### CORRUPTION CHARGED.

#### **Treasurer Wright Accuses Phil**adelphia's Appraisers.

#### A SYSTEMATIC SWINDLING SCHEME.

Fictitious Persons Assessed and Others Able to Pay Left Of the Rolls-State and City Victimized by Alleged Dishonest Employes.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 2 .- City Treasurer W. E. Wright has forwarded a letter to Auditor General McCamant asking that he join with him in the dismissal of Mercantile Appraisers Edward N. Patton, Albert Crawford, Samuel F. Housemen, Harry Hunter and James F. Bell, constituting the present board of mercantile appraisers for the city and county of Philadelphia, and makes the following charges against them:

#### Charges of Corruption.

1. That the appraisers have regularly and deliberately, for the purpose of defrauding the state, assessed fictitious persons and those from whom no payment of mercantile taxes was or could be exacted.

2. That they have regularly exempted from the payment of the tax those who were subject to and perfectly able to pay it. 3. That they have grossly underrated many hundreds of prominent merchants

and dealers for purposes best known to themselves. A Systematic Swindling Scheme.

4. That they sent out notices of assessment placing certain taxpayers in a high class while they have returned them to this department as assessed in a lower class, thus enabling third parties to collect from the taxpayers the larger sum while the smaller amount only was paid into the treasury, and the state was defrauded of the difference.

5. That their plan as to reductions and exception has been a systematic scheme of swindling which has resulted invariably in oppression to the citizen, in loss to the state and in demoralization to the community.

Young Garfield Snowed Under by the Anti-Sherman Men.

CLEVELAND, Sept. 2 .- At the state senaatorial convention of districts Twenty-four and Twenty-six the late President Gar-field's son, James R. Garfield, was a candidate from Lake county. His name was put before the convention by Captain Bur-rows, a political opponent of President Garfield during the latter's career. Young Garfield was snowed under on the first ballot by ex-Speaker Lampson, of Ash-tabula, Lampson received 105 votes to Garfield's 65. What made the convention interesting was the fight between Sherman and Foraker, who are actively building fences for the United States senatorship. Lampson is a Foraker man and Garfield a Shermanite.

#### Wright for Auditor General.

HARRISBURG, Sept. 2.-Delegates are ar-riving slowly for the Democratic state convention to be held on Thursday. It seems to be the general belief here that Wright, for auditor general, and A. L. Tilden, for state treasurer, will be the ticket. Chair-man Kerr has his headquarters at the Bolton House. Captain Skinner, of Fulton, will likely be temporary chairman of the convention and Congressman Mutchlet or Mortimer F. Elliott permanent presiding officer. The platform, it is said, will ignore all except state issues.

#### Prohibitionists at Albany.

ALBANT, Sept. 2 .- The Prohibition convention was called to order this morning at Barman's Bleeker hall by Clay Bascom, of Troy. It is understood that a regular state ticket will be nominated.

It is hinted that there is a sentiment in

### TIME'S REVENCES.

The Fate of General Miguel Lopes, Who Betrayed Emperor Maximilian. It is now fully a quarter of a century since the merciful dispensation of Providence so clouded the Empress Carlotta's mind that she was spared a single pang of grief when her royal husband was slaughtered in Mexico.

For nearly a generation the widow of the unfortunate Maximilian has re-mained in ignorance of his fate. But slowly, and by almost imperceptible de-grees, her mind has become clarified, and she is once more in the enjoyment of her faculties. Looking backward through the long years of darkness, that sad Mexican business in which she played the part of heroine seems to her nearly a dream. It is well that it is so. Carlotta is not an old woman, she is hardly 45, and something in her future may yet compensate her for her bitter past.

But the same day that her recovery was announced also brought the intelli-gence that General Miguel Lopez had been bitten by a mad dog and was under the Pasteur treatment.

This Lopez was the trusted officer who betrayed Maximilian to his bloodthirsty enemies-the wretch whose evil work caused Carlotta's insanity. After living all these long years, despised by even his own countrymen, and scorned by his wife for his treason, he has perhaps met his doom. But whether he recovers or not what fate could be more fitting for this false friend, who sold his benefactor?

Time brings its revenges. As the traitor Lopez sinks out of sight in the lurid shadows now descending upon him, his victim Carlotta comes once more into the light of day, serenely beautiful, once more herself, the most charming woman that has worn a crown since Eugenie in her happiest days. Dissolving views-lights and shadows-they make up life!-[Atlanta Constitution.

#### The Barber Discourses. He had spread on the lather and was

strapping the razor. "Some folks say barbers talk too much,"

said he, "but I have been in the business these 20 years and I never noticed it." A gentleman rode by in his carriage.

"There goes old Biggins," said the bar-ber. "He shaves himself. There is one thing I never could understand about rich men. Why is it that as soon as a man gets a lot of money his opinion at once becomes valuable? Why is it that when a man has invented a potato peeler on an idea which his wife gave him and has made a fortune out of it, he at once becomes an oracle and can answer knotty questions in ethics or metaphysics or political economy to everybody's satisfaction? I can't seem to reason it out why a man who has run a milk route for 37 years and hidden the proceeds of it under

the corner of the carpet until he becomes rich enough to retire, should know more about therapeutics than a whole convention of doctors and a revised edition of materia medica, but the world takes his diagnosis of every disease, physical, mental or moral, political or ecclesiastical. I knew a man once who went West be-cause he couldn't make a living at anything at home. Going over a mountain one day he stubbed his toe on a nugget of gold and shoveled up enough to make him rich. When he came back home the people thought they had all been mistaken when they judged him to be a fool. He had money, you see, and that made him wise. There was another man in our town who lent his brother some money and when the time came to pay it the brother had nothing but some land in Chicago-bog land at that. The man didn't want to take it -said it wasn't worth paying taxes on. His brother said it would make him rich some time; that the city would grow up to it. The man called him a fool, but he took the land because it was all his brother had. The brother is still poor, and his opinion isn't worth the wind it takes to express it, but the man sat still and that land made him rich and an oracle. People point to him as a great financier and seek his advice in the matter of getting rich or getting religion or anything else. Maybe you remember when Rufus Hatch was rich, how people clamored for his opinions; how they would travel half way across the continent to get him to give them 10 minutes of advice. Don't you know how the newspapers used to be full of his wise sayings -philosophical things about the best way to cook a shad or to buy a horse, or to hold your cue at billiards? Why, any editor in New York would have given Rufus Hatch a dollar a minute to talk for publication on any subject under the sun or above it. Rufus Hatch is poor now. He was sued for a few dollars a little while ago and couldn't satisfy the judg-ment. You never hear of anybody wanting his opinion these days, though he probably knows a heap more than he did when he was rich. I tell you, sir, money makes the mare go, and the opinion, too. A poor man must keep his mouth shut in this world. Nobody wants to hear what he has to say.

#### NAMES FOR CARS.

### Their Choice a Task That Worries Railroad Officials.

There is a young man in one of the offices of each of the great sleeping car companies who is engaged every day, except Sunday, of course, in bending over an atlassearching for suitable names for the sleeping, dining, and parlor coaches which are turned out by the company. It is no small matter when you come to understand that every name must signify something, and that there are already on the road many hundreds of such coaches and new ones being turned out at the rate of two or three hundred a year. When the first sleepers were built the owners took the alphabet, lettering the first one "A," and so on until the alphabet run out. Then commenced the search for names. The first sleepers to be named were those run on the Pennsylvania limited between New York and Chicago. They were named for the various nations, America being the first one chosen. The original sleepers are (those first named) America, England, France, Russia, Scotland, Germany, and so on.

The next names were taken from the various towns through which the road runs. If the road was in Ohio, for example, the sleepers on such roads were named for some of the principal towns and cities in that State. This plan, however, was soon deemed unadvisable, as it sometimes becomes necessary to transfer the sleepers to roads in other States. Then came the plan of naming the coaches after the sections of the country. Those which run on the roads of the West were given Indian names.

As far as possible it is now the rule for the names of the palace coaches to bear some relation to the nature of the business in the section where sleepers run. For instance, on the roads running out of Washington there are such names on the sleepers as "Senator," "Diplomate," "Congress, " etc.

On a few lines which traverse noted battlefields some of the sleepers are named in honor of famous generals. The books of one of the principal com-panies show that Achilles, Ajax, and Ulysses have been honored on wheels.

The present is an age of colleges. These institutions have associated with their curriculum boating, football, and other athletic exercises. This same company concluded for awhile to embalm the names of the leading literary institutions by painting their names on their

America, just as there is a limit to the alphabet, and it was soon discovered that there were not enough colleges to go round, or, which was the same thing, there were too many sleeping cars.

Sometimes suggestions are sent in by outsiders. They are filed away, and if any of the names thus suggested are adopted in the course of construction they find their way to the gate of the traveling public.

In the West for Indian chiefs. Parlor cars are nearly always feminine in nomenclature. The mythological deities e side have been liberally honored. The names of some of the more notable female characters in history and fiction have been transferred to these palace cars of the rail. The instruction to the young man whose business it is to keep up the list is to get short names where they have any significance, keeping in mind at the same time those which are most euphoneous. This is a busy age. It not only costs less to paint a short name, but you do not want to stop to read or write such a word as Assiniboine when there are so many shorter ones, and ones which are so much smoother to speak and which mean more.



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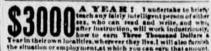
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sleeping cars. This was the most popu-lar idea which the company had adopted.

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Then commenced the hunt on the atlas for names. The system of naming is now followed in this manner : A young man is employed to make out an alphabetical list from the atlas. Having selected his name, he goes to the root of it, and ascertains its origin and significance. When a list is prepared it is passed to the vice president of the company, who adopts or rejects.

Dining cars are named, as far as the names signify, for rivers, lakes, and bays.

THE WORLD OF POLITICS.

Andrew D. White. Possible independent nominations for governor are William S. Wardell, W. Jenning Demarest, of New York city, and W. S. Powell, a wealthy farmer of Columbia county.

### CAPTAIN PALMER'S APPOINTMENTS.

### He Names the Men Who Will Serve on

His Staff.

ALBANY, Sept. 1.—Captain John Palmer, commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic of the United States, today commander in chiel of the Grand Army of the Republic of the United States, today made the following staff appointments: Senior aid-de-camp, C. Hull Grant, Depart-ment of New York; aides-in-camp, David
S. Brown, Post 607, New York; George T. Pond, Kansas; Benjamin S. Lov-ell, Massachusetts; L. M. Case, Michigan; S. B. Jones, Nebraska; E. T. Gulloway, Post 93, New Jersey; Ed-ward D. Anderson, Post 168, Milton, N. Y.; John C. Blair, Post 520, New York
William F. Bowen, Post 227, Clinton, N. Y.; Marshall Corbett, Post 527, Brooklyn; Frederick Connor, Post 37, Auburn, N. Y.; A. B. Cottrell, Richberg, N. Y.; Edward O. M. Condon, New York city; John T. Davidson, Post 6, Geneva, N. Y.; A. H. Degraff, Amsterdam, N. Y.; Louis Foricke, Post 128, New York city; G. P. Gunnison, Post 101, Ellenville, N. Y.; P. S. Gilmore, Post 452, New York city; D. W. Pice, Bischenter, N. Y.; G. P. Gunnison, Post 191, Ellenville, N. Y.; P. S. Gilmore, Post 452, New York city; D. W. Rice, Binghamton, N. Y.; C. W. Meherer, Post 559, Newburg, N. Y.; L. V. S. Mattison, Oswego, N. Y.; Silas Owen, Post 43, Cohoes, N. Y.; John Parks, Medina, N. Y.; John A. Van Kennen, Post 30, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.; W. E. Sloeum, Post 30, New York city: Theodors White Post 30, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.; W. E. Slocum, Post 500, New York city; Theodore White, Post 131, Albany, N. Y.; James M. Hall, Toledo, O.; John Johnson, J. T. Verial and T. D. Yeninger, department of the Potomac, Washington, D. C., and A. B. Williams, Rochester, N. Y. Commander-in-Chief Palmer has also appointed D. U. Quick, of Brooklyn, as assistant adjutant general. ceneral.

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"Powder, sir? Thank you, sir. Come again.

"Next!"

#### Edison Has Learned to Eat.

Edison, the electrician, knows more about pabulum than he knew in other times. A few years ago, when wholly absorbed with his electrical experiments, he could hardly be induced to eat enough to keep himself going, as he could not to keep himself going, as he could not spend the time for it, though often hun-gry. The only way he could be made to take proper nourishment was by leaving tempting eatables all over his laboratory and his house, on his work table, beside his machinery, in his hat, on his shelves, or some other place where they were con-stantly before his eyes. At times, while trying conclusions with electricity, he would seize a snack of pie, or while engaged in ponderation he would indulge in some fruit or masticate something else. For years "the wizard of Menlo Park" was thus negligent of himself, but within the last five years he has changed all that, and now does his duty at the ta-ble, though he has not yet mastered all the mysteries of electricity, and is called "Tom" by some of his friends. "Tom" by some of his friends.

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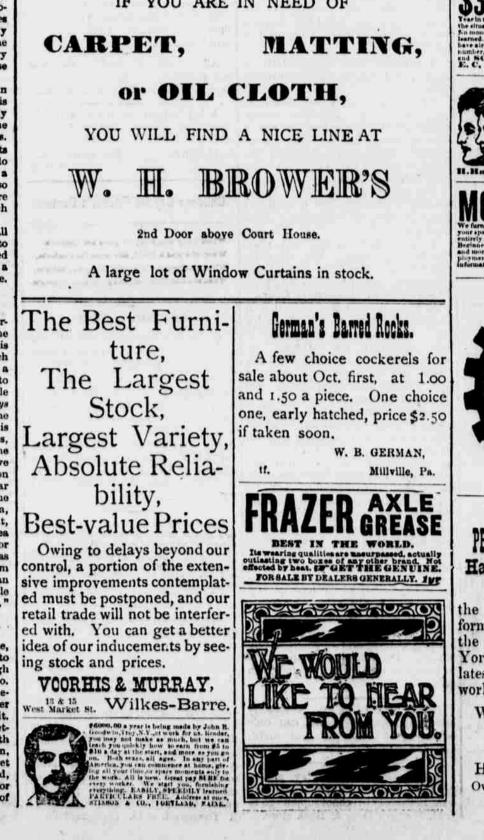
The naming of these cars is no small job, and the man who has triplets to christen is not half so much worried about names as the vice president of a sleeping car company.-Chicago Tribune.

#### Meaning of the Word "Doll."

Numbered with other problems referring to small matters is the one why the little mannikin so enjoyed by girls is called a "doll" instead of, as the French do, a "puppet" or, with the Italians, a "bambino," or baby. With a view to setting at rest the minds of the little women on this subject, Golden Days has investigated the meaning of the word "doll." It says "To explain, it is necessary to go back to the Middle Ages, when it was the fashion all over the Christian world for mothers to give their little children the name of a patron saint. Some saints were more popular than others, and St. Dorothea was at one period more popular than all. Dorothea, or Dorothy, as the English have it, means a 'gift from God.' But Dorothea or Dorothy is much too long a name for a little, toddling baby, and so it was shortened to Dolly and Doll, and from giving the babies a nickname it was an easy step to give the name to the little images of which the babies were so fond."

#### Good for Them.

Young men as a rule need discipline, and it is a good thing for a youngster to be "knocked about" in the world, though be "snocked about" in the world, though his soft hearted parents may not think so. All youths, or, if not all, certainly nine-teen-twentieths of the sum total, enter life with a surplusage of self conceit. The sooner they are relived of it the bet-ter. If, in measuring themselves with wiser, older, and more experienced men, they discover it is unwarranted and cet they discover it is unwarranted, and get rid of it gracefully of their own accord, well and good; if not, it is desirable for their own sakes that it be knocked out of them.

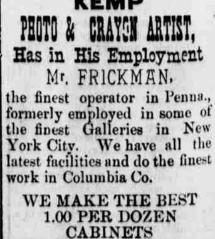


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