THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1875.

#### EDITORIAL NOTES.

A contemporary puts the third term business in the right light when it says that "there is not written or upwritten law against a third term but in the case of Grant there would be a majority of about 1.000,000 against it, which would perhaps answer the same purpose." Pennsylvania would give a hundred thousand of that.

There would seem to be something unattractive about the State Treasurer's office of Ohio. Governer Allen appointed J. M. Millikea, the Republican elect to the vacant Treasurorship but he acclued, when the appointment was tendered to Hon. A. T. Wykoff, Chairman of the RepublicanState Com: mitee, but he also has declined The of-

crime, some time ago. He compelled his wife to procure a divorce for him and then in violation of the statute which prohibits his re-marring, went to England and married an English girl. dred applicants for position in the The judge in still abroad having been House, where there is one to give. It traveling a portion of the time, and ill one out of every ten of these office of brain fever another portion. It is demanded that the governor remove will have three or four thousand hungry him from the bench, and appoint some dejected looking individuals, button one who knows how to keep the laws, boling their respective democratic memin his place.

taxation in any state for the support of shall any money so raised ever be divided between religious sects or denominations." Such a provision is incorporated in the new constitution of this state, but there are few others that have so provided, and probably Mr Blaine's plan is the one best to adopt to secure a speedy settlement of a disturbing question.

It is popularly supposed that, in the excitement following the assassination of President Lincoln and the impeachment of Andrew Johnson, the question of the succession to the Presidency in the emergency of the death of the President, Vice President, President of the Senate and Speaker of the House, | tive and for that reason important. Mr. was settled by Congress in the passage amend the act referred to so as to pro- Members of both parties are being but vide that in case of the four vacancies above specified the Chief Justice of the United States, and after him the Assothe order of their senority of their appointment, should become President. A bill to this effect was proposed in Congress. Indeed, some go so far as to assert that the bill passed both houses of Congress and became a law, but there is no record of it to be found in the documents of Congress for the past sixteen years. Even it it had been enacted as is asserted, it would now be null and void for the reason that it was not codified into the last Revised Statutes of the United States, and being omitted therefrom would, under the law of 1873 stand repealed. There is no way now of supplying the detect of the law of 1792 other than by special act of Congress declaring the line of succession to the Presidency, and making it long enough to obviate the remotest probability of such an emergency as has been suggested by the death of vice President Wilson.

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER Washington, D. C., Dec. 4, 1875.

WEATHER-WASHINGTON HOTELS AND BOARDING-HOUSES-THE WOULD-BE OFFICERS OF THE HOUSE AND THE ARMY OF DEECCRATIC OFFICE SEEKERS-THE LAST OFFICIAL ACT OF THE LATE VICE PRESIDENT WILSON-ECT.

There has been in the last few days a decided change in the weather. As yet we have had no snow, but the ground is frezen and with the present temperature could we have a few inches of snow we would have good sleghing which is unusual in this climate. The farmers around have concluded their tall work and are now rapidly bringing in the products of the season. Produce generally is cheaper than it has been for many years yet in hotel and boarding house prices we and no reduction. The fare in the botel ranges from \$2.50 to \$4.50 per day, with the reduction of about one-third by the month, in the boarding-houses it ranges from \$10 to beginning of the fiscal year [July 1. \$75 per mouth, according to location 1775) has been greatly in excess of the and sooms it has become quite custo, appropriation to pay it, and the result mary of late for Congressmen and others of means to rent rooms without bead of a department without sufficient and bead of a department without sufficient Address for the Paper, or concerning money to pay the necessary force to Patents MUNN & CO. 87 Park Row, New board and take their meals at first-class conduct ithotels. This, of course, is on account of

being able to get butter rooms at less price than can be obtained at the hotels, It is calculated that the Centennial will improve Washington, in a business point of view, as much as any city in the country, with the exception of Philadelphia. Very few it is thought of those who come from foreign

countries and those in the remote sections of this country, will fail to visit Washington. The railroad companies are already aroused to the necessity of affording more accommodations for mavel during the Centennial months 1776. This will necessitate the running of more trains. There is an effort made on the part of our citizens, to get the railroad companies between Philadel

phia and this city, to issue excursion tives, the first since the war, will be in tickets at reduced rates. Only two days more and we shall witness the meeting of Congress. Every

train arriving in this city is filled with members of the First, Second and Third next Democratic House. Never before in the recollection of your correspondent has there been so much excitement two days preceding the meeting of Con-The first questions asked on the arrival of those office-seekers are: "Who fice is still vacant

Judge Van Brunst, of New York, committed a singular freak, not to say

is going to be Speaker?" "Who is going to be Sergeant at Arms?" "Who is going to be Postmaster in the House?" These questions are asked for the purpose of braining the probable one, evidently to determine whom they should support with a view of getting office. It is estimated there are now at least one hunseekers should come to Washington. which will probably be the case, we

bers. This will be a strange sight indeed. The present Republican officers At the approaching session of con- clerks door keepers, etc , will, of course gress ex-Speaker Blaine proposes to hold their places until their respective move an amendment to the constitution successors are elected or appointed. A to provide that "no money raised by few of the present force hope to retain their positions and will use every effort to that end. Possibly some may be public schools or derived from any pub- come newly converted Democrats lie fund therefor, shall ever be under Their hopes, however are groundless.

terday, your correspondent was told that there would be an entirely new deal, with the exception of the police of the Capitol, who hold their positions by the joint appointment of the Sargeants at Arms of the Senate and the House and the Architect of the Capitol two of whom being necessarily Republicans, it is doubtful whether there will be any great change in the police force.

The last official art of Vice President Wilson was to supersede Mr. Howell restaurant-keeper of the Senate by the appointment of a Mr. Dempster of Boson. Mr. Howell of course became greatly incensed, and since the death of the Vice President, has been laboring IT PAYS! ITPAYS! ardnously to get reinstated. Th position of restaurant-keeper of either the Senate or the House, is very lucra-Howell has already had his bil's of fare of an act intended to remedy the de- and order-slips printed and appears san guine that they will yet be of use to tects of the law of 1792. It is certain him. There are now many applicants that it was proposed at that time to for this position on the House side ton-holed on their arrival by them Thus far it would appear that Tem Harbin of the National Hotel who has been very industrious during the past ciate Judges of the Supreme Court in year in seeking this position stands ahead.

> We learn that the Report of the Commissioner of Education for 1874 recently published, is not in the hands of the Commissioners for general distribution. Parties wishing this document should address their members of Congress. The Senate has 5000 copies for distribution and the House 2000.

The friends of the Vice President, pro tem, of the Seaste T. W. Ferry. were, some days since considerably ex ereise over rumors that the East were fovorable to the election of Senator Anthony to the Vice Presidency, and the consequence is that there has been considererable commotion in the politic: I caldron. It is dow conceded however, by the ma jority of both the friends of Ferry and Anthony, that the former has the inside of the track. Senator Ferry is a man of no ordinary caliber. He makes a good presiding officer.

The excitement was great in the Treasury to day, caused by the rumor that Secretary Bristow had resigned While the rumor is unfounded, the knowing ones believe in his early retirement from the Cabinet. Also it is not improbable that Mr. Jewell will feel like relinquishing his Portfolio very socu. In his report a year since it will be remembered that he said that it was the first time in his life that he found timself at the head of a department that was not self sustaining, and intimated to the country that he was going to greatly reduce the expense of his de partment. His report this year, which Room, College and School. A new volume has so mysteriously got into papers in advance of the President's Message. shows that the expenses of the P O Department are \$1,500,000 in excess

of last year. It appears from reports just received from the Democratic caucus now in session in the Capitol, that the Eastern and Middle States will be ignored in the selection of the Offices in the next House. Of the five which have just been nominated, Adams, Thompson, are Solicitors of American and Foreign been nominated, Adams, Thompson, Fitzhugh, Stewart and Townsend, only one comes north of Mason and Dixon's I ne and this one exception. Thompson of Ohio only a little way north of it. The selection of Kerr for Speaker is

well received. Secretary Chandler finds' that great reductions in the clerical force of the Agency with the name and residence of the Interior Department have to be made for the reason that the force since tue is that Sceretary Chandlier is at the

LIFE.

Five buildings in McKeesport, Pa, were burned on the 24th ult. Loss,

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