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Division of the Union Pacific Rallosad, does not mark the nayguration of any new enter-
prise, but merely the final connection of two roads which have been for some time in ope-
ration from St Louis to the State line between
Wisconsin and Kansas, at Kanssa City, and has been in operation for some months. The
Union Pacifle Railroad, Eastern Division, commences at Kansas City, at the terminu of the Missourl Paciflc Railroad, crosses the
Kansas river near its mouth, and runs westwardly along the Kansas villey, through to Cross creek, ninety miles from Kansas city, and three hundred and seventy miles from st. Louis. The rond is expected to be opened
for traffic to Fort Riley, Kansas, early in the month of June next. The "laying of the
last rail" spoken of in recent despatches refer merely to the filling of a small gap at Kansa City, owing to some heavy rock-cutting waich
had to be done at that point. Wiih that exception, the two roadslhave been operated This Union Pacific Ralifroad, Eastern Division, is one of the terminal eastern branches
of the great Pacific Raflroad authorized by act of Congress. The main line or that road longitude, at some point between the valley
of the Ropublican river on the south, and original act of Congress provided for severa terminal eastern branches between this initial
point on the 100th meridian and the Missourl River. Several of them are now in active
process of construction. First, the Union Pacifch Railloand, Eastern Division, extendin trom Kansas Oity westward up the velley
of the Kansas, and nearly completed to Fort Riley. Secondly, the branch running west
from Omaha, up the valley of the Platte. This road is in operation for some distance west of Omaha, and is said to be in process or rapid
construction. Thitdly, there is a road runand which will intersect, probably, with the line running up the Kansas valley. The tance, and is being vigorously prosecuted. distinct lines of rallway in process of construc the initial point of the Pacife Railtood pro--
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just now is the Union Pacific Railroad, Eastern Division-not only because it is in advaace of
all others in its progress westward, but als from the tact of its connection with the Misgreat lines east of the Mississippi. It is a tact can get into the cars at Philadelphia, and proceed by unbroken railroad communica-
tion to the neighborhood of Fort Riley, in The Omaha branch has, no Eastern Railroad time to come. There is, indeed, a road bulding across the State of Iowa, to eventually conis not rapid, and under the most favorable auspices it will be months, and perhaps years trade of the plains and the mountains-from
Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado Montana-will collect at the rapidly advanc ing terminus of the Union Pacific Raifirond,
Eastern Division, thence descending the easy grades of the Kansas valley to
Kansas City, there to take fis cholce continuing on by rail by way of the Milisouri Pacific to St. Louis, to be distributed over
the whole country. The importance of thi rond to St. Louis, Cincinnati, Pitusbbrg, Bal-
timore, and Pulladelphia-the eities of the timore, and Philadelphia-the eities of the
great central belt-can hardly be overestimated. The commerce which now sprinkle
our western plains with the white canvas or its swarming trains, is in its merest infancy The miner bas as yet hardly brightened his
piek in the inexhaustible gold and silver posits of our mountains. Even the work of exploration and dilscovery has hardily com
menced. When that of development shall have been fully inaugurated; when science shall
bave superseded the early miner in the reduction ot recks and the saving of the ore; when capital shall have and mills then wast resources in engines so long kept back from wonderffil regiona, become the buslest scene of productive in
dustry that the wold It will then be found that this great centra line of rairosad, stretching or hundreds milles up and down the beautiful and fertis
valley of the Kansas, on an air from Philladelphin to San Francisco, wihe easy grades and moderate curves, will exert a most
Important, if not controlling, influence upon We may take occasiontry.
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rosd from Fort Riley up the valiey of the
Smoky Hill, direetly weat to Devrer, and
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plated route, far to the north, by the south The Mutder in tere "Yecin",The preat topic of conversation among all classes aggy, lamily, a short distance south of the nvy Yard. This new horror has completely otore been known in criminal annale. In past ears we have been startled with such thingo as the killing of Heberrox by Marcy.a, rendered insane by a sister's diggrace; Mra Radmachers butchery by Lamogeit
the Skupinakis, who took the Hfe of he Skupissicis. Who took the life of
poor peddler boy for the sake
some trifling articles of fewelry; $\Delta_{\text {Briun }}$ Sprine, the demon who murdered
 oal carcer ky kiling Mrs. Ellike Lyser
and her sister, Mras. SHAw; the cold-blooded Arsstrose and the infamous Berabr; but
nothing bas ever happened in the city's his oothing has ever happened in the city's hissh atrocity which is at present send ng , dhudder to the bearts of our citizens. Men
dread to leave their homes, lest some calamity should tall upon their households during their absence. Such wholesale slaughter to some
thing new. There are many theorios in regard to the matter, some holding to the the unknown act was pertormed by
German, while others
think that it must have been the vork of more than one party. It is not pos
sible or proper at this moment to matke an tatements in regard to the movements o the police; but we may say, that if there ever
was a case adapted to stimulate the detecwas a case adapted to stimulate the detec-
tives to vigilance and industry in the disves to vigilance and industry in the dis-
charge of their delicate duties, this is one. Such enormous crimes must not go unwhipt of justice. Human lite is sacred, and as great
crimes are becoming of daily occurrence, it is ime tor the aunthorities to be b specially upon be hoped that no effort will be left untried to Butier on Geary.-In the able and delivered before the Legilalaure yesterday,
we find a deserved and well-timed compliment to our nominee for Governor. Whatever may
be the difference of opinion entertained by the people of Butler's military capacity, civil ability, His speech was a masterpiece of force. Being, as he was, during the areater
part of Mr. LIscous's administration, in the most secret confdence of the Government, he
had ample opportunity of fudging of the
ability and skill of all the leading military characters. He gives his opinion of GEABY in a tew words. Referring to matters
in Pennyylvania, he sald:-"You, gentlemen
constifuing the Pennsylvania, are standing by those candidate for Governor one of the best sol-
diers of the war, and one of the foremost and Commonwealth, of whom I can say from perwhere none is needed, that no man will fla in him, when elected, even a shadow of
treachery to the principles to which he shal
declare bimself committed." Here, then, is the cestimony of a gentleman
who had no object to gain by flattery to the ability and bravery, as well as success, of
General GEARY. There are hundreds of General GEARY, There are hundreds requar anouymous letters manufactured in
Democratic editorial rooms that slander agninst the fair fame or our leader is found
The people, however, will betieve the war
Tiors and loathe the falsehoods and falsifiliers rior people, toathe the fal
our gallant soldiers.
Whisky in tiee Capitol-Some truths, although generally admitted, are of so revolt
ing a character that universal usage agrees to ng a character that universal usage agrees to
let them go unmentioned. But yesterday the fig-leaf of decency was abandoned, and the
Senate of the United States made to resound with assertions which would have disgrace
the lowest brothel in the worst of civilize he lowest brothel in the worst of civilized
cities. The condition of affairs at the Capi had occasion to visit it, but never until no were the facts laid bare in all, their native hide oosness. The occasion for the debate an
expose was the motion ol Senator Wirson that the sale of
The resolution was opposed by Mr. MoDor GALLL, of Calitornia, who eloquently, thoug
rather obscurely, announced himself in tavor of rather obscurely, announced himself in tavor or
"wine, whisky, and beer." Seastor CLARK, in the course of his remarks, stated that "little boys employed as pages had byen carried home drunk." The cheek of every true American blushes to think of the disgrac
thus set upon our nation. For the hall thus set upon our nation, For the hall of
national legislation to have been for years a grog shop, for the committee-rooms to hav
been made beer stands, and the rulers of the and wine-bibbers, is an unutterable disgrace We are glad to see, however, that the prohib-
tion has been effected and the disgrace in future forbidden. There were but two members who were found to oppose itGarbetr Davis and Jamres A. MoDov-
6aII. We are not suprised at Davis
oposition for he must certainly have some


 far as the senate ls concerued Wo arnestly
hope that the House will act promptly,
remedy the evil, and wipe out the disgract.


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