

SHORT TALKS.

A Column of Conversations With People Here and There.

The May number of O. M. Brooks' very handsome little monthly, *Up To Date*, contains a clever short story entitled "Toots, or the life of a Monkey." The author, Leason R. Brooks, is a brother of the editor and only nine years old. The story is vouched for as being strictly original. Notwithstanding its brevity it is a bright bit of work, and leads one who reads it to predict great things in literature for the little fellow.

Elder C. Q. Shrouse, a veteran Christian minister, who has alternately followed farming and preaching for the past twenty-five years, spent several days in this city last week.

"In 1857, I was residing on a farm on Heath's creek, in Pettis county. There was then only one poor little shanty where Sedalia now stands, there being nothing else in this vicinity but vast acres of tall, waving prairie grass.

"Some of my friends urged me to buy some land in what is now the heart of Sedalia, but I pooh-poohed the idea, not dreaming that such a city as this would ever adorn these prairies."

Mr. Henry Otten, the genial, popular and enterprising manager of the celebrated Sedalia Military band, in conversation with the writer, expressed the desire to give two open air concerts, weekly, on the court house square during the summer season.

"One of these concerts," said he, "could be given by the band and the other by the orchestra, and all we would ask in the way of remuneration would be a small sum each week from the citizens of Sedalia. This would afford public pleasure and give us needed practice as musicians.

THE BAZOO heartily endorses this idea of open air concerts. The two organizations named are composed of popular and accomplished gentlemen, and the music they furnish is delightful and inspiring.

It is to be hoped that Mr. Otten will meet with such encouragement as that he will feel justified in giving the series of concerts contemplated.

In commenting upon the familiar motto of THE BAZOO, Dr. Highsmith, of Carrollton, who attended the state medical convention in Sedalia, related a personal experience *apropos* of the occasion.

"I was down in a remote backwoods town of Arkansas some months ago," said he, "and stopped several days at a small boarding-house.

"Just across the street was a typical Arkansas groggery, and about daylight, every morning, the proprietor, a big, burley old fellow, would come out and lustily blow a large tin horn.

"I was curious to know his reason for doing this, so one day, while at his saloon, I made inquiry.

"Why do you blow that horn every morning at daylight?" I asked.

"Because it's my horn," coolly replied the old man, seemingly somewhat ruffled at my impertinence.

"But please tell me, sir, the real reason for awakening the early echoes with your tin trumpet?" I poetically persisted.

"You're a stranger in these parts, ain't you, mister?" asked he.

I answered in the affirmative.

"Well," said the old man, who stuttered badly, "I want to say, if you live in this town long enough you'll find out that if a man don't blow his own horn, it won't get blown."

Dr. Highsmith told the story capably and brought a big laugh from his friends.

The will of the late Harvey Bunce, of Boonville, dated April 17th, has been proved. The witnesses were John F. Rogers and Wm. M. Draffen and the executors, W. M. Williams and W. Speed Stephens. Messrs. Williams and Stephens were named with the request that they be not asked to give bond. The bequests are as follows: To Harvey Bunce, 40 acres of land in Vernon county; to W. M. Bunce (his son), a gold watch and chain; to Sam Gilbert, a colored boy who had been reared by deceased, \$500; to Layton Glasgow and wife, \$50 each; to Margaret L. Bunce (his wife), all household and kitchen furniture, silver and plated ware, and all other personal property; also, \$10,000 Central National bank stock, and \$10,000 United States 4 per cent bonds; to Reid Quarles, in trust for Mrs. Maggie Bunce, \$4,000; to his grandchildren, Emma, Jennie, Nannie and Charlie, \$2,500 each. All other property of every kind was bequeathed equally to his three children, W. M. Bunce, Cordelia Stephens and Mary Quarles, except as to \$5,000, which amount had been previously given W. M. Bunce over and above what each of the two daughters had received. The son now receiving \$5,000 less than the

others, makes the three children share equally. By codicil, the executors are requested to purchase for Bunce Stephens and Bunce Quarles, grandchildren, a gold watch, each, neither to exceed \$150. The estate is estimated at \$150,000.

Joseph Walls, who resides in the extreme western part of Pettis county, and who is a most highly esteemed citizen, recently related to a BAZOO representative a war experience he once had.

He was what was known in the days of the sixties as a southern sympathizer, and for this reason he was greatly annoyed by passing Federal troops, especially those from Warrensburg.

On one occasion Mr. Walls ran out of salt and wanted a barrel for family use and also for the use of his stock, so he came to Sedalia, then a military post, to secure the much needed article.

Upon reaching this place, he was informed by Capt. Crissy, commandant, that he would not be allowed to take that much home with him, because he was a southern man and if he did not give it away to Confederates, who were in the neighborhood, they would take it anyhow, and the cause of the Union must not be jeopardized even to this extent.

Entreaty was in vain. Then Uncle Joe sought out Maj. William Gentry, who had great influence, and the haughty commandant was seen a second time, but still he was obdurate in his refusal.

Mr. Walls thought he discovered a weak spot in Crissy's character, and he determined to try a little strategy. He invited the young warrior to a neighboring saloon to "have something." The captain happened to be thirsty just then, and he promptly accepted the invitation. Uncle Joe, seeing that his scheme was likely to work well, was exceedingly generous, and set 'em up without regard to expenses.

He wanted that barrel of salt and wanted it bad.

He had shaken hands with Crissy and was about to leave the room, disappointed in his mission, when the "mellow" commandant called him back and said, effusively:

"I think you are a first-rate fellow, even if you are a southern sympathizer and I will give you an order to get as much salt as you want."

With that, the captain hastily wrote the necessary permission and Mr. Walls drove home that night with what he had come many miles after.

The whiskey had done its work with neatness and dispatch.

Parson Emerson will speak at the Congregational church to-night. He had been invited to do so by the pastor.

THE BAZOO commends Brother Stevens' judgment, for Mr. Emerson is a scholarly man.

"Christianity and Nature" is the subject he is to speak about.

That is a wide field.

More'n three acres in that lot and no fence around it, no string to the Parson's thoughts and with brotherly love bubbling up in our breast like unto the fizz from Ott's soda fountain, we commend the good man's words to the people.

Go and hear him and take your mother-in-law along, for there is a heap of "nature" and some "christianity" about the old girl and it is barely possible that he might say something that would melt her temper.

Parson Emerson is the most genteel and companionable of all the minister-editors Sedalia has ever had and withal has a conscience.

A few years ago Parson Caphas A. Leach was the editor of the *Sedalia Times*.

He preached occasionally. He preached at the Congregational church.

His subject once was "The Woman at the Well."

Well, that sermon was aired in THE BAZOO.

The oldest inhabitants remember it. Rev. A. Y. Hull, editor of the old *Sedalia Democrat* was a fine single-footed exhorter. He never preached in Sedalia, but he played draw poker and lost a jack-pot and his standing in the church all at the same time.

There is a great deal of christianity in nature and Mr. Emerson will come mighty near getting it all out.

Notice of the Election.

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held at the office of the Equitable Loan and Investment Association of Sedalia, Missouri, Fourth and Lamine streets, on Tuesday, the 20th day of June, 1893, between the hours of two p. m. and six o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing officers and directors of said association, for the ensuing year.

JAS. A. DOYLE, President.

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MISSOURI GLANCES.

People and Events as Viewed Through Our Sanctum Field Glass.

—Joplin is trying to secure the firemen's tournament for 1893.

—John Kemmerly, of Johnson county, caught 150 pounds of fish in a slough.

—William Fizer, of Arrow Rock, caught a 75 pound catfish out of the Missouri river.

—The ladies of the Warrensburg Baptist church advertise an "Experience" supper.

—The names of two rival base ball clubs in Paris are the "Funnel Gang" and "Buds of Promise."

—A Stoutsville blacksmith offers to give a nice garden hoe to the lady who will come in and kiss him.

—The demand for the output of the Appleton City cheese factory is far greater than the supply.

—E. Paddock, secretary of the Slater Y. M. C. A., has resigned to study for the Baptist ministry.

—W. E. Bundy, of Montrose, captured a pole cat and her ten kittens. It was a decidedly odorous combination.

—The protest against the Russian extradition treaty was circulated in Paris, Monroe county and numerous signed.

—Prof. Pettus, for many years principal of the Warrensburg public schools, has been elected to a similar position at Bonham, Texas.

—Professor Frazier, who has been re-elected principal of the Fayette public schools, has had his salary increased from \$90 to \$100.

James A. Nesbit, a prominent citizen of Paris, who was shot by an assassin named Smith, March 27, died May 11. Smith is in jail.

—According to the *Montrose Magnet's* report of the latest wedding in that town, "the bride was gorgeously arrayed in a sea green Albatross."

—B. G. Boone, Esq., ex-attorney general of Missouri, has been elected president of the Clinton Bar association. A law library is to be procured.

—At Paris a truck on which were loaded 800 dozen eggs, ran off the depot platform and turned over, 120 dozen of which were made into an omelette.

—Last week R. J. Poe, of Benton county, cut a stone formation from the jaw of a mule which weighed four and one-half ounces. It was embedded in the flesh.

—Mrs. Ida Brown, a handsome young Bolivar widow, took a dose of rough on rats. An absent bridegroom was the cause of the despondency. She will recover.

—One of the actors in an amateur performance of "Damon and Pythias" at Warrensburg, spoiled his histrionic efforts by vigorously manipulating a mouthful of chewing-gum.

—The Boone county court has fixed the license for circuses, each day, at \$150 at Columbia; \$100 at Centralia; \$75 at Sturgeon, Rocheport or Ashland, and \$50 at Harrisburg.

—Prof. C. T. Van Benthusen, principal of the Appleton City public schools, has become associate editor of the *Journal* at that place and makes "Our Bow" in regulation style.

—The editor of the *Fayette Advertiser* has been presented a poll book of an election held in Franklin township, Howard county, October 29, 1821. There were 259 votes cast, six of which were rejected.

—Professor Jarvis, of Higginsville, has expressed to Wm. H. Martin, of Bates county, a wedding ring worn by the late Mrs. Martin 52 years ago at her betrothal in England. It was made to order in Bristol from "guinea gold."

—The sinking fund of ten cents on the \$100 set apart by the county court of Benton to pay off the county debt, will amount to about \$2,600. This will accumulate for ten years at the rate of interest paid on county funds.

—W. H. Russell of Knox county, entered the Higginsville Confederate home yesterday. He was a well to do farmer in Knox county in 1861, and at the opening of the war joined the army and was brigaded with General Martin Greene. After the retreat of General Price in February, 1862, from Springfield to Cove Creek, below Bentonville, among the Boston mountains, his regiment was transferred to General Slack's brigade and after Slack was killed at Pea Ridge he was transferred to General Pars'us', under whom he served until the close of the war. He is an honest, industrious man, and earned his living until age, misfortune and his infirmity prevented.

He Rode Around The Loop.

A stranger in the city yesterday got pretty hot and sore at the plan of the street railway system. He wanted to go to East Sedalia, and knowing that he must take a line from Ohio street going in an easterly direction, he boarded the first car, at Siche's hotel, going that way, and was astonished to find himself, after a few minutes ride, back at the starting point and headed south. He concluded that he was on the wrong car and got off. Just then a blue car came in from the south and started out Third street, the direction he wanted to go. It didn't stop when he hailed it, but he gave chase and succeeded in getting on. He was pretty warm from his run and a few minutes later when he found himself back at Siche's again headed south, he was mad, and as he got off again, swore a little. Still he was bound to go to East Sedalia, and seeing a car coming in from the south, with Thirteenth street and East Sedalia on the top of it, he boarded it. This time he felt that he was right. He settled himself and began to cool off. But his heart sank as he passed Kaiser's and he began to recognize buildings that he had passed on his previous trips, and when he got back as far as Siche's, he was mad enough to curse his grandmother, and it took the combined powers of persuasion of the conductor and motorman to convince him that if he stayed on the car he would finally land in East Sedalia.

His First Opportunity.

In an Eastern city, recently, two physicians were walking together on the street, when one of them lifted his hat to a lady whom they met. "A patient" asked the other. "Oh, in a way," answered the first doctor; "I treated her the other day for a small difficulty." "What was it?" "A wart on the nose." "And what did you prescribe?" "I ordered her to refrain absolutely from playing the piano." The other doctor was astonished. "Ordered her to leave off playing the piano—for a wart on the nose! Well, I can't understand your treatment." "If you knew the circumstances, you would," said the first doctor; "she occupies the flat just under mine."

At Bull Run.

For the first time since the war period, a squadron of cavalry is now quartered near Washington, on the old Lee estate, "Arlington." Since their arrival in the East, the troops have been sent in turn to various Virginia battle-fields. Recently one of these troops, on the march, halted near a farm-house, and the captain, in conversation with the owner, remarked that he was going to the Bull Run battlefield and would remain there over Sunday. The farmer's daughter, seated near by on the piazza, began to laugh, and when asked for an explanation, said: "Well, captain, yours will be the first union soldiers who have stayed there that long."

FROM EXCHANGES.

Selected and Compiled News For Readers of the BAZOO.

SWEET SPRINGS.

Herald, May 15th.

—Rev. R. S. Simrall will preach at the Presbyterian church Sunday morning and night.

—Dr. Jarvis was in Sedalia Wednesday attending the state meeting of the physicians.

—Miss Maggie Drake has been employed as teacher of the fall and winter term of the Kennedy school.

—Miss T. Berry the popular teacher of the city high school, went to the country yesterday with her school on a picnicking excursion. Miss Mary Ware accompanied them.

—Mrs. J. B. McBride, of Marshall, was in the city Tuesday, visiting her sister-in-law, Mrs. D. L. Smith. She left Wednesday for a visit to friends in Clinton and Montrose.

—A meeting will be held at the city hall next Tuesday night, May 23, for the purpose of organizing the "Business Men's Club", which did such effective work for the general advancement of the city two years ago.

—The board of school directors at their meeting last Thursday night re-elected Prof. J. B. Norman principal and selected the following teachers for the ensuing school year: Miss T. Berry, Miss Mary Ware, Miss Mabel Andrew, Miss Mattie Yantis, Miss Estella Blanchard, Miss Mattie M. Carson.

—Mrs. P. L. Ash left this morning with her children for Hot Springs, Arkansas. She goes there with the hope of benefitting the health of her little son, Eli, who has been seriously sick since last January. They were accompanied by Mrs. J. H. Keller, who will remain at the Springs with them several months.

MARSHALL.

Democrat News May 18th.

—Miss Daisy Franklin has returned from a visit to friends and relatives in St. Louis.

—Mrs. Sam Townsend and daughter, Miss Jennie, of Arrow Rock, were in the city Thursday.

—Mrs. Schoolia J. Chaplain and son of Independence, are guests of Mrs. James Colvert.

—Miss Maggie Withers of Kansas City, and Miss Mary Shelton of Miami, are guests of Mrs. S. N. Taylor.

—L. A. Swartzell of Caldwell Ks., and Mrs. C. Taylor of San Marcial, N. M., are visiting the family of C. W. Herndon.

—The Kansas City Cathedral Choir will give a grand concert in the entertainment hall at St. Saviour's Academy, in this city, on Thursday, May 30th.

NEVADA.

Mail, May 15th.

—Mrs. Chas. Humble and daughter, Miss Ida, of Joplin, are visiting relatives here.

—Mrs. John Martin left last night for Russellville, Ky., on a three months' visit among relatives.

—Mrs. Lida Mitchell, of Erie, Kas., who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. W. Snider, returned home last evening.

—Mrs. R. F. Stahl and daughter, Miss Ivy, left this morning for Ulrich, Henry county, to spend the summer with relatives.

—Mrs. H. V. Jackson and daughter, Miss Maud, left this afternoon for Chicago, where they will attend the fair. From there they go to Carrollton, Ill., to visit relatives.

—Miss Minnie Anderson took the Nevada & Minden train this morning for Midway, Kansas, where she will visit her brother, Prince Anderson. She will return sometime next week.

—T. J. Rice of this city is assisting in building the new flouring mill at Schell City. It will have a capacity of sixty barrels a day, and will prove of permanent value to that prosperous little city.

—T. Y. Brannock returned yesterday from a visit to Johnson county. He reports farming operations being vigorously pushed in that section of the state, though the work is much behind the usual advancement at this season.

Good Things in the Market.

When Shakespeare wrote about "my salad days" he undoubtedly referred to the merry month of May, when lettuce, asparagus, dandelion, celery, cauliflower, beets, water-cress, string beans, cabbage potatoes, cucumbers and tomatoes are abroad in the land and selling at prices within the means of others than the multi-millionaires.

Asparagus has descended from the proud eminence it occupied last week, and now costs only 15 to 30 cents a bunch. To make asparagus salad, cut

off a quart of tops and boil in salt water until tender. Drain them, throw into cold water and let them stand for half an hour; drain again, wipe dry and put in a salad-bowl. Serve with French dressing.

String beans are 20 and 30 cents a quart. A nice salad may be made by stringing a pint of them, boiling in salt water, rubbing a salad-bowl over with onion or garlic, putting the beans in, sprinkling with chopped leeks and serving cold with a plain dressing.

Cauliflower costs from 15 to 30 cents a head. Boil a head of it, throw into cold water, tear apart, dry, put into a salad-bowl, pour a cup of mayonnaise dressing over it, garnish with lettuce leaves and rings of hard-boiled eggs. This salad should be served as soon as prepared.

Watercress is 10 cents a quart. Celery is 40 cents a bunch. Equal parts of these, cut up together, sprinkled with minced sweet herbs and served cold with French dressing, make an excellent salad.

Dandelion is 15 cents a quart, from the darkies 10 cents. Wash and pick over carefully. Let it stand in cold water several hours, drain and shake dry. Sprinkle with salad herbs and serve with plain dressing.

Cabbages cost from 10 to 15 cents a head. Take a quarter of one, shred it fine and put into a salad bowl. Chop three stalks of celery and add; sprinkle with salt and pepper; pour over it a pint of mayonnaise and garnish with parsley.

Kale is 20 cents a half peck. Strip the inside leaves from the pale stalks, lay in a salad bowl, sprinkle with pepper and salt and serve with a plain oil dressing.

Potatoes ore from 60 to 70 cents a peck. Boil six or eight medium sized ones. Chop fine with a very little onion. Rub the yolks of three hard-boiled eggs to a paste, with a tablespoonful of butter. Add enough vinegar to make it smooth, mix with the potatoes, add a little chopped lettuce and the whites of eggs cut into small pieces.

Spinach is 25 cents a half peck. A quart of young leaves with a chopped spring onion and a sprig of mint served with a plain dressing and garnished with a hard-boiled egg makes a delicious salad.

Lettuce is 5 cents a head. Take heads of crisp lettuce, pull the leaves apart, wash and dry them; place them in a large salad-bowl. Mix two table spoonfuls of oil with a tea-spoon full of salt and a pinch of black pepper, pour over the lettuce, mix lightly, add more oil until half a tea-cup full has been used, pour over three table-spoonful of vinegar, toss carefully with a solid fork and serve immediately.

Tomatoes are 30 and 40 cents a quart. Sliced and served with lettuce and mayonnaise dressing they are good enough to justify their price. They mix well with cucumbers or sliced onions.

DRAMATIC.

—Mrs. Henry E. Abbey is on the sick list in New York with tonsillitis.

—Nellie McHenry is still in New England coining money with "A Night at the Circus."

—Thos. W. Keene will return from his journey to Japan in time to open his season in Pittsburgh September 4.

—Blanche Walsh sprained her ankle in New York on Tuesday and will be confined to her room for a month.

Lulu Klein closed her season May 8, and will summer at her villa on the Jersey highlands. Akron, Ohio, is to have a new \$100,000 opera house.

—Lawrence Hanley will next season make another tour of the country in Blanche Marsden's "The Player" under the management of Mr. Frank Meader.

—There is absolutely no hope of Mr. Booth's recovery and not even a chance that he will be restored to the condition he enjoyed before the stroke of paralysis.

—Albert Bruning will make a flying trip to Europe during the summer to search for old swords and properties for the new romantic play in which he will star next season.

—The stockholders of the Mackay Spectator in Chicago have put up an additional \$400,000 and the prodigious Mackay show may yet be finished before the World's fair is over.

—Miss Ellen Terry finds that answering requests for her autograph takes up so much of her time that she has determined to try to turn that time to profit for somebody. She has hit upon the idea of establishing an "autograph bed" at a hospital, and so, in reply to the many pretty letters she receives from ladies, the signature is sent, and with it a request for a few pence towards the autograph bed. Miss Terry last week had the pleasure of sending £20 as a first installment to a hospital in the neighborhood of her residence at Earl's Court, London.

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