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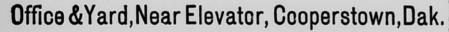


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FATHER RYAN, THE POET-PRIEST. Death of a Distinguished Southern Poet,

and ex-Confederate Chaplain. Abram J. Ryan was born in Ireland, 46 years ago. His parents came to America, near Norfolk, Va., when he was a baby. He was a gifted, fiery boy from infancy, and was educated for the Roman Catholic priest-hood. He received his training at Niagara Falls. He had harely left college and been Falls. He had barely left college and been ordained as a priest when the war broke out. He entered the Confederate service as a chaplain. More than that, he took up the chaplain. More than that, he took up the southern cause and threw himself into the war with all the fire and energy of a passion-ate and powerful nature. His devotion did not stop at his duties as chaplain. The young Father Ryan was a fighter as well as priest and poet. When the wounded dropped a musket, he picked it up and shouldered it and used it. Once he was wounded while fighting in the ranks. It was at Nashville, Tenn. He also was of great service in the hospitals.



FATHER BYAN His face is a peculiar one. Swarthy and full of expression, there is that in it which suggests the oriental type. The Irish have a tradition that the true original settlers of their island were the ancient Phoenicians. Inscriptions found among ruins here and there in Ireland bear out this belief. Father Ryan's face is a strong presumption in favor of it.

After the war it seemed that his occupation was gone. He was as fiery and untamed a southerner as Robert Toombs, and he never was reconstructed. He was settled in various parishes throughout the south after the fight-ing was over. For a time he was at Biloxi, Miss., and later at Mobile. He was a man of eloquence and fire in his sermons. He preached

Is best known. It is rather a strange cir-cumstance that at his death he should have been more honored by the general public than by his own church, gifted preacher and lecturer though he was. He died at Louisville, Ky., at the Franciscan monas-tery, of heart disease. The passionate heart had worn itself out when he was only 40. His remains were taken to Mobile for burial. At the railway station in Louis

burial. At the railway station in Louis-ville, where his body was brought to be shipped, 100 ex-Confederate soldiers were drawn up in open line and the coffin caried between them.

The New Senator from Tennessee. The successor to Senator Jackson, who has been promoted to a judgeship, is W. C. Whitthorne. His appointment by Governor Bate was a surprise, being unexpected, and if the cannon firing and bonfires which greeted the anneuncement can be taken as an ex-pression of feeling, it is certain that the choice was highly acceptable to at least one party in Tennes

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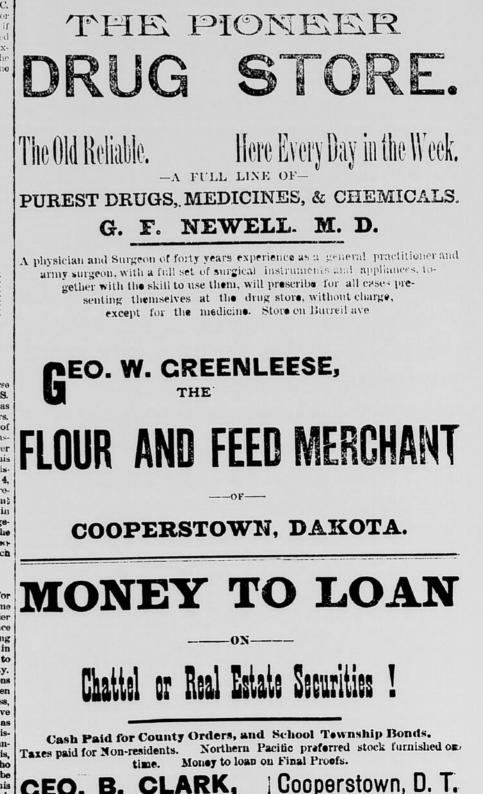
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WASHINGTON CURRAN WHITTHORNE. his state, and in 1850 was elected to the as-sembly, and became the presiding efficer thereof. He was adjutant general of his state during the civil war. His political dis-abilities were removed in 1870. March 4, 1871, he took a seat in the house of repre-sentatives, where he was a very prominent figure for many terms. He was a leader in Manager. the attack on Secretary Robeson's manage-ment of the navy department, as he was the most strenuous claimant of Mr. Tilden's elect tion. His term of service will expire March 3, 1557.

Do Men Wear Corsets?

Men do wear corsets. The reasons for their so doing are, however, various. Some have had spinal troubles in their earlier years, have worn some sort of an appliance for the support of the back, and on growing up require a canvas and whalebone corset in place of the brace. They are used also to advantage by men afflicted with obesity. Persons following out-of-door occupations wear them as a protector against sudden changes of weather. Corsets of this class, however, are made of sheepskin. To believe that the article is ever worn by mankind as a means of perfecting their forms is a mis-take. The contour of a man's physique can-not be beautified by lacing. Besides this, the discomfort of breathing to a man who wears a corset for such a purpose would be such that he would gladly sacrifice his personal appearance to ease, -New York CEO. B. CLARK, Mail and Kyaran