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dence of the freshness, fullness, and reliability of the news which we have received
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o'olook, and the subseqnent regular editions
at 2 j , $3 \ddagger$, and $4 \frac{1}{2}$. Whenever there is im-
portant nows of the progress of the Euro-
pean war, extra editions will be issued after

RELIEF FOR THE RUROPEAN SUF Tir thousands of suffering people whose
homes have been desolated and whose menas
of subsistence have been destroyed by the of subsistence have been destroyed by the
fearful conflict that has been raging in
France for the past six months, have claims Frane for the past six months, have colaims
upon the practical sympathies of a rich and
prosperous nation such as ours is whid prosperous nation such as ours is whioh
cannot be ignored. We live so near the time
of a great war which brought desolation to a of a great war which brought desolation to a
multititue of homes in our own land, that we
can well understand what war really is; and it oan well understand what war really is; and it
needs no argument to prove that-so far a
the conffiot between France and Germany is those who are the least responsible for the
eaunes which produced them. Someo of the
fairest portions of France have been overrun by contending armies, the homes of the pea-
sants have been destroyed, their farms and vineyards laid waste, and
now the probable approach of peace
finds a multitude of men, women, and ehilfinds a multitude of men, women, and ehil
dren without shelter and withoot food, or the
means of obtaining it. The winter has been
int these poor people must be incalcolable; and atthough the best that other nations can do
to help them will go but a manall way toward repairing their losses, or placing them in
positions of even partial comfort, still something can be done to relie one must bediate done
wants. Anything that is done at once, and we sincerely hope that the citi-
zens of Philadelphia, who have never before been behindhand in a good work like this, Boston, and other places in the extent and valne of their contribations.
$\mathbf{A}$ veesel has bean A veisel has been furnished by the Gov-
ernment, and this city has been designated
es one of the places at which she will stop to reeeive goods which provi-
sions. The Pennaylvania Contral and the
Camden and Amboy Railroads have generonsily offered to give free transportation to goods
consigned for the benetit of the sufferers by the war in Europe to the Relief Committeo in this city, and not only our eitizens but
the entire people of the State shou'd give
freely of their abundanoe to seliove the bitter distrens that has been caused by the war.
This is a matter that is not in the remotest are tble to give should not allow their sympathies on one side or the other to interfere-
with their generous impulses, Both in New York and Boston much enthasismm has beon
manifeeted on this subjeot, and the coutribu tions made have been most generous, Phi-
ladelphin cortainly will not be behind her
sister oities in such a good work ns this.

LEAGUE ISLAND.
Tas message sent by Myyor Fox to City
Counueils yeetererany, oomplaining of thedilatory to League Island, should command national
as woll as maniocppal attention. Itis amazing
that Philadelphis ahould be treated with that Philiadelphis ahould be treated with so
little courtey and antention by Coogress, and that such a piggardly spirit should aniformly
bo displayed whes appropriations in whioh ahe is interested come up for consideration.
By a hard fight the maguificost sum of
\$40,000 has been seoured for the
 in to oost nanarly $\$ 4,000,000$, and $\$ 500,000$ t
a Boston post offce, but to us not a single
 of the road passes through the most vigorous
and productive of the new States. Among
anl the marvels of Amerioan developmant,
net nothing equals the rapidity with which the
wilds of Minnosota have been converted into
flourishing wheat farms. A distriet which a
few yenn few years ago was a howling wilderness is to-
day outstripping all the old agricultural
States in the amount of its wheat crop and in the ease and certainty with which the farmer
can seoure remunerative returns. That
the western portions of this rine are also ex.
tremely promising is proved alike by the
prosperity of the Northern States and Terriprosperity of the Northern States and Terri-
tories on the Pacifo coost and the rapidity
of the mineral and agrioctutural development
of Idaho and Montana. A road passing
throngh thin through this region, which is backed up by a
land grant of enormous magnitude, whioh is
now fairly under wwa, and whioh is
nnder the financial and meohaniand railroad men in this country, must suc-
ceed. For such an enterprise there is, , titer-
ally, no snoh word as fail; and as every step
of its progreess opensa
pioneers ane now homes for
piow sources of supply for conpioneers and new sources of supply for con-
sumers of ariicaltural and mineral products
we can only look apon the Congressional wit
who vainly strives to impede ite itourse as a
weak imitator of the ball that tried to but locomotive off the track.
THE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILI-
TIES OF LA WY YRS. A smasazs of the New York bar, by the name
of Orson A. House, has lately got himself
into serions difificulty by the manneri in which
be has conducted the business of procuring
divorces for parties who are dissatisfied with
their their marital relations. House made a spe-
oialty of divoroe cases, and advertised exten-
sively that sively that he wonld procure the separation
of discontented hasbands and wives at low
rates, and on the principle of "satisfaction
and guaranteed" or no praymente of "Thatisfaction theory of
House appears to bave been that it wwas his duty to win a case, no matter what means he
adepted to do it, and the cause of his pre-
sent troubles is in the sent troubles is in the fact that he considered
perijry, both on his own part and on that of
his paid witnesses, a perfectly lesitimate perjury, both on his own part and on that of
his paid witneseses, a perfectly legitimate
weapon in his legal armory. The misery that
can be canaed by a seamp of this kind
can scarcely be estimated
sind can scarcely be estimated, and
yet Hoase, the "people's divoroe
lewyer," only carried to its extreme a theory that appears to be extensively acted upon in
the legal profession. A far more distin-
. guished member of the Now York bar than
House, has lately appoared before the publi House, has iately appeared before the public
as a defender of the priniciple that a lawyer
is not merely employed to defend the legal rights of his client, but that it is both his
privilege and daty to gain his canse by privilege and duty to gain his cause by any
possible meana, whether it is just or not. This
in plain language is the princis in plain langaage is the principle enunciated
by David Dadloy Fiele, Eraq., in his endeavora
to defend himeelf from the charges brovght to defend himself from the charges brought
against him of having aided the corrupt prae
tices of Fisk, tiees of Fisk, $J_{k}$,
many ring, by m
governed by any of the rulas of intogrity
which are held in other professions would which are herd in other professions woutd
adopt. More signilcant even than this is the
faet that a chation
 this State, a gentloman justly celebrated for
his legal attainments, and who has had the
reputation hitherto of being, to a reasonable extent at lenst, governed by oonselentions
motives. That other lawyers who oooupy
seats npon the bench incline to the same seats upon the benol incline to tho same
opinions was sown in this city a fow woeks
ago, when a young ppnatitioner, who was
charged with a partionlarly groes ottowit charged with a partionilarly groasr, attompt to to
defeat the ends of justioe by throatoning wit-
pesses in private and otherwise endearoving oo prevent their attendanee, was almont apolo-
gized to by one of the Quarter Sessions
Judges for the alight incontenience to he had been pat, after an exansination which
if it ppoved anything, proved that he was
griily of the charge made against him.
othet there That there are sumerous memberss of the
bar who lave a higher regard for tho honor

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