The Mother-in-Law.

"One of the funniest experiences I remember of my boyhood times was that of a couple in a neighborhood who ran away and got married," said Newt Moore at the Union depot last evening. "After the bridal tour was over the couple went to the young lady's home to make peace with the old folks. The young lady's father met them at the door, and, taking his daughter by the arm, thrust her into a room and locked her up, and gathering up the shotgun ordered his son-in-law off the place and threatened his life if he ever returned. The young man went home and sat down and did some hard thinking. Finally he sent word to the young lady's mother for her to come and get her daughter's clothes and everything that belonged to her. She did so, and the young man held his mother-in-law as a prisoner and hostage for the return of his wife. He, too, took a shotgun and stood guard. The second day after the father of the young lady came over to negotiate a surrender of prisoners. As soon as he came in sight he waved his white handkerchief in token of a truce. The result was a mutual exchange of prisoners. The young man made such a good impression upon his mother in law during her captivity that all differences were patched up and the hatchet was buried."—St. Joseph Herald.

Nominations by the President.

Washington, D C. December 18—The President yesterday sent to the Senate the following nominations:

Charles D. Clark, of Tennessee to be United States District Judge for the Eastern and Middle districts of Tennessee, vice David M. Key, retired.

Humphrey B. Hamilton, of New Mexico, Associate Justice Supreme Court, New Mexico.

Thomas O'Hara, of Michigan, Consul at San Juan Del Norte, Nicaragua.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 18.—The total withdrawal of gold at New York to day was $3,295,000, of which $2,000,000 was for export, leaving the Treasury gold reserve standing at the close of business to day at $92,883,810.

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