THE ROPE ROUTE.

Henry De Bosnys is Hung After a Remarkable Career in all Parts of the World.

Last week Henry De Bosnys was hanged at Elizabethtown, Essex County, for the murder of his wife, De Bosnys was a most extraordinary criminal. He was about 50 years of age, and, according to his own account, was born in Portugal. When he was very young his parents removed to France and he was educated at a Communal school, the seminary of St. Brieux. His education was thorough and extensive, and he could write and speak English, French, Italian, Spanish, Greek, and Portuguese, and could less perfectly speak and understand several other languages. While yet a mere lad he sailed with a north polar expedition under Leclaire, and was gone nearly two years, from February, 1848, to October, 1850. In 1854, with his father and brother, he volunteered for the Crimean war, and served in the French army in the Crimea for a couple of years. A few years of peace followed, in which De Bosnys completed his education, but on the breaking out of the war with Austria, in 1859, he joined MacMahon's army, in which he saw a few months' service, sailing in the Autumn to China with the French contingent. Returning to France he joined the French expedition to Mexico in 1861, and after a few months joined the Mexican side, becoming a Captain of guerrillas under Lopez. In this service he was severly wounded in an engagement. He came North, and, being cured of his wound, enlisted in the Fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers in 1863. He was wounded at the battle of Gettysburg and discharged from the army. Returning to France he was married, but after two months' matrimonial experience sailed on another arctic expedition. After an absence of two years he returned to this country, where he led a roving life until the outbreak of the Franco-German war. He entered the French Army, rising by successive promotions until he became a Colonel under Gen. Bourbaki. He served all through the war with varying fortunes, at its close escaping to Marseilles, whence he shipped for America.

On this side of the ocean his career was much less brilliant. He fell by degrees until he became a tramp, wandering about the country and doing odd jobs of work as a painter or farm laborer. Two years ago he appeared in the little village of Essex engaged as a farm hand. After a brief courtship he married Elizabeth Wells, a widow, much his senior in years, who owned a small property. On Aug. 1, 1882, Mr. and Mrs. De Bosnys were seen driving out of the village, and after a brief interval De Bosnys was seen continuing the journey alone. The woman not making her appearance, search was made, and it resulted in the finding of her mangled and lifeless body concealed under a mass of leaves and rubbish near the side of the road. De Bosnys was arrested on suspicion. At the trial in March he was ill, and had to be carried in and out of the courtroom. The evidence was so strong that the jury took only 10 minutes to agree on a verdict of guilty. He broke down when the sentence of death was pronounced, but soon recovered control of himself. He passed his time in jail making translations from Greek, in making drawings in which there were signs of artistic skill, and in original English compositions, including an autobiography and a poem to the memory of Gen. Custer with whose command he was when the General was killed. The night before his execution he sold his body for $10 with which he purchased a suit of clothes. De Bosnys slept soundly all night and awoke in a cheery humor. At 9 o'clock he inspected the gallows. On arriving at the steps the Sheriff offered to assist him in ascending, when the prisoner said, "I can go up quicker than you," and ran up the steps. He took the noose in his hand, and, after examining it, he expressed the opinion that it would not work well, and requested the Sheriff to soap the rope. Then, taking his position on the trap, he looked around him and said: "Is this where I stand? I hope my head won't strike that fence when I go down." On being asked how he felt, he replied with a laugh: "There are many men more sick today than I am." He returned to his cell, and to the priest who attended him he protested his innocence. The procession to the gallows formed at 11:15 o'clock. De Bosnys, before the black cap was drawn over his face, said: "Gentlemen, I thank you for your many acts of kindness. I am innocent of the crime for which the law has condemned me to death. If there was blood on my knife it was not my wife's blood. I die innocent." Under Sheriff Jenkins adjusted the noose and De Bosnys took his place on the trap. Ex Sheriff Olcott put on the black cap, and at 11:32 o'clock Sheriff Jenkins said: "May the Lord have mercy on your soul," and sprung the trap. De Bosnys' neck was broken by the fall. Life was extinct in 14 minutes, but the body was allowed to hang half an hour.

Some ladies look very cute in the new straw poke bonnet, while others look as if they were ashamed to have it on. About the best way to see the headgear in all its glory is in the milliner's window.

Moderation is the silken string running through the pearl chain of all virtues.

SLINGS AND ARROWS.

Michigan Prohibitionists cast about 15,000 votes at the last election.

Lumber dealers of New England propose to raise the price of lumber $1 per 1,000.

The Philadelphia beamers and twisters demamd an increase of $1 a week or strike.

The charter election at Albany, N. Y., resulted in a complete Democratic victory.

It is rumored in Havana that ex-Pres. Balz, of Santo Domingo, died at Porto Rico.

Ex-Senator Boutwell thinks the Presidential candidacy of Gen. Butler a n alarming possibility.

A. C. Remmell, Postmaster at Newport, Ark., and a prominent Republican leader is dead.

Booth's success in Vienna in "King Lear" has been so great that he has consented to a re-engagement.

A reception was given in Boston last night, in honor of Gen. Diaz. The Mayor made the presentation.

At Natick, Mass., the boot and shoe factory of Riley, Prebles & Co. was damged $100,000 by fire. Insured.

The New York State Convention of the National Greenback Labor party will be held at Rochester, Sept. 4th.

The Pennsylvania House passed a bill abolishing the contract system in prisons and reformatory institutions.

The anniversary of Lee's surrender was celebrated at Elmira, N. Y., by a camp fire of the Grand Army of the Republic.

The Queen is about well again and takes her accustomed daily drives. She is attended by a brother of the late John Brown.

Capt. A. C. Danville, a well-known steamboat man, fell from his horse in a fit of apoplexy at Morrow, O., and died immediately.

The Comptroller of the Currency has authorized the Cincinnati National Bank, Cincinnati, to begin business with a capital of $500,000

The importing firm of Ives, Beecher & Co., New York, has failed. Schedule liabilities, $556,000; nominal assets, $550,000; actual assets, $192,000.

Washington advices state that Presidential bureaus are in operation in behalf of Sens. Sherman, Pendleton, Hawley, Bayard, Logan, Windom and Gov. Foster.

A Louisville lottery project, in which the Willard Hotel is the principal prize, has collapsed. Of the $60,000 taken in for tickets, only about $16,000 remains for division among the purchasers.

F. D. Barnum, a prominent jeweler of Louisville, made an assignment transferring the stock of Capt Irwin Dugan for the benefit of the creditors. The liabilities are estimated at nearly $20,000.

Tennessee's act for the punishment of wife-beaters provides that the whipping post shall be erected in a public place, and that the number of lashes to be laid on shall be fixed by the jury before whom the offender shall be tried.

George Bain, of St. Louis, the proprietor of the Atlantic, the City and the Phœnix Mills, of that city, has failed. He tried to do too much, and overloaded himself. He says his assets are more than enough to cover his liabilities.

The Emperor of Austria is about to visit the King of Italy at Rome, and the latter will shortly visit the Emperor of Germany at Berlin. An alliance, offensive and defensive, has recently been agreed upon between these three Powers.

John P. Haley, foreman in the railroad machine shops at North Springfield, Mo., committed suicide by taking poison and then cutting his throat. He left a letter to his wife and family, who are visiting at Louisville. Cause, melancholy.

The Joint Legislative Committee recommends an appropriation of $1,831,190 for the support of the nine charitable institutions of Illinois for the ensuing two years. This is $160,000 less than asked for by the Superintendents of the institutions.

The saloonkeepers of St. Louis are taking steps to contest the high license dramshop law passed at the recent session of the Legislature. The law goes into effect in July, and it is agreed that a case will probably be made and taken directly to the Supreme Court.

At Hickory Bush, N. Y., Jacob Camp and a constable named Donovan engaged in a friendly sparring match with gloves. Donovan, getting in a heavy blow, angered Camp, who, seizing a stone, felled Donovan and beat in his skull. Camp is held for murder.

One of the mysterious disappearances that caused so much wonder in Milwaukee the latter part of 1882 has been explained by the finding of the body of Mrs. Mary A. Nelson in the river, weighted down with a heavy piece of iron, giving evidence that she had committed suicide.

Minister West has laid before Secretary Frelinghuysen a communication from the British Government to the effect that English agents or detectives have been sent to this country to watch the movements of Irish agitators and to discover, if possible, whatever shipments of explosive materials may be made from American ports for England. Secretary Frelinghuysen has assured Mr. West that this communication would be brought to the President and the Cabinet on Arthur's return from Florida.

SOLD HIS BODY.

A San Francisco Man Disposes of His Body to a Doctor to be Delivered after Death and Becomes a Victim.

The resources to which some men resort for the gain of ready cash is truly remarkable, but the last move of a miserable man in San Francisco, surpasses anything of the kind previously recorded. He made a bona fide contract with a doctor for his body which the M. D. was to receive at the victims death.

To be sure, he was extremely hard up when he did it, and could think of no other way of raising money that he needed to keep breath in the said body, but life has been rendered so irksome since that he is sorry he didn't quietly starve to death instead of attempting to continue an unprofitable existence at such a cost. He supposed when he signed the contract and accepted the money that he wouldn't be troubled by the doctor until he had shuffled off this mortal coil, when the mortgage could be forclosed without his knowing anything about it, but a different result has followed. While it cannot be asserted that the doctor has dogged his footsteps, the poor fellow says he is meeting him continually, and the man of pills always looks as though he owned him. Of course he does in one sense, but it isn't pleasant to have him show it so plainly.

It is decidedly unpleasant to have the doctor stop him and ask after his health. Occasionally he feels his pulse and makes him run out his tongue, and then he shakes his head gravely, though the unhappy man says he can perceive a gleam of satisfaction in the M. D.'s eyes when his symptoms are particularly unfavorable.

He was laid up several days with a severe cold, and when he got out again the first man he met was the doctor. "What!" he says, "alive yet!" and he gives him a glance of displeasure and stern reproach. He seemed to think that he hadn't been squarely dealt with—an unfare advantage had been taken of him in some manner. If the man whose skeleton he owned in perspective felt a proper desire to discharge his obligations he would have passed away when he had the opportunity. The doctor didn't speak to him for several days after that, though his looks expressed volumes.

Last winter when the pavements were icy the doctor took him severely to task for venturing out on the streets at all. "What would your skeleton be worth to me," said the doctor bitterly, "with the femoral bone or tibia fractured? Do you suppose I want your articulated anatomy hung up in my office with the lumbar vertebræ dislocated?" and then the doctor became so choked with passion that he could no longer articulate.

One night the miserable custodian of a skeleton that didn't belong to him attended a phrenological lecture, and when subjects were called for he mounted the stage and sat down in a chair preparatory to having his bumps felt of. As the professor was about to begin, the subject was paralyzed by a familiar voice in the audience forbidding the proceedings.

"I don,t want my skull manipulated"' said the voice; "let it alone."

"I aint touching your skull,'' said the professor.

"Yes you are; that's my skull you've got your hands on now, and I won't have it."

Then the doctor, for he it was, showed the astonished professor his contract and walked his man triumphantly away, amid the applause of the audience. He told the miserable victim of an unwise and unfortunate contract that he would attend to the business of examining his bumps himself when the proper time arrived. He wanted no ten cent lecturer monkeying with his subjects.

A spell ago this man received a note from the doctor. He said he had had a new and improved dissecting table made for his office, and he desired him to come up and try it on. He wanted to know if it would fit a man of his size before paying for it. If he could come Thursday afternoon, when he had his regular clinic for a small class of medical students he was lecturing it would be an accommodation. This cold blooded proposition made him so sick that he was very near being turned over to his medical creditor without further delay.

Now the unfortunate man wants to know if there is any way to get out of his contract. He had a sum of money left him recently through the death of a relative, and he has been trying to buy himself back, but the doctor won't listen to it. He has dwelt so long upon the idea of possessing his skeleton that he cannot give it up, and he is going to hold him to his bargain. He would run away, but says he is secretly watched and would be arrested for carrying off property that doesn't belong to him. If the strain continues much longer he will be reduced to a skeleton, and there will be little work left for the doctor's scalpel.

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