## SPIRIT OF THE PRISS.

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DEPARTED SPIRITS.

From the N. Y. Tribune. Mr. Mark Twain once attended a funeral in Nevada where every one was trying, with indifferent success, to say something pleasant about the late unlamented. The only statement that met with universal assent was one ventured by a conscientions and observant mourner that the departed "made a nice. quiet corpse." It is with real grief that we find ourselves unable to say even this much for the late Senator from Delaware. After his Senatorial career had closed on Saturday, when his brother and heir had succeeded him in the representation, when the eyes of Delaware had been shifted from Willard to Eli the defunct lawgiver, disregarding the Constitution and the laws of matter which forbid the coexistence of two bodies in the same place, rose to object to the introduction of a petition of loyal Southerners, and could scarcely be convinced by his sympathizing

friends that he no longer existed. He could not see why he should not sit on. He was still as full of gross venom as ever. Even in his ashes lived the wonted firewaters. Who could speak for Delaware so well as he? And if the entail, binding the little State in perpetuity to this cormorant family, is never to be cut off, there is little to be gained by changing the baptismal name of its Senators. It lies in a quiet and tranquil eddy of the nineteenth century, where no current of improvement or reform seems ever to reach it. Its political creed is stort and simple, embracing only love of whisky and hate of the negro. It has made its selection of a few families to guard these important interests, and, satisfied with its agents, has abdicated its sovereignty. There is no man in the State better fitted to represent it than the late Senater whose lively ghost so startled the conscript fathers from their propriety on Saturday. His devotion to strong waters has been frequently evinced in the sight of the Senate and the world. He loves the memory of slavery better than anything which lives. He is Bourbon all over. He has learned nothing, for he hates light worse than an owl. He has forgotten nothing, for he never had anything to forget. He belongs to Delaware by every consideration of homogeneity.

Why not let him stay? It will take Eli many years to burrow down to the sphere of representative fitness where Willard has so long disported himself. He was the delight of the Senate. The Republicans used him as their frightful example, and the most ignorant and dissolute of them felt a cheerful glow of pharisaical content when they compared themselves with him. And his own Democratic colleagues positively admired him. They always said:-"Saulsbury is an able and an honest man. What a pity he drinks!" Saulsbury never made a speech above the level of a quarrelsome boy of ten; never did an hour's serious work in committee; never exercised the slightest influence in advancing or retarding legislation, excepting in the mere waste of time by incoherent barangues; and yet there was on his side of the chamber, even among men of some judgment and culture, a curious admiration and respect for the stalwart savage. It could be attributed to nothing but his sullen, unsleeping, vindictive hate of freedom and progress. He was too slow and dull to cloak or vail his devotion to the dead idoi of slavery, or to disguise, as his compeers tried to do, his bitter hostility to the large and tolerant spirit of our recent national life. When his "barbaric yawp" sounded over the heads of more cautious Democrats, they felt their souls moved with envy of a man who could be so frankly and unconsciously brutal and bigoted. In comparison with his loud and vociferous denunciations of the liberal progress of the nation, their petty quibbles and sarcasms and strawstumbling-blocks seemed weak and futile enough. He hated better than they, and so they saw a sort of superiority in him.

Perhaps, after all, it is better he should go. It is possible that the generous contagion of ideas may exert some beneficent influence even upon the public sentiment of Delaware. It is possible that the light reflected from abroad may have begun to invade the immemorial darkness even there, and that the first evidence of consciousness of inferiority is getting rid of their too faithful spokesman. They move slowly in that stagnant neighborhood. They have not yet got beyond Saulsburys; but it shows improvement to have dismissed Wiliard P. Perhaps before the contury ends they may get up to the average. As for the superfluous Senator, his vocation is plain. His struggle with Pomeroy's grammar showed the highest order of scholastic ambition and civic courage. It was only unsuccessful because the task was one of superhuman difficulty. No merely human intellect has as yet succeeded in reconciling the subjects and predicates of the Kansas orator. But in the peaceful retreats of his native State, with a scourge and a spelling-book, the exiled Saulsbury may retrieve, in the education of the Delaware youth, the follies of his public life, and find, like the tyrant-pedagogue of Syracuse, his last days the best. He goes home with the brightest possibilities. He may do better-he cannot do worse.

BOSS NUMBER TWO.

From the N. Y. Times. The effect which the Tweed administration is producing on the minds of a good many rich men and on some newspaper editors, is worth attention, as a good illustration of the way in which republican government has on two or three memorable occasions been overthrown, and in which it is constantly exposed to some risk of being overthrown. The process is exceedingly simple. Democratic government, owing to various causes, and notably owing to the ignorance of a considerable body of voters, becomes turbulent, clumsy, and inefficient. Life under it, especially for well todo people, becomes uncomfortable. The streets are neglected; the parks and public monuments go to decay; the revenues are stolen and squandered, without any visible return, and the mode of squandering them is loud, brutal, and ostentations. After a few attempts at reform, the well-to-do people find that reform is very troublesome, and would not last very long, and would involve a great deal of pa-tience, discomfort, and self-sacrifice. So they give it up, and stay at home grambling, or go

abroad, and things get worse and worse, About this time, however, there appears either a military leader, who has got control of the army, or a demagogue, who has got hold of the mob; and being skilful and thoroughly in earnest, and fond of power, he determines to secure as much of it as he can. Accordingly he seizes it either by open force, or by fraud or chicane. If by the first, he is

called Emperor, or Casar; if by the second, he is called Boss. When he does this the good citizens are always greatly shocked. They call him either a tyrant, usurper, or cut-throat, or else a thiet, swindler, and ruffian, and adjure the people to rise up against him. He keeps on, however, never minding what they say, until he has got himself firmly into his seat, and made sure of the Treasury. Then be goes to work to silence the malcontents. He takes the capital city and begins to beautify it. If he really does his work well, life to the great body of people of the middle class becomes more comfortable. They like the look of things. They are pleased with the improvement. They are, in short, getting something for their money. So, after a brief period of silence, they begin to say the Casar or the Bess is not so bad as he was painted; then they begin to admire him, and finally they declare that it is a lucky thing he turned up when he did to take hold of the reins of government, and so reign over them.

We have already had two striking examples in history of this sort of transformation of a republican government, one in ancient Rome and the other in Paris. We know how that of ancient Rome ended. A year ago that of Paris seemed to promise very well. We now know how it has ended, and what ruin and desolation it has left behind it. We are witnessing it in New York also; but as New York is not a capital, and is part of a powerful State in which government is thoroughly decentralized, we shall, of course, witness no such catastrophes as brought the Roman and French empires to the ground. But there was one result of the transformation in their case which we shall certainly witness in New York. When a Casar or a Boss is substituted for a republican form of government, the first of the line is certain to be an able man; but he is compelled by a law of his being to call around him great rascals, The honest men will not serve him or work with him. He has to reward the rascals too, whether they are called senators, or prefects, or boys, by allowing them to plunder, and otherwise misbehave. He has, too, in order to protect them in their plunder, to corrupt the courts, so that attempts to bring them to justice shall be fruitless. The result is that the art of administration and interest in public affairs dies out among the best portion of the community. Rascals succeed rascals in working the machine, and the clever rascals, who first helped to put the Boss in power, baving died off, the second set are feeble and inefficient, and some fine day their Sedan comes, and sweeps them all away.

There is at this moment in this city a strong disposition growing up among the owners of property to hand the whole Government over to a Boss and boys, and leave them to manage things as they like, and pocket a large civil list, in the shape of awards for property taken for street opening, on condition that they give us, as far as outward appearance goes, a better administration. Granting all that is claimed for Boss Tweed, the question still remains. Who is to succeed him? Tweed has attained his present position—it is useless to deny it-through audacity and ability. But Tweed and Sweeny will both die before many years are over. They probably think they will not, but they will. The inevitable hour will come when even "palatial mansions" and "gorgeous stables" will fade from their vision, and the Sunday punch will no longer tickle their palate, and the Johnsonian panegyries of the World will fall unheeded on their ears. What next? Doubtless a second Boss will be designated for the succession, and will receive the black broadcloth and the diamond pin of his predecessor, smid the acclamation of the boys and the mob; but then what kind of man will he be? We must remember that Tiberius, and Nero, and Caligula, and Domitian were among the successors of Angustus. The second Boss will find the mechinery created by Tweed ready to his hand. The money will flow in on him in the same way; he will have the same power of rewarding his herents and filling his pockets, and will be liable to just as little interference from the general public. But suppose him to have all the first Boss' dishonesty and unsarupulousness, without any of his talent or ambition; suppose him to care nothing about parks, or streets, or sewers, or docks, or about anything but champagne and women. That he will be anch a person there is every reason to believe. A line of able Bosses is a thing unknown, and is never likely to be seen, because the school which Boss creates does not either breed or train talent. On the contrary, it crushes and banishes it. The arts it encourages are the arts of intrigue and trickery and cheating. Now, what shall we have to do if the Second Boss should steal our money without opening new streets, or "taking care" of our parks, or protecting our lives or property? Why, exactly what we ought to do now, but what many of our citizens shrink from doing, and are basely trying to find excuses for not doing-overthrow the whole Boss system, and find in the education of the voters, and the improvement of their material condition through the active exertions of the wealthy and educated class, the means of building up an administrative system which will give us what the Bosses promise to give us, and which will last, as the Bosses cannot.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC. THE STAR COURSE OF LECTURES. DANIEL DOUGHERTY, ESQ., On MONDAY EVENING, March 13.

Oh MONDAY BYENING, March 18,
Subject:—"ORATORY."

JOSH BULLINGS, March 16,
Subject:—"NATRIL HISTORY."

A. Miner Griswold ("The Fat Contributor"), March
20. General Kilpatrick, March 28. Mrs. Cady Stanton, March 27. The Mendelssohn Quintette Club of ADMISSION. RESERVED SEATS.

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27 261† THOMAS E. TOOTLE, Treasurer.

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POSTPONEMENT OF THE NEXT STATE CUNVENTION. The following resolutions were passed yesterday

by the State Central Committee:-HEADQUARTERS REPUBLICAN STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 24, 1871. Resolved, That the time for the meeting of the Republican State Convention be and the same is hereby postponed until WEDNESDAY, the 17th day of May next, and that the delegates who may be elected thereto be and they are hereby requested to assemble at the Hall of the House of Representatives, Harrisburg, at 12 o'clock noon on said day. Reserved, That Mahlon H. Dickinson, Esq., of

Philadelphia, be appointed chairman of the State Central Committee, in place of the Hon. John covode, deceased. Resolved, That the Republican State Central Committee heartily endorses the action of the Republi-

can members of the Legislature in supporting the

bill providing for the call of a convention to revise and amend the Constitution of the State. Resolved, By the Republican State Central Committee, that we endorse the action of the Philadelphia members of the committee in epposing the passage of buls to govern the city of Philadelphia by commissioners to be named by the Legisla-

MAHLON H. DICKINSON, Chairman.

HEAUQUARTERS UNION REPUBLICAN CITY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,
No. 1105 CHESNU'A' Street.
In accordance with the rules of the Union Republican party, the Republican Board of Registering Officers will meet in their respective divisions on TUESDAY next, the inst. between the hours of 4 and 8 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of correcting the registry of Republican voters
And on TUASDA', the 14th inst., between the hours of 4 and 8 o'clock P. M., the Republican citizens will meet in their respective divisions, and electione Senatorial and one Representative Delegate, to meet in Convention on WEDNESDAY, which 15, at 10 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of electing Delegate's to the State Convention to nominate an auditor and Surveyor-General. Said elecnate an auditor and surveyor-General. Sald elections shall be conducted as provided for under the new rules of the Union Republican party, viz :—
'By a Board composed of the present Republican Election Officers and the Division Executive Committee, and all credentials shall be signed by a ma-

ierity of said Board," The election officers to conduct the next annual primary election shall be elected at the same time as provided for under new rule No. 8:—"Each Re-publican citizen shall be entitled to vote for one election officer, and the one having the highest number of votes shall act as Judge, the second in number shall act as Inspector to keep the registry and the third in number shall be the Inspector to By order of the Union Republican City Executive

President. JOHN McCullough, Secretaries.

REDEMPTION OF CIVIL BONDS OF STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

TAEASURY DEPARMENT, SACRAMENTO, February 1, 1871. Whereas, There is on this day in the State Treasury the sum of twenty-eight thousand (\$28,000) dollars which, under the provisions of an act of the Legislature of said State entitled "An act to provide for the paying certain equitable claims against the State of California, and to contract a funded debt for that purpose," approved April 30, 1960, is set apart for the redemption of Civil Bonds of said State, issued under the provisions of said act, notice is hereby given that

SEALED PROPOSALS for the surrender of said Bonds will be received at this Department for the amount above specified until the

10TH DAY OF APRIL, 1871, at 11 o'clock A. M.

No bid will be entertained at more than par value, and a responsible guarantee must accompany each proposal, which must be indorsed "sealed Proposals for the surrender of Civil Bonds of 1860." Said bonds will be redeemed and interest paid in gold and silver coin of the United States, and must be surrendered within ten days after the acceptance

of the proposal for their redemption. A. F. CORONEL State Treasurer. REDEMPTION OF STATE BONDS. STATE OF CALIFORNIA, TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 1, 1871. ) Whereas, there is on this day in the State Treasury the sum of two hundred and fifty thousand (\$250,000) dollars, which, under the provisions of an act of the Legislature of said State, entitled "An Act to provide for paying certain equitable claims against the State of California, and to contract a funded debt for that purpose," approved April 28, 1867; and also under the provisions of an act amendatory of said act, approved April 27, 1860, is set apart for the redemption of Civil Bonds of said State, issued under the provisions of said first mentioned act, notice is hereby given that

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at 11 o'clock A. M. No bids will be entertained at more than par value, and a responsible guarantee must accompany each proposal, which must be marked "Sealed Proposals for the Redemption of Civil Bonds of 1857." Said bonds must be surrendered within ten days after the acceptance of the proposals for their redemption. A. F. CORONEL,

2 14 eod t 4 10 State Treasurer. OFFICE OF THE PHILADELPHIA, GER-MANTOWN, AND NORRISTOWN RAIL-ROAD COMPANY.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 13, 1871. The Board of Managers have declared a dividend of THREE PER CENT. on the Capital Stock, payable, clear of tax, at the Office of this Company, No. 12 Philadelphia Exchange, on and after the 13th of March next. The transfer books will be closed on the 20th inst., and remain closed until the 14th of March.

A. E. DOUGHERTY,

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MERCANTILE LIBRARY DUPLICATION. -It has been decided to duplicate the stock of the Mercantile Library Company, between Ju y 1 and December 31 of the present year, on the plan
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