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AN ECCENTRIC TEXAN.

Wanted to Be Buried Standing, With His Rifle and Tobacco.

An eccentric character named Brit Bailey came from Tennessee to Texas in 1830, says the Dallas *News*. While en route in company with several others he requested each man to tell what he was coming to Texas for. When all were through it came to his turn, and he said:

"I am going to Texas to establish a character. I have not got any at home, and I am going to to try to establish one in Texas."

He settled at Bailey's prairie, and soon after trouble commenced with the Mexicans, and he participated in the battle of Velasca. He carried home with him a cannon ball as a relic of this fight.

When he came to die he requested to be buried standing up six feet under the earth, which would require a grave of more than twelve feet in depth, as he was 6 feet 2 inches in height. He also requested that there should be buried with him his rifle, 100 rounds of ammunition, his butcher-knife, two plugs of tobacco, one bottle of whiskey, his dog and the cannon ball from Velasca. All this was done with the exception of the dog.

He died at home in 1838 on Bailey's prairie, Brazolia County, and was buried on Oyster Creek. He was liked and respected by all who knew him.

Epicurean Elephants.

An elephant's digestive functions are very rapid, and the animal, therefore requires daily a large amount of fodder—six hundred pounds at least. In its wild state the animal feeds heartily, but wastefully. It is careful in selecting the few forest trees which it likes for their bark or foliage. But it will tear down branches and leave half of them untouched. It will strip off the bark from other trees and throw away a large portion.

As it is a nocturnal animal, it selects its trees by the sense of touch and smell. Its sense of smell is so delicate that a wild elephant can wind an enemy at a distance of one thousand yards, and the nerves of its trunk are so sensitive that the smallest substance can be discovered and picked up by its tiny proboscis.

An elephant's palate is very delicate, and the animal is whimsical in selecting or rejecting morsels of food. Sir Samuel W. Baker tells an anecdote illustrative of the whims of a tame elephant belonging to the police of Dhubri:

This elephant was fed with rice and plantains. The stems of the plantains were split and cut into transverse sections two feet in length. Three-quarters of a pound of rice was placed within each tube of plantain stem. One day, while the elephant was being fed, a lady offered the animal a small sweet biscuit. It was taken in the trunk and almost immediately thrown on the ground. The mahout, or driver, thinking that the elephant had behaved rudely, picked up the biscuit and inserted it in a parcel of rice within a plantain stem. This was placed in the elephant's mouth, and at the first crunch it showed its disgust by spitting out the whole mess. The small biscuit had disgusted the animal, and for several minutes it tried by its inserted trunk to rake out every atom from its tongue and throat.

Tea-Chest Lead.

One of the industries in connection with the tea trade is the collection of the lead with which tea-chests are lined. China has been noted for many centuries for purity of its lead, and this tea-chest lead, as it is called, is regarded as the finest in existence. There are many uses for it; it is found very valuable in making the best kind of solder. No machinery is employed in the production of this sheet lead; every sheet is made by hand in the most primitive fashion. A large brick is provided, the size of the sheet of lead to be made, and is covered with two or three sheets of paper. On these the molten lead is poured, and another brick is placed on the top, which flattens the lead out to the required size and thickness. The sheets are soldered together to the size of the interior of the tea-chest; the tea is packed in, and the top sheet is fastened in place. The workmen are very expert, and they turn out an immense number of sheets in the course of a day, and, where labor is so cheap, at a price much less than if the articles were produced by machinery.

Children Running Wild.

"It's a mistake," says a physician, "to let city children do too much of the 'running wild' business in their summer outings. People have the idea that 'in the country' one may do anything or eat anything with impunity. Laws for healthful living operate as much under the pines and by the sea as within the city limits, but not many realize it. Mothers often complain to me that they bring their children back in the autumn thinner than when they went away. They may do that and still have them stronger, but many times children are allowed to run too incessantly. It takes a strong child to thrive on continuous exercise, and city children are not used to tramping up hill and down and over rough roads and fields. Make them stretch out under the trees or on the river bank an hour every day, and more if you can, and they'll gain by it."

CONUNDRUMS.

When do you make a seat of an insect? When you sit on a cricket.

When is a balloon like good bread? When it rises.

To what city should dirty children be sent? To Bath.

When is a fur cape like a watch chain? When it is lynx (links).

What holly is not used at Christmas? Hollyhocks.

What poet might be called a pedestrian insect? Joaquin Miller (walkin' miller).

What moves swiftly over the ground, and yet always leaves tracks behind? A railway train.

If you should see a poisonous serpent crawling in a wall, what city might you name? Aspinwall (asp in wall).—Youth's Companion.

THE DISPARITY IN THE LIMBS.

This Explains Why People Lost Walk in a Circle.

The fact that people lost on a desert or in a forest invariably walk in a circle is due to slight inequality of the legs. Careful measurements of a series of skeletons have shown that only 10 per cent. had the lower limbs equal in length, 35 per cent. had the right limb longer than the left, while in 55 per cent. the left leg was the longer. The result of one limb being longer than the other will naturally be that a person will unconsciously take a longer step with the longer limb, and consequently will tend to the right or left, according as the left or right leg is the longer, unless the tendency to deviation is corrected by the eye.

The left leg being more frequently the longer, as evinced by the measurement of the skeleton, the inclination should take place more frequently to the right than to the left, and this conclusion is quite borne out by the observations made on a number of persons when walking blindfold. Further, on measurements of the arms it is found that in 72 per cent. the right arm is longer than the left, while in 24 per cent. the left arm is the longer—showing that a considerable majority of persons are right handed and left legged. The inequality in the length of limbs is not confined to any particular sex or race, but seems to be universal in all respects.—Peterson's Weekly.

Couldn't Draw His Money.

The conversation turned upon early struggles in life. All of them had had hard times, but each of them had managed to start a bank account in his first days of earning money and to add to it from time to time.

"And the only time in my life," said one of them, "that I had money and yet did not have it, was when I had worked long enough and hard enough to feel that I was justified in making what to me was considerable of an investment. Years before this I had begun a modest little account in the —— savings bank. When I first made my deposits they were not big and they were not frequent, but I kept on making them month by month and year by year, and at last they began to count for something. When the time came to make my investment, I found that I should have to go to my first savings bank. I marched down and presented myself at the window. I hadn't been there for a long time. I had added to my face a beard, and I was as far from being the boy who had formerly been there as a man well could be. The first thing I was asked to do was to write my signature. I wrote it as I had learned to write it in the recent years, with a slap dash rush. The teller looked at me scrutinizingly and then asked me to write it again. I dashed off another. He went off a second and came back with a little deprecating smile.

"'The signatures are not the same,' he said, regarding me intently.

"'I'm the same.'

"'How do I know that?' he said, with his provoking smile.

"'You don't expect, do you, that I'd write the same hand now that I wrote when I was fourteen years old and made my first deposit?' I impatiently asked.

"'No,' said he.

"'Well, I'm in a hurry for that money,' I said curtly. 'I've got to use it right away, and I'd like it right away.'

"'I'm very sure,' he said, 'that you are the man, from the story you tell, but how do I know it? I can't let a man have money when I do not know him, and when his signature does not agree with the one we have.'

"'What must I do, then?' I asked.

"'You must be identified.'

"'But I haven't time.'

"'You will have to make it or else sign like your old signature. Your old one is a good deal better than the one you write now,' with another smile.

"But I had to hurry out and find some one who could identify me before I could draw the money I had deposited. When I had drawn it my boyish signature was shown to me. It was round and clear, but a little trembling, and when I looked at it for the first time in many years, a rush of memories came over me, and I recalled how I had felt on the first day that I had ever gone into a bank to open an account for myself."

How She Managed It.

A young couple in a Lancashire village had been courting for several years. One day the young man said to the young woman:

"Sal, I wanna marry thee."

"How's that?" she asked.

"I've changed my mind," said he.

"Well, I'll tell you what we'll do," she said. "If folks know that it's thee as has given me up, I shanna be able to get another chap, but if they think I have given thee up, then I can easy get another chap. So we'll have banns published, and when the wedding day comes the parson will say to thee, 'Wilt thou have this woman to be thy wedded wife?' and thou must say, 'I will,' and when he says to me, 'Wilt thou have this man to be thy wedded husband?' I shall say 'I winna.'"

The wedding day came, and the minister said to the man:

"Wilt thou have this woman to be thy wedded wife?"

"I will," answered the man.

Then the parson said to the woman:

"Wilt thou have this man to be thy wedded husband?"

"I will," she said.

"Why, you said you would say 'I winna,'" the young man said furiously.

"I know that, but I've changed my mind since then," answered the young woman.

An Economical System.

A California man has originated a new system of living which he calls the Edenic system. He eats nothing but raw wheat, consuming about three-quarters of a pound a day. Bread, butter, sugar, meat, eggs and milk he regards as poisonous. He eats only when he feels hungry, and appears to thrive on his strange diet. At forty, he says, he was an old man, whereas now, though sixty, he feels young. "I can get along," he adds "on one or two cents a day, and do a day's work. Five cents' worth of rolled oats has lasted me twenty-four hours while traveling. I could not possibly eat more than ten cents' worth of wheat a day; so you can see how economical my system is." Mr. Rumford also has a theory about feeding horses, giving them only one good meal a day just before bed time.

Miscellaneous Advertisements.

It Sets People Talking.

A PERSON WHO CAN'T

HOLLER

WHEN he knows he has a good thing, is deficient in either wind or wisdom.

I Lift Up my Voice

to announce to you that I have

The Best, the Nobbiest, the Cheapest Line of Mens, Boys and Children's Suits, and Mens and Boys' Overcoats for Fall and Winter Wear,

ever shown in this county. Also, Hats, Caps and Furnishing Goods to suit every condition and fill every want of mankind.

I have a good thing, and I want everybody to know it.

Take my word for it only just long enough to come and see my stock for yourself; that's all I ask; there can be no risk; the people are already all talking about my low prices.

Joe L. Marx,

Clothier, Hatter and Furnisher.

Oct 8

NEW FALL WRAPS FOR LADIES, MISSES, CHILDREN.

WE have now on display a very choice stock of

Plain and Fur-Trimmed Garments

of the latest and most fashionable styles. The assortment comprises the

New Cloths, Cheviots, Camels' Hair, Bedford Cords, etc.

WE kindly ask an ample inspection before purchasing, guarantee all our prices to be positively the lowest, claim these Coats to be the best-fitting in market.

E. GROSS & BRO.

Oct 8

OUR STORE

is not the child of chance, but the ripened fruit of

TRUTH, INDUSTRY AND ACCOMMODATION!

Truth—in the fulfillment of our obligations!

Industry—in our tireless effort to please!

Accommodation—in our endeavor to do all for our customers they cannot do for themselves!

We announce a continuance of our great sales in

Dry Goods,

Dress Goods

—AND—

Milinery,

and that we are better than ever prepared to promise delightful surprises in each department.

We will enter into no detail, preferring that each reader of this announcement shall come and see for him and herself that we are now as heretofore,

First in Style!

Best in Quality!

Lowest in Price!

Under these circumstances the seed of dull trade cannot germinate in our garden, for popularity is the flower that blooms there in profusion, as rich as those which adorn our

LADIES' DOMESTIC AND IMPORTED HATS!

With the axe at the root of high prices, with the dross refined and none but the pure gold of uttermost perfection in all our lines, is it any wonder that our store is the Mecca of fashion-hunting pilgrims? Is it any surprise that all who properly appreciate solid goods and minimum prices should flock to our establishment as did the people of old to the glittering market-places of the Orient?

One suggestion, however, to those who are delaying—remember, it is just as sensible and important to be on time as to be in style. Come at once and see our new goods.

B. STERN & CO.,

FROSTBURG, MD.

April 23

Health Maxims.

There is not a girl on earth, whether the daughter of prince or pauper, who, if made a perfect mistress of all household duties, and thrown into a community wholly unknown, would not rise from one station to another, and eventually become the mistress of her own mansion, while multitudes of young women, placed in positions of ease, elegance, and affluence, but being unfitted to fill them, will as certainly descend from one round of the ladder to another, and, at the close of life, they are found where the really competent started from. Mothers of America, if you wish to rid your own and your children's household of the destroying locusts which infest your houses and eat up your substance, take a pride in educating your daughters to be perfect mistresses of every home duty; then, even if you leave them without a dollar, be assured they will never lack a warm garment, a bounteous meal, or a cosy roof.

Miscellaneous Advertisements.

LARGE PORTRAITS.

DESIRING to accommodate all who may want one of the elegant Bromide

CRAYON PORTRAITS

we have been offering with one dozen photos for the fractional sum of $5, and want them for Christmas, we ask you to come *now* or as *early as possible* and sit for negatives. The demand for these pictures has been so large that we feel sure of a large Holiday trade. Call early and oblige

C. O. TOWLES,

Oct 15 Photographer.

REMOVED.

I HAVE removed to Wittig's new building opposite the National Hotel, Main street.

COME AND SEE ME.

I have a brand new stock of Boots and Shoes.

Camel-Skin Shoes

for men and boys. Also a full line of Ladies and Children's

RUBBER SHOES AND BOOTS.

HORNER'S SNAG-PROOF

—AND—

New Brunswick Boots

—FOR MEN.—

Also a complete stock of Men's Gum Boots. HENRY N. SCHNEIDER.

Oct 29

A Rare Chance!

FURNITURE At Cost!

OWING to the calamity which recently befel my store building, destroying the roof and third story, and not being able to get a place to remove my stock to keep it out of the weather, I am compelled to dispose of same at almost any price in order to save it from ruin by rain or snow, either of which is likely to occur at any time at this season of the year.

The stock comprises Walnut, Oak and Poplar Bed Room Suits; at least 25 Parlor Suits of the latest style and upholstered in all kinds of Cushes, Brocads, Tapestries, etc., ranging in price from $25 to $175; also a very fine lot of Upholstered and Rattan Easy Chairs, especially selected for the holiday trade and a fine lot of Lounges, Bed Lounges, Side boards, Chairs, Wardrobes, Extension Tables, all kinds of Mattresses, Springs, and, in fact, everything pertaining to a first class Furniture store. Same in other towns this has been a busy day for me, but I am not yet managed, and that means loss to me, damage in many way, and to you an early or busy day. This is an opportunity to save money.

GOOD FURNITURE CHEAP

which no one in need of same can afford to miss.

Trusting that my friends and the public in general will avail themselves of this chance to get cheap Furniture, and at the same time assist me in a time of need, I am,

Respectfully,

C. F. NICKEL.

Nov 28

Have You a House

THAT IS NOT INSURED?

IF so, you want to place a policy on it today or to-morrow before you dine.

You want the risk taken, too, by a standard company, such as D. P. MILLER, of Cumberland, represents. Any policy is good until a fire occurs, but then it is you want a pledge of indemnity worth its face in gold.

Rates not quite as low as wildcat figures, but the lowest consistent with certain and perfect iddemnity in event of loss. Apply to

J. B. ODER,

Dec 14 JOURNAL Office, Frostburg, Md.

FLINTSTONE CANNED GOODS

Pack of 1891.

I INVITE the attention of the public to the superior quality of my "FLINTSTONE" brand of Canned Fruits and Vegetables, to be found on the shelves of all firstclass grocery stores in the county. My pack is as follows:

Cooking Tomatoes—Choice, fully ripe and superior flavor.

Extra Tomatoes—Finest whole Tomatoes, ready for slicing.

Dessert Apples—Selected varieties, packed in full syrup and ready to serve as dessert fruit.

Pie Peaches—Extra mountain Peaches, fine flavor, all full cans; nearly one-third more Peaches in can than Baltimore packed pie peaches.

Corn—Selected variety of Sugar Corn, packed when young and tender with utmost neatness and care.

My goods are sold to all merchants at moderate prices and will give full satisfaction in every particular.

Notice—All the corn packed at my Flintstone Canning House this season has on the label a *fac-simile* of my signature, thus:

B. L. Turner

Any can which does not bear my signature was not packed this season. [Jan 16]

Miscellaneous Advertisements.

For Sale.

—A—

SMALL FARM

Near Allegany Grove Camp Grounds.

FOUR-ROOM **frame HOUSE,** good SPRING, apple ORCHARD of good bearing age, and other fruit.

Price, - - - - - $1,000.

D. P. MILLER,

REAL ESTATE AND INSURANCE,

CUMBERLAND, MD.

Aug 20

—THE—

First National Bank of Frostburg, Md.

THIS BANK, located in the Thomas building, near the Post Office, is doing a

General Banking Business

CAPITAL.....$50,000

SURPLUS.....9,000

BERNARD STERN, President.

JOHN L. PORTER, Cashier.

DIRECTORS:

A. J. WILLISON, BERNARD STERN,

JOHN L. PORTER, T. HUMBERSTON,

J. B. ODER.

Collections made and exchanges sold on all Eastern points. *Deposits solicited.* Frostburg Bonds, Cumberland Bonds, and other good County securities for sale. [Jan 16

FOR SALE.

HOUSE AND LOT on Bowery street.

" " " " Centre "

" " " " Beall "

" " " " Orman "

" " " " Welsh Hill,

" " " in Grahamton.

Titles perfect. For prices, terms, etc., inquire of JAMES KANE,

March 5 Agent.

Lots for Sale.

TWO of the finest **BUILDING LOTS** in Frostburg; opposite the residence of Mr. James Dando; 50 by 150 feet; the best sites for homes in that section of town; cheap at $280 each, but can be bought for much less money, with reasonable time given on a portion of the purchase money; title guaranteed. Call at the JOURNAL OFFICE,

Oct 31 Frostburg, Md.

FURNITURE AND UNDERTAKING ESTABLISHMENT

—OF—

GEHAUF & MAYER,

Where all will always find the **Largest Stock, Lowest Prices,** and **Latest Styles** of

Parlor, Bedroom, Library and Kitchen Furniture.

IN THE UNDERTAKING DEPARTMENT our facilities are unsurpassed. We are prepared to conduct BURIALS in a most satisfactory manner. All MODERN UNDERTAKING appliances. Competent management guaranteed. Metallic, Cedar, Walnut and Oak CASKETS and COFFINS, and a full line of BURIAL GOODS always on hand, and in quality second to none. Throughout this and all departments of our business we aim to be prompt, considerate, thorough and reliable.

Prices Reasonable.

OPEN DAY AND NIGHT. Telephonic orders promptly attended to.

Ravenscraft's Opera House Building,

MAIN STREET, . . . FROSTBURG, MD.

Feb 20

Our Famous Brands of

Reingold, Erlanger and Export Bottle Beer

Are Now on the Market.

Address all orders to

CUMBERLAND BREWING COMPANY,

TELEPHONE CALL, 96-4. [April 4] CUMBERLAND, MD.

Do You Eat Bread?

IF YOU DO YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT

Gold Medal Flour,

Made by Washburn, Crosby & Co., Minneapolis, Minn., the pioneers in the manufacture of Fancy Flour from hard Spring Wheat.

Made in the largest flouring mills in the world. Daily capacity, ten (10,000) thousand barrels.

Made of Hard Northern Spring Wheat, which makes the Strongest and Best Flour in the world.

Sold by all grocers.

Oct 31

JOHN CHAMBERS,

—DEALER IN—

STAPLE AND FANCY

GROCERIES.

Flour, Feed and Provisions.

Queensware, Woodware, Tinware.

Canned and Fresh

Oysters

A SPECIALTY.

Main Street, - - FROSTBURG, MD.

March 29

I Say There--Ahoy There, MY FRIEND!

IF you are bound for any other drug store than DAN KRAPF'S you are a somnambulist, or, in plainer words, a

"SLEEP-WALKER."

The old "McNeill stand" is the location, just between Betz's jewelry store and Moat's Opera House.

If you amble anywhere near you cannot fail to see it, even though asleep. Every time you visit me I assure a wide-awake interest, and the display also of an ever-growing and attractive stock of goods, which will meet your desires in every particular. I am not a cutter, but I am a runner, and I get there, sweet marjoram, also "sweet spirits of nitre," with a sufficient quantity of sweet oil.

Prescriptions will be as thoroughly comprehended and compounded as elsewhere.

DAN. KRAPF, Jr.,

PHARMACIST.

Feb 21