

### Butting Down a Door.

of pioneer woodsmen, who had gathered in front of the now little family grocery, bar-room and general merchandise store combined, for the morning biters, and a little game of draw poker. Among the number was old "Uncle" Sam Henti, who resided on the Franklin side of the bayou, and several other kindred spirits ready for anything that might turn up.

John F. Sanders, proprietor of the grocery, always kept a good supply of what was known in those days as "Des-

"Tom," said Uncle Sam, "go and ask Jane for the 'waling' when the crowd has broken up."

Sam and Jane were lived but thirty days from the store and Tom soon returned, but without the key.

"Whatshall we do?" asked Uncle Sam. "I'm thirsty, and I must have liquor, if I have to butt that door down. Will you stand by me, boys?"

"Stand by you and drink by you," was the speedy and energetic response, "and if necessary fight by you."

"Clear the way," said Uncle Sam, as he measured forty paces and fixed his eyes upon the door.

When the boys saw Uncle Sam preparing for the attack upon the grocery they set up a cheering that frightened Mr. Sanders, and caused him to call in the children and lock the door.

"Make it ten yards more,"

"Get a good start, Uncle Sam. Make the distance fifty yards," said several voices, and as the old man moved back and eyed the ground the shouts and cheers became deafening.

"Ready?"

"Go," replied Uncle Sam.

"Ready," said the leader, and away he started.

With his head bent and his arms akimbo, Uncle Sam moved toward the road, slowly at first, but gathering speed as he moved along, until about half way, when he was at a full run, urged on by

"Stand away, boys; give me more  
 room and fresh air, and I'll bring the  
 door down this time or give it a conges-  
 tional shake."

twelve time he measured sixty yards, bowed his head and started. His bound-  
ing feet made a deep, soft, rubbery fall,  
his eyes distended like fire, seeming  
ready to pop from their sockets. His  
pulse beat fast and his breathing kept  
pace with his pulse. He clapped both  
hands to his temple and cried hoarsely  
for water. A basin was brought, his  
head bathed and a stream of water went  
splashing down his back.

"Did sit budge?"

"Yes, sir, the hinges croaked and the  
door trembled."

"Croaked, did she?"

"Enchanted."

"All right, boys," and Uncle Sam looked more determined than ever. The water had cooled his temples, and the astro, stretched himself to his full height, struck his breast a heavy, exulting blow, and remarked:

"If fool now as if I could butt brick walls now if a jug of whiskey was inside. Stand back, give me room and keep quiet and I'll make head out of this door."

At the same time he measured off eighty paces, paused an instant to nerve himself for the exertion, started off at a rapid pace and struck the door, and forward with

"Drink whiskey, boys," said Uncle Sam. "It's only one-third water and two-thirds whiskey, for I have noticed a gradual decline in the bayou since that barrel arrived."

"You did," drank Brierley, and the proceedings (who had noted the proceedings from his place of concealment) arrived, there was no need of his saying, "Help yourselves, boys, and by 'needs,' just make Warsaw your home."

They were already doing that.

The next day there was a funeral on Bayou Mason, and Uncle Sam rode in the front carriage. The doctor said it was brain fever, but it made short work of poor old Uncle Sam, and in the large carriage that followed him remained the two boys. There was no sincere mourner than the grocery keeper and the one-survivor of that party who now lives to tell the story of forty years ago—Vickburg Herald.

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A few days ago a party of four girls on their way home from school in East

Disdewater, came upon eight boys, who had captured a kitten, and, having covered it with kerosene oil, proposed to set it on fire. They begged the boys, and the women, the kitten and were refused, whereupon they offered to buy it. This proposal failed, and the girls hailed a passing man and begged him to interfere. He refused, and, rendered desperate by repeated failures, the girls attacked the boys, and, though they were outnumbered two to one, succeeded in whipping them and taking the kitten from them and carrying it away in triumph.

Miss Sibyl White, who recently died at Harfield, Mass., was the last member of the White family which occupied the Harfield place. Her father, the first Englishman born in New England, though she was obliged about ten years ago, as she was left alone and advancing in years, to sell the place, which had been in the possession of her family from the time of their ancestor. Some three years afterward the well-known apple tree, planted by Peregrine, was prostrated and destroyed by a storm.

Atcheson, the aeronaut who recently fell with a bursting balloon from an altitude of nearly one thousand feet, writes as follows to the Bowling Green *Kyr.* **Photograph:** "I am getting along quite well. My heart is all right again; I have my stomach and my temper improving very rapidly. My leg is mending at present, and I expect to be on my crutches by the last of next week if I have no setback, which I hope I will not."

Three sharpshooters recently rode from Omaha to Chicago on one ticket. They took seats at close distance

The matter of the motor is being in charge of the Philadelphia branch for \$10,000. Affiliated newspaper readers suggest that each man shall sit on the safety-valve of his machine and apply the motor, and the executors of the man who is first blown up shall take

A daring criminal at St. Louis broke into the jail, stole provisions and the officers of the front and Western Railroad would not let work from Hoboken over the railroad on a visit of inspection.

A couple of contributions that were crowded out this issue will appear next week.



BENJ. H. VOGT, Editor and Prop'r

An Amnoko Jans case has broken out in Newark, and has been taken up in the United States Supreme Court in the name of H. Buckles and others, the property lying at Market, Jersey streets, on a warehouse, given over to Van Duyl, York, and also over to the property belonging to all who may be in the operation, realized a consent of the day.

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