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Boston, Feb. 28.-General Paine, owner of the champion yacht Mayflower, has announced that the famous sloop has been placed in charge of her designer, Mr. Burgess, and that she will sail for England the coming summer to race for the Queen's cup which has been held since 1859 by the Eng-

lish cutter Arrow. This cup was first contested for in the above named year and won by the Arrow, the America, which had won the America's cup the year before, being two minutes behind her. The course was from Cowes around the Isle of Wight and return. The Arrow has held the cup unchallenged since that time. The English racing rules were so unfair that an American yacht had no chance to win except with a screw propeller.

Great tax was placed on beam and the American yachts, if they had raced, would be so badly handicapped in time allowance that the chances of winning would have proved small indeed. By the 1830 English racing rule, which was lately rescinded, the Mayflower would have hard work to beat a sixty tonner. At a meeting of the English Yacht Racing association a new rule was adopted to stand seven years. It does away with the great tax on beam and taxes length and sall area more, and under the change American yachts have now a much better chance, although the new rule still favors yachts of the English type. The Mayflower will sail for England early in June.

Peace at St. Stephen's Church.

NEW YORK, Feb. 28 .- Services at St. Stephen's church Sunday were conducted with as much regularity and smoothness as though there was not a committee of thirty-five pledged to reinstate Dr. McGlynn. By direction of Father Colton, diagrams showing the position of seats and pews for rental in the church were handed to worshippers as they entered the church. The position of the 300 free pews announced by Father Colton soon after he was appointed to the head of the parish were also shown. The highest priced pews are directly front of the altar, and the rental is \$100 or \$12 a year for a seat. This is less than half the rental formerly charged. Other reductions have been in proportion. The collections taken were more by parishioners than by residents in other parishes as heretofore.

Wages of Chicago Printers.

CHICAGO, Feb. 28 .- A committee of the Chicago daily Newspaper association and a committee of the Typographical union have held a conference, and agreed on a new scale of wages. Compositors will henceforth receive 46 cents per 1,000 "ems" on morning newsp pers, and 41 cents on evening papers. Advertisements will be set by the week. No change was made in the hours. The agreement will remain in force five years, begining March 5. Changes in the agreement can be made only on thirty day's previous' notice, and all difficulties are to be settled by a joint committee composed of two members of the Newspaper association and Typographical union, which, if unable to agree, will select an arbiter, whose decision shall be final and binding upon all parties.

Fitzhugh Lee's Ambition.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Feb. 28 .- At the time Governor Fitzhugh Lee, of Virginia, made his visit to this city no particular significance was supposed to attach to the trip, but it has since been learned to the leading ocratic politicians it meant much more

nation for vice-president in 1888, and that

while dining with Messrs. Kelly and Doran

in St. Paul, he made overtures for Minne

sota's delegates in the next national conven

tion, and will get them if "me and Mike"

Sporting Notes.

Philadelphia is overrun with fourth rate

Ed Andrews will leave Jacksonville, Fla.

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Latest betting on the English Two Thou-sand Guinea race is 20 to 1 against Egla-more and 100 to 6 against Timothy for the

The National Rod and Reel association will hold its annual fly casting tournament at Central park on May 2, and 26. Already several of the contestants have commenced their practice.

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ABOUT PATENTS.

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How the United States Patent Office is Managed and Whence Inventions Come -- Cranky Originators of Cranky Devices.

In the matter of ingenuity the American people lead the world, writes a correspondent of the New York Herald. More applications for patents are received and more granted at the Patent Office in this city than in any other two countries of Europe. Great Britain comes next on the list, France third, and Germany fourth. It was not until 1836 that the Patent Office was organized as a separate bureau with a commissioner and suitable assistants for the proper discharge of its duties. It is rather a singular fact that during that year only 1 application for a patent was filed. The next year the number increased to 106. The increase has steadily grown, until in 1886 21,797 applicatione were filed. The whole number of patents granted since 1836 is, in round numbers, 355,000. The applications for patents are regarded as a good index of the general business. prosperity of the country. When times are dull inventors realize that capital is slow to risk the success of their experiments. On the other hand, when money is plentiful it is a poor inventor who can not find some one willing, at least, to pay the legal expenses necessary to the taking out of his patent. It may be said en passant, if this theory of the Patent Office officials holds good, that the country was never in a more prosperous condition, inasmuch as the number of applications in 1886 exceeded by several thousand those of any preceding year.

More patents have been granted to the citizens of New York than to those of any other State. Upon this hypothesis Pennsylvania takes the second place, and according to the same reasoning Illinois or Ohio should come next, but the truth is that Massachusetts holds the third place, with Illinois fourth and Ohio fifth. The character of the application usually denotes the locality from which it proceeds. For example, applications showing the inventor to be a man of high scientific education mainly come from New York, Massachusetts or Connecticut. Improvements in cotton and sugar machinery are the work almost entirely of Southern inventors. The development of inventive genius in the South has been remarkable during the past decade. This is especially so in Georgia and Texas, the two most progressive States south of Mason and Dixon's line. The applications from the South, as recently as 1872, were only a fraction of those filed from the North. About 1875 a change was noted, and the increase since then has been rela-tively as great as that of the No .nern Btates.

Inventions are the natural sequence to a demand in that direction. When the telephone was patented, for instance, men began turning their attention to subordinate devices necessary to make the telephonic system complete. In this particular branch more than one thousand applications have already been received. It is so with railway accidents. The effect of the horror near Tiffin, O., has been to deluge the office with dozens of applications for heating and lighting railway carriages different from that at present employed. Within three months after the great Milwaukee hotel fire, a few years ago, more than a hundred applications for fire-escapes were filed. Even the Charleston earthquake had the effect of stimulating half a dozen inventions for detecting the approach of such disasters.

die of an ailment, the nature of which puzzled the local authorities on horseflesh to diagnose. Various remedies were tried without producing the desired effect or reducing the average weekly losses. At last it was suggested that the owner

of the afflicted stock send to Kaskaskia for a witch-doctor, a man of reputation for driving out evil spirits. Accordingly the witch-doctor was summoned, and upon his arrival he begun a series of mysterious ceremonies and incantations over the herd, while the people looked on in awe and wonder The result of the doctor's investigations

confirmed their worst suspicions-it was, indeed, a witch, which the occult professor located in the body of a yearling colt. This animal, the doctor declared, must be burned between heaven and earth, in order to drive the witch away. In obedience money refunded. Price 25 cents per to his instructions. two posts were firmly in the ground, and a pole fitted from top to top of the posts. The yearling-colt was fastened with chains to the cross-pole, at a convenient distance from the earth. A great

pile of fagots were heaped about beneath the unfortunate colt, and it died the death of a martyr, the victim of man's ignorance and superstition. It was but a short time after this event until an early thaw and continuous warm weather brought up the grass, which was an infallible remedy for the herd's complaint-starvation-and they rapidly gained in health. The witchdoctor's reputation did not suffer from this providential occurrence. On the conmarry, in macreo saurels to his lama.

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Parents who lie awake nights worrying about their daughters and their daughters' best young men will thank The Judge for a kind suggestion. An ingenious con trivance connects the parlor clock with a "God Bless Our Home" motto on the wall. The machine is set so that at eleven o'clock the motto unfolds and this legend appears: "Gas out and dog unchained at five minutes past eleven. Good night !" At the same time a lever connected with the clock pounds vigorously and repeatedly on a gong.

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Buffaloes Practically Frinct.

The once numerous and characteristic buffalo race has practically ceased to exist in the United States. It is now almost im possible to procure specimens of this class of animals for preservation in the National Museum. To secure such speci-mens, Prof. Baird sent an expedition West last summer for that purpose, and it was with great difficulty that one buffaio bull was killed. There are supposed to be still a few small and rambling herds in Northern Dakota, well up toward the British possessions, but, with this unimportant exception, the story of the buffalo is ended.

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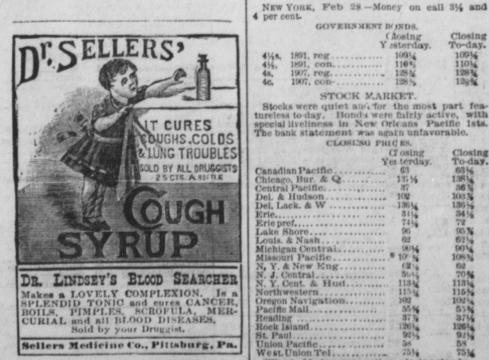
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Thomas A. Edison, of New York, has the than an apparenty innocent pleasure jourhonor of receiving more patents than any ney. In fact the statement is now made that Governor Lee wants the democratic nomi

other American, past or present. It would require a volume to enumerate the different applications for patents made by the crank element. While their applications cover every variety of subjects, the most alluring field for them is that of aerial navigation. A few years ago Fred-erick Anderson, an Englishman residing at Southampton, sent to the office here drawings for a flying-machine upon which he desired a patent. A few weeks later he appeared at the office in person and of-The Brooklyn Jockey club is increasing its stabling to 450 boxes. fered to demonstrate to the officials the The annual regatta of the New York Yacht club will take place June 9. utility of his invention. The machine was carried to the top of the building. The in-Enterprise has been heavily backed for the Two Thousand Guineas and Derby. The proposed glove fight between Domi-nick McCaffrey and Jack Demesey seems to ventor was asked how far it would fly. He replie' that it ought to, even in its crude shape, sail as far as the Smithsonian Institution, a distance of half a mile. All the arrangements were carefully made, and the machine started adrift. It fell to the latter part of next week to report to the Philadelphia club. the ground like a shot. The spectators guyed the luckless inventor so freely that Jersey Kennel club, which will be held at Newark on March 25 and 26, promises to be

he withdrew to the hotel, and there, in fit of despondency, blew out his brains.

Mr. Charles Kintoer, chief of the elec trical division, speaking about the crank inventions that, by reason of their character, are assigned to his class, said: "I remember a few years ago an application was filed for curing nerve affections. It consisted of a capper wire earthed at both ends and carried over the bed of the patient in a north and south direction that was all. Of course it was refused for lack of utility; whoseupon the appli cant produced the affidavits of at least a dozen neighbors to prove that his wife was benefitted and restored to health by the use of the simple and alleged effective device. It is needless to say that the patent was refused.

"Another instance I recall is the small, battery adapted to be worn about the neck by the patient. It was about two inches in diameter and had no excitant. It was refused as being inoperative. The applicant not to be daunted, was cunning enough to place upon the exterior surface a design and to take a design patent therefor. In this way he accomplished his end by getting the seal of the Patent Office. I have seen a printed book of over two thousand testimonials from persons benefited by this alleged great electrical curative.

"In another instance an applicant de vised an apparatus for generating steam in locomotive boilers without the use of wood or coal. He first generated steam in the usual manner, then caused this steam to actuate a local engine and from it a dynamo, which generated electricity This electricity, in turn, actuated an elec-tric heater under the boiler, so that after having once started his locomotive, of course, no more fuel was necessary. It was, of course, a clear case of perpetual motion. He was asked to furnish a working model. This was two years ago, but the model has not yet been received."

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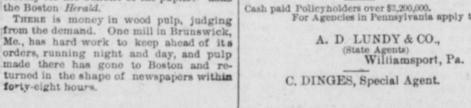
How a Kaskaskia Witch-Doctor Estab.

Members of historical societies and persons who are interested in preserving the memory of quaint incidents of pioneer life in Southern Illinois will find in the following story, by a Chester (III.) correspond-ent of the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, an apt illustration of the superstitious practices in vogue no longer ago than 1830;

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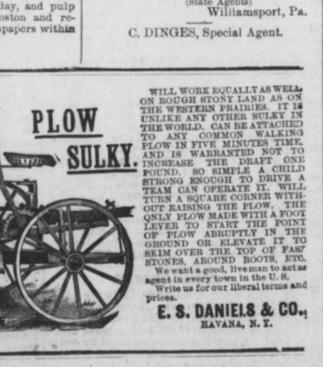
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