ITEMS.

An organ that has just been built in Germany is believed to be the largest in existance. It counts 174 registers and is worked automatically by an O. to gas motor of four-horse-power. Its height is 20 metres, its width 11, and its depth 10. Its largest wooden pipe is 10 metres long and a cubical capacity of 2,000 litres. The instrument is to be set up in the Cathedral at Riga. For the St. Stephen's Cathedral at Vienna, the same builders are to construct a still larger organ. The well known organs of Boston, U.m. and St. Petersburg were built by the same men.

Captain A. P. West, of Leesville, S. C., writes to the Fish Commissioners that be recently drew off his carp pond and found that the infant carp placed therein three years ago had grown to lengths of from twenty two to twenty ave and a half inches and weighs from five and a bail to ten bounds. This : one of the many reports which show the remarkable adaptability of this fi-h to South Carolina waters. "The carp furore, of course, still continues," says a local paper, "and if it remains very much longer, there will soon be as

North Dakota's coat-of-arms is a depending from the beak of an eagle. In the back ground are a range of hills and the chimney of a smelting-furnace in the center is a river on which is a steamboat, and a train of cars are rounding a bluff. Beyond is a field of wheat and corn, with a white man with his plow on one hand and an Indian with his tents about him. Both look upward at a rift in the clouds, where is the legend, "Fear God, and take your own part."

It is said that glass is gradually beginning to the take place of wood and iron in the construction of bridges it. England The inventor makes blocks of glass, which he hardens by a special process. In solidity it is said to leave nothing to be desired. The experi ments already made have given surprising results, and the cost is below that of bridges of wood and iron. Moreover, the glass cannot be injured by in sects like wood, nor rusted like iron.

In account of a want of cemetery act commodations and the proximity of her burial-grounds to the populous quarters the Municipal Council of Lisbon has passed a resolution by which the cause of cremation will be advanced. In times of epidemics cremation will hereafter be made compulsory in Lisbon. hough in ordinary times it will be optional; but once in every five years the remains of laterred bodies will be

The story is told of Senator Vance, bride: "My dear, I'm a stubborn fellow and you may anticipate trouble. Now. in the beginning, while I am submissive, I want to give you one piece of advice. If you follow it, we will get along mighty well. It is this: Make me do just as I please."

The estimated power of a horse, as applied to machinery, is that of lifting or carrying 150 lbs. (avoir.) at a rate of 220 the rate of one foot per minute. When, therefore, a ship is spoken of as "4.000 horse power" it means that the machinery has a power of carrying 132, 000,000 pounds (58.298 tons) at the rate

The King of Siam, who is only a boy of twenty years, has allowed his finger nails, it is said, to grow until they are more than a foot in length. This deformity reduces the monarch to a state of absolute helplessness, and for that reason, probably, the Siamese reattributes of sovereignty.

"Yes," said Mrs. Brownsmith, "I want a good girl, and possibly you might do; but have you had any ex perience?" "Ixparience, is it?" plied the damsel, resting her hands on her hips and tossing her head in the air; "ixparience, is it; faith, and haven't Or been in no less than twinty families during the last month ?"

"Why didn't you deliver that message as I gave it to you?" asked a genilyou could, sir, did you ?" imitating his known that I was sending a donkey I would have gone myself."

A couple of pickpockets followed a gentleman for some blocks, with a view of availing themselves of the first opportunity to relieve him of his purse. He suddenly tusned into a lawyers of fice. "What shall we do now?" asked one. "Wait for the lawyer," said the General Rosecrans

A Colored Man's Action of the Rights of His Race.

General W. S. Rosecrans, Chairman of the Democratic Congressional Committee, is in receipt of a letter, dated Octorber 17, from Mr. Lee Nance, an intelligent and well informed colored resident of Washington, in which the writer considers at length the recent decision or the Supreme Court and the status of his people as affected by it, Mr. Nance believes there are other is sues of more concern to the colored people, far more vitally involving their true interests, than the social and sentimental questions passed upon by the Court. He says :

"Speaking of myself, I would say I am bothered more about how and where I am to get the money with which to pay for a square meal than I am about where I shall eat it. I want money, 1 will take it, if you please, in the shape of bright silver dollars and yellow gold eagles. So, reason, as I firmly believe, he people who are behind Douglass, Langston, and other able men. They are concerned about other questions -questions of great moment, which do not lurk far in the dark, and and must inevitably come out and ne discussed from top to bottom and down and up again. Among them is this one, whether or not a people many carp ponds as cotton fields in the should be heavily taxed-taxed to their great detriment-for the sole benefit of alarmingly adding power to industrial shield draped with the American flag enterprises and vast private financial concerns in which they have not a reverting interest."

> Mr. Nance also believes in the legal and political equality of the races. That is firmly established. He believes further that the races have a common identity of interests, entering into all pursuits of life, and that it becomes the colored man, instead of wasting his strength and sacrificing his independence in an absurd struggle for social rights, which will regulate themselves, to look after his own material welfare by the same methods and for the same objects that all other men pursue. In other words, he wants the colored man to assert themselves at the ballot box. as white men do, for the protection of to do scrubbing in the public builtheir property and the detense of their dings."-B-won Traveler. homes against the encroachments of corporation power and political cor

In reply to this letter General Rose

crans says, in substance : "Your peoples route to independence and respect is strict attention to education of the children. First elementary, sufficient for them to be able to read and write, and next for industrial and moral education, so they can be independent. Democratic good will will be better law and a better guarantee of equality of rights than any that can be gotten by contention. The moment the colored people learn to vote conscientiously and to learn trades and business, allowing the brighter ones to take higher education as they are capaof North Carolina, that soon after his ble, race friction will disappear. They second marriage he remarked to his will command the respect of their white brethren of the producing classes.

Refusing to Wed.

Strange Conduct of a Bridegroom from Phil-

New Haven, Conn., Oct. 3 .- A large congregation was gathered in the Church of the Sacred Heart, this morning, to witness the marriage of Eugene Lynch, ago.' The man performed a war dance of Philadelphia, to Miss Catherine T, around the office, the Judge acting as feet per minute, or 33 000 pounds, at Mul chey, arrangements for which have chief instructor. His heels frequently erally as the men, and with as little made unusual stir in the younger circles of the Catholic population for several finally kicked into the street. In lookdays past. The bride that was to be is the daughter of a prosperous Irish American with a wide circle of friends' The pesents were numerous and costly and the floral ornaments in the church elaborate. Nine o'clock was the ap' pointed time for the ceremony. A few minutes after that hour the clergyman who was to officiate dismissed the amaz- will c ntain 150,000.000 people fifty ed friends of the bride with the angard long nails as one of the peculiar nouncement that there would be no wedding to-day. Intimates of the family the past, in conjunction with the swell hastened to the home of the Mulacheys ling tide of immigration from Europe, where it transpired that Mr. Lynch had will acomplish this marvel of national at the last moment reconsidered his in- growth. When future historians record tention of becoming a married man and the fact that the American colonies, 3, had disappeared from the city. He had | 000,000 people, developed into a Repubcourted the deserted young women for lic of 150,000,000 in a century and a four years, and appeared devoted in his half, it will read like a tale of the "Araattachment up to yesterday, when he bian Nights." Rome at its zenith had failed to arrive here until several hours no such a population, nor one so homoafter the time appointed, and then acted in a strange and distant manner. and aspiration. This will be the mightman of his stupid servant. "I did the Members of the family noticed that he lest R-public of all history. Figures best I could, sir." "You did the best appeared troubled about something he alone fail to convey an adequate idea of did not care to explain. The suspicions its probable vastness and power. Its voice and look. "Pshaw! If I had excited, however, did not interrupt the population will be equal to that of the marriage preparations, and his non-ap- German Empire, France, Spain, Belgium, pearance to-day was a bewildering sur- Switzerland, Italy and Austria combinprise to the bride and her friends, ed. It will be a match in war for the Lynch formely lived here, and his many whole of Europe, or for any other quarsufficient resources to wed, and had not the courage to say so when he found the and spendor.—Chicago Inter-Ocean.

he sett his abiding place at an analysis of the globe. In the achievements of peace its promises to exceed any nation extant, or that ever rose to wealth and spendor.—Chicago Inter-Ocean. acquaintances can explain his conduct only on the ground that he was without

he sett his abiding place at an early hour this morning, and he is supposed to have returned to Philadelphia.

A Startling Prophesy Fulfilled.

The other day, while a party of newspaper correspondents were seated in the office of Judge Advocate General neatly dres-ed colored woman. She and asked : 'Have you found any more work for me, sir ?' General Swaim replied that he had not. The woman turned abruptly around and left the ed it. General Swaim then told who she was. The General, it will be remembered, was one of Garfield's warm man who erjoyed the late President's fullest confidence.

He said : "This woman came to my house the night before President Garfield was inaugurated, from South Caro, lina. She persisted in seeing me, and when she came in she entered precisely as you saw her a few moments ago Looking me full in the face, and never taking her eyes from mine, she said she knew that President Gaifield was to be assassinated, speaking earnestly and without any hesitation. She said the President would be killed the day following, while on the way to the Capitol to take the oath of office, and she had come all the way from South Caro lina to inform me of it. Of course I did not believe there was any plot to kill the President, but I could not help being impressed by the woman's earnestness. A few days after the 4th of March she came to see me again, and ! called her attention to the fact that the President had not been killed. She said that was true, but that he would be assassinated before long. Her calls numbered some half dozen or more before Garfield was shot by Guiteau, and about ten days after that she came again. I had been so busy in my attendance upon the President that I had forgotten all about her and her prophe-When she entered my room I recalled both like a flash, and you can magine that I was somewhat startled. She said quietly that her prediction turned out to be true, and of course I acknowledged it. Since then I have secured odd jobs for her, now and then,

Judge Black's Bad Memory

careless in money matters. An inci- to it from the fact toat it is so sadly true d nt is related by one of his intimate to life. Black's career as Attorney General,' said my informant, "I was a frequent vis a man entered and handed a piece of paper to the Attorney General. 'Hear me,' hesaid, running his fingers through his bair, 'I thought I had paid that before,' 'No, sir,' said the man. The Judge reached forward for his checkbook, but, not finding it at once he put his hands into his pockets and fumbled around for some change 'Ah, ha! what's this,' he said, unfolding a paper and comparing it with the paper in front of him. 'You internal liar,' he exclaimed excitedly jumping up and seizing the man by the collar, 'here is your own receipt for this bill, dated only ten days came in contact with his head, He WHE for the same account. 'I believe that I was born to be swindled,' said Judge Black, ruefully holding up the receip a

Startling Probabili ies

It is estimated that the United States years hence. The natural increase of population, as judged by the tables of geneous in language, spirit, intelligence ter of the globe. In the achievements

The Mormon Question.

Recommendations and Opinions of the Utah Commissioners.

WASHINGTON, October 30 .- The Utah Swaim, there walked into the room a Commissioners, in their second annual report, submitted to-day to the Secre looked the general firmly in the eye, tary of the Interior, say that "a marriage law enacted by Congress would be an efficient auxilliary in the suppression of polygamy. It is asserted and gener ally believed by non-Mormons in this room as mechanically as she had enter- Territory that plural marriage is still practiced here in secret. We would reccommend that Congress enact a law declaring all future marriages in this est and dearest friends, a prominent Territory null and void unless they are member of the "Chum Cabinet;" and a contracted and evidenced in such a manner as shall be provided by the

The Commissioners are satisfied that. owing to the peculiar state of affirs in Utab, the Territoral law of woman suftrage is an obstruction to the speedy solution of the vexed question of po-

"It has been asserted" the report continues, "that polygamic marriages have increased since the pass ge of the 'Elmunds Act'; on the con Mormons and non-Mormons that they have comparatively decreased since the passage of the said set. After dilligent inquiry we believe the latter conclusion to be correct. But the Utah Legisla. ture will have the opportubity of sati-ty ing the country on this particular subject by passing such a public marriage act as that which we have suggested to Congress. By this and such other legisla tion as we have indicated they will give the Government assurance of their lov alty and patriotism, and avert a contest that cannot but result in their discomfiture.

King Alcohol's Sway in England.

To get a just idea of the extent of King Alcohol's sway in this realm, your reader should see and stuly George Cruik-hank's painting of the Nationa, Gallery on "The Drinking Custom of Society." The picture there drawn traces the human being from the cradle to the grave, and reveals him in all the various social and business relations o life, if not with a glass in his hand, at least with the opportunities for intoxi Cruckshapk's masterpiece is well worthy of study simply as a work of art, but a The late Judge Jere Black was very living and even tragical interest attach

friends that is characteristic of the dead. The family domestic, in negotiating for jurist. During the first year of Judge a place, inquires as carefully after the daily quantity of beer allowed as about the wages, while in higher life the prac tise of drinking is so generally indulg was young then as a lawyer, and was ed, and up to quite recently was carried very glad to have an opportunity of to such excess, that it is not long since listening to the conversation of so great the common way of speaking of one a lawyer as Judge Black. One morning much the worse for liquor was to remark that he was "as drunk as a lort. When a visit is made to a neighbor of friend, the first courtesy extended is to set out the decanters, or to bring a pitcher of ale or stout from the cellar and woe betide the reputation for hos pitality of those who neglect this form of welcome. In business the toddy or glass of bitters prepares the way for almost every bargain, and another drink seals the transaction. The average Englishman must have his first sip about 10 o'clock in the morning, when he takes his lunch. Then the dinner and supper must be washed down, and water is out of the question.

The women of England drink as genconception that there is any harm in acdoing. To see ladies of refinement re-gale themselve from brandy flacks while ing through his desk the Judge found traveling on the trains is a sight that three separate receipts from the man surprises only stranger, a sud thousands est the most respectable of this sex de not scruple to stand with their husbands at the public-house bar, and even to ake their children to these places.

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