CURIOSITIES OF THE DAY.

ome Strange Stories Taken From Newspapers in Various Parts of the Conntiy.

Fifteen years ago a white spot about he size and shape of a silver three-cent the size and shape of a silver three-cent piece appeared on the right wrist of Henry Winston, a full-blooded negro, then living near Union City, Tenn. Henry was at that time a young man in robusthealth. Other spots soon appeared robust health. Other spots soon appeared on the arm and wrist until the whole sight." body was covered with them. Fearing lest he had become a victim to the most dreaded of slow diseases, the leprosy, he went to New Orleans and was examined in the presence of twelve physicians. He was assured that his affection was not that of a leper, but further the doctors could not go. Since then the change in his skin has continued. He is now living on a farm near Columbus, Ky., the father of a large family of black children. The only black places lett upon his person are a few spots on his hands and a mask, as it were, on his face. This mask covers all parts of his face except the eyebrows, which are white and scaight, like those of an Albino of Caucasian blood. The skin of the head, neck and body is of a healthy flesh color-white and soft-and hair is like that of a white man. The first impression one bas upon seeing him is that he is a white man with his face painted with iodine. The eyes, however, are unmistakably those of a negro. He is in the best of health, but does not enjoy his nondescript appearance.

Captain Stone, with whom travelers on the Mississippi were well acquainted is the old days, moved from New Orleann to Moundsville, W. Va., thirty-live years ago. Among other things moved from his old home as reminders of his life in the sunny land were two seeds from a mahogany tree that long stood in These periods extend over three whole his New Orleans yard. In planting the seed at Moundsville he remarked to members of his family, who now very well recall the circumstance, that one of the seed should sprout and produce his coffia. One of the seed died; the other sprouted. In spite of many set-backs, frowns of the northern latitude and con-spiracies of the elements, the sprout spiracies of the elements, the sprout flourished and grew apace. From a shoot it became a sapling, and in the shoot it became a sapling, and in the for example, 1860 is even and divisi-For example, 1860 is even and divisistorm passed over Moundsville, uptearing, with a dozen other trees, the beauti-ful mahogary in Captain Stone's yard. Captain Stone had the tree dried, sawed captain Stone had the tree dried, sawed into lumber and sent to a Pittsburgh firm, which, in last June, returned it to him in the form of a coffin. Recently Cap-tain Stone died, and was buried with his strangely faithful mahogany.

Harrison Meyers killed a rattlesnake ive miles southwest of Uniontown, Pa., near the old Gaddis camp on the mountains, the snake being white from fang to rattle. This unequaled curiosity is de-scribed by the Uniontown Genius of Liberty in these terms: The snake was about two feet long, of a clear white excepting several dim red spots about onefourth of an inch in diameter along the back. The snake had some seven rattles, and on being discovered and attacked did not display the venomous disposi-tion so usually manifested by this species of snake. Mr. Meyers is reliable. His brother James was in company with him at the time. After killing the snake both young men carefully examined and found it to be a genuine rattlesnake.

While excavating for a spring for rewhich we have a spiring to the spiring to the lands of the Rev. W. H. McFarland, near Cambridge, O... during 1860-62, down in 1863-65, up in

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WEATHER WORDS.

The Curious Theory of an English Scientist--How Dry and Wet Summers Follow Each Other.

Mr. Henry Roe, an English scientist, ends the following letter to the London Times:

I suppose everybody on occasion en-acts the part of weather prophet, and sometimes his prediction comes true; but if I were to pose in that character in your columns, and proceed to make the melancholy claim of having long foretold the present dismal season, I should probably get a shrug for my conceit, if not a laugh for my folly. Dropping, then, the prophet's mantle, and arming myself only with the chronicler's pen. I myself only with the chronicler's pen, I would like to place on record one or two results of careful observations I have made extending over nearly thirty summade extending over nearly thirty summers. The first of these results is that dry and wet periods succeed one another in alternate waves of nearly equal length. Not that this equality of duration is quite absolute, or that the wave of one cernible to any eye that looks for it. rules will enable any one to work out

1. When the number representing any given year is even and exactly divisible by three, that year is the middle one of

2. When the number representing the year is odd and divisible by three, then

ble by three, and the prevailing charac-teristic of the three years 1859, 1860, 1861 was wet, or wet and cold; and again 1864 as bright, hot and dry summers.

Taking now a range of twenty-sever ears, over which my own personal observations extend, and applying the rules just given, the wet and cold triads were 1853-55, 1859-61, 1865-67, 1871-73, and 1877-79, while the dry and hot triads were 1856-58, 1862-64, 1868-70, and 1874-76; and without claiming that no single year broke loose from this very simple order of seasons, I fearlessly maintain that all the markedly wet or dry suml mers of the past twenty-seven years fal-accurately within some wet or dry period as given above; so that no very wet year falls in what should have been a dry period, nor any very dry year in what hypothetically was a wet period. This hypothesis receives considerable confirmation from an examination of the average prices of corn during the years already referred to. Ordinarily after a dry summer the next year's averages ought to be high, and after a wet summer the reverse. Now it is a fact that high averages prevailed from 1854 to 1856, and

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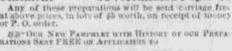
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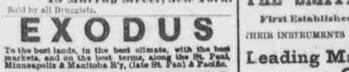
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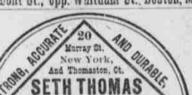


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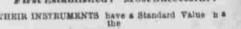
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How far these cycles may be shown to third step, where he found a basin made in the solid rock that will contain fifty coincide with the greater cycle of eleven or twelve years, which is observed in the maxima and minima of spots on the sun's surface, is more than I have time now to barrels or more of water. It was cleaned out and a spring is pouring into it from the crevice of the rock at the rate of inquire; but my good neighbors at Sher-16,000 gallons a day. There is no writborne know that for some two or three years past I have been pointing out to ten account of these hewn steps and basin, and the oldest citizen had no knowledge of their existence. This was them in public lectures most of the things I have spoken of in this letter, and I have probably an important watering-place been more than borne out by the facts. So much for chronicle. Now for one during the mound-builders' period. At word of prediction. The number 1881 is any rate, it is a subject for investigation by the antiquarians. It is regarded as a odd and divisible by three, and if there is great curiosity and a wonderful discovanything in my theory, that year ought to be the middle one in a triad of hot and dry summers. I am looking, therefore, with much confidence to a good summer in 1880, followed by two similarly good ery and is the theme of all conversa-Little Morton Roberts, the eleven-year old son of J. G. Roberts, of Cincinnati, ones in 1881 and 1882, and for the sake of was playing on one of the banks of the every interest in the country, I earnestly Little Miami river, near Waynesville, hope my expectation may not be disap-Ohio, recently, when he found a pebble of remarkable size and brilliancy. Pocketing the thing he presently took it

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A Paragrapher's Proverbs.

The hindmost dog may catch the hare,

examination to a Cincinnati diamond examination to a Cheinnail diamond expert. The latter said that the boy had found a pearl. Mr. Roberts there-upon sent it to a friend in New York, and it was examined by Tiffany. The pearl was by him pronounced to be of but never bet on it. A drowning man will eatch at a straw

hat

A close mouth catches no flies, but nobody but a dog wants to catch a fly the purest and most intense tints of opal,

in his mouth any way. Better half a loaf than a whole day weight six carats, and market value A purchaser was found in Presipent in idleness.

dent Dinsmore, of Adams' Express Company, and now Morton has \$350 in-vested for him to draw with interest when he shall have doubled his present Better an empty house than a bad tennt, unless you make him sign a tight

To forget a wrong is the best revenge, particularly if the other fellow is bigger than you.

Look not a gift clothes-horse in the oints.

ago, the death of the animal being caused Have not the cloak to make when it by mosquito bites. Mosquitoes have begins to rain, unless you' know where been more troublesome around Crisfield you can borrow an umbrella. this season than has been known for

A king's cheese goes half away in par-ings, because it is out of the question for the queen to be in the kitchen all the many years. During the day and evenng "smothers" are made by the merchants and others to drive the pests time,-Cincinnati Enquirer.

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