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THE JURY TO TRY McDOW.

Fourteen Negroes Found in a Panel of Thirty-Six Men.

CHARLESTON, S. C., May 29.—The jury to try T. B. McDow for the murder of F. W. Dawson, editor of the News and Courier, in March last, was drawn to-day.

The average proportion of negroes on juries since 1876 has been from four to six in each panel.

The presence of such an unusual number of negroes in the jury to try the case looks to Dawson's friends like an organized effort to acquit McDow.

Epoch. The transition from long, lingering and painful sickness to robust health marks an epoch in the life of the individual.

Five Men Crushed to Death. DANVILLE, VA., May 30.—An awful casualty occurred here to-day.

Death of a Promising Young Man. Mr. Willie M. Wall, son of Mr. S. G. Wall, died in Lileville Monday morning of measles, aged 19 years.

Met the Sheriff with a Gun. FREDERICKSBURG, Va., May 29.—Sheriff McDaniel, of King George county, went to serve a notice on a negro squatter named Peyton yesterday evening to vacate a dwelling which he was unlawfully occupying.

Invited Him In. "Hear me one moment, madam!" said the peddler at the front door.

The Southern Question. The Southern question is meat and bread.—Wilmington Star.

A Bug from Huntersville. Mr. J. Sossamon, of Huntersville, to-day mailed the News a sample of the kind of bed bugs they have to the fight against up there.

Arthur Middleton's Descendants.

On the banks of the Ashley river, near Charleston, stands Middleton place, the old home of Arthur Middleton, a signer of the Declaration of Independence.

"Now confess," said the inflated functionary, "you haven't seen anything like this before."

"I did not answer you," replied the Southern gentleman, "because I was unwilling to hurt your feelings; but I have in my garden at home and growing out of doors, a camellia thirty feet high, that has 6,000 blossoms."

Too Previous. Ever since Harrison's election Col. Hank Taylor, of this town, has been sweating the color off his blue suspenders in running after office.

A Suggestion. We have nothing in particular against the government, neither do we wish Indian Agent Babcock any harm.

A Freak of Nature. Mr. Bill Allen Fry tells us that there was hatched at his house recently a goslin with four legs and six wings, all well developed.

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Practical Arithmetic.

Reduce 7 Jacks to gills. How many degrees in a college? How many sins make one scruple?

Reduce 3 gallons of whiskey to drunks. How many seconds are there in a duel?

How many barrels in a political campaign? Add one oyster to each plate of soup in a church festival, and determine the rise in price per plate.

A Maine grocer bought ten barrels of cider at \$2 per barrel. How many of his friends were afflicted with chronic vertigo before the cider gave out?

If a man spends three quarters of an hour trying to unlock the front door with a button-hook, how much did he spend at the club during the evening?

A man puts \$5,000 in the hands of a Wall street broker, with instructions to invest the same in wheat. How much did he lose by the transaction? Answer—\$5,000.

A man fails in business for \$20,000. His creditors levy upon his assets and obtain \$7,000 in settlement of their claims. How much does his wife make by the transaction? Answer—\$13,000.

A and B play a game of poker. At the start A has \$300. After playing two hours A discovers that B is an army officer. He therefore quits the game. How much does he have left? Answer—Nothing.

If an A. D. T. boy goes on an errand at the rate of one mile in 48 hours, and another at the rate of one mile in 36 hours, which will come out ahead in pennies? What chance has the man who employed them of remembering what the message was about when he gets the answer?

Their Business Booming. Probably no one thing has caused such a general revival of trade at Dr. W. M. Fowlkes & Co.'s Drug Store as their giving away to their customers of so many free trial bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption.

Run Over by the Train. The north bound passenger train on the C. F. & Y. V. railroad ran in to a crazy woman between Hasty and John's Station yesterday, carrying her about 40 yards before the train could be brought to a standstill.

A Sop for the Territories. Senator Quay last fall taught the unsophisticated something about the best way to buy voters by the wholesale.

One of the important minerals in these Territories is lead, on which there is a duty of 2 cents per pound.

Unless the Secretary makes a decision in favor of enforcing such a duty, says the Press, the Republican party will be beaten next fall in more than one of the new States, and the defeat will be directly traceable to the short-sightedness of the Treasury Department.

Wedded by a Trick.

A San Francisco dispatch says: A young English blood of the city has for a year past been madly enamored of a young lady of prominent family, who, after attending a San Francisco school, was sent to a leading educational institution in Los Angeles.

Last Wednesday the young lady accompanied by her ardent friend and several intimates, visited the Baldwin Theatre, after which supper followed.

She at once told her family about the affair. Prominent attorneys were consulted, dozens of telegrams and pages of correspondence were interchanged, with the result that an opinion was rendered that it would take a judicial decree to sever the bonds.

The other day a couple of little girls came to a physician's office to be vaccinated. One of them undertook to speak for the other, and explained: "Doctor, this is my sister. She is too young to know her left arm from her right, so mamma washed both of them."

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JUNE JOKES.

"Is your wife a brunette, Tom?" "No, sah, she is a perfect lady, sah."

The office-seeker has been weighed in the balance and found wanting—anything he can get.

It is not putting things in the right place that bothers a man so much as finding the right place after he has put things in it.

"What a persistent woman hater Evergreen is!" "I didn't know that he was." "Why, he has been married four times."

Brown—I understand you told Wells that I am a regular chump. Jones—Nothing of the kind, sir. I'm not going round telling the public what I think.

A Kansas paper is not certain about it, but is of the opinion that the Pekin (China) Gazette has come to stay. It has just celebrated its one thousandth birthday.

A young American girl worth \$6,000,000, has entered a convent.—Why a girl, able to purchase her own toul and support a husband, should renounce the gay world is something that we can't understand.

Jolly Bachelor Friend—So, Fred, you're married; and, excuse me, to that determined friend of ours who was Miss Wilbur? And you have a temper yourself. Tell me, do you agree? The Bridegroom (meekly) —O, yes; I agree.

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