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#### Govesnorship of Congo.

London, Sept. 25 .- It is true that be broken off. Henry M. Stanley never accepted the governorship of the Congo Free State. Recently King Leopold of Belgium offered the place to a German officer, Van Wizman, but it was declined. It was again pressed upon Stanley. It is notorious that Leopold believes Stanley to he the only man who could make the Co :go experiment a profitable one. So anxious was the king to have Stanley take the office that he offered to pay the \$10,000 forfeit which would be due the Melbourne impressario. Smyth, if Stanley should break his contract to lecture in Australia Stanley was quite recently half disposed to change his mind and return to the Congo, if only for the opportunity that would be afforded of settling old scores with Tippo Tid. who has lately been openly villifying Stanley at Zanzibar, probably emboldened by the belief that the redoubtable explorer would never return to Africa. Mrs. Stanley was quite pleased with the idea of occupying a semi-regai throne, but her mother would not hear of it. and it is stated by people who ought to know that Stanley vielded to his mother-in-law in the matter, al though he and his wife was inclined to go. Gossip has it that the non-ar-rival of a vearned-for little Stanley is Mrs. Tennants's grievance. It is known in Brussels that some of the ablest officers in the Congo country will resign if Stanlev becomes governor. Long and bleody war with the Arabs may also be counted on as a result of his assuming control of affairs in that region.

## Chased by a Hoop Snake.

A hoop snabs chased Architect D. CHAS. F. HYDE (D). D. S. DUSTIN (D). HENRY BLACKMAN Orange Mountain, New Jersey, a few days ago, and he onley escaped an awful death by strategy.

Going to East Orange he saw what he supposed was a twelve-foot section of fire-nose hanging over a rock high above the road. On close inspection he saw it was a serpent with a head like a bull-dog and a tail that ended with a barbed stinger half a foot long.

Rufus took to his heels when he saw the monster move down the rocks. He got half a mile start. but looking back at the bend of the road he saw the snake grasp its tail in its mouth, forming a hoop, that rolled swiftly after him Th hoop-snake came on with electric speed. When the frightful creature was within a hundred yards of him. caves. During the earthquake on Van darted behind a big oak. The The hoop snake swerved, and coming on in blind rage, drove his spear

like tail into the tree. Orange for help to return and des- small subterranean lake covering troy the monster. Two hours lat- almost half an acre has entirely dister half a dozen men, with shotguns appeared. In the bottom of the ascended the mountain. The hoop- fissures. A strong smell of burnsnake was gone. It had pulled its ing sulpher pervades the cave. I: tail out of the hollow, horney sting is being visited by throngs of peoer, which was left burried in the ple.-The Republic.

tree. It was so deeply imbedded that only chips from its edges could

Poison from the stinger was killcurled and withered when the hoopsnake hunters first saw it. Anugly green liquid dripped from the hollow stinger like sape from a sugar tree spile and deadened the green it fell upon .- New York Morning

The morning Oregonian of Sept. 30 gives an account of a certain revolution in the republic of Guatemala, which will unquestionably become general. On the 15th of Sept while the people were cele brating the auniversary of their pational holiday in the city of Gua- Best Ouality. temala, they objected to the oraiors of the day selected by President Barrillas and the orators were driven from the rostrum by the peoole. A battalion of infantry was thrown out, but the assault made by the citizens was to great and the infantry was compeled to retreat. The members of the mobilen shout d "Let us storm the national palace; kill Barrillas and restore the republican form of government. Guatetator The plundering of the na ional treasury niust 'cease" The ttempt was made but unsuccessful because of the infantry and artillery guarding it. The fight in the creets lasted four days and fully 500 lives were sperificed. Salvador is moving troops to the southern frontier of Guatemala, it is believed. for the purpose of invading the lat ter country if the city of Guatemala revolt spreads to interior points.

#### A Gobler Sits On a Melou.

Mr. James Grier, who livies about five miles east of Dawson, has a turkey gobbler that is a curiosity. Mr. Grie-'s turkeys consisted of two hens and the goboler. The hens made nests about 75 yards apart in Mr. Grier's melen patch, laid their nests full of eggs and went to setting. The gobbler got lonesome and concluded that the proper thing for him to do was to set also. He got an equal distance between the two turkey hens, squatted over a guinea watermelon and set six weeks before he was discovered. Mr Grier thought that his gobbler had been stolen, and was utterly astonished when he found bim in the patch trying to hatch out young melons. -Enquirer Sun

# Caused by the Earthquake.

Waverly, Ill., Sept. 28.-Seventeen miles southwest of this city lies small stream called Panther creek. On this stream are several large Saturday night crash after crash was heard to resound from the larger cave, and on invetigation it was found that numbers of large fissures in the rocks had appeared. Masses It was traped Van hurried to of stone fell from the ceiling and a

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