

A MASTER OF THE PEN

WAS THE LATE T. HUGHES, THE ENGLISH AUTHOR.

His Works Gained Fortune and Fame in Every Land Where the Anglo-Latin Language is Spoken—'Tom Brown's School Days.'

THOMAS HUGHES, the author of 'Tom Brown's School Days' and 'Tom Brown at Oxford,' and the founder of the British settlement at Rugby, Tenn., died in London recently at a ripe old age.



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Mr. Hughes was a voluminous writer. 'Tom Brown's School Days' was published in 1857, 'Tom Brown at Oxford'

he gave," he said. "It is a Protestant university. A Presbyterian gave me \$25,000 toward it. I never saw him but once before he made this contribution.

PRINCESS HENRIETTE.

The Royal Belgian Who Gave Her Heart to a Heartless Court.



"Petit Paris," as Brussels is called, is pleasantly excited over the wedding of Princess Henriette and her French cousin, the Duc de Vendome.

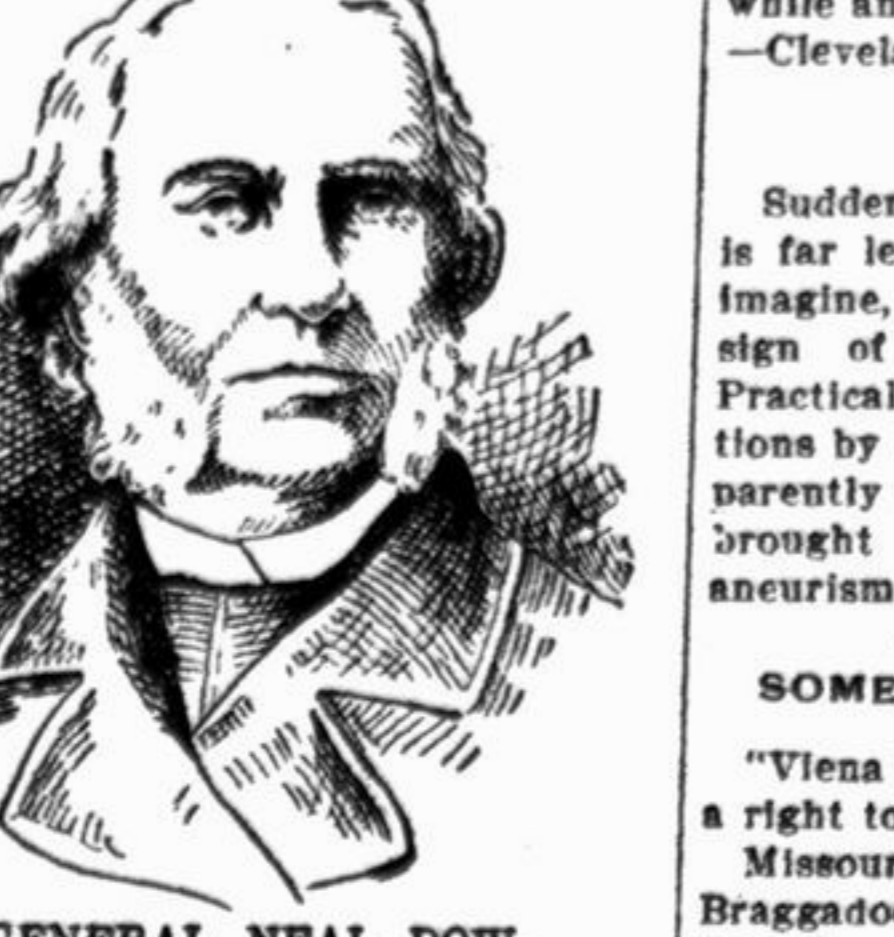
A PAYING INVESTMENT.

Values of the Properties Enhanced by Village Improvement.

The property owners of a village cannot make a better paying investment than in the maintenance of a well-organized improvement society.

NEAL DOW'S 92D BIRTHDAY.

Maine Temperance Advocate is Close to the Century Mark.



GENERAL NEAL DOW, day exercises. Notwithstanding the fact that he is within eight years of rounding a century of existence, his mental faculties are unimpaired and his physical condition good.

THE BEAR WAS GAME.

And Was Only Persuaded to Cave in After a Tough Old Fight.

(From the St. Louis Post-Dispatch.) Frank Layne, James Burchill and Smith, with their dogs, started out 'possum hunting the other night.

"Kill him, Pete," shouted Laynes. Smithers fired both barrels of his gun at the bear, who leaped into the air with a howl of pain and then made straight for Smithers, who, in less than ten seconds, was rolling over on the ground with the brute.

"If we don't kill him he will kill the dogs," said Burchell, as one of the dogs was knocked across the open with a broken neck.

Layne seized a stone and hurled it with all his might at the bear, hitting him on the head and knocking him over. Burchill sprang at the bear and began beating it with a club.

How Edison Learned to Tell Stories.

"It seemed like a waste of time," said a gentleman who passed an evening with Mr. Edison in Newark, O., recently, "to hear Mr. Edison rolling off story after story, and demanding of all his acquaintances to tell him more, when we knew how much information we might have received from him.

Sudden Death.

Sudden death, except from accident, is far less common than most people imagine, and death with no preceding sign of illness is very rare indeed.

SOME MORE QUEER NAMES.

"Vienna Ecranbrack" is a poet and has a right to a queer name. Missouri boasts a postoffice named Braggadocio, also a faith healer named Endoff.

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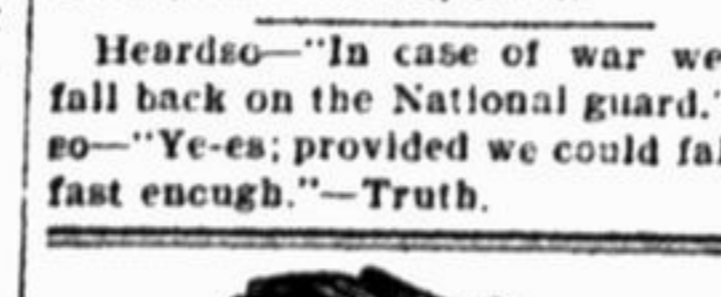
A New Orleans paper reports that while the south has gained 34 per cent in population during the last twenty years, the enrollment of its school attendance has increased 130 per cent.

A new departure has been inaugurated at the Chicago passenger station of the North-Western Line (Chicago & North-Western R.R.) which will be found a great convenience to the traveling public.

Home-seekers' Excursions.

On May 5th, the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway company will sell tickets at very low rates to points in Missouri, Kansas and Texas.

Headed—"In case of war we could fall back on the National Guard." Said so—"Ye-es; provided we could fall back fast enough"—Truth.



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dates from 2,000 B. C.

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the more its good qualities are revealed in its sparkling color, lustrous shine, and every kind of weakness.

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"A Creak"—"A Bitch"—"A Twist"—"A Jam"—"A Hair"—"A Raw Spot"—"Blue Spots"—"Dead Aches"—are all well known of flesh, bone, and muscle, and easily cured by St. Jacobs Oil.



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