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Reducing the Surplus.

in the discussion and determination of the urplus question by the House of Repre-entatives. That such a question should ave been brought into the House at se rously to a conclusion was only one of e peculiar features of the case. The adtration of the treasury department. and presumably the president himself, were dly against Mr. Morrison's proposiion. In common with the heavy banking ests of the East they feel apprehenlieve it will weaken public confince, derange business stability and ue in the payment of government obligations with silver that ought to be met national banks will be pressed hard by the too rapid calls of bonds for redemption. Mr. Hewitt voiced the opposition to the ure; he was supported by Mr. Hiscock, of his own state of New York, the ublican leader in the House; and by Mr. McKin'sy, of Ohio, who used the ocoff to make all the party capital he could, out of the division in the ranks of the Democracy and the attitude of the

This consideration did not seem to deter the Democratic leaders in the House from ranging themselves almost as a body for supported Mr. Morrison; and with the extion of Mr. Hewitt, Mr. Belmont and Mr. Findlay there were no conspicuous Democrats in the opposition; and Butterworth, Reed and Hiscock, of the Republican leadership, were able to rally compara

reason in the resolution, though it is a new state of things for the House to interfere so directly in matters of executive admin istration and department discretion; and if the bill should pass the Senate, and be vetoed by the president, as is anticipated. a novel political situation will ensue. If the money is in the treasury far in excess of the needs of a safe reserve, and the gove ernment is paying interest on its obligations, it seems to be a safe and simple business proposition that the surplus be applied to the redemption of the bonds. We have never sympathized with the rapid extraction of the national debt, nor taken it as a sure sign of national prosperity. The present generation has quite paid its share of this burden, and the requirements of the sinking fund are all that are needed to be met by a solid financial system. Taxation should be reduced to prevent the accumulation of a surplus that requires its application to such purposes. An ample reserve for the payment of the greenbacks, for the stability of our financial system and to meet any sudden emergency arising from shrinkage of receipts or increase of expenses, is unquestionably the part of wisdom but it is difficult to convince the public mind that there is any just excuse for the accumulation of an enormous surplus in the treasury vaults, simply to have it there.

ulous; notably that of Mr. Morrison, that els of trade or set them going faster.

stantly foretold. In fact, more and more ation really plays in affecting the material uch real consequence whether the govnt has its \$100,000,000 in one form or other; except possibly to the people who are now getting three per cent. interest on

MRS. W. CLARKE, the oldest resident of Oswego county, N. Y., and, it is thought, of the state, died on Tuesday. Her reputed age was one hundred and fourteen years. ir bonds and who will have to find other investment when they are called.

MAXWELL, the murderer of Prelier, who is to be hanged in St. Louis on August 27, has not entirely lost hope, he says, for he still has two chances of escape—by appeal to the state supreme court and the United States supreme court.

Miss Cleveland writes on taking charge of Literary Life, Chicago: "I mean to rather address myself in this first number to my countrywomen and my literary country women and make my talk very simple and earnest and sincere. I shall ignore the great critics altogether." It would be well if the critics were equally kind.

The COMPE AND COMPESSES D. C. the government's and not that of THE COMTE AND CONTESSE DE PARIS both

had and have strong family instincts. He took after his mother in his love for study, and she after the Bourtoons of Spain and Naples in her love of hunting and shooting. She showed herself equal to breaking skiftish colts, to driving four-in hand, or so tiring out three or four horses at a chase. She dressed in a neat masculine style, were stand-up collars, soft felt hats without feathers, and preferred water proofs to luxurious mantles ferred water proofs to luxurious mantles when driving her team of ponies in bad

BISHOP TUTTLE, whom I remember as a bright-eyed boy, was once journeying on horseback over accordurey road when he met a settler whose heavily loaded team was shipwrecked in the mud. In a minute he shipwrecked in the mud. In a minute he was off his horse, had put his stout shoulder to the half-burled wheel, and sent the horses on their way rejoicing. The gratined owner of the establishment tooked at his black-coated rescuer curtously and said: "Who be you, anyhow?" "I'm a bishop of the church," said "Dan," the prelate, once more his dignified self. "Wa al," replied the native, "I don't know what a bishop be, but I know you're a d——d good tellow. Let's have somethin' out of the bottle."—Correspondence Philadelphia Record. dence Philadelphia Record.

PRESIDENT TYLER one day loked Mr. Wise about his little one-horse carriage, which the president styled "a candle-box on wheels," to which the representative from he Accomac district retorted by telling Mr. Tyler that he had been riding for a month in a second-hand carriage purchased at the sale of the effects of Mr. Paulding, the secretary of the navy under Mr. Van Buren, and having the Paulding coat of arms emblazoned on the door panels. The president laughed at the sally, and gave orders to have the armo-rial bearings of the Pauldings painted over. Economy also prompted the purchase of some partly worn suits of livery at the sale of the effects of a toreign minister, and these were afterward worn by the colored waiters at state dinners.

THE TWO WONDERLANDS.

Thoughts Prompted by the Recent Volcanie Eruptions in New Zealand.

From the New York Tribune. The Southern Wonderland is situated in New Zealand, where the late tremendous convulsions have occurred. The Northern Wonder land is our own Yellowstone National park The likenesses between these far separated regions consist chiefly in the survival, at both places of volcanic and geyserite activities of a variety and extent to be found nowhere else on the clobe. It has been believed by most modern geologists that the remarkable phenomena reterred to are only, so to speak, the dying efforts of natural forces which in geologically recent times produced the most prodigious physical changes. The recent cat-aclysmal outbreak in New Zealand seems to indicate that the decline of power in these natural forces may be prematurely assumed; or that there still remains enough deep-scal-ed heat to create profound disturbances if sudden chemical procuses are set up, as by the irruption of a great body of cold water. The resemblance in the phenomena of the Southern and Northern Wonderlands naturally suggests the inquiry whether any such convulsion as New Zealand has just experi enced is liable to occur in the Yellowstone park.

The presumption is against such a contin

gency. Although the National park abounds with palpable evidences of the activity of vol-canic forces the general formation of the canic forces the general formation of the region does not support the view that they are very formidable or extensive. Time was when the highest peaks of the Yellowstone valley were under water. Later, enormous icebergs floated in the deep basin, carrying their deposits to trace them by subsequently. Claciers eroded the hills and scooped out the gorges. During the high water period subaqueous volcances formed fissures in the bottom masses of igneous rocks. Upon them bottom masses of igneous rocks. Upon them sedimentary deposits were superposed. When the waters drained off the volcanic and geyserite activity continued, and perhaps for geyscrite activity continued, and perhaps for a time increased. In the Yellowstone park there are hills many hundreds of feet in height which have been formed entirely by geyscrite deposits. These may indicate the age of the hot springs, or they may show that their activity was for-merly much greater than now. There is, however, abundant evidence of the presence of numerous thickness of tractytic and of numerous thickness of trachytic and granitic rocks in the immediate vicinity grantic rocks in the immediate vicinity of the greatest volcanic activity, and the pre-sumption must be that for the most part the origin of the latter is deep-scated. No doubt if any considerable body of water could make its way to the central seat of the fires, a great disturbance of the surface would be liable to result, but as there is no larger body of water in the neighborhood (Vellowstone f water in the neighborhood (Yellowstone Lake not answering to that description), the probability of such an occurrence may be

The fact that the National park embraces including the sources of the Missouri on the one hand and those of the Columbia on the other, lends additional interest to speculations of this kind. We may amuse ourselves by or this kind. We may amuse ourselves by wondering what effect, if any, upon these great rivers or their tributaries, such a shaking up of the Yellowstone basin as the North Island of New Zealand has just sustained, would, could or might produce. Of course, the probability is that nothing of the kind will take place. In New Zealand, though the same theory of declining forces was applied to the evidence of volcanic activity, the proximity of the sea on either hand furnished an element of danger hand furnished an element of danger which does not exist in the National park. Still the obvious connection between gey-serite action and surface water, whether streams or lakes, is so direct that, considering now much surface water there is in the Yel lowstone park, it may be thought that the materials for a very pretty disturbance exist there. Judging from the past, however, the prevailing geological conclusion may be trusted, and the traveler may visit the North-Judging from the past, however, the ern Wonderland, and see there ten thousand geysers and hot and mud springs, and the ost exquisitely beautiful calcareous and silicious deposits, and the most inconceivable vagaries of nature in the line of geological formations, without troubling himself about the bare chance that the subterranean force

WASHINGTON'S DEAD BEATS.

in the Capital ington. I have lost nearly all of my confi dence in human nature. I shall avoid that place as much as possible in the future." The speaker was the agent of a large manufacturing house in this city, and whenever the tariff tinkers get to work in Congress he is sent to Washington to look after the interests of his firm.

"I have had considerable experience in "I have nad considerable experience in Washington," he continued, "but my last trip beats anything I have ever seen. I did not know that there were so many tramps and dead beats in the country. I had scarcely linished registering at Willard's when a man in the last stages of intoxication rolled up against me and claimed my acquaintance. against me and claimed my acquaintance. He was so changed that i did not at first recognize him. His face was bloated, his eyes blood-shot, his clothing dirty and everything about him stamped him as a drunken sot. recognized him as a man I had met a fer recognized him as a man I had met a few years ago—a young man of promise then, but with too great a fondness for Washington whisky and gambling. I gave him a dollar and hurried up stairs to my room. I had been there half an hour when there was a knock on my door, and in response to my summons a decently dressed man walked in. I did not know him from Adam. He aredo. did not follow my lifet implicing a few per-out of the room. After making a few per-functory inquiries about affairs in New York,

begin conversation at the slightest provocation. They have many ingenious ways, and have reduced the art of deadbeatism down to a science. They could give the most experienced bunco man points if I was asked once I was asked fifty times for a temporary loan, and what's more re-markable, none of the amounts requested, with the exception toted, exceeded \$1, What makes these Washington dead beats more dangerous is their frequent disguises. Their former position in many cases gives them a sort of hold on members and senators and they are received in places where the professional swindler would not dare show his face. Senator Smith may introduce you to one of these persons without thinking o or really knowing his true character, and be tore you have been in conversation long he will strike you for a loan. His story is always plausible, and meeting him as you do you generally come down. I have paid for my

English Prenxes to Foreign Names. From the Gentleman's Magazine.
Our language is nothing if not irregular and receptive. It takes words from all quar ters and incorporates them into itself with a result which is in most cases most beneficial. I have recently joined in the protest attered by Mr. F. Harrison against those who would stultity and degrade it by mixing with written and spoken English every form of foreign orthography so far as regards proper names. I venure to append to this a second protest against the matter in which we speak of living foreigners. In this as in other matters the French are logical. If I visit Paris I am introduced by the Frenchman to his friends as "Monsieur Urban." A Swiss, a Spaniard, a Turk, a Russian, an Asiatic, a negro even, is similarly treated. Monsieur is the generic term of courteous address or description. With our assumed cosmopolitanism we try to be polygiot, and we give a man, when possible, the pretix common in his nation. It is ten and spoken English every form of foreign "Senor D." This is all very well so far as it "Senor D." This is all very well so far as it goes: but all languages, even in their alphabets, are not known to us. In the case of a Dutchman a few may be able to say Mynheer. How about a Dane, however, a Pole, a Servian, a Russ, a Turk? With a ridiculous assumption of geographical knowledge, the residents on the banks of the Danube are probably classified as German. With the Russ, or the Turk, or the Greek, we are, however, absolutely at fault, and we probably fail back, not upon our own language, but upon the To us the foreigner who the hardle is monsieur. It would surely be more convenient, more expedient, easier, and less pedantic to call every stranger Mr., as we call ourselves. I am not very sanguine that this plan will be adopted, but I am at

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party in the House against its president. the proposition. Mr. Randall vigorously

tively few of their followers to their side. Upon general principle, there seems to be

There is a prevailing prejudice against this; and we do not wonder at the popularity of the proposition in the popular branch of the federal Congress. Upon the other hand some of the arguments adduced for the measure were ridic-

the diffusion of this money would work business relief and secure better times, There is nothing in his idea that the exchange of bonds by their holders for the money in the treasury will promote its circulation among the people and unlock the That is a siip-shod and superficial view. In fact the country has learned to take with great discount the predictions of congressional alarmists upon financial questions. It was threatened when specie payment was to be resumed that great business distress would follow. It did not. The continuance of silver coinage was to result in untold evils that have not come; and if it were stopped no such ills would result as its friends insist. The protective tariff is charged with all manner of wrongs that really do not attach to it, and all sorts of benefits are claimed for it with which it has no relation. To the delay of its revision are ascribed consequences that do not be long to it; and from a radical revision of it no such injuries would result as are conwe have come to see how little a part legisand fiscal interests of the country; and that congressional flats neither make nor un-make values. We doubt whether it is of

Easily Understood. he president has addressed an order t ads of departments in the federal wice, about improper political work, as the meaning of which there need be no standing. He warns them very perly "against the use of their official tions in attempts to control political respects in their localities." He re-

the politicians or the party; and he expressly tells them "they have no right, as olders, to dictate the political action of their party associates or to throttle freedom of action within party lines by methods and practices which pervert every useful and justifiable purpose of party organization. The influence of federal office holders should not be felt in the manipulation of political primary meetings and nominating conventions. The use by these

officials of their positions to compass their selection as delegates to political conventions is indecent and unfair, and proper regard for the proprieties and requirements of official place will also prevent their assuming the active conduct of political campaigns. Individual interest and activity in political affairs are by no means condemned. Officeholders are neither disfranchised nor forbidden the exercise of political privileges, but their privileges are not enlarged nor is their duty to party increased to pernicious activity by office-

holding." There is nothing in this timely warning against the abuse of official position to interfere with the free rights of independent citizenship, which the voter does not surrender by accepting or exercising a public position. He can, if he is intelligent enough to discharge the duties of his place. easily discriminate between the proper exercise of his political privileges and the abuse of his office. They are entirely separate. Republican office-holders mixed them : Democrats are expected to not do

MISS CLEVELAND thinks that a new edi-

torial broom ought to sweep very clean. Nor often is this compliment given to legidative representatives: The Democrats of Orange and King George counties, Va., have elected congressional delegates unanimously n favor of the renomination of the Hon, John S. Barbour, despite his published declination

just before his departure for Europe. Louis ETIEJE FELICITE SALOMON has been re-elected president of Hayti. This is

what it is to have a polysyllabic name. THE New Orleans States has not much faith in the project of the University of Pennsylvania in establishing a department of journalism. The paper says it should put some old crabid newspaper editor at the head of it who will tell the students that they write "slop," and sit down on their rhetorical flights, and send them out at 3 o'clock in the morning to interview a man who is not in town, and raise the roof because they did no find him, and thus will the aspiring youth form some idea what the newspaper business is, and stay out of it. In this way the university can accomplish some good ; but if it seriously sets to work to make newspaper men out of raw material and send them unmuzzled on the world as editors and re-

porters, the result will be disastrous and DYNAMITE miscreants must now beware A new extradition treaty between England and the United States provides for their sur

A LITTLE thing like a killing does not cause much fuss in South Carolina. On Monday, July 5, Miss Emma Conneily walked into Hunter's chapel church, Barnwell county, while the Sunday school was in session, with a cocked pistol in her hand, and passing into a pew behind John A. Steedley she fired her pistol into Steedley's back. Steedley fell at the door of the church, just outside, and died in about three minutes. Miss Connelly surrendered herself. Her only excuse was certain defamatory reports circulated by Steedley about her and several letters addressed to her and her brother by him. The trial resulted in her acquittal.

The next young woman will feel justified in killing her enemy in church. JOHN CESSNA says the Democrats have no. strong candidate for governor. Let John keep his shirt on and possess his soul in paience. The next governor of Pennsylvania will be named on August 18.

In this vacation period, it is not improper to consider educational matters, on the principle that in time of peace it is prudent to prepare for war. It is pleasing to note that Mr. Leverett Saltonstall has had the courage to raise his voice against the luxurious habits of the students at the big American colleges. Referring to Harvard college, at the annual dinner of the alumni of that institution, he said that the influence of expensive equipage, dress, entertainments and furniture was discouraging to high scholarship; and he futimated that these influences in Harvard deterred the sons of men of small incomes from going to Harvard. The effect of this too general luxury among the students of any college must be discouraging. Young men

"eat the bread of carefulness," cannot enter an institution where costly clubs and expensive habits of living are the rule. There is a vast amount of truth in the criticism, THE Republicans are whining because the

through the college course and who must

of small means, who must work hard

Democrats are going to use some of the big surplus in the reduction of the national debt. Let the galled jades wince ! PROHIBITION has scored a victory in Atlanta, Georgis. The law requiring that no sale of less than a quart of liquor be made was being dodged by the sale of fiquor by the quart and furnishing glasses that it might be divided up and drunk at the bar-This has been decided to be a sale by retail, and there is mourning among Atlanta's saloon-keepers. The end, however, is not yet. For the Atlanta brewing company, with a plant of \$150,000, will argue before the courts that to stop their business is a virtual confis-

cation of this large property. In this litigation the whole question of the constitution-ality of the local option act will come up.

PERSONAL. MR. J. T. TROWNRIDGE is a lover of tri eveling. BLAINE is reported to have realized \$250, 000 from his literary work. POWDERLY is at Atlantic City. He is not at all talkative, but is sick and tired of poli-

JUDGE BAILEY, of Pittsburg, is mentioned by Western Democrats for the gubernatorial nomination. STATE SENATOR FRANK R. BRUNNER, of Berks county, will not oppose Ermentrous for Congress

SENATOR CAMERON and Gen. Simon Cam-

eron are in Philadeiphia attending the din ner of the Farmer's club to-day. MR. Pyr is manager of a Bible publishing house in St. Louis. It is easy now to trace the origin of the expression, "Good as Pye."

PAUL HAYNE once described a cyclone, which he viewed from the windows of his cottage, as "the untranslated biasphemies of hell."

Mrs. C. R. Arfwedson, otherwise Catharine Lewis, the actress, has been granted an absolute divorce from her husband, Oscar L. Arfwedson. The custody of a daughter 8 years old is decreed to the mother.

at work may develop fresh energy on a sud-den, and emulate New Zealand by another emission of igneous rocks and other crude

How They Trap and Mulct the Unwary Stranger "I have just returned from a trip to Wash-

did not follow my first impulse and kick him out of the room. After making a few perfunctory inquiries about affairs in New York, he came to the main point. As I might have known it was money he wanted. I forget just how he worded his request, but his embarrassment, which I believe he said was temporary, was caused by the fallure of the mails to bring an expected remittance, Twenty-five dollars would help him out. His manner was perfectly cool, and one might have imagined that I had asked him to do me a favor. I told him, however, that I was short of funds, and that I kept all my money in New York. He waved his hand and said 'Oh, it's of no consequence.'

"On my arrival here a couple of days ago I found a draft on me from this man for \$28. He said in a note that he owed a bill for furniture, and he should take it as a favor if I would take up the draft and allow him to pay for it by some service he might be able to render me in the future. I met hundreds like him. They dress pretty well, and the majority of them have seen better days. It is wonderful how quickly they spot a stranger. They do not wait for an introduction, but throw themselves in your way and

summons a decently dressed man walked in. I did not know him from Adam. He apologized for disturbing me at that hour—it was after 11—and said that he had met me with Col. So and-so the last time I was in town. He saw my name on the register down stairs and thought he would call and pay his respects. Curious to learn why he wanted to pay his respects to a comparative stranger I did not follow my first impulse and kick him out of the room. After making a few per-

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