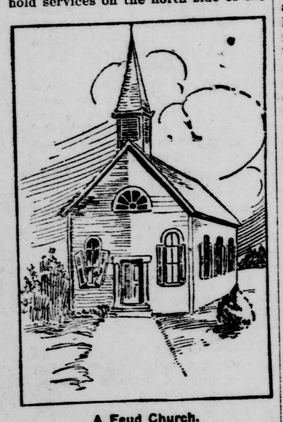
AN ANCIENT BAPTIST CHURCH

Building Erected by the Anti-Missionary Faction Early in the Nineteenth Century.

Lexington, Ky.—A few miles from Lexington, was built early in the nineteenth century, the Bryan Station Baptist church. This was an anti-missionary church. In time the missionary spirit arose, and finally separated the denomination into two divisions. The local church was about equally divided on the question. They at last agreed to divide the house and the time.

The missionary element were to hold services on the north side of the



A Feud Church.

house two Sundays in the month, while the anti-missionary element had the south side of the building on the other two Sundays. In a few years the church needed a new roof. The missionary side wished their anti brethren to join in repairing but the "antis" had been growing fewer in number and weaker in zeal, and would not help. The missionary branch then took care of their own half of the house. So the building stood for years. The sequel of the story is that the missionary brethren at last, in self-defense, repaired the whole house. The "antis" became weaker and weaker, the last number passing from earth a few years ago, while the missionary brethren have an active, growing congregation.

A PIONEER HOOSIER SETTLER

Man Known as "Second Daniel Boone" Still Resides in Wilds of Indiana.

Marion, Ind. — About eighty-six years ago, H. A. Huff, known as the second "Daniel Boone," was born in Grant county, Maryland. Mr. Huff first lived along the river near this city. As game grew scarce in that locality he moved into the wilds of Van Buren township, where he still resides.

From where Huff lives to Marion it is twelve miles, and that was the distance to mill. The grain was all carried in two-bushel bags, thrown across a horse's back with a boy or two on top, or a heavy man. This was young Huff's delight when it came time to go to mill. When Huff was married he entered a piece of land in the woods and built a cabin thereon, into which he at once moved.

By hunting, trapping and fishing he made an excellent living until he could clear a few acres for corn and wheat. After a few heavy frosts the fur thickened and the hunting season was on. The game consisted of bear,

Huff in Indian Costume.

deer, turkey, mink, coon, muskrat and skunk. The Indian was here at that time, and Mr. Huff always wore an Indian costume. His memory still clings to his pioneer days. He has erected a wooden tepee in the rear of his lawn, which he keeps decorated in red men's style. He dresses in his Indian costume with feathers in his hair, and blanket over his shoulders, rifle in hand, he goes to his tepee and sits for hours. His mind is a little feeble, but it is interesting to hear the old man tell his stories of his pioneer days.

Weds His Fourth Myrtle.

Evansville, Ind.—Divorced from his third wife Clyde A. Bays of this city, aged 27 years, has married Miss Myrtle Hoover, his fourth wife. All of the former wives of Bays were named Myrtle, and he says he would marry a girl of no other name.

Meteor Falls in Kansas City.

Kansas City, Mo.—What is believed to be a small meteor fell in the back yard at the home of Henry [illegible] in Kansas City.

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CRIMINAL TRIALS IN ITALY

System There, Though Simple, Differs Radically From That in This Country.

The reports in American papers of the trial of the Camorrists at Viterbo have made many people wonder if there is any system at all about criminal trials, and if there is, what the system is like. There is a system, and a very simple one it is, though utterly different from that which governs procedure in American or English courts, says an exchange.

The trial takes place before three judges and a jury, to which are added a certain number of extra jurors who are sworn and are present in court to hear the testimony, and are held ready to take the place in the jury box of any juror who may in the course of the trial be incapacitated from further service. The depositions of all the witnesses have been taken in writing and signed before the trial begins. Each of the judges has a copy of these before him. The prosecutor and the counsel for the accused furnish to the court a list of the witnesses they desire called, and these are summoned all by the court, which has power to punish nonattendance.

The first thing that happens when the trial begins is the questioning of the accused by the presiding justice. In Italy, as in most of continental Europe, a man accused of a crime is considered by the law to be the very best witness to his own guilt or innocence. In England and America the accused need not testify unless he choose. In Italy he is the first and most important witness.

The accused is allowed the widest scope in defending himself. He has a right to tell his own story in his own way, to offer anything he can in the way of justification or palliation; even hearsay evidence is admissible. The judge has absolute discretion as to what testimony may be received and what excluded, and any judge who exercised this discretion unfairly would be an object of execration. Bias on the part of one judge is possible, but there are always the other two judges on the bench with him, and they are a perfect check against unfairness.

When the accused has given his testimony he is confronted personally with his accuser. The accuser is necessarily the principal witness against him. Strictly speaking, the prisoner has no right to interrupt his accuser, while the latter is telling his story, but in practice the judges permit it, and the confrontation sometimes becomes a three-cornered debate between accuser, accused and judge, the latter giving the accused the widest leeway to demonstrate his innocence.—Case and Comment.

Price of Damnation.

Judge Hiram C. Flack of West Liberty said the other day, speaking of the notorious disfranchised vote sellers of his native Ohio:

"Some of these men, I understand, even claimed they did not know it was wrong to sell one's vote. They were worse than the voters of Cashel.

"All the voters of Cashel used to sell their votes, and a reform candidate once got the preachers of the town to preach against the sin of such scandalous conduct.

"The day after the sermons the reform candidate said to a party leader:

"'Well, how will the election go?'

"'It will be close and difficult and expensive, sir,' was the reply.

"'What do you mean?' said the candidate.

"'Well,' said the party leader, 'the boys didn't understand that vote selling was a sin before and they always let their votes go at two dollars apiece; but now they know eternal perdition is awaiting them. I understand that every man jack of them has put up his price to four dollars.'"—Reboboth Sunday Herald.

The Cholera Suspect.

We are taking precautions against cholera. At Montpelier recently it was thought there was a well-defined case of Asiatic cholera. The mayor at once took all precautions authorized by law. Two days later a man was brought to the hospital as a suspect. The hospital interne, as he came near to the patient, quickly drew back, saying, "How you smell of rum!"

The answer came with a drunken grin. "Certainly. I have drank a good deal of rum. It's excellent against the cholera."

The interne allowed him to remain during the night. In the morning the drunkard left entirely cured. An hour later he returned. "You'll have to take care of me here. My house has been closed and is guarded by four gendarmes for seven days, allowing no one to go in or come out. If you don't take me in as a patient I shall be arrested for vagabondage."—From Le Cri de Paris.

His Reward.

"It's an unsatisfactory, disappointing kind of world," said the old soldier. "I fought four years for the Union. I was in sixteen battles, including Antietam, Gettysburg, Fredericksburg and the Wilderness. I was wounded twice and spent four months in Andersonville. I tramped hundreds of miles in the dust and the mud and the snow. I got rheumatism from sleeping in the wet and I almost died with typhoid. I lived two days on three pieces of hardtack, and ate salt pork that wasn't fit for a dog.

"I enlisted as a corporal and came out of the war a private, and then then spelled my name wrong on my discharge papers."—Puck.

THINK TOO MUCH OF MONEY

Many Persons Lose Chance of Happy Marriage by Exaggerating the Value of Wealth.

Scores of people lose their chances of being happily married through making an unnecessary obstacle of money. The importance of it is often exaggerated. Many a man hesitates to propose to a girl because of his small income. Very often much misery, misunderstanding, and tangled lives result from the silence. More unfortunate love affairs are the result of what has not been said than of spoken words.

When a man has a small, sure income, and a prospect of increase, there is no legitimate reason for his not speaking of his love; no reason, for that matter, to prevent marriage. People are so desperately afraid, though, of beginning married life in a small way. They fear the sacrifices which they will be called upon to make—of the criticism to which they will be subjected. Many years of happiness are lost in this way. It is such a mistake for young people to want to start marriage in the state that their parents are ending it.

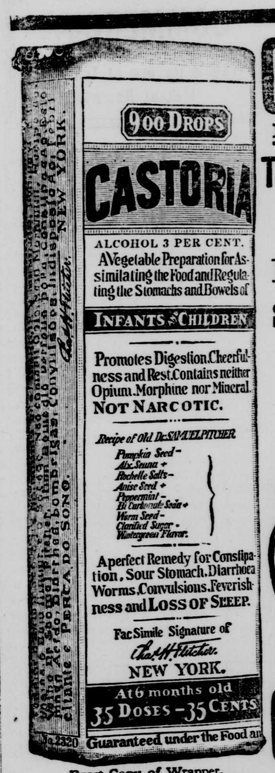
To delay marriage until a "comfortable" income is available is to prove something lacking in the love.—Answers.

RIGHT CHILDHOOD IS MODEST

Well-Bred Youngster Does Not Think That It Knows Everything, Says Ruskin.

The first character of right childhood is that it is modest. A well-bred child does not think it can teach its parents, or that it knows everything. It may think its father and mother know everything—perhaps that all grown-up people know everything; very certainly it is sure that it does not. And it is always asking questions, and wanting to know more. Well, that is the first character of a good and wise man at his work. To know that he knows very little; to perceive that there are many above him wiser than he, and to be always asking questions, wanting to learn, not to teach. No one ever teaches well who wants to teach, or governs well who wants to govern; it is an old saying (Plato's, but I know not if his, first), and as wise as old.

Then, the second character of right childhood is to be faithful. Perceiving that its father knows best what is good for it, and having found always, when it has tried its own way against his, that he was right and it was wrong, a noble child trusts him at last wholly, gives him its hand, and will walk blindfold with him, if he bids it. And that is the true character of all good men also, as obedient workers, or soldiers under captains.—Ruskin.



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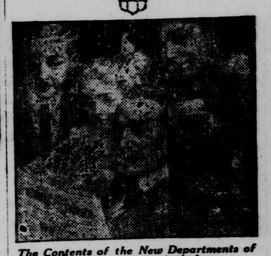

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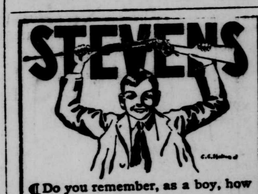

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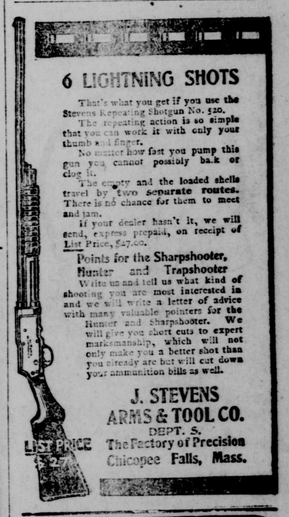

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