, are plainly in every sphere of life, and failure is stamped upon his actions all through his present existence. His "I wills" are feeble indeed to stand against the "I can't" of a single day. He is powerless to command an hour, yet, each moment only is given him at a time and were for him if his heart is confident that he is doing the greatest good he can do, he will win out in the end. We know our work has been imperfectly done, very imperfectly, and whether it has been little or great, the only question now is, have we done what we could do under the best of our circumstances? It matters not so much whether our work be small or great, whether to labor, to watch or to wait; the one thing only which should be in our hearts, is that we will work, and finding to do it faithfully, and with all the power God has given us. There is work for all and the Master is calling for laborers to go and plant the word of God in the hearts of the people. I am already white with harvest. But I come now to return the trust confided to me one year ago—to render an account of the stewardship given me. How I have discharged that trust, I will leave to you to say, leaving the results to Him who gave the great command to us. Fully aware of how little has been done, I mean, nevertheless, in doing what we can, to the cause all the ability, time and means which I was led to think the Master required of me. I have tried conscientiously to do my duty, and I feel that I have done whatever energy and ability I possess to the promotion of the interests of the cause which promises such unbounded good to the children and youth of our fair State. My only regret is that the weather has been so unfavorable to the weather here, and that I have been during almost the entire year for Sunday School work. The long continued rainings and the impossible condition of the roads, very greatly retarded the progress of our work. I especially regret that we have been unable to hold a convention in this State, and that we have been unable to hold a convention in this State, and that we have been unable to hold a convention in this State.

With the money to pay for printers ink and the necessary stationery and postage it would be a great source of regret to me were it not for the fact that the money actually needed to carry on our work, if we only give them the opportunity. Supply them with "nice books" and they will gather in already with great interest. We have scarcely known that an effort has been made at all. I saw at the Iowa State Convention money raised in a different way and they were quite successful in it. I am not a member of any church, but I am a member of the great Sunday School army of the world. Speak of the plans—especially to do up the work of the convention. We adopt this or that plan for raising the money, certainly every one will agree that we need it, and this convention ought to be held in some other place. This is the important need just now.

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Thus much for the past. Now I come to inquire as to our present whereabouts, and what the demands of the future are. You are traveling in one of the northern counties of the State, over one of those almost boundless and, then, uninhabited prairies, in a damp, foggy, and dreary way. I finally discover a house in the distance and accede for it to ask directions. At my call a lady appeared at the door. You may know her as the girl who was with me on a road; and having become bewildered as to the directions, I was emphatically lost. After wandering about for some time I finally discover a house in the distance and accede for it to ask directions. At my call a lady appeared at the door. You may know her as the girl who was with me on a road; and having become bewildered as to the directions, I was emphatically lost. After wandering about for some time I finally discover a house in the distance and accede for it to ask directions. At my call a lady appeared at the door. 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