THE GERRYMANDER A GRAVE EVIL.

Ex-President Harrison Writes That it is a Public Reproach.

"The use of what is called the Gerrymander ' in order to obtain an undue party advantage in the election | dustry or professional skill. of members of the House of Representatives has become a public re-proach," writes ex-President Harridistricts, not having relation primarily to population and to the geographical relations of the counties composing them, as they should, but to party majorities in the counties, with the object of giving to the party making the apportionment a fraudulent advantage. The districts are made up for the last twenty-five years. to be Republican or Democratic, as the case may be, and the voters of the minority party are cheated out of a fair representation in the Congressional delegation. This is a grave evil, but it may be doubted whether it would be cured or even much amellorated in the long run, if Congress were to take into its hands the making of the Congressional districts."

#### Widows Preferred.

THEY FREQUENTLY MAKE BETTER WIVES THE SECOND TIME.

"There are many characteristics of widows," says an observant writer of candidates won the other offices. the masculine persuasion recently, "which make them really preferable as wives. They are not so exacting for one thing. Their first plunge, if it school fund of any state in the Ameri-has taught them anything, has taught can Union. This fund is divided as them to be forbearing. Besides they follows: Common school fund, \$3,141, are not so detestably romantic. If 538,77; State Seminary fund, \$1,229, they drop their gloves in the street, 260.03; permanent county township fuss and do not wait for you to bend total permanent school fund, \$12,283,-your knees to them. And—a very 491.18." strong point-they know what men are and don't have to learn their lessons with sad tears and sighs. They are not so prone to be extravagant either-another excellent feather in their mature caps. In short, if you marry, don't pass over the widows as if they were just the alloy of humanity.

There is a great deal of common sense in this. Even in wooing a widow a man is sure to be saved much trouble. The dear lady can meet him half way without any sacrifice of modesty. This, to a humble minded bachelor, is much. She is, moreover, nearly sure to be quicker of intelligence than the average unmarried girl.

Again, marriage often changes a young woman in the most alarming manner. The pretty, blushing girl of one year is often hardly recognizable in the assuming, haughty young matron of a year later. She doesn't out su Sunoa ut oathou su Alauou oaom appropriate to call her old age, at the wedded only to be disillusioned! You can tell some of them by the wrinkles in their foreheads within a year of otherwise inexplicable habit of taciturnity that they acquire.

One may form a tolerable idea of a widow's merits in some respects by her demeanor early in her widowhood. Tact is the supremely useful quality in the average widow. In the long run it is better than beauty in a wife; better even than money. By it a woman may guide her husband toward happiness while ministering to the harmless pride in him which makes him think he is doing it himself .- Phila. Times.

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It is said that New Jersey is to have a marriage license law. If this is the case what will all those Camden | pajourford out to show snothodist out. preachers do for a living? But then the preachers are not the only people to be effected, for what will the young couples whose parents object to do? Surely they will have to make other arrangements.

A bill has been introduced in the legislature, by Representative Hosack of Allegheny, providing for a bicycle path along all public highways.

Prof. Starr, of the University of Chicago, insists that the American people are degenerating into Indians. Starr talks moonshine.

There are more farmers in the Maine Legislature than lawyers or the representatives of any other branch of in-

The Smithsonian Institute has sent as a gift to the Sultan a life-size figure son, discussing Congress in the Feb-ruary Ladies' Home Journal. "It Hamid sees it he will probably equip is the making of unfair Congressional his soldiers in Armenia with tomaof an Indian chief. When Colonel

> No doubt the report that Queen Victoria intends to abdicate will be received by the Prince of Wales with a liberal allowance of salt. He has been bearing that fanciful story off and on

> The Czarina of Rusia, who is a granddaughter of Queen Victoria, is making herself unpopular at her own court by the reforms she is seeking to introduce. She objects to the habit Russian women have of smoking tobacco in public, and has also curtailed her busband's supply of cigarettes.

> Perhaps the closest contest in any of the states at the recent election was that for the State Treasurership in South Dakota. The Republican candidate won it by a majority of 2 votes in a total poll of more than 90,000. The result was acquiesced in without contention. The Bryan electors and State

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Venus, the evening star has been creating no little excitement in many cities and towns. The people of Harrisburg for several nights mistook it for electrical experiments in Pittsburg, while many more towns have been mistaking the star for some alarming celestial body.

He is indeed a gifted man who has presence of mind.

THEATRICAL GOSSIP.

A VARIETY OF INTERESTING CHAT ON VARIOUS SUBJECTS.

Sir Arthur Sullivan at Work on Some New Music Mrs. Drew's Wonderful Vitality Otero's Jewels-A Recollection by Edward Harrington.

Sir Arthur Sullivan is at work in his villa at Nice on the ballet music for "The Alhamra," which some time ago he agreed to furnish. Rehearsals of the new production are to begin in

The Old Time Variety.

In writing of old time variety, Edward Harrington relates this: I recall an incident at the Theatre Comique one afternoon, at a benefit to the poor of the Fourteenth Ward. It was an amusing failure. A lady who was very thin came upon the stage and sang in splendid voice, quite worthy of the legitimate operatic stage. Suddenly a tenor voice was heard in the wings. It was so sweet, resonant an extraordinary that the audience was delighted.



This voice emanated from the partner of the woman. They were billed for a duet. The unseen singer finished his stanza, but as soon as he had entered upon the stage in response to loud applause, the uproar was tumultuous and amusing failure.

Mrs. Drew's Vitality.

It is a wonderful thing that Mrs. John Drew, who is 74 years old, should be acting in a wild and whirring Drury Lane melodrama like "The Sporting sex, have kept on playing beyond that never been very great at any period of their careers, or else their powers have fallen to a very ordinary level. These ing and of much experience as a man-

and charmed by her act. A Campanini Incident. Campanini was devoid of business capacity, the quality most essential to the success of an impresario who has 200 or more people. He was severe, ian idea of being the padrone of the company, as he told me on one occasion. I told him that this country was not Italy, and had no padrones. "With smoothness and pleasant ways you can obtain all that you wish, not with Imperative orders," I said to him. Finally he had not funds enough to meet losses, as he depended upon profits to pay his company. When the season was over he was in debt to all the artists, and to other creditors to the extent of over \$2,000, which he paid in about two years' time, compromising with the artists except Mme. Trisolini, who compelled him to pay her every cent that he owed her .- Diego de Vivo.

Otero's Diamonds. "Send police boat to meet Chamtion of the cable message received by the Spanish dancer's American agent recently. In accordance with instructions given, a police boat was sent out to Quarantine to await the arrival of the steamer on which "La Belle Otero" arrived. The jewels were put in the care of two detectives who at once transferred them to a private vious reasons was kept secret. These detectives are detailed to guard the jewels during Otero's stay in New York. Each night they bring them to the theatre for her use, after which they mmediately deposit them in the vault. The jewels which necessitate so great precaution represent an immense forune. All Europe has been talking rast collection of gems. It is not long duce all the world was laughing at the over her rival, Liane de Pougy. Liane appeared on the stage loaded down with jewels. Paris wondered what Otero could do to eclipse this glitterng and magnificent showing. Otero was equal to the occasion. The next night she walked to the footlights iressed in a simple little muslin frock without the vestige of a jewel about her. Behind her, however, followed her maid covered from head to foot with the most gorgeous jewels and bearing a tray heaped with the rest of the collection. Paris, quick to see the point, laughed, and Otero gained the Rose Fanchon.



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NEWS ITEMS.

-Pennsylvania's licensed detecives will form a State Association.

-On Barclay Mountain in Bradford County, a 52 inch vein of fine bituminous coal has been struck.

-Iames Mead, of Locust Gap, was found frozen to death under the snow near Last Chance, Luzerne County last Thursday.

-Butler heirs of Buckhart Moser have taken action similar to that of heirs at Reading and Allentown, to lay claim to the \$14,000,000 estate including the site of Tamaqua

-Frank Fillmore, broke through the ice and was drowned at Miner's smiss upidemsuos to suimos sui mos, derisive. He weighed two hundred Mills, three miles above Wilkes-Barre on Thursday.

-Mary White, aged eight years, of Mahanoy Plane, had her hand blown off and face badly cut, by the explosion of a dualin cap, which she found and thrust into the kitchen stove.

-Relative to the much discussed question of Constables pay for mileage. Judge John G. Love handed down an opinion in Court at Bellefonte on Thursday in a test case brought for back compensation. Judge Love holds, contrary to many decisions handed down elsewhere in the State, that the act of 1895 does not deprive Constables of their customary compensation, and he orders the Commissioners to pay same.

-Simon Kreidler, aged 20 years, of Farrandsville, last week shot four black bears, a mother and three cubs. The bears were in a hole under the rocks, and as they came out one by one the young hunter shot them.

Few consumptives believe they are in danger till medicine is of little avail. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral taken in the early stages, has prevented further progress of the disease, and saved many a life. At any stage of phthisis, Ayer's Cherry Pectoral affords great relief.

TABLE TALK.

Souvenir pin trays and bonbon boxes of silverware are in a measure taking the place of souvenir spoons, which are not obsolete. The former are, as yet, too expensive to become actually " common.'

The number of women who wear spats" increases. It is given out that they keep the feet warm, and protect against mud and dampness. Possessors of pretty feet, however, should " never wear 'em.'

Now that people have ascertained there are several kinds of delft, the ambition to possess examples of that kind of ware has decreased. And this is where the sorrow of the china ware dealer begins.

The blue alleged Colonial note paper finds favor among many women who are and who are not members of Colonial societies. It is not known that any of them use sand instead of blotting paper, as Colonial corres-

pondents did. Extensive and elaborate trousseaus are decidely out of fashion among sensible women. Prospective brides do not provide themselves with a lot of gowns and bonnets, hats and wraps that are out of style before they are literally "worn out." Young women about to be married nowadays have considerable common sense, or is it their parents?

Red, in a variety of shades, is emphatically the color of the season. Heretofore, the men have painted the town red, but now much of the responsibility rests upon the women. In the matter of combination, black and red is a fashionable favorite, an effect often seen in fur lined opera cloaks covered with a great variety of jet trimming. Everybody will admit it is stunning.

The Mayor's tund in Chicago, for the relief of the unemployed hundreds, aggregates about \$80,000 in money and supplies.

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