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The tone and tenor of the county seat organs is so intemperate and abusive that their readers must certainly understand their inability to either tell the truth or treat the question fairly and honestly. The supreme court is traduced and maligned for deciding contrary to their wishes. They assume to criticize that tribunal, charging that its opinion is dishonest and contrary to the evidence and law. Yet, they studiously avoid letting their readers know what the opinion of the court was and what reasons it gave for reversing Judge Broady. Newspaper men of ordinary fairness and manliness when they criticize a written or published utterance which they disapprove of quote the same or the objectionable portions thereof, in order that their readers may judge for themselves of the force and merit of their criticisms; but when a public journal attempts to smother the facts from the public and by garbled extracts and abuse, endeavors to excite the prejudices of their readers against public officials and at the same time are too cowardly to state fairly the acts of the officials they censure and criticize. The opinion of such a journal is deserving of very little confidence and respect. The opinion of the court in the bond case speaks for itself and convinces fair minded, unprejudiced readers of its correctness; yet these journals, while they traduce the court, have not the fairness to publish that opinion. It is the same case with the action of our county commissioners in refusing to call an election to relocate the county seat of Cass county. The commissioners are abused and traduced in a shameful manner. Yet, not even a comment appears, in a majority of those organs, suggesting what the facts were, upon which the commissioners acted. They don't want the people to know these very important facts. A petition was presented which did not pretend to comply with the requirements of the statutes of our state, providing for the re-location of a county seat. Over two hundred and forty of the signers of the petition withdrew their names from it; so that, upon no possible pretext could it be upheld and, although here was some three hundred odd signatures on the petition which failed to state the section, township, range, town or city in which the persons so signing resided, or their ages or time of residence in the county. Yet, counting these names, the petition did not contain the names of "resident electors" of said county equal in number to three fifths of all the votes in said county at the last general election." These requirements are mandatory and the petition was a nullity without a compliance therewith. The petition was rejected because it was not a legal petition. If three hundred men could disregard the statutes in signing it, the thirty-one or two hundred necessary to authorize the calling of an election, could disregard the law and refuse to state where they resided and how long they have resided in the county, or whether they were "resident electors" or not. The county commissioners of Cass county did not make this law and should not be abused if the petitioners for the election failed to observe it and comply with it. If the newspapers which censure the county commissioners dispute these facts, why don't they show the people wherein the commissioners were at fault.

Newspapers like the Eagle and Republican, of Weeping Water, ought to have respect enough for themselves, if not for our county officials, to let the public know wherein the commissioners are at fault.

Again, the attempt is made to make the public believe that the names of certain old citizens were stricken off the petition dishonestly and evidently some of these citizens believe they have been wrongfully denied the right of petition by the county board. These names were pointed out by the board as all illegally appearing on the petition because they failed to comply with the law, which required them to state their exact place of residence. It was one of the reasons the county commissioners gave to the people why, under the law, they

could not grant the request of the petitioners; but had these names been regular on the petition it yet was insufficient to warrant the granting of the election, because then there were not names enough on the petition to authorize the county board in acting favorably on the petition. It is to be regretted that this spirit of unfairness has been resorted to in this contest. The best evidence of a weak case is when the argument of abuse and falsehood is resorted to.

In the end such argument always returns to plague the party which has to resort to it to maintain his cause.

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Pussy's Way of Catching Birds.

A lady in Cincinnati has a wonderful cat named Dick, well known for its sagacity. She has been in the habit of taking crumbs from the table and shaking them on the ground outside, so that the birds could feast therefrom. The cat, meanwhile, would ambush itself, and, at the opportune moment, pounce upon the bird and secure a seasonable meal. The good lady tried to break the cat of the habit, but her efforts were of no avail. She then resorted to other means, but with no success. At last she discontinued the practice of throwing out the crumbs for the birds. The cat, seeing that its daily meal was not forthcoming, entered the house, purloined a piece of bread from the table, scattered it over the ground at the accustomed feeding place, and awaited results behind a tree. Soon the birds appeared and the cat secured one of the sparrows.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Gray Hair Honorable.

Next to baldness the loss of color in the hair is dreaded, but of late years gray hair has become so fashionable that this is not considered a detriment. The fact is many put poison on their hair to make it change in color, and then when gray hair goes out of fashion they have to resort to hair dress to give it any other color. If your hair once gets gray it always remains so, and if this occurs through the natural process of nature there is no reason to regret it, or anything to be ashamed of. A fine head of gray hair is always a crown not to be despised. If it is obtained through hard work, mental study and thinking, it is not to be regretted; but if caused by premature decay, disease or carelessness, the owner may well regret it.—Yankee Blade.

The Queen's Daughters as Cooks.

The queen's daughters, in addition to being excellent needlewomen, are also good cooks. When they were children they had a little kitchen of their own at Osborne, where they concocted all kinds of dishes, sweets being naturally the favorites. Here they converted into jam, the fruit out of their own gardens, and turned out many a savory dish for the delectation of their brothers, all of whom had as excellent appetites as generally appertain to boys. At least one of the princesses still continues to cook an occasional little dish, and has been heard to say that she would have made an excellent chef.—London Tit-Bits.

Uncle Sam's Army.

The present authorized strength of the army is 28,532, officers and men. Of the major generals (three in number) one commands the army, and the others each a division embracing one or more departments. The six brigadier generals usually command departments. The divisions and departments are geographical sub-divisions embracing several states, and the general's command consists of the troops stationed within the limits of this command.—Gen. Howard in Chicago News.

Where Most of the Pension Money Goes. At the close of the fiscal year 1890 Ohio had 57,087 pensioners; New York, 50,206; Pennsylvania, 49,578; Indiana, 47,798; Illinois, 39,943; Michigan, 28,858; Missouri, 23,749; Iowa, 23,189; Kansas, 22,321; Massachusetts, 21,897; Wisconsin, 16,788; Maine, 15,924; and Kentucky, 15,909. The number in none of the rest of the states come up to five figures.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

One of the most noted methods of "tripping the light fantastic" among the Scotch is the sword dance, which was originated by the Scandinavians and old Saxons, and at one time was indulged in by the Spaniards.

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died;
Land where our Mothers
gave;
Over the wash-tub tied
Let freedom ring.
My native country thee—
Land of the noble, free—
Thy name I love;
I love thy tucks and frills
But oh! what laundry bills;
My soul with horror thrills:
When I think of thee.
Let music swell the breeze,
And flow through all the
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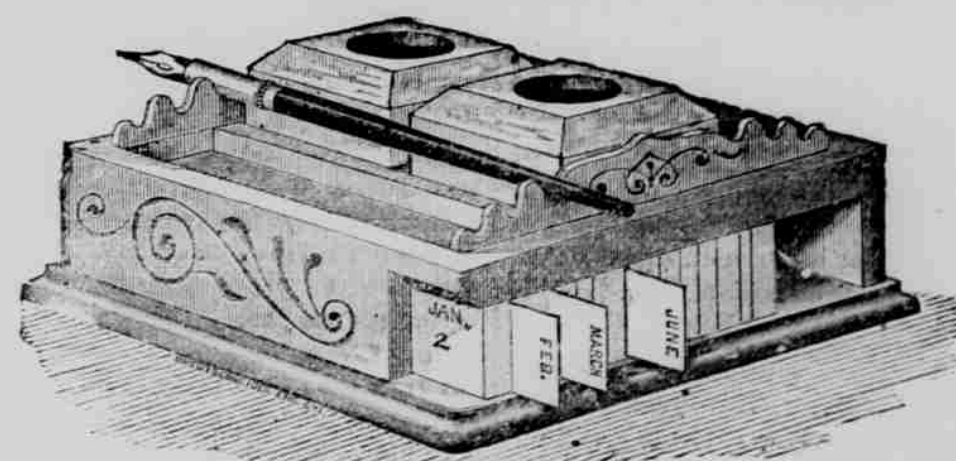
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