

More Trouble Ahead.

Austin, Tex., May 26.—The decision handed down by the Supreme Court last Thursday in the case of M. Scharz vs. J. S. McCall was of vast importance.

Its import is that the purchaser of a school section from the State, or his assignee, on which three years occupancy had been proved, is not entitled to any additional land without condition of settlement, but must at the time of the purchase of the additional land be an actual settler on the home section.

Large cattle owners have bought the home section of many an actual settler after proof of occupancy had been made, not so much for the particular section, but for the purpose of being able to purchase three additional sections, making a total of 2550 acres.

The effect of this decision will greatly disturb school land owners in the Panhandle and the western portion of the State. Hundreds of such sales have been made since the act of May, 1897. If all of those sales as well as hundreds of other sales to minors, are void, and perhaps all others to married women, then there exists a state of too much insecurity of titles for any great deal of comfort in the territory affected. The said sales being void, there is but one or two courses open for an adjustment. One is for the Legislature to validate them, the other is for Legislature to make an appropriation for the refund of all money paid into the State treasury. The latter course would almost deplete the treasury and would so greatly increase the work of the land office that additional clerical force would be necessary or those having business would have to wait several months before their wants could be attended to. While the validation of the titles is looked upon generally as the better course, yet it is nearly a year before legislative action could be had.

The cattlemen are considerably alarmed over the mandamus petition filed in the Supreme Court yesterday against the Land Commissioner to compel the Land Commissioner to sell a section of school land in Borden county, or lease same.

The contention is that the law creating the absolute lease is unconstitutional and that it is in violation of the Constitution to pass a law reserving the school lands from sale.

It is alleged that the law is unconstitutional because it is a local or special act and notice by publication was not given of its proposed passage in the territory, as is required in art. 3, sections 57, of the State Constitution, which reads as follows:

"No local or special law shall be passed unless notice of the intention to apply therefor shall have been published in the locality where the matter or things to be affected may be situated, which notice shall state the substance of the contemplated law, and shall be published at least thirty days prior to the introduction into the Legislature of such bill and in the manner to be provided by law.

The evidence of such notice having been published shall be exhibited in the Legislature before such act shall be passed."

The most important point involved and which is one of great moment is that made against the formation and maintenance of the absolute lease districts. The reporter, W. M. Reed, contends that it was contemplated by the Constitution that the country should be built up and that it was not the intention of the framers of the Constitution to lease the public lands, where they could be sold to in preference over leases.

The allegation is, that the said lease district is in violation of section 4, article 7, of the Constitution which reads as follows:

"The lands herein set apart to the public free school fund shall be sold under such regulations, at such times, and on such terms as may be prescribed by law; and the Legislature shall not have power to grant any relief to purchasers thereof."

This question has never before been before the courts, and the final outcome is anxiously awaited.

There have been several decisions by Texas courts on the question of the length and terms of leases of school lands, and the information is that in one case it was held that a five year lease was not unreasonable long.

Report of Lands and Town Lots Assessed On the Tax Rolls of Sutton County, Texas, for the year 1899, which are delinquent for Taxes of 1899 and other years. Returned by E. S. Briant, Tax Collector.

OWNER.	LAND			No. acres delinquent	No. acres delinquent	State Taxes	County Taxes	School Taxes	Total Taxes	Year for which sold			
	Abstract No.	Certificate No.	Original Grantor										
Est. T. A. Ellis	823	43	1017 Day Land & Cattle co	689	682	701	53	329	13	23	157	69	1899
Est. Wm Elliott	150	22	11 George Town Ry Co	640	639	89	72	151	00	10	218	62	1896
do	481	1549	Frank Large	630	640	601	44	30	2	00	427	24	1899
do	522	21-209	Obadiah Smith	1230	1236	609	27	50	3	86	4	24	1899
do	538	29	75 S F Ry Co	640	640	601	44	30	2	00	427	24	1899
do	570	270	29 P C Ry co	640	640	601	44	30	2	00	427	24	1899
do	572	0-283	29 P W & N G Ry co	640	640	601	44	30	2	00	427	24	1899
do	573	0-287	31 do	640	640	601	44	30	2	00	427	24	1899
do	578	0-292	41 do	640	640	601	44	30	2	00	427	24	1899
do	585	0-317	3 do	640	640	601	44	30	2	00	427	24	1899
do	589	0-216	5 do	640	640	601	44	30	2	00	427	24	1899
Peter Gable	634	2-203	23 do	640	640	601	44	30	2	00	427	24	1899
Unknown	641	0-273	3 do	640	640	601	44	30	2	00	427	24	1899
do	656	0-279	53 do	640	640	601	44	30	2	00	427	24	1899
do	833	387	15 C F M O Ry co	243	243	87	78	17	09	20	233	91	1899
do	850	1502	14 Jacob Faulkner	1283	1283	202	89	61	4	04	311	148	1899
do	851	1503	14 Jacob Faulkner	649	649	500	17	25	02	23	675	28	1899
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do	866	1518	14 Jacob Faulkner	649	649	500	17	25	02	23	675	28	1899
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WHEN A FELLER'S STUBBED HIS TOE.

Did ye ever pass a youngster'd been a stubbed his toe. An his cryn by th' roadside, roter quietlike an slow, A-holdin' his dusty foot, all hard an brown an lame, An tryn to keep from his eyes th' tears that's a-splashin' there? Ye hear him sorter sobbin like an snuffin of his nose, An ye stop an pat his head an sorter try to ease his woe; Ye treat him sorter kindlike, an th' first thing that ye say is, 'You're a feller, ain't ye?'

NIGHT BELLS.

Various Kinds of Help to Be Invoked Through Their Aid. Of night bells of one sort and another there will be found in cities many. There is, for instance, the drug store night bell, which is old and familiar. In large cities there are nowadays more drug stores than formerly that keep open all night, but the drug store night bell is still an institution. Inside the window there is a light so placed that its illumination serves at once to give a glow to some highly colored jar of water—the honored emblem of the apothecary—and make that serve as a sign and to show to those who are seeking it, when they shall have come near, the location of the bell. Likewise is the undertaker's night bell old and familiar and to be found in numbers, with a light so placed within as to reveal it plainly. A peculiarly modern night bell is the plumber's night bell, for whose sound into existence there are many examples one the multiplication in cities, for the equipment of dwellings in accordance with modern ideas of comfort, of pipes and plumbing of all sorts, of steam heat and water and gas, and so the multiplication of emergencies arising out of the use of them; the other being the modern way of not putting things off till tomorrow, of following always a beaten track in doing things, but of being ready if called upon for work at any time, day or night. The night bell that probably is to be found in most limited number and then only in great maritime cities is the night bell of the wrecking company. Even in this big town there is perhaps but one such night bell, but there is at least one, which may be found placed in the wall outside of a wrecking company's office, in a water-side street, with a painted sign on the wall beside it, in all sorts of familiar words, "Night bell," a place where one can go to get help for vessels in distress by night as well as by day.—New York Sun.

To Use For a Throne.

Napoleon Bonaparte is quoted in The Century as saying to Dr. O'Meara at St. Helena. "If I was in England now and the French nation was to offer me the throne again I would not accept of it because if I was to do so I would be obliged to cut off the heads of thousands of my people upon it, which would be pleasing to me. Oceans of blood must be shed to keep me there. No, no, I have had enough of noise already in the world; perhaps more than any other man will make; and only want retirement. What could I do in France? Ah, to sit myself against all the forces of Europe! Madness!"

Vegetable Ivory.

In the forests of the Pacific slope in Borneo abounds the species of palm which bears the nuts known as "vegetable ivory." The nuts are exceedingly hard and white. Germany takes two-thirds of the product, and the rest goes to the United States, France and England. The harvest is in the rainy season, and great reefs loaded with the nuts are sent down the swollen rivers. These engaged in the industry are Indians and mixed races. The unspeared nuts bring, in the future markets, about 60 cents for 100 pounds.

Rat Tail Testons.

Among the many materials for sewing up wounds are the strong sutures that can be obtained from the tail of the rat. By proper manipulation a bundle of five or six tendons per tail can be obtained and can be used as they are, being easily threaded. A bargain. May—How on earth did you come to accept him? Fay—Oh, he looked so cheap when he proposed I couldn't help taking him!—Philadelphia Press.

Philadendrons around Paris cultivate the dandelion as a very large scale and sell it for good prices in the market.

Fish stew is a dish never seen in Ireland.

He obeyed the Judge.

Over a score of years ago Judge Fitzgerald was appointed to the bench of the district that includes Pima and Cochise counties, in Arizona. He found on coming to Tucson that formality was almost unknown in the courtroom. If the days were warm, the attorneys and attendants dispensed with coats. This to him appeared particularly disrespectful. He announced that smoking in the courtroom would not be tolerated and that coats must be worn under pain of the court's displeasure. The grand jury was called. Among the jurors summoned was a brawny miner, who appeared in his usual costume, a dark blue shirt and overalls. "What do you mean," thundered the magistrate, "by appearing in this courtroom in your shirt sleeves? Where is your coat?" "At home, judge," mildly returned the juror.

The People's Common Sense Medical Adviser.

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An Odd Coincidence.

"Late one night some years ago in a western town," said an old telegraph operator, "I received a message which read, 'If you wish to see your brother alive, you will have to come immediately.' The message came from San Francisco and was addressed to an old man who lived across the street from the station. I put on my hat and went over and delivered it, seeing that it was important that he should have it at once. 'The old man caught the train that left at midnight, and while he was buying his ticket he did not see that the message referred to his brother who had left home 20 years before and from whom he had heard nothing during all that time. 'The next night a party called and asked if there were any messages for him, giving the same name as the old man who had left the night before. He must have noticed that I looked at him rather blankly, for he went on to explain that he had a brother in California who was sick and that he was anxious to hear from him. 'Well, it turned out that the message that I had received the night before was intended for him. He was a stranger in the town and changed to bear the same name as the old man whom I had seen on a high stage coach across the continent. Fortunately for me I was transferred to another train before the old man got back. That is all there is to the story except that it is true.'—Detroit Free Press.

Sixteenth Century Apples.

Apples by so divers of form and substance that it were infinite to describe them all. Some consist more of fire than water, as sour puffs called Mala pulmonum; others more of water than wind, as sour Castanea and Pome waters. To be short, all apples may be sorted into three kinds, sweet, sour and unsavoury. Sweet apples ease the cough, quench thirst, cure melancholly, comfort the heart and heat, especially if they be fragrant and odoriferous, and also give a laudable nourishment. Some apples liberate spiriting, strengthen the breast, relieve and hurt the stomach, increase pluck and weaken memory. Sweet apples are to be eaten at the beginning of meat, but sour and tart apples at the latter end. All apples are worst raw, and best baked or preserved.

Philp of Macedonia and Alexander.

his son, from whom perhaps a curious and skilled herald may derive our Lancashire men, were called Philadelphos apple lovers because they were never without apples in their pockets. Yes, all Macedonians, his countrymen, did so love them that having near Babylon surprised a fruiterer's boy they strived for it that many were drowned.—Dr. Thomas Moffatt in 1755.

Plants That Intoxicate.

Bumblers, butterflies and beetles are habitual drunkards. In some of the southern states insects alight on certain plants, drink heartily from the blossoms and fall to the ground stoned. After awhile they rise and fly around, just as drunken men would do if they had the power of flying. Their antics are exceedingly amusing unless one does not know what is the trouble. In this case the suspicion that the insect world has gone crazy is uppermost. A scientist who had observed the drinking and its results collected a teaspoonful of the pollen to see if it would affect a man the same way. He swallowed it and in a few minutes found his pulse beating faster and a sense of dizziness. Then he distilled some of the blossoms and gave himself a hypodermic injection in the arm. He became decidedly dizzy as a result. By further experiments he found an oil derived from these plants which affects human beings and animals alike.—New York Telegram.

The Horse Saved the Judge.

A judge of the English high court was once arrested on suspicion of having burglarious designs on the house of a friend in Mayfair. The police officer charged him in the police station with interfering with felonious intent, and the prisoner's description of himself as one of her majesty's judges was received with a grin of sarcastic derision. At that moment an old offender was brought in who happened to catch sight of his lordship's face, which he had good reason to remember. "You here, my lord?" he exclaimed, with unforgotten astonishment. "Well, this beats cockfighting." The rogue's unsolicited corroboration of the judge's declaration saved the situation, and his lordship was allowed to depart in peace.

Teaching a Horse Tricks.

You can, with patience, teach your horse politeness to bow to an audience to cry "No" with more or less decision to kiss you or even laugh. The animal may be taught to bow by tapping him on the back with a whip. He bends his head in trying to avoid the annoyance. The trainer ceases the tapping, caresses him, then resumes it till he repeats the bow. He is again caressed and presented with a carrot or something of which he is particularly fond. At last it comes about that he "bows" upon any movement of the whip toward his back. To teach a horse to say "No" a pin is fastened to the butt of the whip. A slight scratch is given to the horse's withers, about where the collar would be. At this he shakes his head and soon learns to shake it whenever he sees the butt of the whip coming near his withers. The trainer catches the animal "to kiss" by feeding him with apples from his mouth, gradually lessening the size of the apples till the horse does the trick without any, or he puts salt, of which horses are very fond, on his cheek, and the animal naturally licks it off. He is taught to laugh by gently forcing the butt of the whip in at the side of his mouth, when prying his mouth open with it. Jugglers and circus fellows till at this the slightest motion of the butt toward his mouth makes him grin. Good words.

A Chicago Street Car Episode.

Passengers of an east bound Archer street car were thrown into a panic one night by the prospect of a holdup. At the sight of a wild eyed man jerking the bell rope and flourishing a huge revolver three women sought shelter behind a bench. (Quiet was restored when the real cause of the disturbance was learned. Car 181 had been asked to cross the switch tracks at Ashland avenue when the conductor asked the man for his fare. He took a \$5 bill and was about to make change when he saw the warning lights ahead. "Wait a moment," he said and darted ahead with his lantern. "Stop the car!" roared the excitable passenger, who saw the conductor and his \$5 disappearing down the track. "He's got my money!" The would-be "holdup" man had reached the front door when the car flashed past the conductor, who was waiting for the rear platform. The passenger tried to jump from the car, but found it impossible because of the Archer avenue bridge structure. Then he made a mad dash for the rear door, where the conductor met him with a polite "Don't forget your change, sir."—Chicago Record.

The Nature of Ether.

If any reader is disposed to object to the assumption of a medium behaving in such very different ways with regard to notions of different speeds, it may assist in convincing him that the objection is not a valid one to direct his attention to the similar behavior of such a familiar substance as pitch. In moderately cold weather this material has all the appearance of a solid and will readily support a dense body than the ether upon a bullet, for example, it will sink upon its surface. It will gradually sink until it rests upon whatever is supporting the pitch. If, on the other hand, the pitch is placed upon a less dense body, such as cork, the latter will float up through it in the course of time. The pitch, therefore, exposes great resistance to rapid motion, but the smallest pressure causes it to give way if sufficient time is allowed.—Knowledge.

Mr. Bickerley's Method.

"I have here a complete and concise history of our war in the— "Exactly, exactly," hurriedly interrupted Mr. Bickerley. "Just what I have been looking for. What a beautiful edition! By the way, don't forget to go around and see my wife. She wishes you, you know. Never mind the price. Here's \$10, and you can keep the change." The book agent had fallen helpless against the desk. The surprise was too much. "Here, boy!" called Mr. Bickerley. "Help me carry this fellow out. That's the way to fix 'em."—Indianapolis Sun.

The Police Professor.

The pain for absentmindedness should be accorded to a learned German professor. One day he noticed his wife placing a bunch of flowers on his desk. "What do they mean?" he asked. "Why," she exclaimed, "don't you know that this is the anniversary of your marriage?" "Ah, indeed, is it?" said the professor politely. "Kindly let me know when your comes around, and I will return your attention in kind."—Collier's Weekly.

Speeding the Parting Guest.

"Is that clock right?" he asked after it had struck 11. "Why?" she answered. "I don't recall seeing a party of time to catch the 11:30 train." "I remember now," she said, "that the clock is about 20 minutes slow. If you hurry, you will just catch the car." During the 20 minutes that he stood on the corner he arrived at the painful conclusion that she didn't really love him as he believed to be loved.—Chicago Times-Herald.

Havallina Pronunciations.

Havallina call their chief islands Hah-wy-ee, we say Hah-wy-ee. Other proper ways of giving away known Havallina names are: Oah-hoo, Ho-no-hoo, Ah-oo-ee (Miami), Koo-ee (Kauai), Noo-ee-hoo (Nihoa), Hoo-hoo (Hilo), La-by-ah (Lanai), Ko-hah-ha (Kohala). Vowels are as in Italian and deserve much care. Havallina pay little attention to consonants.—Baltimore News.

Look in Your Mirror.

Do you see sparkling eyes, a healthy, ruddy skin, a sweet expression and a graceful form? These attractions are the result of good health. If they are absent, there is nearly always some disorder of the digestive and circulatory systems. Healthy internal organs mean health and beauty everywhere. McELREE'S Wine of Cardui makes women beautiful and healthy. It strikes at the root of all their troubles. There is no menstrual disorder, ache or pain which it will not cure. It is for the budding girl, the busy wife and the matron approaching the change of life. At every trying crisis in a woman's life it brings health, strength and happiness. It costs 50c of medicine dealers. For advice in cases requiring special directions, address giving symptoms, "The Ladies' Advisory Department," The Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn. Mrs. ROZENA LEWIS, of Greenville, S. C., writes: "I have been afflicted with terrible pains in my head and back, but have been entirely relieved by Wine of Cardui."

A Painter in a Swamp.

Wishing to make a study of a portion of the swamp near El Akewa, in Egypt, I set up my camp on the edge of a pool where the ground seemed a little firmer than the rest. Quickly becoming engrossed in my work, I did not notice that I was slowly sinking until I found that my sketching stool had nearly disappeared and my legs were imbedded in the mud almost up to my knees. With the breaking of the surface crust the black slime gave out most horrible odors, and small stinging flies, liberated from the earth, quickly covered me, crawling up my neck and arms, while the mosquitoes, combining in the attack, eventually drove me from my half finished work. Though really quite dead, the water was so alive with mosquito grubs as to appear almost opaque. By thousands every moment the grubs would come to the surface, either crawling up the rushes or floating, and the outer shells soon cracking in the sun left the little insects at liberty. A few seconds sufficed to dry their wings and give them life and strength, and then with hum and buzz they joined their brothers in the air, hovering in thousands like a cloud of black smoke over the stagnant pond from which they sprang. Then I was discovered a mere poor animal, all more jammed his back up, drew his feet between his legs and crunched, trembling, in the furthest corner of the camp. The clappers and the ostrich were delighted by soft tones and appeared to suffer true distress from loud and sharp notes.—New York Press.

A Decided Opposition.

On one occasion says the Chicago Inter Ocean, when Bachelor T. Washington was in Chicago, he stopped for a day in one of the hotels. He was pointed out to William, an old waiter, who had been in the hotel for a long time. William was delighted to get a glimpse of the great man of his race and was never tired of telling about it after that. One of the regular boarders is a staunch friend of William and a liberal "tipper." "William," said the boarder next morning, putting on a serious face, "I met Mr. Washington yesterday, and I asked him what he thought of 'tipping.' He is opposed to it." The boarder stood with his hand instinctively in his change pocket. William's face fell and settled into despairing gloom. "Well, boss," the waiter said, shaking his head emphatically, "if that is do position of Mistah Washington I see unalterably opposed to it." "Samuel Clough, who edited The New England Almanac at the very beginning of the eighteenth century, was a good example of a prophet who intends to make no mistakes. "Perhaps," says he, predicting the weather from Jan. 15 to the 22d, 1702, "it will be very cold weather if it freeze by the fire-side or on the sunny side of a house at noon." In April he hazards: "Perhaps wet weather if it rains. Now fair weather if the sun shines. Windy or calm." And in July he ventures a small advertisement for the town of his residence: "If now the weather do prove fair, People to Cambridge do repair. The Voice in High Altitudes. Generally speaking, notes living at high altitudes have weaker and more highly pitched voices than those living in regions where the supply of oxygen is more plentiful. Thus, in this country, among the Indians living on the plateaus between the ranges of the Andes, at an elevation of from 10,000 to 14,000 feet, the men have voices like the women and the women like the children, and their singing is a shrill monotone. The Effect. Poppinjay—What did your father say when he saw me kissing you in the hall last night? Was he very angry? Melissa Ann—Oh, no; pa wasn't mad a bit. I only made him sick, so he took me.—Boston Transcript.

Sarcasm From the Polip.

"Children and sisters," sternly said good old Parson Woolton after the collection had been taken up upon a recent Sabbath morning, "before the hat was done passed I expounded the request that the congregation contribute according to their means, and I so expounded that 'yo' all would clap in unanimously. But now, upon examination de collection, I finds that de concerted amount contributed by de whole posse of 'yo' am only the significant and pusillanimous sum of sixty-free cents. And at this juncture dar ain't no 'casion for 'yo' all to look at Beaulder Slowfoot, what done circumspect de hat around, in no such suspicious manner, for in de first place, Beaulder Slowfoot ain't that kind of a man, and in the second place, I done watched him like a hawk all de time he was doing in and I does wants to say dat, in my humble opinion, instead of contributin' accordin' to 'yo' means, 'yo' all contributted accordin' to 'yo' meanness. De choir will now favor us wid deir reg'lar melodiousness."—Harper's Bazar.

A Twelve Hour Dinner.

They dined well, if not wisely, in the old days described by Sir Algernon West in his "Recollections." He says: "Thanks to the introduction of snufflag after dinner, wine drinking is now over. What it was in old days appears most incredible. The late Lord Clanwilliam told me of one occasion when he had dined at a friend's villa near Putney. The dinner was extraordinarily late for those days—at 8 o'clock. "When they at last rose from the table and went up to their rooms, Lord Clanwilliam flung open his window and saw the haymakers coming into the field. "I wonder," he thought, "what hour they begin work." And on consulting his watch he found it was 8:30—the haymakers were returning to work from their breakfast."—New York World.



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The Irony of Fate.

Speaking of the queer fukes of luck in the goldfields of Alaska, a writer in Atlantic's Magazine says: "Often after the 'pile' is made accord, disease or death steps in to prevent its legitimate enjoyment. "One man dropped dead when at the weighing of the first clean up he found himself a rich man. There was something wrong with his heart. He had the physical strength to make the fight against bad food and water to endure the back breaking toil of developing and working out and all the strain of the uncertainty that went before. The supreme moment of success was more than he could stand, and the use of the gold passed from him with its acquisition. "A certain James Meade lay down with typhoid fever in an outlying camp just as he was starting for home with the accumulations of the year, and he and his bag of dust entered Dawson together on a litter. It took six men to bring him in—alternating four to carry and two to rest—and he paid each man \$15 a day. Once in Dawson Meade seemed to grow better, and when his suffering days came he walked to the boat. He reached the wharf and fell dead as he was about to go aboard."

Upsetting Arithmetical Tradition.

Jack—How did you come out on that building job, Joe tonight? Dick—Last over 100 per cent on the transaction. Jack—Oh, I guess not! A hundred per cent is all you can possibly lose. Dick—Think a do you? Well, I paid \$10 for the pup, and when I had to give a boy \$2 to take him out and down him, if hat isn't 110 per cent loss, I'd like to now what you call it.—New York Sun.

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BURR'S FIGHT AGAINST FATE.

Just as Success Returned the Crushing Sorrows of His Life Came. "Aaron Burr was 60 years old when he resolved once more to battle with fortune," writes William Perrine in The Ladies' Home Journal. "Golfing quietly into New York, he opened an office for the practice of law, and in a fortnight had earned \$2,000 in fees. But hardly had he written to his daughter about his luck when there came from South Carolina the news that her beautiful boy, who had been the idol of the ambitious statesman, was dead. "But there was in reserve for Burr a still heavier blow. Toward the close of the year 1812 Theodosia Allston made preparations to visit her father in New York. Passage was engaged on the schooner the Patriot for Theodosia, her physician and her maid, and the lovely woman was radiant with the expectation of meeting her father with the next day or six days. The Patriot sailed from Charleston out into the ocean in Christmas week, and not a vestige of her was ever again seen, and it is surmised—but nothing is known as to her fate—that she foundered off the coast of Hatteras. "Day after day and long after all hope had been abandoned there might be seen on the Battery at New York the lonely and unhappy father, peering far down the bay as if he were scanning the sea for a sail. Of his agony Aaron Burr gave the world but little view. He had schooled himself in the habit of never exhibiting his emotions, but in one of his letters he declared that he felt as if he had been severed from the human race."

VIOLIN MUSIC.

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