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Mr. Heaphy's Ghost.
The interesting ghost story, of which the INTELLIGENCER begins publication to-day, had its run in England many years ago, and it attracted the special attention of the late Mr. Charles Dickens and other literary and scientific gentlemen interested in the observation and study of such phenomena. It has not been surpassed in interest by any later well-authenticated narrative of like character, nor have the earlier writers of responsibility given us any more remarkable ghost story than this of Mr. Heaphy.

The account which we will print in successive numbers is that which was given by the gentleman in whose experience the incidents occurred; he was an artist of standing and a gentleman of unquestioned credibility; and his story was printed mainly in correction of distorted versions of the affair that had crept into the periodicals.

Those who follow it to the end will be ready to acknowledge that "there are more things in heaven and earth than are dreamed of in our philosophy."

Hunt the Rascals Down.
The prospect of the recovery of Mr. Linville, victim of the Salisbury outrage, does not in any way mitigate the offense of his assailants nor diminish the responsibility resting upon the authorities to hunt them down.

It was due to no mercy on the part of these midnight marauders that his life may be spared; and while the more fortunate sequel of the tragedy, now reasonably hoped for, will abate public excitement, it does not weaken the obligation of the officers of the law.

They must vindicate justice by hunting the rascals down.

So Harlan will only get a reprimand. **GOVERNOR MCLANE'S** appointment to be minister to France causes a somewhat curious complication regarding the executive head of the state. Under the Maryland constitution in case of the death or resignation of the governor, or his removal from the state or other disqualification, the legislature fills the vacancy, if in session. If that body is not in session the president of the senate declares the duties of the governor until an election by the legislature. Henry Lloyd, president of the senate, by this law becomes acting governor. But his term as senator expires November 3, 1888, while the legislature does not meet until January 6, 1889. The question arises whether his gubernatorial powers do not expire with his senatorial term. Certainly he could not have become governor without being a senator, and the point is a very nice one whether it is not absolutely necessary for the senatorial and gubernatorial powers to be co-existent in him to make a legal chief executive. To cut the Gordian knot of the government until an election by the legislature, Henry Lloyd, president of the senate, by this law becomes acting governor. But his term as senator expires November 3, 1888, while the legislature does not meet until January 6, 1889. The question arises whether his gubernatorial powers do not expire with his senatorial term. Certainly he could not have become governor without being a senator, and the point is a very nice one whether it is not absolutely necessary for the senatorial and gubernatorial powers to be co-existent in him to make a legal chief executive.

BISMARCK is a hard man to beat. His enemies refuse him a simple favor and now the people are piling up funds to give him a handsome birthday present.

The curious anomaly is presented in Great Britain of an English baron, Ferdinand de Rothschild, advising unemployed British workmen to emigrate to the British possessions beyond the seas. Just across the Irish sea Parnell is doing all in his power to restrict emigration. It is an admission of weakness when the mother country feels called upon to tell her children that they must seek a new domicile for the reason that they are crowded out of their old quarters. The suggestion to go to British possessions elsewhere will not strike very deep, as there is no assurance that the same conditions will not again arise. It is little wonder that so many Englishmen seek a refuge in this country from their overcrowded native soil.

SOME Republicans are wondering where all this good official material is coming from; to these it may be said that the woods are full of the best of the same kind of timber.

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Foreign Issue.
Regarding the New York postoffice, the usually well-informed New York correspondent of the Ledger says that "it is not straining a point to assert that the entire body of Independents who voted for Mr. Cleveland in this city and Brooklyn are watching his action as an event which is to determine whether they will continue their adherence to him as a civil service reformer, or whether they will have to cut loose from him and see what virtue there is in the formation of a new (third) party on an independent basis, and with no candidates in future that are not of their own creation. This is the view of such influential men as Mayor Low and Rev. Mr. Tiescher, in the city over the river, and Mr. Carl Schurz, Assistant Treasurer Acton, and such of the Republican journals as last autumn worked against the election of Mr. Blaine."

We can hardly believe this to be a true statement of the case. It would be highly discreditable to the Independent Republicans named if it were correct. There is no principle of "civil service reform," thus far developed that imperatively calls for the appointment of Postmaster Pearson when his term expires. He was selected by the late President Garfield for political reasons, at a time when, as has been shown, that functionary was engaged in very low intrigue and double dealing regarding the New York appointments. He has served his time and discharged the duties of his position without discredit or special distinction, and now at the end of his mission he stands on a footing with hundreds of other citizens of New York any of whom would make just as good a postmaster and many of them a better. Upon what principle is the president bound to reappoint him that would not have constrained him to keep Arthur's old cabinet? To let a man serve out a term is one thing; to distinguish him beyond all others by reappointing him is quite a different matter.

It has not yet been established as a principle in this country, and we believe that it is not even seriously maintained by the professional reformers of the civil service, that a man who happens to be in office is to stay there. The president is just as free now to pick the fittest man for postmaster of New York, as if any other man than Mr. Pearson held the office.

He may reappoint him. We think he will not. But if he does, it will be because he is convinced that he is fitter than any Democrat in New York for the place. He has not demonstrated this. Experience in an office sometimes commends a man for retention; sometimes it affords good reasons to put him out; sometimes it is no argument one way or another.

We discredit the reported attitude of the Independents on this matter. If it be as stated, they are taking the very course to defeat their purpose. The president has shown that he is not to be bullied nor bullied by members of his own party; he will not likely stand in the people on this fence. If he make Pearson's reappointment a condition of their support he will better off without it. No president in Mr. Cleveland's position can afford to be thus coerced; and he is the last man to be intimidated.

A Reform Defeated.
The Democrats in the New York legislature have made an earnest effort to change the time of the municipal elections in New York city from fall to spring, so that their result will depend upon an honest expression of the popular will, and not upon the deals and intrigues which grow out of the circumstance that the general and local elections occur on the same day.

It is a notorious fact that most of the New York politicians of all parties are more interested in the fat pickings of city politics than in the far larger issues of the federal contests. And yet the votes which they control determine the greater events and rule the country. It is an open secret now that the expenditure of \$70,000 in certain quarters of New York by the Republicans and the failure of that amount to be forthcoming from the Democrats in 1888, was the great moral lever that elected Garfield and defeated Hancock.

The plots and counter-plots and cross purposes of the New York city tricksters and traders are not understood by the countrymen whose destinies they control, and they ought to be taken out of the fights in which we are interested. It is to the credit of the Democrats that they tried to have this done. It was the Republicans of the New York Senate who have frustrated a reform that would have been hailed with joy from Winnipeg to Tampa bay.

Must Fill the Vacancy.
The post directors, of whose number one has absconded from the county, are expected to be of the mind that they need not fill the vacancy; and they justify their proposed failure to do so on the ground that the county will thereby save the compensation that would have to be paid any one elected to the vacancy.

This may be true, but their position is not in accord with the law which they have sworn to obey and are bound to fulfill. The mandate is that when any one of their number shall neglect to perform the duties of his office the remaining members "shall" fill his place by an election. The county is entitled to the judgment of six men in that regard; and now that it is a nat-

Monitors Differ From the Supreme Court.
The general sentiment among intelligent Mormons regarding the decision of the United States supreme court in the election cases, in which the Utah commissioners are respondents, is one of disappointment. While the test oath prescribed by the commission in declared invalid, the Mormons say the court went out of its way to practically declare the Edmunds act valid, when the point was not necessarily before it. The ruling that inhabitants of the territories are under the sovereign control of Congress is viewed with amazement and regret, and is generally considered as a position more opposed to a Republican form of government than any ever given since the nation was founded. The Mormons feel that they are being unjustly dealt with.

Monks to be Consecrated as Vicar Apostolic.
Monasteries, Glorieux, who, previous to the meeting of the plenary council, was appointed by the Pope vicar apostolic of Idaho, and who has been waiting in Baltimore ever since for the reception of his bulls has received word that they are on the way, and will be consecrated in the cathedral there by Archbishop Gibbons on the second Sunday after Easter.

Joe Goss, the Famous Pugilist Dead.
Joe Goss, the famous pugilist, died in Boston at one o'clock Tuesday morning of Bright's disease. He passed away very easily, having been unwell since eight o'clock Monday morning. His wife, a few relatives, and some friends were present at the last. Goss was born in England, and after fighting when thirteen years old. After many fights in his native land, he came to this country, and fought Tom Allen, the latter being awarded the battle on a foul. His last fight was with Paddy Ryan in 1888, Ryan winning.

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