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THE NAVAL AND POSTAL SERVICES.

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THE CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION.

PRODUCTS OF THE WEST AND SOUTH.

THE SIGNAL SERVICE.

TELEGRAPH.

The President sees no cause to change

commission to consider the best method

NO FURTHER DECREASE IN TAXATION.

The signal service has been continued,

arsenal on the Atlantic coast.



ESENSBURG, PA., Friday Morning, - December 6, 1872. Kantanan and Andrews and and and The Death of Horace Greeley.

shadows we pursue."

Whatever agency Mr. GREELEY's crush- first water and was distinguished for his prosperity. ing defeat in the recent political campaign egregious vanity and self-importance. On THE ALAEAMA CLAIMS ANDSAN JUAN QUES- a medical museum, and for the sale of such box. The train moved on at a rapid rate, raised upon the pedestal at Annapolis Nomay have had in causing the malady which the 21st of November he offered two resoterminated in his death, it is only too true lutions in the convention which very plainthat it, added to the sleepless nights which | ly show what manner of man he is and how to shdure, and the silver cord of his life olution is as follows : was rudely snapped asunder.

try-a great man, a statesmen and a patriot-a friend of humanity and the fear- can be exercised. Laid on the table.

New York Tribune:

ings would permit us to take the position of indicate the spectators, the fit thing for us to do would be to make a just, uncolored estimate of Mr. GREELEY'S character and career. But the circumstances of his death strike us as so inexpressibly tragic and affecting, that we have no command of our critical faculties. It is difficult to think of anything beyond the grief-fuspiring spectacle of such a death following stages of the recert, crushing canvass. "The stars in their courses" seemed to fight against him. He returned from that fatigating our in the West, in which his faculties shone out in a surprising blaze of culminating subcoder, to and his poor wife in it. last stages of her long or wife in it.e last stages of her lo and with a devotion like that whi decline; and with a he falt in the days of their early, youthf before time and disease had impaired her beau before time and disease had inflaced the bloom reverse this ancient and accepted saying. by, or domestic trials had effaced the bloom reverse this ancient and accepted saying. of their first affection, he was constantly at her There is but one step further, and LULLY bedside, with the fidelity of a ministering an gel, passing anxious days and sleepless rights which, under less exigent circumstances, would have been due to repose after his recent, ex-have been due to repose after his recent, ex-have been due to repose after his physi-cal indurance, and the more tremendous strain upon his quick emotional susceptibilities, was being the second belonged to him by hereditary longevity (both his father and grandfather lived to be upwards of eighty) were squandered; and the vessel so rudely towsed in these recent tempests was thrown upon the beach an utter wreck. It is the anddest ending of a vigorously useful life "We must defer, for a day or two, the esti-mute which might reasonably be expected of exercise of which is to be enforced by lowthat we have ever known. us of Mr. GREELEY's great career as a journalist, and his important relations to the public life of the country. How can we proceed to a cool, critical dissection of his character, while his body is scarcely yet cold in the conquering minimate of death : We hope to recover suffi-cient equanimity for this necessary task, but we do not possess it now. Had we been merely outside spectators or his life, this duty might mothave been difficult: but having been ad-mitted to his intimite confidence, having seen im for many years in his hours of relaxation. baving known every member of his family in a constant interchange of pleasant hospitalities. it does not lie in our hearts to coally take his measure as we could easily have some if we were in the position of more outside spectators. Our grief and sympathy get the better of us, and our sorrow is too deep and sincere to permit us to utter anything now but this unrestrained outpouring of our feelings.-cur composure, we shall recur to this melan-choly subject, and try to do justice to a great reputition a day or two, when we have recovered our composure, we shall recur to this melan-choly subject, and try to do justice to a great reputition a day or two do justice to a great set of the terment of Judge THOMPSON as a serious public loss. Since the days of JOHN BAN-NISTER GIESON, Pennsylvania's most illusreputation achieved in our own loved profes-The second s In the Constitutional Convention on the 21st of November, resolutions proposing amendments to the organic law of the State fell as thick and fast as leaves in Vallambrosa. Each member seemed to have amendment on the brain and contributed his mite to what he regarded the interest of reform. Many of the propositions submitted were eminently wise and proper; others were of doubtful utility; while some were absurd and ridiculous. The following extract, taken from the Harrisburg correspondence of the Blair County Radical, although the writer does not refer to more than one-half of the amendments proposed, will serve to show the wide scope and character of the resolutions which were offered on the day referred to : "Since my last the Constitutional Convention has been busy suggesting the different respectability, and for a short period dismeasures of reform which will claim its at- charged the duties of President Judge of tention. The reformatory measures are offered in the shape of resolutions, are read and referred to the appropriate committees. These resolutions already refer to nearly every imaginable object, and I have the time to notice a few only. One proposes to make self does not of course prove that Mr. MERa Governor's term four years; another length- cun is not qualified for a proper discharge ens Senatorial terms a year and makes members of the lower House elected for two years; another makes education compulsory; another prohibits appropriations for charitable purposes; another proposes to go back to the old way of appointing judges for life; another favors female suffrage; another (and a very silly one) favors abolishing aldermen and justices of the peace and substituing a minor judiciary composed of lawyers; another prohibits legislative, executive or judicial officers from accepting rairoad passes ; another prohibits the sale of intoxicating drinks; another changes the election laws so as to require a residence in a district of ninety. instead of ten days, in order to vote ; another increases the \$300 exemption to \$1,000 anothor prohibits the granting of divorces for any cause other than adultery; another the case will never be heard of again, the recognizes God as the Ruler of the Universe; another provides that a majority of twothirds of a jury may render a verdict; another providing for the election of a Lieutenant Governor; another authorizing the Governor to appoint to fill vacancies caused by 225; another (and an admirable one, by Mr. position once dignified and honored by to remove other peaceable Indians to the

That there are several men of both polit- American Press Disputches to Pittsb'g Leader. cal parties occupying seats in the Consti- WASHINGTON, December 2 .- To the Senly apparent at the very commencement of

The announcement of the sudden and un- usual tricks and appliances so well under- perity vouchsafed to but few peoples .expected death of HORACE GREELEY, which stood in district and county conventions, ing fire which swept from the earth with a occurred last Friday evening at the house but were deliberately nominated by the breath, as it were, millions of accumulated of a friend in Pleasantville, Westchester Philadelphia Radical Convention and the wealth in the city of Boston, there has been county, New York, has produced a feeling Reading Democratic Convention as dele- no overshadowing calamity within the year ecounty, New York, has produced a techniq of profound sorrow and regret throughout gates at large, a method which it was supthe length and breadth of the Union. In posed would result in the nomination of similar circumstances a year earlier, the view of the events which immediately pre- the best men in the State of each party. citizens of Boston are under the misforstances surrounding his last moments, it is to which we have alluded, is WILLIAM peculiarly sad and distressing, and forcibly LILLY, of Carbon county, one of the fourgreat EDMUND BURRE on a memorable oc- twenty years ago LILLY represented Carcasion : "What shadows we are and what bon county in the lower branch of the Leg-

he spent for weeks at the bedside of his lamentably he is out of his natural and

Resolved. That the committee on suffra-By common consent, HORACE GREELEY ges, election and representation be requested to inquire into the expediency of altering the was the foremost journalist in the coun- constitution in such a way as to require the holding of a certificate of raturalization at least six months before the right of suffrage

less wismpion of the oppressed and down- Can LILLY or any other man give a sintroction of every clime. It is too soon pro gle valid reason why a certificate of natuperly to estimate his character and worth ralization six months after its date possessbut the impartial pen of the future histo- es more legal force and validity than it rian will do him full and deserved justice. would even one day thereafter? Ferhaps in

Between him and the accomplished edi- his estimation a document of that descriptor of the New York World, although they tion, like wine and other stronger stimudiffered as widely as the poles in political lants, is made better by its age. Why did sentiment, there existed a strong feeling of not LILLY give expression to his Knowmatual esteem and attachment, and we Nothing proclivities by extending the pecannot pay a higher tribute to the honored riod to twenty-one years? That could have the award, and ordered the removal of her memory of HORACE GREELEY than to bay been made a limitation in point of time before our readers the following eloquent with just the same propriety as six months. and touching conclusion of a lengthy arti- or even six days. The proposition is abused cle from the pen of the editor of the World and unjust in all its aspects and will be in reference to his deceased friend of the treated with the contempt it so richly de-Serves.

"We have really no heart for the duty which is had upon us on this occasion. If our feel-ings would permit us to take the position of municipal elections in this commonwealth. Laid on the table.

# Lilly and the Right of Suffrage. Synopsis of the President's Message, a necessity of such great importance that I congress.

tutional Convention who are not fit for the ate and House of Representatives: In transposition is a fact which was made painful- mitting to you this, my fourth annual message, it is with thankfulness to the Giver of all good that, as a nation, we have been its proceedings. Some of the delegates of blessed for the past year with peace at this lower grade were not selected by the home, peace abread, and a general pros-With the exception of the recent devastatpolygamy. to record. It is gratifying to note how, Also the report of the postmaster-general, with their full statistics. RECOMMENDATION OF THE SECRETARY OF ceded it, as well as the melancholy circum- Conspicuous mong that class of delegates tune, and the prospect that their energy cles, and show the same prosperity soon recalls to our mind the exclamation of the teen Radical delegates at large. About fallen them. Otherwise we have been free the adoption of the penal code for well defrom pestilence and war, which often overtake nations, and as far as human judgment can penetrate the future, no cause islature. He was then a Democrat of the seems to exist to threaten our present the publication of a catalogue and tables of

TION. When congress adjourned in June last a question had been raised by Great Britain -and was then pending, which for a time imperiled a settlement by friendly arbitradyis's wife, was too severe a strain for him proper sphere of action. LILLY's first res- tion-of grave difference between this government and Britain. The Geneva by the commission. conference however disposed of the subject

in a manner entirely satisfactory to this government, and according to views it had maintained of the Geneva award, in conneetion with the award of the German emperor on the San Juan question, will leave Atlantic scaboard. he two governments without a shadow upon their friendly relations, which it is my and its reports are now exchanged with sincere hope may forever remain equally

Canada, and a similar exchange is contemunclouded. The Emperor of Germany has decided plated with the West Indies. the question referred to him of the San THE FRANKING PRIVILEGE AND POSTAL Juan boundary in interpretation of the treaty of 1816, and has the earnest thanks of our government and people. Mr. Baucroft is highly complimented for his management of this case. This settlement leaves us for the first time in our history without acquisition of disputed territory. Great Britain has promptly complied with troops and cessation of all jurisdiction. The joint occupation of San Juan has already ceased. Allusion is made to the establishment by natural objects and other monuments of an actual line between our territory and that acquired from Russia and the British possessions.

OUR FOREIGN BELATIONS. With France our earliest alty, Russia our constant and steady friend. Cermany with whose government and people we have so many common sympathies, and other powers of Europe, our relations are maintained on the most friendly terms. The International Statistical congress which met this Inspiring spectacle of such a death following so swiftly upon the great eclipse and extin-guishment of the hopes which Mr. Gueznay had good reasons for entertaining during some the new constitution than this, we would appropriate occasion for such a meeting. The Vienna exposition is warmly referthat "although you may ride a horse to the red to, and an appropriation asked for to and as soon as practicable, having due re- past the engineers and firemen of the night into the roblic schools. They were exceedg water, you cannot make him drink," where- enable Americans to exhibit there. The death of President Juarez is spoker

A TERRIPLE RIDE .- TWENTY MILES commend it to the favorable attention of BENEATH & LOCOMOTIVE ON A NIGHT EX-TRESS .- The Kansas City Times says :

Man's daring often assumes a phase of Affairs in the territories are generally foolbardiness almost incredulous to believe, and it appears at times as though the presatisfactory. Utah alone is in an uusatissent generation is either becoming more factory condition, and it seems to be her policy to evade all responsibility to the gov- brave or less intelligent every day. One ernment of the United States, and ever to of the most singular incidents of foolhardhold a hostile position to it. I recommend iness known to this section of the country a careful revision of the laws of the territory and such legislation as will secure peace rend on last Saturday night. A young and equality to all citizens before the law, man named Josiah T. Haight, a native of and lead to the ultimate extinguishment of and a recent arrival in this city, from Wooster, Chio, after "fighting the tiger"

in one of our sporting rooms on Saturday The navy report is fully referred to. night, found himself "broken," without even so much as sufficient to pay his hotel bill. After wandering around the city all day on Sunday, he conceived the idea of endeavoring to reach Topeka, Kansas, by The favorable action of congress is instealing a ride upon the Kansas Pacific night express. With this intention, he vited to the various recommendations of the secretary of war for the discontinu- partock of a hearty supper at his hotel ance of pointments of extra lieutenants, near the Union depot, wrapped himself up as warmly as possible, and started out keepsie, N. Y., on Saturday, fined offences, so that inequality of sen- to walk to Armstrong station, two miles tence and judgments by court-martial may be adjusted ; authority to establish mui- train was stopped, he crawled upon the pilot of the icy locomotive and crouched is sixty-live thousand dollars. tary posts in Texas; an appropriation for down upon the trucks beneath the smoke-

arsenals east of the Mississippi as can be the cold, Litter winter's wind swept keenly spared, applying the proceeds to one large and piercing through Haight's clothing, chilling him to the marrow. He soon discovered that he must inevitably freeze to The message refers to the centennial death in his present uncomfortable condicelebration in 1876, and the progress made tion, but there was no escape. The train rushed on through the Kaw bottoms, never halting, never stopping. Haight found The attention of co.gress will be called nimself gradually sinking, benumbed and to the various enterprises for more certain without feeling, down into the cross bars and cheaper transportation of supplies of of the truck frame. Gradually he dropped the western and southern products to the down until he found himself jammed between the warm smoke-box and the azles. before him. The noise and clatter of the machinery bewhistled and shricked around the rushing locomotive. Haight knew he must die if left in his perilous position a little longer. But there was no escare until the train upon the ties which glided beneath him views formerly expressed in abolishing the with lightning rapidity. This he knew franking privilege, but suggests, however, would be instant and certain death. He a modification of the privilege to correct its would have done so, but he found himself glaring and costly abuses. He recommends unable to get through the net work of iron bars, so he gave himself up to his fate. anitable to private corporations who have One by one the stations glided past him invested time and capital in telegraph lines in the bright frosty mounlight. Edwards for acquiring a title to all lines now in op- ville, Lenape were passed, when the train eration, and connecting with the postal ser- staddenly "slacked up" and glided slowly vice. It is not probable the subject could to the water-tank at Stonger's creek. be disposed of in the present short session. Here Haight aroused himself with a debut it can be initiated so that future action perate energy and made a determined efmay be fair to the government and private fort to extricate muself from his perilous esition. Cramped, benumbed and balf dead, he crawled out from the trucks and The message recommends that no furth- out to the side of the track. The train er reduction of taxation be made at the moved on, and young Haight attempted present as a measure of justice to the hold- to rive, but suffered such acute agony that ers of the nation's certificates of indebted, he was obliged to call for assistance. He ness, except to correct errors of omission or was sent back to this city on a freight commission in the present laws, until a suf- train on Monday. His feet and hands are ficient time has elapsed to prove that it can badly frozen. He has communicated with be done, and still leave enough revenue to his friends, who reside at Emporia, and

importance, and next comes a solemn duty and free rides in winter.

A SPECTRAL ENGINEER.-For some time

News and Political Items. -A man in Lynn, Mass., owns the boots

that President Lincoln wore when assina-

Thirty-two persons are buried in the cemetery of Newtown, Kan., only one of whom disd a natural death whom died a natural death. -A bronze group, costing \$11,000, has

been placed over the grave of a child in Ashland Cemetery, Carlisle, Pa. -A man at Decatur, Ill., has had the small-rox five times, and now feels rather **PATRIOT** for gear 1873. lost if he goes through the year without it. name accompanies by 1407 \_A man at Seneca Falls, N. Y., offers to pay \$1 for every cat that is sent him. The to January next, we will a railrays leading thither are raising their paper for the REMAININ

DITCES. -Another terrapin is said to have been discovered in Owen county, Kentucky, with PATRIOT, is now a the name of Daniel Boone and the date 1700 cut into its back.

-Henry Porter Tenison, an alleged lincal descendent of the Archbishop of Canterbury, was indicted for bigamy in Pough-

-Arbuckle's spice mills in Brooklyn west of Kansas City. There, while the were burned on Saturday morning. The loss on the building, machinery and stock

-The statue of Chief Justice Taney was vember 21st. It is of bronze, and represents Mr. Taney in a sitting posture.

-Two prisoners have escaped from the Western Penitentiary, in Allegheny City. by tunneling under their cell and outer wall to the street, a distance of forty feet.

-A man recently died in New Jersev, at -A man recently died in New Jersey, at The following rates, mean the age of 29, who never owned or wore a nege, have been fixed for such pair of boots in his life, and never rode in Weekly PATRIC a railroad car. He made his will forty years ago, but the man who wrote it, all the witnesses, and the heir died some time Four copies, one year, each hefore him. -A shanty on the south bank of the Mis-

came deafening, the keen prairie winds souri river, opposite St. Charles, twenty miles from St. Louis, in which a negro woman, her daughter, about fourteen years of age, and a begroman had a dranken ca-rousal last Wednerday night, was burned go to one post-office. (See halted. He thought of dropping down to the ground and all its inmates perished in the Bames.

> -The Pittsburgh Gazeete says "the election of Grant was a test of the intelligence of the American people." A majority of the white people voted for Greeley; ergo, the negroes are more intelligent than the white voters. It is pleasant for white Republicans to know just what estimate their friends put upon them.—Erie Observer. -The oldest printer in the country is

said to be Andrew C. Huston, now living Northumberland, Pennsylvania, in his S6th year. He learned his trade with Zachariah Poulsen, and conducted the Argus in Northumberland as far back as the year 1805, which was the only paper printed in that part of Pennsylvania.

-On Sanday morning a cottage near Louisville, occupied by a family named Ashron, consisting of the mother and a MEN COPY. Address THE PAthe family were in a druoken slumber from a carousal over night, and burned down. The daughter was burned to death in bed. years. I submit that it be invited to its meet the current expenses. The preser- will leave to day for that place. He will and the mother was so badly burned that vation of the public credit is of the highest hereafter have a mortal aversion for faio she is not expected to live.

-The Post says: "Not a solitary Republican paper has yet had the courage to advocate the admission of colored children incly kind to them before the election -

The Great Week TALE

> THE WEEKLY PATERN DA To every new subscriber + is received after this caleas

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as LHLY in the matter of suffrage would ought to have amended his resolution so as to compel every elector to vote the Radical ticket. LOUIS NAPOLEON conferred universal suffrage on the French people, but he gave it to be distinctly understood, that he peror. Has LILLY forgetten that man is a free agent and that he is not a mere puppet. in the hands of the State to be moved, and manipulated at its will ; that the elec ive ment of Spain will adopt this view.

islative penaltics. It would seem so, but LILLY will be a wiser man before the Convention adjourns.

#### -----Hon. James Thompson.

The official term of Judge THOMPSON, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, expired last Monday, and on the same day his successor on the bench. ties of that position. We regard the re- fincal year of \$99,960,253.54. trious Judge, no man has been more clear in his high office or shed more honor on his position than JAMES THOMPSON. He has laid aside the judicial ermine, which he as sumed fifteen years ago, without blemish and without a single spot to mar or disfigure it. It would be a happy state of arfairs if the same thing could be truthfully said of all Judges throughout the State when their official career is ended and popular opinion is invoked to pronounce judgment upon their works. Judge THOMPSON leaves the Court of which he has been so great an ornament with the universal regret, not only of the members of the legal profession, but also of the people, and carries with him into private life their warmest ' the rights of citizens to vote, and to enwishes for his future welfare and prosperity. Whether his successor can adequately fill his place remains yet to be seen. Although he is a gentleman of character and the Bradford district, yet he is peculiarly a and punishment of these persons have politician and occupied a seat in Congress greatly suppressed these disorders. The at the time of his nomination. This of itof the duties of his new office. Let us hope that he will be equal to the high trust

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which has been reposed in him.

THE civil suit against GEORGE O. EVANS of Dauphin county last week and a continuance was asked for on the ground of the serious illness of the defendant. This was opposed by the Attorney-General, but the Court granted the continuance on condition that the case should never again be probability being that Evans will be in another world before the next term of the Court, and then the story of his embezzle-

Nothing should be left undone to maintain gold at par. our friendly relations with Mexico.

parties.

THE STRIFE IN CURA.

The President regrets the continued disturbed condition of Cuba. No advance toward pacification has been made, while the insurrection has made no progress. Parties stand apparently in the same relation as for a long period past. I cannot doubt expected every man to vote for him as em- that the continuance of slavery in Cuba is the strongest inducement to the continuance of this strife. A terrible wrong is the natural cause of a terrible evil, and it is greatly to be hoped that the liberal govern-

DISTRESSED CITIZENS ABROAD. Attention is called to the want of provision for the relief of distressed citizeus abroad other than seamen. It is customary for other governments to authorize their consuls to extend such relief, and an appropriation is recommended to carry out this suggestion. There are citizens who through accident or otherwise become penniless abroad and have no friends. Should appropriation be granted, care will be takon that it is worthily disbursed. The message then proceeds to give a summary of the fiscal condition of the government, ULYSSES MERCUR, entered upon the du- showing a net reduction of the debt for the

> OUR LOST COMMERCE. The message earnestly recommends liberal contracts for carrying the mails by the Pacific Mail line from Sau Francisco to Japan, Brazil line and California, New Zealand and Australia ; also for a line under our flag between Paraguay and Western South America, to secure the trade now diverted to foreign ports. Attention is called to the alarming falling off of the carrying trade for the last ten or twelve years. I do not believe that the public treasure can be better expended in the interests of the whole people than in trying to recover this trade, and an expenditure of five millious per annum for the next live years, if it would restore our proportion of the carrying trade of the world, would be profitably spent. I believe the time has arrived for congress to take this subject into serious consideration.

RECKLESS AND LAWLESS MEN. Alluding to the department of justice and increase of disbursements to enforce force the fourteenth amendment, the President says : I cannot question the necessity and salutary effect those enactments have on reckless and lawless men, who have associated in some localities to deprive citizens of the rights guaranteed by the constitution. They have committed deeds of blood and violence, but the prosecution aid of all good citizens is invoked to prevent such unlawful organizations, and it is confidently hoped that the day is not far distant when all such combinations will be abandoped and such conspiracies no longer disturb the peace of the country.

The President is disposed to give favorable consideration to the applications for the pardon of convicted ku-klux, but the action thereon must not be construed as in- entertains a very exalted opinion of Simon was called up in the Court of Common Pleas dicating any change as to the enforcement CAMERON, if we may judge from the followof the laws with rigor so long as conspiracies disturb the peace of the country.

THE PRESIDENT'S INDIAN POLICY. The Indian policy has been as successful as its most ardent friends anticipated. It has reduced the expense of their management, decreased forays on white settlers, continued for the same cause. We think of the great railroads, and at the same time improved the condition of the Indians .-The policy will be continued without any change, except to make it more effective. The project of converting the Indian territory of Kansas into a home for the Indians ment will be like a thrice told tale. In the under a territorial government is considerdeath of any State officer or member of the meantime his guide, counsellor and friend, ed of great importance. As a preliminary Legislature until the next succeeding elec-tion; another fixing the number of Senators anourated Governor of Pennsylvania, a step, it will be necessary to confine the In-dians now resident to farms secured to the information of the secure at 50 and members of the lower House at augurated Governor of Pennsylvania, a them in fee simple. Efforts will be made

and the vicissitudes of trade, converted into

to provide a national currency of fixed and

PUBLIC LANDS, PATENTS AND PENSIONS. been surveyed during the year, leaving 1,-257,633,628 acres of public hand still unsur-30, 1872, there were issued aroun the patentoffice 13,626 patents, 233 extensions and 19,587 applications were received for parents and 3,100 caveats filed. The fees received were \$70,695,486; expanditures, \$62,355,390. Since 1835, 200,000 applications for patents have been filed and 132, 660 patents issued. The amount paid for pend as in the last fiscal year was \$30, 2.342 more by \$3,708,434 than last year. The whole number of enlisted soldiers during the rebellion was 2,688,523. The total number of claims for invalid pensions is 176,0%, being but six per cent. of the whole number. The whole number of pensioners on the rolls June 30, 1872, was 232, 229. It is estimated that \$30,480,000 will be required for pensions the next fiscal year. THE CENSUS ABOUT COMPLETE.

The ninth census is about completed, a subject of congratulation, inasmuch as its early completion is of importance for the use to be made of the statistics. The reterior for a consus in 1875 is approved.

THE CIVIL SERVICE. An earnest desire has been felt to correct the abuses which have grown ap in the civil service of the country, through the defective methods of making appointments to office. Heretofore federal offices have been regarded too much as the reward of political service. Under authority of congress, rules have been established to regulate the tenure of office and the modes of appointment. It cannot be expected that any system of rules can be entirely effective, and prove a perfect remedy for the existing evils until they have been tried by actual practice and amended according to the requirements of the service. During my term of office it shall be my carnest ensavor to so apply the rules as to secure the greatest possible reform in the civil

service of the government, and it will require the direct action of congress to render the enforcement of a system binding upon my successors, and I hope that the experience of the past year, together with appropriate legislation by congress, may reach a satisfactory solution of this queztion and secure to the public service for all time a practical method of obtaining faithful and efficient officers and employees.

(Signed) U. S. GRANT. EXECUTIVE MANSION, December 2, 1872.

GENERAL JOSEPH R. HAWLEY, EX-Gov-

ernor of Connecticut, member of Congress elect and editor of the Hartford Courant, the leading Republican paper in that State, ing extract copied from one of our cotemporaries. Now that CAMERON is a candidate for re-election to the Senate of the crime.-Pittsburg Dispatch. United States, it is interesting to know in what estimation he is held by one of the

bages and through the spoken utterances of its editor, has, time and again, expressed enon at the dwelling house No. 120 Valenits opinions, without reserve, to the effect | cia street, back of Woodward's garden .-to hold any public office.

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lishing the full text of the President's Mes-

gard for the interests of the debtor class | trains on the Pan Handle route have been startled by the unaccountable ringing of the engine bell just as the locomotive enters a belt of woods between the stations During the last fiscal year the public of Dunneith and Strawus. For over a week, lands disposed of amounted to 11,804,975 as soon as these woods are reached the acres, an increase over the last year of 1,- bell of the engine commences a violent 099,270 acres. The cash receipts of the ringing, although the bell rope is not touchland-office from all sources amounted to ed by any one on the train. Some nights \$3,218,100. Twenty-two million sixteen since, as the bell commenced its usual ringthousand six hundred and eight acres have ing, engineer John Whitsit, of one of the freight finites, peered out into the darkness and distinctly discovered, as he positively veyed. During the year ending September asserts, the form of a gigantic man, some seven or eight feet high, standing on the foot-board, near the bell. The appearance of the man had a peculiar effect on the engineer; not exactly inspiring fear, but a ehilly, undefined awe. The phostly visitor soon vanished into this air, much to the amusement of the engineer and fireman .-Since that occurrence, Brakeman Abner Blew, of the same train, entered the caboose car and saw a large, well-dressed man sitting in a corner. He passed to the top of the car, and, meeting the conductor asked him if the stranger was a friend of his. The conductor's reply was that there was no one on the train, as he had observed carefully that no passengers got aboard at any station. The brakeman haughingly remarked that it must be "this ghost, and went into the caboose again, when the mysterious stranger had disappeared. These statements were made in all truth and solemness by reliable men, to a report er of the Sentinel, and what may be the commendation of the secretary of the in- cause of these singular phenomena remains a mystery. Railroad men, above all others, are not easily frightened, but the continned recurrence of this spiritual bell-ringing causes a lively commotion among them .-Without vouching for the trath of the statements made, any more that to speak for the entire reliability of the person giving them, the Indianapolis Sentiael presonts the mystery to its readers for solution.

> -----Two very singular communications have been published in the Herald professing to account for the burning of Hoston. writer states that he was one of the Paris Communists who escaped to this country, and that the great fire in Boston was the work of the Labor Reformers. He also says that the explosions heard during the fire, and which were attributed to other causes, "were but explosions of a powerful chemical combination lately invented and known only to him and his confederates, no larger than an ordinary apple, and costing only ninety-two cents each." He says their work at Boston was but the commencement, and intimates that capitalists shall still further suffer if the rights of labor are not respected.

> This may be fiction and bravado on the part of some reckless scamp desirous of creating alarm, and there may be something in it worthy of investigation by the authorities. A number of persons were arrested during the progress of the conflagration, caught in the act of firing buildings, but it was believed that these incendiaries committed the deed for the sake of plunder. Probably when their trials

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Francisco Bulletin tells this sad story : the window-pane of a house at North Beach, whole being crowned by filagree work and The Hartford Courant, both in its printed and created a marked sensation in the frosted flowers, with which the entire struccommunity, is eclipsed by a fresh phenom- ture was decorated. that Simon Cameron is a corrupt man, and The head of a man, with black, curly hair, one of the most terrible hail storms ever and sad, thoughtful countenance, has ap- witnessed in Northwestern Kansas, past peared on the bow-window of the house, just west of that city. The heavier fall and is so clearly defined as to attract the passed two and a half miles west of there, WANT of space prevents us from pub- attention of people passing along the street. extending about seven miles in width. The It is said that a handsome young lady has

prolific with praise, but now they are dark ies and must not ask for office, nor dare to put one of their black noses inside of pube schools alongside of white children

-Considerable curiosity exists in New Fork as to the authorship of the Beecher-Tilton libel. Mrs. Woodhull, her sister and "Colonel" Elocdeach swore before the Court that neither of them wrote the article. It is now said that the authorship has been traced to a most unexpected source, and that positive proof will be brought out as to the writer of the libel in a few days.

-A coal-oil explosion took place in New Orleans on Saturday, and twenty houses were destroyed. Coal-oil is the most effectual destroyer of life and property yet discovered. It cost ( hicago two hundred and gie cin a ifty millions, and how many millions more have been destroyed through its agency, it would be hard to compute. As to the ives sacrificed and the human beings injured the number is legion.

-Puchanan county, Virginia, enjoys the coud distinction of being the only county n the United States from which no returns whatever of the recent election have been received. By its position it is isolated from the rest of the world, and is quite a terra incognita. The Richmond Inquirar says the vote of the county will probably never be accertained until the Secretary of the ommonwealth sends a special messenger thither for that purpose.

-There was a great deal of sympathy wasted on Mr. Peay, of Louisville, Ky. who had gone on to New York to transact some business for a friend, and who mysteriously disappeared All sorts of conjecares were made and conclusions formed as to how Mr. Peay had been made away with ; but now the romance is spoiled by the unmistakable evidence that the only thing made away with was the money entrusted to the keeping of Mr. Peay.

-Ring, who murdered O'Neill, in New York, married his wife against the wishes of her parents in Honolula, where he was a clerk and succeeded in getting hold of his employer's property. A few months after his marriage be shot his father-in-law. Subsequently he made more money by swindling merchants in San Francisco, and afterward fleurished in Newport and New York, being a crone of Fisk and Gould. ympathy is already manufactured for him the alleged finding of his wife's portrait the pocket of his dead victim.

-Mrs. Gen. Sanderson, of Worthington, O., has in her possession a box said to have been brought to this country by Cortez at the time of the conquest of Mexico, and was at one time in the possession of Gen. Santa Anna. It was captured at the time the American troops took the city of Mexico, and it is thought to be about four hundred years old. It is inlaid with ivory in the most elaborate manner. The box was probably brought home by her husband, General Winslow F. Sanderson, formerly a merchant of Columbus, and who was commissioned by President Polk and distingaished himself during the Mexican war. -At a recent New York wedding, the come on, there may be some developments cake is described as having been a marvel made which will go to prove or falsify the of confectionery art. The cake weighed stories of this Paris Communist. It is over sixty pounds, and with its frosted work worth while for the authorities to make a ornaments, stood upwards of four feet high, close investigation of these characters when Immediately above the cake was a miniathey come into court to answer for their ture marriage temple, in which a miniature bride and groom were undergoing the cer-

emony, the roof of which was supported by SINGULAR AFFAIR, IF TRUE .- The San mermaids, from whose tiny mouths jets of most prominent members of his own party The picture of a man's head that graced cove of cupids, with more fountains, the

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