

MONTICELLO.

The Grave of Thomas Jefferson—An Interesting Letter from his Great-Granddaughter—A Little Graveyard all that Remains of Jefferson's Estate.

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The Forms of Oaths in Foreign Legislative Assemblies.

The following summary of the forms of oath in use in foreign legislative assemblies is extracted from the reports received at the British foreign office in New York:

- Bavaria—I swear * * * So help me God and His Holy Gospel.
Denmark—I promise and swear * * * So help me God and His Holy Word.
Greece—I swear in the name of the holy and con-substantial and indivisible Trinity.
Hesse Darmstadt—I swear * * * So help me God.
Saxe Coburg and Baden—I swear. So help me God.
Holland—I swear. So help me God.
Portugal—I swear on the Holy Gospels.
Prussia—I swear by God, the Almighty and omniscient * * * So help me God.
Saxony—I swear by Almighty God.
Serbia—I swear by one God and with all that is according to law most sacred and in this world dearest.
Spain—After swearing the deputy on the Gospel, the president says: "Then may God repay you; but, if you fail, may he claim it from you."
Sweden and Norway—I (president or vice president only) swear before God and His Holy Gospel.
Switzerland—In the presence of Almighty God I swear * * * So help me God.
United States—I do solemnly swear * * * So help me God.
In Bavaria, non-Christians omit the reference to the Gospel. In Holland

deserves to be mentioned. Soon after the appropriation was made by Congress Mr. W. W. Corcoran, the distinguished philanthropist, with characteristic munificence, endowed a professorship of natural history in the University of Virginia on condition that that institution should take care of the graveyard at Monticello, thus very appropriately placing the care of Jefferson's tomb in the hands of this child of his old age and the last creation of his genius.

Hon. Roswell P. Flower of New York, on the Chinese Immigration Question.

The speech of Mr. Flower on the Chinese bill is so marked for brevity, point and comprehensiveness, that we give the following extracts from it.

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An Indian Tradition of the Great Flood.

One morning water was brought to Manu, and after he had washed himself a fish remained in his hands, and it addressed these words to him:

"Protect me and I will save thee."
"From what wilt thou save me?"
"A deluge will sweep all creatures away; it is from that I will save thee."
"How shall I protect thee?"
The fish replied,—
"While we are small we run great dangers, for fish swallow fish. Keep me at first in a vase; when I become too large for it, dig a basin to put me into. When I shall have grown still more, throw me into the ocean; then I shall be preserved from destruction."
Soon it grew into a large fish. It said to Manu,—
"The year in which I receive my full growth the deluge will happen. Then build a vessel and worship me. When the waters rise enter the vessel and I will save thee."
After keeping him thus, Manu carried the fish to the sea. In the year indicated Manu built a vessel and worshiped the fish. And when the deluge came he entered the vessel. Then the fish came swimming up to him, and Manu fastened the cable of the ship to the horn of the fish, by which means the latter made it pass over the Mountain of the North. The fish said,—
"I have saved thee; fasten the vessel to a tree that the water may not sweep it away while thou art on the mountain; and in proportion as the waters decrease thou shalt descend."
Manu descended with the waters, and this is what is called the descent of Manu on the Mountains of the North. The deluge had carried away all creatures, and Manu remained alone.

and the United States, affirmation is optional. In Prussia and Switzerland, affirmation is permitted to those who object on religious grounds to the oath. In Austria, a promise is in every case substituted for an oath. In Belgium and Italy, the adjuration is used without any theistic reference, and in France and Roumania, the German Reichstag, and for deputies in Sweden and Norway, neither oath nor affirmation is demanded.

A Warlike Parrot.

"Old Abe," the war eagle of a Wisconsin regiment, will be famous in history as the bird who delighted in battles. Strange as it may seem, his career is paralleled by that of a parrot's.

A gentleman who lives on Preston street, in Louisville, Ky., owns a parrot with a curious history. The parrot is a large black bird, with bright, piercing eyes. Whenever he becomes excited, he raises himself to his full height, and ruffles his crest in a manner that is quite startling. He is now sixty-three years old.

Just before the last war in this country he was bought by General Rousseau, who taught the bird many military expressions, such as "Shoulder Arms!" "Carry Arms!" "Right Shoulder Shift!" "Halt!" and "Forward March!"

He went with Gen. Rousseau to the front, and soon became a great favorite with the soldiers. On one occasion, when Gen. Rousseau knew there was going to be hard fighting, he fastened the bird in a tent.

Polly was in a rage, and at last, working his way out at the canvas door of the tent, flew toward his regiment, which was now hotly engaged in battle.

Real Politeness.

Is it thoughtlessness or selfishness that makes so many neglect the little courtesies (abroad and at home) which cost next to nothing and which always make others happy? The habit of such gentle attentions is a grace that comes by cultivation as well as by nature, and every one should covet it earnestly among the best gifts.

A boy about eleven years of age, a cripple, by paralysis of infancy, was being carried by his mother from the cars to the ferry at Jersey City. Just as they were leaving the train a quiet, unassuming gentleman came to them, saying: "That boy seems too heavy a burden for you; will you allow me to carry him?"

The mother gladly assented, and the little fellow put his arm about the stranger's neck and was carried to the boat and placed carefully in a good seat, and there left with his mother until the boat had crossed, when the gentleman returned to his charge, and with a smile that lingers still upon the memory, and kind words that soothed and comforted, carried the boy to the waiting room in the New York Depot.

There, on being assured he could be of no further assistance, he bade the boy good bye and left him, speaking cordially as he passed out to an elderly gentleman who was just entering.

The grateful boy beckoned to this elderly gentleman and asked, "Can you give me the name of the gentleman to whom you just spoke?"
"That is Bishop James, of the Methodist Episcopal Church."
The above is from Ridgeway's "Life of Bishop James," and the fact is added that though the lad had not been brought up to reverence "Methodists" or (we infer) ministers, or even Christians, as such, his feelings underwent a change from this time forth. He never recovered the use of his limbs, but he became a Christian himself, and was able to bear his affliction patiently. That one act of graceful kindness by the good Bishop was a saving incident in the cripple's life.—Youth's Companion.

Master of the Situation.

Ex-Governor Wise, who had been made a brigadier general by President Davis, arrived at this time in Staunton, en route for the Kenawha Valley. His arrival was the remote cause of a very ludicrous incident which came very near opening our campaign with an unpleasant tragedy.

Leutenant Colonel Crenshaw, who had gone with me to pay respects to Governor Wise on the evening of his arrival, invited his staff surgeon, Dr. Peter Lyons, to accompany us to our camp, with a promise of sardines, cigars and other comforts with which he was provided. We reached camp about nine o'clock, and were halted by the first sentinel we approached, who ordered one of us to advance and give the countersign. Unfortunately, although having the envelope containing the countersign, which had been handed us by the adjutant, we had not opened it and it was too dark to read it then. We replied:—"Commanding officer without the countersign, all the sergeants of the guard." "That won't do," said the sentinel. "Now, mark time! their orders." We remonstrated against the indignity to which he contemplated subjecting his field officer in the presence of a stranger as well as against the exercise involved in the execution of his command on a hot summer night, but he was inflexible. "Mark time!" he replied. "I will certainly shoot you," and suiting the action to the word, cocked his musket and leveled it at us. We tried threats, but he was unresponsive; he knew nothing and would neither permit us to advance or retire, insisting upon "doing his duty," which was to shoot us if we did not "mark time." He was master of the situation, and as we looked down the musket barrel we "marked time" until the perspiration rolled from our foreheads. We were relieved by the sergeant of the guard, who relieved the sentinel, but not until we had whetted our appetites for the expected repast by abundant exercise. I supposed the man was a lunatic and sent for his company officers to make inquiries. It turned out that he had been instructed at Camp Lee by cadets of the Military Institute, who required all who failed to have the countersign to "mark time" for their amusement until the guard officer appeared.

A hard set—The hen on porcelain eggs.

UNSEATED LANDS FOR TAXES FOR 1880 AND 1881, AND PREVIOUS YEARS.

Table with columns: ACRES, PER. WARRANTEE NAME, TAXES. Lists various landowners and their respective taxes.

Treasurer's Sale

NOTICE is hereby given that in pursuance of an Act of Assembly, passed the 12th day of June, A. D. 1815, entitled "An Act to amend an Act directing the mode of selling unseated lands in this county," the several suggestions therein, there will be exposed at public sale or outcry, the following tracts of unseated lands in said county for the taxes due and unpaid thereon, on MONDAY, JUNE 12, A. D. 1882, at one o'clock, P. M.

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