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26,000. Monday's market was strong to

10c higher; Tuesday slow and barely

heifers steady to strong and stockers and

feeders 10 to 15c higher. Trade in beef

steers today was slow and prices were

lower. Other grades held unchanged.

The following table gives prices now

 Good
 4 75 to 5 2

 Ordinary
 4 00 to 4 7

 Choice cornfed heifers
 4 50 to 5 0

Good to choice stock heifers 2 75 to 3 0

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are 32,600; last week, 37,200; last year,

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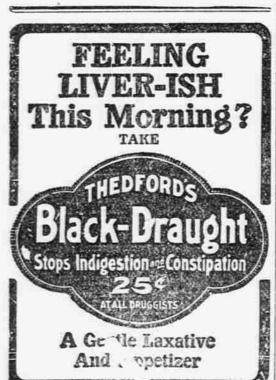
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Sad Plight of the Old Missouri Fight-

WHY GENERAL CLARK ONCE REFUSED TO EAT WITH VEST.

Baiting of the Artful and Tantaliz-

Among the most prominent story tell-Vest. The writer remembers a story Clark that is worth while.

Vest and Clark were seated at a table in a popular restaurant in Washington chatting about Missouri and Missourians while the waiter was out preparing their order for dinner. On this particular occasion Vest was doing most of the listening, while General Clark in his peculiar scrapy, piping voice was discoursing upon the merits and demerits, principally demerits, of Missouri political leaders. Those who knew General Clark well during his lifetime undoubtedly remember with what extravagance the general could praise and laud those he had a liking for at the moment and with what grim humor he could satirize and ridicule the foibles and weaknesses of those he happened to dislike. It was these dispositions on the part of the general that caused him to get into trouble at this time.

Although Vest was listening attentively and respectfully to the general's conversation, assisting him on with his story with a grunt of approval now are 32,300; last week, 41,100; last year, and then, even offering suggestions as occasion would permit, yet all the while the senator was casting his eyes steady for beef steers with cows and to the dally paper spread out upon the table near him. The general, encouraged by Vest's grunts and suggestions, was working himself up to a striking climax in a ludicrous story about a quoted anywhere from steady to 15c Missouri politician whom the general for the moment had concluded he didn't like, when he was abruptly interrupted by Senator Vest's speaking as if he had just discovered something in the paper he had been glancing at.

> "By the way, general," said Vest, "do you know one Captain ---- " (we will call him "Captain John Smith" for the purpose of this story), "down in Missouri?"

"Yes," snapped the general, showing some irritation at having his story interrupted right in the very flower of its growth, "certainly I know him, and a dirtier coward never walked the face of the earth than this same Captain

This little fling at Captain Smith was a left handed stroke at Vest for interrupting his (Clark's) story, as Vest had planned and expected it would be. However, the general showed a disposition to let it all go at this and attempted to resume his fractured story about the Missouri politician. Receipts of hogs thus far this week

"As I was saying"-

"Well," Vest interrupted again, not 43,900. Monday's market was strong to pretending to notice that the general 5c higher; Tuesday steady and today had attempted to resume his story, "I steady to 5c lower with bulk of sales don't know anything about the fellow being a coward. In fact, I know noth-Receipts of sheep thus far this week ing about him. But I knew you did, and I thought I would get you to tell me something about him." 28,600. Monday's market was steady to

"Of course I know him, Vest," the general responded, pitching his scrapy voice in a little higher key, "and I have lambs \$7.25 to 7.35: choice yearlings, 6 25 already said enough about him to cause any genuine Missourian to lose interest in him. There is nothing to him, I tell you, except a yellow streak from the crown of his head to the sole of his up. It keeps you in adition physifeet, a forked streak. Know him! Why, cally, mentally and morally. That's I know him like a book. He's a cowwhat Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea ard, I tell you, and that's enough for any Missourian to know about anybody. Why, I tell you that fellow is afraid to go out in the cornfield where they are gathering corn because the popping of the breaking cornstalks sounds so much like a gunshot that it frightens him nearly to death. Don't talk to me, Vest, about Captain John Smith. I know him."

"I didn't know him, general," Vest innocently responded, "but since you have given such a graphic description of his character I feel that I know him better. Nevertheless, general, the fellow seems to write a right good arti-

"Humph!" snorted the general in disgust. "I'd like to know what that fellow could be writing about. Nobody would believe a word he could say. He's a coward, I tell you. I know, for I've had him in command under me, and I've seen him flicker time and again. Nobody will ever believe a word a coward will say, but what is the fellow trying to write about, Vest?"

"The Battle of Wilson Creek," the senator replied as he picked up the paper and prepared to read the story to the general. The senator knew he had the general at the verge of the precipice and that it was time to topple him over, and right well did he do

The battle of Wilson creek was General Clark's theme on any and all occasions, and as soon as Senator Vest mentioned that as being Captain Smith's subject the general was all attention in a moment.

The senator began the story at the beginning and read it clean through for the general's benefit, occasionally glancing over the edge of the paper out of the corner of his eye to observe the effect it was having on the general. The senator was soon rewarded, for the general soon began to twist and wriggle uneasily in his seat. In other words, the general was over the precioffer a cash prize of \$5.00 per earfor. Their new pice. He knew it and was working his brain for all it was worth for a hold to recover.

self as he read on. Presently he came | -Yonkers Statesman.

THE CODE OF HONOR.

SPOILED HIS DINNER Ducling as It Was In France In the Time of Richelieu.

The passion for dueling, which had cost France, it was said, between 7,000 and 8,000 lives during the twenty er Under the Skillful and Merciless | years of Henry IV.'s reign, was at its height when his son came to the throne. The council of Trent in 1545 had solemnly condemned the practice of single combat, impartially includers in Missouri annals were General ing principals, seconds and spectators John B. Clark of Wilson creek fame in its penalty of excommunication. In the matchless George Graham | 1602 an edict of Henry pronounced the "damnable custom of dueling intro-Senator Vest used to tell about General duced by the corruption of the century" to be the cause of so many piteous accidents, to the extreme regret and displeasure of the king and to the irreparable damage of the state, "that we should count ourselves unworthy to hold the scepter if we delayed to repress the enormity of this crime."

A whole series of edicts followed to the same effect, but it was easier to make edicts than to enforce them. Degradation, imprisonment, confiscation of property, loss of civil rights and death were the penalties attached to the infringement of the laws against dueling, and still the practice prevailed. In 1626 Richelleu published a milder form of prohibition. The first offense was no longer capital, a third only of the offender's property was to be confiscated, and the judges were permitted to recognize extenuating cir-

A few months later the Comte de Bouteville thought fit to test the minister's patience in this direction. The Place Royale had long been a favorite dueling ground, and De Bouteville traveled from Brussels to fight his twenty-second duel here, in the heart of Paris, in deliberate defiance of the king's authority. The result was not encouraging. Montmorency though he was, the count went with his second to the scaffold, and the marked decrease from that time in the number of duels may be attributed either to the moderation used in framing the law or to the inexorable resolution with which it was enforced.-Macmillan's Magazine.

RUSSIAN PROVERBS.

Roguery is the last of trades. Without cheating, no trading. Every fox praises his own tail. A debt is adorned by payment.

A good beginning is half the work. Every little frog is great in his own bog.

Trust in God, but do not stumble Go after two wolves and you will not

If God doesn't forsake us, the pigs

The deeper you hide anything the

sooner you find it. Be praised not for your ancestors, but for your virtues.

Send a pig to dinner and he will put his feet on the table.

Dr. Holmes' Revenge.

When "The Last Leaf" was published by Oliver Wendell Holmes a critic attacked it savagely and cruelly. Dr. Holmes, though importuned by friends, did nothing in revenge. He waited for time to avenge him, which time did liberally. The critic fell upon evil days and ended his existence with suicide. The only morceau of personal revenge which the good doctor allowed himself was to cut out the paragraph about his enemy's career and paste it in his scrapbook on the same page which contained the original criticism and the announcements of the successive editions of the poem. This was a mild revenge, but even this was unworthy of Dr. Holmes.

Seemed to Have Him Cornered.

The teacher was discoursing to the class on the wonders of nature. "Take the familiar illustration of the sting of a wasp," he said, "as compared with the finest needle. When examined through a microscope the sting is still sharp, smooth and polished, while the needle appears blunt and rough.

"It is so with everything. The works of nature are infinitely superior to those of art. Try how we may, we cannot improve on nature."

"It isn't so with my eyes, teacher," said a little girl in the class. "Why, how is that, Nellie?" he asked.

"'Cause nature made me cross eyed," she said, "and the doctors fixed my eyes all right."

Brazen Thefts.

During the South African war an immense stone monument was removed at Cape Town during the night, and no one knows to this day by whom or why it was taken. Some years ago, in broad daylight, a clever and bold gang of thieves carried off a valuable fountain fourteen feet high from Uxbridge without exciting the suspicions of any one and quite recently an omnibus was calmly removed, horses and all, while standing unguarded outside a public house in London and has never been seen or heard of since. It would seem, indeed, that it is often far easier to steal a big thing than a little one .-London Telegraph.

Placing Him.

"Young man." began the dignified fully considered the future? Have you made provisions for the hereafter? Is

"Pardon me one moment, please, but are you a minister or a life insurance admirers than brunettes? She-I don't agent?"-Milwaukee Sentinel.

Safer.

Patience-It's a very bad sign to tum-

RUNNING THE GANTLET.

This Punishment Was Once Used For Military Discipline.

The following extracts give information concerning the punishment of "running the gantlet:"

"In running the gantlope the regiment was formed six deep, and the ranks opened and faced inward. Each man being furnished with a switch, the offender, naked to the waist, was led through the ranks, preceded by a sergeant, the point of whose reversed halbert was presented to his breast to prevent his running too fast. As he thus passed through the ranks every soldier gave him a stroke."-Grose's "Military Antiquities," volume 2, page 108.

But the oldest notice I have seen is given in "Monro-His Expedition With the Worthy Scots Regiment (called Mackeyes Regiment), Levied In August, 1626, Etc. London. Printed by William Jones In Red-Crosse Streete.

"Other slight punishments we enjoyne for slight faults, put in execution by their camarades, as the loupegarthe (running the gantlet; Swedish gantulopp, to run through a hedge made by soldiers), when a souldier is stripped naked above the waste and is made to runne a furlong betwixt 200 souldiers ranged alike opposite to others, leaving a space in the midst for the souldier to runne through, where his camarades whip him with small rods ordained and cut for the purpos€ by the Gavilliger (provost marshal), and all to keepe good order and discipline."-London Notes and Queries.

WEDDING SPEECHES.

Some That Were Not In the Usual Conventional Style.

A wedding in New York at which the bridesmaids were representative of six cod liver oil so that everyone can nationalities and each felicitated the take it and get the full value of bride in the language of her own count the oil without the objectionable try was an odd affair, but probably not so well received as the speech of a young Englishman who was called upon to propose the toast, "The Bridesmaids." Apprised of his ordeal in advance, he had devised an escape, and with the single statement that silence was golden he brought from his pocket a set of gold bangles, which he bestowed upon the attendants of the bride.

At a wedding feast at Dol, in Normandy, the demand for a speech resulted in the production of a guitar, upon which the speaker accompanied himself while he chanted the praises of the bride. Had he stopped there all would have been well, but he changed to a praise of his store, and the guests ing Piles. Druggists refund money if threw him out of the house.

with pistol bullets, to the serious damage of the wall paper. Almost as odd was the performance of a German music hall performer, who, when called upon for entertainment, mounted the table upon his hands and balanced himself upon glasses, cups and other fur-

Funny Blunders.

A famous sculpture group recently exhibited in Glasgow represents Adam and Eve after they had left Eden. Eve, in despair, lies at Adam's feet. Through a mistake an intelligent attendant placarded it with this description: "Motherless," At the same exhibition was a sleeping nymph, by a well known sculptor, which by another mistake appeared in the catalogue as "Mrs.

—," greatly to the horror of Glasgow. A Sunday school boy recently gave this account of the prophet Elijah: "Elijah, the prophet, was carried into heaven by a whirlwind, and the children stad up and cried: 'Go up, thou baldhead! Go up, thou baldhead!' And before he went up he divided the Red

He Saw the Joke.

"One day," says an American, "I walked into a bookshop in the Strand and asked for Hare's 'Walks In London.' In America the book is sold in one thick volume. The clerk brought it in two. 'Oh,' I said as I looked at them, 'you part your "Hare" in the middle, do you?' 'I, sir?' he said, with a bewildered look. 'Oh, no, sir." I saw he didn't see the joke, so I didn't explain, but bought the books and went away. A week later I went to the same shop. As soon as the clerk saw me he rushed from the back of the shop, taughing vociferously. 'Good!' he shouted. 'Capital'. Part your "Hare" in the middle! That's capital, sir, capital!" "-London Tit-Bits.

Love's Grammar.

"I wish I dared to ask you something, Miss Helen," said Percy, with trembling voice and wabbling chin. "Why den't you dare to ask it?" the

maiden said demurely. "Because I can see 'No' in your

"In both of them?"

"Well, don't you-don't you know two negatives are equivalent to an-How dare you, sir? Take your arm from around my waist instantly!" But he didn't.

A Question. "You'll let me come to your wedding,

dear, of course?" "Well, I can't promise. My people

are so enraged at my choice that I gentleman in black dress, "have you hardly know whether I shall be allowed to go myself."

A Dyer.

He-Do you think blonds have more know. You might ask Miss Turner. She has had experience in both capacities-New Yorker.

ble upstairs. Patrice-Even so, I'd If we are not willing to work and The senator chuckled quietly to him- rather do that than tumble downstairs. suffer for the sake of our love, we have not the artist soul within us.



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