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There is an old saying that "Doctors will differ." This may as truly, or more truly, be said about judges.

Last week we mentioned that Judge Cook, at Durham superior court, had decided that the "anti-jug" section of chapter 349 of the Laws of 1903 applied to only the four counties named in that law.

This incident suggests the fact that the Supreme Court judges themselves frequently are divided in opinion on many points of law.

When a great case or an important point of law is decided by so nearly even a court the decision does not have the same respect from the public as it would have had if the decision had been rendered by a unanimous vote of the judges.

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Washington Letter.

The Democrats still hold the floor in the Senate. Day by day, more and more firmly they fasten upon the President the scandal of the isthmus—the responsibility for the rape of Colombia of her richest and fairest state.

During the last week Senators Teiler and Patterson of Colorado have made speeches against the plunder of the Isthmus which will be regarded by the historian as the classics of this controversy.

After tossing this sort of flattery about promiscuously on Tuesday Mr. Patterson replied in kind, saying: "In all this Senate, in all this magnificent country, I do not know the equal of the eloquent Senator from Wisconsin—here Senator Spooner bowed low and blushed."

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Town Entirely Burned.

Aalesund, Norway, Jan. 24.—The fire that swept over this town yesterday destroyed every building in it with the exception of the hospital. The 11,000 inhabitants of Aalesund were compelled to camp in the open, as only a few damaged and uninhabitable houses were left standing.

Eye witnesses of the conflagration of yesterday relate the terrible sufferings of the refugees who fled in terror to Syllevik, the nearest town, which is six miles away.

Terrible Tornado in Alabama.

Tuscaloosa, Ala., Jan. 22.—The most disastrous cyclone that ever swept over this section visited Monday, Ala., a town of 300 inhabitants, fifteen miles south of Tuscaloosa this morning at one o'clock, and as a result thirty-seven persons were killed and more than one hundred injured.

The cyclone struck the town the southwest, dealing death and destruction as it made its path a quarter of a mile wide through the town.

By the force of the storm persons were blown hundreds of feet from their beds into the blackness of the night. Through terror a father, mother and three children fled from their home to seek refuge and in their excitement left a five-year-old boy in bed.

Fright cars were torn to splinters, the trucks from them being hurled hundreds of feet from the tracks. Bales cotton, which were stored in warehouses, were torn to atoms, the fragments of huto together with the debris lodging in trees, making it appear as if that section had been visited by a snow storm.

A young clerk employed by W. P. Pfifer, hearing the terrible roaring of the approaching cyclone, let himself down into a well in the centre of the store. He had no sooner found his place of safety when the store was completely demolished.

Liquor Given to Boys.

Spencer, Jan. 22.—Two young boys, sons of Capt. W. B. Thaxton and Mr. J. H. Van Miller, of Spencer, were found between the latter place and Salisbury yesterday in a semi-conscious condition.

No Financial Legislation.

Washington, Jan. 23.—It has been determined practically definitely that no financial legislation will be enacted at the present session of Congress.

Terrible Mine Explosion.

Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 25.—From all that can be gathered at this hour, between 180 and 190 men are lying dead in the headings and passageways of the Harwick mine of the Allegheny Coal Company, at Cheswick, the result of a terrific explosion today.

The explosion occurred at 8:20 this morning and the first warning was the sudden rumble under the ground, and then a sheet of flame followed up the deep shaft.

Eight Sailors Drowned. New York, Jan. 23.—Eight lives were lost in the wreck today off Quogue, Long Island, of the master schooner Augustus Hunt, coal laden, from Boston to Norfolk, Va.

A Dream Comes True.

Mr. P. N. Stainback, who has a daughter at the Oxford Seminary, had a startling dream Sunday night, which was fulfilled to the letter. He retired after reading about some of the big fires of the country and their inspections of churches and other buildings.

Kansas Senator Indicted.

St. Louis, Jan. 23.—The Federal grand jury has returned an indictment against Joseph Ralph Burton, United States Senator from Kansas, charging him on nine counts, with accepting five checks of \$500, each from the Rio-Grande & Securities Company, between November 22, 1902, and March 26, 1903, for his alleged services in interceding with the Postmaster General, chief postoffice inspector and other high officials, to induce them to render a favorable decision in matters affecting the permission of the Rio-Grande Company to use the mails.

A Lady Sheriff.

Mr. P. G. Moore, chairman of the County Board of Education of Caldwell county, who was in the city yesterday on business spoke in high terms of Miss Estes, the daughter of the late Sheriff M. E. Estes, of Caldwell county.

Contraband Partridges Confiscated.

Last night Warden Weatherly made a seizure of two hundred and sixty partridges which were being shipped to Washington. In this case the birds were most ingeniously hidden away, they having been packed in a trunk and the trunk checked as baggage.

No White Men Allowed.

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