

PRESENCE OF MIND

THE STORY OF A JEFFERSON BRANCH BRAKEMAN.

Novel Way to Procure a Red Lantern—Experiences of a Woman Who Made a Pet of a Pig—The Husband Who Repented—What a Bad Boy Got.

Special to the Scranton Tribune.

Susquehanna, Jan. 23.—"Talking about presence of mind," said a well-known Jefferson branch brakeman, "let me tell you a little incident that I know something about 'cause I was there. We were out one night when we got stuck in a snowdrift near Herick Centre. I was head brakeman, and had nothing to do with flugging our rear. That was the business of the other brakeman, but as he had been drinking a good deal, I felt a little alarmed for fear he would go to sleep. So pretty soon I slipped back to see if he was attending to business, and I found him lying flat on the track, asleep. He had fallen on his lantern—the red one—and broke it in all pieces. Just then I heard a passerby coming, and she was coming fast, too. How to stop the train I didn't know. I had my white lantern, but a white light isn't just the thing for a danger signal in a snow storm. The only red lantern within reach was broken into a hundred pieces at my feet. I suppose I might have stopped the train with my own lantern, but it would have been risky, and the drunken fellow hadn't gone back more than half as far as he should and a white light doesn't show far in a storm. But I was mad and that darned idiot got up and I suddenly concluded I would make sure of my work.

"What did you do?" "I hit him in the nose and held my lantern to catch the blood. In thirty seconds I had the daisiest red lantern that an engineer ever set eyes on and I prevented a wreck by ten feet." And Dugan lit a fresh cigar.

A MURDER PERHAPS.

Pietro Cardoc was brought before Justice Williams on Wednesday, charged with stabbing, with intent to kill, Antonio Valentine, a fellow-countryman, at the Erie station, on Saturday afternoon.

Valentine was leaving town without paying Cardoc a bill amounting to fifteen cents. As Valentine was about to enter a car Cardoc suddenly drew a new, large pair of shears and stabbed Valentine in the region of the heart, inflicting a wound which may prove fatal. Cardoc fled, but Chief-of-Police McMahon soon captured him at West Susquehanna. The hearing in the case was adjourned for one week, to await the result of the victim's injuries.

IN A LINE, OR TWO.

The Baptist church held a reunion and roll-call on Wednesday afternoon and evening. Rev. Mr. Watkins, of Haledale, preached in the afternoon, and Rev. Dr. Whalen, of Carbondale, in the evening. The attendance was large, and the occasion was a very pleasant one.

There are again rumors that the offices of several departments of the Erie railroad will, March 1, be removed from Susquehanna to Meadville, Pa. The Erie is gathering a great crop of ice at Narrowsburg, where it has a big pond.

SICK MADE WELL WEAK MADE STRONG

Marvelous Elixir of Life Discovered by Famous Doctor-Scientist That Cures Every Known Ailment.

Wonderful Cures Are Effected That Seem Like Miracles Performed—The Secret of Long Life of Olden Times Revived.

The Remedy is Free to All Who Send Name and Address.

After years of patient study, and delving into every record of the past, as well as following modern experiments in the realm of scientific medicine, Dr. James W. Kild, 1675 First National Bank building, Fort Wayne, Ind., makes the startling announcement that he has surely discovered the elixir of life.



DR. JAMES WILLIAM KILD discovered the elixir of life. That he is able with the aid of a mysterious compound, known only to himself, produced as a result of the years he has spent in searching for this precious life-giving boon, to cure any and every ailment that is known to the human body. There is no doubt of the doctor's earnestness in making his claim and the remarkable cures that he is daily effecting seem to bear him out very strongly. His theory which he advances is one of reason and based on sound experience in a medical practice of many years. It is called "elixir of life" because it is "elixir of life," as he calls it, for he sends it free to anyone who is a sufferer, in sufficient quantity to convince of its ability to cure, so there is absolutely no risk to run. Some of the ailments are very remarkable, and for reliable witnesses would hardly be credited. The lame have thrown away crutches and walked about after two or three trials of the remedy. The sick, given up by home doctors, have been restored to their families and friends in perfect health. Rheumatism, neuritis, stomach and bladder troubles, nervousness, fever, consumption, coughs, colds, asthma, catarrhs, bronchitis and all ailments of the throat, lungs or any vital organs are easily overcome in a space of time that is simply marvelous. Partial paralysis, locomotor ataxia, dropsy, gonorrhea and piles are quickly and permanently removed. It purifies the entire system, blood and tissues, restores normal nerve power, and restores the system to its normal state. It is equally effective in all cases of "elixir of life." Send for the remedy today. It is free to every sufferer. State what you want to be cured of and the sure remedy for it will be sent you free by return mail.

The Erie will this year expend \$7,000,000 in improving its roadbed, station, yards, etc.

The Crescent club will hold a social hop at the Starvaca home on Friday evening. Music will be furnished by the Fidelity choir, of Binghamton.

TOO FRESH PORK.

A woman at Uniondale made a pet of a pig and was sorry for it. The pig insisted on following her, not only around the village, but all over town. At first it was funny, then it got to be annoying. She tried shutting it in a pen, but it squealed so pitifully that she relented, and it could always get out in the garden some way. The climax came one August day when the pig followed the woman to church and she was there all day. She could not endure such publicity, and the pretty, pet pig was sold to the butcher.

HE REPENTED.

There is a husband at Great Bend who has never gotten along well with his wife. Recently he took the bull by the horns and filed suit for divorce. After filling out the papers he went home, feeling he had done what was best. When he got into the house, however, and found his wife laboring patiently in the kitchen, his heart failed him and he beat a hasty retreat for the court house. That suit was called off for the time being, but he will keep the application handy.

FIGURING UNDER DIFFICULTIES.

A teacher in a Burwood school has received the following letter: "Sir—Will you in the future give my son easier sums to do? This is what he brought home two or three nights back: 'If four gallons of beer will fill thirty to pint bottles how many pints and half bottles will nine gallons of beer fill?' 'Well, we tried and could make nothing of it, at all, and my boy cried and laughed and sed he didn't dare to go back in the mornin' without doin' it. So I had to go to Forest City and buy a nine gallon keg of beer, which I could ill afford to do, and then he went and borrowed a lot of wine and brandy bottles. We filled them, and my boy put the number down for the answer. I don't know whether it is right or not, as we split some while doing it.

PARAGRAPHED PICKUPS.

Editor Birchard, of the Transcript. It is reported, has been offered the United States consularship to Bangkok, Siam, the land of white elephants.

Quite a number of our townspeople awaken in the middle of the night from a dream in which they possess qualifications of statesmanship. 'Tis a terrible hallucination.

The remains of an infant child of Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Bradley, of Corning, N. Y., but former residents of Susquehanna, were interred in this place on Wednesday.

The Century club will hold a hop in Hogan opera house on Thursday evening.

WHAT THE BAD BOY GOT.

"Once upon a time," began the Susquehanna Sunday school teacher, "two brothers started to Sunday school on Sabbath morning. Their way led through a fine peach orchard, where the trees were hanging over with ripe luscious peaches. One of the brothers proposed going into the orchard and getting some of the fruit but the other refused and sped away leaving his companion greedily devouring the peaches.

"Now it happened that the owner of the orchard saw them and the next day rewarded the good boy who refused to steal his peaches by giving him a nice book. He got a prize for his honesty and what do you suppose the other boy got?"

"He got the peaches!" yelled every member of the class and another penitentiary story was ended.

JUST BETWEEN US.

"It's an ill wind," etc. Montrose doctors are reaping a golden harvest, vacinating.

"Yes," said a Haledale lady, while in Susquehanna yesterday, "we have nearly all of the diseases down our way. We have small-pox, varioloid, scarlet fever, mumps and st. machines."

A Uniondale friend writes that there are no daily papers in that pretty little village; but there is a ladies' sewing society or two, which answers the same purpose.

"Why don't people who are trying to lead men upward try the kite-shaped tract?"

It is a sad world, and most folks in it would rather have the man who will donate them a ton of coal than the minister who would tell them what wicked sinners they are.

Sweet spring oil soon cripple the peas. Of poets in her praise: Will give the world their lays.

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

Congressman Wright has returned to Washington.

New Milford has established an unofficial quarantine against the people of Haledale, where they have a few cases of small-pox.

Edward J. Matthews, a prominent Susquehanna business man, is a Republican candidate for representative at Harrisburg. He is in every way well qualified for the position.

The board of health urgently urges our townspeople to be vaccinated. An ounce of vaccination is better than a ton of small-pox.

During the recent small-pox scare at Montrose, a number of prisoners in the county jail wrote to the board of health, stating that they would like to have small-pox, if it would cause them to "break out."

The Jackson Corner graded school, recently closed on account of scarlet fever, has been re-opened. Whitney.

ELKDALE.

Special to the Scranton Tribune. Elkdale, Jan. 23.—Charles Gifford was quite badly cut with an axe last Saturday while chopping logs for Eli Crandall.

Miss Martha McAlla has returned home after a few days' visit with Carbondale friends.

A number from this place attended the funeral of Elder William Miller Tuesday.

Clara Coleman and Ruth Wells were callers in Clifford Saturday last.

Carpenters are at work putting new seats in the church. Miss Emma Rounds and Miss Agnes Gifford were visitors at Mrs. LeGrand Wells one day last week.

The Grand Coleman, of Peckville, was the guest of his sister, Mrs. G. G. Wells Tuesday.

Mrs. J. M. Pock, who has been visiting in New York for the past month, has returned home.

CHATTANOOGA CONTINUED

MR. RICHMOND'S VIEWS OF TENNESSEE.

Graphic Description of Chickamauga National Park—It Surpasses All Others in the Magnificence of Its Monuments—The Scars of Minnie Ball, Grape and Canister.

Written for The Tribune.

In traversing the city we can say, the entire city and vicinity is historical, judging from the bronze tablets erected in every part, marking the location of batteries, hospitals, headquarters, etc., occupied by both armies. The city retains some of the old buildings which stood during the war and while some are in a state of decay, yet they are very highly prized. I will mention but one locality that of "College Hill," which was at one time the site of thirteen hospitals and was used by both armies. At one time there were more than one thousand sick and wounded soldiers in these hospitals. Within the limits of the city rises "Cameron Hill," nearly 300 feet above the river from the top of which we get a bird's view of the city and surrounding valley. From the top of Cameron Hill the ruins of old Fort Wood, near which General Grant stood when he directed his forces during the battle of Missionary Ridge. We were pointed to the very spot on which he stood and smoked his cigar, while the successful minnie balls from the sharpshooters made others, perhaps not less brave, but more careful, seek the shelter of some friendly cover. "Bald Knob" a mile east from Fort Wood marks the line of the final charge of the Union forces to victory on the last day of battle. It is now called "Orchard Knob" and remains unchanged by human hands and is easily recognized by the characteristic appearance to which it doubtless owes its name. It is about six miles from the city and the nearest point on the Chickamauga battlefield. The line of battle here, however, was ten miles long and was fought over such an extent of territory that to see the most important points one must need travel thirty miles at least and should spend days.

Indeed, to study this battle field with any degree of accuracy, one must have a guide who has a good knowledge of the different corps and brigades, both of the Union and Confederate armies. Through the courtesy of S. W. Divine, president of the Rapid Transit company we were assigned a competent guide, an aid of General Boynton, with instructions to give us every possible attention and assistance in securing the memoranda that we now present to our readers.

The story of the siege of Chattanooga, of the "battle of the clouds," of the bloody field of Chickamauga, meaning in the Indian tongue "the river of death," or the desperate and terrific struggle on Missionary Ridge need not be recounted to any great extent by the writer, for they are recorded by the chisel of history on the granite pages of time, and will endure to the end.

CHICKAMAUGA.

I will however attempt a description of "Chickamauga National Military Park" as we see it and our thrilling experience in traversing it, which was a "red-letter" day in our travels. This is the greatest military park in the world, surpassing all others in its scope of conception and the cost in millions of its magnificent monuments. The national government has spent over a million dollars in restoring the battlefield to its original condition, during the great battles fought in 1862. Its area is ten square miles or 5700 acres. It has 90 miles of miking, and the original purchase price was \$125,000.

Chickamauga, probably the most famous of all battlefields in the United States, lies nine miles south of Chattanooga. Here is where the heroes of both the North and the South met and held the bloody contest which together with Missionary Ridge and Lookout Mountain, virtually ended the civil war. Almost every state in the Union and except those of the Rocky Mountain and Pacific coast had troops engaged on these fields. All of the great armies were represented by some of the most distinguished men ever in America. Some 120,000 troops were engaged with over 32,000 casualties.

The park consists chiefly of the Chickamauga and Chattanooga divisions, the former lying in the state of Georgia and the latter in the state of Tennessee. The battlefield of Lookout Mountain is a portion of the Chattanooga division. Practically the city itself is also a portion of this division.

Chickamauga is not a park in the ordinary term, used as a pleasure ground, with fountains, flower beds, grass plots, and waterfalls, but is merely a maintenance of the battlefields. In the restoration of the fields the old roads of the battle have been reopened and improved and the new ones closed. All the underbrush and growth of trees have been cut out of the fighting grounds and such fields as have been cleared since the battle are being replanted and thus restore the original battlefield. All this is being done by the best methods of road making known to modern engineering, of the 5,000 acres of woodland, all has been cleared and through every part of which a team can drive without difficulty. There is about five-

teen hundred acres of open field. Some of the old buildings stands yet, but are in an advanced stage of decay. All the lines of battle have been ascertained and marked by each state commission and the national commission. Some twenty-six state commissions interested and a large number of participants in the battles have been able accurately to identify the regimental lines of battle and a majority of the battery positions.

BRIGADE LINES OF BATTLE.

The brigade lines of battle cover seven distinct fields. The Southern states which had troops engaged, have been also actively at work in ascertaining the regimental lines of battle of their troops and marking them by monuments. The underlying motive of the park commission, is the restoration of the battlefield as it was at the time of the battle, by both Unionist and Confederate alike. Most of the lines are already marked by monuments and historical tablets. About one thousand of these tablets have already been erected, as well as a large number of locality and distance tablets, and other guides to movements upon the fields.

All fighting positions of batteries for which sides have been indicated by the erection of guns of the same pattern as those used by the battery in the engagement upon iron carriages which are an exact reproduction of those used in the battle. Some thirty-five battery positions on the Union side and thirty-three on the Confederate have been thus marked by historical tablets. Two hundred cannon, I might say that a majority of the battery positions in the Chattanooga section have been marked in the same way. The several states in most instances have erected large and handsome granite monuments which adorn the battlefield and will stand for ages. To the present time there are 146 shell and granite markers on the field and 288 cannon of similar pattern to those used in battle. The government roads comprising a hundred miles are all unmacadamized and marked by historical tablets showing the position of batteries and distances in such a manner that one can almost trace the armies through.

These tablets which are erected by the national commission are strictly historical, showing the organization of armies, corps, divisions and brigades, with their respective commanders, even to regiments and batteries. The historical text upon each tablet varying from 250 to 500 words is carefully prepared and passes through the hands of each member of the national commission and their historians and finally must receive the approval of the secretary of war before being erected upon the field. The same method is observed in regard to all inscriptions upon monuments, markers and tablets must also receive first the approval of the commission, which is General H. V. Boynton is secretary and finally that of the secretary of war before they can be erected.

THE MONUMENTS.

A change from a thick business suit to evening dress makes many a sore chest.

Going out of a superheated house, hall, church or theatre, is a frequent cause.

Use care in your dress, avoid exposure, carry and take "Seventy-seven" ("77"). Dr. Humphrey's Famous Specific. It stops a Cold at the start and "breaks up" Colds that hang on.

There are also steel observation towers built by the government, seventy feet high, so placed on the fields as to enable the visitor to ascend above the tree tops and see all over the battle grounds. Three of these are on Chickamauga battlefield and two are

Give-Away Sale of Cloaks and Jackets AT CRANE'S

This is a very big announcement, but it is what we are going to do---give you Cloaks at one-half the manufacturer's prices.

- \$25 to \$40 Newmarkets and Raglans at \$15.00
18 to 25 Newmarkets and Raglans at 10.50
12 to 18 Newmarkets and Raglans at 7.00

Come early, there is only sixty-seven garments in the lot. 50 Children's Coats, 4 to 12 years, wholesale price \$4.00, are offered at \$1.98. Just one-half their wholesale value. 120 42-Inch Jackets, all wool, cream of the season, wholesale value is from \$14 to \$30, are offered at \$8 to \$15. They won't last long, so come quick. 15 Evening Capes for Theater and Party Wear at 50c on the dollar. 50 Fine Capes for the matrons at 25 per cent. less than wholesale value. In our store fifty garments will last about one week, so come early. 1 Paddock Tan Kersey, imported from Paris. Cost \$75.00 to land in New York City. Will close at \$25.00. It has \$20 worth of mink on collar and revers

CRANE'S, 324 Lackawanna Ave. Take Elevator

on Missionary Ridge. The one on Orchard Knob, was Grant's headquarters, while the other stands beside "the lone pine tree," that marks General Bragg's headquarters. These towers were erected with much interest and obtained a fine view of Lookout Mountain, the entire Chattanooga valley, including the city and the battlefield and a distant glimpse of Chickamauga park. It is worthy of remark that the only great battle of the civil war in which the commanding generals of both sides could see the whole battlefield and all the movements of the troops. Bragg, from the top of the ridge, and Grant from the height of Orchard Knob, could each sweep the entire valley and side of the ridge with their field glasses. Among the more noted generals whose names are associated with the operations around Chattanooga are: Grant, Sherman, Thomas, Hooker, Rosecrans, Garfield, Logan, Sheridan, and among the Confederates were: Johnson, Bragg, Wheeler and Longstreet.

A BEAUTIFUL BOULEVARD.

The government has built a beautiful boulevard all along the crest of Missionary Ridge from McFarland's Gap to Sherman Heights and erected monuments and markers similar to those in Chickamauga park. Latterly the park was used as a mobilizing point and extensive barracks were erected to accommodate the volunteer army for the Spanish-American war, and a great many of the old veterans, who once wore the blue and the grey, and fought face to face, now stand together and wear one color, bear one flag and fight a common fight.

No visitor to Belgium's capital fails to see Waterloo, so no visitor to Chattanooga, should fail to see Chickamauga, where the percentage of killed and wounded is said to exceed that of all battles of modern times, and where it is said, the fate of the Union was decided. Chattanooga will of necessity remain the headquarters for the life of veterans, which from this time forward must be a continuing and increasing current.

The scars of the minnie ball, of grape, canister, cannon ball and shell may occasionally be seen in the trees and embedded among the rocks. Some times in good preservation enough to gratify the curiosity seekers, who like ourselves had the good luck to secure them as souvenirs.

TUNKHANNOCK.

Special to the Scranton Tribune.

Tunkhannock, Jan. 24.—The stockholders of the Wyoming County Agricultural Society met and elected the following officers: President, D. W. Stark; vice-president, Charles Wheelock; secretary, W. N. Reynolds; treasurer, C. O. Berlinger; directors, E. C. Ney, R. E. Dilliams, Arron Brown, C. M. Barlow, L. E. Meade and E. S. Handrick.

Rev. W. M. Hiller, of Parsons, who came up to attend the Hawke-McKown wedding will visit among his old friends here the rest of the week.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church gave a New England supper last evening at the church parlor from 7.30 o'clock until all were served. The menu consisted of mush and milk, cold ham, veal loaf, cabbage salad, baked beans, scalloped potatoes, brown bread, white bread, pickles, fruit doughnuts, molasses cake, pumpkin pie and coffee.

Donald Moxin was taken to the Packer hospital at Sayre, on Thursday for treatment.

An interesting feature of the concert given at the M. E. church last evening was Handel's "Largo," sung by Miss Lydia Jayne, a student at Wyoming Seminary at Kingston, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Sabina Jayne, on Sloam street.

COURT NOTES.

The grand jury, on Thursday, reported in favor of a county bridge at Mill City across the outlet of Lake Winola, and reported adversely to the petition for a county bridge at the outlet of Lake Carey.

Judson Lutes vs. Charles Peterson, rule granted to show cause lie of execution in above case shall not be released.

In re: estate of George Van Duser, deceased, order granted to sell real estate for payment of debts. E. F. Johnson vs. M. K. Welker, rule granted to show cause why judgment shall not be opened and defendant let in a defense. E. H. Stevens vs. Chester Lepper, rule to open judgment granted.

Winter time was Pie time. Home-made mince meat will not "keep" in Summer. NONE SUCH MINCE MEAT. Pie Time is ALL the Time. You make the crust—we will fill it perfectly. MERRELL-SOULE CO., Syracuse, N. Y.

NEW SEASIDE HOUSE ATLANTIC CITY, N. J. America's All the Year Resort. CHAS. EVANS & SON.

W. P. Billings vs. E. S. Handrick and Frank W. De Witt, rule for subrogation discharged. Martha Shook vs. Jeremiah Shook, divorce, issue awarded. Flora Billings vs. Joseph Billings, divorce, W. S. Kutz, esq., appointed commissioner to take testimony. In matter of estate of Emma J. Stark, deceased, order granted to sell real estate. Roland McNab vs. Carrie McNab, subpoena in divorce awarded. Mabel Harding vs. Charles M. Lee, amendment to statement allowed. Auditors report in estate of William Langley, deceased, filed and confirmed.

Frank Majors vs. Adam Bellas, separate sale of real estate, and readvertising ordered. Augusta Keyes vs. Frank Keyes, decree in divorce granted. In re public road in Nicholson township, report set aside for want of notice to commissioners, supervisors and others.