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the time and what delegates at that con-vention have themselves told me, is that while Lincoln did not think it expedient to put a Northern man like Hamlin on the ticket, he certainly did not argo or favor the nomination of Johnor inver on. Lincoln Schonglet that the Union entiment in the South should have consentation on the ticket, and his choice as the Rev. Dr. Robert J. Breckinridge, of Kentneky, a downright Union man of the ghest mental attainments and character, Dr. Besetcearidge was favorably known in dern Pennsylvania as the President of Jefferson College at Canonsburg from 1845 to 1840. He returned to his native State after resigning his place at Canonsburg, and coving 79 at that time was an activo inducider of the Union cause in the dark ays prior to the outbreak of the Rebellion When his nephew, Senator J. C. Breckinridge, esponsed the Confederate cause Dr. Breekinridge denounced him as a traitor. so when the convention met at Balti so when the convention met at islut-neare in 1860 Dr. Breckhirtidge was maturally a strong representative of the Southern University, and that he would, with Elicolus indersement, have received the nomination is probable, but just before e convention met he peremptorily declined allow his name to be used. Then Andrew duison was accepted as the desired cham-en of the loyal South. Congressman John

Fishing More Popular Than Ever.

"Tax sport of fishing never had so many followers in Pittsburg as at present," said a dealer in fishing tackle yesterday, "and it is in agreeable fact that the pot-hunters have decrement as much as the real sportsmen ineve meneased. The taste in fishing tackle generally has grown higher, and the demand for the better kind of rods and poles, of lines and reels, shows that fishing as an art is bet was once popular with so many, that the alm of the fisherman should be to see how eany fish he could haul in in a day, has given way to the truer conception of the gentle sport that ninkes skill in the throwing of a fly or in playing a game fish the true characteristic of the fisherman.

Pittsburg's Fishing Grounds.

Pittsburg still has the advantage of being althin easy reach of good fishing," continued the Pittsburg Izank Walton, "The trout streams of Western Pennsylvania still afford plenty of sport, and nearer home still, the Ohio contains lots of jack salmon, as the army of patient fishermen you may see any day on the string piece of the Davis Island dam will tell you. Over a hundred Pittsburgers have gone a-fishing in the Cheat Mountain region already this sur mer, and the sport there has been good. Not a few find Chautauqua Lake a good fishing ground, and of course hundreds go to the great lakes for the fishing. More and more of inte years the lakes and streams of Canada have tempted Pittsburg fishermen, and this summer the clubs and individuals that will cross the border for this purpose are very numerous. By the way, a misconception prevails about the Canadian Customs House regulations as in fishing rols that are carried over the frontier from the United States. Some peofrontier from the United States. Some peo-ple think that a tax of \$5 is imposed on every rod, but that is not the case. When an American fisherman crosses the frontier into Canada he is required to put up \$5 with the customs offleers, for which a receipt is given him, as a guarantee that he does not mean to sell the rod he carries. When he re-turns, if he still has the rod, the \$5 is given back to him. There is nothing unfair about that. back to him. There is nothing uniar about that. "The glassworkers, almost to a man, and namy others who are released for a while in summer from shop and mill, go a fishing, and while most of them are pot-hunters to a great extent there are some fine fishermen among them, and they buy the very best of rods and tackle, too. Latterly women have taken kindly to the sport, and, while few of them easy the difficult art of fly-fishing, there are quite a number of fair sports-women who practice angling for annuse-uent, and togood purpose as regards the comen who practice angling for anuse-tion, and to good purpose as regards the atch. There is one woman in Pittsburg to any knowledge who can handle rod or gun eith equal case, and requires no concessions rom her brother sportsmen either. "Another factor in the improvement in he sport is the great reduction in the price 6 all the articles used by the fisherman. A set for instance, that used the cost fill or \$50 al, for instance, that used to cost \$40 or \$50 an now be bought for \$15 or \$20, and other its in proportion. This has brought linest goods within the peach of most men, and they have not been slow to ake advantage of their opportunities." Pittsburg Has Snakes Handy. Not everyone knew that the juxury of a blue from a copperhead sink where the luxity of a blue from a copperhead sink was within easy reach of Pittsburgers till a poor little fellow fell a victim to one of the reptiles last sounday near the Little Sewickley creek, some thirteen miles from town. The story of the boy's encounter with a six-foot snake has been recorded in the papers already, but now that the excitement has subsided a few facts about the affair may be in place. The boy was little Charlie Sevens, the deaf and domb son of a farm inborer who lives with his family in the picturesque cot tage close to the road and the Little Sewick-ley, about three-quarters of a mile from Edgeworth. The cottage is a familiar feature of one of the pretriest views in the favorite ride beside the Little sewickley, and around over the Backbone to Sewickley, and lies at the month of a gien of rare beauty. Charlie sevens of a given of rare beauty. Charlie sevens on Sunday morn-ing wont with his mother into the woods close to the house to gather berries. His mother saw the copperhead sanks after it had bitten Charlie, and killed it. It was mount: saw the copperhead sinks after it had biften Charbe, and killed it. It was about 25 feet long. As quickly as possible the boy, who had some difficulty in making his mother understand that he had been bitten, went home, and there the usual remedy-whicky-was tried. The wound on the leg showed only two small punctures of the skin, but the boy's body impuly grew green and yellow, and when Dr. McCrundy reached the house from Se-wickley he found the boy in a very danger-ous condition. Since then the boy has suf-fered great agony, but yesterday it was still hoped that he would recover. A singular coincidence is that another copperhead was killed in the same neigh-bothased on sundar by a resident of Edge-worth. Lilled another copperhead. The country is practically uncultivated formiles about the Little Sewiekley, and the wild-ness of the scentry is a part of its beauty. About eight variations. about the Little Sewickley, and the wild-ness of the scenery is a part of its beauty. About eight years agon Mrs. Kauff-man, who lived in a house a little nearer Edgeworth than where the Sevienses are on the Little Sewickley, was bitten by a copper-heid as she was scarching for eggs in a hears near and died in spite of all the doctors could of for her. Since then the existence of copperheads in the valley of the Sewickley has been denied and hughes at, till now spain a very ady proof to the contrary has been denied and hughes at, till now spain a very ady proof to the contrary has been denied and hughes at, till now spain a very ady proof to the contrary has been denied of is reality. Considering the popularity of the shady walks and clear pools, be one the delight of lovers and the other of small boys, of this neighborhood it is re-parded as strange that more encounters with venomous replifies have not been reported.

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