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NEWS IN GENERAL

FROM ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD

OVER THE FALLS.

But His Head Was Cool and His Life Was Saved.

RONDOUT, N. Y., May 26.—A thrilling scene was witnessed at Rifton, Ulster county, to day A young man from Philadelphia, who refused to give his name, but who is interested in a phonograph, went sailing on the Wallkill creek. His little craft got into the current, and, its occupant losing all control, it drifted hopelessly toward the falls at Rifton Just as the boat reached the brink, the man gave a jump over the falls, clearing the rocks below and striking deep water Those who witnessed the scene were horrified, expecting never to see the man alive again. The stranger after going under the water three times, struck out and reached the shore in an exhausted condition. The boat was dashed to pieces. The young Philadelphian is the only person who has ever gone over the falls and has come out alive. When the water is low in the creek the falls are forty-five feet high.

The Size of Texas.

In any way you look at it, Texas is a very great and very remarkable State. Everybody has heard of its size, of the fact that it contains 274,000 square miles, or 175,000,000 acres, and everybody has seen the comparison of its area with that of a number of European countries which has often gone the rounds of the press. These figures and comparisons do not convey an adequate idea of its vastness. Let us take a few others that will help to show how big Texas is. Entering the State at Orange on the Southern Pacific Railroad, in a through car bound from New Orleans to San Francisco you can travel a thousand miles on the same road in a line as straight as the usual "air line road" before you cross the borders at El Paso. And when you have reached El Paso you are 500 miles nearer to California than you are to Orange If you take the map of the United States and draw an easterly line from the southern end of Texas, it will pass through the lowest point of the coast of Florida, while a line from the northern limit of the State almost touches Norfolk. The western line of Texas is about forty or fifty miles farther west than Denver, while a line from the eastern border would pass between Jefferson and St. Louis, Mo. Another illustration will probably show the area of the State better even than any of the foregoing facts. Take a correct may of the country—not a railroad map—and cut out the State of Texas; stick a pin through the centre of it and let this central point rest on Nashville The northern limit of Texas will then cover Chicago, the southern will reach the Gulf of Mobile, the eastern will strike Raleigh, N. C., and the western side will reach Little Rock, Ark. All that mighty empire in area covered by the map of Texas will give some conception of the immensity of this State.—Manufacturers' Record.

ABERDEEN, May 23.—The ranchers living three miles up the Wishkah river found at the dock this morning a floating boat containing a woman's hat, cloak and one oar. Inquiry developed the fact that Ella Beardsley, aged 20, had been rowing on the river, and was missing. Two theories are expressed, some thinking it was a case of suicide, and others that she went ashore to gather flowers, and the tide carried the boat away Parties are now scouring the woods and dragging the river. Miss Beardsley came over from Portland Friday with Dr. Eitel to visit her parents, and was to have returned with him this morning. The case is shrouded in mystery. The search was continued all the afternoon by dragging the river and searching the woods, but without avail. It is generally thought she is drowned, whether by accident or suicide, is unknown. Her relatives know no cause of suicide. Her friends arranged yesterday for a boat ride at 9 this morning, but for some unknown reason she arose at 6 o'clock and rowed up the river without the knowledge of the others At 10 o'clock the empty boat was found. Miss Beardsley was employed by Brown & Co., of room 22. Marquam Grand, Portland Dr. Eitel was not engaged to her, but was willing to be.—Times Mt. 'neer.

St. Peter don't let men through the pearly portals because they air politishans.

I don't ailers believe a man that says e'd rather be rite than be President.

Somethin's rong when a rich man can't get the Government place he is after.

It's past findin' out why a man that kin make, er says he kin, $10,000 a year at home is so willing to take a $3 500 Government job.

The Amerikin eagle ain't a ben burd.

A man that will buy a vote will setal one ef he kin.

Pauper votes is bad as pauper labor.

The President of the United States, irrespectiv' of persons, is the biggest man on earth.—Detroit Free Press.

A comical mishap befell a young lady at her first dinner party. Naturally she was somewhat nervous at first, but the awkwardness wore away after a little and she was soon quite at ease. The dessert was being served and the stately colored waiters were passing pretty little pink-frosted cakes to be eaten with the iced creams. A plate of them was being held before the young lady who looked them over and said: "I don't care for any." The waiter was moving away when she saw, as she thought, an e'clair on the farther side of the plate. She was fond of chocolate. "Yes, I will, too," she said, reaching over for the e'clair; "there is one with chocolare on it." "Beg pardon, miss," said the waiter as she tried to pick up the tempting morsel; "beg pardon, miss, but that's my thumb."—Ex.

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