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THE LARGEST CIRCULATION of any Cass County Paper.

THE country is just now swarming with oily tongued strangers, selling all imaginable kinds of fake goods.

MR. BRYAN seems to be sorry that Mr. McKinley regards the \$900,000,000 of paper, government paper, and silver, as obligations ultimately redeemable in gold.

THE fact that there are but fourteen old soldiers extant from the war of 1812 while there are living and drawing pensions 3,287 able bodied widows of old soldiers that war, has called the attention of congress to the habit of old soldiers marrying, with one foot in the grave, young women who have an eye to the pension that will soon lapse to them.

CHAIRMAN MERCER of the house committee on public buildings and grounds yesterday announced his subcommittee appointments.

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Mr. Bryan did not mention to the Mexican legislature the fact that the McKinley duty on tin plate had been tolerably successful, says the State Journal.

THE goods sent out from this country during the month of November this year amounted to the sum \$114,608,301, a gain of seven million dollars over last year.

THE wheat famine in India of a year ago no longer affects the market. The most potent factor just now is, first the easy money market and secondly the fact that Leiter and his millions are forcing the price up in an effort to corner December wheat.

INFORMATION AND OPINIONS.

At a New England society dinner some years ago Mark Twain had just finished a piquant address when Mr. Everts arose, shoved both of his hands into his trousers pockets, as was his habit, and laughingly remarked.

A Plainview girl told her best fellow that he was a Venus of Milo and when he got home and looked it up he found the Venus of Milo was chiefly distinguished for having no arms.

There are merchants in this city who really expect to do a holiday trade without inviting people to their stores or telling them that they have goods to sell.

"Pat" Southwest of Plain View is a English pug dog and he has a bigger heart than a whole lot of people.

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along no better than the humblest citizen. The Standard office has been compelled to abandon their mines and railroad up in the mountains of Washington, after sinking between three and four millions in the enterprise.

The law which makes gambling a felony has been held unconstitutional by a Lincoln district judge.

TEXAS SNAKE STORY.

"I have heard of many men being placed in odd predicaments," remarked Captain Jenkins, "but one of the most peculiar situations that ever befell an individual was assuredly that of an ignorant Mexican a good many years ago near Indianola, Tex., at the time the town was so nearly destroyed by a tropical hurricane or cyclone.

"When the day broke, he was out of sight of land. The waves had calmed down and the storm was gone. As he cast his eye about in the early dawn, to his horror he found the other end of the plank occupied by an immense rattlesnake.

"The Mexican was seen from the boat and in a short time was hauled on board more dead than alive. He pointed weakly at his hissing companion. The sailors on the smack killed the rattlesnake and found that he had jammed his tail through a small knothole in the plank.

A short man with a fat, red face ran out of the Erie railroad depot at the foot of West Twenty-third street the other forenoon and chased a cross-town car which was midway between Eleventh avenue and the ferry.

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Royal Christmas Gifts!

Unruh's Furniture Emporium is replete with a splendid assortment of articles, both elegant and useful, well suited for holiday gifts.

His line of Easy Chairs and Rockers in Mahogany, Golden Oak, White and Colored Birch, inlaid with beautiful designs in ivory are the handsomest ever sent out from the factory.

Elegant Combination Book Cases, Sideboards in Carved Oak, Tables, Stands, Footstools and fifty different kinds of Chairs make an assortment not surpassed in the state.

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Prices lower than can be given by any house in Omaha for similar articles. You are especially invited to come in and inspect our goods.

J. I. UNRUH, Furniture Dealer and Undertaker.

CAPTURE OF DAVIS.

TRUE STORY OF THE TAKING OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE CONFEDERACY.

The Fourth Michigan Cavalry His Captors—Those With the Ex-President at the Time—Exaggerated Stories of His Disguise.

Our cavalry corps went into camp in and around Macon, and in the early part of May it was learned that Jefferson Davis, president of the Confederate States, was fleeing for Texas to join General Kirby Smith, there to try and re-establish the Confederacy.

Jefferson Davis was captured by the Fourth Michigan cavalry in the early morning of May 10, 1865, at Irwinville in southern Georgia.

On the 11th of May, the next day after the capture, and while on our way back to Macon, as officer of the guard over the disarmed prisoners, I rode by the side of Mr. Reagan, later a senator from Texas.

Besides the suit of men's clothing worn by Mr. Davis he had on when captured Mrs. Davis' large waterproof dress or robe, thrown over his own fine gray suit, and a blanket shawl thrown over his head and shoulders.

The story of the "hoop skirt, sunbonnet and calico wrapper" had no real existence and was started in the fertile brains of the reporters and in the ill-trusted papers of that day.

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THE KITTEN AND THE BEAR.

How Fear Frightened Brain Up a Tree and Kept Him There.

Chris Burns, the veteran first sergeant of Troop D, had a kitten which, during the summer camping of the troop at the Lower Geyser basin, made her home within the sergeant's tent.

One day, when the camp was bathed in sunshine and every soldier in camp felt lazy, an inquisitive black bear came down the mountain side, and whether because he was in search of adventure or because attracted by a savory smell from the cook's fire, began to walk about among the white tents of the cavalry command.

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Another Lecture.

The Epworth league announces that the fourth lecture in its course will be given in the Methodist church next Tuesday evening.

The subject will be "My Interpretation of the Bonnie Brier Bruin." The speaker and subject will alike prove interesting. Remember the date, Tuesday evening, December 21, at 8 o'clock.

Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. This is the best medicine in the world for all forms of Coughs and Colds and for Consumption.

Burlington Route—California Excursions. Cheap, quick, comfortable. Leave Plattsmouth 3:43 p. m., every Thursday in clean, modern, not crowded tourist sleepers.

For folder giving full information, call at nearest Burlington Route ticket office, or write to J. Francis, Gen. Passenger Agent, Omaha, Neb.

Who are injured by the use of coffee. Recently there has been placed in all the grocery stores a new preparation called GRAIN-O, made of pure grains, that takes the place of coffee.

Mr. Orr, the courteous and able attorney for the Missouri Pacific, locked horns with Mat Gering in the court room this morning and when he got through, Matthew realized there had been a hot time in town.

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On account of the Christmas and New Year holidays, the Missouri Pacific will sell tickets to all points on their system within a distance of 200 miles, at rate of one fare for round trip.

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JOHN GARNES IN SERIOUS TROUBLE.

Reports Say He Killed a Man in a Fight at South Omaha.

Both Men Were Drinking When the Affair Occurred—P. E. O. Society Will Assist the Library Board in Securing Funds for the Purchase New Reference Books.

The public library of our city has for some time felt the need of reference books, the increasing demand for works of this kind rendering it almost a necessity to have them.

The P. E. O. society, with characteristic energy, have determined, if possible, to raise the money to procure the books for which such an urgent need seems to exist.

The book social Monday evening at the library rooms will be a pleasant event, and it is hoped several shelves of new books will be the result of the entertainment.

Mr. C. M. Dixon, a well known merchant of Pleasant Ridge, Fulton Co., Pr., has a little girl who is frequently threatened with croup, but when the first symptoms appear, his wife gives her Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, which always affords prompt relief.

Preparing to Break Winter's Blasts. A sneak thief, whose supply of fuel was evidently getting short, broke into the high school and carted off enough coal to run him a few days.

Rheumatism Cured in a Day. A few weeks ago the editor was taken with a very severe cold that caused him to be in a most miserable condition.

Try Wurl Bros' "Gut Heil" cigars.