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[From the La Crosse Democrat.] A Most Strange Chapter. A correspondent writes us from Waterloo, Iowa, asking if we know of one Edgar Burnham, and of his history.

We do. And as it is a strange, true one, known to hundreds, we give it in the Democrat as it is, that we may correct some errors, those who speak of him have fallen into.

Eight years since, when we were engaged as city editor of a Milwaukee paper, there lived in this State an editor named Powell, now connected with a Chicago paper, we think. He is, unless he has quit it lately.

In 1862 Powell was married to a Miss Ellen Burnham, of Broadhead, Wisconsin, after a courtship of some months. Miss Burnham's parents were old residents of Broadhead, and of high respectability.

The daughter taught music, had a large number of pupils, and was very attractive. Powell lived with her as a husband two years, she being all that time a good wife in all respects, presenting him with but one child.

At the expiration of two years, when about twenty-one years of age, Mrs. Powell's voice changed, she grew light whiskers, and gradually changed her sex, developing into a man, in all respects, as if nature, anxious for a freak, had turned a portion of herself wrongside out.

The husband and wife separated when the wife became a man, and Mrs. Ellen Powell took the name of Edgar Burnham, donned male attire, sought and obtained employment as a clerk in Chicago, and lived a single young man for one year.

During this time he fell in love with a niece of Senator Morgan, of New York, but did not marry her, for reasons not pertinent to this article. But about the end of the year he did marry a young lady of Broadhead, Wis., a Miss Gerta Everett, who was a music pupil of his when he was Miss Ellen Burnham, over three years, previous to this marriage. This second marriage was about two years ago. Soon after this marriage "Edgar" Burnham and wife removed to Waterloo, Iowa, where they now reside, or did not long since.

The former girl is now a man, the former wife is now a husband, the former mother is now a father, the former young lady teacher of a young lady is now that young lady's husband! Truth is indeed stranger than fiction, and the above simple statement of facts borders so upon the marvellous we could not believe it did we not personally know nearly all the parties.

Any one can be convinced, by writing to the parties in either of the places we have named, of the full and entire truth of this most wonderful transformation, which puzzles not only the medical but the entire scientific world, and which facts now appear for the first time in print, though the particulars have long been known to us and to many other newspaper men and prominent citizens in this State, and to nearly all the citizens of Broadhead, where the parties so long resided.

A Very "Venerable Man." There is now living in a cabin standing on a narrow alley, in a poor quarter of Detroit, a man who has celebrated his one hundred and thirteenth birthday. "Old Father Robinson" was born on the plantation of Colonel Du Chielie, of Eastern Maryland, in 1753. The Colonel served in the revolutionary army; Robinson accompanied him as body servant, losing a forefinger and receiving a sabre-cut on the head. He was present at the surrender of Cornwallis. He also led the luck to be in the battle of New Orleans in 1815. Until a fortnight ago he kept his memory, and told his stories of the wars to many of the rich ladies of Detroit. Robinson was manumitted nearly forty years ago. Very recently his eyesight and hearing have begun to fail. He himself says, "The clock is almost run down."

Negro Testimony in Kentucky. LOUISVILLE, Jan. 11. A legislative caucus in this State has resolved that no petitions asking for political privileges to negroes would be entertained, and that no alteration in reference to the existing law relating to negro testimony should be made.

Suicide of a Young Lady.

New York, Jan. 11. Mention was made yesterday of the suicide of Miss Catharine Gibbons, by hanging herself, at her late residence, No. 157 West Twentieth street. It appears that the deceased was a native of this city, about twenty-three years of age, and lived with her aged mother at the above number. The family is highly respectable and quite wealthy. The deceased was a very well educated and accomplished young lady of prepossessing appearance and fine talents. For some months past she had become an enthusiast on matters of religion to such an extent that from her eccentric ideas and actions it was supposed her mind had become deranged.

A physician was called in and confirmed the fears of her aged mother, and directed that the movements of the young lady should be closely watched, and that she should not be left alone. On Wednesday when she retired to rest, she appeared to be in her usual health and spirits, and about seven o'clock on Thursday morning she was found hanging by her neck to the banisters of the staircase opposite her bedroom. She had been dead for some hours, and it is supposed that while laboring under unusual excitement she stole out of her room, and securing a cloth about her throat fastened the other end to the banisters, and then swung herself over the banisters. The grief of her aged mother at the dreadful death of her only child may be readily imagined.

A National Democratic Organization in the South. A number of the Mississippi papers are strongly in favor of the organization of a national democratic party in that State and throughout the proscribed States. It is proposed by the Vicksburg Times, Jackson Clarion and other Conservative papers to form democratic organizations composed of all the elements of opposition to Radicalism, where they have been destroyed or suspended in the proscribed States. Arkansas has already moved in that direction, and will hold her first regular democratic State convention since the close of the war in Little Rock on the 27th inst.

Burnt to Death. A colored girl named Catherine, a servant of Mr. B. F. Moise, was accidentally burned to death, on Saturday, at his residence in Bull street, near Pitt. She was employed as a child's nurse, and had just placed the infant on his bed and moved to the fire, when her apron caught and was soon in a blaze. Her screams soon brought Mr. DeLeon from a lower room, and he succeeded in throwing his coat and a blanket upon her and thus smothering the flames, but she had inhaled the fire, and notwithstanding every resource that medical assistance could supply was tried, death soon ensued. --Chas. News.

Personal. We learn that James Gordon Bennett, Jr. Esq., quondam the managing editor of the New York Herald, and the son of the gentleman who owns that establishment, proposes to commence planting on one of the Islands in the vicinity of this city, in conjunction with three or four other capitalists, this year. Mr. Bennett or any other Northern gentleman who comes here to aid in the material reconstruction of our State, will be most heartily welcomed. --Chas. Courier.

A German Settlement near Columbia. A colony of Germans, numbering about one hundred, have settled on the Middleton place, in Richland District, between Wateree River and Colonel's Creek, and about twenty-four miles from Columbia. They have gone to work with a vim --breaking up the ground, erecting substantial dwellings, besides various outhouses, etc. The settlement or village, we learn, is to be called Germantown. --Charleston News.

The Eight-Hour Bill. The following is the "eight-hour" bill passed by the House of Representatives last week: Be it enacted, That eight hours shall constitute a day's work for all laborers, workmen and mechanics now employed, or who may be hereafter employed, by or on behalf of the Government of the United States; and that all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act be, and the same are hereby, repealed.

Whiskey. --The President on Saturday signed Mr. Schenck's whiskey bill, and it is now a law. A telegram from New York to this city states that the price of fraud whiskey decreased Saturday fifty-five cents per gallon, and that whiskey could be had at one dollar and twenty cents a gallon, including certificate of payment of tax. --Washington letter in the Baltimore Sun.

Aged Couples. --In November last two couples obtained marriage licenses in this county, the aggregate ages of the parties being two hundred and ninety-four years. They were all black. --Alexandria (Va.) Gazette, Jan. 10.

More Emigrants. --Another party of Scotch immigrants arrived here yesterday. They can be seen at the office of the Virginia Immigration Society. --Lynchburg Virginian.

Rev. Henry W. Beecher now preachers in a pulpit made from wood brought from the Mount of Olives, in the Holy Land. A man in Lexington, Va., has just married his twelfth wife. Horrible!

Lord Brougham.

Let every man pass an evening in vacant idleness, or even in reading some silly tale, and compare the state of his mind when he goes to sleep or gets up next morning with its state some other day when he has spent a few hours in going through the proofs, by fact and reasoning, of some great doctrine in natural science, learning truths wholly new to him, and satisfying himself, by careful examination, of the grounds on which known truths rest, so as to be not only acquainted with the doctrines themselves, but able to show why he believes them, and to prove before others that they are true, will find as great a difference as can exist in the same being --the difference between looking back upon time as a waste, and time spent in self-improvement. The latter, in one case, listless and dissatisfied --in the other, comfortable and happy; in one case, if he did not appear to himself humble, at least he will not have earned any claim to his own respect; in the other case, he will have the proud consciousness of having, by his own exertions, become a wiser, and therefore a more exalted nature. --Lord Brougham.

An Affectionate Son. Old Billy Taylor, whose good stories and witty sayings will long be remembered by his acquaintances, used to relate the following: When I was young and just admitted to the bar, I was appointed by the court to defend a man who had been indicted for the murder of his mother. Determined to make out the matter as much of a reputation for myself as the case would admit of, I took the accused aside and told him it was necessary for me, as his counsel, to know the whole truth in regard to the charge against him. After assuring him that what he might say to me could not be used against him, I put the plain question: "Did you kill your mother?" "Yes," was the reply. "What did you do it for?" "Because," said he, "she was not worth wintering."

The New York Times of Saturday says: "On one night this week three newly-born infants were picked up by the police in the streets of this city, where they had been abandoned by their mothers. On one night last week three were in like manner picked up; and other cases have occurred with unusual frequency since the cold weather began. Such occurrences are proof of the extreme hardness of the times among the very poor, and should stimulate our citizens rather to search out and alleviate cases of distress than to indulge in severe language against the wretched sufferers."

A lady who had two children sick with measles wrote to a friend for the best remedy. The friend had just received a note from another lady, inquiring the way to pickle cucumbers. In the confusion the lady who inquired about the pickles received the remedy for the measles, and the anxious mother of the sick children with horror read the following: "Scald them three or four times in hot vinegar, and sprinkle them with salt, and in a very few days they will be cured."