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**For the FARMERS' ALLIANCE.**  
**The Tennessee Miner.**  
BY WILLIAM BAIRD BUCK.  
I visit his kennel in dreams,  
The miner of Tennessee,  
A very kennel it seems,  
Tho' a home to such as he.  
On a bare ping table I see  
Some soup in an earthen bowl,  
Some coarse corn bread and tea,  
To feed this miner of coal.  
In the dusk the father comes:  
All day he has been in the mine:  
On a remnant, the rich man's crumbs,  
These partners in poverty dine.  
The miner's wife is wan,  
And wan the babe that creeps  
Out to the man of brawn  
From the rag on which it sleeps.  
A young lad follows behind  
The father; the curse of the craft  
Is over him, with its grind;  
He early went into the shaft.  
No pride of dress has he:  
His mind is blunted by toil,  
This lad of Tennessee,  
For the rich man's son a foil.  
The fear of a falling roof,  
The dread of choke-damp and fire,  
Or nerve-strain leave a proof  
Alike on child and sire.  
The jewels that glitter and shine  
On the hands of wealth and power  
Are the crystallized tears of the miser.  
The delving poor man's dower.

**A FANATIC.**  
By Mary L. Underhill in The Voice.  
"Fanatic!" they said; yes, he stood for the truth,  
Defended it away by day and by night;  
No wrongs for the good of the children and youth,  
Well knowing the worth of their souls in God's sight.  
Fanatic was he? Yes, he spent time and strength  
In labors of love for the tempted and tossed,  
No toll was too great, no trifle too small  
To offer to Him for the souls that were lost.  
Fanatic was he? Yet he cheerfully gave  
Of his income so small, to those who had less,  
And the poor and the lowly, the sad ones of earth,  
Had come this "fanatic" to love and to bless.  
Fanatic was he? Yes, the world fitted by,  
With its laughter and song, its jest and its jeer;  
For they pitied him so, as they said it was sweet,  
For they fancied his life bitter, cheerless and drear.  
For they had their pleasures, their wine and their gladness,  
And life was to them gay, and merry, and bright,  
They lived for themselves, while he toiled for those  
Whom, born in the darkness, he brought to the light.  
Ah! little they know how the peace God doth give  
Dwelt deep in his heart, sweet, abiding and strong,  
And how, when in sorrow o'er those whom he loved,  
God gave in the night-time His presence and song.  
And one day he died and they laid him to rest  
On the sunny hill side, 'neath the grass and the flowers  
In the sorrowful hush of a heart-broken throng,  
Where lovingly God keepeth watch through the hours.  
Ah! happy forever, no longer to toil  
Alone, and in sorrow, and misunderstanding,  
No longer "fanatic," but heir to a throne,  
With all the redeemed, the rejoicing and good.  
O soul! thou hast won—and thy hard race is o'er,  
Time's years are but few, and Eternity's long;  
Thy service of love for the sin-stricken earth  
Shall blossom for ever in gladness and song.

**TRIPLE TENNESSEE TRAGEDY.**  
**Bloody Sequel to an Unsavory Family Scandal—The Murderer Escapes.**  
NASHVILLE, Dec. 29.—News comes from Fentress county of a triple tragedy in which Edward Harris killed Marion and Dave Beatty and Gwin Bowden. Harris escaped to the woods and has not yet been captured. The shooting was the outcome of an unsavory family scandal, in which Mary Beatty, sister of two of the murdered men, was the principal figure.  
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**PRESSING THEIR CLAIMS**  
**Numerous Candidates Anxious to Succeed Senator Plumb.**  
**HUMPHREY IN NO HURRY**  
Ex-Congressman Perkins Steals a March. Crawford Drops Out in Favor of Editor Hudson—Senator Ingalls' Chances.

TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 29.—Governor Humphrey, in an interview, stated that he did not think he would appoint a successor to Senator Plumb before the end of the week. The governor has been importuned and harassed so persistently by delegations which urge the claims of the different candidates that he is about losing patience.  
The claim of J. W. Ady, United States district attorney for the district of Kansas, was first presented to the governor. Ex-Congressman S. R. Peters of Newton, Kan., backed by the entire Seventh congressional district, made the presentation. He occupied the governor's time from 2 o'clock until 8 o'clock in the afternoon.  
Ex-Congressman Perkins was fifth on the governor's list of candidates, but the delegation which is working in the congressman's interest stole a march on the other candidates and secured a second hearing. The delegation is from Humphrey's district, and had simply called to pay respects to the governor. They were ten in number, and after they got into the governor's room they took it by storm and the governor with it. State Senator Kirkpatrick made the nominating speech and was followed by Judge J. S. West of Bourbon county and J. B. Zeigler of Independence. The governor had announced that only official office hours would be used in hearing the claims of the candidates, and when 4 o'clock arrived he shut up shop and went home.  
Of all the candidates for the appointment ex-Senator Ingalls enjoys the distinction of being the only one who has no lieutenants on the ground working for him. In fact, he is not even an avowed candidate. His friends, however, say he would accept the appointment if it were tendered him, but he will not go into the scramble for the honor with the common herd. The ex-senator has nearly all the "practical" politicians against him. They urge that after his defeat a year ago he refused to lend them his valuable aid in reclaiming the state from the Farmers' Alliance. But the ex-senator is not without backing. All the work that is being done in his interest, however, is unsolicited and has the merit of spontaneity. He is unanimously endorsed by the people of his own town, Atchison, has an enthusiastic following from the Grand Army of the Republic, and is the idol of the young Republicans of the state. He is also in a position to be settled upon as a compromise candidate. He is making no fight and therefore no enemies.  
Another candidate dropped out of the race. He is ex-Governor Crawford, who is in Washington. He telegraphed the governor that he was not a candidate and urged the appointment of Major J. K. Hudson.

**WAR ON THE RIO GRANDE.**  
United States Troops Ordered to the Scene of Trouble—Great Activity Manifest at San Antonio.  
SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 29.—There was great activity at the military headquarters here this morning. Two troops of cavalry have been ordered to the scene of the war on the frontier and left this evening on a special train. The state rangers are making ready to march from Austin to the border at once. The war department at Washington has authorized General Stanley to employ all the necessary scouts and guides, and everything points to active work in the near future.  
**Mexican Troops to the Front.**  
LAREDO, Tex., Dec. 29.—Thirty-three car loads of Mexican troops, comprising about eight hundred men, arrived in New Laredo, New Mexico, from Saltillo. This seems to indicate that the reports of advantages gained along the border by Garza are not altogether wrong. These newly arrived troops will proceed down the river at once. A rumor has gained circulation in the city that the three revolutionists who were captured by Mexican troops in the skirmish Sunday were convicted and shot at sunset. **Ingalls** has failed to trace the report to any reliable source. Considerable uneasiness is expressed for a company of United States cavalry which left last Friday for some point down the river without taking a guide. Nothing has been heard from them since their departure.  
The Mexican authorities deny the existence of any serious trouble on Mexican territory. Reports from reliable sources, however, announce several fights with results favoring the revolutionists. The officers in command of Fort McIntosh claim that all the losses have been on the Garza side, but parties who know the facts say that the revolutionists have had the best of every engagement.

**Daniel Drew Failure.**  
NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—The action of Isaac H. Bailey, assignee in bankruptcy of Daniel Drew, to recover certain securities which Drew assigned to his son, Wm. H. Drew, before his failure, has been decided in favor of the defendant by Justice Lawrence, of the supreme court. During the panic in 1873, Daniel Drew became heavily involved. He then held securities of a par value of \$4,214,000 and of an actual value of \$1,451,660 which he assigned to his son, who went into bankruptcy in 1876. Mr. Bailey began action against his son individually and as executor of his father's estate, to recover these securities, alleging that the assignment of them had been made in view of the pending bankruptcy and that it was in fraud of creditors.

**TROTTER HORSE ASSOCIATION.**  
Annual Election of Officers in a Meeting at Chicago.  
CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—The annual meeting of the Northwestern Association of Trotting and Pacing Horse Breeders elected John L. Mitchell of Wisconsin president. Among the vice presidents are: J. D. Creighton of Nebraska, Walter I. Hayes of Iowa, W. A. Sanborn of Illinois, J. L. Case of Wisconsin. The treasurer is H. D. McKinney of Wisconsin, and the secretary Robert Allen of Joliet, Ills.  
**New Base Ball League.**  
KANSAS CITY, Dec. 29.—President Spent of the Kansas City Association, sent out a call for a meeting of base ball men at Chicago, Jan. 7 next, to form a new base ball association. The call was sent to base ball men in Columbus, Indianapolis, Toledo, Detroit, Grand Rapids, Milwaukee, Minneapolis, St. Paul and Omaha.  
**Sullivan and Barnett Quit.**  
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 29.—Jack Barnett became tired of John L. Sullivan last week and Saturday at Sacramento closed all accounts with the big slugger and quit. Barnett ascribes his desertion of Sullivan to ill usage, but it is shrewdly suspected that the champion has ceased to be a drawing card since his return from Australia.

**The Steel Scale.**  
PITTSBURG, Dec. 29.—Officials of Carnegie, Phipps & Co., and the amalgamated association will meet in a couple of days to fix the steel scale for the three months beginning Jan. 1. On account of the low price of steel billets, the wages of the steel workers will be lower after Jan. 1 than ever before.  
**Wheat in the Northwest.**  
MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 29.—The aggregate stock of wheat in the northwest is estimated at 27,263,570 bushels, an increase for the week of 2,156,510 bushels. A year ago the northwestern stock was 21,822,000 bushels.  
**Bishop Longlin Slowly Sinking.**  
NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—The Rt. Rev. John Longlin, the venerable bishop of the Long Island diocese of the Roman Catholic church, is dangerously ill, and there seems to be little doubt that he is nearing his life's end.  
**Mud Disposed of by Cold.**  
BURLINGTON, Dec. 29.—The recent cold snap has fairly raised the late serious mud blockade that existed all over this part of the country and cost business men and farmers thousands of dollars. Trade is rapidly reviving and it is hoped that some of the losses may be made up.

**Killed His Companion.**  
SHAMOKIN, Pa., Dec. 29.—William Broderick, aged 15 years, shot and killed his companion, John Hollister, while shooting at a mark.

**TIDAL WAVES IN THE PACIFIC.**  
Great Loss of Life and Property in the South Sea Islands.  
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 29.—Advisers from the south seas give startling news from the Gilbert islands in the Pacific by the mission bark John Williams, now at Samoa. It seems that just before the bark visited the group very severe weather prevailed, during which there were several tidal upheavals, the result doubtless of submarine disturbances. Tidal waves broke high over some of the islands of the group, causing great loss of life, and completely demolishing houses. At one island alone, the Rev. J. W. Hills, of the London Missionary society, writes, no fewer than eighty natives perished. The track of the tidal waves is not known, but as the Gilbert group has suffered so severely it is scarcely probable that other islands have escaped devastation, and further information is anxiously looked for.

**Rushing the Miantonomah.**  
NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—The big double-turreted monitor Miantonomah will be ready for sea Friday, or five days sooner than expected. The work of coaling her was finished and her stores of powder and projectiles will be put on board at once.

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**A BATTLE IN THE PAMIR.**  
British Capture Another Fort and Take Many Prisoners.  
**AFTER THE CZAR'S LIFE.**  
A Secret League in Poland Which is Plotting for His Overthrow—Austro-Hungary's Commercial Treaties.  
News From Abroad.

SIMLA, Dec. 29.—Advisers from Gilgit say that fifty Kashmiris, under Lieutenant Manners Smith, supported by fifty other Kashmiris, succeeded in scaling the precipice opposite Fort Nilt and captured the stone breastworks after a desperate engagement in which seventy of the enemy were killed, many wounded, 118 captured and the remainder put to flight. Captain Mackenzie pursued the fleeing tribesmen so closely that they could not make a new formation, and were completely routed. The British occupied Mayun, Sulmit and Pisan. They had only four men wounded and none killed.  
Throughout the engagement such was the wild firing on the part of the tribesmen, the British force only had four men wounded. A later dispatch says that the Khan of Nagar, utterly discouraged by his defeat, has submitted to the British military authorities and that he will be taken under escort to Simla.

**Famishing Russians Robbed.**  
ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 29.—The authorities are appalled at a display of enterprise on the part of a Russian newspaper. It appears that the urban comor of St. Petersburg recently bought with city money, for the benefit of the starving, 300,000 pounds of barley flour. The newspaper, Novoe Vremya, having suspicion as to the honesty of the transaction, investigated and found that the purchase was fraudulent, the greater part of the flour being dust and other refuse. The paper published the story and there is widespread indignation against those responsible for the purchase and who are supposed to have divided the larger part of the money among them. The paper is applauded for its course, and, while the authorities have not interfered to stop the exposure, it is said that the action of the Novoe Vremya is regarded in high quarters with considerable aversion.

**Plot Against the Czar.**  
LONDON, Dec. 29.—A dispatch from Warsaw says a plot against the life of the czar has been discovered. Many Polish and Russian students and military and civil officials have been arrested. It is said by the police that they are members of a secret league. A strict system of espionage is being enforced by the Russian officials along the German and Austrian frontiers.  
**All but One Man Drowned.**  
PARIS, Dec. 29.—An account of a wreck and loss has been received from Arachon, a fisheries port thirty-five miles from Bordeaux. The French steamer Albatross, engaged in the oyster fishery, was wrecked and the whole crew with the exception of one man, was drowned.  
**Carnot Sends Away His Lions.**  
PARIS, Dec. 29.—The two lions which King Menelik has presented to President Carnot have arrived at Marseilles and the president, having no accommodation for his royal guests, ordered quarters to be prepared for them at the Jardin des Plantes, where they will hold court right regally.

**Austro-Hungary's Commercial Treaties.**  
VIENNA, Dec. 29.—A dispatch from Buda Pesth says that the upper house of the Hungarian diet passed the commercial treaties recently negotiated between Austro-Hungary and Germany, Austro-Hungary and Belgium, Austro-Hungary and Switzerland, and Austro-Hungary and Italy.  
**Quebec Cast Away.**  
QUEBEC, Que., Dec. 29.—The marine department has been notified that a ship's crew has been cast away on Bird Rocks in the Gulf of St. Lawrence. It is supposed they are the crew of a French lugger which is reported as having left St. Pierre a few days ago with a cargo of proof spirits.  
**Will Be Transferred to Washington.**  
BERLIN, Dec. 29.—The North German Gazette says Dr. Von Holleben, German minister to Japan, is to be transferred to Washington.

**To Restrict Undesirable Immigration.**  
PITTSBURG, Dec. 29.—The Junior Order of American Mechanics, under the auspices of the advisory council, held an open meeting in Carnegie hall, Allegheny. The meeting, which is preliminary to a series of meetings throughout the country, was in support of measures tending to restrict undesirable immigration. A bill for this purpose has been drafted by the advisory council and will be presented in congress at an early date.  
**The Maverick Receiver Restrained.**  
BOSTON, Dec. 29.—Judge Aldrich, of the United States district court, has granted an order restraining the receiver of the Maverick National bank from paying to the officers of the Progressive Benefit order any funds deposited in the bank as passed in connection with a suit brought by the holders.  
**Spurious Money Afloat.**  
LAWRENCE, Mass., Dec. 30.—Since the discovery of the counterfeit \$5 treasury notes Saturday it has been ascertained that the city has been flooded with spurious silver and bills. The notes bear a poor portrait of President Jackson; the engraving is scratchy and the seal very dimly printed.

**The Davis Estate.**  
HELENA, Mont., Dec. 29.—Application for the appointment of a permanent administrator of the A. J. Davis estate was denied by the supreme court. The court ruled that as there was now a contest over the property in the courts, according to a state statute it could not appoint a permanent administrator.

**THE CHENEY MYSTERY.**  
Death of a Young Lady May Account for His Departure.  
ASBURY PARK, N. J., Dec. 29.—No word has as yet been received as to the whereabouts of Silas Cheney, the eccentric old brother-in-law of the late Horace Greeley. Cheney disappeared from this place four weeks ago and since then nothing has been heard from him. He had been a boarder at John Rowland's in West Asbury Park, whose step-daughter, Miss Mamie Bishop, died under peculiar circumstances on Thanksgiving night, after being ill but a few hours. Immediately after the coroner had taken charge of the body and had ordered an inquest Mr. Cheney left town, saying he was going to visit his brother at Litchfield, Conn., who had fallen and broken his leg. Since his strange departure word has been received from Mr. Cheney's brother asking for information as to Silas' whereabouts. The letter stated that Mr. Cheney had never visited him, as he had announced he intended to. Mr. Cheney is quite wealthy and owns considerable property at Litchfield and at this place. He is also a stockholder in the New York Tribune. It is the general belief that the old man knows something concerning Miss Bishop's death and is loath to say so as not to get his name mixed up in the matter.

**WASHINGTON NEWS.**  
Nothing New From Chile—Bering Sea Arbitration—In the Railroad Sinking Funds.  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The secretary of the treasury gives notice that there is remaining in the sinking funds of the Union and Central Pacific railroad companies the following described currency: \$1,896,827,000 maturing January 1, 1898; \$1,644,000 maturing January 1, 1898; \$601,000 maturing January 1, 1899. He will accept hereafter in exchange for the two first mentioned amounts \$250,000 of first mortgage Pacific railroad bonds maturing on or after January 1, 1897. With this exception the receipt of the first mortgage bonds in exchange for currency sizes will be limited hereafter to those maturing on and after January 1, 1898. The terms upon which the exchanges will be made are the same as those heretofore in effect upon the basis of 14 per cent. increased in amount per annum to the sinking funds.

**No News From Chile.**  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Officers of the state department said that as far as they were aware, nothing had been received from Minister Egan since the inauguration of President Monte. The Chilean minister also yet remains officially unadvised of anything pertaining to the inauguration. Secretary Tracy said that the United States steamer San Francisco, which arrived at San Diego, Cal., was there for the purpose of engaging in target practice. He said further no other orders had been issued to her commander.  
**Bering Sea Arbitration.**  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—It is believed the court of arbitrators in the Bering sea case will be announced soon. Our government will select France and it is believed that England will select Italy. These powers will select a third.  
**New York's Election Cases Decided.**  
ALBANY, Dec. 29.—Decisions in the election cases by the court of appeals gives the senate to the Democrats. The Twenty-fifth and Twenty-seventh districts are decided in favor of the Republicans and the Fifteenth and Sixteenth in favor of the Democrats.

**TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.**  
Walt Whitman continues to improve in health.  
It has been snowing in almost every section of the northwest. Two persons have frozen to death in North Dakota.  
Tom Mike, the Florida negro who killed a railroad conductor last Saturday, is reported to have been caught and hung.  
Charles Hodge of Mankato, Minn., was caught stealing corn. In attempting to escape from a policeman he was shot and killed.  
Fire burned the interior of a cabin occupied by negroes at Shelbyville, Tenn. Two small children locked up in the house were burned.  
John J. Lingeman, the man who went to Cornelius Vanderbilt's house on Saturday night and wanted his brains, has been adjudged insane.  
Edwin Schaffer, convicted of bribery in the congressional fight in the Twenty-eighth Pennsylvania district, has been sentenced to pay a fine of \$430 and costs.  
Dr. Keeley has purchased thirty acres on the shores of Lake Michigan, a little north of Chicago. He proposes to erect there several immense structures for diplomats.  
The action of Henry Sanford, as president of the Adams Express company, against John Hoey of New York, was discontinued and the attachment granted in October has been vacated.  
Michael Blake, while assisting in taking out a pump at Elvin mine, Dutte, Mont., fell to the bottom, a distance of 150 feet, and was instantly killed. The plank upon which he was working broke.  
Bert and Charles Brown, Harvey Bieron and Harry Johnson, who burglarized a jewelry and hardware store at Greenwich, Kan., have been arrested with a part of the plunder in their possession.  
Isaac Valentine of St. Louis, Mo., alias Sheebly O'Brien, shot and killed Abraham Brown, alias Reinhardt, a low saloon keeper on Sixth street, near Clark avenue. An old grudge was the cause of the affair.  
The Keeley Institute at Plainfield, Ind., has something of a curiosity in the shape of a patient only 5 years old who is a confirmed morphine eater. The child has been fed the poison from infancy to make it sleep.

**The New Gem opera house at Liberty, Ind., took fire during a performance. A wild scene followed the alarm of fire and men, women and children rushed to the windows and before it could be prevented jumped to the ground. Only a few were hurt.  
Grant Mertsy, a colored boy awaiting in jail at Kansas City, Mo., pending trial for grand larceny, died from the effects of a blow upon the skull with a soda water bottle in the hands of his cell mate, William Wilson. Wilson has been arrested for murder.**

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