

SOCIAL and PERSONAL.

(CONTINUED FROM FIFTH PAGE.)

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Winter seems to have made its appearance quite early, the snowstorm of Sunday having changed the appearance of the face of the earth for the time being and will prevent many from attending a social function which is to come off on Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Whelpley and Miss Blanche Richards are visiting friends in St. John.

EVILS OF LYNCH LAW.

Disorders in Leake County, Miss. After the burning of a Negro.

A story of the consequences of an appeal to Judge Lynch comes from Leake county, Miss. It was a peaceable community in which no lynching had ever occurred. On the night of Oct. 18, Mrs. Gambrell and her four children were murdered and an attempt was made to burn their bodies. Four negroes, Anderson Smith, a school teacher, Robert Smith, John Oliver Gray and Joe Leflone, were accused of the crime, which was committed for purpose of robbery. Joe Leflone was first captured. He confessed and implicated the two Smiths and several negro women in the crime. He also declared that the murder was committed at the instance of two white men, one of them was the very man who captured him and turned him over to the mob. The mob acted promptly. Instead of waiting to secure evidence of the truth of Leflone's confession he and Bob Smith were tied to the stake. Joe Leflone was burned to death. Smith was released after a slight scorching in order to give further testimony. The mob finally elected a committee of twelve men, who were authorized to discover the murderers of the Gambrell family and administer the proper punishment to them. The next day John Oliver Gray was captured, and he, and Brown and the negro women were whipped.

The conservative element in Leake county, who has opposed lynching, thus succeeded in preventing the usual loss of life in a lynching affair of this kind. Only one person had been lynched, although in many parts of the South the mob would have lynched every other person incriminated by Leflone. It is true that these persons had been whipped, but this was a small matter compared with lynching them or burning them at the stake. They were locked up in the jail, but more as a precaution to prevent the mob from doing them injury than as a punishment. Nevertheless, the lawless element became constantly more assertive. Attention was called to the fact that only one negro had been lynched for a crime by which five white persons had perished. It was asserted that, 'this milk and water policy was making the negroes impudent and troublesome.' The extreme faction triumphed and affairs have drifted from bad to worse in Leake county. Judge Lynch once evoked has proved a most troublesome ruler. The lawless element has made the Gambrell murders a pretext for a series of white cap outrages. Negroes many miles distant from the scene of the murder who had and could have no connection with the crime were whipped, and it developed that these whippings were the result of personal difficulties. This condition of affairs ran on for some weeks until the conservative element, the law-and-order party became convinced that it would not do to lock idly on, with labor demoralized and a body of lawless men taking the law into their own hands. Protests were heard against the white cappers



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to which the latter replied with threats against the law-and-order people. Some of the law men in the country were warned to leave; and a favorite trick was to dig a grave in front of a man's house, with an invitation to him to occupy it if he did not keep his mouth shut.

These threats, however, had less effect than might be expected. Those who opposed lawlessness, organized, armed themselves and for the past week have conducted a very vigorous campaign against the white cappers. One of the latter was captured near Conway, escorted to the railway station, placed aboard a train, and warned if he returned to Leake he would be roughly dealt with. Dr. J. R. Kendall one of the leaders of the whitecappers was besieged in his house where he and his friends were armed, and a fight was threatened, but a compromise was finally reached, Dr. Kendall agreeing to leave the country if he had a little time to settle up his affairs.

The indications are that the law and order people are getting control again, but this is by no means assured and the two elements may yet meet in a battle. The affair, however, has convinced all doubting persons in Leake county, that a lynching is a great misfortune, that it demoralizes the community and that it is very difficult to restore peace and order after an affair of this kind.

A Good showing.

Mr. J. S. Currie, the manager of the Situation Department of the Currie Business University, is meeting with great success in placing students in good situations. The following is a list of positions recently filled, the majority of which were secured through the Situation Department.

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An Official.

Railway-building is progressing rapidly in Mexico, but railway management there is still far below our more northern standard. An American who was one of a party of foreigners invited to take a trip over a certain Mexican line, tell this story in a New York exchange:

On the first day of the journey he was sitting on the rear platform of the observation car. The train stopped to take water and as it was getting under way again a disreputable-looking man swung himself on the bumper and started to climb over the railing. He looked like a greasy cow-puncher, only more dirty and ragged, and the American tried to push him off. He

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held on, however, and began to yell in Spanish.

The American yelled back, and the two men scuffled and fought on the platform until another member of the party came out, and asked what was the trouble.

"I'm keeping this tramp from stealing a ride!" exclaimed the American.

"Nonsense," said his friend. "You're fighting with the brakeman."

The American vowed that he would never again judge from appearances, at least in Mexico.

TREATMENT OF SMALLPOX.

How to Prevent and Treat the Dread Disease.

Less than a century ago smallpox was as common as scarlet fever is today, and it was as usual for one to escape its attack as it is now for a person to grow to adult life without having suffered from this pest of childhood. So almost inevitable was it that it became a common practice to inoculate people in early life, as the disease so produced was found to be milder than that arising from contagion. Then vaccination was discovered, and as it became general smallpox ceased to be the scourge it had been.

There is no remedy that will cut short an attack of smallpox; but skillful medical treatment, and especially intelligent and careful nursing, can do wonders in the saving of life and in warding off the evils which may follow the disease.

Smallpox being one of the most contagious of diseases, it is imperative to isolate the patient, no one except the doctor and the nurses being permitted to enter the sick-room. This room should be in the upper story of the house, and no room on that floor should be occupied by any other member of the family.

All carpets, hangings and upholstered furniture should be removed from that floor, and the sick room should be bare of all but the absolutely necessary articles of furniture. In front of the door should be hung a large sheeting reaching to the floor, which must be kept constantly wet with a solution of chloride of lime, carbolic acid, or some other efficient disinfectant.

The patient must not be allowed to leave the room until some days after the peeling of the skin is over. Then a bath should be prepared in another room, and to this he should go leaving his clothes in the sick-room. After the bath which must be thorough, including a shampoo, the patient may dry himself hastily and then with a clean sheet over him, go downstairs to another room where there are clean clothes ready for him. The nurses should go through a similar process before meeting other people.

The clothes left in the sick-room, including bedclothes had better be destroyed, or if not, they must be boiled for at least half an hour. The room and furniture must be thoroughly disinfected before it is again occupied.

The only sure preventive of smallpox is vaccination, and as its protective power gradually becomes weak with time, it is wise to repeat it every ten or fifteen years, and any one exposed to smallpox ought always to be revaccinated, no matter how recently the operation may have been performed.

Even when the efficiency of vaccination is so far weakened as not to protect against an attack of smallpox, it is almost always sufficient to render the attack mild, and it rare for a person with good vaccination scars to suffer from anything more than severe varioloid. It is important to remember, however, that varioloid is true smallpox in a mild form, and the patient is just as dangerous to those about him as if he had confluent smallpox. Hence the above described precautions should be taken in every case, however mild.

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Seeing the Deacon.

"There are odds in deacons," said Lowell, and the little dialogue printed below, taken from the Ohio State Journal, is illustrative of the dictum.

"I didn't particularly like your prayer this morning," said a deacon to his minister.

"What was wrong with it?"

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proval, deacon,' said the good man, 'but you must bear in mind that the prayer was not addressed to you.'

One of the Symptoms.

As no one, unless it might be some crusty old bachelor, could suspect a young wife of sarcasm, we must assume, after reading the Washington Star's story below, that politicians, like poets, are born

and not made.

'My dear,' said a young wife to her husband, 'the baby has been trying to talk again.'

'What was he talking about.'

'I think it must have been politics. He started very calmly, but in a few minutes he was as angry and red in the face as he could be. It is perfectly wonderful how he takes after you.'