

## Lebanon Express.

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The geography tells us how the earth is divided, but it does not tell us why so many want it all.

The Kentucky legislature is a tie between republicans and democrats, and two populists hold the balance of power.

It now looks like the republican national convention will be held in San Francisco in 1896. It will be a great advertisement for this coast.

Governor-elect Bradley, of Kentucky, is being mentioned as a candidate for vice-president on the republican ticket with presumably McKinley as his higher official.

More than 185,000 persons committed suicide in the different countries of the world during the year ending September 20, 1895. This is an increase of nearly 20,000 over 1894.

Portland's police service is undoubtedly the most efficient of that of any western city. During the recent Industrial exposition, at which there were many thousands of visitors in the metropolis, not one of them were robbed or beaten.

Should the next appropriation for the improvement of the Willamette be large enough for a new survey of the same, how happy the people ought to feel. It can hardly be expected that enough will be appropriated to have some left to make improvements with.—Ex.

A vast amount of sympathy is expended and bucketfuls of tears wasted over the reformed drunkard, the reformed thief, the reformed gambler, but the poor man whose life is blameless and devoted to toilsome effort and honest endeavor, is set down as a "poor cuss."

Everyone is looking to the mines at Quartzville with considerable interest. Should they prove to be as rich as some of the sanguine think, it will give new impetus to the life and business of Linn county. Those coming in from Lawler's Red Bull mine are quite enthusiastic, and say the building is all ready for the big boiler and machinery that have arrived at the mine.

The days of the prize fighter are numbered with the things that were. Corbett declares he has quit and will go on the stage. Fitzsimmons has retired and will soon return to the land of the kangaroo, and, it is hoped, enter into a more gentlemanly calling. As a contemporary puts it, another inheritance from "Hold Hengland" has been discarded as brutal and demoralizing.

The saddest thing that can befall a boy is to have the liberty to keep late hours. It is when the curtain of night closes over nature that a great deal of mischief is planned and executed. The boys who are under lax government and who are permitted to roam the public streets at all hours of the night are the boys who bring sorrow upon their relatives and friends. All parties should bear this in mind.—Ex.

An Ohio minister preached a sermon recently on "profanity." In his discourse he argued that "damn" was not swearing, but was simply used by many to emphasize what they say. A day or two after, while making calls on members of his congregation the minister met one of the various girls, who remarked: "Elder, that was a damned good sermon you preached last Sabbath." It is said the minister fainted from the shock.—Ex.

The following city ticket has been placed in the field: For mayor, D. Andrews, councilmen: N. S. Dalgleish, C. E. Pugh, H. Baker, A. Umphrey, J. R. Smith, N. R. Beaman, recorder; W. M. Brown, treasurer; J. F. Hyde, marshal; G. W. Taylor.

### A BOA'S CLEVER TRICK.

The serpent's silent capture of an unsuspecting sparrow.

A sight very seldom seen by any but professional naturalists was observed the other day in a German zoological collection. The boa-constrictor is a non-poisonous snake, and kills its prey by squeezing it to death. A young boa had been kept in a cage over a week with three sparrows without taking any notice of the presence of the birds, nor did the latter manifest any fright of the reptile. One day, says the Philadelphia Record, the snake appeared to watch the movements of the birds, then picking seeds off the floor of the cage, and slowly began to unwind from the branch of the tree on which it spent most of the time. Almost imperceptibly the loops on the tree disappeared, the body of the snake becoming more and more disengaged, but its head still remaining at considerable distance from the floor. All of a sudden the forward part of the snake's body shot downward with lightning rapidity, grasping one of the unsuspecting birds, not with the mouth, but with a rapid twist of the body, crushing it at the same time until quite lifeless. This was done so quickly and noiselessly that the other birds never noticed the absence of the victim. The boa then returned to the tree above, and after a little preparation of further pressing the bird and covering it with mucus it proceeded to swallow its prey without biting or chewing. As the boas always take their food at night or in the dark, this spectacle was thought very curious.

### ON A TOMBSTONE.

A Human Face Produced in a Miraculous Manner.

In the Oak Hill cemetery at Stony Brook, L. I., a large tombstone of mottled Italian marble bears a remarkable portrait of an average-sized human face. The picture is not the work of a sculptor, nor has it been graven with the marble-cutter's chisel; it is a natural production, the outlines of the face being formed by a peculiar grouping of the clouded veins and dark spots characteristic of first-class imported stone. The remarkable peculiarity of this particular stone has been known for two or three years, and throughout the length and breadth of Long Island it is referred to as "the miracle face." Standing near, as one would in reading an epitaph or inspecting the grain and polish of such a memorial shaft, the outlines of the face cannot be traced, but at a distance of from thirty-five to fifty feet it is as plain as though done with an artist's brush. The grouping of the spots, veins and waving lines combining to make not only a fair resemblance to a face, but a complete portrait, including hair, eyes, nose, cheeks, mouth, chin, etc. Its outlines are clearest, of course, when the shadows and light play properly upon it, but at the distance mentioned, and in the proper direction, the portrait is plainly visible at all times. The face is on the back of the stone, and the eyes are so set as to appear to be looking down upon the grave of the person to whose memory the shaft was erected.

### AN IMPORTANT OFFICE.

An Amusing Anecdote of the Edinburgh General Assembly.

Among the many anecdotes relating to the celebrated Dr. Chalmers, an amusing one was once told by a gentleman on his return from his first visit to Edinburgh.

He had heard a great deal about the wonderful oratorical powers possessed by some of the members of the general assembly, and, being anxious to hear and judge for himself, paid an early visit to it.

Next to him, relates the Youth's Companion, sat an elderly, hard-featured, solemn-faced man, who was leaning with both hands on a heavy stick, which he eyed with great concentration of gaze, scarcely lifting his eyes from his absorbed contemplation of it.

Soon the stranger's attention was riveted upon the speaker who had opened the day's discourse. The wonderful command of language which he possessed, combined with his eloquence of style and the peculiarity of his manner, excited the listener's curiosity to a great degree. "Can you tell me who is speaking now?" he asked, eagerly, turning to the sober-faced old man beside him.

"Who's speaking now?" echoed the old man, lifting his eyes from the contemplation of the stick to fix them in contemptuous amusement upon his interlocutor. "That, sir, is the great Docther Chawmers, and I'm holdin' his stick!"

### How Contagion is Carried.

A physician in a country village has lately given his medical brethren some additional instances of the ways in which contagions are spread that should make us all thoughtful. The only case of scarlet fever ever lost by this doctor was one in which the disease was communicated by a letter written by a mother (in whose family there were two cases of the fever) to a friend a hundred miles away. The envelope of the letter was given to a child as a plaything. Another severe case of the fever was contracted by a little girl from two playmates who had what the doctor called "scarlet rash," and still another was carried to a family by a carpenter, who had eight miles away, whose little children were ailing with scarlatina, a disease that "the attending physician informed the father was not nearly as catching as scarlet fever."

### Their Signatures.

In one of the fashionable "Kurorte" on the Rhine, reports a writer in the Beehive, he came across some queer entries in the visitors' book of the principal hotel. One of the Paris members of the Rothschild family had signed "R. de Paris." It so happened that Baron Oppenheim, the well-known Bohemian banker, was the next arrival, and immediately copied the above signature.

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