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The Town of Nogood.

My friend, have you heard of the town of Nogood,
On the banks of the River Slow
Where blooms the Waitawhite flower
fair,
Where the Sometimes or other scents the
air
And the soft Gossies grow?
It lies in the valley of Whatehouse,
In the province of Lettenside,
That tired feeling is native there,
It's the home of the reckless Idontcare,
Where the Giveitup abide.
It stands at the bottom of Lazyhill,
And is easy to reach, I declare,
You've only to fold up your hands and
glide
Down the slope of Weakwill's toboggan
slide
To be landed quickly there.
The town is as old as the human race,
And it grows with the flight of years,
It is wrapped in the fog of idlers' dreams
It's streets are paved with discarded
schemes,
And sprinkled with useless tears.
The Collegebred fool and the Richman's
heir
Are plentiful there, no doubt,
The rest of its crowd are a motly crew,
With every class except one in view—
The Foolkiller is barred out.
The town of Nogood is all hedged about
By the mountains of Despair,
No sentinel stands on its gloomy walls,
No trumpet to battle and trump calls,
For cowards alone are there.
My friend, from the dead-alive town of
Nogood
If you would keep far away,
Just follow your duty through good and
ill,
Take this for your motto: "I can, I will!"
And live up to it each day.
—W. E. Penny in New Haven Register.

VALLEY ITEMS.

Sequachee county will raise a big
corn crop.
Dunlap is greatly excited over the
coal prospects there.
Benjamin Sapp, a pioneer of Bledsoe
county, died last week aged 75.
The Pikeville Banner has just recov-
ered from a two week's vacation.
Bledsoe county farmers are expecting
fifty bushels of corn to the acre this
year.
The confederate veterans of Bledsoe
county will hold their big reunion Sep-
tember 9.
Rev. F. F. Threadgill is conducting a
big revival at Chapel Hill in Sequachee
County.
A fisherman at South Pittsburg
caught a cat fish last week that weighed
fifty pounds.
The Sequachee Valley Association of
Baptists met in annual session at Pike-
ville last week.
S. M. McReynolds, one of Bledsoe
county's oldest and most prominent citi-
zens, died Aug. 2.
Says the Pikeville Banner: Our log
man, J. R. Jones, hauled a yellow pop-
lar log to the depot this week that scal-
ed 975 ft.
The following have been appointed
election commissioners for Bledsoe
county: H. R. Norwood, R. R. School-
field, and F. M. Henry, all of Pikeville.
Tom Evans, of Evansville, bought
this week of Sells & Son, six hundred
sheep. They were mostly raised in
this county and brought good prices.—
Pikeville Banner.
The Crossville and Pikeville base
ball teams crossed bats at Pikeville last
week. At the end of the ninth inning
the score was 17 to 17. Then Cross-
ville went in and batted out 16 runs.
The slaughter was awful.
Sequachee Grapes.
The grape harvest continues and the
fruit is realizing a good demand. In-
stead of gathering the whole crop and
paying for cold storage as in previous
years the grapes are gathered as orders
come in. Mr. Sherman being out
of town there was no packing or ship-
ping on Saturday. Some grapes gath-
ered on Wednesday last weighed 24 ozs.
to the bunch.
In another column will be found the
shipments for the week ending Wednes-
day morning.
Col. A. L. Spears, of Jasper, purchas-
ed 200 pounds last week of a variety
which is not safe to pack. He will use
them for jelly. The Niagara and Con-
cord are safely the best grapes for this
section.

List of Patents

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STATE NEWS.

Oil lands near Cumberland Gap will
be developed.
J. S. Gill has discovered phosphate on
his farm at Bean Station.
Burglars made a few quiet and success-
ful calls at residences in Dechard.
Nearly 100 teachers attended the Sul-
livan county normal at Blountville.
Campbell county has a new postmas-
ter at Cross in the person of Andrew
Disney.
Mrs. E. R. Butler, wife of the well
known state senator, is dead at Moun-
tain City.
A recent survey for the Tennessee
Central road misses Sparta by eight
miles.
Company C, of the new Fifth Tennes-
see regiment has been mustered in at
Nashville.
The American Phosphate company
has made extensive purchases near
Columbia.
Sunday liquor selling at Shelbyville
is reported as keeping several people
away from church.
Dr. J. W. Ross will soon leave Clark-
sville for Manila, where he has a position
with the navy.
Fire destroyed Oakwood school house
one of the largest buildings of its kind
in Montgomery county.
M. Chouteau left his home near Mon-
terey a few days ago to explore a cave
and has not been heard of.
Extra precautions will be taken to
prevent yellow fever at Memphis. No
danger, however, is feared.
Jacob and Patsy Rudolph had a fam-
ily reunion at Clarksville at which 135
of their descendants were present.
The movement started several weeks
ago at Crossville for a Cumberland
County fair is taking definite shape.
The Nashville base ball was given
"the shake" by its manager at Mem-
phis. He disappeared with the receipts.
Chief of Police Hill, of Chattanooga,
has a "billy" made from a table leg
found on the battleship (Spanish) Vis-
caya.
Solomon Chambers, a thirteen-year
old boy at Chattanooga, was so badly
frightened by hearing ghost stories that
he died.
The Army Comfort Circle at Nash-
ville has decided to give each member
of the First Tennessee regiment a med-
al upon their return for Manila.
A special session of the county court
was held August 4th, at Tazewell, to
take action in reference to handling
what is believed to be a few mild cases
of small pox.
West Tennessee farmers held a con-
vention and institute at Union City
commencing August 5 and lasting three
days. Among the speakers was Con-
gressman Pierce.

A Fine Summer for Bugs.

It was asserted confidently last winter
when the thermometer fell to ten de-
grees below zero in places where zero
was a novelty, that we would have very
few bugs this summer. But the proph-
ets evidently did not know the very rud-
iments of bugology; for we have had
more bugs and a greatly variety of them
than ever before. The supply of buffa-
lo gnats was unusually copious. The
turkey gnats did a large business at the
old stand. The flies were never in finer
fetter. Army worms, cutworms, cab-
bage worms, tomato worms, caterpillars,
and potato bugs, have flourished as
usual before, and a large number of no-
velties in bugs with infernal facilities
have been turned loose upon the people.
"Racers" have learned how to penetrate
screens and solid plank doors appar-
ently and familiarize themselves with
the neck of the householder who fondly
imagined that he was immune. Kissing
bugs have worked their stings for all
they were worth on lips gullible of
oculatory diversions hitherto.
Ants have come provided with wings
which enabled them to board the elec-
tric cars and take the pleasant night
free. In short this will be known as
the bug summer par excellence, and we
are not anxious to have any more of
those killing winters which "destroy
all insect life."—Commercial Appeal.

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back, stomach and bowels, which was
attended by a hacking cough. I was
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WASHINGTON LETTER.

From Our Regular Correspondent.
Washington, August 7, 1899.
It is apparent even to casual visitors
to Washington that the official vacation
is at hand. The President is away and
the White House is going through its
annual renovation. Only three mem-
bers of the Cabinet—Secretaries Gage,
Hitchcock, and Root, are in Washing-
ton. In all the other departments as-
sistants are in charge, which means
that important matters are being let
alone and only routine work being done
for the time being. This doesn't mean
that important matters are being neg-
lected, but that they are not brought
up because of the absence of the heads
of the departments and of the Presi-
dent. The War Department is, how-
ever, a striking exception. There are
fewer of its prominent officials away
from their desks than usual this season.
This probably owing to a hint given
as soon as the date of Gen. Alger's re-
tirement became known that the new
Secretary would want lots of informa-
tion and would prefer to get it from
first hands. Every day since he took
charge, Secretary Root has been putting
his subordinates through a cross-exam-
ination on the business methods of the
department, with a view of informing
himself, much as he would witness in
an important case in which he was
counsel.

No official reports have yet been re-
ceived of the Louisiana lynching, but
the information claimed to have been
received at the Italian Embassy does
not agree with what has reached Wash-
ington from other sources. The Em-
bassy claims that four out of the five
men lynched were Italian citizens; also
that there were no justifying circum-
stances. The official reports are await-
ed with interest.

Every President starts his admini-
stration with the hope of being able to
keep his Cabinet intact during his term
of office, but only one of them—Pierce
—ever succeeded in doing it. But with
the exception of Jackson and Tyler,
whose Cabinets went all to pieces for
well understood reasons, President Mc-
Kinley has had more changes in his
cabinet than any of the presidents and
his administration is not two-thirds
gone yet. Only three of the original
members of the Cabinet are still mem-
bers—Gage, Long and Wilson.

Dr. Featherstonhaugh, of Washing-
ton, who recently disinterred the re-
mains of seven of John Brown's follow-
ers, who were buried at Harper's Ferry,
and sent them to North Elba, N. Y., to
be re-interred alongside of their old
chief, probably knows more about John
Brown's ill-fated crusade against slav-
ery than any living man. He has been
hunting data for years. The pike and
carbine; the Brown autograph letter,
and the cane carried by Brown, which
are on exhibition at the National Mu-
seum, belong to Dr. F. Only a week
ago he was made acquainted with an in-
teresting bit of history concerning the
pikes, intended to be used to arm the
slaves. It came from Mr. Charles H.
Blair, now living at Beverly, N. J., who
told him that he and his father, then
living at Cellersville, Conn., had made
1000 of those pikes upon the personal
order of John Brown, for \$1,000. He said
that Brown said the pikes were for
Kansas settlers which he and his father
doubted, but their financial condition
made them too anxious to get the con-
tract to justify their asking too many
questions. Dr. F. regards his collec-
tion of Brown photographs as priceless.
He is now preparing for the Southern
History Association a bibliography on
John Brown and his raid. Speaking of
Brown, Dr. F. said: "There was one cu-
rious thing about it all and that is that
although John Brown was an intense-
ly religious man, relying on Scripture
to guide his own life, not a single one
of his followers, including his sons, held
his views. The rest were free-thinkers
many of them spiritualists.

Timid persons in Washington are just
a little bit frightened because the yel-
low fever has got a foot-hold in the
Soldier's Home, at Hampton, Va., and
the immediate vicinity, but the Nation-
al medical authorities who are fighting
to wipe out the disease and to prevent
its getting outside of the present infec-
ted district, express confidence in their
success and say there is no occasion for
alarm, but the very name of yellow fever
is sufficient to scare many persons,
and continued rumors that a case has
appeared nearby always finds some be-
lievers.

The committee charged with making
the arrangements for the Washington
reception of Admiral Dewey have suc-
ceeded in getting from the Navy De-
partment metal from the relics of the
battle of Manila Bay, to be used in mak-
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THIS SPACE

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W. A. Turner,

Victoria,

NEXT WEEK!

Wrecked the Team.

Friday last while the road men were
at work on the main valley road near
the county bridge under overseer Geo.
Mark Brown, a pretty lively occurred
runaway which resulted in the complete
destruction of a wagon belonging to
Col. A. L. Spears and driven by Walter
Hill. Hill, it appears, had carelessly
left his team, both fine young horses,
standing near the county bridge and
they took fright and ran up the river
road, hitting trees right and left as
they progressed. Hill caught hold of a
retn as they passed him, but somehow
or other failed to hold to it. George
Pool and Warren Dyer, both of Victo-
ria, were standing in the bed when the
team started, and they were pitched off
simultaneously, but the boys were not
hurt. Meantime the horses were run-
ning in the direction of the Pot Hole,
having by this time got rid of every-
thing except the forepart of the wagon.
There one of them fell and in doing so
got astride of the pole of the wagon and
could not get up, the other horse mak-
ing frantic efforts to escape. George
Mark Brown was the first to reach them
and promptly threw himself on the
head of the prostrate horse, while the
bridle of his mate were caught by Hill.
Mago Hustin, colored, rendered timely
assistance in unfastening the breast
chains and unhitching the traces, and
the trouble was over. Neither horses
were injured, but the least said about
the wagon the better. It couldn't have
been torn up more if a first class cyclone
had played tag with it. Bits of broken
wood and iron were strewn along the
entire road from start to finish. Both
horses are young, one three and the
other four years old.

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to work.

Conclave at Tracy.

Messrs. Stephen L. Hicks and J. F.
Harris, of Whitwell, have been here
this week in the interests of the Ro-
gents of the White Shields and organ-
ized a Conclave on Wednesday night with
30 members. They will meet regul-
arly every Friday night after this week
at Odd Fellows Hall.
The following were elected and in-
stalled officers of the Conclave: J. S.
Brashers, R. C. B. J. Dove, Vice R. C.
A. R. Lookhart, Past R. D. A. Shadrick,
Chaplain; J. E. Dickson, R. R. J. A.
Partin, R. T. W. T. Morgan, Adjt. G.
W. Dent, J. A. James Holland, Quarter-
master.—Tracy News.

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DIED.

Helen Gould Wagner, the youngest
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chris Wag-
ner, died on Sunday, Aug. 5th, after an
illness of four weeks, aged four and a
half months. The funeral took place
Monday afternoon at Owen cemetery.
A large number of friends and neigh-
bors were present to extend their sym-
pathy to Mr. and Mrs. Wagner and fam-
ily. The floral offerings were exquis-
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