

THE FOURTH DAVIDSON'S HOUSE

Great Preparations and a Timely Influx of Visitors.

Large Delegations Announce their Intention to Participate.

The various committees have been hard at work the past week, and have been very successful in their huge undertaking. Yesterday the contract was signed with the Garden City Fire Works for \$1,000 worth of new and first-class pyrotechnics and two experts to superintend their erection and illumination.

Special rates have been obtained on the M. & T. from Oswego to Moberly, and the same will doubtless be obtained by the M. & P. A committee from Carthage has made arrangements for a large delegation from that place, and nearly every city and town in Central Missouri will send its quota to help swell the grand outpouring of the masses at the Future State Capital.

Five Bands of music have been engaged, which will be found none to many for the monster procession that will be formed. Notwithstanding that a great deal has been accomplished, much more remains to be done, and one thing above all others in importance is the necessity of a liberal response by our citizens to the call for pecuniary aid.

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The eyes of the entire State are upon us, and the fair fame of our young and enterprising city is at stake. It must either be a success or a failure, and failure to Sedalia, has no more meaning than the word "impossible" had for Napoleon.

Let every citizen resolve himself into a committee on the whole, and work as if there were none but him to carry it through. We have chosen the necessary committees, and they are liberal, live and enterprising men. All that is necessary is to support them in their mammoth undertaking, in which all are equally interested.

Let every citizen contribute whatever he can to the grand cause, let him on that day fill up his baskets and be prepared to exercise that hospitality that befits the day and our people, and if all move in this matter and take hold of it in the right spirit, Sedalia will have accomplished a success that shall redound to her credit for years to come.

THE STORM.

Its Effects at Home and Around Us.

Yesterday afternoon Sedalia was visited by a heavy storm of wind accompanied by torrents of rain. For a short time the wind made havoc with loose signs and awnings, and on Fifth street broke down limbs from trees all along the street.

The wind also tore up the tin roofing on the top of Maj. Beck's block, but workmen repaired it. We are informed that a young hurricane struck the timber just south of the water works, and cut a swath through it.

An M. K. & T. box car standing on a side track near the Union freight depot yesterday when the storm came up, was propelled along and run off the track. No damage done—our pair of trucks in the dirt.

The storm was a rather current upon our streets that a tornado had completely destroyed the tower of Green Edge. A telegram for particulars elicited the following reply: Special to the Bazaar.

WINDSOR, Mo., June 14. The storm of today was very severe. The rain came down in perfect sheets, deluging the earth. One house was turned over and two children slightly injured.

At Chetopa. The worst storm that has ever visited this country within the memory of the oldest inhabitants passed over this place between two and three o'clock, and again between four and five o'clock.

Several houses were blown down, and four persons seriously injured, but none were killed as far as heard from, although it hardly seems so some of those hurt will survive their injuries.

The storm south of here was of longer duration and harder than at this place. The M. K. & T. RAILWAY, ALWAYS TO THE FRONT.

See the Inducements Now Offered for Travel.

May 1st the M. K. & T. R'y place on sale at all their principal stations low rate Summer Excursion Tickets to the following points, (tickets good to return until October 31st.)

To Madison, Milwaukee, Green Bay and Ashland, Wisconsin; St. Paul, Minnesota; Petoskey and Marquette, Michigan; Lake Chautauque, N. Y.; Niagara Falls and Buffalo, N. Y.; Put-in-Bay, Lake Erie; Cleveland, Ohio and Toronto, Canada; Staunton, Gothen, Kanawha Falls and WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS, Virginia; also cheap round-trip tickets via Hannibal and Mississippi River Steamers, to the following points and return: Keokuk, Burlington, Des Moines, McGregor, Lansing and Dubuque, Iowa; McGregor, Wm. Winona, Lake City, Hastings and St. PAUL, MINN. Excursion tickets to Denver and return over the M. K. & T. R'y, will be sold at less rates than ever before.

Now is your time to visit Louisville when you can secure first-class EXCURSION TICKETS TO DENVER and return at less than regular rates. When you get ready to travel, either West, North or South, remember it is the M. K. & T. R'y that offers low rates. For rates and other information call on or address H. L. Berry, Ticket Agent, Garrison House.

FLORA BITE.

Or One Week in a Texas Country Printing Office.

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After making the editor, and a vigorous draught at the jar, both went to breakfast, after which they returned to the office, and the editor told Peter there was no need of working that day, but he might look at the office and get acquainted with it.

Peter did so, and found the office to consist of two pieces of cases, containing paper and composing galleys, and a few other things. This was done so as to save buying extra cases, said the editor, and any good printer can set nonpareil and put out of one case easily enough.

"Is there any job material?" inquired Peter. "Why, yes, there is that sort," said the proprietor. He looked in the direction indicated, and saw a small, unassuming, but very useful, two-jug jar.

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POWNEY MINE.

A Minor Griswold, "The Pat Contributor."

For the seventh and the last, for the present, of these sketches I present you that of Mr. Griswold, Editor and Proprietor of the brilliant and interesting journal Cincinnati Saturday Night.

This gentleman made his first appearance on earth near Utica, in Oneida county, N. Y., on the 26th day of January, 1834. No pent up Utica could hold him however, and as soon as possible he went through Hamilton College. Even that couldn't hold him.

Speaking of his Collegiate course, "Erratic Enrique," in his book entitled "Don't Give It Away," intends to say: "He was a member of the class of '56, in Hamilton College, but owing to an unfortunate difference of opinion between himself and the Faculty concerning the proper mode of conducting that popular institution of learning, he did not remain to complete his Collegiate course. He never held the Faculty as being to blame in the matter at all. The question got in such a shape that either he or they had to leave, and not desiring to see so respectable a body of gentlemen, some of them with families, too, thrown upon the streets of a cold and unattractive world—it was in the dead of winter, if we recollect— he just left, himself. Mr. Griswold has frequently told us that he looked upon that spectacle of self-sacrificing devotion to principle as one of the proudest and most praiseworthy actions of a life studied somewhat thickly with little episodes of that nature."

Mr. Griswold's full name ("full" is not used in its fullest sense here,) is Alphonso Miner Griswold, and though he disliked the idea of parting his name in the middle, he does it as a matter of self protection, on the principle that of two evils we should choose the least, and he has always written it A. Miner to keep people from calling him a Major. Mr. Griswold has always been violently opposed to the pomp and circumstance of war, and would not hesitate to fight anyone who should decorate him with a military title.

About the year 1857, Hank Faxon, who was a brilliant newspaper writer, originally in a sensational way, and who was the architect of the famous Silver Lake snake story and other half-bred hoaxes of that day, and who was also the real author of the well-told tale of "Beautiful Snow," started a newspaper in Buffalo, New York, called the Daily Times. On this sheet Mr. Griswold began his journalistic life as city editor. The Times were a little too hard for the Times, and in a few months its circulation was so low that it was sold to the Republic. On this last named paper, "Gris," as he is familiarly called, began to write humorous articles signed "The Fat Contributor." These articles were written for the purpose of ingratiating himself with the typographical fraternity, as at that time he had in view some independent newspaper schemes for the future, and the articles were chiefly celebrated for the "quid-lines" which they contained, and were therefore remarkable for their punning. In the fall of 1858 "The Fat Contributor" took an elegant position in the market, and left him on the Detroit Advertiser, but offered it inside of a year to take a better place on the Cleveland (Ohio) Leader. Here he found a life-long friend in Charles Browne, known to fame as "Artemus Ward," who was then on the staff of the Plain Dealer. In 1860 Browne was called to New York on Vanity Fair, and Gris was placed in Browne's vacant seat on the P. D. as assistant editor. For Bob Wills, who died a few years ago at the insane asylum in St. Joseph, (Mo.) was at that time the foreman of the Plain Dealer's composing room, and he has often told me that during this time Gris wrote some exceedingly brilliant things, in skeleton shape, in his note-book, which he was in the habit of bringing up every night a short time before the paper should go to press, with the modest request that Bob should make something out of them. The place of Wills' death has been stated above. Comment would be superfluous.

For five years the subject of this sketch lived in Cleveland and made the press of that city hum—every time he got a chance at the crank—and then with a well-earned fame he was called to Cincinnati to take a position on the Evening Times, a paper which at that time was peculiarly suitable as a field for his style of writing—rollicking fun, satiric exaggeration and fruitful and pleasing fancy. Once he started out as the advance agent of the Times, he concluded that he could give a better show than that himself and throw in a manager, so he wrote a comic lecture, entitled "Injun Meal," which was so allusion whatever was made to even out meal, and he made a big hit. "Injun meal" was vernal up in all the leading cities of the States, and eventually found its way into some parts of New Jersey and Posen county Indiana. During this march of triumph the writer heard of Gris, lecture in a Missouri city, and during his progress laughed heartily and heartily, and afterwards complimented the lecturer. Mark the sequel. The next night this writer lectured in the same hall on "Humor and Pathos," and Gris attended. Reciprocity was in order, and Gris said the lecture was one of the best averages he had ever known anything about. Before an enthusiastic crowd in the Lindell Hotel, Kansas City, Gris declared that his humor was exceeding poetic, and that my pathos was the very crown of humor. "But everything comes high over every year, and behold I have the privilege of writing that man's life. Ha! Ha!"

In 1872 Mr. Griswold, with others, started the Cincinnati Saturday Night, which has since been its way along until it is now the leading humorous and literary paper of the great Mississippi Valley. Gris became its sole proprietor in 1874 and he has exercised his inexhaustible supply of humor and wit successfully upon it.

Washington, June 14.—The average condition of winter wheat for June is ninety-eight of last year. The acreage of spring wheat sown is about four cent. increase over last year.

Very many of the healthiest people keep themselves in good condition by the occasional use of reliable cathartics, and they refer the preference to Dr. Ball's Balsam of Peppermint, which has been found to be more fully serving their purpose than any other similar remedy.

QUICK TIME TO CHICAGO. Commencing May 26th the M. K. & T. train leaving the Garrison House, Sedalia, at 8:40 p. m. will connect at Hannibal with fast express over the C. & Q. R. R. reaching Chicago at 8:30 p. m. next day. Sleeping car on this train from Sedalia to Hannibal and Quincy. Cheer Our Friends from Quincy to Chicago.

Morning train East will leave Sedalia at 8:55 a. m. connecting at Hannibal with through sleeping car over C. & Q. R. R. to Chicago, and with through sleeping car over the Great Wabash to Toledo.

Morning train from the West, over the Missouri Pacific Ry. connects with M. K. & T. train leaving Sedalia at 8:55 a. m. daily.

A CARD. To all who are suffering from the errors and indolence of youth, nervous weakness, early decay, loss of manhood, etc., I will send a receipt that will cure you. FIRE OF CHARGE. This great remedy was discovered by a missionary in South America. Send a self-addressed envelope to the Rev. Joseph T. Inman, Station D, New York City.

ANOTHER NEW DRUG ON DRAUGHT AT V. H. HENNING'S. A suit of rooms in F. O. Building