

Honorable Champ Clark, of Missouri,

Whose two lectures, "Rich as Golconda," and "The United States of America in the Twentieth Century," are the attractions for Friday afternoon and Saturday night at the Chautauqua.

Musty File

Of Old Newspapers Unearthed By Isaac Prindle.

Relics of a Day When Journalism Was Furnished Every Week by Clackain its infancy.

Through the courtesy of Isaac Prindle the Courier office has in its possession a aumber of old newspapers of ancient date. The oldest one of the old papers is a copy of the Hartford, Conn., Times, dated Monday, Januar 12, 1829. Another is the Morning Oregonian of August 25, 1863, while still another is the Warkle Palled of Northern Control of the Control of Northern Control of Norther Weekly Palladium of New Haven Conn., dated Saturday morning, October 4,

One can find many things of a source of great interest in these old relics of the ournalistic world in its early infancy.
On the first page of the Westfield News-Letter is a speech delivered by Hon.
George Ashmun on the slavery question, delivered in the House of Representa-tives, March 27, 1850. In the Weekly Palladium is a description of the battle of Antietam from a special correspondent, taking up more than half the space of the paper and containing diagrams of the battle field. But the oldest, and for that reason, the most interesting of these old musty newspapers, is a copy of the Hartford, Conn., Courant, published Monday, July 9, 13)8. The paper con-tains two five column pages and is preserved in a frameco vered with glass. The type is of a style not used in this day and generation. Among other things the paper contains the announce-ment of the appointment of George Washington to Lieutenant General and Commander in chief of the armies of the United States of America.

A Newspaper! It is the cradle of genius -the record of truth.-Wood cut en-gravings adorn it, and the muses smile graciously upon it. A newspaper | It is a picture of the world. Cast thine eye over its grim pages: like that, all is confusion and bustle—each one pushing forward to attract attention by no matter how trivial—Little ships and big ships; steam boats with their roaring wheels and black smoke, whiz past us; post coaches and post boys; boxes of ten and barrels of Cogniac. Franklin grid-irons and LaFayette bedsteads; strayed animals are all mingled promiscuously together. 'Money!' cries the Lottery Office. 'Fire!'' crief the Insurance Company.—Strange that between both, men cannot get money and keep it. Some applicants for public notice are very modest in their approaches, only soliciting notice as long as they deserve it; others are more awars of their claims on public gratitude, and sure some are promoted by the very spirit of philan-throphy. The same diversified scene! promoted by the very spirit of philan-throphy. The same diversified scene! 3.35 per cental.

In one column a fire, in the next a siccossful speculation. Here a man eats c; young, 13@14c; hens 12c; turkeys himself to death, there a child is starving; the widow solicits a pittance, and the ich man offers his loan; the register of Death numbers the old, the midthe fich man offers his loan; the regis-ter of Death numbers the old, the mid-dle aged and the young. Matrimony! Ah, the list is generally long and ap-palling. Notice! Alas, some Jonathan is close at hand, advertising his refrac-tory rib; what is the matter with thy wile, friend? Is thy steak cooked too much? Or are thy potatoes burnt, and wile, friend? Is thy steak cooked too much? Or are thy potatoes burnt up? Or thy door locked at 12 p. m. and thou on the outside? Or did she love gadding about? She must be a mild creature, for she makes no angry retort. A newspaper! It makes one love this little round ball of earth. All the ships are well built, copper bottomel, and fast sailing; the houses are in good rapair. the houses are in good repair-extensive out grounds, delightfully situated; no time bica bed linens or daninged cambrics; no mouldy almonds or musty oranges; Madeira wine and Spanish cigars are all of trans-Atla tic origin. In short, everpthing comes from its proper place,-Human seings, too, seem to be very social—to many partnerships. Sometimes indeed, we find some little soul, armed with a patient right, elbow-ing his way through the crowd, threatening "chains and elavery" to all who invade his proper sphere; but generally men seem to have coupled themselves together in loving fellowships. Much as our world has been ab sed by misanthropes and despised by poets, we doubt whether they would find in the clouds anything half so convenient. Why, here is everything—Tueatres and ab sed and 26. Circuses, rope dancers and singers, gardens and gunpowder; doctors for the sick, teeth for the toothless, wigs for the bald, braces for the ill shaped, rouge for the pale, and white lead for the rosy. It is indeed, a right and beautiful world;

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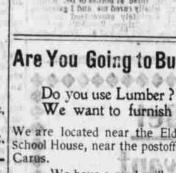


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