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[^0]Govenaorship of Congo.
London, Sept. 25.-It is true that Heriry M. Stanley never accepted the governorship of the Congo Fre 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. anxious was the king to have Stanley take th. office that he offered te pay the $\$ 10,000$ forfeit which would be due the Melbourne impressario Smyth, if Stanley should break his contract to lecture in Auxtralia Stanley was quite recently half dis. posed to change his mind and re turn to the Congo, if only for the opportunity that would be afforded of settliug old scores with Tippo Tid. who has lately been openly villifs. ing Stanley at Zanzihar, probablv emboldened by the belief that the redoulitable explorer would never quite pleased with the idea of ocquite pleased with the idea of oc
cupving a eemi-regai throne. bur her mother wou'd not har of is and it is stated by people who onght to know that Stanley yielded to hiv mother-in-law in the matter, al though he and his wife was inelined to go. Gossiphas it that the non-ar-rival of a yearned-for little stanley is M-s. Tennants's griev ance. It is known in Brussels that
some of the ablest officers in the Congo country will resign if Stanley becomes governor. Long and bloody war with the Aralis may also be counted on as a result of his
assuming control of affais in that region.

## Chased by a Hoop Snake.

A hoop enals chased Architect Rufus B, Van Iderstine down Orange Mountain. New Jersev, few days ago, and he onley escaped an awful death by strategy.
Gring to East Orange he saw what hesupposed was a twelve-font section of fire-nose hanging over a rock high above the road. On close inspection he saw it wna a serpent with a head like a bull-dog and a
tail that ender with a barbed stıng er half a foot long.
Rufus took to his heels when he saw the monster move down the rocks. He got half a mile start hut 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 of with electric speed. When the frightful creature was within a hundred yards of him Van darted behind a big oak. The The hoop-snake swerved, and com ing on in blind rage, drove his spear ike tail into the tree

It was traped Van hurried t Orange for help to return and des troy the monster. Two hours lat ter half a dozen men, with shotguns ascended the mountain. The hoopsnake was gone. It had pulled its tail out of the hollor, horney sting er, which was left burried in the
tree. It was so deeply imbedded that only chips from its edges could be broken off.
Poison from the stinger was killing the tree, and its foliage was curled and withered when the hoopsnake huntersfirst saw it. Anugly green liquid dripped from the hol low stinger like sape from a sugar tree spile and deadened the green it fell upun.-New York Morning Journal.

The morning Oregonian of Sept 30 gives an account of a certail revolution in the republic of Gua temala, which will. unquestionably recome general. On the 15th of ept while the people were cele rating the auniversary of thei ational holiday in the city of Gua temala, they objected to the oraiors
of the day selected hy President Rarrillas and the orators were dri ven from the rustrum by the peo ple. A battalion of infantry was hrown out, but the assault made by the citizens was to great and the infantry was compoled to retieat The - Ne-mbers of the mohthen shout d "Let us xtorm the nationa! palace kill Karrillas and restore the repuhican form of goveroment. Guate tator The plutidering of the na tional treasury mut "cease". The ttempt was made but unsuccessful ery guarding it. The fight in th treets lasted four days and fully 0 lives weresacrificed. Salvador moving troups to the southern or the purpace of invading the lat er country if the city of Guatema revoit spreads to interior points

## a Gobler nits on a Metow

Mr. James Grier, who livies aliou five miles east of Dawsoti, has a turkey gobbler that is a curiosity
Mr. Grie-'s turkeys consisted of two hens and the gothiler The hen made nests about 75 yards apar in Mr. Grier's melen natch. laid their nests full of eggs and went to zetting. The gobbler got lotietome and coorcluded that the :ruper thing hor him to do was to art alse. H got allequal distanes hetween the
t so turkev hens, squatted over guinea watermelon and set six week guinea watermetionanosel
hefore he was diseovered. thought that hi \& gobtler had thought that hi a gobsler hasd here
atolen, and was utterly astonishe "hen he found bim in the pateh rying to hatch out
-Enquirer Sun

## Caused by the Earthquake.

Waverly, Ill.. Sept. 28.-Sevencen miles southwest of this city lie a small stream called Panther creek. On this strean are reveral large caves. During the earthquake on Saturday night crash after crash
was heard to resound from the largwas heard to resound from the larger cave, and on invetigation it was
found that numbers of iarge fissures found that numbers of arge firsures in the rockell from the ceiling and a small subterranean lake covering almost half an acre has entirely disappeared. In the bottom of the former lake are a large number of fiesures. A strong smell of burn ing sulpher pervades the cave. is being visited by throngs of peo-ple.-The Republic.

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