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## A BLACK BEAR

### Roaming the Woods

Within Five Miles of Cape Girardeau  
—A Gentleman Saw His Bear-  
ship With a Pig in His Arms—

Mr. Pulley, who resides on the Bourger land in the swamp, saw a large black bear near the Morrison place about five miles from this city last Monday. Pulley was on his way to this city and to shorten the distance was coming through the woods. When about half a mile from the Morrison place he heard a pig squeal a short distance ahead of him. He walked on and soon he walked up within forty yards of a big black bear. The bear had a small pig in his arms which he had about squeezed the life out of. When the bear discovered Mr. Pulley he grabbed the pig in his mouth and ran off through the woods.

Pulley says the bear has been in his neighborhood killing pigs for some time but this is the first time that he has caught sight of the animal.

Hon. Louis Houck says he will give twenty dollars for the hide of this bear.

### Death of Mrs. Althea Brown Travis.

We chronicled some days ago the death of Mrs. Althea Brown Travis, wife of Dr. Geo. W. Travis, of this city. At the time of her demise Mrs. Travis was sixty-one years old. She was born in this county and passed her life in this city. She was a daughter of the late Dr. Wilson Brown, and his wife, Amanda Gibson, who now at the age of eighty-six bewails her loss. Her father was not only a leading physician, but also active in business and political affairs and enjoyed a wide popularity. At one time he was Auditor of State, and when he died, in 1855, he was Lieutenant Governor of Missouri. He gave his daughter the advantages of a thorough education and she was his cherished idol. In days long before railroads traversed every portion of the State she often accompanied him in his social and political travels and so early in life met many leading and prominent men, and acquired that ease and grace of manner which contact with the world alone can give, and thus to a character naturally amiable and affable added a charm which all experienced coming within its influence. Few ladies had a wider acquaintance or a more devoted circle of friends. She never forgot any one, nor those amenities which adorn society. She neglected none of those attentions within the sphere of her life which captivate the mind, nor any of those kindly offices that subdue the heart in times when dark and somber clouds hang over our pathway. She possessed a mind richly stored with information and a retentive memory. In conversation was both thoughtful and brilliant. She was ever considerate of the feelings of others. She had a heart overflowing with kindness and sweet charity, and enthroned in her soul. Through a long and lingering illness, which for many months she knew would terminate fatally, with meek and Christian resignation she prepared for the inevitable end. Mrs. Travis was twice married. Her first husband, Samuel Sloan died during the war, and she leaves a son, Prof. Albert B. Sloan by this marriage and Dr. Geo. W. Travis with whom she intermarried some twenty years ago to mourn her loss. All who knew her sincerely lament her death.

### Long-Absent Husband's Return.

RICHMOND, KY., Feb. 2.—Twenty years ago James P. Gooch, a farmer of Waynesburg, Lincoln county, deserted his wife and family and went to Texas. Nothing was heard of him, and he was given up as dead. Last week, however, Gooch, who is now 73 years old, and almost blind, returned, begged his wife's forgiveness, and was taken back into the bosom of his now grown-up family. Gooch is the father of Hon. E. G. Gooch, and the family is one of the best-known in that section.

### Marvelous Results.

From a letter written by Rev. J. Genderman, of Dimondale, Mich., we are permitted to make the extract: "I have no hesitation in recommending Dr. King's New Discovery, as the results were almost marvelous in the case of my wife. While I was pastor of the Baptist Church at Rives Junction she was brought down with Pneumonia succeeding La Grippe. Terrible paroxysms of coughing would last hours with little interruption and it seemed as if she could not survive them. A friend recommended Dr. King's New Discovery; it was quick in its work and highly satisfactory in results." Trial bottles free at W. C. Haman's drug store. Regular size 50c and \$1.00.

## "THE COLD WINTER."

Some Recollections of Life in Missouri Sixty-Seven Years Ago.

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., January 27.—The present "cold spell" has again induced the old citizens of Springfield to exchange memories of historic Missouri winters. Judge M. J. Rounree, who came to Southwest Missouri with his parents in January, 1830, a few months after the founder of Springfield, John P. Campbell, had built the first log cabin on the present site of the metropolis of the Ozarks, tells the following story of that memorable winter.

"Our family left Tennessee in the fall of 1830, and reached the Mississippi River about the 1st of December. The winter came on early, and by the time we got to Massey's iron works the snow was so deep that our teams could not make the usual daily distance. We expected that the snow would soon melt and pleasant weather return, but the temperature kept falling from day to day, and the sky continued cloudy and threatening.

"The country was an unbroken wilderness, with only here and there a wagon trail made by the home-seekers who had gone before us to the Western frontier. When the snow reached a depth of 18 inches our situation became extremely uncomfortable and perilous. The trackless waste then all looked alike, and a more desolate scene was never beheld in this latitude by homeless wanderers. We could travel but a few miles a day, and were in constant danger of getting lost. I should judge that the mercury was down as low as zero most of the time, but we had no thermometer to measure the cold. The country was full of wild beasts, and packs of hungry wolves howled around our camp every night. Fortunately for us, we fell in with a party of Canadian fur traders and Indians, who were coming into the Ozark country, and they became our guides through the snow-covered wilds of Southern Missouri. But for this good fortune I do not believe we could have completed our journey. The Indians knew the country well, and they guided us from day to day slowly through the deepening snow drifts.

"Now and then the sun would shine through the broken clouds, but the faint rays shed but little warmth on the frozen earth. Sundogs always appeared in the heavens when the sky was clear, and a biting frost filled the air every cloudless morning. By the middle of December the snow was nearly 2 feet deep, and our wagons could hardly be pulled through some of the drifts.

### Wages of European Policemen.

London policemen or roundsmen are paid from \$8.50 to \$12 a week and constables or patrolmen from \$6 to \$8. In Dublin the wages are half a dollar less. In Glasgow the highest pay for a constable is \$6.75, for a sergeant \$8, an inspector gets \$700 a year, and a superintendent from \$1,200 to \$1,500. The St. Petersburg chief of police draws \$2,500 a year, a sergeant from \$300 to \$400, and a patrolman from \$150 to \$220 a year. Paris pays \$2.25 to \$6.50 to patrolmen (agents) and \$7 to roundsmen. Patrolmen get from \$225 to \$260 a year at Vienna, from \$230 to \$300 at Amsterdam, from \$200 to \$320 at Brussels, where detectives may rise to \$480. Turkish policemen get \$3 a week and the native policemen of Calcutta from \$4 to \$4.50 a month.

### A New Danger in Dogs.

The story is told in La Medicine Moderne of a seamstress who was in the habit of allowing her dog to lick her face. She was attacked one day with a severe inflammation of the right eye. Oculists were consulted, but their treatment was unsuccessful, and owing to the fact that inflammation of the left eye was beginning the right eye was cut out. In it was found a tapeworm, which the dog had probably picked up while licking some less pleasing object than his mistress' face. The danger of the transmission of parasites by dogs who are well-known to be indiscriminate in choosing objects for the exercise of their tongues, to the hands and faces of their masters, would seem to be a great one. It is remarkable that accidents of the kind related happen as rarely as they do.

## A HAUNTED TREE.

The Coon Dogs Turned Trail When They Struck It.

Last fall a party of coon hunters from this city were in the woods in this vicinity, and the dogs hunted splendidly until they struck this old tree. There they tucked their tails between their legs and simply flew. They whined and gave other evidences of fear, and could not be coaxed into hunting any more that night. Finally the hunters themselves became scared. One of them declared he heard the sound of a voice as if from some soul in deep distress. This settled it. Every man in the crowd suddenly remembered that he had business in town, and toward the whole lay-out proceeded without further parley or loss of time. The next day an old gentleman residing in Danville was told of the occurrence, and he recalled the fact that he had been one of a party which had a similar experience near this old tree three years ago, and he said that the spot had been haunted for many years. A long time ago an old gentleman by the name of Louis Street was murdered for his money, and the murderer had dragged the body to the foot of this tree and covered it with dead leaves. The murderer was never punished by law. A young man named Henderson was arrested, charged with the crime, and at his examining trial was liberated on \$5000 bail. He jumped his bond and disappeared some time afterward. Danville (Ky.) Advocate.

### Test of Highest Explosives Known.

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 28.—A test of some of the highest explosives known to science will be at Indian Head proving grounds next week. The strongest piece of ordnance ever manufactured in this country will be used in the tests. It is a 12-inch rifle, but, excepting the matter of bore, it has all the qualities of a 13-inch piece. It has the steel and all the parts of a 13-inch rifle, including the jackets and other heavy parts. The gun was built with the object of experimenting with all high explosives, except dynamite, that the inventors may think can be carried in shells sent from rifled guns, and the authorities have made the walls of the piece unusually heavy in order to guard against possible serious accident in event of premature explosion before the projectile leaves the piece. If it stands the tremendous strain to which it is to be subjected it will be converted into a 13-inch rifle at the foundry at the navy yard, by having an extra inch bored from its interior, in which event it will be placed on one of the battle-ships now under construction. It was made in accordance with a provision in the last annual naval appropriation bill, appropriating \$50,000 for testing high explosives in modern guns.

The tests to be made next week are of the highest importance, and, as and as they are dangerous, every precaution has been taken to guard against accident.

### A Protest from De Soto.

DE SOTO, Mo., January 28.—Petitions and resolutions against the proposed reduction of passenger and freight rates are being forwarded to Dr. C. H. Williams, Representative from this county at Jefferson City. Last week a numerous signed petition was forwarded, signed by De Soto business men and railway shopmen. Later strong resolutions from the local lodge of the O. R. C. were passed and forwarded, and this week the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, Railway Trainmen and Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen will forward equally as strong resolutions of protest, which they are preparing. The resolutions state that the railways are giving good service, and are paying wages that, if their earnings are reduced, it will force a cut which they state the men are not prepared to stand, and further that the companies in this state are now carrying freight and passengers at equally as low rates as more thickly populated states.

### Electric Bitters.

Electric Bitters is a medicine suited for any season, but perhaps the more generally needed in the Spring, when the languid exhausted feeling prevails, when the liver is torpid and sluggish and the need of a tonic and alterative is felt. A prompt use of this medicine has often averted long and perhaps fatal bilious fevers. No medicine will act more surely in counteracting and freeing the system from the malarial poison. Headache, indigestion, constipation, dizziness, yield to Electric Bitters. Only fifty cents per bottle at W. C. Haman's drug store.

## REVOLUTIONARY WIDOWS.

Seven Pensioners Whose Husbands Served Under Washington.

"Seven women are still drawing pensions as the widows of men who saw active service in the war of the revolution: women whose husbands served under Washington more than 120 years ago," writes Clifford Howard in the February "Ladies' Home Journal." The eldest of these surviving widows of the revolution is living at Los Angeles, Cal. She is Mrs. Lovey Aldrich, now in the 68th year of her age. Her husband was Private Caleb Aldrich, who was born in the year 1763, and served as a soldier boy in New England campaigns of the war. Mrs. Nancy Jones, of Jonesboro, Tenn., whose husband was Darling Jones, a private in one of the North Carolina regiments, is the youngest of the revolutionary widows, being now about 83 years of age. The other five are Nancy Cloud, who is living at Chum, Va., and is the widow of Sergt. William Cloudy, Capt. Christian's Virginia line; Esther S. Damon, of Plymouth Union, Vt., whose husband was Private Noah Damon, of Massachusetts; Mary Snead, living at Parkley, Va., widow of Private Bowdoin Snead; Nancy A. Weatherman, who lives at Elk Mills, Tenn., and whose first husband was Robert Glascock, a fifer in one of the Virginia regiments; and Rebecca Mayo, living at Newbern, Va., widow of Stephen Mayo, a soldier from Virginia. That these women can be the widows of revolutionary soldiers is readily understood in view of the fact that their husbands were well on in years when they married. As, for example, when Esther Sumner married Noah Damon, in the year 1835—fifty-two years after the close of the war—she was but 21, while he was 76. The last revolutionary widow pensioner who had married prior to the close of the war, and had therefore actually lived during revolutionary times, was Nancy Severn, widow of Daniel F. Bakeman. She died about twenty-seven years ago, only a year or two after her husband, who was the last of the revolutionary soldiers on the pension roll."

### Bicycling and Women's Feet.

It is curious to see how the bicycling craze has already altered the size of ladies' boots. Year after year doctors have been preaching against the high heels and the compressed toes of the French shoe. They have preached, but they have not been listened to; and all sorts of little limps and shuffles have got to have a kind of vogue, and girls have treated their toes as disrespectfully as if they were their waists. And now comes the bicycle and sets things right. The myth of the very small foot is being exploded. Indeed, it was almost inevitable it should. When you see almost level with your eye a thing you were accustomed to look at far beneath it you get a true idea of the size. A girl's foot on a pedal, now a common way-side object, shows that good-looking girls have generally fairly proportioned feet. There has come a reaction against the Chinese deformity, and a sympathy with nature. You can not pedal with a foot like the castor of a pianoforte. If you do you risk your life, or, what is more thought of, your appearance. And so fashion rushes in where physicians may not tread. But the doctors bear no malice. Indeed, they order the bicycle for their patients, many of them being surgeons as well as physicians.—Westminster Gazette.

### Prof. Vandiver to Resign His Position in the Normal.

Hon. Louis Houck, President Board of Regents—Dear Sir:—As my term of office as Congressman will begin on the 4th of March next, and as it is probable that my duties in that position will require my time and attention at an early date, I think it proper to inform you of my intention to resign the Presidency of the Normal school. My annual report will be handed to you before I leave. Permit me only to add that my interest in the Normal school shall not die with the severance of my connection with it, but shall continue and I shall be glad to render it any service in my power.

Very Respectfully,  
W. D. VANDIVER.

### Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The best salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale at W. C. Haman's.

## A SPLENDID DONATION.

The Brewers of St. Louis Give \$20,000 for the Relief of the Poor.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., January 30, 1897.—Mr. R. M. Scruggs, President St. Louis Provident Association: Dear Sir—In response to your call the brewers of the City of St. Louis herewith hand you for the suffering poor of our city the sum of \$20,000.

It is evident that the same cause, depression in business, has served to increase legitimate demands for assistance, and to decrease the amount of voluntary contributions. This general result, aggravated by very inclement weather, has served to present to every citizen the picture of real want and hunger.

No doubt the situation in St. Louis is better than in some other large cities. But while a relatively small amount would meet the emergency, the present situation is, nevertheless, so grave that as a matter of common obligation all citizens should look to its immediate alleviation. Appreciating your general purpose and knowing your facilities for aiding the deserving and for discriminating between them and the undeserving, the brewers are glad to make the above contribution; and unhesitatingly call on all other industries to promptly sustain in a similar manner our city's reputation for self-reliance and self-help.

### Resolutions.

Brother Edward Randol, who was called from labor to reward, on January 17, 1897, was born August 15, 1841, in the city of Cape Girardeau, Mo. He was, at the date of his death, aged 42 years, 5 months and 2 days. He was an active member of Harmony Lodge No. 40, J. F. and A. M. During his membership he occupied all stations of honor in the lodge and served with fidelity and satisfaction to the craft. He leaves a wife, four children, two brothers and a sister to mourn his untimely loss.

Now, therefore, since it was the pleasure of the Grand Master of universe to sound the gavel and summons brother Edward Randol from labor to refreshment at a time which he thought to be the meridian of his existence and the maturity of manhood to quit the scenes, duties and activities of this life and enter into the grave responsibilities of the life unknown to us, he therefore

RESOLVED, That Harmony Lodge has lost an active member who met all the requirements enjoined upon him; his wife a faithful husband, his children an affectionate father, his brothers and sister a dutiful brother and the community a good citizen. While we submit cheerfully to the will of the Eternal, we deplore his great loss to his little children, which are at that age where they directly need parental care. Be it further

RESOLVED, That we extend our sincere condolence to his stricken family, in this their sore bereavement, and offer the hand of sympathy to them in every time of need, and a page of our record be set aside to his memory, and that our hall be properly draped with its jewels and implements, and that each brother wear a badge of mourning for the space of 30 days, and that a copy of these resolutions be published in some newspaper and a copy be furnished the family.

JEFFERSON WILLIAMS,  
WILLIAM H. BROWN, Com.  
JOHN S. COBB,

### At Malden, Mo.

MALDEN, Mo., January 31.—At 3:30 o'clock this morning two brick business blocks were destroyed by fire which originated in the "Register" printing office, and is believed to have been started by a tramp printer named Raymond, who is under arrest. The Dunklin County Bank and all the other adjacent houses narrowly escaped. Several persons were injured, and others narrowly escaped strangulation from the dense smoke, which suddenly filled the rooms. The principal losers are T. C. Stokes & Co., Ashcroft Bros., city drugstore, Watkins Bros., barber shop, the Central Hotel, Watkins & Grimes' livery stable, Drs. Vancleve, Scruggs & Dalton and the "Dunklin County News"; also, Mrs. McGivern and the "Register" office. The total loss will amount to about \$21,000, with perhaps \$10,000 insurance.

### A Bill to Largely Increase Their Salaries.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 3.—Senator Anderson of Boone County introduced in the Senate to-day a bill increasing the salaries of the Circuit Judges of the State from \$2,000 to \$3,500 per annum. The bill will not apply to the Circuit Judges of the City of St. Louis for the reason that they now receive \$5,500 per annum, \$2,000 from the State and \$3,500 from the city.

## Vaccine as a Cure for Diphtheria.

OAKLAND, CAL., February 1.—An interesting problem is suggested to the medical world by a recent experiment of Dr. F. H. Woolsey. He was called to treat two children suffering from the fever which follows vaccination, and while they were under his care both developed diphtheria, from which they recovered very quickly. The physician is now almost convinced that there was a clash between the two foment in the blood and that the virus of the vaccine vanquished the toxin of the diphtheria. He watched the cases very closely, and he felt so certain of the correctness of his conclusion that in the note of the cases which he sent to the health officer he announced that the diphtheria had been lightened by vaccination. The patients are now strong and well at a time when such sufferers are usually weak from the effects of the disease. In discussing the matter Dr. Woolsey said:

"The thought suggested by the recent cases of mine in the ar. tagonism of one disease for another, like erysipelas to cancer, is an entirely new idea as applied to diphtheria. Whether are not it will prove of any practical value is a question upon which I feel rather doubtful, but it is nevertheless of great interest scientifically, and shows new light on such subjects. It may incidentally be a point of vantage for experiments in other directions."

### Resolution of Condolence.

Whereas, The Home Forum Benefit Order of Cape Girardeau, for the first time, has been called upon to bow in sorrowful submission to the Divine and unerring power of Almighty God in the exercise of His Divine will in removing from this world and the cares of life our late companion John Sullivan. We recognize how slight is the tie that binds us to earth, and that the uncertainty of life should more firmly bind us together in the H. F. B. O. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That our warmest sympathy goes out to the sorrowing wife, daughter and three sons in this their hour of deepest sorrow. We can only commend them to the Supreme Power from whom alone true consolation is gained.

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the records of our Forum and that the charter be draped in mourning for thirty days, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased companion, to the Home Forum and to the city papers for publication.

### THE COMMITTEE.

### Cleveland Has Begun Packing.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 3.—One month from to-morrow there will be a change of occupants of the White House, and in anticipation of this there is already a general packing of the personal effects of President Cleveland and his family. These are being ready for shipment to his newly purchased home in Princeton, N. J. The President and Mrs. Cleveland will follow the usual custom of inviting the President elect and his wife to be their guests at dinner at the executive mansion on the evening of the 3d of March. President Harrison entertained President and Mrs. Cleveland in this way before the last change of administration. The luncheon usually given in the White House by the retiring President in honor of his successor immediately after his formal inauguration will be omitted at the coming inauguration, to avoid delay in the movement of the procession following the ceremonies at the Capitol.

### Card of Thanks

To the voters and managers of the Parochial Hall.

When I came to the Parochial hall last night I did not anticipate to be caned, if I had, it might have scared me away as I am not used to public demonstrations of that nature. But since the caning came from such friendly hands and was for such a noble and good cause I could not but accept it with the greatest regard to those who voted it to me and the managers of the Hall.

I therefore desire to return my grateful thanks to each and every one of the voters and the managers for their interest they have taken in voting the came to your humble servant.

W. H. COERVER.

### Croup and Whooping Cough.

Ballard's Horehound Syrup will promptly relieve Croup and Whooping Cough. It will cure the worst Cough or Cold. It never disappoints. Try it. Sold by Wilson Drug store