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Bulwer went into the Maine forest north of Lewiston and cut themselves off completely from civilization. Recently they were discovered by a correspondent of the *Boston Globe*. Their hovels were scattered about the timbered cleared land which they had made. The vagrant family had multiplied into several families, including over fifty persons, and was dwelling in poverty, ignorance, and sloth. The log houses were unprovided with anything that could contribute to human comfort.

There was no furniture except benches and a few boxes. The benches could read, and he wouldn't. Not a book or a scrap of printed paper was to be found in the place. None of the hunters, nor any of the men to the nearest town. All were profoundly ignorant of the world, and would not have been able to tell me the name of the country I was in. He obtained a precarious subsistence from such scanty crops as his lazy hands prompted them to obtain; and he was not able to grow much of Dead river. In short, the Ubians, under the influence of barbarism and solitude, had relapsed into a barbarism more degrading than that of the Indians, who dwelt in those woods three centuries ago.

In the Black Hills, a party of miners in the Black Hills recently compared eyes and ears over a camp-fire. One said, "When I was coming to the first fork of the river, I saw a mosquito a mile away." Another said that his eyes were weak, but he could hear gnats jumping around on the bank four miles away.

listened for Indians until he heard the mountain sheep light on their horns in the Big Horn Mountains, three hundred miles away. The fourth, with his head on his pillow, had strained his ears until he heard the Chinese nailing up tea boxes. The fifth, in crossing the Rocky Mountains, had found a pet-

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A DUEL ON HONOLULU.—In Catalpaoua parish, two lives were sacrificed for a faithless woman. John Henry, colored, loved the wife of Lew Butcher, also colored, and in order to get the husband

out of the way invited him out to hunt. When in the woods, Henry lagged behind, and, when the opportunity presented itself, lodged a load of buck shot in Butcher's back. Butcher, although mortally hurt, turned in his saddle to see whether he had been shot through accident or design, when noticing Henry, scarcely a yard distant, trying to

reach his musket, when after the shooting, he had laid across his saddle, the truth burst upon him, and he knew that his only chance for life lay in killing Henry.

Quickly leveling his musket, Butcher fired just as Henry turned to flee, and sent a load of buck shot through his back, causing death almost instantaneously. Butcher then hastened home.

Matching coin is the favorite diversion of John T. Raymond, according to the *Dramatic News*, which says that he will go out with a couple of hundred dollars in his pocket in the morning and return in the afternoon for more. Last fall,

When in San Francisco, Raymond met Maurice Grau on the street, and they went together into the bar-room of the Palace Hotel. Raymond proposed matching. They matched two ten-dollar pieces. Grau won. They doubled it. Grau won. From tens and twenties they went up to hundreds, a streak of luck accompanied Grau throughout. From hundreds they soon got to thou-

sands. In less than half an hour Raymond had lost \$32,000. So the story runs at least. It was on honor, of course, as neither had that amount of money. Raymond was excited and nervous, and proposed matching the whole \$32,000 on one cast. Grau consented, and put down head. Raymond matched him and won.

In the year 1792 a gentleman named Charlton left a bequest, out of which was to be given a marriage dowry of 8 guineas to the daughters of every day laborers of the counties of Meath and Longford on their marriage, in presence of a Protestant clergyman, to the sons of day laborers in those counties or the counties adjoining. The claims on the

fund have been few, and the amount has increased very largely. The Lord Chancellor recently approved of a scheme extending the application of the fund to persons of all denominations, and increasing the dowry to £25. The scheme was opposed by the Bishop of Meath and the Bishop of Kilmore, who desired that it should be restricted to members

When Edham Paacha, the present Grand Vizier, was a boy he was sold as a slave to the Turkish statesman Khosrey,

who, upon discovering his extraordinary abilities, gave him his liberty and sent him to Paris to be educated. He was born in 1828 at Chio, his parents being Circassian. After remaining at Paris three years his patron induced him to study mining engineering, and for four years he followed this pursuit in France, Germany and Switzerland. Returning to Constantinople in 1839 he

He was appointed a captain on the general staff, and ten years later was made an aide-de-camp to the Sultan, subsequently attaining the ranks of General, Chamberlain of the Palace and member of the Council of State. He has also been Minister of Foreign Affairs and Turkish Ambassador to various European courts. His political affiliation is with the young

TURKISH party.

TRUTH IS BEST. "Is those genuine sausages?" asked a fellow of a German butcher.

"Yah," said the butcher, "dey is goot gennywine."

"Made of dog and cat, and all that," observed the man.

"Nein! nein! dey ish not!" indig-

stantly replied the butcher: "I makes no dog's and cat's meat in my sausages!" "Well, then," said the man, walking off, "I don't want 'em, I'm after the genuine article. The butcher was perplexed to lose the customer, and gazing wistfully after him, reproachfully muttered: "Yab, yab—it ish soodmimes better

This year the St. Petersburg *Dutsche Zeitung* completes a century and a half of existence. In commemoration of this event, with the new year's number it gave a fac-simile of the first number of its second year's issue—that of the first year was not obtainable. In connection with this anniversary, the paper showed

that Peter the Great was not only founder of the first Russian newspaper, but also the first editor ever known in Russia, and that he was his own foreign correspondent, translating from the foreign journals, and correcting and preparing the news for the edification of his subjects.

Parish," Higham, Mass., was erected in 1631. There have been but six ministers in this parish since 1635, the shortest service being eighteen years and the longest sixty-five.

