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GOV. FIFER is now angling in northern waters. If the same democrats were there to cut bait for him at Springfield when he wanted Funk's board put in control of a million-dollar fund, he might ornament his string with as fine a lot of suckers as he did then.

HON. A. J. STREETER, the great friend of the down-trodden and oppressed laboring man, who in his stump speeches has seared Wall street money bags and bankers with burning words, has fallen from his high estate and is now only a banker himself.—Oquawka Spectator.

A HIGH tariff paper calls attention to a syndicate organizing in Russia to supplant America in suppling bacon to England. Well, what else could you expect? Is there any good reason why England should buy bacon or anything else of us when we deliberately wall ourselves in and announce our home market to be all sufficient?

A Courted Issue.

The New York Sun the morning following the execution of the four prisoners by electricity at Sing Sing this week said: "This morning the Sun and every other real newspaper in the state openly and deliberately violate that section of the electrical execution law which forbids the publication of the details of an execution:

No account of the details of any such execution, beyond the statement of the fact that such convict was, on the day in question, duly executed according to law at the prison, shall be published in any newspaper. Any person who shall violate or omit to comply with any provision of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

"This provision, intended by the cranks who framed it to throw around the death chamber and the death chair a mystery like that surrounding a torture room of the middle ages, stands in the statutes as a disgrace to the civilization of which we are proud. It is against public policy, it is impossible to enforce, and it is defied and will continue to be defied by every self-respecting newspaper in New York on every such occasion as the execution of Kemmler at Auburn eleven months ago, and the killing at Sing Sing yesterday morning of Slocum, Wood, Smiler and the Japanese Jugiro. The law which vainly seeks to restrain the press of New York in the performance of a public duty of the first importance, itself defies a higher law, namely, the Constitution of New York. In the bill of rights which constitutes Article I of the constitution, and which catalogues the most precious heritages of a freedom gained by blood, it is agreed and forever decreed that no law shall be passed to restrain or abridge the liberty of speech or of the press. The free press knows its duty and its power; and so long as the unconstitutional prohibition stands as part of the electrical execution law, that part of the law will be disobeyed by the newspapers of New York, universally, deliberately and rightly.

"But the press of this state has another duty to perform, even more important than its periodical self-objection to prosecution for a righteous misdemeanor. It must bring about the repeal of this unconstitutional provision, insulting to the very name of American liberty. To that end it should devote its utmost energies at the next election. Without regard to personal or partisan considerations, it should support for the legislature and for responsible executive posts only such candidates as are distinctly committed against this preposterous revival of mediaeval principles, and pledged to help in sweeping the press-gag law from the statute book.

"Until that is accomplished, a black stain rests upon the fame of the New York press. Is there any journalist in the state, republican or democratic, who does not account the priceless right of free utterance as far above any temporary issue which partisanship can devise? For the good name of our profession, we hope not. The Sun is ready, for one, to engage itself to support any republican candidate who shall promise to vote or work next winter for the repeal of the foolish, unconstitutional law which strikes at the liberty of the press, as against any democrat who shall refuse or omit to put himself on record for free speech and a free press."

And the Sun is right, just as were the Minnesota papers which ignored the law of that state which forbid the press from following its duty as guaranteed by the constitution. The makers of statutary provisions which seek to muzzle the press and the formulators of prohibitory laws are cranks in the most properly accented version of the term, who are not capable of making laws adaptable to the present day, and as long as the people elect such a class to the halls of legislation, so long will they see their laws ridiculed, ignored and violated.

Street Railway Suits.

Four different suits were filed in the district court at Davenport Thursday against street railway companies. The Davenport & Rock Island railway company is made defendant to a suit of Christina Koss for $1,500 who claims to have sustained damages by reason of a horse car colliding with a wagon driven by her. Wilhelm Koss, the husband of the plaintiff in the foregoing, sues the company for $500. He wants "$300 for financial detriment because of the absence of his wife from her accustomed duties, $185 for the care and trouble and labor required to minister to her wants while she was an invalid in consequence of her injuries," and $15 for medical services.

Bishop Perry sues the Davenport & Rock Island Railway company for injuries received while a passenger on the bridge line on the night of June 10, last. The facts in connection with Bishop Perry's injury are well remembered. He was returning home from Rock Island and about half past 9 o'clock, when, under the shore span of the bridge on the other side, he was compelled to get out of the car and walk, the track being obstructed there by the repairs in progress. A timber lay in his way, and there were no lights at the place, and he fell over the timber. He broke his shoulder and received other injuries of a painful nature, and asks the above sum in satisfaction, believing himself damaged to that amount.

Joseph Gimbel sues the Davenport Central railway and the Davenport Electric Railway, Light & Power company, for the sum of $200, that being the value of the good mare that was killed by coming in contact with the fallen trolley wire on upper Brady street on the night of June 3, while John Gimbel and his wife and son were driving into the city after a storm. Gross carelessness is charged against the Central company by the plaintiff.

COUNTY BUILDING.

TRANSFERS.

7—J C H Reed to W S Goodell, tract by metes and bounds in 32, 18, 1w, $1 000.

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C C Stone to John Thornblom, lots 5 and 6, lot 3, 5, 17, 1w, $1,000.

Daniel Bower, by heirs, to Adam Schmidt, ne¼ nw¼ nw¼ ne¼ ne¼, 16, 16, 4w, $2.

Josephine D. Taylor to Jasper Sievers tract by metes and bounds, in 35, 18, 2w, $750.

B Davenport, by administrator, to M Schnell, se fractional ¼ of out lots 25, 26, 35, 18, 2w, $16,200.

C M Osborne and Henry Curtis to Henry Kinner, lot 78, block 43 Chicago addition to Rock Island, $250.

Charles G Hilberg to O Bengston, lot 19, block 3, 33, 18, 1w, $200.

PROBATE.

6—Estate of Peter J. Verdegem.—Proof of notice to creditors filed.

Estate of J. Ehlers—Claims allowed.

Estate of Sarah Sheriff—Proof of notice to creditors filed; claim of M. Freytag $62 allowed in first class: inventory filed and approved.

Estate of Gustav Anderson—Report of administrator filed and approved; order declaring estate insolvent.

Estate of Lucy M Joslin—Proof of notice to creditors filed; inventory filed and approved.

Estate of John McConnell—Hearing on petition of legatees; continued to first of next term.

Estate of Hattie Crosby—Proof of notice to creditors filed; claim of Elizabeth Crosby $40 allowed in seventh class.

Estate of L Deere—Executor's report filed and approved.

6—Insanity of Andrew Swanson—Hearing; verdict insane and a pauper; ordered committed to the Central Insane Hospital and the sheriff confine patient in county jail pending his admission to hospital.

7—Estate of Samuel Gray—Petition to sell real estate; proof of service upon resident defendants; continued for publication as to non-resident defendants.

Estate of Sarah B. Cobb—Will admitted to probate; letters testamentary issued to Phil Mitchell; bond filed and approved.

Guardianship of minor heirs of R. Grensemann—Petition for sale of ward's real estate; proof of notice filed and approved.

Wood Wagons.

The police arrested a man the other day for creating a nuisance in the public streets. He so loaded his wagon that chunks of mill wood fell into the road, and were left there to jolt vehicles and lame horses. The action was proper and right. No man should be permitted to clutter the streets to the damage of others.

But has the policeman who made that arrest, or have any of his brethren ever sauntered up Front street—anywhere along between Davis' shops and the east end of it and noticed the dropping of mill wagons there. Why, he could pick up a cord of mill stuff along the road, and loose donnicks enough to start a cellar wall.

Isn't it about time that the nuisance was abated in that quarter? Has a saw mill force any superior right to block up the public highway and to make it dangerous? If a solitary driver may be arrested and fined for the small nuisance he is perpetrating why not a lot of mill wagon and stone cart drivers who are doing the same thing? It is good that the police have begun this reform. It will be better if they continue to do so—and keep it up until mills and teams learn to be neat and orderly.—Davenport Democrat.

There Will be a Meeting

Of the stockholders of the Rock Island Mutual Building, Loan & Savings association at their office in Mitchell & Lynde's building at 7:30 p. m. on Tuesday evening, July 14, 1891, for the purpose of electing three directors.

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HAD SEEN HER BEFORE.

A Little Incident Which Brought Back Her Memory.

An old negro, while visiting a friend, was told to make himself feel at home. The old fellow took up his hat immediately and started off.

"Whar you gwine?" the host asked.

"I'se gwine er way."

"Whut fur?"

"Caze you tole me ter make myse'f feel at home. I left home caze I wuz tired o' feelin' dater way, an' I wuz might'ly in hopes dat I could hab er little peace at yo' house, but ef yo' 'sists on me feelin' at home I knows dat I ain't gwine 'joy myse'f er tall. You doan know 'zactly whut sorter home I'se got, man, you neber seed my wife 'cept wid her Sunday cloze on. You neber seed her wid her at home gyarments on. See dis yere knot on de top o' my head? Dat's whut come frum bein' at home."

"W'y," said the host, "I 'lowed dat you wuz er powerful happy pusson in yo' fambly erfairs, caze somebody tole me dat yo' wife had imprubed er heap sense I was so intermit 'quainted wid her."

"W'y, look yere; when did you know de charmin' lady o' dis bosom?"

"Knowed her 'fo' you eber seed her. She wuz my wife when I uster run er ferryboat way ober yander on Red river."

"Huh, you doan tell me dat!"

"Yes. I does tell you, an' tell you monstus straight too."

"Wall, lemme ax you dis p'int. Does you riccolleck dat I come er long dar one day an' crossed yo' ferry?"

"Yas."

"An' is yo' wife de lady dat snatched up dat chunk ur suthin' an' knocked me inter de river?"

"Yas, sah, my wife, but now yo' wife, wus de lady."

"Take yere," said the visitor, "take yere. Hang me ef when I married her I didn't think I had seed dat blamed nigger befo'."—Arkansaw Traveler.

A Fable.

A Man, who had been Walking through a Public Park, finally became Tired, and was about to sit down on a Bench to rest, when of a sudden a Bee stung him on the Leg. After jumping four feet high, and uttering a Yell which was heard a Mile away, the Man turned on the Bee and shouted:

"Base Ingrate! Have I ever Harmed you?"

"Hardly ever," calmly replied the Bee, as he picked his teeth with a dead Grasshopper's hind leg.

"Then why this attempt to Assassinate me?"

"My dear Man, you have on a new Spring Suit; you were about to sit down on a Freshly Painted Bench; your Clothing would have been Ruined; what I did was for your own Good, and I am Entitled to Thanks instead of Insults."

MORAL.

The Thief who steals your Horse just before the Stable is Struck by Lightning should return to be Praised.—M. Quad in New York World.

Timely Assistance.

Drowning Man—Help! Help!! Throw me a rope!!!

Pat McManus—All right! I'm wid yez! Here's yer rope! Now swim ashore!—Munsey's Weekly.

His Ambition.

A gentleman heard a young visitor in his house ask his own son aged six:

"Which would you rather be—a walking policeman or a mounted policeman?"

"A mounted policeman, of course," said the boy.

"Why?" asked the other.

"'Cause if the robbers came I could get away quicker."—Brandon Bucksaw.

The Ruling Passion.

Foreman of the jury—Guilty of murder in the first degree!

Judge—Prisoner at the bar, stand up to receive the sentence of the court.

The prisoner (who poisoned her husband)—In a minute, judge. Jennie (to her sister), is my hat on straight?—Life.

Higher Mathematics at Harvard.

S. Ponge—Can you let me have ten dollars for a week or so?

G. Enerous—I've only got nine, but you can have that if it will do.

S. Ponge—All right; I'll take that and then you will owe me one dollar.—Harvard Lampoon.

Would Live to Do It.

Doctor—Your wife is a very sick woman, sir, and likely to die.

Husband—You needn't worry about her, doc. She got a new dress the other day, and she hasn't tried it on yet.—Cloak Review.

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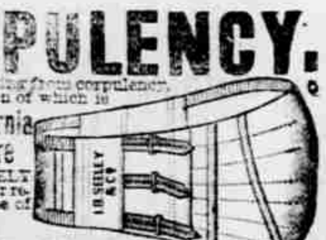

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