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influence of wealth and directing with modesty and clear judgment a syste LANCASTER, PA., August 20, 1889. matic practice of true charity. The world The Revision of the Poor Laws. is talking of the Russian Tolstol and his The last Legislature authorized the attempted literal fulfillment of an imgovernor to appoint a commission of not more than seven persons to revise and codify the laws relating to the relief, care and maintenance of the poor of the practicable and absurd theory of giving ; but William Thaw has quietly left be hind him an example of effective charity. Every morning, and a part of every nmonwealth of Pennsylvania. This afternoon, he made it his business to re-ceive applications for assistance. He is a greatly needed reform. The laws relating to the care and maintenance of the poor in the various poor districts in answered all the rings at the bell personally during these business hours, and receiving the applicant privately asked state are as numerous as the flics in for the briefest possible statement of the case, as he could give but little time to mmer and as irreconcilable as the two factions of the Brickerville church. The matter of a revision has long been diseach. Then in some way known only cussed among those interested in the welfare of the poor. The several annual conventions of the poor directors of the to himself, he assured himself of the propriety of extending aid, and if he did so took great care to keep the matter as state have passed resolution after resolusecret us possible. It is said that he emtion praying the Legislature to take some action. Finally Governor Beaver ployed agents to watch each case, and it is certain that he was rarely imposed was induced to call the attention of the upon, and kept trace of those he nided. He paid no attention to class or sect, Legislature to the necessity of such a seemed only anxious to help people revision. This the governor did and the result is the passage of the act of the along, and was particularly pleased if 9th of May, 1889. he could do it with perfect secrecy. No Our system of caring for the poor is, one can ever know the good that this quiet philanthropist may have accomlike many other things, copied from the plished. It is noticeable that he did not, so far as we know, bestow his charities in large amounts to charitable socie-

English law and our counties in the early days were all divided into poor districts, there often being as many such as there were townships. In some counties of the state these continue to exist. In Lancaster county however the evil of this diversity of poor districts was early seen, and as early as 1798 Lancaster county was made a single poor district, and the office of director of the poor was established. From that time down to the adoption of the new constitution the statute books are filled with special and local laws intended to meet the exigencies of Lancaster county. In 1836 there was something of a general poor law enacted but it was so incom-plete that as far as Laucaster county was concerned it repealed but few of the local laws under which the poor authorities had been acting. Consequently it was of very little service in unifying the laws. Indeed the evils of special legislation are nowhere more apparent than in the laws relating to the care and maintenance of the poor.

There is an opportunity now for Governor Beaver to do a great and pressing good by appointing honest men and wise lawyers to fill the commission which the Legislature has created. We suggest lawyers because laymen would hardly have the special knowledge and technical training requisite to a proper codifying of the laws. There ought to be on the commission also experienced directors of the poor who know something of the working of the laws already in force. Many of these laws are antiquated and burdened with the useless lumber of the English laws; these ought to be wholly abolished. Some of them ought to be retained having proved useful and effective. There is room too for the creation of new provisions which will better carry into effect the proper dis- nation of doers. Like lifeless machines pensing of the charitable funds of the state. The separate poor districts in the several counties ought to be abolished as being productive of too much conflict of authority, and each county made an

entire district. The right organization of the charities of the state is a matter of public concern. The right distribution of the poor funds which are poured out with a generous hand by our people is absolutely necessary for the public welfare. This involves questions of great difficulty, and comprehends many intricate social blems. The proper treatment of the arge class of tramps and beggars which during the summer season infest our highways and cities must be considered. The care and treatment of the indigent insane has already received attention, and the state committee on lunacy has done valuable service. The proper employment of paupers has as yet received little attention, and in most counties a work-house is known only in name. Let Governor Beaver appoint good men on the commission created by the Legisla ture, and he will be helping along a much needed and long delayed reform. And if the commission proceed at once upon their work of revising and codifying the laws relating to the care and treatment of the poor in the state it will be a public benefaction.

Mr. Bussey, Benedict Arnold and Satan. Hardly any incident of President Cleveland's administration won more general and emphatic approval from press and people than the ruling of Pension Commissioner Black that dishonorable discharge from the service operated as a bar to pension. There will, therefore, be general surprise and indignation at the decision just announced by Assistant Secretary Bussey rescinding this ruling of Black's, overruling the decision in the same case of his predecessor, Assistant Secretary Hawkins, and brazenly declaring that dishonorable discharge from the service shall not operate as a bar to pension. Assistant Secretary Bussey bases his strange ruling upon an interpretation of the statutes, and declares that the character of a soldier's discharge cannot affect his claim for pension on account of disabilities.

Under such a ruling Benedict Arnold, who had a leg shattered by a ball when in the revolutionary army, might have been a claimant for a pension from the country he betrayed.

Mr. Bussey seems to feel the need of some further defense, and advances the argument that to refuse a man a pension because of dishonorable discharge, would be punishing him twice for the same tense. As well might Satan claim all the privilege of an archangel, on the ground that he had been hurled from heaven. The terror of a dishonorable discharge lies in the very fact that the man so punished is dishonored, and can no longer be a fit associate of honorable soldiers, a partner in their honors, or a claimant for the rewards of gallantry on the field of battle. The honors he may have won, and the record he may have made for himself before his fall and disgrace are already his, and cannot be taken from him, but he has forfeited all claim to further reward, and by dishon-orable discharge his government declares that it will have nothing more to do with him; he cannot be trusted. And now we have before us the specia. deavor to answer them. About two years

cle of a nation beaping rewards that are honors upon men who have incurred, and still bear, the stigma of dishonorable discharge from military service. Verily, a modern Benedict Arnold could claim a pension.

ties or institutions, though this is an

factions were to universities and insti-

better, and appreciated the fact so often

buried under details, that it is by intel-

lectual development that the race ad-

vances, and that all lasting victories over

AND now it has come to pass in the land

of flowers and sweet singers that our

Thos. A. Edison, the electrician of whom

we are so proud, hes become a count and

his wife a countess. We tender him our

sympathy in this hour of his tribulation and

distress. However we trust that in our

own land of the screaming eagle and the

glorious golden-rod he will not need to

bear the burden of a foreign title. The title of "count" adds nothing to his name

travelling through the Indian territory,re-

read few books and newspapers, but their

talk was forcible and clear and remarkably

the Cherokees spend much time in medi-

There is a grave truth back of this singu

far fact even if it be a newspaper canard. Our

nation reads too little, save in Boston, of

course, and meditates less. We are a

too many of us speak, write and act. System-

atic, logical thinking, inward meditation

and self-mental examination are vitally

necessary in order to extemporize wise

thoughts, great enterprises and judicious

plans. Our system of knowledge is in a

measure artificial and external. The men

who act bost and originate most are men

who think and meditate deep and long.

Perhaps after all this noble race of Indians

OUR esteemed contemporaries the In-

quirer and Examiner are indulging in picturesque and detailed accounts of one

mother. The Inquirer had the bad taste

to grow personal, and the latest utterance of the Examiner on the subject blazes with

wrath and vituperation, giving a descrip-

tion of an emment Republican that would

raise a riot if spoken from a Democratic

platform. The controversy is so violent

that we refrain from scorehing our

columns with a reprint of it, and await

with anxiety the news of a personal en-

THERE is on exhibition at Paris in the

machinery hall of the great fair an appara-

tus by which silk is manufactured without

the help of silk worms or of any other in-

sect. Silk worms take the mulberry leaf

and transform it into a horny substance,

which passing from two glands is united

into one thread as it leaves the body of the

worm. This silk fibre is not the cellulose of

the leaf, for it is changed in nature and

combined with nitrogen A venerable French chemist and student of the poly-

technic school, M. le Comte de Chardonnet,

laims to have discovered a way of closely

imitating the mysterious transformation

cellulose, the basis of wood and vegetable

issues, much used in the paper pulp

of the best qualities of paper. This paper pulp he stoops in a mixture of

nitrie and sulphuric sold; then it is washed

and dried and dissolved in a solution of

ether and alcohol. The resulting sub-

stances is drawn out into threads by a

at once. But this silk as it issues from the

machine is one of the most inflammable of

substances and must be subjected to a

secret operation for the removal of most of

the nitric acid present. It may then be

dyed any desirable color. One machine

can produce five pennyweights of fila-

ments an hour or nearly one and three-

quarter miles. These filaments are spun

into threads of from three to ten by means

of a simple but ingenious attachment. The

very little attention, and the inventor has

shown that the artificial silk can be sold at

from three to four dollars a kilogram, while

real silk costs from nine to twenty-four

dollars. The artificial sitic closely resem-

bles the natural silk and has about two-

If good silk can be made from wood

pulp there may yet be a great silk industry

in America independent of the fatal "mau-rus multicaulus," and there seems to be

little room for doubt that the old French

scholar has given the world a great and

WHERE was Columbus born, and where is his grave? These are questions which

in this year of our Lord 1889 have not yet

been satisfactorily answered. In view of

the celebration of the navigator's discovery

of America, it might be just as well to en-

textile materials."

whole process is continuous and requires

machine that produces seventy-two threads

counter between the editors.

may yet play an important part in our in-

tellectual history.

and fame among his countrymen.

misery are won.

resting place.

As to the birth-place of the great man, the two cities of Genoa, in Italy, and Calvi, in Corsica, lay claim to the honor. It will be noted that at the time of the birth of Model Charity. We are treated to the rare spectacle of a genuine popular mourning in Pitts-burg for a man who died worth ten Columbus, Corsica was possessed by Genoa, even up to within a year of the millions. It is not often that a man of such colossal wealth leaves a life record birth of the great Napoleon, who just escaped becoming an Italian legally, as he was in some of his traits and characteristhat claims sincere respect for his memory, and general regret that he has left tics. Abbot Pevetti, a curate of a Catholi the community in which his money church at Calvi, has recently published a book on the subject. He, with considera-ble force, sets forth the claims of that city to the distinguished bonor. And he calls gave him power. Mr. Thaw was a very remarkable man,-proving a rare superiority to the hardening and narrowing

to mind the fact that the people of Calvi were at that time called "Genoese citi-In view of the prevalent difference of opinion on this subject, it might be well to start an investigation, so that it will be definitely and positively settled when the celebration of 1892 comes off. Let this be an inducement to the several rival cities who are now struggling for the honor of celebrating his greatest achievements. Let the prize be given to that city which settles for all time the birth place and burial ground of the great navigator.

tween the newspapers of Cuba and those of the Dominican republic, the former asserting that the discoverer's remains were resting at Havana, and the latter claiming the city of Santo Domingo as their final

### A RACE WAR PREDICTED.

An Editorial Which Has Created a Stir In Alabama. An article in an independent paper at Selma, Ala., edited by a colored preacher named Bryan, has created a stir in Alabama. It abused the whites for various injustices against the colored race, and concluded as follows: "Were you (the whites) to leave this Southland in twenty whites) to leave this Southland in twenty years it would be one of the grandest sections of the globe. We would show you mossback crackers how to run a country. You would never see convicts half starved, depriving honest workingmen of an honest living. It is only a matter of time when throughout this whole state affairs will be changed, and I hope to your sorrow. We were never destined to always be servants, but like all others will and must have our day; you now have yours. You have rebut like all others will and must have our day; you now have yours. You have received your revolution and civil wars, and we here predict that at no very distant day we will have our race war, and we hope, as God intends, that we will be strong enough to wipe you out of existence, and hardly leave enough of you to tell the story. It is bound to come, and just such hot-headed cranks as the editors of some of our Democratic journals are just the right set to hasten it. It is fate. The whites in Selma are taking steps to easy form of charity by proxy greatly favored by rich men. His large benetution of learning, indicating that he realized the power of a higher culture and more liberal learning to make men

hasten it. It is fate."

The whites in Selma are taking steps to prevent Rev. Mr. Bryan, who is now absent from the city, from ever coming back any more. The executive committee of the White Republican Protective Tariff league, with headquarters at Birmingham, met there on Monday and passed a resolution denouncing the editorial as incendiary and dangerous and tendering their more! and dangerous, and tendering their moral f necessary, their physical aid to stop

How a Spinster Got a Husband. Two months ago a store in the little town of Perry, Mo., was robbed of \$200 worth of clothing. Suspicion fell on Henry King, a young man of good character, but no arrest was made. Three weeks after the burglary the people were astonished at the news that King had married a woman fifteen years his senior.

A Boston newspaper man, who has been On Sunday the young husband attempted suicide by taking poison. While his friends were at work trying to save him he told them it was true that he was guilty of the ports remarkable progress in the education of the Cherokees. It is remarkable that burglary, and the fact was known to the woman he had married. She secured proof of his guilt, and told him that she would even he was struck with their intelligence of his guilt, and told him that she would give him his choice of marrying her or going to the penitentiary. He pleaded that she was old enough to be his mother, but the spinster was relentless. Honeymoon or the jail was her ultimatum, and the poor fellow fin ally married her.

After hard work the doctors saved him, and he now says he prefers the penitentiary to the embrace of his antique spouse. The woman was a spinster and her reputation was without a flaw. in conversation. These Indians say they full of wisdom. Upon investigating this remarkable fact it was developed that

tation. Their daily habit of silent thought contributed as much to their intellectual development as the Boston man's study of

The Boy Salted the Calf. A farmer in Jackson, Susquehanna county, hired an inexperienced boy, and told him to salt the calf in the pasture. The got a quart of salt and rubbed it well into the calf's hair. A herd of colts sniffed the calf, and licked its salt hair so raven-ously that they left its back bare. The boy

has quit farming. Two Sisters Drowned. Mannie and Winnie Colligan, aged 17 and 20 years respectively, went boat riding with Charles Keller on the Delaware river, at Lambertville, on Sunday night. The bort was swept over the rocks and both girls were drowned. Keller was found a mile below clinging to the boat.

THE pleasures of the table cease When'er the teeth begin to fail; The beauties of the mouth decrease The breath's no more a spicy gale and all must soon in ruin lie. And all must soon in ruit Unless to SOZODONT we fly, aug 19-rod w

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