

# The Herald

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## HE WAS A KNOCKER

The Knocker knocked but he knocked in vain,  
For entrance into Heaven's domain,  
But his works destructive were, his hate  
Had closed to him the pearly gate.

A Knocker once sought at the gate of St. Peter,  
Asking permission to enter Heaven's land,

Stating, he knew, from reports that had reached him,  
'Twas a haven of rest, a good place to strand.

"But what have you done?" said the guard at the wicket,  
"To warrant an entrance to Heaven's high dome?"

What cause have you honestly, faithfully succored,  
That you in this haven should merit a home."

Said he, "I have haunted the streets of my city,

I have faithfully warned all who chanced there to roam;  
I told them its ills, its demeritis, and prithees,

Entreated them elsewhere to seek for a home."

The guard at the wicket just paused for a moment,

Then said, as a Helper passed in on the right,

"Your works, sir, are evil, uncommonly selfish,  
No entrance for you to the city of light."

"You failed to aid strangers when seeking for shelter,

Spoke ill of your town, too, your neighbors as well,

Such characters here, in this city celestial,

Would soon wreck its peace, proclaim it a hell."

## WHAT IS A KNOCKER?

Have you ever tried to fathom the significance which clusters in the precinct of the term "knocker" as applied to various individuals?

If you have not it might be worth your effort to do so just to acquire a passing knowledge of the many applications of the word. There are male and female, large and small, old and young knockers not taking into consideration the various degrees of the craft.

Then there are the different kinds of knockers who are as profuse and as varied as the virtues and occupations of the human family.

There is the person who will spoil your trade when you have it almost completed; the thing which you have bargained to sell may be worth what you have asked for it, but the knocker is jealous; if he were the person selling it would be all right, but he is not, and he slips around, gains the ear of the prospective purchaser, pours out his poison and stings you because of his selfish, meddling nature.

The Knocker is pessimistic; he is always on the adverse side; he is like Satan, he is against every move except that which tends to his own selfish ends. If a plan is projected for better conditions you can steadfastly count on his opposition, especially, if the improvement will cause any expense or any

exertion on the part of Mr. or Mrs. Grundy.

Then there is another field in which he is very prolific and in which he takes ghoulish delight: If your neighbors affairs come up for discussion and you begin to enumerate his successes, and his good characteristics, how quickly the human buzzard if present, will pounce upon his weaknesses and do all he, or she, can to belittle him and his achievements, so we discover that the type of humanity, under discussion, will knock character as well as business ventures, and perhaps takes keener delight in despoiling some one's fair name than in blocking a trade.

## STATE NORMAL SCHOOLS

(From the Springfield News.)

Harold B. Davis of Monmouth has been in the city this week circulating a petition among the people, the object of which is to let the voters decide upon the question of maintaining state normal schools. He met with success here and his labors are for a good and worthy cause. At least two state normals should be supported liberally by the state, as the benefits derived from the training therein is of untold benefit to the rising generation. The normal at Monmouth is the oldest in the state and hundreds of teachers have received training there that has been of the greatest good in past years and will be for years to come in educating the children in the public and district schools. We believe it is a grave mistake to turn down anything which leads to a higher and better education.

## POLK COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

### BASE-BALL LEAGUE

#### SCHEDULE OF GAMES.

April 23—Independence at Dallas; Falls City at Monmouth.

April 30—Monmouth at Independence; Dallas at Falls City.

May 7—Falls City at Independence; Monmouth at Dallas.

May 14—Monmouth at Falls City; Dallas at Independence.

May 21—Independence at Monmouth; Falls City at Dallas.

May 28—Independence at Falls City; Dallas at Monmouth.

#### Something Wrong.

The balloon pilot landed in the little backwoods village and told the listeners the thrilling story of his escape.

"And at one time," he related, with dramatic force, "I was in a storm and sweeping over a vast desert. There was nothing to do but throw out sand and prepare for the worst. Gentlemen, at one time I felt as if I had lost my head and gone plumb crazy."

The oldest inhabitant slowly lighted his pipe and drawled, with a sarcastic smile:

"You must have been plumb crazy, bub, to throw sand on a desert. Didn't you think there was enough sand there already?"—Chicago News.

#### What Intermittency Means.

Intermittency is that form of irregularity in which the pulse appears to drop a beat occasionally. In some instances it occurs regularly and two or three times per minute for several hours. Sometimes also it is very irregular and is noted a number of times within a few seconds and not again for a minute or more. This peculiarity generally causes much uneasiness. Yet, while it may be a very serious symptom and associated with grave and incurable disease of the heart, it often signifies merely a functional disturbance which is in nowise dangerous.

#### An Effectual Cure.

"She wants to be a sister to me."  
"You can easily get her out of that notion."  
"How?"  
"Treat her as you would a sister."—Kansas City Journal.

**Fishing For Plunder.**  
A visitor to one of the hotels at Pe kin was awakened during the night by the noise caused by the fall of a roll of paper. Getting out of bed, he saw with astonishment a pole, to which were attached a fishing line and hook, moving about the room, collecting various objects and removing them through the window. Upon going downstairs he was heard by the burglarious Chinaman outside to whom the rod belonged and who escaped, leaving his fishing line behind him.

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## Church Directory.

EVANGELICAL CHURCH  
L. C. HOOVER, Pastor

Morning service at 11:00 o'clock  
Evening service at 7:00 o'clock  
Sunday School at 10:00 a. m.  
Y. P. A. Meeting at 6:30 p. m.  
Prayer Meeting Wednesday evening.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH.  
W. A. WOOD, Pastor.

Morning Service at 11. a. m.  
Evening Service at 7:00 p. m.  
Sunday School 9:45 a. m.  
Y. P. S. C. E. 6:30 p. m.  
Prayer Meeting Wednesday 7:30 p. m.

BAPTIST CHURCH.  
W. W. DAVIS, Pastor.

Preaching Service, 11:00 a. m.  
" " 7:30 p. m.  
Sunday School, 10:00 a. m.

W. C. T. U.

Local Union meets every second and fourth Friday in the Evangelical church at 2:30 p. m.

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We want your  
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