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Mr. Cleveland's Address.

Mr. Cleveland devoted his address to the Boston merchants to the subject of ballot reform, which he vigorously advocated, declaring that the objections to its methods will fade away as have those which were urged against civil service reform. He ventured to say that ough not all of those who urged their ctions to the popular Australian can be fairly charged with being for of ballot reform, yet it was within their ranks that the enemies of the reform are to be looked for, working in disguice against it. Many persons will think that this was coming mighty close to smoking out the governor of New York, one David B. Hill, who is largely advertised as a candidate for the Democratic work. for the Democratic presidential nomina-tion, upon which Mr. Cleveland is generally supposed to have a first lien. Governor Hill vetoed a ballot reform bill passed by the last New York Legislature because of certain objections of his own concocting that did not have much meat in them to the ordinary mind; but the governor stoutly proclaimed his devotion all the while to ballot reform. He may regard it as a beautiful thing abstractly considered, but he evidently has entirely too much trouble in clearing the field for its practical working to entitle himself to the loud laudation of the fervid friends of the reform. And he does not get it. He has not won the acclaim of the friends of either ballot or civil service reform.

Cleveland has, for an ex-president, a remarkably good standing among the civil service reformers, who seem to think that he did very well for their cause considering the embarrassing circumstances surrounding the presidency, and which appear to be quite too much for his successor in the office. If civil service reform had as good chance of complete fruition as has ballot reform, its friends might be well content. The popular demand for ballot reform is well nigh unanimous outside the peddling politician; but there are a good many people, who are not interested in practical politics, who have little appreciation of civil service reform, as it is practiced and preached, and who urge weighty objections against the doctrine; such for instance as its tending to create an aristocracy of office-bolders. To many people, the out-spilling of the office-holders occasionally see a wholesome performance. But no one thinks it wholesome that the secrecy of the ballot shall not be preserved; and none oan deny that the only effectual way to preserve it is in the isolation of the voter while he votes. It is a simple expedient that is necessary to secure the reform, and the only one that will do it. It is represented in a law that has had the vindication of a practical use for many years; and there does not seem to be any reason why those who really want ballot reform should not want this law.

Robert Browning.

The death of Robert Browning will of course draw out extravagant eulogies of a man who undoubtedly possessed great poetical abilities and as certainly made poor use of them. He might have been s post of the masses, for when he chose to be simple and forcible he usually succeeded, and he has written lines that do not need careful study to make plain their beauties. He chose to be the poet of the select and studious few and appealed to the curious interest that tempts men to waste time in unravelling puzzles. He was a profound and keen thinker, but he took little pains to make his thought clear, and it must filter down through other minds before it becomes actually available to the great mass of intelligent acting and thinking men and women. No poet ever lived who was so much written about and commented on in his life time. Thousands of readers have wasted millions of valuable minutes in trying to find out just what Mr. Browning meant while he calmly neglected to take the least trouble to make himself clear. Great thoughts, imagination and artistic sentiment are not enough to make a great poet and because Mr. Browning paid little attention to the musical beauty of his lines and the clearness of his language he can never take rank as a great poet. His writings are voluminous and his failure to say better what he had to say cannot to charged to economy of time or labor, for he gave plenty of both, often repeated himself, and took no pains to condense his work. Perhaps it is fortunate that he thus failed to take higher rank as a poet, for his philosophy is not of a very healthy and cheerful kind. His wife, Elizabeth Barrett, inspired the best of his lines and will long hold place as a noble poet, and the better known and honored. This remarkable union of genius assures to both more lasting fame.

The Daft System. The street committee having gone to Easton to see the Dafi system of electric car propulsion that is established there, report that it worked well, was satisfactory to the citizens and that the poles and wires were no greater annoyance there than here. All of which we are quite ready to believe. We do not know of any objection to the Daft system save its wires and poles, and doubtless they are no worse than the wires and poles we have, save that they add an additional number to them. If the councils think that the system will do and that it will not by well to wait for the development of a good underground conduit system, we will be content. But they should take the matter up again and express their views in the light of the information they have gained since the night when they went head over heels for the scheme, in a way that seemed to people to make the name of the electric system they favored very applicable to their conduct, which was daft indeed. Be sure you are right, then so ahead said Dayy Creekett. The then go shead, said Davy Crockett. The adoption by a city of an electric system, and the sending out of a committee after-wards to see whether it had done right, is a reversal of this way of doing.

Dr. Highee, whose sudden death has shocked the community, was a man of great natural force and mental vigor. Of late years his powers have been checked by the condition of his health; and his fame as a preacher has been held in abeyance by his connection with the school department, where his labors were not particularly spited to his talents. He was enjoying his third term of the superintendency, but beyond the honor and the salary of the office he got little satisfaction from it and would doubtless have been a happier and per-haps a longer lived man without its cares. Executive office needs a different and a more homely talent than that which is held by the man of brilliant imagination and words, who shines upon the rostrum but whose light is vainly shed in the

SENATOR GIBSON Wants to colonize the egro in the Congo free states, while Mr. Grady more practically accepts the race problem and begs Northern patience and sympathy with the South in struggling

WHEN Grover Cleveland talks it always pays to listen, and the firmest, hones member of the party of Dudley, Quay and Wanamaker cannot deny the truth and fulrness of his statement that political evils "have been tolerated by respectable men who, in weakness and patriotic sentiment, have regarded them as only phases of shrewd political management," and the warmest friends of President Harrison must admit that these evils "have been actually encouraged by the honors which have been bestowed upon those who boast of their use of such agencies in aid of party supremacy."

SENATOR CALL'S resolution requesting the president to negotiate for the purchase freedom of Cuba can only serve to keep that irrepressible Cuban question before the public. Poor and weak though Spain has been, she has always shown a firm and admirable determination not to relinquish a foot of Cuban ground without a struggle. We may blame her for misgovernment, but she could forcibly retort in the same tone, and the believers in the possibility of averting all wars by arbitration have a knotty problem in this great Spanish island. It seems plain enough to Americans that Cuba will surely be torn from Spain, but we cannot blame the Spaniards for refusing to tolerate the

BRIGHT and early like its newspaper father comes the 1800 almanac of the Philadelphia Record. It has many illustrations of the great storm disasters of the past year, and is full of useful juformation.

In November we exported over four million dollars worth of petroleum, about three millions of it being illuminating oil and nearly three millions being shipped from the port of New York. We also exported in the month cotton to the value of forty-seven and a half million dollars of which over fifteen millions was shipped from New Orleans. Savannah was the next largest shipping port for cotton, her shipments exceeding seven millions : next comes Galveston with five and a haif, New York with more than four millions and Charleston with a little less than four, while Richmond passes the two million mark The statistics of exports strongly impress the towering commercial supremacy of New York, and it is certainly remarkable to find cotton from the far South passing by splendid ports and seeking that distant point of shipment. We find, however, that nore than half our cotton exported is sent to Great Britain and trade naturally flows over the great ocean ferry to that country.

THE experts appointed to examine the new Chestnut street school building report that there is no danger if the building is used as was intended when built, and that if an extra floor is to be laid additional joists should be provided. We publish full as it is w parents should be thoroughly satisfied of the substantial character of school buildings. Based as it is on the reports of architects and experienced builders the report of the property committee of the school board justifies the belief that this new and costly structure is firmly and strongly built. The only fault in the erection seems to have been the putting in of joists to carry the second floor ceiling, which were of too long span and too weak to bear the weight of the ceiling in their centre without bending. This was a clear fault in the architecture, but it was not a dangerous one, since the only trouble it caused was the unsightliness of the ceiling.

Where Marriage is Made Easy.

In the Ukraine, Russia, the maiden is the one that does all the courting. When she falls in love with a man she goes to his house and tells him the state of her feelings. If he reciprocates all is well, and a formal marriage is duly arranged. If, however, he is unwilling, she remains there, hoping to coax him into a better mind. The poor fellow cannot treat her with the least discourtesy or turn her out, for her friends would be sure to avenge the insult. His best chance therefore, if he is really determined that he won't, is to leave his home and stay away as long as she is in it. This is certainly a peculiar way of turning a man out of house and home. On the isthmus of Darien either sex can do the contring, with the natural result that almost every-Where Marriage is Made Easy.

with the natural result that almost every-body gets married. There is not the same chance where the girl has to bide the notions of a hesitating or bashful

A Woman's Battle. The wife of Marcus Sisson, a woodsman living near Turnwood, N. Y., had a desperate encounter with a big male bear last Tuesday. Her husband had been away in the woods hunting bears for two days. At the time of bruin's appearance Mrs. Sisson was hanging out her washing in the yard. Suddonly there was a great co motion in the house and a terrific backing tion in the house and a terrific backing from a little house dog. Johnny ran to the door yelling at the top of his lungs: "A b'ar, momie! a big big b'ar 's arter baby"

Mrs. Sisson dropped her work and sizing a keen-edged axe from the wood-pile, ran into the house shouting: "Up the ladder, Johnny! quick, get into the loft!"

Johnny hastily scrambled up the ladder and immediately there began a desperate battle between his mother and the bear. The ferocious brute, which Mrs. Sisson saw was bleeding from its right shoulder, where it had doubtless been shot by some hunter, rose on its hind legs and clawed at her victorsly. For a few moments the heroic woman wielded her axe with good effect, inflicting a dozen wounds on the brute, but unfortunately none of them were fatal or disabling.

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Finally, feeling her strength failing, Mrs. Sisson gave one long, agonizing scream for help. She was answered almost immediately by the loud baying of hounds.
At this moment bruin, with a blow from one of his great paws, knocked the ax from her hand and wounded her painfully on her right arm. She sunk to the floor, but before the bear could seize her, two huge black hounds, which she knew to be her before the bear could seize her, two huge black hounds, which she knew to be her husband's dogs, rusbed in and tackled the bear. A moment later, her husband rushed in and blew the bear's brains out. When the bear's carcass was examined it was found that the brave woman had cut it in 16 places with her axe. It weighed, when dressed, 240 pounds.

BEARS ON A BUST.

Three Loggers Kill Five and a Woman Three Loggers Kill Five and a Woman Fights Another.

A terrible encounter with bears is reported from the Thetford mines, near Montreal. M. Fortier, a French Canadian, and his two brothers were returning home from a logging expedition. Snow was falling heavily, when the attention of the three men was attracted to a huge tree of peculiar formation. On examination it was found to be hollow, with an opening near the ground. One of the men picked

it with his axe, when to the surprise of all a large black bear crawled out. He showed fight, but was quickly dispatched.

In a few minutes several more bears appeared on the scene, and a terrible fight ensued. The men altacked the bears with axes which they carried. One of the bears grasped the brother, and man and bear rolled over and over in the snow. His clothes were torn into ahreds and one of his arms badly lacerated. Bruin was finally hacked to pieces, and young Fortier was rescued, bleeding and insensible. No tess than five bears were killed in the fight.

IT WAS TOO HOT FOR HIM. How a Would-Be Masner Was Put To Flight by a Girl. From the New York Evening Sun.

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An ancient specimen of the genus "masher" came into an elevated car yesterday. He was rather threadbare but carefully brushed and was topped off with a shiny new silk hat. With careful observation he scanned the occupants of the car and then sat himself down directly opposite an unusually pretty girl with her lap full of Christmas bundles. He smoothed his gloves, arranged his cuffs and necktle and then flashed an irresistible smile at the pretty girl. She looked hastily out of the window. By and by she turned her face again, to meet the same breadth of smile and the eyes fixed steadily on her face. She looked annoyed. He looked delighted. Her cheeks grew pink. She had half a mind to change her seat. Then all the bravery in her nature mounted to her eyes. Slowly she drew from her pocket a lorgnette, and held it with the most deliberate inquisitiveness up to her eyes.

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First she scanned the top of his hat, then slowly—oh! so slowly—let her gaze creep downward to his face with its wealth of smile, her own never changing by the quiver of a muscle. Down, down it went, with fixed and stony stare, to the very tips of his boots. There it paused for an instant, then began its slow upward march, creeping along with the same curious deliberation, very much as one would survey a new variety of animal with a view to classification. When she reached the smile again the glory of it was dimmed. When she reached the toes they were decidedly uneasy, and by the time she was ready to scan his face on her upward sweep it looked very red and decidedly uncomfortable. One more sweeping circuit was made, and the discomfited "masher," muttering something about the car's being too hot for him, fled from the awful presence and plunged down the stairs into the street below.

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ON WEDNISDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1889,
The undersigned will offer for public sale at the
Leopard Hotel, on East King street, the following Valuable Real Estate in the City of Lancaster, to wit:
No. 1, Three-story Brick Store and Dwelling,
on northeast corner of Columbia and College
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No. 2. Two-story Brick Dwelling, cottage style, No. 1:3 College avenue.

No. 3, Two-story Brick Dwelling, cottage style, No. 1:2 College avenue,
No. 4. Two-story and Mansard Roof :Brick Dwelling, No. 815 Columbia avenue.
No. 5. Two-story and Mansard Roof Brick Dwelling, No. 2:3 College avenue.
No. 6. Two-story and Mansard Roof Brick Dwelling, No. 2:7 College avenue.
No. 7, Two-story and Mansard Roof Brick Dwelling, No. 6:6 West Chestnut street.
No. 8, Two-story Brick Dwelling, No. 6:8 West Chestnut street. As the festive season draws nigh remember that your friends are the more happy the more USE-FUL the GIFT with which you present them. Chestnut street.

No. 9, Three story and Basement Brick Dwelling, No. 514 West James street.

No. 10, Three-story and Basement Brick Dwelling, No. 516 West James street.

No. 11, Two-story Brick Dwelling, No. 522 West Seal Jackets and Seal Sacques Warranted Genuine ALASKA LONDON DYE, MUFFS of every desirable fur, MONKEY, SEAL, BEAVER, ASTRACHAN, PERSIAN,

No. 11, Two-story Brick Dwelling, No. 522 West James street.

No. 12, Two-story and Mansard Roof Brick Dwelling on Pine street, first door south of James street.

No. 13, Two-story and Mansard Roof Brick Dwelling on Pine street, fourth door south of James street.

No. 14, Two-story and Mansard Roof Brick Dwelling, No. 40 North Mary street.

No. 15, Two-story Brick Dwelling, No. 515 Spruce street.

No. 16, Two-story Brick Dwelling, No. 829 Coral street.

The above houses are all nearly new, in excellent condition and in first-class neighborhoods. They will positively be sold and at a great sacrifice if necessary. Terms of sale will be remarkably liberal. All who are looking for bargains in Real Estate are invited to this the most attractive sale of the season. Any of the properties shown before day of sale by applying at the office of the undersigned. For further particulars see large bills or call at office. Sale to commence at 7 o'clock sharp on Wednesday, December 18.

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