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Editorial Opinions of the Leading Journals upon Current Topics—Compiled Every Day for the Evening Telegraph.

THE POLITICAL FUTURE IN THREE STATES.

From the N. Y. Times. The elements are being moved in three States with reference to approaching political complications, and we are thus afforded a fresh illustration of the constant necessity of foresight in our political thought and action.

The people of Maine are now busily discussing the question of a successor to Senator Morrill, whose term expires on the 4th of March next. The merits and demerits of a number of candidates are being canvassed, and the prospect is that the contest will be a triangular affair, like Jack Greeley's duel, and perhaps time will produce some four or five contestants.

In Vermont a lively discussion is going on as to the Republican candidate for Governor. Among the names most prominently put forward are those of Hon. Francis Billings and Hon. Julius Converse, both of Woodstock, and both "West side" candidates.

In Ohio both parties have actively begun the canvass for the State election, which takes place on the second Tuesday in October. The Republican Convention is called for the 10th day of August, and the Democratic Convention for the 19th of June.

In each of these States there is every prospect of that harmony and success which ought to attend the contests in every place where we have won victories before. No dissipation man can doubt that the Republicans have, upon the whole, deserved well of the country.

AN INTERESTING AND DOUBTFUL QUESTION—IS MR. GREELEY A PRO-FANE SWEARER?

Among the many side issues which have arisen during the trial of the McFarland case, one of the most singular is the question whether the Hon. Horace Greeley does or does not swear, but what we are concerned with here is not the question of profanity, but what we are concerned with is the question of profanity, but what we are concerned with is the question of profanity.

Common rumor, too often disposed to ill, would perhaps decide this question against Mr. Greeley, in advance of a fair and full investigation of the facts. For example, it was charged, and ever believed, that Mr. Greeley, while a member of the late Constitutional Convention, and within the very precincts of the State Capitol, swore vehemently at Colonel Duganne, another distinguished member of the convention; and that when he finally departed from the hall, shaking the dust from his feet in condemnation of the dilatory proceedings of his colleagues, he left a stream of expletives behind which casual listeners mistook for swearing.

Though clergymen, according to the canon law, may be arraigned, and even condemned, on common rumor, no manager of a progressive journal in this enlightened era, and especially not the philosopher of the Tribune, need submit to be tried by a rule which originated in the dark ages of monkish superstition.

Some time ago one Isaac G. Reed, Esq.,

author and journalist, published over his own signature a statement that Mr. Greeley, in the course of a conversation about the Richardson-McFarland affair, and while laboring with intense feeling, uttered several nouns, verbs, and adjectives—say six or a dozen—which, in spite of the most charitable construction that could be put upon them, amounted to swearing.

Nothing, however, is absolutely proven by these admissions; and with candid minds they will hardly outweigh Mr. Greeley's own explicit declaration, made a few minutes previous, that he did not make use of any oath in the course of the whole interview.

We are aware that men of high standing will sometimes swear, when they are brought under unexpected mental excitement. General Washington swore at Monmouth; General Sherman swore at Chickasaw Bluffs; and General Sheridan swore furiously at Cedar Creek.

CUTANEOUS DISEASES AMONG THE DOCTORS.

When the Hon. James Brooks turned his mind to corsets and hair-pins, we hoped we should hear no more shin-bone speeches in Washington. But the eminent advocate of the Caucasian race who represents the Eighth district of New York seems to have left his mantle to the American Medical Association, and that eminent body has been bearing testimony against cutaneous pigments and prognathous jaws with a fury which would do credit to a whole temple full of raving Sybils.

The gentlemen who have made such a ridiculous pother in this highly aristocratic and exclusive society have such horror of a dark skin that they won't even sit in the same room with a white man who has been sitting in the same room with a black man, and how much further back they extend the ban we really don't know.

A CRITIC'S RECOMPENSE.

At last, after many years of patient expectation and more than one disappointment, Jules Janin—we had almost written the venerable Jules Janin—has attained the great object of a life devoted, with rare simplicity and singleness of purpose, to literary work and literary culture.

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teaneously, from the Greek drama and philosophy, and of late years, with a decided preference, from Shakespeare. The loving zeal and fidelity with which Jules Janin has performed his literary and journalistic functions should be an example to those who treat dramatic criticism as an occupation for any Jack of all trades and master of none.

JUNIPER MORALS.

The Rev. Charles B. Smythe is a lively genius. He achieved notoriety by denouncing the bare ballet in sermons more sensuous than the sensational exhibitions he affected to deplore. He has tasted the virtues of the mixed product of the berry of the juniper and the patient beast from Orange county, pronounced them exceedingly valuable for the stomach's sake, and promotive of vigor and steadiness to the nervous system.

NOTICE—A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE PHILADELPHIA PEOPLE'S BANK.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors, WILLIAM H. TABER was elected Cashier. The Bank will be open for business on MONDAY, May 9, at 41 Chestnut Street.

NOTICE—A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE PHILADELPHIA GERMAN-TOWN AND NORRISTOWN RAILROAD COMPANY.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Camden and Amboy Railroad and Transportation Company will be held in the City of Philadelphia, at the Merchants' Hotel, on THURSDAY, the 27th day of June next.

ON AND AFTER SUNDAY 17TH APRIL, THE IMPROVED GREAT WESTERN PASSENGER RAILWAY COMPANY WILL RUN THEIR CARS FROM THE EXCHANGE TO FAIRMOUNT PARK FOR ONE HOUR.

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guns should be discharged simultaneously by a fuse as soon as the President, with his cortege, was in front of them. If the plan had been accomplished, the carnage, in the crowded streets of a city on a festive day, must have been terrific; but it is one of the amiable characteristics of such conspirators to consider it better that ninety innocent persons should suffer than that one whom they consider guilty should escape.

The second attempt was made upon the Emperor's return to France from his visit to England in 1855. On the 28th of April a man named Pianori, who does not seem to have had any accomplices, approached very near to the Emperor while he was riding on horseback in the environs of Paris.

The third attempt was made by the Italian revolutionist Orsini and his accomplices, who, as the Emperor and Empress, on the 14th January, 1858, were approaching the opera in their carriage, a dense crowd being around, threw under the carriage several bombs of terrific power.

In view of these and the result of the latest attempt at his assassination, the Emperor, it is presumed, still considers his "mission" unfulfilled. He appears, however, in his measures for establishing parliamentary government and perpetuating his dynasty, to recognize the approach of the inevitable and, but with the determination to be "master of the situation" to the full extent of human capability to the last moment of his own "recorded time."

SPECIAL NOTICES.

AT A MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE PEOPLE'S BANK OF PHILADELPHIA.

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BRANCH OFFICE, CONTINENTAL IMPROVEMENT COMPANY.

A meeting of the Stockholders of the Continental Improvement Company will be held in the Branch Office of the Company, in the City of Philadelphia, at 12 1/2 North Second Street, on TUESDAY, May 11, at 10 o'clock, noon.

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