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THE OBSTACLE OF THE LAW.

The discovery, reported in our tocal col-

umns, of an act of Assembly by which the

PITTSBURG, WEDNESDAY, JAN. 8, 1890.

A SPLENDID SHOWING.

The meeting of the Exposition Society yesterday failed to reveal the faintest note of that dissidence which had been rumored. On the contrary, the reception of the reports, as well as the matter contained in them, made the occasion one of unalloyed triumph for the management.

The showing which was made in the statething is to be done it had best, also, be done ments certainly warrants congratulation and at the right place. If a great national expride at the position of the society. The position, it is poor policy to treat it as a empletion of the fine buildings would be toy for which cities can compete in the hope by itself no slight achievement, while the that it will advertise their local interests inct that the public demand for Exposition THE DISPATCH sees no reason in anything space exceeds the capacity of the buildings. which has been urged respecting the a no less significant measure of World's Fair to change the conclusion their usefulness. The financial showing. heretofore expressed in these columns that revealing a profit of \$38,000 on the first Exthe Capital of the nation is the fit place for position, is unrivaled; and the sole unsatisit. Washington is the seat of Government, factory feature, in the existence of a floatand if the enterprise is to take place at all ing debt of \$83,000, will by the flattering under the auspices and prestige of the prospects of the society be insured an easy Government, Washington has the logical remedy. claim to the site.

The re-election of the board is no more than a slight recognition of this splendid record, and it was almost a matter of course that this should be the result of the meeting. The society and its officers have the right to rest assured of the public appre--cintion of their successful efforts.

ELECTRIC TRANSIT.

Pittsburg is now about to see a practical experiment with the electric railway on a large scale. The completion of the Pleasant Valley line, and the announcement that it will be in operation by the latter part of next week, will give us an opportunity to see how that system works in our crowded streets. If its operation is approximately equal to that of the cable roads it will have a marked advantage in the greater cheapwhich is going on in that city. mess of the plant. On the other hand, it is possible to sacrifice the efficiency of the law that the control of the Carnegie Library road to economy of construction. The East must be vested exclusively in the School Cleveland electric road, which is one of the Board. We think that body, like any other largest in the country, is plainly hampered set of men whose views rise to the level rein speed and utility by the uneven characquired in such a case, will be glad to inter of its track, which was built for horsedorse any extension of the body caring for cars at a speed less than half what is at- the Library which will conduce to the pubtained by the cable lines. The operation of lic benefit. But the law plainly puts an our new electric line will be watched with estoppel on the idea that because private great interest, as a practical test of the elec-

A PROPRET OF EVIL.

as an agency of municipal transit.

trie motor side by side with cable traction,

in connection therewith. Some of our esteemed cotemporaries have The library already existing in Allegheny brought Benner to the front again. Benner is city property; but the law did not select is cran't of the business world

ment. If it is doing this it is fulfilling the Edison, Gladstone, Depow and Newton, and essential requirement of constitutional gov- cuffs for Mr. Dana and Mr. Wanamaker. erament; if it is postponing such action on A ladies collar has been dubbed the Whitany pretext, and simply holding on to the ney and a ladies cuff, the Cleveland. A power gained by a military uprising, it is a peculiar combination of collars and cuffs. dictatorship, and the people of Brazil have Fame distributing her favors through a less liberty than they had under Dom Pedro. gentleman's furnishing store is a queer So far, the news contains few intimations | sight.

of the calling of constitutional conventions THE speech of Senator Morgan vest or the holding of popular elections. Further in favor of the exportation of the negroes be-cause they are not given fair treatment in the intelligence may bring word of such evidences of popular self-government; but at North, is a striking example of the awful present it is no more than fair to say that | lengths to which sectional idiocy can be culthe burden of proof is on Brazil to show that it has a genuine republican govern-

THE death of the downger Empress Germany, the grandmother of the present Emperor, removes a figure that has been prom-

WHERE DELAY IS WISE. inent as a lay figure and little more, in Europe for many years. The venerable Empress has never exercised any strong personal influence in German affairs, but as the Queen and Em-The idea of postponement is now being pressed for the World's Fair. It is in contemplation to put it off for one year, viz., press, during the period when Russia subverted till 1893; but it might be better to fix the the old balance of Europe by its rapid growth date even later, say in 1895 and then have from the position of a rather subordinate king omething creditable to show. After all, dom to that of the most powerful military e pire in Europe, she was a quiescent figure in the landing of Columbus is but the pretext some of the leading events of the past two for the occasion. It is a great international decades. Of late she has been little more than exposition which is the object; and, even so a reminiscence, and her death relegates her enfar as sentiment goes, the discovery by Cotirely to the position of a part of Germany's most glorious history. lumbus can be celebrated by an exposition in 1895 just as thoroughly as in 1892. Every

JUDGE THURMAN'S remark that his two one will admit that the finest fair the world elections to the Senate did "not cost him a will have seen would in 1895 be a better cent, not even a drink of whisky" 'reveals an idylcelebration of the discovery than a hasty and lic state of affairs in former Ohio politics. But nsufficient one in 1892. And when the the Paynes, Brices and Fosters have changed all that.

> THE position that measures should be taken to improve the country roads in the State is based on the assertion that "our present country roads are a disgrace to the State." But that logic appears to call for some very urgent measures to be taken with the city streets, which at present have a very decidded predominance of the disgraceful characteristics of the roads.

ECONOMY in the use of natural gas will be an undoubted public benefit; but the benefit of the economy should be permitted to reach the consumers, as well as the gas companies.

Fon the House Committee on Elections The desire to make votes and influence to adopt the rule of secret hearings of the eviwith some of the larger cities may lead to dence in the contested elections is the surest the wresting of the national Capital from way to place the reports of the committee under the suspicion of partisan unfairness. The the contest, if the exposition is to be hurried. The longer the time for the work the more spirit of this country requires open trials of private disputes, and a fortiori of these in favorably will the idea of the Government which the public right of honest representation taking whole charge of it be regarded by

> THE death of Mrs. Southworth, the slaver of Pettus, ends that remarkable case without the strain upon the jury system that her trial for murder would have produced.

care of the public library in Allegheny, power to appropriate money and levy taxes THE proposition to celebrate the 400th for its support, and to provide rules and anniversary of Columbus' discovery 401 years after the discovery, is a rather singular device regulations for its use, are vested in the to atone for the lack of preparation on the part of some of the ambitious cities. To make sure Board of School Control, throws new and valuable light on the remarkable dispute that certain of them have plenty of time to propare, might it not be wise to let the cele-It does not necessarily follow from this bration go till the 500th year?

> IP Bismarck has not gone to Canossa, there are suspicions that he has made arrange ments to have the head of the Roman Church meet him at some half-way point.

THE completion of the board to conduct the fire engine test by naming, in addition to Mr. Vandervelt, of Cleveland, and Superintendent Armstrong, of Allegheny, Mr. W. J. Lewis, of this city, secures three practical and expert gentlemen who will make the test a valuable and decisive one.

morely partis in advantage, like that of yester day will not increase the confidence of the public in either party.

good thing to provide for the downtown streets

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 1890. PITTSBURG DISPATCH. THE

THE TOPICAL TALKER

Fighting Grip With Grip-In the District Attorney's Don-Mr. Florence's Muse. WHEN a Pittsburger opened his satchel a the Fifth Avenue Hotel in New York City last Thursday night, he was surprised to en counter these articles at the surface: A case

counter these articles at the surface: A case of mustard leaves, a half pint flask of whisky, a roll of flannel, a small vial of somebody's, cough cure, and a box of quinine pills. The discoverer of these things is a hearty, robust business man, who has not been in bed a day for six years. He was astonished at his discovery. He had been called East anddenly and had to request his wife to pack his values and send it to the office. The value usually held on these ormeditions the smallest humber held on these expeditions the smallest number of toilet articles and so on-and nothing else.

The presence of the other wares was explained by the following rhyme writin on the back of one:

Some medicine and just a nip Of whichy straight I send, sir-You'll find the contents of your "grip" a Will knock out infinenza.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY DICK JOHNSTON has

not been suffering from influenza. He has recovered from a very natural collapse of the system that followed the labors of the cam-paign and a very busy life for the last five

> when I found him disposed in a wooden chair-without castors-in his den at the Court House. Mr. Porter was cleaning out his desk for his successor's use yesterday. This involved the disposition of a revolver or two and other relies of murder trials and criminal cases of all sorts. But Mr. Porter had not accumulated many of these relics; he says that the articles offered in evidence did not interest him greatly, A Bill in Congress Proposing to Abolish th and other court officers picked them up. These perquisites used to belong to the WASHINGTON, January 7 .- A bill introduced

Mr. Johnston admits, the modern District Atn the Senate to-day, by Mr. Harris, for Mr. torney has taken the place of the King. Beck, to suspend the operations of the sinking back, to suspend the operations of the annuage band, reads as follows: WHEREAS, Congress is officially advised that the otal outstanding bonded debt of the United States "BY the way, Mr. Porter," I asked, as the ex-

ever had occasion to use a revolver in your offi-

have never had any violence offered me. Of course I have had rough people to deal with often enough, but they have never bothered me. I think most criminals are able to see that the depunciation of them in court is done by the District Attorney in his official capacity. See how seldom you hear of a public prose cutor being assaulted. Some prisoners harbor recentment against the prosecuting attorneys, but not many. Major Montooth was assaulted when he was District Attorney, but his assailant was a maniac."

the real affection which exists between the happy old pair of comedians. Mrs. Florence went over to England last summer and will not return until next season.

One of the amusing things about that form of conversation which is popularly called, and generally miscalled, argument, is the way in which every disputant appears to think that at heart his opponent agrees with him, although he is to obstinate too show or to own it. As nost people talk not to get at the truth of the matter under consideration, but simply to ex-hibit their own infallibility, it is, of course, not too often there is such a thing as a genuine ar-gument; and everybody knows that the usual effect of what is called so is the confirming of all concerned in whatever opinions they had at the start.

any circumstances in life is able to realize that there is any other view of life than that which he takes. Every man is aware that there are people who pretend to think differently, but the common attitute toward those who differ from them is that, of course, at heart these plaint of a traveling man, who asserted that dissenters see things in the way they appear to

BLIZABETH DREXEL MARRIED. THE STROLLER'S STORIES.

tle Holmesburg Church.

NO FURTHER USE FOR IT.

Sinking Fund.

unted to \$751, 152, 400 on the 31st day of Decem-

ONE-SIDED ARGUMENTS.

The Man Who Knows it All Not Likely to

Impress Others.

It is only the exceptionally broad man who in

of The Dispatch.

THE PITT SBURG DISPATCH continues to be

the leading paper of that city in the publication

of the fullest and latest accounts of all events

happening in all parts of the country. During

The Sunday edition, which has reached a cir-

culation of 50,000 copies, is one of the best liter-

the growing demand for it shows that the pub-

PERSONAL NOTES FROM PARIS.

Gossip About Americans and Foreigners in

the French Metropolis.

(BY CABLE TO THE DISPATCH.)

Butler Oil Operatoins

New Keystone Postmasters.

WASHINGTON, January 7 .- In a long list of

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Quiet and Impressive Wedding in a Lit-Odd Opinions and Quaint Observations From Curb and Corridor. ECTAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATOR.1

THE Hotel Schlosser will not be opened until next Monday. The propristor expected to have matters ready for guests the first of this week, but there was so much work to be done PHILADELPHIA, January 7 .- Walter Goor Smith, a rising young lawyer of this city, a son of the late Thomas Kilby Smith, and Miss Elizabeth J. Drexel, eldest of the three daugh-ters of the late Francis A. Drexel, sister of Miss week, but there was so much work to be done that it was impossible. The house is alive with workingmen, nearly all of whom are decora-tors, freeco painters and paper hangers. When the house is opened to the public its beauties will be revelations. Nothing in the city can surpass the elegance and good taste displayed in the finish of the interior. Two splendidly decorated cafes open on Sixth avenue, one for ladies and one for continenen. The ceilines are Ears of the inter Francis A. Direct, inter of miss Kate Drezel, now in a Pittsburg convent, were married this morning in the little Roman Cath-elle Church of St. Dominie, at Hoimesburg, a suburb of this city. A cold, drizzling rain fell all the morning, making the little town and the country through which the bridal party and the all the morning, making the little town and the country through which the bridal party and the guests traveled look very dismai and dreary. The guests came to the church direct from the bride's home, at Torreadials. The church is small, but the company did not nearly fill it, only about 100 mvitations having been issued. At the entrance of the church the arriving guests were met and escorted to their seats by the following ushers: Dr. W. H. Clapp, Alfred Lee, W. E. Duncas, Smith, George Drexel, Thomas Kilby Smith and H. Galbraith Ward. Miss Drexel was met at the door of the church by her sister, Mrs. Morrell, and entered leaning on the arm of her uncle. Anthony J. Drexel. She was dressed in a white brocaded sitk, made en train, and trimmed with white satis. She wore a superb diamond necklace, with pendant of the same prenous stones, and in her han was a diamond aigrette. She carried suspended on her left afh a white satis bag, containing her prayerbook. In her richt hand was the magnificent bridal bouget of white roses, while at her side was a white ostrich fan. The ceremony was performed by Archibishop Kyan. Preceding the ceremony solemn high mass was celebrated. Father Maurice Smith, of Cincin-mati, was the celebrant; the Rev. Dr. Horst-mann, Chancellor of the Archibiecese, master of ceremonies; Father W all, of St. Dominick's, deacon, and the Rev. P. A. Gwynn sub-deacon. dies and one for gentlemen. The ceilings are nished in blue and gold, with fine panel paintings, and the walls contain magnificent plate glass mirrors. The dining room and adjoining ladies' parlor, on the second floor, are finished, and are bright apartments, restful to the eye with their harmonious, colorings. The large banquet room has not yet received the finish-ing together from the frequency.

Inga, and the walls contain magnificent plats glass mirrors. The dining room and adjoining hadies' parlor, on the second floor, are finished, and are bright apartments, restril to the sys-with their harmonious, colorings. The large banquet room has not yet received the finish-ding touches from the frescoers. The entire house is a model of the decorator's art. The carpets, the furniture and the curtains are finished, aft the best. John Schlosser's already high sequented by this, his greatest effort. THEs stroller was talking with an ice man yesterday concerning the prospect for cold weather. "We are on the ragged edge," the jea man said. "We, of course, have not ice awhether we will get any natural ice or not. Last will be entered out office. Under his arm he carried a noid river man, who was one or the bests thorities on the weather in this city. One day he entered out office. Under his arm he carried a package. Carefully undoing the paper wraphing, he displayed to as the brease bone a goose. He explained the construction of the bone to us, and said: 'You need not worry about the weather. You will have all the jeas you want, because the goose bone says so.' It was true, and we did secure an immense ice croy isoton in that line, but he will ealighten hif friends no more. His death occurred about tion in that line, but he will ealighten his friends no more. His death occurred about the piano, The reception hall was very artisticall

seven weeks ago. WILL STEVENSON, who has just returned VV from an extended visit to Spain, is one of the most talented and ambitious but erratic gentlemen ever connected with the press of Pittsburg. He has been a teacher, a journalist and a lawyer. Attracted by the beauties of the Spanish language and its literature, he went to Spain. After a pleasant residence there, he has returned to his many friends in this city.

<text><text><text><text><text> AT the meeting of the Duquesne Club the other evening the member who gave the sartiest handshake and the most winning eloome to the guests was John W. Chalfant the steel manufacturer, capitalist and pioneer. He stood untiringly at the door. He knew everybody. His hand was outstretched to man and woman, and his robust, resonant voice told one that they were welcome to all the good things of the evening. On his round, ruddy, genial countenance the word welcome seemed to be written in letters of light, and his greeting contributed very materially to pro-mote the general good feeling which prevailed during the evening.

ONE man who had a great deal to do with an

essential feature of the Duquesne Club's opening, but whose presence was noted by very few of the well-dressed men and women who attended the reception, is Captain Daniel Silvis, of the First District police. He stood upon the dewalk in front of the club-house and called them. A great many friends will mourn the depart-ure of these young ladies when they return to their respective homes as they expect to do very shortly as their sweet manners and radiants beauty won for them the esteem and admira-tion of all with when they have come in contact the carriages. As each vehicle drove up to the door the Captain opened the carriage door and assisted the occupants to alight. He gave the driver his time to be in waiting, and when the guests began to depart he attended to the summoning of the 250 conveyances which owded the adjacent streets. That very diffi-

cult undertaking was carried through without clash or delay, so smoothly, in fact, that the people did not notice the man who did the work. By the gentlemen who have charge of society affairs of large proportions in this city Captain Silvis is always in demand. He must

have charge of the ushering in and out at all

CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS. THE M'CANDLESS RECEPTION. -The debt of New York City is \$98,663,-

Scene of Beauty in Which Belles and Flowers Were Mixed in Generous Pro--Two thousand tons of January rubber

fusion-A Very Orante Affair. A lovely informal reception was given at the esidence of Mrs. Wilson McCandless, on Stockare expected at Para. ... A lovely informal reception was given at the residence of Mrs. Wilson McCandless, on Stock-ton avanue, yesterday afternoon, which served as a fitting climax to the gayety that has reigned there for the past ten days, consequent upon the number of young people that have spent the holidays with Mrs. McCandless. The hours were from Sto 6, and during that time even Old Sol, who for the earlier portion of the day had screened himself babind days -Chicago produces an average of about ten suicides per week, or 500, in round numbors, per year.

and the state of the weather was immaterial

-Two thousand four hundred and ninetyfive telegraph poles have been hatcheted h New York, and 14,500,000 feet of wire has com

-The Massachusetts Supreme Court has of the day had screened himself behind dark, dingy clouds, shed a few beams of sunshine to brighten the darkness of the exceedingly gloomy day. Once inside the charming home, however, ruled that a man who is injured in a railroad accident, while riding on a pass, cannot recover

-For the first time, it is said, since their liscovery the Straits of Mackinaw are free rom ice at this season of the year, and if the Government had not put out the lights for the winter vessels would pass through as usual.

-A French electrical journal estimates that the total length of the telegraph wires (including submarine cables) of the world in use at the present time exceeds 500,000 miles. Four-fifths of the land wires are in Europe and America. All the submarine cables together give a length of 38,050 miles.

-A novelty is announced in the shape of a "recording and alarm" compass which, it is declared, will greatly increase the safety of decimped, will greatly increase too warey of wessels. The apparatus is said to be composed of a binnacle and recording and alarm instra-ments connected by electric wires. The prin-ciple, in brief, is to sound an alarm whenever the course is not kept.

-The number of cloisters and monks in Spain have increased with astounding rapidity of late years. Spain now has 29,220 monks and 5,000 nuns in 1,330 cloisters and 179 orders. In Barcelona alone there are 163 cloisters for women. In the last 14 years the number of monks in Spain has been sextupled and the number of nuns has been doubled.

-A peculiarity about the blind is that there is seldom one of them who smokes. Soldiers and sailors accustomed to smoking, and who have lost their sight in action, continue to smoke for a short while, but soon give up the habit. They say that it gives them no pleasure when they cannot see the smoke, and some have said that they cannot taste the smoke nless they see it.

-Arthur Mack, ex-Chief of the Shanghai detective force, asserts that while China has a population of over 450,000,000, yet the criminal element in proportion to numbers is less than 10 per cent of what it is in the Chinese quarter of San Francisco. He accounts for this by the greater stringency of the laws for the punish-ment of crime in Chima and the greater cer-tainty in their administration.

-Last year the vessels isunched in the United Kingdom of great Britain approach very closely to 1,272,000 tons. The Clyde heads he list with a total tonnage of 335,201 tons. Next comes the Tyne, with 381,700 tons. The Wear is third on the list, with 217,386 tons. Then the Tees with 110,526 tons. The ship building yards in Belfast have launched tonnage to the amount of 80,000. In the previous year there were at the same time vessels on hand having a total of 283,301 tons.

-The rapid decrease in the number of kangaroos is beginning to attract the attention of scientific societies in Australia. From the collective reports of the various stock inspeccollective reports of the various stock inspec-tors it was estimated that in 1587 there were 1.881,610 kangaroos. In 1588 that number fell to 1.170,380, a decrease of 711,130. The chief ob-stacle to the adoption of measures for the ef-fectual protection of the kangaroo is his vigor-ous appetite. One full grown kangaroo cats as much grass as six sheep.

-A Chinese giant, by name Chang-hoogu, has just landed at Marseilles on his way to Paris, and if not already engaged by Mr. Barnum, he deserves to be. Chang, who is over seven feet in beight has not been in Paris over seven feet in height, has not been in Paris since the days before the war of 1870, when he was exhibited in a cafe concert. With the money thus obtained he returned to the flowery land, set up in business, and amassed a fair fortune, which would now serve to render him independent of the "showman." It is probable, however, that he will return for a while to his old trade as a human curiosity.

-The squirrel season of 1889, which by THE WOMAN'S CLUE MEETS. State law opened on September 1 and closed The Annual Election an Event-Spain to I with the year, will long be remembered in Center, Clinton, Clearfield and Bedford coun-Discussed This Year. ties on account of what seemed to be almost a miraculous visitation of squirrels, extending A large attendance and a very interesting session of the Woman's Club yesterday afterover a belt 30 miles wide and 100 miles long, and ternoon inaugurated the twentleth year of its continuing between five and six weeks. In fact, so plentiful was this species of game that, instead of being hunted and chased by local gunners, the squirrels became rather a pair and a securge, from which the country people had to defend themselves as best they might with implements ready at hand. In Buffalo Run Valley 6,000 are estimated to have been killed within a radius of three miles. Spain is the country that will be honored for the next 12 months by the members of the club in their papers and discussions and it is need-less to say that Spain's good points and the op-posite will be detected and commented upon by the ladies. The annual election of afficers was held, but way few changes were made. Mrs. Wade, who has graced the Chair for some time still retains her position and as Vice Presidents are Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Collins and Mrs, Armstrong. Mrs. Ramsey, for 12 years Recording Secre-tary, resigned and accepted the position of Cor-rosponding Secretary. Mrs. Renolds assuming the dutes from which Mrs. Ramsey was re-leased. Mrs. Prentice, as Treasurer, will con-tinue to keep account and take care of the funds of the club. The Executive Committee consists of Mrs. Becker, Mrs. Schlenderberg and Mrs Fleishman. A paper was read by Mrs. Wade in which the Spain is the country that will be honored for

SANG FOR THE POLICE JUSTICE. Minstrel Bond's Menner of Expression

ISPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCE.1

PITTSFIELD, ILL., January 7 .-- Some days ago excitement was caused on a railroad train between Keokuk and Jacksonville by the com-

A happy marriage in theatrical life are the little bits of verse which one is always encountering these days in the papers signed W. J. Florence. They are all dedicated to his wife by name, or thinly veiled by sentiment. They all breathe

Mr. Florence is playing with Joe Jefferson, and enjoying it. But he misses Mrs. Florence

THAT some extraordinary affection of the nose and throat is troubling the majority of Pittsburgers can be readily discerned at the theater. As soon as the curtain descended on therever. As soon as the curtain descended on an act of "Shenandoah" at the Bijou last night there was a frightful storm of coughs and nasal trumpetings. It sounded ridiculous—but the sufferers did not see the tun of it.

Their Gratitade.

Crown in the old days, and in this regard, as

District Atterney presented an officer of the Court House with a six shooter, "have you

cial capacity?" "No," he replied, "as District Attorney

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Among the pleasant reminders of a very

PARTISAN squabbles in the House for

WHEN GRIP MEETS GRIP.

Mr. Johnston looked well enough yesterday

who at stated intervals relieves himself by signed by its character to best manage such prophesying a time when pigiron will sell an institution. The fire engines and houses at \$50 per ton. He has just made a proph- are city property; but the idea has never beeny of that sort with regard to the current went; and as, some time in the recesses of the Property Committee should run the Fire past, he made a bet on \$50 iron, there are peo- Department. It is an unwritten part of the ple who consider his present prophecy sig- law that the discharge of such public funcmificant.

ilt is not necessary to worry our minds of bodies selected for their ability very much over the possibility of a \$50 pig to deal with the subject properly iron market this year; but it is worth while and it is a somewhat novel idea that to remark that, so far as Benner is concerned the City Property Committee of Allegheny in making such a prediction, he is a prophet | Councils has been chosen with a view to of evil. Hardly any greater cause of calam- those literary and educational qualifications ity could could take place in the iron mar- which will secure to a public library the ket than the inflation of prices to the \$50 highest usefulness.

basis. This would inevitably check and dwarf the consumption that is now giving the pretensions of this body, it is to be hoped the market its vitality. It would in its at- that the discreditable squabble to convert tainment produce expansion of productive public endowment into municipal spoils capacity, inflation of credits and over-production in output. The check of consumption would necessitate a shortage that could hardly fail to produce bankruptcy and would be likely to cause a general approach

The Judges of the Supreme Court of this to insolvency. If the members of the iron trade desire to State have earned the gratitude of the better maintain its present condition of prosperity half of humanity. They have decided on a permanent basis, they will do their best practically that a woman may make her to keep prices on a conservative level and last will and testament about as she pleases. make Benner a false prophet. There is a conviction current in masculine

A SUFFERING INDUSTRY.

There is a peculiar feature in the facts when she wont, she wont. But hitherto which are testified to before the Senatorial this potency in woman has been supposed beef investigation, to the effect that no one to be co-extensive with life. Now it appears is making any money in beef nowadays. that a woman's will goes after her death, The butchers testity that they do not make | with very slight restrictions. enough money to pay their rent; the cattle In the case referred to the Supreme Court growers declare that their business is going decides that a document undated and signed to the bow-wows; and Phil Armour solemnly "Harriet" must stand as the will of Harriet testifies that he cannot make any profit out S. Knox. There is no statement in the of the dressed boef business. This leaves us paper of its testamentary character, but the to conclude that the rich profits of the beef Court holds this omission to be harmless business must all go to the consumers, who and furthermore regards the absence of pay from 16 to 25 cents per pound for roasts witnesses' names as of no importance, as it and steaks; and yet no one has noticed any is proven that the signature is surely Mrs. marked accumulation of wealth on the part Knox's.

of that class. The unprofitable nature of From a legal point of view this decision business, when people wish to obtain favors is likely to have an important influence upon of legislation or manipulate prices for a the rulings of the lower courts in similar rise, is a universal trouble; but it never has cases. It seems in line with common sense hit a whole industry quite so hard as ap- as well as with the law; not an inevitable pears in this statement of the universal de- condition, by the way. pression of the beef trade. Some one ought

to bull the market.

A REPUBLICAN ESSENTIAL. The assertion made from sources manifestly opposed to the new Brazilian Govern- and women are kind enough to let us know ment, "that the revolution simply involves what an awful bore their importance is to the turning out of one set of officials who them. It is so unpleasant to be stared at, have always been in power and the turning says Bobelkins, the great novelist; twenty in of another that has been bungering for patronage and spolls," calls out the reply day, a great poet complains, and the lions from the New York Press that this republic on all sides set up a grumbling roar in the was in existence for over a hundred years same key. Poor Mr. Whittier has been before it began to rid itself of the spoils obliged to put his barber under bonds to archists to their system doubtless reats as them. We would not be surprised to learn firmly on the spolls basis as is the case with that Mrs. Amelie Rives-Chanler has long any of the Brazilian Republicans. The been compelled ere this to count her Monarchist system is essentially one of | hairpins night and day, to check possible spoils-reserved for the benefit of a priv- peculations, and it is easy to believe that ileged class, and gilded by the antiquity of Ella Wheeler Wilcox is pestered to death

the system. But that does not by any means settle the question whether the new Government of desirable accompaniments of greatness, as is neither pro nor con on that point. That is This consolation is no longer permitted us. ment is taking steps to secure at the earliest new patent cuff after Mr. Charles A. Dans.

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he City Property Committee as the body defore arisen that for that reason the City

solely with a view to the best results.

A WOMAN'S WILL.

munificence has made a magnificent gift to the

city, therefore the city property committee

is entitled to grasp the control of the gift

and the handling of the expenditures arising

at this present juncture. LET the Signal Service keep on predicttions should be placed in the hands ing that cold wave in the hope of finally triumphing by its appearance. Perseverance conquers all things.

THE simmering down of the war rumors to an expected squabble between England and Portugal, is disappointing. A fight of thatsort would not have enough liveliness to be interest-ing. On deliberate consideration we believe that Portugal will conclude to take one of her own size.

With the law plainly imposing a check or GOVERNOE HILL elaborately proves that he is in favor of ballot reform, but "agin its

will be abandoned for an honest attempt to THE "private ball" in New York is deorganize the management of the library cise laws out of existence, will be highly appreciated by the managers of the disreputable but popular variety.

PEOPLE OF PROMINENCE.

THE Duchess D'Uzes is training an origina Christy minstrel corps of her own for public appearance in Paris. The Duchess is a patron of horse races and other outdoor sports. minds that a woman's will, anyhow is an NEXT week Miss Letitia Aldrich, a niece of

invincible thing. When she will, she will and Senator Stewart, will make her theatrical debut in Washington. She will star in "Maid Marian." the author of which is Miss Seawell, a Washington girl.

REV. C. H. RICHARDS, Congregationalist, o Madison, Wis., has accepted a call to the Cen-tral Congregational Church of Philadelphia. The call was tendered in person by W. H. Wanamaker, brother of the Postmaster General.

GENERAL MASTER WOREMAN POWDERLY, who was taken suddenly ill in Philadelphia last week, is suffering from a complicated attack of influenza and quinsy. His physicians are of the opinion that he will be able to resume his official duties in a week.

THE different members of the Vanderbilt family, who are members of St. Bartholomew's parish, gave their rector, Rev. Dr. Greer, a satisfactory sort of Christmas present in the shape of a paid-up life insurance policy on the indowment plan for \$50,000.

MRS. JEANETTE F. THURBER, President of the National Conservatory of Music of America, announces that Miss Eleanor Warner Everest, of Philadelphia, "the first American entitled to

FAME IN A NEW FORM. The penalties of greatness are many.

servatory. Perhaps this is the reason so many people avoid greatness. A good many great men lobbying, there shall, nevertheless, be a proper representation made to Congress of the claims correspondents seek my autograph each of New York to the Exposition. LADY ALICE STANLEY, who accompanied her father, Lord Stanley, on a trip across the continent, reports that the Blackfeet Indians have a captive white child-a little girl not more than 9 years old-in their tribe. Lady system. This is true; it might further have burn every hair he olips from the poet's Alice heard that she was the child of an officer been said that the attachment of the Mon- head, lest the curiosity collector get hold of in the United States Army, who was killed, and she begs the Government to rescue her. MISS ANNIE GULDSTONE, the daughter

bequest of £3,000, to be deposited in a London bank, and its interest applied to the purchase of saveral bottles of the best champagns for the use of actors and actresses on every occasion when the play calls for wine-drinking upon the by passionate pilgrims. But when we have contemplated the unstage. IT is stated on the best of authority Brasil should be welcomed by this nation as no addition to the list of republics. The intervention of the second state and the second s

Sweden. Miss Ellen, who is known to her inti-mate friends as Nellie, is about 21 years of age, to be settled by the facts, and the crucial In the New York Sun we read that some and is, perhaps, the most cofficiently of the ex-Lewenhaupt belongs to a distinguished Swedish ment is taking steps to secure at the earliest possible time, the adoption of a Constitution by the representatives of the people, and aver, of Mr. Dana's distinction as an edi-as Secretary of State. He is a fine-looking the establishment of representative govern- tor. Collars have been named by this person young man of 25 years,

000 had been s while he was in A SUBWAY may not be necessary for the burial of the electric wires now existing; but an adequate subway which should provide dations for all classes of underground lines both now and in the future, might be a

5000 had been stolen from him while he was in a sleeper, by the McCabe & Young troupe of minstrela, fellow passengers. They made an indignant protes, but the whole company was detained here for examination. The truth seemed to be that the traveling man had sither spent or gambled the money which belonged to the house he represented, and his cry of theft was to diver suspicion from himself. The Judge released the min strel band, who reciprocated by singing. "The Courthouss in the Skies," at the request of the Justice. The traveling man is under arrest, charged with blackmail, and the manager of the troupe has entered suit against the county for \$20,000 damaged From the Western Press, Mercer, Pa.)

NEW CREMATORY OPENED. Two Bodies Successfully Incinerated a

the past year no expense has been spared to give the latest news in a graphic manner Troy, New York. Among its corps of writers are the ablest and INFECTAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. 1 best in the country, and the enterprise exhib-

TROY, N.Y., January 7 .- The first incineration ited by the publishers has placed THE DISat the Earl Memorial Crematory in Oakwood cemetery has occurred. The corpse was that of Hamlin Black, the 4-year-old son of Lawyer PATCH in the front rank of journals in the Bank S. Black. In a little over an hour George V. Doersem, of Buffalo, who had watched and veloping its possibilities as a great thing. Its capabilities for construing the Metropolitan ex-peepholes at the front and back of the retort, ary and news papers published anywhere, and unnounced that the body was entirely in inerated. Then the cradle was drawn forth, lic appreciates the efforts of its enterprising and all that remained of the child was seen in

a few ounces of light ashes. A friend of the family tenderly took the pan and with a sliver spoon scraped the particles of dust into a small receptacle, and then the parents departed with all that remained of their child. At 4 o'clock in the afternoon the body of Jonas S. Heartt, the carwheel manufacturer, was uncessfully incompared.

A WAIL FROM THE REDMAN.

He Objects to Young Indians Being Sent to

ister, and a great authority on American affairs, takes an active part in the discussion on the side of France. The banns for the marriage of Alexandria Eiffel to Camille Piccolli, the Secretary of the Italian Legation in Paris, are published in Londow Eastern Schools. WASHINGTON, January 7 .- The House In dian Affairs Committee bad a delegation of Sloux chiefs, who are visiting the East, before it to-day. John Grass, who was the chief London. Mrs. Mackay, wife of the Nevada r spokesman, wanted the provisions of the Sioux Ars. mackay, whe of the Nevada infinon-aire, has left this city for London and will sail for America by the Servia. General Whittier goes to Monte Carlo to-day. David King, of Washington, and family, leave to-day for the South of France to spend the remainder of the winter. Commission agreement carried out, and also asked indemnity for 8,800 ponies, said to have been run off by General Terry a long while ago.

Grass then made an earnest ouslaught .upon the practice of sending Indians to Eastern schools. The Indian youth, he said, should be the plattice is the indian youth, he said, should be educated at schools on or near the reservation. Two few of the Indians could be sent to schools in the East to have any beneficial effect upon the great mass of the Indians when they return to the reservations after finishing their educa-tion in the East. More Indians could be sent to reservation schools, and these schools should be increased.

CARELESS ABOUT HIS MONEY.

A Man Leaves a Grip Containing \$150,000 in an Unlocked Room. .

teach the Marchesi method of singing in this country," has been added to the faculty of the ST. LOUIS, January 7.-It will be remembere that about ten days ago an account appeared in these dispatches of the loss and recovery of a CHAUNCEY M. DEPEW, as Chairman of the valise containing \$150,000 in bonds and securi Legislation Committee, is now in command of the New York World's Fair project, and he is determined that while there shall be no "boom-ing," in the Chleago sense of the word, and no ties by a guest of the Southern Hotel. At the time the name of the party who lost the valu-able grip was carefully concealed, but to day The man who carries about a valise worth

big fortune and leaves it m his room with the door unlocked is Julius Wolf, of New York, a wealthy sard'ne packer and dealer in olives, who put \$118,000 L to the Lee-Demong Grocery Com-pany, of this city, which failed yesterday.

DEATHS OF A DAY.

Asres Ciaffic. BROCKLYR, N. Y., January 7. - Aaron Ciaffin, a brother of the late H. B. Claffin, died at his home in this city this morning, aged 72, of bronchtis. He was a resident of Brooklyn, and conducted business in New York City for 48 years. He dwned one of the largest boot and shoe factories in the country, located at Milford, Mass., where he was born. Mr. Claffin also owned a model farm of 700 acres at Milford, which he visited onco a month. He returned here from one of these visits two weeks ago, and was taken sick for the strest inte in his Hic. He learse four sons and four daughters and an estate valued at \$1,000,000.

WASHINGTON, January 7.-A contract was to-day awarded to the Linden Steel Company, of Pittaburg, for furnishing 861 tons of protec-tive deak plating for the new battleship Texas at 0.8 cents a pound.

fashionable weddings, receptions, balls and funerals. He attends the aristocracy of Pitts-burg from the altar to the grave. No better man could be found. In an evening dress Cap-tain Silvis would grace any society affair. He is a gentleman of remarkably fine appearance, with the face and miss of a grenadler and a manner as suave and urbane as that of any courtier of the age of chivalry.

THERE is, by the way, a remarkable diversity ¹ In the ways of spelling the handsome Cap-tain's name in the newspapers of this city. Within two weeks past the following etymologies have appeared in the local press: Silveis, Silvus, Sylvus, Silvius and Silvis. The Captain himself writes his name Silvis, and he ought to know.

and Mrs Fleishman. A paper was read by Mrs. Wade in which the club was invited to join an International Union of the various womans' clubs in the United States, which will meet in New York City in March; a delegate will in all probability be sent from the Pittsburg Woman's Club. IT seems to be peculiarly appropriate that the gentlemen who occupy the offices of Presi-dent, Vice President and Treasurer of the Sylvania Rod and Gun Club, of Allegheny, are all of them named Reel.

THE U. P. MISSION BOARD.

India Hospital Were Made.

A COMING MARRIAGE.

holt to Join Hands for Life.

liss Gertrude Torrence and A. C. Overholt,

Focial Chatter.

The Raling Passion Strong.

POINTS WELL TAKEN.

ALTON Democral: It is better to have a turn-

up nose than a cabbage head. CRICAGO Tribune: Whenever a girl elopes it is safe to set her down as flighty.

TROY Times: It is wrong to suppose that

every one is penitent because he is on his

CHICAGO Inter-Ocean: It is the tag in front of the pleasure excursion which has belies on

NEW YORK Hole! Gozette: That opera man-

ager performed quite a feat who borrowed a tenner from the base.

oner to discover that a blizzard victim dies from the effects of a blow.

TERMS HAUTE Supress: While the true American does not believe in a king he will bet his last cent on four of them.

ATCHISON Globe: How it would take away the greatness of a great man if his last words were, "I feel sick at my stemach?"

MILWAUKER Journal: Same people get drunk in the hope of having their natural idlocy charged up to the account of whisky.

PHILADELPHIA Ledger: A lap robe house has gone under on account of the mild season. It is the microbe that is running things at

BINGHANTON Republican: It needs no Cor-

SLOCZO.

THE county exchanges are beginning to bring The county exchanges are beginning to bring in the returns of the hog killings through-out the farming regions of this thrifty end of the State. The following; no doubt authentic, statements come from Fayette county, where they have hers that are hogs: "Israel Cope butchered a 600-pound hog a few days since," is the fact The second hog a few days since," Becret Meeting at Which Reports of an The Woman's Board of Missions of the United Presbyterian Church held a meeting esterday afternoon in the Second U. P. is the first. The second is better. It reads: "James Essington butchered the boss hog on Church, Sixth avenue. Mrs. E. J. McPherson presided. Fridny, December 27. After being blod the weight was 748 pounds, and after being dressed The meeting was a secret one and none of The meeting was a secret one and none or the proceedings would be given out except the report that the Memorial Hosnital, at Sialcot, India, had been dedicated with impressive cers-monies and the entire structure paid for by the Mission Board. Mrs. Dr. Johnston, who was intely structure and constitution of the other will, incomit weighed 656 pounds. The meat, with the exception of the hams, was made into lard and sausage-30 gallons of the former and between 200 and 300 pounds of the latter." If any of the Mission Board, Mrs. Dr. Johnston, who was ately given a reception in this city, will, upon ser arrival in Sialcot, assist Dr. Marie White, who has assumed control of the new hospital, enterprising farmers in this territory can beat Mr. Essington's hog, the Stroller would be gind to hear from them.

PARIS, January 7.-The changes in the diplo-matic representatives in Paris of the South American Republics are attracting a good deal of attention here, since Heredia, formerly Min-STRANGE stories are brought in from the S country districts by travelers during this unprecedented winter. In Westmoreland, Fayette and Greene counties very many farmers Miss Gertrude Torrence and Mr. A. C. Over-Cards are out announcing the marriage of are plowing for corn, and have high anticip tions of a good crop coming. Wild birds and animals are not uncommon, and big snakes are killed every day. Near Oil City last week a man named Henry Weber killed an owl which to take place on January 14. The prospective bride is one of Connellsville's most accomplished and beautiful young ladies, and the groom is the President of the Scott-dale pipe foundry and a rising business man of sagacity and great energy. He has already at-thined wealth, though young in years. measured 41% feet across the wings from tip

COLONEL GUS BLIMLEY, of Texas, is spending a few days and considerable money in Pittsburg, and says that with the rye he has

BUTLER, January 7 .- The Robert S. Hays well will make an average producer. The MISS FANNIE WILSON, and Mr. Frank mbibed quite a liking for the town. The James S. Hays well is 50 feet in the sand and filling up with oil. The Hundred Foot Oli Company's No. 4, on the Bolton, is in the sand and showing for a good well. Golden & Mo-Clung's No. 1, on the Nesbit, made several flows to-day from the second pay streak. Colonel is a typical Texan, and with his long hair and beard and broad-brimmed slouch hat, creates a senantion at the Red Lion Hotel, where he is a guest. The Colonel stopped at the Red Lion because he was attracted by the Pritchett, of Philadelphia, will be married to day in the East End at the Wilson residence. MR. AND MRS. W. J. A. KENNEDY left yesterday morning for a brief visit in Eric, Pa. with relatives of Mrs. Kennedy. MRS. WILLIAM SCOTT will entertain ber name. He says "it sounds ferocious and home-

> on Fifth avenue. DETER KLEMENS went down to New York A DELIGHTFUL tea was given yesterday afternoon by Mrs. E. H. Dermitt. with a large shipment of beef cattle. The price was high when he left Pittsburg hut when he arrived in Jersey City he found that the bottom had dropped out. In disgnst he sent back to his partner the following laconic telegram, which did not mean precisely what he intended: "Market gone to hades. I will be there to morrow." THE STROLLER. From the New York World.1 A responsible citizon says that a sausage re-cently jumped from his breakfast table when the door bell rang.

> > DREAMS.

In dreams I waik in pleasant ways, By limpld streams in sunny della, Where peace abides and beauty dwella, And spieudors glow through happy days,

I dream of friends whose faith is fast, I dream of love that dannet fail, Of joys that never tire nor pale, Of hopes that beckon till the last.

like.

In dreams I hear the songs of birds. 1 see the shores of happy lands, 1 feet the class of loving hands, 1 eatch the drift of tender words.

They are but dreams, and I alas, Awake to weep my vanished bliss; Awake to feel the truth of this-That dreams can never come to n

I sometimes wish I never had dreamed About the things I longed for so, For then my heart might never know How dear their sweet fulfillment seeme

Still let me fream, for often times The path is drear, five day is bleak. My cont so ead, inv heart so weak, I fain would hear the happy chimes.

The happy chimes that fancy rings

Across the dreary moors of life: I fain would see and my strife be peaceful visions timey brings. —Eva Donatdeon, in Boston Courier. The peace

-The actual amount of malt liquors conmmed in 1888 was 707.587.056 gailons. This in ludes not quite 3,000,000 gallons of imported beer and ale. The manufacturers' price to the retailer is rather above than below 20 cents per railon. At 20 cants the cost to the dealers would be \$135,517.411. The rotailers get an aver-age of 60 cents per gallon, which makes the cost to the consumers \$460,522,233, which the American people spend annually for mait liquor, principally beer. The most careful estimate principally best. The most careful estimate puts the cost of wine to the consumer at \$72, 570,138, and of distilled spirits \$578,228,860. This gives us a grand total of \$912,448,129, mearly \$1,000,000,000 spent annually for liquor by the people of the United States.

-The report of a novel wedding incident comes from a village in Fairfax county, Va. The wedding cards were issued for the mar-riage of a gentleman from West Virginia and one of the belies of Fairfax, and a numerous company gathered yesterday at the village church, and awaited the coming of the bride church, and awaited the coming of the bride and groom. The happy couple came togother up the aisle with ushers and attendants, and on their arrival at the altar arranged themselves in front of the minister, who read, not the mar-ringe service, but a certificate that the bride and groom were married on the 24 of Norem-ber inst, and so had been man and wife for two months. There was first surprise and then congratulations. The wedding feast was spread and enjoyed by a numerous company. --The last even distant relative of Aaron Burr is dead. He was hatter. He was born

Burr is dead. He was a hatter. He was born

in Western New York as long ago as 1810, and in Western New York is long ago as isn, and went to the metropolis to learn the hatter's trade. He parented a hat machine about 1852. Up to that time hat bodies had been made by hand. Burr's machine so revolutionized the hand. Burr's machine so revolutionized the business that in 1856 6,000,000 hats were made upons his machine. For many years he virtually had a monopoly of the hat trade, and when his patent expired, in 1872, he had amassed a great fortune. His father was Aaron Burr's first cousin, and his grandmother a sister of Jona-than Edwards. He sprang from that large Burr's family that once lived near Cooperstown. Now that he is dead it will be exceedingly hard to find auother man bearing the name of Burr who is even remotely, connected with the Bl-fated but brilliant man who was once such a power in political and social life.

BOSTONIAN WIT AND WISDOM.

The Knights of Labor are said to be

ringing about the Days of Prosperity. This is about the time when the farmer hes through the ice and catches a 22 or 24 pound

pickerci. riends next Thursday afternoon at her home Those who say that woman has no sense

of humor have evidently failed to notice how a mustache tickles her. WE OFTEN BEE IT.

This thing we very often see: The stove that won't give heat to-day Will roast us thoroughly when we Have reached the days of May. IT IS ALL THE SAME TO HIM. Whether the play 18 bright or flat To him is never known Who looks at the back of a lady's hat And swears as the sets go ou.

THIS IS BETTER. She's as beautiful as an angel. And as amtable as she is fair. For she always takes off her high-crowned has When she sits in an orchestra chair.

First Tramp-Let's go up to this house

and see if we can get a bits. Second Tramp-Not by a long chaik. F. T. --Why not? Do they keep a dog? S. T. -No, but there's a newly married couple living there, and the young wife gave me one of her pies the other day, and it nearly killed me.

Johnnie-You've got a cold in your head, Cholly (calling on Johnnie's sister)-Yes, a very bad one.

ad one. Johnnie-Then sister was wrong. Choily--Wrong in what? Johnnis-she said you hadn't anything in your

head at all. NO HOPE FOR HIM. Much the long-anffering editor

Forgiveth those who bring The easily, this or poimlet Each one a "little thing:"*

But there's no hope for the writer, Fair or plain, or young or old, Who cometh to the sanctum With a manuscript that's rolled -All from Boston ton Courier. 1

Virgiula Wants Free Colunge. RICHMOND, January 7 .- A joint resolution was introduced in the Legislature to-day requesting Virginia Senators and Representa-tives in Congress to support a bill for the free coimage of silver. Given to a Pittsburg Firm.

General Louis Ladac.

Anron Cinflin.

the family physician of the Prince of Wales, died recently in London, and left in her will a

CHENOA, ILL., January 7. --General Louis Ladue died of heart disease, yesterday, at his farm north-west of this city. He has realded here over 20 west of this city. He may remine here over m years. He was horn in France and was highly educated. He entered the Franch army at an early age; was private secretary to Duk 66 Oudi-not also aid-in-compto Louis Napoleon, and participated in the slege of Rome. He was also ambassador to Africa during the way.

Dr. Charles McMill.

WAGHINGTON, January 7.-Dr. Charles McMull, a medical referes of the Fension Bureau, died this morning, of pasumonia.

President, are the following postmasters for Pennsvivania: H. P. McKallip, Lesehburg: W. J. Neyman, Grove City; J. J. Crawford, Barn-narts Mills. Something New in New England. From the Boston Herald.] Plowing in January 18 a new experience for

our New England farmers, but they have been engaged in that occupation up in Worcester ounty the past week, and there was no frost in the furrows.

Couse for Complaint. From the Baltimore American.]

The King of Portugal has a personal staff of nine doctors, but, as he discovers an average of only two new complaints a day, it is evident that some of the physicians are not earning

Mr. Randall Now a Congressman WASHINGTON, January 7.-Speaker Reed to-day announced to the House that, in accord-acce with the authority vested in him yester-day, he had administered the oath of office to Samuei J. Randall, of Pennsylvania.

