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He'd go on that way for half an our, and then, as no one paid any transfer to him, he'd go over to Mar-la? atom and say to the proprieter. "Jill, yo' heep gumpowier, don's

attention to him, he'd go over to Marshall's steer and say to the proprietor:

"Jim, yo' beep guspowder, don't yo'!"

"Got it in large, sh?"

"Say, Jim, I've got mo' nerve than any man far 40 miles around, and I want to prove it. Jest lend me a leg of powder far a few minits, will yo'?"

"And Marshal weald hand him out a 30-pound key of rife powder, and Samwould take it out in the public square and sit down on it and sheet:

"Whoop? whoopse I Some folks say as flam Bings ar' a brag, but sich ones never met up with him? "He'r got never met up with him it is no rounded. At first people used to draw away in facr, and the town. Goostable talked of arresting Sam, but by and by his actions arcited little or no communit. Even when he got so that be knocked the fire out of his pipe on the bead of the key nobody medded with him. He played that powder key butiness over 20 times before anything happened. Then he came to town one day with Sears is his upes. Someone had said that the key contained only sand. He got it out on the square in the assaal spot, and after wiping away the falling bears, he began:

"Whoopes and a hoot? Sartin critter hev his telling around that I'm efficiency on a key of sand, and that my talk is all blow and brag. I'm yere to-day to prove that them critters is liam and Janlous of Sam Bings. I take this yere loose powder and scatter is over the head of the key—so. Then I take my pipe and knocks the fire out—en. Then I—"

Then there was a noise like the exponent of a monster cannon, a great

merhod: re ole Sam ! He was either re ole Sam ! He was either n of nerve or a dratted idiot, and which and t'other which it was !

When the negro drayman, who was a young man about 20 yours of age, hed landed my trunk at the depot and received his "two bits" therefor, he waited around as if there was something elso, and presently I inquired if there was snything wrong.

"No, sah, hous; chating all right bout, yo'r trunk," he repited. "Does yo' me dat black woman up dar on de bar 1?"

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"Rew can you?"

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We went around behind the cotton ales and held a five-minute conversation, and then he walked up to the woman and pulled off his cap and said. "Good mawnio," Missus Thompson, need mawis, I hope I see ye'well." "Tet, sah, I'se well," abe repited.
"Dat's hewitiful. While sumbody yas tellio me dat yo'r husband wasn't me accupathus as used a be dan was, de diligence of de contagnation, added to de disaffected distillity of de continuity, can't skeasly verbalance de colpability of Missus thompson, an'if de hombasticasten of the configuration should uper de continuous pronosticashus I shall be appy to pervariente de guyasticutus o be best of my ability."

And all that woman could my as she shed at him, with wide open syes

et a blie to est. "I den't skampy think you kin," he plied as he looked me over.

me the years ?" I select.

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Then it's a case of her?"
In, no. Thur won't be no goin' to boot it. He, neither one of an 'to go to lew."

For will it he decided?"

Fall he was in a herry yesterday him't her no gun along, but he's o' back to-day to hey is out with That's why the ele woman has newly. If he kin shoot he outer having his claims is good; if he than I'th goin' to bury him whar'

"Wall, strenger, yer kin bey a bite | DR. TANKER BURNED TO DEATH.

"Yes, he cam; but he was a poo abot. That's whar I planted him; of that on the hill. Git down, stranger git down and how a enack with us and feel yourself to home!"

The Baranger at Rad Creek.

One day a stranger rode into Bad Creek on a broncho and diamounted in front of the Black Eagle saloon, where there was a crowd of mes, and saked for the City Marshal. Joe Haynes had just been appointed to that office, and a law had been been passed against promiseuous shoeting.

"What about this new law?" asked the man, as he confronted Joe.

"It's agin shootin," and has got to be obeyed," was the reply.

"Ar' you the critter as will see it obeyed," was the reply.

"The same."

"It con't believe you are hefty 'nuff!"

"The stranger pulled his gun and began shooting in the air, and Joe pulled his gun and commanded bim to stop, At that they turned loose on each other, and the shooting was declared the quickest and the straightest of any over seen in the West. It was hang I bang I bang I and then both were down and hadn't 10 minutes live. They were lifted up and haid almost side by side, and Tum looked at the stranger for a long minute with a punaled expression on his face and then said;

"Stranger, we're going over the divide in company. What name shall I call you by !"

"Bill Haynes," was the reply.

"I had a brother Bill once, but he was hilled at Cheyenne."

"That was a mistake, Tom, I am your brother Bill. I knowed you as soon as you drawed your gan, but it was too late, Tom, I'm.—"

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"Lemme take his hand," said Tomto the men about him, and, when he had been moved nearer and Bill's hand lat? in his, he preased it and whispered;
"Billy, old boy, if I'd only known who ye was!"
"It's all right, Tom," was the reply. "I heard about the law and the new City Marshal, and I wasted to try his nerve. Has it come night, so quick?"
"Aye! it's night. Hev I got your hand, Billy? That's it—hold to me tight, and we'll walk together, I'm sorry, boy, but—"
And both were dead, with hands chasped and the murderous pistois lying around them, and when the crowd broke up, each man went away on tiptoe, as if fearful that his steps might arouse a sleep which could never be broken untal the trumpet's call.

Is Dr. Aifred Booth's Reminiscences of Springfield, Mass., occurs the following account of Dencon Hitchcock: Born 1723, in the North Main street lowing account of Descon Hitchcook:
Born 1722, in the North Main street region, he removed while a young man into the east part of the town, now known as South Wilbraham, married in 1748, and was the first deacon of the church there, continuing in office many years. During a long life he was of wonderful strength, agility, and endurrance, and had he lived in the palmy days of Greece, he would have been a worthy competitor in the games of those days. It is related of him that on one occasion, a man riding by the field where he was at work, and boasting of the speed of his horse, was challenged by the deacon, who said he could run from Springdeld quicker on foot than the horse with his rider could. It resulted in the trimph of the deacon, distance ten usiles, time not stated. He would lift a cartload of hay by getting his shoulders under the axie, in a stooping postere, and throw an empty cart over with one hand by taking hold at the end of the axie-tree. When loading grain in a cart, he would take a bag by the teeth, and with a swing and the aid of a push from the knee, throw into the cart.

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The day he was 70 years old, he remarked to his wife that when they were first married he was wont to amuse her by taking down his hat with his toes, and added, "I wonder if I could do it now!" Thersupon he jumped from the floor, took off his hat with his toes, eams down on his feet lite a cat, hung up the hat on the nait, turned to the table, asked a blessing, and also of the repost then ready.

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The Man Who Ends Pame by Fastle Forty Days Loses Him Life by Fire. Everybody remembers the famous feating man, Dr. Thouser, who some years age west without food for forty days and nights. He lost his life at Akron, O., in a burning building Friday Oct. 26. The New York Zimes gives the following interesting account wing interesting account

of his great fast:

Dr. Tanner was a temperance lecturer in Minnespolia, Minn., at one time, but he gained such notoriety as he had by fasting for forty days in this city in the summer of 1880. When Dr. W. H. Hammond offered Miss Mullie Fancher SI,000 if she would fast thirty days under watchers that he would select and she refused, Dr. Tanner who said he had once fasted for forty-two days, wrote to the New York Tanner and offered to do what Miss Fancher had decitoed. He came here and called on Dr. Hammond, but could not agree on the conditions, and the negotiations fell through. of his great fast: Dr. Tapner wa

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Dr. Tanner then hired Clarendon Hall, and on June 28 began his memorable fast. A space 45 feet by 35 feet was railed off is Clarendon Hall, and orable fast. A space 45 feet by 35 feet was railed off is Chrendon Hall, and in it were phased a cot, a writing stand, and a rocking chair. Dr. Tanner, who was a short, stout man, and weighed 157½ pounds, was stripped, and his clothing and bedding were searched. No one was allowed to shake hands with him, except in the presence of one or more of the watching physiciaus. He took a few mouthfuls of water the first day. He hast ten and one-half pounds by the following Fourth of July, and complained of cold, although his temperature was 98½. I'wo days later his weight had fallen to 143½ pounds, and he occasionally rinsed his mouth with water and applied wet towels ic his head. He become consciated by July 9, and the physicians thought he was starving to death. His pulse rose 112 July 11. Later he drank more water, was driven through Central Park, and took short walks. July 23 be was offered \$600 a week to finish his fast in a theatre, but he refused the offer.

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Toward the end of July he grew Toward the end of July he grew ateadily weaker, and on July 30 he had an attack of naussa and vomiting. The physicians were alarmed, and gave him an alcohol bath and a foot bath, and he revived. As he kept growing weaker it was suspected that some one had been poisoning his drinking water, and Dr. Miller, who drank a glass of water sent from Ponusylvania, felt a languer and general disturbance as from antimony.

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On Aug. 6, the day before the fast ended, his temperature was 30, his pulse 32 to the minute, and his weight 122 pounds. The following day, just before he broke his fast, he weighed 1214 pounds. The doctors advised him to begin on milk and water, but Dr. Tanuer insisted on eating a piece of a ripe peach and then drank a glass of milk. He then ate a large slice of watermelos. The physicians feared that gastric inflamation would ensue in consequence of his enfeebled condition, but there was no evil effects. He kept on eating, and by the eyening of kept on eating, and by the evening of Aug. 11 he weighed 147 pounds, having gained in weight twenty-five and one-balf posses in 102 bours.

A number of people from this county attended Watauga court last week, and they bring back the shameful news that Judge Norwood was drinking heavily again while trying to carry on the business of the court. During Ashe court his wife was with him and, we are informed by their trying to the state of the court. rider could. It resulted in the triumph of the deacon, distance ten
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of liquor, more or less, ever since. And, be it remembered, a man has been on trial for his life at this term of the court ever there. """

Every newspaper in the State, worthy of the support of the people, should join the Toyle in demanding of the candidates now before the people for seats in the next Legislature, that they imposed Judge Morwood us soon as practicable after the assembling of the Legislature. This is no party question. Republicans Populists, and Democrate have stood right square up to the Toyle in its strictures upon this drusten official, and all good people should now demand of their candidates that they discharge this duty, disagreeable as it is, and rid the bench of this disgrace. Unless the people take held of this matter promptly there is no help for us, and for six more years the courts which it falls to his lot to hold will be helpless—not even the Governor of the State can give them relief. Will the people do their duty?

Mackbarn and Blair.

New York Tribune.

They tell a good story is Washington on Joe Blackburg. He had an exciting argument is a sensiorial cleakroom at Washington several years ago as to the relative value of brasdy and whicky as man's greatest boos. In the midst of the argument the stoleal prohibition Sensior Blair of New Hampshire entered the room. Forgetting the well known total abetimence tendencies of the New Englander, Sensior Blackburg appealed to him to settle the dispute, "I do not know the difference between whicky and brandy," replied Sensior Blair, with a face as passive as a Japanese doll. After Blair had departed Blackburg's eyes actually moistened with sympathy as he shock his head sadiy and said: "Poor edd man! His stomach must be in awful shape." low York Tribune.

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Aluminium, the youngest of all metals, is readily coming into general use. It was discovered by Frederic Wohler, a German professor, but to Sir Clair Deville, a Franchman, belongs the honor of being the founder of the aluminium industry.

The first article made of this metal was in compliment to Louis Napoleon, who had helped Deville—a baby rattle far the infant Prince Imperial.

In 1855, when the first aluminium company was formed, the cost of a pound of metal was 8900. In 1889 Charles M, Hall, of Oberlin, O., patented an electrolytic process. He with a few of his friends, then started a small plant on the banks of the Alleghany river, 18 miles above Pittsburg. The first year the company produced 75 pounds of aluminium a day, which was sold for \$4.50 a pound. In 1895 a company built a large plant at Niagara Falls, and this year it is building additional works. When these are completed they will have an output of 11,000 pounds daily. This will put the United States in frost as the largest aluminium producing country in the word.

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Aluminium weight is about a third that of iron, and only steel of the highest quality and the best aluminium bronze will give greater strength for a given weight than aluminium. It stands high in the list of metals, and can be drawn into wire 1-250th of an tuch in thickness. It is an exceland can be drawn into wire 1-200th or an inch in thickness. It is an excel-lent conductor of electricity, and would, at 20 cents a pound, take the place of copper for all electrical pur-

poses.

In shipbuilding, where lightoess is demanded, aluminium meets every requirement. Corrosion and galvanic action are easily oversome by properly painting the part subject to the action of the water and by using aluminium rivets. France and Germany have several torpedo boats made of aluminium, and pleasure yachts every year are being constructed of this year are being constructed of this metal.

Indge Norwood's Dranken Spree. oro Chroninte.

Our friend Judge Nerwood, who scored the Topic so for stating something about the judge being druck at Caldwell court, "enjoyed" himself a little while going from this place over to Boene court. He and his driver got their "livers" to working so freely that they thought the rough road over which they going was as smooth as the pawement of paradisa, and they applied the while so freely that the buggy was broken, and they had to stay over Sonday. But they kept their "livers" working lively all the time. We do not know when they reached Boone. Norwood is the Republican "reform drovement" judge, and is a clever fellow, but is not fit for judge. Our friend Judge Nerwood, who

Philadelphia Item: Whenever a new batch of checks roll in to Mark Hanna be gives out the story that another democratic state is certain to cast its electoral vote for the Sage of Canton.

Philadelphia Item: Several papers are calling upon McKinley to define his attitude upon trusts, but it is bardly fair to expect the republican nominee to speak barshly of his closest friends.

Greenville Reflector: Let no Democrat stay away from the polls on election day, thinking there will be enough votes without his to elect the ticket. Every man turn out and do his full duty. Too much is at stake for any Democrat to fail to vote.

Wilmington Messenger. The rads have fused in all the countles where they thought the democrats might homest, sel-respecting populats in the counties, and they refuse to be led to slaughter like "dumb driven cattle?" It might make some difference in the calculations of the boodlers and liars.

Kinston Free Press: The Populists ave voiced in strong language their undying opposition to goldbugs. Yet, the Populat committees have endorsed goldbugs on their State, county and legislative tickets. It remains to be seen if the rank and file of the Populist party will vote for goldbugs at the coming election. We ask houst Populists if it is not better to come back among their old friends and party associations, to the Democratic party, every nominee of which is a straight f dam sevile

wies This Unt. A very funny man recently met a very funny friend, and the follow-

ing dialogue ensued:
"By the way, Bill, if you were real fat, how old would you be?" "Why, Thursday, of course," responded Bill. The joke is to find the joke. We give it up.-l'biladelphia North American.

Bufferers from hay fever may, according to a German physician, of-ten temper an attack by rubbing the ears briskly when there is the alightest indication of fullness in the nose. The rubbing should be thorough and until the ears grow red and hot. The remedy is simple enough to insure a trial, and, if even moderately efficacious, will warrant its wide assing from one victim to another.

Condensed Testimony.

Chas, B. Rood, Broker and Manufacturer's Agent, Columbus, Ohio, certifies that Dr. King's New Discovery has no equal as a Cough remedy. J. D. Brown, Prop. St. James Rotel, Ft. Wayne, Ind., testifies that he was cured of a Cough of two years standing, anneed by La Grippe, by Dr. King's New Discovery. B. F. Merzill, Baldwinsville, Mass., says that he has need and recommuscated it and never knew it to fall and would rather have it than any doctor, because it always cures. Mrs. Hamming, 222 M. 26th St., Chteago, always teeps it at hand and has no faur of Croup, because it instantly relieves. Free Trial Rottles at Currey & Kesternov's Drug Store.

Think About This.

Breenville. (S. C.) Nows. No city or town can be prosperous ander a system of local dollar swap-

ping.

A community will only be prosperous when it reaches out and pulls in feeding follars. A continuous exchange of the same old money makes no oue richer. Outside money coming in not only increases the volume of circulation but encourages investment, improvement and spaculation.

The Anderson correspondent of the News, in a few words, talls an interesting and encouraging story.

More, in a row words, take as interesting and encouraging story.

"Business is lively. Some of our merchants tell me that this has been the best month for them during a busi-

The test month for them during a business of eyer ten years."

That don't sound like hard times in Anderson. It sounds like the talk of men—sure enough men.

There is no whise or gramble in it. It is so different from the sighs and groans which always emanate from animated indigo bags, the people who love to linger over the prosperity and fiash times of other days.

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which is probably the secret and explanation of the lively business in Auderson. He says:

"They are selling lots of goods in neighboring counties and across the Savannah in Georgia,"

The money which reaches Anderson from "neighboring counties and across the Savannah, in Georgia," is the surplus fund, which is the prime factor in making business lively. It is this out. making business lively. It is tols out-side money, coming in to swell the home supply, which relieves pressure.

An extraordinary duel, which at the time created an immense sensa. tion, was one in which the decision was arrived at, not by swords or pistols, but by means of a deadly poison. The men-who, it is hardly necessary to say, had fallon out over a lady-had left the arrangement of details to their seconds, and until they faced each other they did not know by what method they were to settle their differences. One of the seconds was a doctor, and he had made up for the occasion four black pellets, all identical in sire and "In one of these," he said, shape. 'I have placed a sufficient quantity of prussic acid to cause the almos instantaneous death of any one who swallows it. We will decide by the toss of a coin which of you is to have first choice, and you will alternately draw and swallow a pill until the poison shows its effects.' Two of the pellets were then taken as the toss had decided, but without effect in either case. "This time,

pellets remaining, "you must both swallow the pill at the same instant." The choice was again made and in a few seconds one of the men lay dead on the grass. -Gentleman's Magazine.

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