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PARAMETERS AND ADDRESS OF ADDRESS

SPEAKING of the power of Congress to go back of the returns for Presidential electors, the Boston Globe very apily and properly asks : "If it can inquire into the action of the Secretary of State of Oregon, why can it not inquire into the action of the Returning Board in Louisiana?" What question?

A SENSIBLE suggestion is made by Gov. ernor Hendricks, in his farewell message to the Indiana Legislature, looking to a change of holding the State election. The October contests in Presidential years are a nuisance to the States in which they occur, as they certainly are to the whole country. They are something worse, for it is beyond question that they stimulate and in a measure compel the use of every corrupt influence known to adroit and un serupulous political managers. It is probable both Ohio and Indiana will abandon their October elections, at least in Presidential years.

Ex-Gov. ISHAM G. HARRIS, of Tennessee, was elected by the Legislature of that State, on Tuesday last, United States Sen ator for six years from the 4th of March next, to succeed Senator Cooper, whose term will then expire. Harris was a rebel, but through the stern ordeal of war has been thoroughly reconstructed, and is now an earnest Union man, just as Gen. Gordon of Georgia, and Gen. Ransom, of North Carolina are, both being members and maintenance of the truth is not a party of the Senate, in which body they command universal respect. Over the election of Harris copions Republican tears will be shed and once more will be heard the has been submitted to the ballot-box, the well known rebel yell.

Ox last Monday, the anniversary of "Old Hickory's" victory near New Orleans in 1815, in which he and the militia soldiers under him defeated the British forces led by Generals Packenham and Gibbs, J. D. Williams, the Democratic Governor elect of Indiana, was inaugurated at Indianapolis. He is familiarly known as "Blue Jeans Willliams," from the peculiarity of his dress, and on the occasion referred to he appeared in a new suit of his favorite fabric, presented to him by the ladies of Louisville, Ky., and was intro duced to the people by the retiring Governernor, Thomas A. Hendricks, the legally elected Vice President of the United elected by the people by over eight thouswhen elected in November last was a member of Congress, and is one of the most popular men in the State. In his inaugural address he pays a high tribute to his follow laborers, the farmers, all of which we would gladly publish if we had the spane.

On yesterday week, Mr. Conkling presented to the U.S. Senate the petition of certain bankers, merchants, and other business men of New York city, in favor of an amicable settlement of the Presidential Friday Morning, - - Jan. 12, 1877. contest, and in doing so took occasion to

make the manly, statesmanlike and eloquent remarks which will be found below. It is very evident that Morton, Chandler, Sherman, and the rest of the Radical conspirators against the clearly expressed voice of the people, will receive no aid or comfort from Senator Coukling, but that he will rise above all mere partisan considerfriend of Ruthford B. Hayes can give a ations and act the part of a patriotic and common sense answer to this pertinent honorable gentleman. There are other Republican Senators who will follow in Mr.

Conkling's footsteps and thus give full force and effect to the solemnly declared will of the American people. Mr. Conkling said :

I have been requested to present a petition weighty by reason of the subject to which it relates, and by reason also of the number and character of those who sign it. The petitioners are citizens of New York distinguished not only for their prominence as members of society, but for the large and varied interests they represent. They are men prominent in each of the great political parties of the country. I observe among the signatures names which at the recent Presidential election were found on opposing electoral tickets. I observe the names of emment bankers, merchants, manufacturers, shipowners, scholars, professional men and other names long and honorably associated with leading enterprises and industries. It would be difficult to select in any State of the Union one hundred and fifty individuals and tirms who represent a greater sum of property, intelligence and character, or who as petitioners deserve more consideration. In laying this petition before the Senate, it may not be amiss to add an arowal of my sympathy with its appeal for orderly, lawful and patriotic action. In executing the Constitution in any instance and especially in an instance so grave as those referred to, partisan feeling as a guide and rule of action can rightfully have no place. Obedience to law, observance of the Constitution question or proceeding. It is beyond party and above party. Parties may contend, and I believe it is wholesome in a free government, that parties should contend over measures and candidates, but when the contest final arbitrament of popular contests, the instrument known in our system, the only duty, the only lawful proceeding connected with it which remains, is to find the honest and true result, to declare it, bow to it and

stand by it. That is the duty of the hour. It rests on the two Houses of Congress. It rests on the nation It rests on every citizen of the republic. That it will be done and done peacefully, decently and in order, these politicians do not, I think, disbelieve. They, in common with all men, may derive confidence from the fact that interest and expediency, not less than patriotism and honor. point in one direction and teach one lesson Whoever stands on the right and truth will not fall. Whoever attempts to stand on wrong and falsehood will be overthrown,

Two Governors of Louisiana were inaugurated in New Orleans on Monday last. One of them, Gen. Nicholls, Democrat, was carpet-bagger, was declared elected by

Governor's Message.

the Legislature treats almost exclusively of the affairs of our own Commonwealth.

The State finances claim the first place. These we summarize as follows : The reover from 1875 were \$7,072,098-the disbursments on all accounts \$6,087,100-leavof November last of \$984,998. The funded debt of the State on the same date was Fund holds securities as assets to the amount of \$9,054,991-leaving as the total of the State Debt unprovided for the amount of \$13,924,040. Thus it will be seen that the State Debt, which for many years stood at about forty millions, is gradpart of the Funded Debt which becomes redeemable or payable within the next five cent. interest, the Governor recommends

the issue of a new loan, at not exceeding five per cent., redeemable in fifteen years, and payable in thirty years. This he thinks a preferable mode to paying off at as rapid a rate as that prevalent for some years back. It will also place the redemption of the debt to be liquidated every year in more manageable form for the Sinking Fund Commissioners. With reference to the General Fund for the ordinary expenses of the State, the figures presented by the trovernor show that the resources for that fund will be about \$800,000 less this year than last-and that extraordinary expenses will likewise be diminished to the amount of about \$50,000-leaving about \$300,000 to done by a judicious exercise of economy, without additional taxation, and without withdrawing proper aid from charitable institutions.

The Governor is of the opinion that the present system of assessment and collection of mercautile and tavera liceuse is expensive and inefficient and requires revision. He calls attention also to what he thinks a necessary revision of the tax on corporation stocks, with the view of making its operation more equitable as between dividend paying an non-dividend paying corporations. Following this is a recommendation for a much needed law regulating Saving Banks. Education is the next topic. It is discussed at considerable length, the Goyernor renewing his previous recommendations, with respect to neglected children whose parents, guardians or other care-takers neglect to send them to school, thus preventing the public school system from perating upon the very class whose needs led to the first establishment of free schools. He emphasizes also what he has heretofore said in favor of technical and special public school training for artisans, miners, manufacturers, agriculturists and designers. In the course of these observations he congratulates the State on the good results of the Soldiers' Orphan Schools. The historical publications relating to the State, the good results anticipated from the Geological Survey, and the propriety of providing some appropriate place for the display and utilization of the rich collections made by the Geological Survey, are brought to the attention of the Legislature; also the consideration of aid to the proposed Industrial School and Museum in Memorial about four thousand majority by the in- efficient ; "costing the State much less in portion of effective troops." Connected anave and Kenner, both colored, are his the mining regions of the State, which is pliant and willing tools. There was no greatly abated now, because of the vigorous prosecution of the offenders; but to provide against any return of it the message Sheriffs of the counties to curoll a civic force, to be paid from the county treasuries, whenever the occasion for their services shall require it. The overcrowded condition of the Eastern Penitentiary the Governor thinks should be relieved by authorizing the Inspectors to increase the number of cells from 580 to 780, and by modifying the law so that no prisotiers be sect to the penitentiary whose sentences are for less than two years. The Board of Public Charities is doing most serviceable work at a very trifling cost to the State ; the Fish Commissioners deserve encouragement ; the testimony heretofore givene by the Governor of the value of the Insurance Department is very strongly repeated ; the necessity for revision of our Building Inspection laws and their vigorous enforcement are warmly urged ; co operation with the National Government in improving the navigation of the Ohio river is recommended; also the selection of 'two historical characters of the State as subjects for the statues invi-The next subject is the Municipal Commission to prepare a plan of government in order to reform almses in municipal corporations. Among the miscellaneous subects treated are the following : The rapid and alarming destruction of our forests; the propriety of equalizing the poll tax throughout the State ; the necessity for a law to prevent the possibility of waiving the exemption laws, and a commendation of the suggestion of the State Board of Health. The Governor then does justice to the gentlemen who made the Centennial Exhibition a success. Reviewing the progress of the century in a very fine passage, he comes to the conclusion that there is no truth in the alleged degeneracy of our days, as we have advanced in intelligence, morals and general welfare, as well as in population and wealth. The message concludes with an examination of the causes and consequences of "periodical depressions" in business.

A Burning Coal Mine.

Governor Hartrauft's annual message to GREAT DESTRUCTION OF VALUABLE PROP-ERTY--ALL ATTEMPTS TO PUT OUT THE FIRE UNSUCCESSFUL.

A special dispatch to the Harrisburg Paceipts for the year and the balance coming triot from Lykens, Pa., dated January 5th, says that the Short Mountain and Lykens Valley mines which produce 150,000 to ing a balance in the Treasury on the 30th 200,000 tons of coal a year have been on fire since Monday afternoon, and the Lykens Valley coal company which operates the \$22,978,951-against which the Sinking collieries has already suffered a loss of several hundred thousand dollars which promises to be largely augmented. Several men who have been driven from the mines by the fire are engaged day and night in efforts to stop the work of destruction, but the difficulty of reaching it has rendered their ually melting away, and is now a compar- labors only partially successful. The atively small sum. With reference to that first four days they made no impression on labors only partially successful. The the fire. Appearances to-day indicate that their work is having a beneficial effect ; but years, and which bears more than five per | the temporary check has not relieved the people here of the fear that all the collieries in this county may be visited by the fire. They are connected by subterranean passages, and should an unfavorable draft ensue they would all be in danger of destruction. The principal efforts of the miners are directed towards placing obstructions to the sweep of the fire eastward, where the Big Lick and Williamstown collieries are located, three and five miles above this town. About thirty miners are constantly stationed in the Lykens Valley slope, to properly handle the hose through which water is being conducted. The smoke is so dense in the locality that they are occasionally prostrated by its effects and drawn

in cars to the surface to be relieved by be provided for, which he thinks can be others. Two small streams have been diverted from their original channels and the water conducted into the burning mines, several lines of wooden troughs carrying it to points where it is supposed to be most needed. At the month of each mine is a

> large slope house, into which cars loaded with coal are ordinarily hoisted. These structures have been disconnected with the slopes to save them from destruction. A similar precantion would have prevented the burning of a large engine house and great damage to the machinery which cost about \$30,000. Between eighty and ninety mules in the burning mines are supposed to have been suffocated, all way of egress having been cut off by the fire. That no human lives have been lost is in a great measure attributable to the fact that the fire occurred on a holiday when the mines were almost entirely deserted. There is a difference of opiaion as to how the fire originated. One theory is that a spark from a miner's lamp started it, while another is that the heat from one of the pumping engines in the mine was the cause. The fire spread with remarkable rapidity, ascending to the top of the Short Mountain slope, nearly five hundred yards from the supposed point of origin, in six or seven hours. In addition to the large quantity of coal and timber consumed, much damage must necessarily have been done to the machinery in the mines both by fire and water. Should the fire be brought undor control, which is by no means certain, it would be impossible to repair the damage and resume mining operations during the winter .cite coal mines in Dauphin county, which

News and Other Notings.

-Astor. Stewart, Vanderbilt, Garner, Lick-not many of us left. -Mr. Pickett of Akron, Ohio, simultaneously misses his wife, his pastor and

-Three sons and a daughter of a farmer residing near Pottstown, were married on Christmas day.

-Father Bollig, the new custodian of the Vatican Basilica at Rome, is said to be the master of fifty-two languages.

-A large hawk was captured in the woods near Chester, the bird's feet being frozen to the limb of a tree so that it could not fly

-A Portland girl got married toone fellow in the clothes that another fellow had bought for her, the latter fellow having expected to many her himself. -Logan has been renominated to the

United States Senate, but that does not situation and they are not for John. -A postal clerk in Dubuque opened a

letter just to see if a certain girl was very sweet on a certain fellow. She was, and the Government is also very sweet on the postal clerk.

-Judge Henderson, of Lebanon county, has put township supervisors to work by deciding that it was their business to open drifted roads and put them in a fit coudition for travel.

-New York has produced a "snow ancould be done with 400 carts.

-The ladies of Louisville, Ky., on New Year's da; presented an elegant suit of on Monday at his inauguration.

-- In an altercation at Shenandoah, on M'Cord struck Joseph Bogarty on the head with a club and killed him. M'Cord was taken to Pottsville and lodged in jail.

-The boss counterfeiter, a mau named Miles Ogle or Ogleby, with a string of aliases as long as the titles of a German prince, is in jail at Pittsburgh with a fair prospect of the penitentiary before him. -Commodore Vanderbilt died in New years. His was an eventfui, useful and eighty-five millions, and yet he started in life poor.

-The other day in Memphis, Tenn., a blue limestone paving-stone, from the Ohio Gettysburg Compiler says : "Forty years River quarties, which has been in use in ago, in digging a well on the farm of Mr. one of the principal streets for fifteen years, was broken and a live frog hopped out of a cavity in it.

cat which is in the habit of going into a the tools sinking out of sight and to a stable on cold winter nights and getting on the back of one of the cows and remaining there during the night, having discovered | two projecting rocks. The "Blue Spring," that this is an effective way to keep warm. -The Loudon World says Mr, Tilden has been fairly elected and the opposing party are trying to keep him out by fraud and force. If it succeeds there may not be war in the United States, but in Eugland a party in the majority would not submit to such an ontrage.

employ between 2,500 and 3,000 men. The them all himself, and descends into the States. Gov. Williams is a farmer and and of a majority, and the other, Packard, Guard of the State is commended in warm Williamstown colliery, five miles above this structure, carefully inspecting every por-

-A woman has made a heroine of her- THE LOST FOUND -Willing -A woman has made a nerve of a ners of he sup and (1) yphant in bank-cashier, and one night robbers enter- Henry Hart from Caroonded her residence, tied her to her bed, and has been in the vicinits en threatened to kill her if she did not tell the father of several cided them where the keys of the bank were bear the name of Henry. kept. She screamed boldly, and the rob- Henry, then six years eld, was bers fied, after zmelty beating her to in the forest between Ohphan

-Tuckolotoo or Hannah, the Esquimaux woman who, with her insband and child, Blakely township turned out was among the party separated from the the woods and fields in vain Polaris and floated for 150 days on the ice who was finally given no a floe, has just died at Groton, Conn., hav- lost. No trace of him ba ing never recovered from the effects of Another son in due seaso that trying time. She had learned to named Henry Hart, and h speak and read English fluently, and in- the place of the lost one in tended soon to join the Baptist Church.

-A six-year old boy recently shot himself at Elizabeth, New Jersey, for grief caused by a sister's death. She had been his constant companion, and his happiness in a great measure was centered in her. settle it. The Independents command the The Boston Post, in alluding to the circomstance, says the suicide "was an infant but he might be a flant. Romeo, in whose small and tender body

dwelt the passions of maturer years, but who loved without sin and died without responsibility for the fatal act that led to was told by the young his taking off.

-Michael Mulroy, a quarryman in New York, entered the house of John Kaylor, a The visit was made, and few days ago, with a number of cartridges mother entered the room of giant powder which had been frozen to- was mutual between the gether and set about thaxing them before a stove. Mulroy sat down, holding the nihilator" which dissolves the snow by su- cartridges close to it, and conversing with perheated steam. It is claimed that a two- the inmates. Suddenly six two pound horse machine will clear as much street as cartridges exploded, completely demolishing the rear of the building. Geo. Kaylor, four years old, was instantly killed, and Mrs. Kaylor and an infant were very serifashionably cut blue jeans to Governor ously injured, while Mulroy was badly Williams, of Indiana. He wore the suit burned about the body. burned about the body. --The arrest of the Dodd's express men

at Jersey City and New York, who robbed Thursday night, a boy named Oscar the Philadelphia mails to New York and Boston, has revealed the fact that about \$5,000 of checks taken from letters were

cashed in Philadelphia and New York on forged endorsements. \$30,000 of checks stolen were found in a trunk in the house of Mary Jane Collins, a New York courtesan. The thieves were experts and Mr. Dodd says the gaug had made preparations not only to rob his wagons, of which he York on Thursday morning last, aged 82 has 100, but to carry on their robberies on the trains. They had duplicate keys to successful life. His wealth is estimated at the company's cars. One wagon was recently robbed while the watchman was sifting on it.

-Speaking of "bottomless wells," the Joseph Smyser, three miles from the borough of York, while the workmen were at dinner, the bottom of the well (about 12 -A citizen of Huntington, Vt., has a feet deep) gave way and the water rose, depth never discovered. A pump was inserted, the lower end fastening between near Conewago Chapel, in this county, is also said to be "bottomless." It was many years ago sounded under the direction of one of the priests, but notwith standing the enormous length of the cord used, the plummet found no resting place. -Bennett, of the N. Y. Herald, who was

ing's supply of the much our to have been married last week, and to About nine bundred men were employed in -The Pennsylvania railroad has a sail for Europe, was cowhided by the lady's the burning mines. There are four authra-spring and fall inspection of every bridge brother, Mr. Fredrick May, for telling The story is well vouched in." on the road. The chief engineer visits some ugly stories after the match had -English papers tell of a set been broken off by her father. Bennett recently arrived from Boming subsequently challenged May to fight a his vessel during a humene terms. It is not large in numbers but very place, is the largest in the world, and pro- tion of the bridge, and every defect, where duel, and the latter accepting the parties duration by filling to met, accompanied by their respective puticturing each sligh -Governor Robinson is the first Gover. friends, at Slaughter Station, on the Marythem astern. The huge water land and Delaware State line, last Monday force at some distance, and ; ship was a large space of cain r er or not either of the parties were injured will be advantageous to the State and give it is difficult to determine from the conflict-NEW ADVERTISEME the new Governor time to carry out a policy ing reports. There is a strong probability. however, that May was wounded either in THIS PAPER IS ON FILL the arm or leg, Another sanguinary meeting between the parties is binted at. -Mrs. McDonald, a young woman, wile of a coal miner, residing at Wilkinsburg, in the first degree. One of the prisoners gave birth to quadruplets on last Thursday confessed the crime, and mentioned the evening. Since then the children have all died, the last expiring at an early hour on Saturday morning. The physician in attendance, Dr. Stottler, says they were all perfectly formed children, and almost of the same size as all newly born infants. This calls to mind the case of Mrs. W. B. Marbies, the wife of a well-known New York merchant, who on July 24, 1858, had one child born to her ; on June 30, 1859, this cause if no other ready explanation can the lady presented her husband with twins; on May 23, 1860, twins again were arvien ars. D. S. B. Jugash the gift ; on March 1, 1861, she gave birth of Mortgage Loans, St. Maul Minned to triplets, and on February 13, 1862, Mrs. \$66 a wook in your own town Mabies presented her husband with quadruplets, thus bringing into the world no 2500 A YEAR. less than twelve children in about four -Charlotte De Forest Egbert, a sister of the late Commodore Vanderbilt, died on 150 DISTINCT BO alted everywhere. Birrist Friday last, at her residence on Staten Island, of pneumonia. Mrs. Egbert was Shipments from abroad and disbursements eighty-five years and seven days old at the Also, Agenus wanted a FAMILY BIRLES, Sm time of her death, or about two years older vaults to the extent of \$28,000,000, and than her brother. She resembled the These Books beal the word POTTER & CO., Publishers rendered the expense of carcying so oner. Commodore very much in disposition and spirit, and was looked upon as a thorough \$552\$77 A Week to Astar Sa woman of business. She lived on Staten Island all her life, and occupied the house The Little Rock in which she died for the past fifty-five bird having pure white feathers from head years. Dr. Linsley spoke of the fact as and Fort S most remarkable in the annals of medical RAILWAY history that a few moments before Comnickle. The bird was as large as a robin, modore Vaoderbilt died he closed his eyes, and the lids remained shut after death. FORSA Mrs. Egbert did the same thing, closing her eyes a few moments before her death. Farming Lands, G Her eyes remained tightly closed after to suit purchasers. Six per cen ferred payments. Ten per cell. For full particulars, maps and to the state of the state of the state Rock, Arkansas. -Some of the accidents that are noticed in local newspapers are interesting for their novelty. John Shawhan, in Lebanon, Ind., accidentally wounded himself with a gun \$12 a day at home. Areals He then dropped the weapon, and a second barrel was discharged, bitting a woman 25 Extra Fine Mixed Cards. 7 post-paid. L. JONES & C who stood by. Both died. Andrew H. Shore, a coal miner in Pittston, struck a pickaxe through a thin wall of coal be-30 Mixed Cards, with name, 114 act, stamp. J. MINKLANKO tween him and a stream, and the water ran on him so fast that he was almost Men to sell to drowned. David Garvin tried to escape WANTED Men to sell a month me from a cell in a Newport police station by climbing through a hole over the door. The Best Republican Paper He fell, his feet caught, and he hung head In New York. downward until he died. George Wells, a WEEKLY COMMERCIAL AD policeman in Danville, Ky., took a revolver from a drunken prisoner, and put it cocked ONE DOLLAR PER TEAR_FIFT FUR SIX ROATES. into his pocket. It went off, and fataliy wounded him. A girl fell while skating in Milwankee, and the pointed end of a UGH J. HASTINGS, In Tu smelling bottle, worn at her belt, penetrated her body several inches. A Boston York City boy impaled himself on a cane that a man SHOKY | cared, fuel saved dropped just as his sled came along. Chimneys | sinth -Persons rescued from the railroad disals) to HENRY COLFORD, 720 Sil excellent incombustible non-conductor. aster at Ashtabula say that their sensation 25 Post paid. 1. JUNESAU when the bridge broke and the cars began to fall into the abyss, was something un-25 SANSAT CARD CO., Mason A.S. speakably horrible. The time between the crash of the bridge and their reaching the frozen water, sixty or seventy feet below, \$500 A MONTH to Actes Both Water Used, Sample seemed interminable. "We went down, which inquired into the opening of letters down, down," says one of the passengers. "and as we went excrything was as silent as the grave ; but when we had struck, a 93 Madison and 132 Deathern's \$5 to \$20 peritay at home St The narrator adds, after describing her escape, "Before we had got up the hill the SEND TAKES, IN ADAMAS 9th and Chestnul sts 7

pond after berries one af lost. Nearly every able-be the parents. A few da gentleman from Olyphan friends at Wilkesbarre. man whose resemblance similar to that of Henry B that be asked him if Hart. He said that he the Olyphant man that th Hart boy that he induced father, to go and see him thought that he was his send his mother and sin long-lost son. He recolled his early history. Fer nine a with whom he lived, and also was his father, boated on th Hudson canal, and he visible the brute of a man locked i barn, flogging him and half st times. After nine years of sar he ran away and fared butter tiemy retarned to his old h phant, and was met at the crowd of friends and well and are now three Henrys in the f are happy .-- Scranton lies A RAT STORY .- The Im. praph tells the following stor of this city has a valuable ea large quantity of mile and a igh esteem for general Ail at once the supply of smaller by degrees and until the yield was soundy a The family were greatly so as the animal was in perfect

the height of her season. that some person whose love fa came scruples for stealing way tom of the mischief, and the at night, he entered the stable was kept and relieved her of the hired man was accordingly watch for the thief and his y rewarded by a most singula Just after daylight in the n a very large rat come forth for place, and, going to where the ng, it stand on its hind feet, w naws on the cow's udder, and a month to one of her dugs, suchmilk. When it was satisfied a dent took its place, and say supply was exhausted and the fit

dled by the cunning rais un di

A'BILL passed the lower House of Con gress last week, granting a pension of \$8 a month to every soldier (as the telegraphic report has it) who served sixty days in the Mexican war, or to his surviving widow unmarried. The legislature of this State last winter, refused to do justice to the surviving veterans of the Mexican war from Pennsylvania, when it was proposed to pay each of them a bounty of \$200. A Pennsylvania legislature, however has never the time, much less the inclination, to attend to such trifling matters. This bill ought to pass the Senate, but it should be carefully guarded in its details. Not having seen its provisions, we cannot of course express an opinion as to its absolute merits. We can only therefore repeat our often expressed opinion, that the true and tried men who fought out to a successful conclusion the brief but memorable Mexican war, have not thus far received justice at the hands of their country.

THE Democrats of the secenth (New York city) Congressional district did an eminently wise and prudent thing in electing the distinguished lawyer, David Dudley Field, to Congress, to fill the vacancy caused by the election of Hon. Smith Ely, jr., the late member, to the office of Mayor of that city. It was as high a compliment as was ever paid by any political party to one who was not "bone of its bone and said on the same day to three Democratic flosh of its flesh." Mr. Field has always been identified with the Republican party. more fully advised of all the facts he would and was an enthusiastic supporter of Hayes not interfere in favor of either Packard or for the Presidency. But since the election of Governor Tilden he, like an honest man, has openly denounced the infamous means resorted to by the Republican leaders to than the sword-even with Grant. cheat Mr. Tilden out of the office to which an overwheiming majority of the people set aside the voice of the people, we are entirely mistaken in our estimate of the man and a red handed traitor to his country. and his great ability as well as his fearless independence. His brother, Judge Field, of California, who was appointed by President Lincoln as an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, and

which the notorious J. Madison Wells is

disturbance or violation of the peace on that day, everything having passed off recommends that instead of using the miliquietly and harmoniously. Gov. Nicholls tary hereafter authority shall be given the was inaugurated in front of St. Patrick's Hall, in the presence of an immense concourse of people of both colors, estimated at 15,000, among whom were the leading merchants and business men of the city. He delivered a brief, but most admirable and patriotic address. Packard had his inauguration in the State House and delivered a bloody shirt speech to his motley crowd of supporters. On the day following these events, how-

ever, great excitement prevailed throughout the city of New Orleans. Gov. Nicholls' State militia, or police force, assembled at an early hour on Tuesday morning, and without firing a shot took possession of all the station houses and the Supreme Court building, Gen. Augur, in command of the United States troops, in the meantime declaring that he would not interfere except ted by Congress for the National Capitol. to preserve the peace. Packard of course telegraphed to Grant for assistance, but he

won't need it, as Gov. Nicholis and his men under arms will never provoke or bring on a collision. Before we go to press there may be further developments, and if so we will not fail to notice them.

P. S. Up to 2 P. M. on Wednesday perfect quiet and good order prevailed in New Orleans, and Gen Augur stated that he did not anticipate any further trouble. Grant Congressmen from Lonisiana, that until Nicholis, and that the troops under Gen. Augur would only be employed to suppress violence and preserve the peace. Public opinion, like the pen, is mightier

GEN. LONGSTREET, of rebel fame, at one had chosen him. The district is strongly time appointed by Grant to the office of Democratic, and it was only necessary for Surveyor of the Port of New Orleans, the that party to nominate its candidate and same position now held by Wells, President elect him. Wiser and more prudent coun- of the Louisiana Returning Board, has sels prevailed, however, and now David gone back on Kellogg, Packard and Jim Dudley Field, as the choice of his political Casey, Grant's brother-in-law, who is the opponents, takes his seat in Congress as collector of customs at the same port, and the determined foe of the attempted Louisi. now supports the right of Gov. Nicholls to ana Returning Board fraud, or as he him- the office to which the people of Louisiana self said in a ringing speech when he accep- elected him. If all the blood of Northern ted the nomivation: "From this moment men shed on many a battle field by Gen. I stand committed to the principle that the James Longstreet could be gathered in one count of the ballots actually cast is the only vast reservoir, he, himself, as Robert Emtest of the will of the people." This is all mett told Lord Norbury, might swim in it. that any Democrat asks, and if Mr. Field Longstreet has been a special favorite of the does not make it as hot as Hades during Bepublican party since he first gave in his the two months he will remain in Congress adherence to it, but now that he has repudifor the scoundrels who have conspired to ated the villains of the Louisiana Returning Board he will once more, in Republican estimation, simply be a blood-thirsty rebel

for a long time mail bags have been stolen terrible shriek arose from the wreck. TESTIMONY is not lacking even from and signed the majority report condemu ing the Returning Board. miles off Cape May, she collided in a thick from the wagons while en route from trains Louisiana Republicans that the Returning fog with the steamer Montgomery, of and to the post-office, and letters destroyed. Board of that State is untrustworthy, for from New York for Havana, striking her The thieves are under arrest. —Gideon Lease, of Berks county, has invented what he calls "The Champion whole scene was as bright as day." Yet, Joseph Blackburn, who claims to be the just abaft the wheelhouse, cutting her -Snow drifts in Wayne county are oldest native Republican in the Guif States, down to the water and sinking her in a few who is also a Republican, has declared un- declares in his paper that the Wells and twenty-five feet deep, and the cold is inminutes. The second officer, eight of the Walking Machine.' It has four wheels though the Ashtabula fire bells and the tense. Many cattle have been buried. hesitatingly his belief that Tilden was fairly Anderson Returning Board is "a disgrace crew, and four Spanish old farmer and his two daughters were the same as a wagon, with a large central engine bells rang furiously, no attempt was **DENTENTIAL BUILDENTE** hestating in the best and is equally emphatic in his de-bunciation of the secret and therefore fraud-ulent proceedings of the Louisiana Return-ing Board. It is an old adage that "straws show which way the wind blows." An old farmer and his two daughters were show which way the wind blows." An old farmer and his two daughters were to the governmental machinery of Louisi-ana, and an outrage upon the elective fran-on fact, upon civiliza-tion itself." An old farmer and his two daughters were wheel which drives two pulleys that con-chise of any people called free, or making wheel which drives two pulleys that con-show which way the wind blows." An old farmer and his two daughters were wheel which drives two pulleys that con-chise of any people called free, or making the same as a wagon, with a large central to the governmental machinery of Louisi-ana, and an outrage upon the elective fran-ons and an outrage upon the elective fran-ting Board. It is an old adage that "straws show which way the wind blows."

ATTORNEY GENERAL LEAR has filed an ppinion with State Treasurer Rawle, with special reference to the payment of expenses incurred by the special legislative committee appointed to investigate the Readcides that all appropriations of money to legislators beyond the fixed salary of \$1,000 for each session, are unconstitutional. By this opinion the large payment of nearly \$100,000 to the last Legislature for per diem compensation after the expiration of the one hundred days was unconstitutional and the State Treasurer will hereafter refuse to pay any more than the specific salary of \$1,000 to each member, no matter how long the session may be extended. There is much criticism of Attorney General Lear for not giving a legal construction of the law to the State Treasurer last spring, when the Legislature was held together for weeks mainly by the temptation to obtain the \$10 per day.

THE steamer Seminole, of the Boston and Savannah line, which arrived in the latter city on Monday night last, reports that on the morning of the 7th, about forty

duced about 240,000 tons last year, and the famous Returning Board of that State, of proportion to its size," the Governor thinks | year before 301,000 tons. The total shipit "much superior to any other in the pro- ments from the four mines last year were chairman, and Auderson, White, and Cas- with this is the subject of lawlessness in pared with previous year. When the mines are kept in steady operation the business of this coal region amounts to from town from \$35,000 to \$40,000 are paid to ful. miders monthly.

Florida Carried by Tilden.

THE HOUSE COMMITTEE UNANIMOUS IN THE OPINION THAT THE DEMOCRATS HAD A MAJORITY--- A SAMPLE OF THE RE-TURNING BOARD'S WORK.

A special Washington dispatch to the Phila. Times, dated Jan. 8th, says that the testimony of individual members of the House Florida committee, which returned that morning, is unqualifiedly that the State cast its vote for Tilden and Hendricks. The three Democrats, Thompson, Walling and Debolt, say this in plain English. The two Republicans, Woodburn and Dunnell, are naturally more guarded in their remarks, but on the journey home Woodburn stated that he was surprised and ashamed to find such a state of affairs as existed in his party in Florida. Its methods were unrepublican and he was astonished to find members of his party using them. Dunnell said there was a great deal of fraud in the State ; that it

was not confined to the Democrats alone ; that he was ashamed of many of the officials appointed by Governor Stearns, and that they were not fit to hold office. He complains somewhat of his treatment at the hands of some of the papers, and thinks the judgment of the committee ought not to be forestalled. The testimony taken fully bear out the statement of the situation made by Senator Jones and published in your dispatches of last week, that the Returning Board, in throwing out in its second count the returns from Baker and Clay counties, committed a greater fraud than it did in its first count and stultified itself.

A SPECIMEN BRICK.

As a specimen of the evidence on which returns were thrown out one witness testified that one precinct was thrown out for intimidation. The witness was asked if he had seen any one intimidated, and he replied no. When asked how he knew there was intimidation, he said the Judges of the Circuit Court told him he had seen one man intimidated, he believed, and on that testimony the whole precinct was thrown out. The House committee has held no meeting to consider the evidence ing Railroad Company, in which he de. yet. The individual members, however, say that the only two counties where the evidence shows any warrant for the throwing out of the returns are Jackson and Jefferson. In these two counties the weight of evidence is about even as to whether they should be thrown out or counted. One of these counties gave four hundred and odd Democratic votes, the other three hundred Repuplican votes. The evidence is as strong for the Democrats in one county as it is for the Republicans in the other ; but if both are thrown out it still gives the State to Tilden and Hendricks, Chairman Thompson will probably confine his report to a plain unvarnished statement of the facts. If he does not make a partisan report, as he almost certainly will not, it's more than prob-

able that the report will be signed by all the members of the committee. Woodburn is almost sure to sign it. He was a member of the Louisiana committee of 1874,

one exists, is at once thoroughly remedied. nor of New York elected to serve for three 390,000 tons-a decrease of 132,000 as com- years. The term of his predecessor was afternoon, and exchanged shots, but whethtwo years. This enlarged term of office \$1,500,000 to \$2,000,000, annualty. In this of administration which ought to be use-

> -Five negroes, who killed two respectable Germans near Aiken, S. C., in November last, have been found guilty of murder names of prominent citizens whom the gang to which he belonged intended to nunder.

- Miss Lutz, a young lady in the bloom of health and life, aged 18, fell instantly dead in the street at Hyde Park, Luzerne county, on Wednesday last. Her death was said to be the result of heart disease. All sudden deaths are now attributed to be given.

-Senator Wallace has distinguished himself by an able and comprehensive review of the questions involved in the electoral contest. His speech in the Senate on Monday bears evidence of a thorough acquaintance with the subject and is years. strengthened by fresh legal points and precedents.

-On Saturday gold sold down to 1051, which is the lowest point in several years. ou government account have loaded bank ous that the operators on the bull side are chary of touching it.

-Jane Thomas, living near Reading, during this cold spell of weather caught a to tail, there being but two spots of black, one on each wing, the size of a five cent and nearly frozen when captured. It is a stranger in these parts.

-The ruins of the oldest settlement on the upper James river were discovered a few days ago on the upper Falls Plantation | death. by a Manchester (Va.) antiquary. They are supposed to be the remains of an old stone house or fort which was erected by Colonel Thomas Stagg, near the Three Islands, in the year 1663.

-It appears to be the opinion of railroad men that the terrible disasterat Ashtabula on the Lake Shore railroad was caused by the second locomotive jumping the track. The train, owing to the storm, it will be remembered, was pulled by two engines. If this be the case it sufficiently accounts for the destruction of the bridge.

-This is Colorado's best cat story : A cat had alternately lived in three families in a neighborhood. She had four kittens, and, as soon as they were able to take care of themselves, she carried one to each of her two former residences and left it, retaining two with herself. She desired, it seems, to secure good homes for her progeny.

-- The Pittsburg Commercial says that one of the most important uses to which furnace slag has yet been put is the manufacture of mineral wool, which is a most The product is manufactured by blowing steam through liquid slag, and its great value as a non-conductor has been abundantly demonstrated.

-Although nothing of importance was discovered by the investigation committee in the New York post office, as alleged by Hewitt, it has since been ascertained that