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### Pressed to Death.

In early times it was considered that criminals accused of felony could not be properly tried unless they consented to the trial by pleading and putting themselves on the country. After reading the indictment to him the question was put: "How say you—are you guilty or not guilty?" If he said "Not guilty," the next question was, "Culprit, how will you be tried?" To which the prisoner had to answer: "By God and my country." If he willfully omitted either portion of that answer he was said to stand mute, and a jury was sworn to say whether he stood mute of malice or mute by the visitation of God. If they found him mute of malice, that was equivalent to pleading guilty in cases of treason or misdemeanor; but in cases of felony he was condemned, after much exhortation, to the *paine forte et dure*—that is, to be stretched naked on his back, and to have iron laid upon him, as much as he could bear, and more, and so to continue, fed upon bad bread and stagnant water on alternate days, 'till he either pleaded or died. This strange rule was not abolished until 1772, when standing mute in cases of felony was made equivalent to a conviction. A case actually occurred as late as 1726, when one Burnwater, accused at Kingston Assizes of murder, refused to plead, and was pressed for an hour and three-quarters, with nearly 400 weight of iron, after which he pleaded not guilty, and was convicted and hanged. In 1658 a Major Straneways was pressed to death. The object of refusing to plead was that, as in that case there was no conviction, no forfeiture took place, and the property of the accused person was thus preserved for his heir.

Most judges do not know what they can do with a case until they try it.

### WATCHING FOR SANTA CLAUS

IN A WELL.—About 2 o'clock Christmas morning, a colored man, named Bob Terry passing by a well in the old Livery Stable lot, fell in. The well is about forty feet deep. Bob found by actual measurement that the water reached his shoulders. He says that he slept very well, but was rather cold when he awoke. He remained there quietly until the next morning after two or three buckets of water had been drawn from the well, afraid to say anything to the one drawing, lest he should be killed by the bucket being turned loose. . . . A few nights before Christmas some villians went to the house of Mr. Sam Mason, near Pope's Chapel, and broke into a house containing some corn. The family consists of Mr. Mason who is old, deaf and almost helpless, and his daughter Miss Sallie Mason. Just as the rascals had filled two sacks, Miss Mason heard them and went out and they ran off leaving the corn. She carried the corn into the dwelling and emptied it out of the sacks. Then hearing a noise she took a light went to the door and looked out. One of the rascals caught her by the throat, dragged her out of the house, choked her, and threatened to kill her if she did not keep quiet. The other one entered the house, refilled the sacks with corn and went off.—Franklinton Weekly.

Says the Wilmington Star: An effort will be made to secure the passage of a bill during the present session of Congress to erect a public building here, to cost \$200,000, for use as a post office, United States court room, etc. Fayetteville is moving for one, to cost \$75,000.

RICHMOND, VA., Jan. 4.—Geo. H. Swann was to-night nominated by the Democrats for Judge of Botetourt county.

### DRIED FRUIT REPORT.

Cherries, pitted,	17
Damson, Plums,	10
Whortleberries,	10
Blackberries,	8
Apples, quartered,	4 to 5
Apples, sliced, common,	3 to 5
Apples, sliced, bright,	4 to 7
Apples, sliced, fancy,	to 8
Peaches, dark, peeled,	4 to 8
Peaches, bright, peeled,	8 to 10
Peaches, fancy, peeled,	10 to 12
Peaches, quarter, unpeeled,	5
Peaches, halves, unpeeled,	4

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