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NEBRASKA NEWS ITEMS.

The mail from Columbus to Madison is now tri-weekly Land Commissioner Davis is having a record and lease book prepared for every county, which when written up will contain the entire school land business of the State. .. Mr. Stewart, of Johnson Co. has received the appointment of Register of the Land Office in the Black Hills.... The high water at West Point recently washed out part of the dam is the Elkhorn river at that place.

FOREIGN NEWS.

A Paris special says the popular clamor against President MacMahon is great....The circulation of foreign newspapers in France will only be permitted after a minute censorship. .. An Athens special says war between Greece and Turkey is considered inevitable.It is officially announced that Emperor William has recalled Prince Bis marck to consider the situation in France and the probable effect of the change of the ministry upon the rela tions of France and Germany A London dispatch says the stock market is depressed and prices have declined on the report that Bismarck was recalled....Sir Mathew Digby Wyatt, the great English architect, is dead.

A California Bear Story.

A few days ago a very exciting but also ludicrous incident occurred at the upper end of Hunter's Flat, some ten miles north of West Point, Calaveras County. John Giles, who has been profitably engaged in trapping in the mountains above the past winter, visited a Mr. Hall, who owns a small ranch on Hunter's Flat. A few hours previous to Giles' arrival a bear had paid his respects to one of Hall's Berkshire hogs. leaving the smaller portion of it under an oak tree for further lunch. Giles owns a large steel trap, weighing sixty pounds, which was hauled to the oak tree; a pine some nine inches in diamreaching the oak. The heavy chain attached to the trap has an enormous fastened to a strong iron bolt inserted in the butt of the pine. The ghostly remains of the Berky were carried up | measures accordingly. The Sultan has the oak tree and lashed to the trunk so as to be in sight. The trap was set, and Giles proceeded to obliterate footmarks. All at once Hall yelled in a scalp-raising tone, "Here he comes!" Sure enough, an enormous and apparently enraged panying the Turks to Caucasus to inbear was making rapid headway toward | cite a holy war. the mourners under the oak. Before Giles got started in the ensuing race Hall had taken the lead by a good many lengths, leaping wild coffee bushes six feet in height with ease. The roaring of the ferocious brute in the rear accelerated Giles' speed until he was exhausted, when he ventured to look back had given up the race. He shouted the of siege works. Monkhtar Pasha has happy fact to his friend, who was some 400 yards ahead, but Hall continued the race until he reached his cabin. The two now concluded to wait some two hours. Giles had no weapons with him. and when the time expired Hall advanced trivial objections, but offered to lend his rifle. As Hall is acknowledged to be a bold and skillful hunter. Giles pressed him to explain his apparently cowardly behavior, and the blushing and stuttering friend said that he was recently engaged to the reigning belle of West Point-did not fear death-but seriously objected to the possibility of Bruin's unkind scratching under the circumstances. Giles shouldered the rifle and started in the direction of the trap. He found the Berkshire epicure with his left fore paw in the trap which he had dragged some 500 yards, tree and all. When the monster caught sight of his jailor his rage knew no bounds in his efforts to get at him, but the trap and the tree which had become fastened in the undergrowth held him securely. Giles says that he lodged five halls in the bear's ears, which all ineffectively flattened. Balls fired at the head only penetrated the skin. Several shots in the region of the heart finally brought him down, but hedid not die until three hours after. When the monster had been skinned, his head, back of his ears. was tound to be two feet ten and onehalf inches in circumference. The car-"cass when dressed weighed 1,458% pounds. It is probably the largest bear of its species ever seen in California. The skin is a very fine one, and Giles intends to present it to President Hayes. -Calaveras, Cal., Chronicle.

Chas. Q. Clapp, a lady who died at Port- The war party clamor for the instant | Constantinople dispatch says the Porte land, Me., a few days ago, the heirs dis- protection of England's interests. The has been inquiring of contractors about covered, carefully packed away, a very Russian Ambassador has gone home to the time in which quantities of provishandsome china service that once belonged to the unfortunate Marie Antoi- A Bucharest dispatch of May 18th says: A St. Petersburgh dispatch of May 23d.

nette, Queen of France. The Baron Gustave de Rothschild has no gorgeous peacock-decorated rooms in his Paris mansion; but he has salon of light carved wood heightened with gold, and ornamented with scenes from Tasso' "Jerusalem Delivered," exquisitely painted.

Joaquin Miller's hobby, they say, is not that he is a great poet, but that he is the most accomplished "masher." or lady-killer, of the age. A few of the sex still survive, and Miller claims he has not had a fair chance all around.

One of the daughters of Robert Southey, namely, Mrs. Hill, died a few days since, at Leamington, in the sixtyninth year of her age. This lady was often affectionately alluded to in the poet's correspondence as "Little Bertha."

Mr. Spurgeon has not recovered his him. On a recent Sunday he could May 18th. A telegram from Err

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THE EASTERN WAR. A special to the London Times of May 17th says a great battle is impending on the Danube, and beavy cannonading was in progress. For several days the Russians and been concentrating a large force to force a passage of the son have sacked and burned all the Danube at Giurgevo. Opposite, in Rustchuk, the Turks were in strong force, and determined to resist any advance of the Russians. Turkish monitors were hurrying to the place, and taking positions in front or near the point where the Russians hoped to lay their pontoon bridges. The town of were taken prisoners. It is now stated which me now lying idle in the Totrokan was fired by the Russian guns and also the town of Matchin. Turkish troops propose to move against the

Herzegovinian insurgents. Thousands

of Christian refuges were expected to

cross the frontier to increase the

citement. Many monks are accom-

just attempted to bombard Kars with

four heavy seige guns. They miscalcu-

lated their range and the shots flew over

the town without any damage. Kars

replied briskly and the assailants were

compelled to retire, but they subse-

lost some munitions in consequence of

having been suddenly attacked on the

flank by an advance of 2,500 Circassi-

largely in South Germany. A special

frem London, dated May 18th, says:

of support from the nation. Disraeli is

England, joined by Austria, into the

conflict. Russian diplomatic circles con-

fess that England's participation is a

foregone conclusion. Extraordinary

preparations in the armament of both

land and naval forces are reported in

all parts of the Kingdom. All home

transperts from distant colonies are

under orders for troops. Great fleets of

troops and ships are preparing from all

naval rendezvous, and a prodigious ac-

cumulation of naval and military stores

are on the route to Mediterranean

stations. Orders have been sent to

India to mobilize the Mussulman con-

tingent. In English houses, even among

the lower ranks, a feeling of intense

hostility against Russia is marked. They

tion the hardships arising from the rise

in the price of bread, stagnation in bus-

iness, and all the accessories that accom-

seemd trooms left. Come

sian co-religionists from domination. number that are already in Dalmatia, and who are already dying of starvation. A writer from near Galatz says: The assembled thirty divisions aggregating ward to Ottenitza the army forms a ported that the Consul struck the Turkcontinuous front embracing a total of ish officer. A Constantinople dispatch says: Shiek-ul-Islam has proclaimed 450,000 men; to the westward, at a distance of from one to three miles from a holy war against Russia. The impethe Danube a thinner line stretches to rial irade is published. Several minis-Widdin. The Russians in Asia have terial changes are considered probable Members of the Turkish Chamber of advanced to Kars and Kalira in great force. The Turks will confront them Deputies are quarreling and government troubles are feared. The followat Tapenak and Kala. Both armies are preparing for a pitched battle. A dis- ing account of the battle of Ardshan is telegraphed: "The outworks of Ardapatch from Jassy, says a Russian infantry corps of 52,000, accompanied by han, its fortifications, the citadel, sixty a proportionate force of cavalry and guns, immense stores of provisions and ammunition, and the camp formerly artillery is marching in the direction of Siminitza, where it is thought occupied by the fourteen battalions of the main body of the Russians Turks, lie at the feet of the Czar. On will attempt to cross the Danube. the 17th of May the admirable fire of A special to the Loudon Telegraph our artillery, between three and six from Vienna, reports that the Turks in the afternoon, made a breach in the altogether have captured 200 Russian | wall. At six o'clock the Erwan, Tiffis vessels in the Danube, containing over | and the sappers advanced to the assault. 130,000 hectolitres of wheat. A dis- The enemy could not withstand our patch from London asserts that Persia strength and fied, leaving a great numhas declared her intention not to join ber of dead. At nine o'clock our troops Russia. A Constantinople dispatch traversed the whole town and fortificasays: The capture of Sukumkaleh and | tions. The troops are full of enthusithe rising of the Caucasians who mas- asm. Our loss is believed to be one sacred the garrison and hurned the officer and fifty soldiers killed: for town is officially announced. The officers and one hundred and eighty sol-Roumanian government has published diers wounded." A Constantinople disdoubt it is at war with Turker by the ling frightful massacres on the Caucasfault of Turkey, and it must take sians. The new Greek ministry is disposed to adopt a warlike policy. The determined on the admission of Chris tians into the army. The report that the Turks intend to seize the church property in Bulgaria causes much ex-A special to the London Telegraph

people will support the ministry A St. Petersburg dispatch says: Along the entire coast from Cape Adler to Cape Ptcherthyr Turkish men of war are bombarding and burning undefended and peaceful settlements and landing Circassian emigrants at various points, who seek to excite the Abehaof May 17th, says: The Russians have sians to rebellion. Troops have been dispatched to suppress any rising. At Ardahan the Russians captured a Turkish Pasha and 82 cannons. Their efforts commenced with a heavy artil lery fire, which was as hotly returned. From Kars we have intelligence that and note with grateful heart that Bruin | quently again attempted the erection | the Russians attacked the outer line with a furious determination, having preceded their attempt by a heavy but ill-directed cannonade from siege artillery. Powerful guns in the Turkish ans. The Russians are purchasing arms | batteries replied with better effect The duel was vigorously maintained until the Russians brought up a column The absorbing interest in Russian operof infantry as close as they dared to ations is for the moment transferred to | the fortifications, apparently purposing the diplomatic world. Emboldened by if possible to take the place by storm. his triumph in Parliament, and certain The Ottoman commander, observing this, drew together a large body of believed to be preparing to precipitate troops behind the ramparts and launched a tremendous sortie upon the Russian flank and rear. A bloody engagement followed at close quarters and at its termination the Russians were obliged to retreat, beaten, leaving upon the field 300 corpses and a large number of wounded. There was

slight encounter in the meantime be-

the bodies of 800 Turks have been al-

ready buried at Ardahan. The fall of

Ardahan is regarded as a great advantage to the Russians, as it will enable their forces to attack Kars. Great preparations are being made by the Russians for an attempt to cross the Danube between Rahova and Nikopocharge upon the Czar's-covetous ambi- lis. They have brought down by rail to the bank of the river pontoon bridges and small steamers, and are erecting large fortifications at Islates and Terner pany war without advantages. Eng. Maguireli. The Turks are fully preland's interests will be the pretext and pared to resist the attempt. The Lonthe first Russian success of magnitude | den Dally News' special says: The Rusthe occasion for intervention. That sians crossing in boats from Ibrail to this will be the end, the best informed Ghiaco, burned the latter place. The in Parliament, the press and public life Russians have dismounted their Car concur in declaring. Disraeli and of- baschi fortifications, considering them ficials of the government have been in- of no further use, as from Ibrail to cessantly in cabinet council since the Reni the river is sufficiently pretected In examining property left by Mrs. defeat of Gladstone's peace resolutions. by strong batteries and torpedoes. A warn the Czar of the impending danger. | ions could be stored in Constantinople. In the Turkish village of Tatorkoi there | says 3,500 Kurds, 12,000 Bashi-Razonka. is quite a Christian element, though five infantry battalions and artillery, are subordinate in numbers to the Turks, moving northward from Lakevan to On the night of the 16th the latter made a join the Turkish forces at Karaklisa. general attack upon the Christians. The | The Turkish detachment which was exmales were put to the sword; many of pected to attack Bayarid has fallen back the elder women shared the same fate, toward Lakevan. The body of the and the younger were brutally out- Turkish Chief of Staff was found among raged. The cries of the victims were the slain at Ardahan. The troops comdistinctly heard by the outposts of the posing the garrison at Ardahan have Roumanian army, and is further cor- retreated. The Russian column left roborated by the reports of two Bulga- Kagisman to reinforce the central divisrisms who escaped the slaughter. Prince | ion before Kars. The Turks attacked Hassan, son of the Khedive, with 6,000 | the Russian position at Adler. A se-Egyptians, has left Cairo for Constant- verely contested engagement en inople, and the remainder of the con- A dispatch from Constantinople, May tingent is to follow. It is said that 22d, says that since the capture of Ar-Servia is ready to take the field with dahan the Russians appear to be 40,000 men on condition that Russia pays paring for a vigorous attack on Kars. the expense. A Widdin dispatch says The Turkish ministers have resolved or telerating manifestations of any that 6,000 Caucasians are joining the to draw no salary during the war. A party in France against foreign powers. Turkish army as volunteers. There was dispatch from Erzeroum reports that great rejoicing in Constantinople be the Russian center has driven the cause of the Sukumkaleh victory. Ten Turks from their position at Karole adrhourss - a villege near Kers.

repulsed. The Russians maintain their | making offensive preparations at Saitposition in the neighborhood of Kars, sches and along the Tomoki. They and a battle is expected shortly. A have ordered fortifications at Alexanitz dispatch says a Roumanian vessel full and Izvar. The Turks have stationed of Russian soldiers has been sunk by a strong corns of observation at Adlis the Turks. A Betoum dispetch cays: to guard against a sudden movement The Russians in a vicinity of Tchwenk- from Servia. It is reported from Belgrade that the council of minisvillages and massacred the women and | ters have resolved that Prince Milan children. The commander of Schools shall inform the Coar that after the pol has ordered civilians to quit that Roumanian proclamation of independcity, as an attack is expected. Advices ence Servia cannot maintain neutrality. from Scutari announce that the Miri- The London Standard reports that ordites have been defeated in the neigh- deep have been received at Portamouth borhood of Gusinge, and two chiefs | that the five great Indian troop ships. that Servia will not take part in the in consequence of the close of the season war. The Sultan has addressed a proc- | for sending reliefs to India are not to lamation to the troops sent to the Cau- be subjected to any alterations which casus, saying that he entrusts to them cannot be completed in a few days, so the mission of delivering their Circusthat they may be ready to proceed to see if required. A Constantinople dis-The Turks have sent reinforcements patch savs: The Abchadiane are in to Nikopolis to guard against any at full insurrection and arms have been Russians have projected prodigious lines | tempted passage of the Danube there. | distributed to them. The Sultan has of fortifications, behind which were The British Consul at Rustchuk has ordered the purchase of 20,000 revolvers had a serious dispute with the Turks, to be paid for from his private purse 175,000 infantry, 15,000 cavalry, and a owing to their preventing the landing for distribution in the Caucasus. The great mass of artillery. Hence south- of an American missionary. It is re- Russian force which attacked Ardahan numbered 8,000, besides which several thousand encamped before the town. During the fight will the Turks the Russian cavalry inflicted a less of 700. A correspondent in describing the

movements of the Russians near Bato-

um says the Russian investing army

was driven back on the 17th of May

with great slaughter. The Turks were

incited to battle by impressive religious eremonies. The gunners were given arrack and powder to drink, and met the Bussian charges with the ferocity of madmen, pursuing their historic tactics. The Cossacks swarmed to the charge a dozen times, bent on bearing the Turks down by dint of numbers, and three times the outworks were ious appeals, rallied and drove their man's war cry. The needle guns, falling from the hands of the slain, were swivel at the end, which was securely a note stating that it can no longer patch says the Russians are perpetratsian advance, shattered and repulsed, were burned at Winona, Minn., on the withdrew, and the onslaught ended in night of May 17th. Loss, \$90,000 to a disastrous defeat. Between four and \$100,000.... A fire at Oshkosh, Wis., five thousand Russians were left dead and wounded in the rugged hills between Batoum and the Russian lines. and the roadways and woods were strewn with arms, equipments and every substantial token of victory. Russia has declared to Tunis that if Mo., May 18th, for the murder of a military or pecuniary aid is rendered farmer named Davis, in 1878....Collecto the Sultan the Bey must prepare to tor Wells telegraphs from Lynchburg. see his capital bombarded. The Tunis government is disquieted by the concentration of a French force on the frontier. A Vienna dispatch says: The Shiek-Ul-Islam, proclaiming a holy war against Russia, and the almost simultaneous announcement from Constantinople that the departure of the Sultan for the Danube has been decided upon, would seem to show that the advice of those who all along looked upon the present struggle as one of existence of the Ottoman empire has gained ascen dency in the councils of the party. The Russians, it is stated, have closed in upon the rear of Batoum, which is once more seriously threatened. A few mornings ago the Turks fired upon an Austrian steamer, which after several shots, caught fire. There is an eager clamor for war among all classes in Austria. Montenegro has postponed the recommencement of hostilities until the Russians have actually crossed the Danube. Advices from Asia Minor report that the Mahommedan insurrection in Caucasus has proved a serious check to the advance of the Russian tween the cavalry without any special army. The insurgents are constantly result. A St. Petersburg dispatch says harrassing the Russian outposts. large force of Caucasians attacked the Russians near the frontier and compelled them to retreat. It is believed that Russia, Germany, France and Italy, will recognize Romanian inde pendence, in the order named. England and Austria are expected to delay recognition. It is believed at Constantinople that the Russians have arranged for passage through Servian territory. The Servian police removed placards from the walls in Belgrade threatening Prince Milan's expulsion unless he re news the war. The general opinion in Vienna is that he will do so when the Russians cross the Danube. The Greek minister at Vienna has given the most decided assurances that the rumors that Greece is to join in the war are untrue. Seven hundred Jews are deprived of a livelihood by the closing of the navigahomeless, and almost starving in Widdin, have taken refuge under the walls of the fortress, in the rear of the bombardment. Grand Duke Nicholas is reported to have remarked that he intende to enter Constantinople to make the Turks feel that they are crushed although he does not intend to retain the city. Another battle at Batoum commenced May 23d. The Russian force had been strengthened by 20,000 men. who arrived from Ardahan. A desperate engagement was expected. A Vienna dispatch reports that the Turkish and money found in his room, and has troops which fied from Ardahan have been defeated in a mountain pass near Kars. The Turkish official account of the taking of Ardahan admits the loss of 300 killed and wounded. A Paris dispatch says Duke de Cases has issued a circular protesting against the supposition that the new ministry entertains

> All indications denote that the Rue- or when these already spoken, may we for to complete the building acc dated May 18th, says the Russians at sians are making a serious movement allowably think of the co tacked Ardahan in force and were again | on western Bulgaria. The Services are of a particular action. - [Hare.

any idea of departing from neutrality

The Turkish commander of the Arda-

han garrison will be court-martialed.

GENERAL NEWS SUMMARY. ton, that Collector Jeslyn and four others have been shot in Lee county in er, was hanged at Philadelphia, May 17th ... Five candy makers in Boston, select school, at Oregon, Missouri having occasion to punish an unruly boy named Wm. Payne, aged 12, a few days ago, was resisted, the toy striking her several blows with his fist in her breast. She immediately turned to her seat fell over and empired. A post mortem examination revealed the fact that her lungs were diseased, and heart so badly involved that death

tion to the fact that an organization of lawless men exists in several border counties of Missouri and Arkaness who call themselves "Ghouls," but are more familiarly known as Kukluz, whose chief purpose is to run and protect small illicit distilleries in the mountains, and kill or whip or otherwise punish all persons who oppose them and show any disposition to enforce the law. There is a reign of terror in those

The St. Louis Republican calls atten-

over-excitement

An elevator, freight house, and ten cars of fright, together with 500 parrels May 17th, destroyed a saw mill, warehouse, and a large quantity of lumber. Aggregate of loss, \$60,000, and total insurance, \$45,000 ... A \$10,000 fire occurred at Peoria, Illinois, May 18th. Samuel Orr was hanged at Mt. Vernon. Va. that it was illicit distillers and not officers who were shot in the recent raid in that district.... Edward F. Beale has tendered his resignation as United States Minister to Austria, to take effect upon the appointment of his successor....

John Seumbel, a brewer, at Terre Haute, killed himself by cutting his throat from ear to ear, May 19th. Cause unknown.... A convention was held at Deadwood, May 19th, to consider the project of a new territory to be called Lincoln, and resolved to petition the next Congress. The Saratoga, a large iron steamship,

which was being launched at Chester,

Pa., May 22d, started from its blocking sooner than was expected, killing and wounding many. About 40 men were under the Saratoga when she went off. Seven men were killed, and some the injured may not recover . . . A young man and a young lady were out on the lake at Chicago, rowing on the evening of May 21st, when the boat overturned and the young woman was drowned... At Blandville, Ky., a few nights ago a party of disguised men went to the jail and with drawn pistols demanded and received the keys. They then seized the negro oriminal, Levi Pile, tied a rope around his neck, tied him to a mule and dragged him away to the woods. His body was found hanging to a tree with several bullet holes in it and the clothing burned off Two boys were killed at Minerville, Pa May 23d, by the explosion of a fir damp in a colliery All the old New York pool sellers have left the State and moved to New Jersey and opened establishments in the different cities near New York. There is no law against betting in New Jersey....The Residence Fire Insurance Company, of Cleveland, has decided to retire from business ... Twenty buildings in th heart of the town of Gloversville, N Y, were burned on the night of May 21st. Loss, \$100,000; insurance, \$60,000 The warehouse of Krees & Co., Columbus O, in which was stored some 20,000 or 30,000 bushels of corn, was totally destroyed by fire, May 23d. Loss, \$25,000: curred at Pittaburg. Pa. on the night of

neurance, \$7,000 A \$100,000 fire oc May 23d. By the fall of a scaffold, May 22d, in Baltimore, one man was killed, and three seriously injured....Some years age when Dr. E. W. Buck was county physician of Hudson county N. J. s man registered as Aloysius Molnar, committed suicide at Hoboken, and Dr Buck was appointed administrator of a large and valuable amount of property since held it. Emperor Francis Joseph. of Austria, has now instituted a suit in the New Jersey Court of Chancery against Buck for the recovery of this property, asserting that Molnar was really named John Kunner, once employed under the Austrian government in a railroad office, from which he stol a large quantity of bonds and fied to America....The Coroner's jury in the case of the court house diseaser at Bockford. Ill. after thirteen days work, rendered a verdict that Henry L. Gay, the architect, through neglect to provide Only when the voice of duty is stlent, for the great amount of weight casted

Supervisors falled to Collector of Internal Revenue Reeves | caution in filling the plans and specifitelegraphs from Virginia to Washing cations, and acted unwisely in not employing a competent architect to superintend the construction A dedischarge of their duty-one mortally structive fire occurred at Bardstown, N. wounded ... Quigley, the wife murder- J. May 23d ... The will of Wm. Palm, scribed: "Years ago there lived in this a prominent German citizen of St. Louis, who died in Rome in 1870, has been have been indicted for poisonous adul- probated. It bequeaths the bulk of his terations, with bonds fixed at \$6,000 estate amounting to about \$100,000, to day away announced that the doubtful each ... Miss Kingsbury, a teacher in a the Washington University at St. Louis.

A Prohistoric City.

The Remarkable Buine Dissevered in 1

Valley of the Animas, in Colorado. Prof. Hayden has given Southwestern section, and in Southeastern Utah. The stories told about the ruins are very interesting. The fertile valley of the might have been caused any time by Animas was densely inhabited and highly cultivated by an enlightened race of people centuries ago. The ruins of the houses, corrals, towns, forti cations, ditches, pottery ware, drawings, non-interpretable writings, etc., show that many arts were cultivated by these prehistoric people which are now entirely lost. Their houses were built of most every kind of stone, from small boulders to the finest sandstone. The finest of these ruins, and the

nearest perfect, are situated about thirty-five miles below Animas City, in counties ... A man named Henry a large valley fifteen miles long by Jeffreys, under the influence of liquor, seven wide on the west side of the Lois' directions were: 'You go right shot a negro in East Corondolet, opporiver. This valley has been covered site St. Louis, May 19th ... A fire at | with buildings of every size, the two North Vernon, Ky., May 20th, destroyed largest being 300x4,000 feet, and about John Gage's." five stores and dwellings. Loss heavy 300 feet apart. They are built of blocks ... The town of Creswell, N. C., was of sandstone, laid in adobe mud, the totally destroyed by fire a few nights outside walls being four feet, and the ago. All the United States mails in the inside walls from a foot and a half to postoffice were destroyed. Great dis- three feet thick. In the lower story are | Gage's either.' tress prevails. There was but little found portholes a foot square. There insurance ... The city hall and several are rooms now left and walls for about scaled and the entrenchments fairly other buildings at Ottawa, Ill., were four stories high still standing. About won. The infuriated Turks, by relig- burned a few nights ago. Loss, \$14- the second story, on the west side, there 600; insurance, \$5,000.... A severe was once a balcony along the length of enemy back. The Russians captured storm passed over Washington, D. C., the building. No signs of a door are and turned the artillery upon the on the night of May 20th, doing con- visible in the outer walls, and the in Turks, and they broke in a panic and siderable damage in the northwestern grees must have been from the top, in fied headlong from the defences. At section. Houses were unroofed, fences, the inside there being passages from this moment of Turkish stampede trees and telegraph poles were blown room to room. Most of them are small, like other similar unfortunates, was women and priests came to the rescue dewn and carriages and wagons over- from 8x10 to 12x14 feet, the doors being sometimes in debt. One day, being 2x4 feet. The arches over the doors and portholes are made of small cedar poles two inches wide, placed across, on which the masonry is placed. The sleepers supporting the floors are of cedar, about eight inches thick, and from twenty to fifty feet long, and about three feet siderable sum than 25 cents. Bibulous apart. A layer of small round poles was then placed across the sleepers, then a layer of thinly-split cedar sticks, then about three inches of earth, then a layer of cedar bark, than another layer of dirt, then a carpet of some kind of coarse grass. The rooms that have been protected from exposure are whitewashed, and the walls are ornamented with drawings and writings. In one of these room he impression of a hand dipped in whitewash on a joist is as plain as if it had been done only yesterday. In another room there are drawings of tarantulas, centipedes, horses,

In some of the rooms have been found human bones, bones of sheep, corncobs, goods, raw hides, and all colors and varieties of pottery ware. These two large buildings are exactly the same in every respect. Portions of the buildings plainly show that they were destroyed by fire, the timbers being burned off and the roofs caved in, leaving the lower rooms entirely protected. The rock that .hese buildings were built of must have been brought a long way, as nothing to compare with it can be found within a : adius of twenty miles. All the timber used is cedar, and has been brought at least twentyfive miles. Old ditches and roads are

to be seen in every direction. The Navajo Indians say, in regard to these ruins, that their forefathers came there five old men's ages ago (500 years), and that these ruins were here, and the same then as now, and there is no record whatever of their origin.-Lake City, Col., Correspondence N. Y. Sun.

An English Duke's Curious Bets.

A curious form of wager was once his upon by Old Q-a familiar soubriquet by which the Duke of Queensbury was known to the sporting world. The Duke was famous for eccentricities in a betting way. The match he made to drive a carriage nineteen miles in one hour without changing either of the thorough-bred horses with which he started, made a sensation at the time and the actual achievement of this feat was perhaps as remarkable as anything of the kind in the annals of ceaching. But the wager to which reference was made was of a more original character than this, and at a time of day when railways were not thought of, was cerive talent. He made a bet that he would have a letter conveyed fifty miles within an hour. In order to do this, he caused the manuscript to be inclosed in a cricket ball, stationed expert cricketers at intervals over a certain distance and the missive, being thrown from one to the other, was delivered at the end of the journey, within the stipulated time. A very good story is told of this nobleman by which he very neatly chekmated the vagaries of certain speculators who secretly offered his Grace's lockey a large sum of money if he would lose a certain race. The jockey appeared to entertain the proposal, but quietly carried information of it to his em ployer, who at once told him to take the money, and that he would bear him barmiess. The money was taken, and bets were made accordingly, but, to the horror of the enterprising blackless, the duke himself came to the post, and quickly divesting himself of a great cost, was found to be in riding attire. "This is a very nice horse," said his Grace, "I think I will ride myself." And he did it, and won without a struccie. -Boston Courter.

Vistor Hugo attributes his good moss to the plane, is guilty of the death of health to his

the John Tuey Tell

England Town The Boston Journal prints a letter from Hopkinton, N. H., in which the following old-time incidents are detown two individuals noted for their habitual indolence. Public opinion was undecided which was the larier. One moint had been settled, an effective test having been applied. In response to particular enquiries he stated that the two men had been made to stand under a dripping roof, their heads tipped back so that they would receive the dripping Colorado a new interest by discovering | rain directly in their eyes. The plan and describing the ancient ruins in that attested the fact that one of the doubt ful individuals would wink when the descending element impinged upon his naked eveballs, while the other wouldn't budge the breadth of an eyelash. We presume all cavil ceased, in the face of this remarkable explanation.

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Lois Eastman was a non compos montis. Heing also a pauper, she was an nually farmed out to the lowest bidder For years her lot was cast with a family living about a mile west of the town. At that time public thoroughfares were less directly defined than afterward when travel had assumed more direct courses. One day a stranger knocked at the door of the house where Lots lived, and was met by Lois of whom he inquired the way to the village. down by Joe Putney's turnip-yard, by the sweet apple tree, and so on down to

This was, indeed, a part of the way to the village, but the stranger urget 'I don't know anything about your turnip yard, sweet apple tree, or John

Lois lost her patience in view of such intolerable ignorance. 'Well,' she said, then you are one peaky fool if you don't know the way to John Gage's"

For years after, if a person of leaser mental capacity appeared in town, it would, perchance, be said of him, he 'didn't know the way to John Gage's."

One individual of inebriated habits under the influence of drink, he conceived something of an affront at the familiar approach of a youth who had fairly got into the stiff collar and square cravat age, and who demanded the payment of an indebtment of a no less contook as fair an occular inspection of the youth as his unsteady condition

would allow. "Ah! yes. I (hie) know you. I know your father, too; a sight (hic) more spectable man than you. But I'll (hie) tell you one thing you may depend upon As for bein' harrassed and taressed all over town for the (hic) small matter of 25 cents, I won't. I (hic) will pay you

There used to be well known here a brace of Judges of prominence in the earlier history of the State. They were Judge H. and Judge S. Judge H. was gotten up after the pattern of a broomhandle, and Judge S, bore a corporosity of decided corpulence. One day, when spending a leisure hour together, the conversation of the two gentlemen turned upon the subject of the transmigration of souls. Judge S., who was a most incorrigible joker, remarked "H., do you want me to tell you my pinion of what will become of you if that doctrine is true?"

"I should be very glad to hear your opinion," replied Judge H.

'Well, I think you will do one or the other of two things; you will either go into a very small humming bird or else into a devil's darning-needle, suggested

Since you have been so good as to give me your opinion of my future chances, said Judge H., 'I am going to make free to give you my opinion of

Go on, said Judge S. 'I think,' observed Judge H., 'you will go into one of these big squash-bellied garden toads, and won't have to change much either.

One of the churches in town was desti tute of a pastor. Brothers A. and B were speaking together about the matter of a supply. Judge S. overheard and suggested: "I know where you can get a minister and have a deacon thrown

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Brother A., who was also something of a wag, replied: "That's nothing; if you go down to Andover, where they have a mill, they'll give you a minister

and throw in two deacons." Brother B., a more serious man, disliking to hear Brother A. speak so lightly, suggested: "Don't you think, Judge S., it would be a good thing if Brother A. should go down and go

through the mill?" "'It were no use to try,' said Judge

he'd go out at the smut." We will tell just one more story. The bar-room, or office, of a country hotel is most always a familiar resort of loungers. The fact was the same years ago, when a certain landlord in the north part of town experienced some annovance from winter loungers, who cometimes forgot to close the door after them when they came in to enjoy the fire. Once a wag came in, and the landlord, observing he left the door ajar, called out impatiently: 'Do you know what that door was made for? The wag turned, surveyed the door with a most imperturbable countenance, and answered: "Seventy-five cents or a dollar."

LEMON DUMPLINGS.-Mix with ten ounces of fine breed crumbs half a pound of beef suct, chopped very fine, one large tablespoonful of flour, the grated rinds of two lemons, strained Divide the mixture into quarters, tie them in well floured cloths, and boil them an hour. The dumplings will be very light and delicate.

Theories are very thin and enough love of cold water and stantial; experience only is tangible.