ause all it said wuz: "Hoopin' Cough—e Whoopin' Cough"—and, uv course, ere warn't no Whoopin' Cough to see, in' as how the W hadn't come yet!

Oncet when Hiram wanted to dreen the me pasture he went to the cyclopeedy to d out about it, but all he diskivered wuz: Drain—See Tile." This was in 1859 and e cyclopeedy had suly got down to G.

The cow wuz sick with lung fever one spell and Leander laid her dyin' to that cussed cyclopeedy, cause when he went to readin' 'bout cows it told him to "See Zoo[illegible]

at's the use uv harrowin' up one's , talkin' 'nd thinkin' about these gs! Leander got so after awhile that the cyclopeedy didn't worry him at all; he grew to look at it er one uv the crosses that human critters has to bear without complainin' through this vale uv tears. The only thing that bothered him wuz the fear that mebbe he wouldn't live to see the last volyume—to tell the truth, this kind uv got to be his hobby and I've heern him talk 'bout it many a time settin' round the stove at the tarvern 'nd squirtin' tobacco juice at the sawdust box. His wife, Hattie, passed away with the yaller janders the winter W come, and all that seemed to reconcile Leander to survivin' her wuz the prospect uv seein' the last volyume uv that cyclopeedy. Lemuel Higgins, the book agent, had gone to his everlastin' punishment, but his son, Hiram, had succeeded to his father's business 'nd continued to visit his folks his old man had roped in. By this time Leander's children had growed up; all on 'em wuz marr'd, and there wuz numeris grandchildren to amuse the ol' gentleman. But Leander wuzn't to be satisfied with the common things uv airth; he didn't seem to take no pleasure in his grandchildren like most men do; his mind wuz allers set on somethin' else—for hours 'nd hours, yes, all day long, he'd set out on the front stoop lookin' wistfully up the road for that book agent to come along with a cyclopeedy. He didn't want to die till he'd got all the cyclopeedies his contract called for; he wanted to have every thing straightened out before he passed away.

When—oh, how well I recollect it—when Y come along he wuz so overcome that he fell over in a fit uv paralysis, 'nd the old gentleman never got over it. For the next three years he drooped 'nd pined, and seemed like he couldn't hold out much longer. Finally he had to take to his bed—he wuz so old 'nd feeble—but he made 'em move the bed up against the winder so he could watch for that last volyume of the cyclopeedy.

The end come one balmy day in the spring uv '87. His life wuz a-ebbin' powerful fast; the minister wuz there, 'nd me, 'nd Dock Wilson, 'nd Jedge Baker, 'nd most uv the fam'ly. Lovin' hands smoothed the wrinkled forehead 'nd breshed back the long, scant, white hair, but the eyes of the dyin' man wuz sot upon that piece uv road down which the cyclopeedy man allus come.

All at oncet a bright 'nd joyful look come into them eyes 'nd ol' Leander riz up in bed 'nd sez: "It's come."

"What is it, father?" asked his daughter Sarey, sobbin' like.

"Hush," sez the minister, solemnly; "he sees the shinin' gates uv the Noo Jerusalem."

"No, no," cried the aged man, "it is the cyclopeedy—the letter Z—it's comin'!"

And sure enough! The door opened and in walked Higgins—he tottered rather than walked, f'r he had growed old 'nd feeble in his wicked perfession.

"Here's the Z cyclopeedy, Mr. Hobart," says Higgins.

Leander clutched it; he hugged it to his pantin' bosom; then stealin' one pale hand under the piller he drew out a faded bank note 'nd gave it to Higgins.

"I thank Thee for this boon," sez Leander, rollin' his eyes up devoutly; then he gave a deep sigh.

"Hold on," cried Higgins, excitedly. "You've made a mistake—it isn't the last—"

But Leander didn't hear him—his soul hed fled from its mortal tenement 'nd hed soared rejoicin' to realms uv everlastin' bliss.

"He is no more," sez Dock Wilson, metaphorically.

"Then who are his heirs?" asked that mean critter Higgins.

"We be," sez the family.

"Do you conjointly and severally acknowledge and assume the obligation of deceased to me?" he asked 'em.

"What obligation?" asked Peasley Hobart, stern like.

"Deceased died owin' me f'r a cyclopeedy!" sez Higgins.

"That's a lie!" sez Peasley. "We all seen him pay you for the Z!"

"But there's another one to come," sez Higgins.

"Another!" they all asked.

"Yes, the index!" sez he.

So there wuz, and I'll be eternally goll durned if he ain't a-suin' the estate in the probate court now f'r the price uv it!—Chicago News.

OLD-TIME GAMBLING.

Some of the Card Parties That Were Wont to Assemble in Washington.

In the old, old times, says the Minneapolis Tribune, every body prominent in public life was fond of cards. Washington was flooded in those days with gamblers of the professional sort. There were a dozen faro banks on the avenue within sight of Gadsby's, on the corner of Sixth street. Members of Congress unhesitatingly entered these places. Sergeant S. S. Prentiss was said to have lost $30,000 in his first term in Congress.

It was in one of these places that Henry Clay won from Count Brodisco the corner lot up near Lafayette square, which he afterward traded for an Andalusian jackass. Fox, the British Minister; General Scott, Secretary Marcy and a score of famous men played poker in those times.

President Tyler was fond of "loo," and often made up a game at the White House and played all day. The stakes were never large, but Mr. Tyler was just as happy as if he won his thousands. At one time General Scott, Henry Clay, Mr. Fox and Count Brodisco entered into compact to play whist once a week all winter, and the stake every night was $100.

They played a matched game. Scott and the old Russian against Clay and the Englishman. They were evenly matched, but Clay and Fox came out ten games ahead. Scott's loss was said to be as much as $1,200 in this little social amusement. Old Thad. Stevens in later days was a famous man at cards. He didn't hesitate to go into the worst gambling resorts to get his sport. He played with frigid quiet and coolness, and in the course of his play kept up a constant fire of brilliant conversation. Probably there are not twenty-five men now in Congress who are at all given to card-playing.

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