SENATOR WALCOTT MAKES REPORT ON COMMISSIONS WORK.

Contennial of the Navy-Fathers of the House-Daily Reports From Consuls-An Interesting Volume on the Nation al Capital Being Compiled,

Senator Wolcott who was at the head of the Commission appointed by the President to arrange for an international bi-metallic conference, and who with his fellow commissioners spent six months in France and England endeavoring to bring about some agreement on the subfect made a report to the Senate and announced his the agreement on the subfect made a report to the Senate, and announced his intentions of resigning. The Senator, who although a Republican is a pronounced Silver man, still has strong hopes of the success of the commission which he undertook, and in his speech, he declared that the commissioners were sustained at every point by the President. Of the Secretary of the Treasury he does not speek in the same terms. He complained that the work of the commission was handleapped by the attitude of Mr. Gage, and by numerous interviews and reports which tended to discredit bimetallism, and which were promptly cabled to Engiland. He attacks the currency bill



Senator Wolcott.

which Mr. Gage is supporting, and predicted its defeat before it reached the Senate. In the course of his address Senator Wallcott indicated that in his opinion it would be necessary to change the ratio for the coinage from 16 to 1, to 20 to 1. The utterances of the Senator has awakened renewed interest in the currency question which is absorbing even more attention than the Hawaiin annexation question or the appropriations.

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The Navy department was created in 1798. Just 100 years ago, Benjiman Stoddard was appointed Secretary. Trouble with France had become so threatening that war was expected and Washington was made Lieutenant general, with Hamilton as Major General. The United States frigate Contellation had just captured a French frigate, whose guns are still preserved in the Watervliet arsenal. They bear the inscription "Republique," Francais Lanune." (French Republic, the first year) and are among the curiosities of American warfare. John Adams was Presidend and Philadelphia was the National Capital, but Washington had been laid out and preparations for removal were in progress. The principle Editor in the country was Noah Webster of New York who published the Minerva, which eventually was emerged into the Connecticutt Advertiser and has continued until the present day. Hugh Gaine was another publisher who did well to circulate from 300 to 400 Copies of his daily Gazette, being editor compositer, pressman and folder as well as occasionally a carrier. Washington Irving was a school boy of fifteen, but even then had a literary taste which in two years found development in print, Ten years later he had his Knickerbocker history ready for the press, and ever since then Father Knickerbocker has been the popular psuedonym for the metropolis.

If the theories of Professor See, of the Lowell observatory, be true our star system is unique in the great star family of worlds, and the generally exacepted nebular hypothesis is essentially erroneous. It is to America that the old world turns to receive the latest, and many eminent astronomers think the most reasonable enunication regarding the nebular theory, which was first exploited a hundred years ago by the great French inventor Laplace. Professor See who is, now in Washington, presenting his researches at the Naval Observatory, is a very young man but has devoted himself almost exclusively to astronomical studies since his undergraduating day at the Missour State university. If the theories of Professor See, of the

There has been in the attic of the agricultural department building a morgue of former secretaries and other distinguished citizens. Under a stairway, hidden from the light and covered with dust, is a collection of life-size plaster casts, all rapidly becoming more or less delapitated. In this art gallery or less delapitated. In this art gallery were recognized three copies of Jere Rusk in Plaster of Paris two copies of J. Sterling Morton, one or two ladies and several citizens whose names are not associated with their plaster relics and several citizens whose names are not associated with their plaster relies in the lumber room. The janitors and messengers of the department are not under instructions to dust this art gallery; and its future is problematical the work is probably that of an old time genius who for years was employed as a modeler in the national Museum and in the agricultural department. This former employee was a wonderful artist in his way, especially in his still life production. He could reproduce fruits of all kinds in such natural form that even expert pomologists were fooled into attempting to masticate them, but like other men of genius, this particular individual could not withstand the temptation of John Barieycorn, and when last heard from was serving one of his periodical terms in the district work house.

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The United States began on the first of January the publication daily of extracts from the reports received from our consuls all over the world. The saily publication has been received

with a great deal of pleasure by the various trades and business concerns interested in pushing American commerce into hitherto untried fields. But this extension of the publication of consular reports calls renewed attention to the difference in the method prevailing in the United States and in Foreign countries. The English Consular service, like that of America is expected to gather all sorts of information which might be valuable in the promotion of trade, but the reports when they reach the secretary of state for foreign affairs are regarded as confidential communications. Copies are circulated, it is true, to heads of firms interested in the peculiar line of industry upon which the report is made, but they are not distributed in pamphlet form as in the country. Each report is sent out read and returned and the fact of its receipt by the firm which may be interested is noted on the decument. Reports made by our counsuls, which are sent as a matter of courtesy to the English authorities, are treated in the same manner, and whenever they show that an opportunity exists for the extension of trade tne Englishmen attemps to jump in first and to wrest the opportunity away from the United States. Because of the fact that the English merchant gives three or four times as long a period of credit as Americans he is of ten successful in his effort.

what is alleged to be another, and this the fourth attempt at suicide, that has taken place within a very short time, is the shooting whether accidental or otherwise, of Mrs. Lucile Lane, daughter of former Senator Blackburn, of Kentucky. The statement has been made that the shooting was entirely accidental, but there are many facts connected with it which indicate that it was not. Mr. Lane, husband of the lady, was formerly an employee of the Treasury department, having been appointed to a position from which an old soldier was removed to give him a place. The old soldier soon after committed suicide, and when the trouble came between Blackburn and Carlisle, over the currency question, Lane lost his place, and has since been agent of a gun manufactory.

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his place, and has since been agent of a gun manufactory.

At the sad death of Miss Leila Herbert, daughter of the former Secretary of the Navy, people shook their heads and remarked, "There will be three more."

This was on the 21st of December. Five days later her intimate friend, Miss Annie Virginia Wells, a social favorite, the daughter of one of Washngton"s best known attorneys, was dead. She was ill and despondent, as Miss Herbert had been, and the latter's death so preyed upon her that she found a revolver in the dead of night and took her life. The self-inflicted wound was in the same region and quite similar to that suffered by Mrs. Lane. Both deeds were committed after the hour of 12.

January 7, but seven days after the first of the series, Miss Mary Waite, daughter of the ex-Governor of Colorado, sought to end her melancholy existence by drinking poinon, but she was found in time that pretty young matron during the Cleveland administration was one of the most prominent figures in the younger set of Washington society. She was, perhaps, even better known here than in her native State, Kentucky, where her childhood was passed. Her debut was made in this city during the height of her father's popularity as Senator, and was one of the mostale social events of that season. She was feted, wined and dined sufficiently to have turned the head of any girl.

Scientisis are interested in the recent report of the witnessing at sea of an enormous water spout, which as described by those fortunate enough to see it must have been a wonderful exhibition of the force of nature. So called water spouts are caused by different causes, but the generally accepted view is that two powerful currents of air coming from opposite directions, forms what we call a whirlwhind, and sucks up the water from old ocean, sometimes elevating it to a great



A Waterspout at Sea.

height. The latest reports of the recent waterspout witnessed at sea by the crew and passengers of an ocean steamer, indicate that this was of a different character, and that it is attributable to other causes. The illustration herewith given in from a description by one who witnessed the remarkable sight, and by scientists is believed to have been caused by nothing less than volcanic action at the bettern less than volcanic action at the bottom

Philadelphia holds the first place the record for furnishing fathers of the house. "There was first, William D, Kelley, "Pig Iron Kelley" a most ami-Kelley, "Pig Iron Kelley" a most amiable and sweet spoken congressman, with a voice as rich and pleasing as his attitude was unswerving on tariff matters. Then Samuel J. Randall who was returned to Congress for many years. Courtly Charles O'Neil, and after him Gen. Alfred C. Hormer, Henry Bingham, of Philadelphia, is also gradually getting there. He is now serving his tenth term, Bland, of Missouri, and Cannon of Illinois, are serving their twelfth terms, Maine does very well in keeping the same men in seats in the house. Speaker Reed is now in his eleventh term. RAM'S HORN BLASTS.

Warning Notes Calling the Wicked to Re-

The sweetest flower of the gospel is

Some guns kick; revenge is one of

The dullest man has in him some-

thing original. It is sin.

The man is usually in the right who owns himself in the wrong In religious controversy ferocity is

not the only sign of fidelity. For a certain class of minds, infidelity is the hall mark of genius.

The waters of Lethe drown the past the blood of Jesus cleanses it. He who casts stones at others, makes of himself a target for their

For an epitaph: "He believed in a free gospel; it never cost him a cent.

"Christianity is all very well, but a man must live." Yes, to all eternity. The confession of past folly may

only the profession of present wisdom. The thing that makes pessimism is tailure to find in men what angels

Take care of Number One, but take care it is the right one-the soul, not the body.

Who would refuse the offer of eternal life, if he could put a mort-

gage on it?
Encyclopedias have to be re-written

every ten years; the old Bible is still The mind, like the lens, may be

concave and scatter brain power or convex and concentrate it. The statements of those who have been cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla prove the great merit of this medi-cine. Get only Hoo!'s.

Wealthy, But in Want.

An Aged Recluse Found Perishing From Cold and Hunger-Worth \$50,000 and Owns 300 Acres.

Sole owner of 300 broad acres of the most valuable land in the country, and \$50,000 in cash to her credit in the banks, Mrs. Elizabeth Winnard, an aged recluse, who has lived all her life near Barr's Mills, eight miles west of Dover, O., was found lying almost in the fire and in an unconscious condition and almost dead for lack of the bare necessities of life.

She is about 70 years old, and since she inherited the farm, many years ago, she has lived alone on the big farm, caring for many head of cattle and horses and doing whatever farm work there was to be done. Her penury and the misery and squalor in which she lived have been a source of comment the whole country over.

It is supposed that she got up dur-ing the night to tend the fire and became unconscious from exhaustion and cold. She must have lain on the floor scantily clad for 12 hours at least.

In the event of her death there is much speculation as to what disposi-tion will be made of her vast fortune, as she has no immediate relatives living.

When bilious or costive, eat a Cascaret, candy catharic, cure guaranteed. 4-I-I .

Two Sides of the Shield.

What a cheery view Governer Hastings gave of the material prosperity of Pennsylvania in his speech at the banquet in Philadelphia on Tuesday evening. "We possess fully one-tenth the value of all the farm lands in all the States of the Union," he said, we produce two-thirds of all the coal and three-fourths of all the steel consumed in the United States; and consumed in the United States; and Philadelphia, itself, produced nearly one-fourth of the total quantity of woolen goods, one-fifth of all the textiles and almost one-halt of all the

carpets made in America."

Yet we have been there and are so busy doing these things, the Governor might have added, we have permitted our state and municipal governments to fall into the hands of combines of selfish and spoils seeking ringsters and jobbers, who rule them on the and Jobbers, who tule them on the most debasing principles known to a free people anywhere. In contrast with the material prosperity of the State, look at conditions at Harrisburg during the last session of our incapable and corrupt Legislature. If our cities are prosperous, see at what cost in reckless taxation, profligate expenditure and government by

machine oligarchies. The shield has two sides. The material prosperity of the Commonwealth has been mustered by the in-telligence and conscience of the State sacrificing its obligations to maintain honest and efficient government, and allowing the administration of State and cities to fall into the hands of conspiracies intent on plunder and power. "I'll fares the land, to hasten-ing ills a prey, where wealth accumu-lates and men decay." Rejection of civic duties is the evidence of decay. -Ex.

The Kind You Have Always Bought.

MISUELLANEOUS ITEM

The youngest mayor in the United States is Ernest N. Thompson, mayor of Hepler, Kan. His age is 22.

Frozen milk is shipped in hermeti-cally sealed kegs from Denmark to England. In a frozen state milk con tinues fresh for about 20 days.

In Berwick, Me., lightning melted a wire from which hung a canary's cage. The cage dropped, the jar caused the door to open, and the bird escaped.

Fiddlers are scarce in the Klondike region. John Kavanagh, an itinerani musician from Porta Costa, Cal., earns \$35 a night fiddling for the Klondike

Miss Alice Whiting, of South Hanover, Mass., was riding home from an excursion behind a spirited nag, when the animal kicked her in the mouth and knocked out 13 of her teeth.

Edward M. Jackson, of Caldwell, N. J., was hitching up his horse, when the animal suddenly switched its tail around, striking Mr. Jackson in the right eye and destroying the sight.

A device to prevent snoring has been invented by Mr. S. Anderson, a Chicago carpenter. It is a little pad, which is kept in the mouth, and connects with a strap to prevent its being

A fine of seven dollars was the punishment awarded to a clergyman in Hamilton, Mo., for swearing on the street. When the offender heard the verdict he audibly called the magis trate "a darned fool."

Breakfast was delayed in a house hold at Newport News, and the head of the family went to the kitchen to discover the cause. He saw a tramp gorging himself with the food and keeping the cook quiet by displaying a revolver.

Otto Meyer, of Ramapo, N. J., weighed 414 pounds. He thought it time to reduce his bulk. He went to a doctor, who agreed to take off 100 pounds of flesh at one dollar a pound The doctor soaked him, steamed him and massaged him, and Otto gained 15 pounds in a month.

A certain cure for drunkenness, is said, has been discovered by F. W. D. Evelyn, of San Francisco. The remedy is horses' blood, which, after being chemically treated, is applied to the patient by inoculation. In chronic cases the treatment requires nine

How to Treat the Mother-in-Law.

Wise advice is given on "The Mother-in-Law in the Home" in the February Ladies' Home Journal. The writer details the proper course for the mother-in-law to pursue in order to make her presence in the home of her son a delight, and directs the daughter-in-law as to her duties in the case. The advice carefully followed will make the mother-in-law a wel come acquisition to the family. The article will commend itself for its common-sense.

Period of Infection.

According to the rules of the Penn-sylvania State Board of Health, the period of infectiousness of contagious diseases is considered to terminate as follows:

Smallpox-Six weeks from the commencement of disease, if every scale has fallen off.

Chickenpox-Three weeks from the commencement of disease, if every scab has fallen off. Scarlet fever—Six weeks from the

commencement of disease, if peeling has ceased and there is no sore nose Diphtheria—Six weeks from commencement of disease, if

throat and other signs of the disease have ceased.

Measles—Three weeks from the

commencement of disease, if all rash and cough have ceased.

Mumps—Three weeks from the ommencement of disease, if all swelling has subsided.

Typhus—Four weeks from the commencement of disease, if strength is

re-established. Typhoid-Six weeks from the com-

mencement of disease, if strength is reestablished. Whooping cough—Six weeks from the commencement of disease, it all cough has ceased.

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## SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of a writ of Levari Facias, issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia county, Pa., and to me directed, there will be exposed to public sale at the Court House, in Bloomsburg, on

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1898,

at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, all that certain lot or piece of land situate in East Bloomsburg, Columbia county, and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Be-ginning at a stone corner of Canal street and lot of Mathias Kindt, and running thence along said lot northwardly one hundred and sixty feet, more or less, to Ridge alley; thence along said alley eastwardly forty feet to lot of M. Kindt aforesaid, and thence along said lot southward have a hundred and sixty feet. more on less. ly one hundred and sixty feet, more or less, where he place of beginning. It being the same premises which George Barreter and Caroline Barreter by deed dated November 19, 1886, and recorded in the office for the recording of deeds, &c., in and for Columbia county, in Deed Book, No. 41, pages 371, &c., granted and conveyed un to Charles C. Kesty, party hereto, on which is erected a two-story

DWELLING HOUSE,

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E. Kesty, his wife, and to be sold as the property of Charles C. Kesty and Tillie E. Kesty, his
wife.

BARKLEY, Atty. W. W. BLACK,

## EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Elias McHenry, late of Benton Borough, deceased.

Notice is herely given that letters testamentary on the estate of Elitas McHerry, late of Benton Borrough, Columbia County, Pa., deceased, have been granted to M. T. McHenry, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay, Pritz, Atty.

M. T. McHenry, 14-54.\*

Executor.