THE CRITIC'S REVIEW

Hubert Howe Bancroft's History of Utab-

of Pensant Life-New Novels.

Some Questions the Book Does Not Fully

Answer-The Bagpipes, a Pleasant Story

PRETTY volume, bearing the imprint of the

Hubert Howe Bancroft for author, has for its

title History of Utah. It is one among many other pretty volumes in which Mr. Bancroft

has set down his gleanings in the harvest fields

of ancient and modern American history as it

MR. BANCBOFT found, as every historian

record of a people against whom almost every

nan has set his hand-that there were

two possible paths for him to follow, the path of lies and the path of truth.

A great many people have found it very easy to tell lies about the Mormons, and not a few

books, whose fittest librarian is the garbage

man, have been manufactured out of these lies.

The Mormons, also, in the opinion of some Gentiles, have found it well to tell some lies

about themselves. There are lies enough on both sides to provide the historian who desires

to fill 700 pages, and cares comparatively little what he fills them with, with plenty of material.

The path of truth, however, along which Mr.

Bancroft, being a reputable historian, wishes to

go, is not so easy. Nobody who is unacquainted with the literature of the subject can know

what a task the historian must have with his

"authorities," It was a foregone conclusion that no history of Utah could be written which

that no history of Utah could be written which would satisfy both a Mormon and a Gentile critic. Mr. Bancroft has wisely decided that he will be content with satisfying himself. He could not have done better. The result is a careful, well-considered, just and permanently valuable contribution to American history.

This book contains all the facts which are verifiable, all the facts which are asserted by respectable authorities upon the Mormon side with the questions by which respectable Gentile authorities have doubted their right to be called facts, and all the arguments pro and con which have any reason in them or any reputable names behind them. The reader can make his choice.

THE story begins with the first sight of Utah

Vasquez de Coranado and his companions in

1540, who seem to have had a hard time of it

and to have seen very little, but who, never-

heless, discovered enough to set the map-

makers at work. The Utah of 1540 was as

unknown to civilization as the regions of the Congo were a few years ago. And the map

as generous of hills and rivers as they have

a great lake in the midst of the west, big enoug

to cover Utah and Idaho combined.

en within our own memory. They set down

Into the valley of the Great Salt Lake, which

trappers and explorers had brought within

more accurate limits of latitude and longitude,

came in the year 1847 the great Mormon migra-tion. Mr. Bancroft traces the rise of the move-ment, beginning with Joseph Smith and Mar-tin Harris, and Oliver Cowdry, recounting the

the Harris, and Oliver Cowary, recounting the persecutions and tragedies which accompanied the spread of the new religion, and the circumstances which turned the faces of the leaders Northward. With 1847 the modern history of Utah begins. Henceforth its fortunes are within the memory of men still living.

THERE are three questions which we want

answered by anybody who tells the history of the Mormons: What of polygamy? What

is a chapter on "Mormonism and Polygamy," in

which the practice is founded on the example

of the Old Testament patriarchs and on the

curious belief of Mormons about spirits which

Mormon argument for polygamy is stated, and

the custom is defended from some of the most

common and most unsavory of the assertions which are made about it. As for putting it down, Mr. Bancroft does not favor coercion, as

are awaiting incarnation. In this chapter the

by Europeans in the persons of Francisco

will-and especially when his subject is the

History Company, San Francisco, with

has been enacted on the other side of the Mississippi river. For some years back this THE disasters of the story prove to be a litbusy gleaning has been going on. With a corps of industrious clerks, turning over old tle more serious, when the reader really books and manuscripts, jotting down notes and memoranda, Mr. Bancroft has made a regular finds out what they are, than the first chapter would lead one to imagine. There is a wicked step-mother, and a disappointed lover or two, business of recording what can be found out who came in as very unpleasant and malicious about the history of the Pacific slope and lands adjacent. Mexico and New Mexico, Texas characters, and, it must be said, a very foolish hero who could have spared the heroine and and California, Arizona, Nevada, Colorado, Wyoming, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Monhimself some of the severest passages in their experience if only he had had a little more tana, have all been written up. Mr. Bancrott's researche have extended as far south as Central America, and as far north as Alaska. Utah, however, presents a subject for the historian which has at least the charm of novelty. There experience if only he had had a little more sense. He makes a confession in that opening paragraph which we quoted, which proves to be as true as it is frank, when he owns up that he was not always so wise as he might have been. Indeed, he is sometimes such anunusually obtuse specimen of unwisdomnot to use a more emphatic monosyllable—that the reader gets into an exasperation which even the hint that we ourselves are not absolutely wise does not quite allay. However, it all comes out right in the end, and they lived happily ever after, and deserved all the joy they ever got.

however, presents a subject for the historian which has at least the charm of novelty. There are Indians, and idols, and queer myths, and hardy settlers, and gold seekers, grouped pictures quely in the background of a good many pictures of early Western life, whether the historian sets up his camera in the North, or South, or East, or West. But there is nothing quite like Utah in all the wide stretch of country with which Mr. Bancroft has made us acquainted. "There is only one example in the annals of America," says Mr. Bancroft, "of the organization of a commonwealth upon the principles of pure democracy. There is here one example only where the founding of a State grew out of the founding of a new religion. Other instances there have been of the occupation of wild tracts on this continent by people flying before persecution, or desirous of greater religious liberty; there were the Quakers, the Huguenotts and the Pilgrum fathers, though their spiritual interests were so soon subordinated to political necessities, Religion has often played a conspicuous part in the settlement of the New World, and there has at times been present in some degree the theoratic, if not indeed the hierarchical idea: but it has been long since the world, the old continent or the new, has witnessed anything like a new religion successfully established and set in prosperous running order upon the fullest and combined principles of theocracy, hierarchy and patriarchy.

Mr. BANCBOFT found, as every historian MR. WILLIAM BLACK has written a good many books, but never a better one than Prince Fortunatus (Harper Bros.: J. R. Weldin & Co.) It carries the reader back to "Madcap Violet" and the others which came close after when you could be sure before you opened the covers of a new novel by Mr. Black that you would find within a wise man who would talk in oracular epigrams, and a pretty young women who would behave herself in some kind of unconventional way, and the salt breeze of the sea, and the clear air of of broad Scotch dialect thrown in, and two or three splendid sunsets. There is a wise man in "Prince Fortunatus," and a trip up north for grouse-shooting and fishing, with gillies for guides, and a very pretty and charming young woman, upon whom adjectives might be wasted to any extent, and who is certainly as unconventional as can be desired. The plot is skilful, the conversation very bright and sprightly, the characters are not only made known to us, but are such people as are pleasant to know.

A THEATER is background for much of the A story. The hero, like the "Knight-Errant" of Edna Lyall, is a singer in opera. The book is set out admirably with pictures, which are

OUR MAIL POUCH.

Separate Use Trusts.

all good to look at.

To the Editor of The Dispatch: It is very strange that there is so much misapprehension about a late decision of the Supreme Court upon what is known in law as "a separate use trust estate." Surely this decision could not have been a surprise to any well-read lawyer. Such estates have existed in Pennsylvania since it has been a Commonwealth. A separate use trust is created by

wealth. A separate use trust is created by deed or will, and is designed for the protection of the wife during coverature. It would be very strange indeed if a father could not, in his will, protect his married daughter from a spendthrift husband.

Chief Justice Yarson in a late case says: "It is true the married women's act of 1848, as it is called, secures to every married woman the legal control of her own estate. But every one knows that it is not a difficult thing for a husband to swindle his wife out of her separate estate by his blandishments, or force it from her by his brutality. It is done every day. And this is where the value of a separate use trust comes in to protect a married woman from her ignorance, her folly, or her overweening confidence in her hus-

tect a married woman from her ignorance, her folly, or her overweening confidence in her hus-band." Such a trust becomes executed upon the leath of the husband, and the widow thereafter

death of the husband, and the widow thereafter has an estate freely alienable.

If the real estate devised to a wife is incumbered by a separate use trust, and she desires to sell the same, if it is unproductive she can do so, under the act of 1855, and the proceeds of sale can be invested for her and the interest or income therefrom paid to her during her coverature, and after her husband's death she can receive the principal absolutely.

Without any reference to the case so lately decided by the Supreme Court, it can be truly said that a separate use trust is the greatest

FEBRUARY 28, 1890.

Law Student Defended. o the Editor of The Dispatch: Spica, in R. A. 13 hours 38 minutes, dec. 9°34' If J. C. P. had read the Constitution of the south. Neptune is evening star. He is in the United States and its amendments he would the Pleiades and Hyades. He cannot be seen the Piciades and Hyades. He cannot be seen with the naked eye, but may be easily found with a good telescope mounted with circles from the following position: R. A. 4 hours .00 minutes, dec. 18° 57′ north.

BERT. E. V. LUTY. 'Law Student," who is certainly correct in

PITTSBURG, March 1. Things Theatrical.

Will you kindly inform me through your columns: 1. The size of the stage in the Academy of Music, Philadelphia. 2. The size and cost of the front curtain in the Bijou Theater, Pitts-burg. 3. The size of the Bijou stage. P. D. LEECHBURG, March 1.

for admittance to West Point from this disriet? I noticed in one of the morning papers that our Congressman had a vacancy to fil PITTSBURG, March 1. READER. A Hard One for J. C. P.

PITTSBURG, March 1.

what a saloonkeeper's bondsmen worth, under the Brooks law? PITTSBURG, March I.

To Fix a Date for Holding Republ

ittee, returned from attending a meeting of mittee, returned from attending a meeting of the chairmen of the Republican county com-mittees of Venango, McKean and Warren counties, held in Warren Saturday. The meet-ing was for the purpose of fixing a date for holding the Republican primary elections in the several counties of the Twenty-seventh Con-gressional district, as required by the rules, Saturday, May 10, was the date selected. It is

A Convalescent Rumor. From the Washington Post, 1 aster General Clarkson is again convalescent.

Curious Spring Novelty.

could be a curious spring novelty in the north wing of the Capitol. In the Same Bont.

From the New York Heraid. ]

THE SKIES IN MARCH.

Few of the Wonders Revenied to the Eye Explored by the Multitudes of Dispute of the Amateur Astronomer-The Approaching Equinox-Phases of the Planets-Curious Facts About Saturn's Rings.

(WRITTEN FOR THE DISPATCH)

THE sun is now but a few degrees south of the equator. On the 20th he will cross the equator, at which time the earth will be at that pint in its orbit known as the Vernal Equinox. To-day the day's length is 11 hours 21 minutes; the sun rises at 6:51 A. M. and sets at 6:13 P. M. On the 20th the day's length is 12 hours; the sun rises about 6:28 A. M. and sets about 6:28 P. M. It might have been supposed that he would rise promptly at 6 A. M. on this date and set 12 hours later; but such is not the case. In the first place, the time we use here is 20 minutes 3 seconds faster than local time, so that when our clocks show the time to be 20 minutes 3 seconds after 6 A. M. for example, it is really but 6 o'clock. Moreover, the sun does not keep pace with our time, being sometimes more than a quarter of an hour ahead or behind it and being even with it only twice in the year. Without explaining more fully, it may be said that this disagreement is due to the earth's moving in an elliptic the earth's moving in an elliptic orbit about the sun. On the sun dial mounted in the Allegheny Park near the greenhouse will be seen a table showing how many minutes and seconds the sun is "off" for each day in the year. If this table were not given, the time determined by the dial might sometimes be as much as a quarter of an hour slow or fast. On the 20th of the month the sun is 7 minutes 30 seconds behind time, and hence rises at 6:28 A. M., crosses the meridian at 12:28 and sets at 6:28 P. M.

The San's Face Little Spotted. I ROM what the writer has been able to see of the sun, despite the cloudy weather that has prevailed lately, there are no large spots on the disk of his solar majesty at present. This is somewhat unusual, as the period of greatest solar activity is approaching. The time of maximum sunspots comes every 11 years, and will come in 1803. About this time the sun seems to be very active, while midway between these maxima the sun may be without any spots at all for many days. The period seems to correspond with that of greatest and least electrical disturbance on the earth, pointing a connection between the two.

Morning and Evening Stars.

MERCURY will not be visible to the unassisted eye this month. He is morning star, but is too far south and too near the sun to be seen He reaches superior conjunction on the 9th of next month. Venus is likewise invisible. She passed superior conjunction in February and is now evening star. On the last day of the month she sets 50 minutes after the sun. Her apparent diameter is 10". Mars is morning star, rising just now about I.A. M. He passes through the constellation Scorpio and enters Ophiuchus. On the night of March 4 Mars passes 6' north of Beta Scorpii. This star is of e third magnitude and may easily be fou eing the northernmost of a row of three stars bout 4° apart, lying about 8° west of Antares the brightest star in the southeast heavens at or 3 A. M. Mars will appear brighter than the three stars, and will resemble Antares in color. as this is a noted red star. Jupiter is star, but near the sun and far south, so that h is in poor position for observation. He rises in the southeast about 5 A. M. this morning, and will rise about four minutes earlier each suc

Saturn's Wonderful Rings. SATURN is evening star, rising now about o'clock in the afternoon and remaining visible nearly all night. He is in Leo, two degrees east of Regulus. There can be no diffi-culty in identifying him, as he is the brightest star in the neighborhood. The wonderful rings of Saturn are still an object of great in-

terest to the astronomer. These rings resem-ble a flat disk, about 100 miles thick and about 165,000 miles in diameter, with a circle cut out of the inside 100,000 miles across in which is placed the planet. The ring is divided into several parts or separate rings. The innermost of these rings is not so bright as the rest; it has, in fact, a nebulous appearance, which led to it getting the name of the "crape ring." The question as to whether these rings could remain in equilibrium has had the attention of mathematicians had the attention of mathematicians since the time of La Place. They cannot be solid, and it is thought they must be composed of a vast number of satellites, too small and close together to be seen separately. It has been thought that the inner ring is closing up and will finally fall upon the planet. If it does it will make a giant hail storm, a little too grand for the Saturnian inhabitants to appreciate.

Uranus and Neptune.

Uranus is evening star, rising about 9:30 in

the evening. He is in Virgo, about 50 east of

constellation Taurus, about half way between

THE DREAM NOT PELPILLED.

Mrs. Cyrus Gaston Still Lives, in Spite of

Prophetic Visions.

890. The date was strongly impressed on her.

This made an impression on her mind not to be

f faith and went on the even tenor of her way, doing household work as usual and spend-

SCRANTON'S FREE LIBRARY.

Movement to Equip the Albright Memo

rial Institution.

SCRANTON, March 2-The people of Scra

or the purchase of books over \$30,000.

SALVADOR, March 2.-Congress has

issued a decree that from the 26th ult, a duty of

I per quiatal be imposed on all coffee exported laring one year, the proceeds to be used in the econstruction of the National Palace.

MARCH.

Light-footed March, wild maid of Spring,

Your frolic footsteps hither stray, Smiles blent with tears will April bring—

'Tis April's sentimental way— But your wild winds with laughter ring,

While young and old your will obey;

Child of the Ice-King and the Sun— At her fair feet fond lovers woo; She flouts and Jeers them, every one.

Oh March! could you or she be true,

Then all were naught, so you v

And then she smiles—once more they sue: Then blows she cold—they are undone.

Louise Chandler Moutton in Ladies Hor

Coquettish March, what games you play!

A moment here, then on the wing.

I know a maid as blithe as you-

ton have taken hold of the equipment of the Albright Memorial Library with an earnestness

ALLEGHENY, March 1.

said that a separate use trust is the greate protection and blessing which the law gives a married woman. Lex.

not have waxed so sarcastic at the expense of saving that "a child is a citizen if born in the United States." The first section of the Fourcouth Amendment declares that "all persons born or naturalized in the United States and subject to the jurisdiction thereof are citizens of the United States and of the State wherein of the theocracy? What of the future? These they reside." A recent writer on the subject questions are not answered in the book at the says: "All citizens are not necessarily entitled ength which many readers will desire. There to the exercise of the right of suffrage, for the term 'citizen,' in the constitutional sense of the term, means one who owes the duty of alle-giance and is entitled to the correlative right of protection, and it therefore includes persons, who, by reason of sex or age, may not be quali-fied to vote."—[Peterson's Federal Restraint on

fied to vote."—[Peterson's rederal Restraint on State Action. p. 252].

There is, moreover, a judicial decision in this State which declares that, for the purpose of voting, a minor becomes of age on the day pre-ceding the 21st anniversary of his birth. So that law student is backed by very respectable

To the Editor of The Dispatch:

(We have not measured the theater stages oor examined the curtain bills. The managers

night tell you.1

which are made about it. As ior putting it down, Mr. Bancroft does not favor coercion, as inviting social tyranny.

In the matter of the theocracy, upon which such writers as Mr. Strong, in "Our Country," lay great stress, Mr. Bancroft says little. Mr. Strong's description of Mormonism shows it as a state within the state, which is at entire variance with our institutions, which is reaching out by persuasion and emigration after political power beyond Utah, and which really threatens the future well-being of the West. The facts are all in the book, but there is no assembling of them together. That, however, the historian might consider to be outside his province. Prophecy, too, he declines to indulge in.

When Joseph Smith, the prophet, died, the 12 aposties of the Mormon Church were these: "Brigham Young, the lion of the Lord; Heber C. Kimball, the herald of peace: Parley P. Pratt, the archer of paradise; Orson Hyde, the olive branch of Israel; Willard Richards, the keeper of the rolls; John Taylor, the champion of right; William Smith, the patriarchal staff Write to the Congressman. To the Editor of The Dispatch: Can you inform me as to the time when apolication can be made to go on examinat

To the Editor of The Dispatch: Will J. C. P. please explain why a youth be tween the ages of 18 and 21 is subjected to military duties if he is not a citizen until 21 years of C. K.

At Least \$2,000. To the Editor of The Dispatch: Will you kindly inform me through your pape

COUNTY COMMITTEE MEEFING Primary Elections.

PRECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.1 FRANKLIN, PA., March 2.-E. W. Smiley. Esq., Chairman of the Republican County Com-

safe to say that every county in the district will send delegates to the Republican State Con-vention instructed for Senator Delamater for

A Senate secret with a hermetical seal on it

"I am melting, dearest, melting," is a sent ment which the lover and the iceman now hear A REALM OF FACT AND FANCY

Renders Yesterday. The man or woman who read the triple is of THE DISPATCH yesterday cared pot for the chilling blasts of a belated winter and heeded not the flakes of snow that hurried to seek hiding places in chinks and crevices, as i ashamed of being three months behind sched ule time. An easy chair beside a grate glow ing with the bright flames of nature's fuel, and copy of THE SUNDAY DISPATCH, with its full and gossipy record of the current events of the world and the choicest gems of literature, embracing almost every conceivable subject llustrated by talented artists, placed the reader beyond the reach of a March blizzard and allowed the least imaginative mind to roam untrammeled through pleasant paths. The contents of the 20 pages covered a wide range of subjects, the more striking being

The news from across the ocean was more than usually interesting. In England Labouchere charged the Government with con niving in the escape from the country of the titled principals in the recent scandal. For this he was suspended from the House of Commons. The Home Rulers declare their confidence in the ultimate success of their cause. The recent Socialist victories in Germany have rather nonplussed the Emperor, and has resulted in the restoration of Bismarck's ascenency over that monarch. The prospects for the success of the International Labor Congress are not very bright, and a Cabinet crisis has arisen in France over the question of sending a delegate to the conference. An investigation into the affairs of the Boston wool firm of Brown, Theese & Clark, which recently failed. John Griscom, a New York in ventor, after spending a fortune on experiments, ended his life by inhaling illuminating gas. A DISPATCH correspondent interviewed State Factory Inspector Martin at Philadelphia, and the latter stated that he would soon have his office in working order to correct the many abuses known to exist. The Baltimore and Ohio is reported to be trying to gain access to Chicago in order to compete with the Pennsylvania lines for busi-

ness west of Pittsburg. A prominent New York engineer intimates that New Orleans is in langer of being wiped out by the flood. Pringle reviews at length the situation in the sporting world. Peter Priddy defeats C. E. McClelland in a three-mile foot race for \$750 side at Recreation Park, while Wizard Schaefer is defeated by Slosson in the big billiard tournament at New York. A test case by the Cleveland League Club against John Stricker and Al Johnson is instituted. Edward S. Stuart, of Philadelphia, is mer tioned locally as a candidate for the Presidency of the National League of Republican Clubs Geologist E. C. Beardsley gives his reasons for his faith in the future of Allegheny county as an oil field. President Samuel Gompers, of

the American Federation of Labor, pauses in Pittsburg to speak of the progress of the eight-hour movement. The strike at the Glass-ville Glass Works has been satisfactorily settled. The views of our city educators on the use of the rog upon refractory pupils are given at length. A lively contest is inaugur ated upon the Southside for the position of Police Magistrate. Both sides of a sensational story about the Westinghouse Airbrake Com pany are given.

III.
The first of a series of intensely interesting papers by Roger Casement, describing Stan-ley's wanderings in Central Africa, appeared in this issue. W. A. Boyce describes Claud Stan ford's career from farmhand to millionaire The ancient drinking bouts of Erin are depicted by Brenan. Julius A. Truesdell writes in terestingly about statesmen who ride to ounds. Oliver Optic gives advice to boys on choosing a profession. Edward Bellamy, the famous author of "Looking Backward," dis-cusses nationalism. Wilf. P. Pond describes some wonderful bicycles for traversing land, water and air. Inspector Byrnes talks enter-tainingly about criminals and their methods. Scenes on the Gold Coast of Africa are vividly pictured by Claire A. Orr. Bill Nye gives his own peculiar views on the theories of Delsarte, and Theodore Stanton talks about literary French women. Experts discuss the proper method of popping the question, and horseback travel in Central America. Other notable writers who contributed articles of interest were Rev. George Hodges, Hepburn Johns, Bessie Bramble, Frank G. Carpenter Miss Grundy, Jr., B. P. Shillaber, Shirley Dare, Paysie, Clara Belle and Henry Norman, current installments of "Beatrice," by H. Rider Haggard, and "Come Forth," by Elizabeth Stuart Pheips, continue to increase the interest

already felt in these romances. ONE OF THE FINEST.

The Dispatch Holds a Position That is Sec-

and to None. From the Jeffersonian Democrat.] When speaking of the newspapers sylvania one of the first referred to is THE PITTSBURG DISPATCH. The paper has earned a position that is second to none in the matter WASHINGTON, PA., March 2-Mrs. Cyrus of giving its readers all the news of the day in Baston, of Finleyville, is still alive and well, although she and her neighbors confidently ex-pected her to die ten days ago. When she was the most readable form. It employs all the ordinary agencies for gathering news, and be-side, has its own bureaus at all prominent girl 12 years of age, 52 years ago, she dreamed points, thus enabling it to always be at the that she would die on the 19th of February, head of its competitors. The Sunday edition is a most popular favorite with the ma-She dreamed that an angel, with a pencil dipped in fire, wrote the date across a black curtain, and then pulling aside is a monster magazine of the day in which the choicest literary productions are found, as well well as the latest news and other special featthe pall, showed her a coffin, and within its satin-lined cushions she saw herures. THE DISPATCH is increasing its facilities to meet the demand upon it, and will, with

the introduction of new presses, etc., have a plant surpassed by few newspapers. It may always be depended upon to keep abreast of the times.

within its satin-lined cusnions she saw her-seif. Her maiden name was McVey, but when the coffin lid was raised she saw the name "Gaston" on a silver plate, and this only made her think it was only a foolish fancy. But ten years afterward she married Cyrus Gaston, and on her wedding night she dreamed the dream again; saw the coffin scene once more, and this time the name "Gaston" seemed a prophecy fulfilled. PLANTING WHITE FISH. The night after her baby daughter was born, now grown to womanhood, she dreamed it all over again, repeated it like a photograph, with-out change of a single feature or coloring. One Hundred Thousand Fry Sent to the Small Lakes in the Mountains. SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCE.

ERIE March 2.-The State Commissioners are planting the 10,000,000 white fish which are being hatched in the Erie hatchery. The Commis Last week letters of farewell were written to her friends, and every preparation made for the fateful 19th. "Squire Harper was called and wrote her will. She prepared for death and the funeral, but she had the courage signers will make a trial of raising white fish in the inland lakes of the State. One hundred thousand fry have been sent to the small lakes in the mountains in the vicinity of Scranton, way, doing industrial work as usual and spend-ing her leisure in quiet meditation. The 19th is long past, Mrs. Gaston is as well as ever, still alive and happy, and nothing came of the

The Erie hatchery will be devoted this spring to the hatching of wall-eyed and blue pike, for the stocking of the waters of the interior of the State. The roe will be obtained at Sandusky.

No Facilities for Immersion. From the Akron Republican, 1

A Pennsylvania man convicted of murder and sentenced to be hanged, insists on ion before his execution. As the Sheriff has to warrant to remove his prisoner from the iail and no facilities for immersion in the jail, he is in a quandary. Such scrupulousness the part of a murderer is rare.

COMMENTS ON THE FAIR.

ATLANTA Constitution: Tom Platt should be made director general of the World's Fair at Chicago. He did it with his little battle-ax. A KENTUCKY paper leads an editorial: "No Politics in It," referring to the choice of Chicago. This proves it again. When a Kentuckian asks for it and wants it he generally likes it

itself hearse with delight about the fair. Per-haps by and by it will be howling the other way about the cost. Chicago dances, and must pay PHOVIDENCE Journal: There is a growing

suspicion that, the Government will sanction no World's Fair for 1892, and there is another growing sentiment that if it does it will choose Washington for its site. BOSTON Herald: The tidings come from Chi-

eago that her citizens are intoxicated with sne-So long as they don't take anything else nixed drinks that are an abominatio

with this beverage the country is safe. It is WASHINGTON Post: Congressman Pendleton voted for Chicago, but Chicago did not vote

CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS.

-The gardens of Santa Monica are full of ine blackberries.

-The United States Government has paid out in round figures \$1,000,000,000 in pensince the beginning of the Civil War.

-The negro has gained 75 per cent in property during the last decade, while the

-T. Johnson, of Englewood, Humboldt County, California, owns a calf with three horns. The animal has two more started. -There is a girl in Caldwell who can put

a whole egg in her mouth and close her mouth over it, and sne is not a bad-looking girl, either. -Mr. Richardson, of the Maryland Lower House, says he can get 20,000 signatures in Baltimore to have any member of the Legislature

-A statistician calulates that the total onnage of the world, steam and sail, isin round numbers 21,000,000, of which 50 per

-Russell Sage, who makes a hearty meal off a piece of ginger bread and an apple, is said to have subscribed \$50,000 to the funds of a church he attends.

-A doctor of Cremons, with a large band of peasants from its neighborhood, has just started for Uruguay, where he proposes to es-tablish them as an exclusively Socialist colony--An inmate of a lunatic asylum in Brescia, Italy, was released on February I, after a seclusion of 40 years. During this period his cost to the institution footed up more than \$5,000.

-The mother of Homily, a famous Indian Chief, died last week at the Umatilla reservation. She was the oldest woman in Oregon, be ing 113 years of age. Homily is 73 years old, and his mother was 40 when he was born.

-A cottonwood tree about 100 feet long has straddled the second piers from the north end of Sacramento river bridge at Anderson, and unless cut away before the next rise in the river may do serious damage to that structure. -It is said that four years after the fight

at Chickamauga the battlefield shone like bright moonlight, even on the darkest nights. The light came from the phosphorescent halations of the decaying hones of the heap up dead. -A little girl, 5 years old, has arrived in Paterson, N. J., having traveled by rail alone from Saginaw, Mich. The child, at the request

of her father, was shipped as express matter, with a tag about her neck giving her name and destination and also the key of her trunk. -A lawyer in Pennsylvania was badgering a woman during the cross-examination,

when she charged him with having sent his father to the poorhouse, robbed his mother and descrited his first wife, and the lawyer grew so quiet that a pin could have been heard to drop. -The Florida sponge fleet has done exceedingly well this winter. The weather has been favorable and the supply is inexhaustible, as they grow as fast as they are gathered. Some of the sponges are as large as a nail keg. One boat gathered 3,000 m a few days.

-The famous old mountain fortress of Asirgarb, which was formerly regarded as one of the principal defenses of Central India, is about to be dismantled. It stands on the sum mit of an almost inaccessible mountain has many interesting and romantic his -A Georgia man who had to have his leg

amputated refused to be rendered unconscious that he might realize and describe the sensa-tions. He says that the only hurt was when the knife struck the nerves. After it got into the meat there was no particular feeling, and he didn't "holler" when the saw worked away at the bone. -It is said that the number of pearl

oysters collected last year at the Ceylon fisher. ies will barely cover the cost of bringing them from the sea bottom. One reason for the falling off in the returns, is the circumstance of a shark carrying off one of the divers. His fellow-workmen, fearing the same ghastly fate, refused to enter the water.

-A Congo native, who has been taught to read and write, has just sent a letter, his first, to the Archbishop of Canterbury. It is as fol-lows: "Great and Good Chief of the Tribe of Christ, greeting: The humblest of your servants kisses the hem of your garment, and beg you to send to his fellow servants more gospil and

less rum. In the bonds of Christ, Ugalia." -The new cantilever bridge across the Colorado river, 13 miles below Needles, Cal., will require 3,200,000 pounds of iron to compl are 65 feet below the bed of the river, and the

center span is the longest unsupported one in the world—660 feet between the cantilevers. The contractors expect to have the bridge fin by May 1. -D. W. Felshfield and C. Dent, two Eq-

glishmen who set out to the Caucasus to search for some cine to the fate of Donkin and Fox,

the English explorers who were lost there some time ago, have returned and report that the lost men set out to ascend Mount Dychtall, which is nearly 17,000 feet high. The searchers attained nearly 11,000 feet, when they came upon the last camping place of the unfortunate men. -At a late meeting of the Royal Botanic Society an interesting sweet-scented fern from the society's garden was exhibited. The per-

fume closely resembles that of fresh hay, and, like it, is retained after the frond is dry, and like it, is retained after the frond is dry, a lasts for many months if not years, impart its fragrance to anything in contact with The secretary thought it might be grown a source of perfume by amateurs, if not comm cially. -At an examination for speed certificates

held at the London Phonetic Shorthand Writers' Association on the 30th of January. Writers' Association on the 30th of January, Mr. Bernard de Bear, of the Metropolitan School of Shorthand, London, successfully ac-complished the task of writing from dictation 2,000 words of ordinary newspaper matter in ten minutes (being at the rate of 200 words per minute), and afterward correctly transcribing -An extensive society in Vienna, devoted

o Pau-Germanism, is engaged in diffusing the German language among the opposing nati alities of the Austrian empire. Its efforts are at present being concentrated against the Slavs of Bohemia, Moravia and Styria, as it was found necessary to abandon the attempt to eradicate the Italian language in those of the empire's provinces where its vitality has always been strong and is now increasing.

WITH THE POINTED END UP.

"My quondam friend," said the orator. "Order! Order!" cried his hearers. "Skip the profaulty," whispered the Moders-

but they put him in a box all the same, with a French name on him that he couldn't have pronounced to save his spine. -Puck. Modern Dialogue-"Arrange my hair,

hair; I am going to a funeral. "-Le Figuro. Young Mr. Scheinstein-Do you ding dot marriage vas a vallure, Oncle Moses?" Uncle Moses-Off you make monish py marrying, it vas as goot as a vallure, my poy. - Louett Citizen.

A farm journal advises: "Save the nicest eggs for incubation." This is valuable advice.

Any old back number egg is good enough for the
barn-storming "Hamlet" combination.—Norristown Herald. Boss-You run the place for a few weeks

and let me be bartender. Bartender-Whatjer want to do that for? New York Sun.

-Pat, yez 'ud betther be lookin' afther Brophy. He do be tellin' me he has a turrible grudge furme annything he owed me yet! Mrs. Figg-Is Mr. Peck at the lodge this

wening? Mrs. N. Peck-No: he's downtown getting drunk. I always let him have this day for his own enjoyment. It's our wedding anniversary, you know .- Terre Haute Express.

'The missus called me names." "What did she call you?"

"She said I were a domestic, mum; and me as hard-workin' and honest a woman as ever lived, "

with your mother in that way.

Boy-But she's in the wrong.

Father-That makes no difference, and you might as well learn, my child, once for all, that when a lady says a thing is so, it is so, even if it isn't so, -Pick-Me-Up.

Too Awfully Awful. - Boston Mother --

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PITTSBURG, MONDAY, MAR. 3, 1890.

THE WASTE OF WATER. The facts set forth in the report of the Department of the Water Bureau with regard to the waste of water in Pittsburg, should arrest the public attention. It certainly indicates a profuse use of our city water when Pittsburg, with one-quarter the number of

consumers, uses more water than Boston. Perhaps the first view of the matter taken by the public will be akin to Rip Van Winkle's declaration, "I'm glad I know when I've got enough; and I'm glad I've got enough, too." It is well to know that we are wasting water; and it is not wholly unsatisfactory to know we can waste water. A liberal use of water is a good thing, and Pittsburg's laboring population requires abundance of it to wash off the grime of daily toil. But when the waste has reached a stage that taxes the full capacity of the works, and would cause a shortage if one of

the engines should become disabled, it is clearly necessary to call a halt. The suggestion of Mr. Browne, with i gard to the water system, is undoubtedly correct. The charges for domestic use should be so low as to put no check on a liberal use of water for all purposes where it is needed. But those who wantonly waste water should be made to pay for it; while those who use it reasonably should have the advantage of the saving. The probability is that the greater part of the waste is in the mills. That interest can well afford to pay for the consumption of water; and if the water system should cause the mills to pump their own water from the rivers, it would only

increase the supply available for domestic Hardly any principle of action can b clearer than that when one part of the city is suffering from the need of a pure water supply, the other portion should not be permitted to waste a water supply which ought to be adequate for a city of twice our popu-

lation.

CHICAGO'S DUTY. The effort of . Chicago to secure an appro printion from Congress, in aid of the World's Fair, outside of the necessary expenditure on the Government exhibit, will, if persisted in, amount to an act of bad faith. Such an immediate violation of the pledges on which the Fair was located would go far toward imperiling the entire enterprise, The understanding was clear that if the lair was located at either of the commercial cities, the money necessary to provide against loss would be raised by the city gaining the location. The fair was given to Chicago on the allegation that it had raised an annie guarantee fund while New York the pledges. The country should help the enecess of the fair by fine exhibits; but the Chicago people must understand that their

agreement to furnish the funds is one that cannot be shirked or dodged

FIFTY MILLIONS OF WATER-The announcement that a number of Newark, N. J., manufacturers are organizing a \$50,000,000 exporting trust looks like an effort of the imagination, as applied to commercial matters. To any one with knowledge of the subject, it is evident that the trust tactics are wholly inapplicable to the business of exporting manufactured products of the United States to foreign markets. No means are within the reach of any organization for taking exclusive control of the business either of finding markets or of shipping manufactures. Any one with money enough to go abroad or send agents can hunt the markets.

Any manufacturer, whether of classware

mils, plows or sheetings can ship them to the markets that will take them. Indeed it is announced with regard to this alleged trust "that it is limited to no monopolistic concern." As the sole purpose of the trust device in active business is to maintain a monopoly, it must be concluded that its \$50,000,000 capital, has reference to the other end of the later trust business which consists in feeding out paper values to the class of speculators who used to bite greedily at anything bearing the name of trust. That one concern can use \$50,000,000 more advantageously in carrying on exporting than a hundred concerns can use half a million apiece is all nonsense. That \$50,000,000 of bong fide capital is likely to be put into this concern is equally gauzy. But that stock, purporting to represent such a capital, will be sold to those who are so foolish as to want them is

shown by the financiering exploits of the age, to be more than likely. Nevertheless even that aspect of the scheme is considerably behind the times. The game of floating water on the name of trust was seen through a year ago; and if Newark really thinks of floating its \$50,-000,000 scheme, it can save valuable paper and the wear and tear of its printing presses,

by abandoning the gigantic delusion. DOUBTFUL JUSTICE.

The very hard case of the Navassa rioters is very justly made a matter of public agitation by the Boston Transcript. Under what law a United States court assumed authority to sentence to death and imprisonment men who are charged with committing crimes on an island a thousand miles away from United States territory, it is rather hard to see, unless it be by the unwritten law that the Maryland corporation employing these men must have its interests fortered by the nearest court. That view of the case is strengthened by the very slight consideration given to the hard treatment and infringement of the rights of these men by the masters, who seem to have assumed absolute power over them on that distant island. To send fourteen men to the peaitentiary and three to the gallows in such a

EAR-PULLING AND PISTOL PRACTICE. The Kentucky method of ear pulling has heretofore made itself prominent at the National Capitol; but the Kentucky response of shooting the puller, had not forced itself | find any way to get to that remote locality with

case is a very questionable proceeding.

on the attention of the country until last a force enough to sustain him when he gets week. The practical demonstration of Kentucky ethics to the effect that when one gentleman pulls another's ear, it is the latwhich may be entertained, of the logical

sequence of cause and effect. Northern theories would not naturally regard the legitimate response for a pulled ear to be the violent impact of the fist of the pullee upon the nose of the puller. In this \$85,000, but it was by no means accummulated case the blood necessary to wash away dis- through poetry alone. honor would flow freely; while the time necessary to go and get a popgun would not be wasted. The Kentucky idea may be more chivalrous; but it has the disadvantage of exhausting the remedies and leaving more serious pullings without any adequate vengeance. Everybody will agree that it must be more injurious to a nice sense of honor to have one's nose pulled than to have the ear tweaked. Yet the Kentucky code seems to leave no remedy adequate for the greater wrong unless it is to bring out a shot-gun. Again, the slang of the day takes cognizance of an act known as "pulling a man's leg;" which as it touches that

most sensitive point of humanity, the pocket, could hardly be defended by any less weighty firearm than eight-inch artillery. Leaving these interesting, but rather abstract fields of speculation, permit us to hope that the rampancy of Kentucky customs at Washington will stop at ear pulling and pistol practice. The transplantation of the rifle practice of a Breathitt county fend to the porches of the Capitol, would be wholly unjustifiable, except as a resort for

breaking a partisan deadlock.

A DISHONORABLE STEP. The effort which is being made to remove the Southern or Uncompange, Utes from their reservation in Colorado to the arid lands, against which the Indian Rights Association is protesting, will, if successful, furnish a remarkable example of the wanton injustice which has characterized our dealings with the Indians. The foundation is the universal one of the possession by this tribe of land which is wanted by the white settlers. In order that the fertile and watered territory which has been given to them by the most solemn of compacts can be taken for settlement, it is proposed to transfer them to unwatered territory, where they must be subjected to the alter-

native between slow starvation and perpetual pauperism. But there is even worse in this movement than the selfish injustice which is the general characteristic of our Indian policy. When the outbreak of the Northern Utes occurred a dozen years ago, the Southern Utes remained loyal to the Government. They not only refused to be drawn into the hostilities, but by their influence over the and they are now being translated. The reports Northern tribe, brought about peace without subjecting Colorado to the horrors of a prolonged Iudian war. Capability for gratitude ought to make the United States quick to defend the rights of the Utes instead of taking away their property. Yet an agreement as to the details of the plan for its report. The Committee on Port Dues are both about ready to submit to the conference. The Committee on Port Dues are both about ready to submit to the conference. The Committee on Port Dues are both about ready to submit to the conference. The Committee on Port Dues are both about ready to submit to the conference. The Committee on Port Dues are both about ready to submit to the conference. The Committee on Port Dues are both about ready to submit to the conference. The Committee on Port Dues are both about ready to submit to the conference. The Committee on Port Dues are both about ready to submit to the conference. The Committee on Port Dues are both about ready to submit to the conference. The Committee on Port Dues are both about ready to submit to the conference. The Committee on Port Dues are both about ready to submit to the conference. The Committee on Port Dues are both about ready to submit to the conference. The Committee on Port Dues are both about ready to submit to the conference. The Committee on Port Dues are both about ready to submit to the conference. The Committee on Port Dues are both about ready to submit to the conference. The Committee on Port Dues are both about ready to submit to the conference. The Committee on Port Dues are both about ready to submit to the conference. The Committee on Port Dues are both about ready to submit to the conference. The Committee on Port Dues are both about ready to submit to the conference. The Committee on Port Dues are both about ready to submit to the conference. The Committee on Port Dues are both about ready to submit to the conference. The Committee on Port Dues are both about ready to submit to the conference of the port of th the prospect appears to be that the Government will probably add another item to its century of dishonor in dealing with the Incentury of dishonor in dealing with the Indians, by robbing the faithful Utes of the

property which is coveted because it has be-KENTUCKY ear-pulling and Kentucky

pistol practice both appear to be marked by indiscriminate and superfluous qualities. AN Eastern Republican organ says: "Evidently the Alaska Commercial Company did was squabbling over it. To turn around | not have such a 'pull' on the United States now and ask the Government for aid is Government as the enemies of both have aseither an admission of false representations serted." Perhaps not: and again perhaps the concerning that fund, or a repudiation of opposition may claim that the result shows, not that the Alaska Company's "pull" was less, but that the North American Company's pull, exerted by Platt, Alger and D. O. Mills, was greater. Still it is comforting to know, since the decision is that the seal business must be run by a monopoly, that the public agitation of

> the matter will result in a pull by the Government of from fifteen to twenty millions out of the successful company. THE official wrath of Russia beca se Austria has helped Bulgaria to pay off its debt to the Czar, is the latest example of demanding the payment of a debt under the belief that it

> cannot be paid and then getting angry because it is discharged. THE completion of the arrangements for refunding the debt of the Mercantile Library Hall Company prevents the public discredit of permitting a property founded for public pur poses to be sold out and the public interest in it wiped out. The Library Association will now be enabled to keep a public library open till Mr. Carnegie's gift is put in actual operation. When that time comes, it is not hazard-ous to predict that the present library will have its foundation in such shape as to either be

come a valuable part of the new institution or to strike out a new field of public usefulness under an independent organization. of superabundant cold water last week. The result is that Cincinnati used other fluids in the

intervals between the floods. The Paris of America knows when it has enough-water. THE experience which the Central Traction Company is now experiencing with broker gries and attempts of too ambitious gripmen to run from one cable to the other without throwing off their grips, is probably no more than a severe case of the troubles which every new transit company meets when it goes into operation. But the rule should be, when accidents

of that sort occur, that will delay traffic for hours, to announce the fact and give passengers the privilege of walking home. BISMARCK's determination to retain office on account of the Socialist success in Germany, is probably based on the philosophy that if a

man aids his employer to sit on the safety valve they are both bound to rise together. THE Sultan of Zanzibar has released some prisoners who have been shut up for eighteen years without trial. The example is commended to the Czar of Russia; but it may be hoped that neither monarch will go to the length in the other direction exemplified by New York justice of not shutting up notorious offenders at all, and then letting them go

without either tria! or imprisonment. THE press correspondents of Washington do not hold executive sessions to prevent the Senate from learning the secrets of their business. Perhaps the Senators might learn some

thing from that fact, IT is an amusing instance of the old pot and kettle controversy, to find a New York paper accusing Chicago of "squabbling already" over the World's Fair. Since New York fell to squabbling before it got the fair, and lost it thereby, the accusation from that source gives new proof that the mote in a neighbor's eye is a great deal bigger than the beam in your own

trance promise a return to mild spring weather when this month goes out-if weather proverbs are more to be relied upon than weather EMIN PASHA'S declination of the Gov. ernorship of Suakim is held to be an expression of his determination to return to

But since his last experience at Wadelai was

that of a prisoner, it is a question how he can

THE leonine qualities of March's en-

BOULANGER'S telegram of thanks to Constant for the latter's retirement from the ter's duty to make the first a target for short | French Cabinet is based on the broad ground range. Yet rather scattering pistol prac- that everyone who opposes the Carnot Governtice is a new revelation of the curious views | ment is an ally of Boulanger. It thus appears that Boulanger is still laboring under the delusion that he is a live issue.

PEOPLE OF PROMINENCE. ROBERT BROWNING left an estate valued at

MRS. DILKE believes confidentially that England will adopt woman suffrage in advance of its adoption in this country. ONE of the exhibits in the Paris Salon this spring will be a portrait of Minister Reid, by

the artist G. P. A. Healy, It is reported that Dom Pedro has accepted the offer of the Emperor Francis Joseph to spend the summer at the Imperial castle of

COLONEL THURSTON WRIGHT is working up a quiet boom for the Granger nomination for President in 1892. He is Thurston to be both Wright and President. GENERAL MAHONE is hving in comparative retirement in Washington. He does not hob-nob with his former cronies at Chamberlain's,

and he spends a great deal of time in long soli-EX-GOVERNOR GEORGE S. BOUTWELL, of Massachusetts is past 72 years of age. One day last week he made :. ten-hour speech before the Supreme Court at Washington, in a patent case

MR. CHARLES EMORY SMITH is the sixth

Penusylvanian in the late year to be honored with the Russian mission, his predecessors having been Messrs. Boker, Curtin, Cameron, Dallas and Wilkins THE rumor goes forth that Sir Julian Pauncefote, British Minister to the United States, may soon be superseded because he is not in

the codfish question.

sympathy with the English Government on

THOMAS A. EDISON has engaged rooms in Charlotte, N. C., for the use of himself and his assistants, who will for the next year pursue nvestigation in the mining districts of North Carolina, which Mr. Edison is convinced is the richest mining region in the world. MISS MARY MORRIS, daughter of William Morris, the English poet and socialist, pos-

sesses a great talent of embroidery and designing. She is turning it to account by starting a regular business, where she receives orders for work and gives steady employment to a num-PAN-AMERICAN DELEGATES.

A Final Adjournment Will Probably Take Pince About April 1. WASHINGTON, March 2.-The delegates to he International American Conference are beginning to talk about final adjournment, which vill probably take place about the 1st of April. Nearly all of the committees have made their reports and several of them have already been adopted. The report of the Committee on Customs Union, which considers reciprocity treatles, is in the hands of the printer. The three Committees on Postal and Cable Communication on the Atlantic, Pacific and of the Committee on Customs Regulations and the Committee on Port Dues are

ver dollar to be legal tender in commercial transactions between the citizens of the several nations. The other report, prepared and presented by Mr. Cikkildge, of the United States delegation, will recommend the issue of certificates by the United States upon any bullion that may be deposited in the United States Treasury by the citizens or authorities of the Central and South American States. These reports are both in the hands of the printers, and will be submitted for action very soon. The reports of the Committee on Railway Communication, Sanitary Regulations and Weights and Measures have been already adopted by the conference.

BORN BLIND. A Simple Remedy That Often Will Preve This Misfortune. From the London Figure. It is distressing to learn that out of the 7,000 ersons blind from their birth in this country. who owe their loss of sight to inflammation of the eyes, at least two-thirds might now have been in the enjoyment of their sight but for the ignorance or neglect of their earliest guardians. It seems that the remedies for the infantile inflammation which causes blindness, are both many and simple. Thus it cannot be too widely made known that the eyes of a newly born child, if inflamed, should be washed with pure warm water, and that then a single

In Germany midwives are enjoined to adopt the above remedial treatment, under oath, and ince this has been done the decrease in number of blind enddren has been most at preciable.

drop of a 2 per cent solution of nitrate of silver

uld be instilled into each with a drop tube

PLENTY OF OFFICE SEEKERS. Many Citizens of Reading Willing to Give Up Permanent Positions. READING, March 2.-Mayor-elect Merritt, after the election left for Old Point Comfor Va., to take a rest and avoid the first rush of applicants for offices that he will have to fill under the new municipal bill. During his absence hundreds of petitions have been circulated by applicants for positions, and when he comes back in a few days he will be overcomes back in a few days he will be overwhelmed with office seekers.

In spite of the fact that all of our industries
are running full and employment is pienty
there are more aspirants for offices than ever,
and hundreds seem to be willing to give up permanent situations which afford them good
wages to accept an office that will at best be but
temporary and pay them no more than they
are now receiving. Mr. Merritt has given no
intimation as yet as to whom he will appoint to
the various offices.

Retaliation on His Own Hook From the Boston Herald. Mr. Taylor, of Gananoque, the Canadia, member of Parliament who has issued a proc lamation of retaliation on his own book against the people of the United States, seems to have an abnormal development about the cheek. He probably belongs to the famous tailors of Tooley street, who always signed themselves

The Name Alone is Enough. From the New York Herald. 1 The Chairman of the mass meeting at Coope Union, held for the purpose of denouncing the Czar, was a Mr. Stoletchnikoff. If that name ever explodes under the Czar's windows Alexander will think he has suddenly become an

"We, the People."

stores,

astronomer, and that all the constellation in space are busy throwing asteroids at him. The Pie in the Army. From the New York Telegram.] The mother of a soldier who died during th war from eating a pie is to receive a pension. This will meet the approval of all veterans who remember the dangers that encompassed them

after payday, when the sutler opened his

the war has never been estimated.

The total mortality from pies during

DEATHS OF A DAY. Sir Edward Balnes. LONDON, March 2.- The death is announced of Sir Edward Baines, proprietor of the Leeds Mer-cury, one of the most influential Liberal organs in the North of Eugland. He was born in 1899, was member of Parliament for Leeds from 1850, was and was knighted in 1880. He was the author of a number of works bearing upon the industrial progress and commerce of the nation.

Ex-Governor James Edward English.

this city to-day. He contracted cold early this

this city to-day. He contracted cold early this week, which developed rapidly into pneumonla. He was 88 years of age, and leaves a widow and one son. At the time of his death he was president or director in several of the strongest local banks and a number of manufacturing concerns. Thomas Coleman. PEPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. WHEELING, March 2 .- Thomas Coleman, the oldest resident of Jackson county, died at his home, near Ravenswood, to-day, at the age of 89. He was born at is tart Falls, Va., July 22, 1801.

(Roberts Bros.: H. Watts & Co., \$1 50.) At least that was the way of it according to George Sand's own account in her dedicatory letter to Eugene Lambert. It was nearly forty years ago that that fortunate young gentleman re-marked in the very days when George Sand was writing this story of "The Bagpipers"-"Bye the bye, it will soon be ten years since came here, intending to spend a month, must be thinking of leaving." He found that the country and George Sand were unflaggingly interesting, and several generations of inter sted readers have agreed with him. The list ested readers have agreed with him. The list of George Sand's books would rival, it is said. Homer's famous catalogue of ships. Some of them are not worth reading. Some of them are worth reading a good many times over. "The Bagpipers" is one of the good ones. The people in the "The Bagpipers" are peasant people. The translation misses, as any translation must, much which adds pleasure to the original expression. There is a next the criefical expression. the original expression. There is a pretty beroine and two herges. Misunderstanding heroine and two heroes. Misunderstanding arises, doubts and misgivings chase each other across the pages; one of the heroes loses faith for a little while in the heroine; the other, who shows the constancy of his love by his constancy of confidence, wins his appropriate reward.

This volume of George Sand is uniform with the other which Messrs, Roberts Bros, have published, and also with their handsome set of Ralgac.

keeper of the rolls: John Taylor, the champion of right; William Smith, the patriarchal staff of Jacob; Wilford Woodruff, the banner of the gospel; George A. Smith, the entablature of truth; Orson Pratt, the gauge of philosophy; John E. Page, the sun-dial, and Lyman Wright, the wild ram of the mountains." It is to the courtesy of the venerable Wilford Woodruff that the Critic is indebted for his copy of the "History of Utah."

In the long evenings, to the sound of the

grinding of hemp, Pere Elienne Depardieu told the story of peasant life which George

Sands set down in her novel, The Bagpipers

History of Utah."

"My name is Christopher Orchardson, of Sunbury, in Middlesex, and I have passed through a bitter trouble, which I will try to describe somehow, both for my wife's sake and my own, as well as to set us straigh again in the opinion of our neighbors, which I have always valued highly, though sometimes unable to show it. It has not been in my power always to do the thing that was wisest, and whenever this is brought up against me, I can make no answer—only to beg those who love blame to look at themselves, which will make their eyes grow kinder, before they begin to be turned or me." In this winning and naive style begins Mr. Blackmore's Kit and Kitty. (Harper &

The rumored retirement of Assistant Post-But the chances are that it will be flat on its ack in a day or so. From the Washington Star. ]

Bros.: J. R. Weldin & Co.) And the same with varying emotions.

that promises a fund of at least \$50,000. This gift, which is provided by the children of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Albright as a free public library, contemplates the transfer to the city of the homestead property of the family, which

will be replaced during this year by Joseph Albright, Jr., of Buffalo, with a sultable building costing \$75,000.

Saturday night a public meeting was held, Melvil Dewey, Litrarian of the State of New York; Ex-Judge Alfred Hand, Colonel H. M. Boles, Hun. T. V. Powderly and John E. Barrett, editor of the Truth, being the speakers. Subscriptions to the equipment fund were made at the close of the meeting amounting to \$10,800, which, with pledges secured by a Board of Trade committee, make the total sum raised for the purchase of books over \$30,000. straight. Boston Herald: Chicago is just howling

for Congressman Pendleton, Citizen Pendleton is now engaged in reflecting on the Windy City's defects in the matter of reciprocity. St. Louis Globe Dispatch: A great many of the Missouri papers are trying to make it appear that Chairman Jones, of the St. Louis ommittee, is the cause of the failure of St. Louis to secure the fair. This is a mistake. Jones is at present the champion ass of the United States, but St. Louis would not have ecured the fair, even if it had placed a man of

tor. - New York Sun. "I'm no sardine," said the Maine herring; Felicic, while I take a lunch." "Very well, madame; what color will you wear?" "My black

Boss-I'd like to have a crack at the profits .-Not Prompt in His Payment-Gilhooly

Dreadful-"Why did you leave your last

-Harper's Bazar, Father-My son, you must not dispute

Why, my child, you look very much excited.
What is the matter?
Boston Daughter—Nothing, mother, nothing.
Boston Mother—But that explanation does not satisfy me. I must have an answer.
Boston Daughter (hoarsely)—Well, then, mother, the beans are burned to a crisp—Rocketer Post-Express.