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THE KNEVAL CLAIMS.

Hon. James Laird introduced the following bill in the lower house congress, which was read twice and referred to Committee on Public Lands:

A bill for the relief of settlers and purchasers of lands on the public domain in the States of Nebraska and Kansas.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, that for the purpose of reimbursing persons, and the grantees, heirs, and devisees of persons, who, under the homestead, pre-emption, or other laws, settled upon or purchased lands within the grant made by an act entitled "An act for a grant of lands to the State of Kansas to aid in the construction of the Northern Kansas Railway and Telegraph," approved July twenty-third, eighteen hundred and sixty-six, and to whom patents have been issued therefor, but against which persons, or their grantees, heirs or devisees, decrees have been or may hereafter be rendered by the United States circuit court on account of the priority of said grant made in the act above entitled, the sum of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, or so much thereof as shall be required for said purpose, is hereby appropriated:

Provided, however, that no part of said sum shall be paid to any one of said parties until he shall have filed with the Secretary of the Interior a copy of the said decree, duly certified, and also a certificate of the judge of said court rendering the same to the effect that such decree was rendered in a bona fide controversy between a plaintiff showing title under the grant made in said act and a defendant, holding the patent or holding by deed under the patentee, and that the decision was in favor of the plaintiff on the ground of the priority of the grant made by said act to the filing, settlement, or purchase by the defendant or his grantor; and said claimant shall also file with the said decree and certificate a bill of the costs in such case, certified by the clerk and judge of said court. Thereupon it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Interior to adjust the amount due to each defendant on the basis of three dollars and fifty cents per acre for the tract his title to which shall have failed as aforesaid, and the costs appearing by the bill thereof. He shall then make a requisition upon the treasury for the sum found to be due to such claimant, or his heirs and devisees or assigns, and shall pay the same to him taking such release, acquittance, or discharge as shall forever bar any further claim against the United States on account of the failure of the title as aforesaid.

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Love Survival. Cases of the survival of love are now and then being cited that lead us to believe the human heart is a substantial trust after all, and that capricious or counter attractions cannot always move the settled fondness from its keep. At one of the summer resorts there is a man of many years, but tall and fine looking, with a charming little wife who is prominently gray. The two have turned fifty, but are yet young in spirit. They are tenderly devoted to each other and are the envy of many a younger couple. Their life is a romance. They loved when young, but cruel parents drove them asunder. They parted and afterward contracted unwilling marriages with less-loved objects of their circumstantial choice. After twenty-five years the woman became a widow. A year ago the man became a widower. Neither had children. They met again free agents of their own wills. A month ago they were married and are now supremely happy.—Chicago Herald.

John Moranda played the hero successfully in Salt Lake City for a week. He carried one arm in a sling and said that he had hurt it by a fall. Then his confederate, William Naylor, came forward with a thrilling account of having been robbed by highwaymen, who would have murdered him had not Moranda gallantly fought them off. "He's so modest that he lied about his arm," Naylor added: "It is wounded by a bullet. The scoundrels took my last dollar, but as soon as I get a remittance from New York he's got to take his reward." Both men were lavishly entertained while pretending to wait for the draft, and they found it easy to borrow several hundred dollars before the time came for disappearing.—Chicago Tribune.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

Down in Chattanooga they shut down on the barbers on Sunday, but allow the newsboys and bootblacks full liberty. In this case it is the little shavers who get through the law's meshes, while the big shavers are caught.

A Massachusetts woman, after ineffectually warning trespassers off her huckleberry patch, sprinkled the bushes with Paris green. When complaints began to come in from a lot of sick neighbors, she simply remarked that she had found out what sort of huckleberries they were, and went on with her knitting.—Boston Post.

The world came near losing its smallest man the other day. His name is General Fin. He is two years old and weighs five pounds, being the smallest child ever born. His mother is slightly demented and endeavored to commit suicide by jumping into the river with the midget in her arms. His husband and father rescued them.

The famous live-oak tree, known as the "Devil's Riding Whip," which is situated three-quarters of a mile north-west of the "Devil's Mill Hopper," near Gainesville, Fla., measures thirty-three feet and four inches and a half in circumference, one foot from the ground. The tree is hollow and affords ample shelter for forty hogs.

The Sumterville (Fla.) Times is responsible for this story: "A party of gentlemen, recently, fishing in a lake in Sumter County, had their boat attacked by a monster alligator. Fortunately they had a rifle on board, and succeeded in killing the saurian. When they got the body ashore it was found to measure fifteen feet in length and weighed over eight hundred pounds. When cut open a whole hog was found in its stomach."

After describing the repeated failures of a tumble-bug to get his ball out of a rut, the Indianapolis News adds: "Finally he plowed out a space, like a sort of railroad cut, with a smaller slope than the buggy track, and pushed his ball triumphantly out through it. Was that reason? It was exactly the course an engineer would take. It was exactly the course taken to raise the great winged bulls of Niaveh. Has a tumble-bug got a mind?"

"More than half the diseases that now exist," sagely observes the Cincinnati Enquirer, "could be cured with pure milk diet alone. Physicians understand this, and often prescribe milk diet for at least two months. We eat too much, and inflame the blood and weaken the organs of digestion. Milk gives the stomach a rest." This is good sense. But some persons cannot take whole milk with safety, especially milk as rich as that from Jersey cows. For them skim-milk is best.

A few days ago Colonel John D. Washburn, of Worcester, Mass., was the guest of a gentleman at a summer resort hotel. He happens to resemble President Arthur in some respects, and on the strength of this resemblance a wag started the story that he was the President. The result was that everybody in the place crowded to the hotel to get a look at the distinguished guest. When told of their mistake they appeared to be incredulous, and during the whole of Colonel Washburn's stay he was dogged about the streets by a rabble of curiosity-seekers.—Boston Herald.

Speaking of the American trotting horse, Mr. F. E. Nipper says that it is very probable that the trotter will finally surpass the running horse. Besides mathematical evidence, he advances the following: The trotter carries his body more steadily—with less of rise and fall—than the runner, and it seems very reasonable that this should result to the advantage of the trotter, when the process of developing and adjusting his muscles and chest shall have been sufficiently carried on, so that the contest between the two animals shall have been reduced to a matter of muscular capacity.—Chicago Journal.

Although bulls are popularly supposed to be of Irish origin, it is undeniably true that some of the best, or worst, come from English literature. Notable is the one of which Sir Robert Godschall was guilty. A copy of an important letter was produced in court, the original having been lost. The cautious judge looked over his spectacles and gravely inquired whether the copy was taken before the original was lost or after. It was the same gentleman who, hearing that some one had had the small-pox twice and died of it, asked whether he died of the first attack or the second.—Chicago Times.

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