

Albany Register.

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"We arrived at Wharton late in the afternoon, and found that the river would admit of a further journey up the stream.

"Not wishing to be observed by the happy pair, I moved away and began a stroll among other passengers.

"The negroes having removed the body, my interrogator left me.

"In the cabin, that evening, I met the husband and his wife. She was looking pale, but otherwise well.

"Both Mr. Peck and his wife had been liberally educated, and their conversation was a source of gratification to me.

"After we arrived in Austin, which was then a scattered hamlet, my young friends were taken in charge by their relative, whom I found to be an intelligent, well educated, shrewd, money-making Yankee.

"Not caring to lose time, I remained in Austin only three days, and started, with a Mexican half-breed as a guide, for the western confines of my division.

"When I arrived in Austin from the West, young Peck had just got his office in the condition ours is in today.

"Every one present turned to look at the owner of the voice. Observing the attention he had attracted, he continued:

"What do you want here, sir?" he said, addressing the intruder.

"A life for a life! My name is Ned Burton."

"Every one present thought the man insane. I, however, knew what he wanted, and, on the spur of the moment, rose to confront him; but too late.

"Next day, a characteristic note from the man Burton was handed to Peck, by a friend of the former's,

a shock that fears were entertained as to her recovery; also that the young man was restrained from coming to my help by the onlookers, and could only be induced to follow his wife.

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"It was a rainy morning during the latter part of November, when the

principals and seconds in the tragedy about to be enacted met on the plateau near Austin.

"The sneering way in which this was said enraged me so that I struck him. The seconds interfered, and the preparations went forward again.

"For months the girl-bridge—the girl-widow now—lay fluttering between life and death.

"And, gentlemen, Mrs. Peck that was is now Mrs. Davids. So go on with your paper, Ransom; and may your motto be less fatal in its results than poor Peck's.

"During the rest of the trip, both by river and overland, to Austin, I learned much of their history.

"FINANCIAL.—Gold in New York 113. Legal tenders in Portland—buying, 80c; selling, 90c.

"PAINFUL.—Onions and radishes plentiful in market.

"We continue to hear complaints of the ravages of the caterpillar.

"On Saturday a hack belonging to Barages & Merick, full of men, upset, on corner of Second and Lyon streets.

"Sashings of nice goods at P. C. Harper & Co's.

"On Saturday the weather was very raw and blustery, deterring many from going to the picnic.

"Fair attendance at the Wednesday night entertainment given by the Good Templars.

"C. B. Constock & Co. are erecting a building on First and Ell-worth streets for the reception of a large invoice of Wood's reapers, mowers, Harne's shears, etc.

"Gov. Grover defends Democratic swamp land monopoly and other Democratic monopolies, but violently slops over whenever he refers to that grasping monopolist, Ben Holladay.

"On Tuesday a base ball club was organized in this city, called the Quickstep. Prof. E. F. Sox is President, and H. W. Cuddeback, Secretary.

A movement is on foot in Philadelphia to raise \$50,000 for the purpose of erecting a monument to the late Major General Geo. H. Thomas.

The Bible is forbidden to be used in public schools at Davenport, Iowa.

Secretary Fish has got over his resignation fits, and gone back into his old residence at Washington.

A stone was lately quarried on Lake Superior which was 110 feet long and 8 1/2 feet thick.

The small pox has broken out in southwest Missouri, and the people are alarmed.

Jim Fisk's widow has only about two millions from his estate. Florida has two State Governments in successful operation.

There are sixty-two weather signal stations in the United States, Portland, Key West, Galveston, San Diego and Portland, Oregon.

Milwaukee, Wis., has given \$1,500,000 to railroads.

One hundred and fifty-four of the John Smith family have graduated at Yale College.

There is a bust of John Brown, the martyr abolitionist, in the museum at Genoa.

The bank notes of England are printed on paper manufactured of the common raw palmetto of Florida.

A million dollars in gold, according to the figures at the mint, weighs just two tons.

General Simon Bolivar Buckner is building a six story marble block in Chicago. With him the cruel war is over.

A pepper-box for salt is the latest Yankee invention.

There are probably not more than 500 Christian Jews in the United States.

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