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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1896.

There is a Hoosier resident, Ben Harrison's big name, Who refused to run for president—He's after other game.

The key of Libby prison and the flag which floated over the prison are preserved in the Soldiers' Memorial hall at Rutland, Vt.

A 50-foot granite shaft, the longest piece of granite ever taken out of a quarry in Vermont, was quarried at Barre a few days ago.

A woman working in a factory at Coloma, Mich., for 75 cents a day, last week fell heir to a fortune of \$62,000 through the death of an uncle in Germany.

Mrs. JOHN PRYTON, of Orange, Vt., will attain her hundredth birthday next month. She has a son 80 years old, who is station agent on the railroad at a place near her home. He was appointed agent 43 years ago.

R. L. KERR, of Monmouth, is one of several heirs who claim a one-fourth interest in a valuable tract of land in the heart of the city of St. Louis. It is situated on Jefferson avenue and the interest is said to be worth \$73,000,000. Their ancestor, Samuel Kerr, held a one-fourth part of the original patent issued by King George under date of March 14, 1714. Mr. Kerr is a carriage top maker.

The newspapers of a town, correctly, says the Jerseyville Journal, are its looking glasses. It is there you see yourselves as others see you. They are the reflex of a town. If the town is doing business the newspapers will show it in their advertising columns. If the merchants are spiritless, shiftless fellows, whose stores are jungles of junk and jam, the newspapers will show it by the lack of space taken. If you want the world to know you have a live town you can only let it be known through the newspapers. A bright newspaper, well patronized by the business men of the town, commands the respect for the place in which it is printed. The above is true the country over and requires no special application anywhere for a demonstration.

The Dignity of the Senate. Louisville Courier-Journal. Senate document No. 1 of the Fifty-fourth congress is a very interesting publication, which is a strong assertion to make of any congressional publication. Yet we "state but the facts," as Truthful James would put it.

The document in question shows the expenditures of the senate outside of the pay of members and officers, the cost of light, fuel and, in short, every description of legitimate expense. Among the items in this document are 16,500 grains of quinine, five pounds of bromalith, cases of tromo-arsenic water, thousands of bottles of mineral water, hundreds of boxes of lemons, tons of sugar, great numbers of pocket-books, at from \$2 to \$10 each, card cases, manure sets, watches and many other articles. But what ought to touch the nerve of the taxpayer most strongly is the expenditure for hundreds of imported English pocket-knives. Just think of it. The senate of the United States, with its tender feeling for the American workman, with its fixed conviction that American cutlery is the best in the world, sending to perfidious Albion for pocketknives to be carried in the pockets of the friends and promoters of American industries! And to be paid for by the United States, thereby surrendering the revenue afforded by the tariff on them at a time when senators say that more revenue is our chief concern. The sum total of all these purchases was \$169,921, or an average of \$1,900 to the senator. This expense is in addition to the pay and mileage.

It is difficult to understand why the United States should furnish senators with mineral water, pocket books or manure sets. But if it is the duty of the taxpayers to provide these articles why not pay for their champagne, cigars, terrapin and canvas-back ducks? If we intend to keep our house of lords in lordly style, let us accomplish the task without any disgraceful parsimony. Quinine and bromo-arsenic water are no fit tonics for senators. Let them have strychnine, and plenty of it, and should they get an overdose, there is no expenditure which the taxpayers would more willingly incur than that for a number of funerals from the present senate.

The West and the East. Some interesting statements made by Owen Wister concerning the east and the west are quoted by Mr. Arthur Steadman in a sketch of the young author. "One thing I have noticed," said Mr. Wister, "regarding the east and the west. It can be expressed briefly, al-

though it will require explanation afterward. In saying that the head of the country seems to be in the east while the heart seems to be in the west, I may perhaps mean that the west seems cruder, although I never phrase it to myself in just that way, but in traveling about there one is struck continually with their interest in all people who are in trouble. Their knowledge and good feeling also are not confined to their own part of the country and what is going on there, whether it be prosperity or adversity, but their interest extends to the east. That is to say, if you go to Chicago or San Francisco, or wherever the centers of population are, you will find that most people you talk with are familiar with things in New York and the east, and are interested to know what New York and other large eastern cities are doing, while, on the other hand, when you return from western regions to New York and Philadelphia, people in those cities seem very much less concerned with other parts of the country and are more concerned with their own immediate surroundings and life—almost, I should say, the least national, although far more civilized."—New York Tribune.

Gray's "Elegy" or "Stone River." During Rosecrans' campaign in Tennessee the question arose as to whether he would rather be a poet or a victor. Mr. J. R. Gilmore relates the incident in the Louisville Courier-Journal:

On the following day I rode out with Rosecrans, General Garfield, then his chief of staff, several other officers and a squad of about 100 men to Grantlands, the birthplace and home of Miss Muffree, the well known author, but then occupied by General Sheridan as his headquarters.

As we entered the forest inclosing the town Garfield broke out with Lowell's poem, "I do believe in freedom's cause," his words being echoed back from the great spreading trees and set to the music of 100 horses' heels. He had scarcely ended when General Rosecrans told how Zerkie creep'd up, quite unknown, And pecked in thru the window, While there sat Huddy all alone With no one nigh to hinder.

"What would you give to have written that?" he asked as he finished the recitation.

"All the castles I ever built in the clouds," I replied.

"So would I," said Rosecrans. "You know what Wolfe said before his great victory?"

"That he would rather have written Gray's 'Elegy' than take Quebec. Would you have said that before Stone River?"

He hesitated a moment, then answered, "No, for we need victories more than poems."

Peasants' Superstitions. Now and then, not often, ghostly appearances or sounds are explained to the peasant's satisfaction. Thus in the county of Durham "Gabriel's hounds" were for long, long years believed to shriek and howl through the air on dark nights and to forebode death to him who heard and saw them. But prosaic modern research has proved them to be nothing but flocks of wild geese migrating southward on the approach of winter and choosing dark nights for their journeys.

Similarly the ghost of Irydelle, in the Lincolnshire woods, a goblin who terrified travelers at night with its heart-rending cries, and who was said to be a witch who had been worried to death by dogs in a long past age, has been shown to be nothing but an owl. On the other hand, no true Cornishman will ever be induced to relinquish the belief that the spirit of King Arthur still haunts the ruins of Tintagel in the shape of a white chough, and assuredly the many English families who possess a white bird of omen, such as that which Mr. John Oxenham saw in "Westward, Ho!" cling firmly to the tradition if not to the belief in it.

And so, ghosts or no ghosts, the position is just the same at the end of the nineteenth century as at the end of the eighteenth—all argument is against them, and if all belief is not for them a very great deal more is than people like to acknowledge.—Chambers' Journal.

Presidents and Humor. Washington was the gravest man of the whole nation. The tradition of him is that he was never known to laugh and seldom to smile.—Boston Herald.

If there is such a tradition in Boston, it is at variance with lots of history, and also with reminiscences which men who knew George Washington left behind them. The Father of His Country was not devoid of humor, and there were occasions when he indulged in fun. The Boston Herald describes him as "gravity embodied," a description which is incomplete, and which can not be applied to all the hours of his life. He was among the noblest of mankind, and he had a good share of virtuous enjoyment.

In running down the line of presidents from Washington to his more recent successors, the Boston Herald says: "Andrew Johnson could not recognize humor when he saw it."

We need only remark that our Boston contemporary could not have been acquainted with the North Carolina and Tennessee tailor who became president of the United States.

The Boston Herald remarks further that President Garfield was a man who "had no taste for fun." It is certain that our Boston contemporary never spent a day, passed an evening or held a dialogue with General James A. Garfield.—New York Sun.

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A THEORY.

Why do the violins shudder so When across them is drawn the bow, For anguish and wild despair? Human souls are imprisoned there.

Souls are shut in the violins. They are the souls of Philistines. But the Philistines, row on row, Soulless sit and they do not know.

But they brandish their eyeglasses, Stare at each other's evening dress, Scrutinize form or brilliant hue, Say, "Is it rouge or is it true?"

"Some one was flat a scimiton, And how about the soprano's grown? Is't the least a dear? And, oh, Do look at Mrs. So-and-so!"

Still the musicians play serene, As though Philistines had not been, But their souls in the violins Mourn on bitterly for their sins.

Call them wildly and call in pain, Call them with longing deep and vain, And with infinite tenderness, Since they can give them no redress.

Since not one of them is aware Here is he and his soul is there, In the music's divinest chord, Making melody to the Lord.

So how often in life and art Soul and body must dwell apart—Great is the master's soul, no doubt—Twenty Philistines go without.

Are we body or are we soul? Little matter upon the whole. Human soul in the violins, Save me at last, a Philistine! —May Kendall.

TAYLOR RIDGE TOPICS.

TAYLOR RIDGE, Feb. 6.—Miss Blanche Hubbard, of this place, and John Layne, of Geneseo, were married last evening at the home of the bride at 7:30 o'clock. The best wishes of their many friends go with them to their new abode.

Rev. H. J. Houck, pastor of the Taylor Ridge Baptist church, contemplates holding a series of meetings commencing Feb. 12 and continuing four weeks. The well known Brother Williams will be in attendance to conduct the meetings the first two weeks, if not longer. George Bloom expects to move his family from this neighborhood by the first of March. We regret to see them go and shall miss them very much.

Lagrippe has been quite prevalent in this vicinity since the holidays, and a great many have suffered with severe colds and hoarseness. Mr. and Mrs. W. S. McCulloch spent Sunday in Milan, where they were called to attend the funeral of Howard McCulloch.

SOUTH HEIGHTS, Feb. 7.—Mrs. August Hanson has been sick with the grip, but is able to be about again.

Miss Mary Harrison was a pleasant caller here Tuesday.

Mrs. Julia Bollman was reported a little better Thursday.

Mrs. Swantosh and son have both been sick with the grip.

Miss Norma Hanna is visiting her sister, Mrs. William Bailey.

The Review club will meet this evening at the home of Lawrence Paridon.

Mrs. Emma Smith, who has been sick for such a long time, is not improving as fast as her friends would wish.

Mrs. Jane Hanna, of Coloma, made a short visit to relatives here this week. Her niece, Miss Irvin, accompanied her home.

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Blackie and Jowett. There is a story of the late Professor Blackie standing in front of the fire at the lodge of Balliol, and shouting out, with a roll of the famous plaid and a tussle of the equally famous wild white hair, "I should like to know what you Oxford fellows say of me behind my back!" After a moment's pause, Jowett replied mildly, "We don't mention you at all!"

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