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THE DENIAL OF REPRESENTATION.

It is interesting to observe that in the North American Review Hon, Thomas B. Reed makes a frank acknowledgment that the present method of settling contests for seats in Congress is uninst unsatisfactory and to use Mr Reed's own words "fails to secure the representatives whom the people have elected." With that admission no further argument on the utter vicious nature of the present system is needed. The peaker coes into detail for the purpose of excusing the inability of the House to decide election contests honestly; but the fact that practical politics makes it a rule so well established as to receive open recognition from the leaders of the party in the House, that party majorities are strengthened through the denial of the fundamental principle of honest representation, is the most crushing commentary on the present political system that could be imagined.

In seeking a remedy for this wholly unrepublican state of affairs, Mr. Reed naturally turns to the United States courts and proposes the establishment of a tribunal to formed of six United States District Judges, to hear and determine contests for Congressional seats. This proposition is criticised by the Baltimore Sun on the ground that the Judges must be appointed by the President and will therefore be partisan. It is true that there is great difficulty in forming an absolutely non-partisan tribunal; but there is no doubt that the nearest approach to it will be by selecting men of judicial standing, holding their positions for life, and therefore largely free from the ordinary temptations of partisanship. If each President is to have the selection of these Judges, of course the impartiality of the tribunal will be greatly diminished. But if the coange in the method should designate, for instance, that the six senior to decide election contests, it could be sasu that men will sit who owe their

gent to previous administrations, therefore to a great degree emancifrom the current bonds of partisan-Such a measure would be clearly inby a wish to secure the public right est representation.

beyond question that something he done to correct the subversion of government that is admitted by Mr. e accomplished by partisanship in No more stunning statement of ssity need be given than the fact islation is now being passed through ess by the force of a majority created. Speaker himself declares, by decidcontests solely with reference to paran interests, and without respect to the

onest choice of the people.

WOOL CLAIMS PROTECTION. The woolgrowers in this country are very outspoken in their disapproval of Senatorial tinkering with the McKinley tariff bill. The Republican platform in 1888 promised the woolgrowers a full measure of protection. The McKinley tariff bill tulfills this promise. Senator Hale and other Republican statesmen in the Senate want to reduce the protection enjoyed by the woolgrowers. They are advocating changes in coaquer and the privileges against which the tariff bill, which the wool men sav will hurt their business more than Mr. Cleveland's extreme recommendations would have had they been carried out. We halieve in a full protection of all domestic industries, and there is no reason why wool should be excluded from the fulfilment of the party's pledges.

THE PRIVACY OF WEDDINGS.

A pathetic protest of a bride to whom the attention of the world has been called, nuntial ceremonies into a show, was made by Miss Dorothy Tennant. In a letter to drink watered milk are like Mr. Stanley's private secretary asking him to refuse all applications for seats in the church where the ceremony is to take place. she said: "I wish from the bottom of my heart that the wedding could take place in some quiet little church, so that I could walk there in ordinary costume and go away

immediately afterward." Of course this wish of a sensitive woman for the protection of privacy against the vulgar curiosity of people without the slight- Germs of all sorts of disease come from foul

day, will evoke sympathy. The eagerness Pittsburg is so well off in this respect. of people to be present at the marriage of those who are unknown to them, is out of ESTABLISHED FEBRUARY 8, 1846. keeping with a refined civilization, and is akin to the less common, but very frequent appetite for attending funerals. The right of brides, or the right of mourners, who wish privacy on such occasions, to have their wish respected, is one which every sensible

person will concede. But it is a peculiar illustration of the power of conventionality that this thing which Miss Tennant wishes from the bottom ot her heart was possible, is perfectly possible. Nothing in the nature of the ceremony, or the requirements of the law, prevents herself and Mr. Stanley from doing as she wishes and going to some out-of-the-way church, being married in ordinary costume and quietly going away. If she doesn't do so, it is because the conventional duties of society and the desire of the friends of the couple are stronger upon her than her own wish for absolute privacy. She has the right to make her choice, and it is just as seemly for her to be married in the presence of a large gathering of friends, as to select the most private way. But in view of the expression of this earnest wish for the most private wedding, it is instructive to note that nothing prevents such privacy except the conventional and factitious require-

ments of social rules, There is another aspect of this matter not without pertinence. The pushing and impertinent disposition of the merely curious in American society to intrude into private matters has been the subject of some sharp and perhaps not wholly unjustifiable criticism. But it seems from the experience of Stanley and his bride that the same vulgar | ity. intrusion flourishes to an extreme degree in the aristocratic society of London.

THE DECREE OF POVERTY.

In his address to his Sunday school week ago Postmaster General Wanamaker, while inculcating the very valuable moral lesson of trust in Providence and faith for the future, diverged into some remarks upon the divine decree of poverty. "It was," said the Postmaster General, "the evident intent of God that the majority of mankind should be poor; that where one man should occupy a large house twenty must reside in small ones. The Lord knew we were to be poor. He thought it was better for us that this condition should exist."

No thoughtful man will dispute the main doctrine which Mr. Wanamaker sought to impress upon his hearers, namely the moral duty of preserving a cheerful faith, and abstinence from worry over worldly matters. But the collateral assertion of the doctrine that poverty for the many and wealth for the few is a divinely ordained condition, is open to criticism. It is the theory that is most relied upon by the classes that enjoy wealth and social superiority as a privilege, and is very often asserted by those who build up great fortunes by means which make those fortunes represent just so much money accumulated at

the cost of the many. We should be careful to acquit Mr. Wanamaker from belonging to the latter class. His wealth is an honorable example of fortune gained by the class of trade in which every cent of profit is gained by offering to the people in an equal benefit. As contrasted with the devices by which profit represents the ability to make the masses pay high prices, his profits have been secured by the ability to sell to the public at the lowest prices. In other words, his business has, by giving consumers their share of the benefit in the economics of trade, been a benefit to the public, while those which force upon the consumers an increased cost of the necessaries of life are a burden to the public.

Nevertheless the spectacle of a wealthy public man inculcating the moral lesson that the condition of poverty for the masses and wealth for the few, is divinely ordained calls for critical examination. If this is so, the constant assertion that poverty is the result of vice and ignorance, the outcome of improvidence, waste and intemperance, is a wholesale lie. If poverty "the evident intent" of Providence, are not the efforts of men like Mr. Wanamaker to gain wealth by industry and enterprise, attempts to escape the divine decree? What incentive can there be, in accordance with this doctrine, for high endeavor in the business walks of life, or what justification for the works which distribute the benefits of

wealth among the greatest number?

The most thorough contradiction of this

the great mass of mankind is furnished by the fact that wherever Christian civilization District Judges shall compose the tribunal has had its most intelligent and faithful application, there the greatest increase of wealth among the masses has taken place. While there are still great differences between rich and poor, the actual condition of the poor in a civilized nation is almost equal to that of the wealthy at the time of Christ. Moreover, the whole spirit of Christ's teaching was in exactly the opposite direction from the acquiescence in the division of wealth for one man and poverty for the many. The poverty which He inculcated in His followers was the voluntary abjuration of the selfish pursuit of wealth for the sake of benefiting mankind. The very rich furnished the class which was nconsistent with His doctrines, and He declared the difficulty with which that class

should enter into the kingdom of heaven. It was enjoined upon the wealthy man who wished to embrace the Christman religion that he must sell all he bad and "give unto the poor"-the clearest indication of the divine wish that the poor should be aided by the distribution of wealth among them. The whole spirit of Christianity, agrees with the spirit of democracy, that the widest distribution of wealth among the masses, is for the best good of mankind. The assignment of poverty to the many and wealth and luxury for a privileged tew, is the work of the vices which Christianity seeks to democracy struggles. Christian poverty is not the tame acceptance of the economic injustice; but the voluntary devotion of work and wealth to the benefit of humanity,

anity, helping the masses to raise themselves from poverty to comparative comfort. PUMPS BARRED OUT.

by those who fulfill the teachings of Christi-

Pumps do not play an important part i the milk supply of Pittsburg. The health authorities say that water does not reach against the desire of sightseers to turn her our citizens through the dairies. The prospects of a people who have to liquid, blue. We congratulate the milkmen upon their honesty, the cows upon their opportunity to shine, and the consumers of milk upon their good fortune. For if bread be the staff of life, milk and butter are the suspenders of the human system. Impure milk causes more deaths than the vellow fever or Asiatic cholera in a year. The little children suffer most when the dairymen or dealers adulterate milk.

est claim of friendship, who wish to go to dairies. At this time of the year pure, the wedding, simply one of the sights of the sweet milk is a great blessing. We are glad

TOO MUCH DISPARITY. An exhibit of the small vote cast by the different Congressional districts of South Carolina, Mississippi and Georgia, in the election of 1886, is reproduced by the New York Press as an argument in favor of the federal election bill. The claim of that journal is that "a few men in Southern States exercise seven to ten times as much power in Congress as the same number of citizens in Northern States. It is to equalize this disparity that a federal election law is necessary."

The policy and justice of the federal election bill has already been sufficiently discussed in the columns of THE DISPATCH, but in connection with this assertion, another party measure evokes pertinent comment. Congress has just admitted Idaho and Wyoming into the Union. The vote of the former in 1886, the same year in which this light Southern vote was cast, was 15,-000, and that of the latter 9,300. Each of these States has the representation of one Congressman and two Senators in Congress. According to the Press' logic the voter of Idaho has seven and a half times as much power in Congress as the voter in this Congressional district and the voter of Wyoming about twelve times as much.

It may equalize the disparity referred to by the Press to have undeveloped Territories brought in to balance a light Southern vote; but who will equalize the disparity between the excessive representation of the voter in the Territories over those of the East? It can hardly be taken as a mathematical truth that two disparities always make an equal-

CONVERTED BY DEFEAT.

The Home Rule party has no reason to grumble at the events of the past week in England. Mr. Caine's conversion from the heresy of Liberal-Unionism to orthodox Home Rule is comical. He got his new from defeat. The loss of his light seat in Parliament from Barrow touched him as nothing else could. As he is powerful with the British workingman, the generous Gladstonians will provide a new seat for the man they have whipped Afer all it does not much matter how polit cal salvation comes so long as it comes. But the lukewarm Liberals and hedging Tories will have to recant rapidly or the general election next year will put them bewond the merciful consideration of the vic-

torious Home Rulers. THE expressions of regret called forth by the death of R. E. Camahan are general and sincere. Mr. Carnahan was one of Pittsburg's worthily notable men. At the bar he was teemed for his scholarship, his integrity, his implicity and the quality of sound, professional judgment which came from a thorough mastery of the principles and practice of the law. As a citizen who took part in public affairs, Mr. Carnahan had at once the respect, confidence and esteem of all whose good opinon was worth having. To him and to Chief of Public Works Bigelow was almost wholly due the infinence with Mrs. Schenley and the personal applications which led to the presen tion by that lady of the beautiful park, which was used by the public for the first time on Friday last. It is hardly an exaggeration to say that probably no half dozen of the average men conspicuous in public life would aggre gate among them the interesting and usefu information which Mr. Carnahan possessed of

men and events important in the world's history. He was a great student and took a kee delight at all times in discussing questions of broad interest with appreciative hearers. The minbility and modesty of the deceased won respect R. B. Carnahan was a noble character. and never were there sincerer expressions of personal worth than those which his death has prought from all who had the good fortune to

burg can with a population of over 250,000, s apt to produce practical injustice.

Some of the Republican organs are try theory that God has ordained poverty for

> THE imposition of a duty of over five ioliars a barrel on American flour at Havana, shile Spanish flour is admitted free, is a striking example of the policy of the misgovern-ment of making food dear for the benefit of a favored interest.

IT IS intimated that some of the people who visited Schenley Park on Friday were disappointed at not finding smooth drives, flor: I embellishment and refreshment pavilions. such expectations would be unreasonable it they were generally entertained. It takes time to create park improvements as decidedly as in any other work of art. Next year the landscape gardening will show some of its results This year the possession of the park itself is nough for public congratulation.

It is an exhibition of offensive partisan hip for the Democratic organs to suggest that Mr. Cabot Lodge should have extended the provisions of his federal election bill so as to cover

THAT the newspapers are the best educators is again proved. An applicant for naturalization papers told the court yesterday that he had read the Declaration of Independence in THE DISPATCH the day before

CHIEF JOHN GRASS, who is an aborginal admirer of Chauncey M. Depew, has bestowed on that gentleman the title of "The Big Paw ." As Mr. Depew has never started out with the juvenile ambition to slay Indians. there is reason to fear that Mr. Grass is making a sarcastic suggestion that the railway magnate is able to talk the Pawnees to death.

League nine is reviving Pittsburg's interest in paseball. The novelty of having a winning ball club here is attractive, as the attendan

THE last monthly debt statement is peculiar for being the first for many years which makes the debt, less cash in the Treasury, unde thousand millions. It is \$988,000,000 now. Whether the surplus spenders will let it remain as low as that is a very doubtful question

CONSUL GENERAL RATHBONE at Paris has had he official head chopped off. He is a

Democrat, but he paid Russell Harrison great attention last year, and now he regrets it.

A PHILADELPHIA Judge has decided that Sunday shaving by barbers is not a work of necessity. It is pleasant to observe that the eisurely courts of Philadelphia have at last caught up to the truth which has been demon strated by actual experiment these many years

PURELY PERSONAL

THE Emperor of China is a young man who looks like an American college student. SENATOR SHERMAN'S large fortune is said to yield him an annual ircome of 12 per cent. MR. BALFOUR never reads a newspaper English or American, and is a firm believer in the desultory reading of books.

MENDELSSOHN, the composer, has a cousing who is the leader of a band of Russian Nihil ists, and who was recently arrested for threatening the life of the Czar. ONE of Senator Blackburn's daughters, Mis Cornne, is a brunette, while Miss Lucille Blackburn, another daughter, is a blonde of

the regular English type,

GEORGE WESTINGHOUSE is having a cot tage built entirely of marble at Lenox, Mass., at a cost of \$500,000. A large marble building will contain the electric light plant. MISS SUSIE BATE, daughter of the Tenner She is a vivacious blonde, and rides well, dance

REV. KLISHA HOLLAND of Goldsboro, ? C., is growing younger as his years increase He is now 85 and a heavy coat of black hair is beginning to grow on his bald head. At 80 he ABBAHAN EMPRON of Candia, N. H. in the son of a soldier who fought at Bennington, and is 90 years old. In spite of that great age

he is in excellent health and is uncommonly sprightly. He may any day be seen at work Young Contagery Dispart, the nephen and heir of the late Lord Beaconsfield, is developing into a fluent speaker. In personal ap-pearance he much resembles the early portraits of his famous uncle, his features possessing in a marked degree the characteristics of the race to which he belongs.

IDA LEWIS, at Newport, is the only, woman ighthouse keeper in the country, and the last, it is said, to whom will be given a light by Government. It is said also that no light or the coast is more perfectly attended to than hers, and the Government Inspector always gives her an unusually high report.

RUINED BY CATERPILLARS.

Connecticut's Wild Cherry Crop a Failur

This Year. NEW LONDON, CONN., July 5 .- Connecticut people who are fond of wild cherry rum and braudy and are in the habit of "laying by" stock of those medicinal beverages every sum mer, will have to forego the pleasure for the next year. The tent caterpillar has taken al the wild cherries, and in many instances the life of the tree, too. The ravages of the pest in this State this season were never equaled before in its history. The caterpillar's first before in its history. The caterpillar's first choice in the matter of food is a wild cherry tree, second choice an apple tree, and third any other kind of fruit tree.

In riding about the State one's attention is attracted to the vast number of wild cherry trees that are wholly denuded of follage, and in many cases dead. In every season the wild cherry tree is speckled with a greater or less number of the triangular nests of caterpillars, but this season the pests fairly wrap the tree in a thin gossamer winding sheet, so that at a dis-

but this season the pests fairly wrap the tree in a thin gossamer winding sheet, so that at a distance it looks as if it was incased in a cocoon. No tree lives long after the loathsome web is fairly spun and stitched about it. It is a grotesque sight, a tree thus invested, with a small array of the brown worms crawling over the surface. In Southeastern Connecticut the apple crop, both of summer and winter varieties, is a total failure. Peach, plum and cherry trees have also been devastated. The pear crop is very nearly a failure. There will be trees have also been devastated. The pea-crop is very nearly a failure. There will be little fruit in the eastern half of the State.

A SHARP, QUICK-EYED CLERK.

Not Properly Signed.

sharp, quick eye. A young business man from the West handed him a \$100 bill in payment of

a small amount. "I cannot accept this," re-plied the clerk to the astonished young man,

who had taken the note from a large roll of bills received from a bank in his native town.

"It is not signed by the President of the bank,"

Investigation proved his statement true.

The note was issued by one of the national

banks of Stockton, Cal. It was signed by the

cashier of the bank, but the space reserved for

the signature of the president was blank. The

A Rold Canadian.

Those were bold words of Wilfrid Laurier,

colony," he said. "For my part 1 favor inde

thousands of Canadians is not a secret. Can

Shave Yourself and Shave Trouble.

Sunday shaving is unlawful in this town an

has got to stop. That is, the barbers must not

shave customers, although a citizen may still

shave himself without violating the law of the

land. So it is not the act itself, but the man

ner in which it is performed that the law takes

into account in determining the guilt or inno-cence of the individual. The moral of Judge

Pennypacker's decision is: Shave yourself and

Safeguards for Hot Weather.

Wholeseme food, chiefly, vegetable; whole-some drinks, chiefly milk, with temperate exer-

cise and avoidance of excitement, are the best safeguards against the maladies which attend

hot spells; and as these antidotes are withi

the reach of nearly all who are exposed to hot

weather, the chief perils of the heated term

The Attraction at Harris'.

"His Natural Life." a sensational dram

which met with great success at Harris' The

ater last season, will be presented there this week by Mr. Inigo Tyrrell, supported by a first

class dramatic company. The drama is well constructed and interests an audience from first to last. Several of the scenic effects are realistic in the extreme, and many of the situations are of the most thrilling character.

Pinin English Wanted.

The demand for plain English is steadily

growing stronger—the plainer the better. What's the use of raking the dictionary for big

words when little plain ones answer the pur

pose so much better? The great majority o

readers prefer the latter. Hifalutin' flapdoodle

DEATHS OF A DAY.

Prof. R. H. Bishop.

Colonel L. A. Harris,

Jesse Morrison.

SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATOR 1

CINCINNATI, July 5.-Colonel L. A. Harris dies

From the South Bend Times. 1

is no longer in popular favor.

you'll shave trouble.

can be easily obviated.

From the Philadelphia Times.]

Notes cannot be examined oo carefully.

From the Philadelphia North American.]

From the New York Tribune.]

to Change a \$100 Bill I

THE two new States just admitted into the Union, with a population of 105,000, will cast six times the vote in Congress that Pitts-The business of strengthening party majorities

note bore evidences of use, and had been in circulation probably for a number of years. ing to make a great deal of the report that Robert E. Wright, one of the defeated candidates for the Democratic nomination, refused o address the convention after the nomination of Pattison. The same organs say nothing of the leader of the Liberal party in Canada, the the similar omissions on the part of Hastings and Montooth; but their enlargement on the other night. "Canada cannot always remain a reported dissatisfaction of Wright and Wallace shows that they must consider like evidences f Republican dissatisfaction as serious. Mr. ada may not yet be ready to sever her connec Wright, however, makes mincement of the tion with the mother country, but the spirit of discontent has been growing for years and will yarn as concerns him by denying it entirely, and saying "My personal and political friend-ship for and admiration of Governor Pattison one of the days break out in the manner voiced have undergone no change, and there has

son for a misunderstanding on this point."

the election for overseers of Harvard College

DENVER'S dissatisfaction with the censu enumeration took the pertinent form of a count by local authority, and a single day's canvass claimed to have found 8,000 names that were missed by the census enumerators. The new count may be open to the charge of padding akin to what is alleged of Minneapolis but it is the only resources for cities which feel that full justice has not been done to them by the official enumeration.

CINCINNATI, July 5 .- Prof. Robert H. Bishop died to-day at his residence in Oxford, O., from paralysis. His father was one of the early Presiits of Miami University, and the son was Pro dents of Mismi University, and meson was fro-fessor of Latin in that institution from 1852 until 1873. He was Professor Emeritus and Secretary of the Board of Trustees until his death. The alumni of Mismi University, among whom are Fresident Harrison, Secretary Noble and Minister Whitelaw Reid, were accustomed to hold a yearly

THE victorious career of the Players

ROCHESTER, PA., July 5.—Mr. Jesse Morrison, believed to be the oidest resident of this place, died at lo'clock this afternoon. Mr. Morrison was in the Selb year of his age. About two years ago his eyesight began to fall him, and he has been totally blind for some time.

THE TOPICAL TALKER.

Fireworks are Trencherous Toys - Two Cases of their Perfidy - Wit from Dr Oliver Wendell Holmes-Fings in Demand-A Speenfal Too Much.

THE accident by which a costly display

fireworks was brought suddenly to naught at the Kenmawr hotel on the evening of the Fourth has often happened before. A corredent tells me that some ten or twelve years ago a great many people were invited by a gen-tle man to see the fireworks with which he pro-posed to celebrate the Fourth at his beautiful surburban house. The evening was fine an several hundreds of spectators were seated on the lawn when the appointed hour—9 o'clock— drew near. The host himself superintended the arrangement of the fireworks. One se piece with the words "welcome all' blazoned in fire went off all right and then a terrific explosion shook the earth and air. The lawn took on the appearance of Vesuvius in eruption, and the guests imitated as best they could the famous flight of the inha bitants of Pompeil on a simioccasion. But the panic of course was stayed pretty soon; the guests sat down to supper and all was lovely again when the horrible report spread through the room that the genial host was not to be found. It was hinted that he had gone up prematurely with the rockets His family was terribly alarmed until the coachman came in from the stables with a message from his master saving that he was not seri ously hurt, but did not have any appe tite for supper.

He did not show up at home for three days He had not been wounded physically, but his pride had received an awful blow-in fact

mental mortification had set in. A NOTHER accident of the same sort, I re member, dashed the hopes of a great London merchant some years ago. He had mar-ried a lady of title and was anxious to force the entrance to aristocratic society with gui powder, as it were. The Prince of Wales had just then begun to unbend towards his loyal subjects who had money, influence and con mercial position to compensate for the lack blood. So when he was invited to attend garden party with a fireworks' finale at th city magnate's place near Surbiton he gra-ciously accepted, to the surprise of his hostalmost to his consternation. Of course this royal condescension assured the success of the event socially. Some of the greatest names in the peerage appeared below those of the roya guests in the columns of the Post the next day. But there was nothing about the

great display of fireworks, of which descrip-tions in advance had been published. The reporter was not to blame for the omission. I was the carelessness of an under-gardener, who managed about half an hour before the rockets and set pieces—loyal mottoes and taffy to the heir apparent, you may be sure-were have delighted the patrician throng upset tank of water over two-thirds of the outfit There was no time to procure others, and as apology had to be rigged up and prese the Prince. The satirical sheets had lots o fun with the father of the flasco.

THE vigor of intellect which Dr. Oliver Wen dell Holmes displays at his advanced age is a wonder and delight to his myriads of ad mirers. The articles which have been appear ing in the Atlantic Monthly over his own signs ture have nearly if not quite the unique charm of the original papers which made the "Auto crat of the Breakfast Table" immortal. But beside this literary evidence of Dr. Holmes' re tention of his great powers, I heard yesterday a story which shows that he shines still in the

A SHORT time ago a clergyman of this city, A he himself a man of unusual learning, lit-erary achievements and ready wit, called upon Holmes in Boston. The Autocrat was in delightful humor-when is be not? and conersed with his visitor in that inimitable way of his with which we who only know him by his books are yet acquainted. By and by the conversation turned upon the comparativ merits of the professions, the ministry and could do more for his fellow man than the clergyman could. The Pi

not agree to this.
"Take the matter of putting men to sleep, for A clerk of one of the well-known hotels of | instance," said Dr. Holmes, with a twinkle in this city proved vesterday that he possessed a "How can you make anything out of that?

asked the clergyman.
"Easily enough," Dr. Holmes answered tr umphantly. "I certainly have the advantage of you there; for, while you can put men to sleep temporarily, I can make their sleep eter-

I ATE on the afternoon of the Fourth I encountered the proprietor of the store where most of the flags and banners used in this cit; are bought. A friend of mine wanted a mo erate-sized Stars and Stripes for the culture of patriotism at home. It was a request for such a flag which made the dealer say: "I have sold every flag I had but two of the largest size, a though this year I designed my order to the manufacturers far in excess of what I thought the demand would be. There were never so many national flags sold in Pittsburg as ther were this year. I hear that this is true of the country at large. Every man seems to wish to own the Stars and Stripes in some shape." This surely speaks favorably of the growth of the national feeling. It is fortunate, in deed, that the flag which stands for so many good things is beautiful in itself. There is no flag on earth in which color and form are so

happly blended. A LADY who is studying the occult science of cookery has observed that Pittsburg's good friend, Miss Parlya, is fond of saying in her recipes: "A level spoonful" of such-and such an article. The story has nothing to do with cooking, but I am reminded of it by Miss

Pariva's pet phrase.

A small boy, more or less the light of a certain household and the scourge of the neighborhood, showed signs of acquiring the complexion of a leopard. That is to say his mother noticed that her treasure's face was becoming terribly spotted. She called the family doctor's attention to the trouble, and he said in the brusque offhand way we all know so well: "Give him level teaspoonful of brimstone every day."

The doctor's word was law in that family and cured at once. Omitting the details of administration we may pass on to the next visit of the doctor to the family of the spotted boy.
"Well, how's Tommy?" was the doctor's first

"Oh, he's very much worse. As you ordered Igave him il spoonsful of brimstone and he's been raising —" "Eleven spoonsful! I never ordered that many," shouted the doctor as he nervously sprang up the stairs towards Tommy's room "A level teaspoonful was what I said.

A Ta restaurant in this city where they take longer to prepare a lunch than the United States allows for taking the census, a man in the first stage of inebriation actually drove a waiter into quick action. It was done in a moment, too. He had ordered a sandwich and after the lapse of about 20 minutes the waiter arrived with it. Said he to the waiter: "You ought to lay off now. It took you eight hours to bring that sandwich and eight hours is long enough for any man to work." HEPBURN JOHNS.

CHRISTIANITY'S CRITICS. Baptist Minister's Clear-Cut Opinion

Robert Elamere. Rev. R. S. MacArthur, pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church, New York, delivered an address upon "Christianity and Her Critics," at the college conference in Northfield, Mass. which is very highly spoken of. He made this which is very highly spoken of. He made this reference to "Robert Elsmere," which he did not mention by name:

"Do you think a lady's novel, which has for its subject a man who never took a regular course in theology; a man more ignerant of the history of the theological questions, according to the author's own showing, than a middle-year man of average common sense in any of our theological seminaries; a man who excites our pity and almost justifies our contempt; a man who topples over when confronted with the questions which were answered at least 1,500 years ago—do you think this novel is to undermine the church of God? Shades of Lucian, Celaus, of Pophyry and Julian! Oh! the folly this morning. He was a member of the Board of Managers of the National Soldiers' Homes. He managers of the National Soldiers' Homes. He served with distinction during the War of the Rebellion, was an ex-Mayor of Cinclunati, and had been at one time Collector of Internal Rev-enue in this city. His aliment was chronic but not considered alarming. mine the church of God? Shades of Lucian, Ceiaus, of Porphyry and Julian! On! the folly of the preachers who only advertised this book and brought unnecessary reproach on its weak chief character! Climb to God's sun and blow out its light with your feeble breath. Climb to that moon and draw a curtain over that fair face. These things you may do sooner than you can put out the light of Jesus Christ, the sun of righteousness, or darken the glory of the Church, which is bright as the sun, fair as the woon and terrible as an army with ban-

the moon, and terrible as an army with ban ners."

MUSIC THAT TOUCHED THE HEART. An Incident of a Peculiarly Touching Char-

acter on an Elevated Train. From the New York Times. Passengers on an elevated train were greeted y the sight of two little boys entering a car

One of the boys was blind and his eyelids had almost grown together. He had a pale wan face, but was smiling. A quick look of sympathy passed over the faces of the passenger and an old gray-haired gentleman got up an gave his seat to the two. The "big brother," he little blind boy and placed him on his knee, "How's that?" he asked "Nice," said the little chap. "Where's my monica?" This puzzled some of the passengers, and several turned to see what the child meant. But the "big brother" knew, and immediately drew out a small mouth harmonicon and placed it in the little fellow's hands. Both boys were

nt into his thin hands, ran it across his lips, and began to play softly "Nearer, My God, to Thee," Tears came into the eyes of the old gentleman who had given up his seat, and as the little fellow played on, running into "Rock of Ages," and "Abide with Me," there were many moist eyes in the car. The little playe seemed to have a remarkably true ear, and oc-casionally, when the instrument would rasp, he would turn sadly to his "big brother" and say, "Don't whistle." The train rushed along, the passengers list-ened, and the little fellow played on tirelessly, never missing a note from "Annie Laurie" "Home, Sweet Home." Finally the "b brother" leaned down and told the little one brother" leaned down and told the little one to get ready to leave, as the train was approach-ing their station. Then, as if he knew he had won a whole carload of friends, the blind boy quickly changed "The Suwanee River" into "Auld Lang Syne," and with one accord the passengers burst into a round of applause, while the "big brother" carried the little one out of the car.

well dressed. The little fellow took the instru-

A PATHETIC TRAGEDY,

Wherein the Trail of the Serpent Lendeth to Destruction. Love, that tender passion which "levels al ranks and lays the shepherd's crook beside the scentre," says the Punxsutawney Spirit, seems not to be confined to the higher order of ani-

nals, but may be traced from the elective affinity which two apple blossoms have for ardent lover, "sighing like a furnace with a woful ballad made to his mistress' eyebrow." To the naturalist this statement needs no corroboration, but for the general reader it may be well to relate a beautiful little story in real life in support of what may appear to some like a startling proposition:

John Grafflus, of Bell township, was out in the woods, half a mile from home, when he iscovered and extinguished the light of blacksnake six feet long. Tying a string to the reptile's tail he dragged it home. The next day his son went out to look at the snake, and there, by its side, lay its mate, a serpent fully three inches longer than its dead mate. I seemed to be in deep mental distress, and wa ising all its blacksnake arts to awaken pouse from the sleep of death, when a blow on he head with a club sealed its fate also. Thus will be seen that the trail of the serper

CURRENT TIMELY TOPICS.

THE editor of the Vandalia, Mich., Pres walked 25 miles against an unknown for the cham nahip of Cass county and won the race. That tor has not chased delinquent subscribers all his life for nothing. As the game laws are rigidly enforced Cape May, the President will not be accused shooting a pig this trip.

Povenier ico cream does not annear to abate the appetite of the ice cream girl for that cooling beverage. It is a very cold day when she is not open for ice cream engagements with her best

A Sr. Louis rejected lover fired at his girl the other day, the bullet hitting a sliver dollar, thus saving her life. The free colnage Congress-men can use this incident to advantage.

STITTIVAN IS of the opinion that prize fight

ing has seen its best days in this country. If he had added that he himself had also seen his best days the statement would have had just as much A MAN fell 35 feet headforemost into a stor quarry at Hockport, Iil., the other day, and though he landed on his head, was not seriously

wise uninjured.

THE safe of the Treasurer of Jefferson county. Mo., was relieved of \$2,000 a few nigh ago. It was the only County Treasurer's safe i having become depleted by paying poker debts. EVERYRODY is of the opinion that our cam-

paign will be no holiday affair, but many candi-dates will be able to take a holiday after the 4th of UNCLE SAM will now proceed to sit down

upon John Chinaman. He has had his inning for this year. THE fare by boat from Cincinnati to Loui ville is down to 50 cents. A man who would walk or beat his way at those rates would be mean enough to steal a copy of the Congressional Reco ontaining one of Senator Blair's speeches.

THE Ohio river will soon be so low at Pitts burg, says the Courter-Journal, that you can't see across it for dust. It is so shallow now that the catfish can't swim in it without throwing sand and gravel in each other's faces with their tails. Quite number of big turtles and terrapin have gone down there to stay in the harbor to keep the sun the route in order to collect the fares. The from burning their backs in the Upper Ohio. The trainmen average an ear apies, but an uncows won't go near it to drink unless the owners put goggles on them.

PITTSBURG DATES.

Theatrical Managers Considerably Exer

cised Over Affairs in This City. From the New York World.] Theatrical managers holding dates at the Grand Opera House, Pittsburg, next season, seem to be considerably exercised. The reason is that the project to open Diamond alley and make another thoroughfare in that already over-crowded city has, it is said, been sanctioned by law. The scheme to open this street has been a subject of contention for a long time, but now the entire scheme seems to be in the hands of the most potent of Pittsburg's

This will be the first real metropolitan theater Pittsburg has had, and Pittsburg is regarded as one of the best theatrical centers in the country. With the Duquesne Theater Henderson & Norton will control three of the most important theaters west of Philadelphi-the Chicago Opera House in Chicago, and the Grand Opera House in St. Louis. The Duquesne Theater will be opened about the first week of Octobe with a grand opera organization

Pittsburg's Growth. From the Philadelphia Public Ledger.] Pittsburg is becoming a literary as well as smoky city. The receipts at her Postoffice for the year ending March 31 were so much greater than the preceding year's that the Postmaster's salary will be raised from \$3,900 to \$5,000 in con-

AFTER THE BALL.

sequence. The Mailed Hand excites especia

WHITTEN FOR THE DISPATCH.1 A cloud of lace, And a pale, sweet face— She is tired, she has danced too much; The dawn-light lies

interest in Pittsburg.

In the chill, soft air f the morning fair We wait for our equipage— Yet why should the smile On her face, the while, eem mingled with grief and rage

Maketh pleasure vain— Ah! no—her poor heart is torn With a deeper woe, MDABLINE S. BRIDGES.

Perhaps Love's pain

MURRAY'S MUSINGS.

Dick Croker's Vindication Before the Fassett Committee-Artillery Men Love the Golden Gate-President Cleveland Not

So Fleshy as When at Washington. PERON A STAFF CORRESPONDENT. UST as was predicted in this column at the Cann against Mayor Grant and Tammany Boss Croker, the investigation develops the fact that the whole thing was based on women's tattle. Mr. Croker's unexpected return from Europe at the risk of his life to confront his accusers, and the putting of Mrs. Croker on the stand to corroborate her husband, knocked the spots out of the whole story. The bold braggart who was ousted from the restaurant in Central Park, and who because thereof put these lies on the credulous market, became under the eye of Dick Croker, in the presence of the Investigating Committee a mere whimpering, sniveling, spiritless hound. Even the partisan committee, which had hoped to make so much political capital out of the event, was afraid to put him on the stand. It was disgusted. The presence of Mrs. Croker during the cross-examination of her husband and her own corroborating testimony took all the sand out of her brother-in-law, McCann, and her sister, Mrs. McCann, behind whom that brother-in-isw songht in vain to hide.

In view of all the facts, what would have been the result had Boss Croker died in Germany without a chance to be heard in his own defense? What romedy would his wife and family have had in such a case for all the scurilious and defamatory articles launched upon his head? Everybody here knows that there and the putting of Mrs. Croker on the stand to ous and defamatory articles launched s head? Everybody here knows that would have been no end of accusations heaped apon Croker's grave. The great Tammany boss is nearly at death's door. His time on earth is short. He was charged point blank and continuously with having run away on account of numerous crimes and misdemeanors, the smallest of which would have justified his incarceration in the penitentiary. Up to the very last day preceding his hearing before the comcarceration in the ponitentiary. Up to the very last day preceding his hearing before the committee he was excorated as a thief, and Mrs. Croker, a sweet, retiring lady of private life, taunted as an accessory and dared to go on the stand. Now, what was the result? After hearstand. Now, what was the result? After hearing these two witnesses the committee incontinently adjourned and the whole people of New York with the exception, perhaps, of a few irreconciliable County Democrats, sympathize with and believe Mr. and Mrs. Croker. After all of this torrent of personal vilification the root of the difficulty is discovered to be in the fairy tales of a jealous married sister and an angry brother-in-law. It is now admitted that this brother-in-law would never be believed under oath even by his best friends. Now, looking at all sides of this last political row, what wonder that the New York newspapers have such a slender hold upon the sensible public.

ensible public. A Highly-Colored Affair. THE newest style of fashionable Broadway costume looks like a paint shop struck by

Wall of the Artillerymen.

Willie over at Fort Hamilton the other day I met Lieutenant Van Ness, of the First United States Artillery, which has recently been transferred from the Pacific coast, Lieu tenant Van Ness belongs to the famous Van Ness family whose mansion of a hundred years ago stands upon the banks of the Potomac below the White House and has been the subject of undying interest to the Washington correspondent. I remember some 15 or 16 years ago, when the Van Ness mausoleum was removed from the heart of the cliy of Washington, near "G" and Tenth streets, It had stood there for half a century and was one of the landmarks of the earlier capital. The city authorities, however, removed it by legal decree, and the tomb has been restored where it now stands. Lieutenant Van Ness was a mere boy toward the close of the Rebellion, since which has been in the service where his father was before him. There was a vein of pathos in his tone when he informed me that he had been for 23 years in his present grade as First Lieutenant of artillery. He stands at the head of his grade, however, and will probably be rewarded with the next captaincy which becomes vacant. That is to say, if no exammy officer is restored to the army register unexpectedly to interfere with his prometion. If our navy officers, who ow the White House and has been the subject That is to say, if no ex-army officer is restore to the army register unexpectedly to interfer with his promotion. If our navy officers, we kick so much about the slowness of promotic would glance at the chances of a young substem of artillery, they would feel that they he much to be thankful for. I was surprised to learn from the officers thus transferred from the officers thus transferred from the that the most of them regretted. San Francisco that the most of them regre the change. In the army and navy it is popularly supposed that New York is a desirable post. It seems, however, that, so far as the post. It seems, however, that, at United States Artillery is concerned Francisco is much more desirable. While Fort ing the lower bay and commanding the Nar rows, through which passes most of the com-merce of the Western world, and the quarter of the officers seem to be in every way suitable for such an insignificant post, the surroundings of the military station at the Golden Gate are n every respect more pleasant. There are always more or less close friendships to be broken by such a transfer. The very fact that the soldier must leave his favorite horse be ud him, and is separated from his family an

daily acquaintences of guns and equipments, and must take what is offered him at his new gret.

If you could hear one of these men recalling the memory of the horse he had trained to his personal use or speaking fondly of the cannon his own hands had helped daily to burnish you would think that these objects animate and inanimate were graven on his heart. "The guns we left behind us," said Lieutenant Van Ness, as he gazed contemptuously upon the lacquered piece before him and speaking as a man might speak of the girl he had left behind him, shone like burnished siver. Look at these."

"The horse I had in San Francisco," said the sergeant, softly stroking the silck coat of the "The horse I had in San Francisco," said the sergeant, softly stroking the slick coat of the animal in the stall, "I had trained to answer the burle and to lie down and rise up at the word of command. Ah! he was a beauty."

And thus officer and soldier retain a green spot in the memory of their humdrum life of peace, very much the same as a man cherishes in his breast the sweet remembrance of wife or sweetheart from whom he has been separated by war.

Not Very Destrable Situations. HERE is a small bay line railroad or steam tramway skirting South Brooklyn, flanked by beer gardens, the conductors on which are often compelled to stop at the police station on broken nose is as rare as a day in June.

Cleveland is Growing Thinner. Norwithstanding the perennial para-graphs concerning ex-President Cleveland's increasing obesity, that gentleman, I am assured by his most intimate friend, is less assured by his most intimate friend, is less fleshy to-day than he was at any time while in the White House. "Mr. Cleveland weighs at least 25 pounds less," said he, "than he weighed when he left Washington." From Cleveland's appearance I should judge that he had gained greatly by the necessary exercise incidental to his New York life. The White House is a very poor place for a man to get or keep in good physical condition. From the circumstances of the case he is shut off from all open air exercise in the city, and must rely wholly air exercise in the city, and must rely wholly upon a spin out the Fourteenth street road to the Soldiers' Home, etc. This is fresh air, but

time, but now the entire scheme seems to be in the hands of the most potent of Pittsburg's politicians and some of the wealthiest manufacturers of the place. The opening of Diamond alley, as things now look, may take place any time during the fall. When it does take place the Grand Opera House in Pittsburg will come down, thus the cause of anxiety.

In the mean time the new Duquesne Theater, which is being erected by David Henderson and John W. Norton, is getting along rapidly. This will be the first real metropolitan theater York to that gentleman's renomination for the Presidency is this tendency to fleshiness. It is quite as curious that the alleged candidate himself, or at least his friends, are sensitive on this particular point. If it were not a matter wholly immaterial in politics, I should side with Cœsar and prefer to have fat men about

> Fixing Up a Delicate Stomach. DRESCRIPTION Department. Remedy of New York Bohemian for a delicate stomach: -Two whiskies, straight; a Hamburg steak, with plenty of raw onions; two beers, drawn from the wood; two pony brandies, half an hour later; an absinthe frappe; if result is not satisfactory, a whisky straight at half hour intervals until desired effect is produced; bed. The wonder is that a man can actually do this cost of thing and live The wonder and live. Lo. the Poor Thesplans.

IF ANYBODY ever saw an actor with any money in his clothes and who paid for anything-or ever saw anybody who ever saw such a man, or heard of anybody who ever saw a man who has seen one," said a man-about-town, "send me his address." "Well, I know such a man," retorted a by-

"Who is he?" "Who is he?"
"Steele MacKaye,"
"But Steele MacKaye is not an actor."
"But Steele MacKaye is not an actor."
CHARLES T. MURBAY.

A Sensonable Warning. From the Paris Edition Herald. 1 It is quite possible that a visit to a minera spring may be of use in some cases-provided the patient abstains rigorously from mineral -but it is a well-established fact that the springs must be a fashionable one if it is fashionable spring is not of the slightest use at an unfashionable season to be of any use whatever, and that even the CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS.

-An artesian well was put in a beet sugar factory in California that flows 500,000 gallons in 24 hours. -A lecture committee of Stockton, Cal.,

has received a note from H. M. Stanley that he will speak one night for \$1,200 guaranteed. -A well-known Chinese of Virginia City says the census enumerators refused to take their names unless they were paid 75 cents to \$1

-A rich deposit of gold has been struck on Logging creek, Mont., about 25 miles south-east of Great Palls. One portion of a ledge six feet wide averages as high as \$3,100 to the -For some years B. D. Merchant, of St.

Helena, has picked blackberries from a large oush in his yard. This year the crop of ber-ries was large, but the berries are all white in -Samuel Hingkley, of Weston, is 88 years old. He was married in 1882, and two children

-A "fossil forest" has been discovered in Scotland. Thirty or forty fessil trunks have already been laid bare, most of which are gray freestone. One of the trunks is at least two feet in diameter.

have risen up to bless him and bother their

-The people of Sisson say they can see nothing wrong with the peaks of Mount Shasta.

The general belief is that if any change has taken place it is owing to the sliding of a mass of accumulated ice and snow.

-Two preachers, named Pershall and Cutchfield, have been tried in Sprague, Wash., for settling a dispute about land by gunning. The latter was severely wounded, when he pulled a knife and attacked Pershall, who took

-Among the seven prisoners recently received at the Walla Walla Penitentiary was McCoul, the robber of the Seattle relief fund. He was so fat that the tailor was put to work at once to rig him in a suit of bed-ticking cloth. He is in for seven years. -On a recent trip North a party of men

stopped over night on a ranch at Elko, Col., and when the lady of the house showed one of them to a room she remarked by way of apol-ogy: "You will find the bed kind of hard. We took the hay out of the mattress last win-ter to feed the starving cattle." -A wonderful poplar tree was recently cut in Logan county, Virginia. The log measures 97 feet long, is 63 inches in diameter, cubes

1,000 feet, or 21,125 feet board measure. It will be run out on the first water that will carry a log of such dimensions. It is probably the big-gest log ever cut and sent to a saw mill in one -While two men were hunting cows near Fort Myers, Fla., their dogs treed a large black bear. They determined to secure the animal, but had no weapons except pocket knives. These they tied to long poles, and climbing the tree after the bear, thrust their knives into its neck until they cut an artery, when it bled

-Last Wednesday Mr. Murray, of the Pittsburg mine, near Grass Valley, split open a Pittsburg mine, hear crass valley, spite open a large log. He found a muzzie-loading shotgun that appeared to be all right, but when he tried to pull it from the hole the stock crumbled to pieces. The barrels are of fine make and the gun was evidently stolen and hid many years

-There is no person upon whom a continued wet spell has a more depressing influence than the retail cigar dealer. One of them said last week that a succession of rainy days made him bine, because his sales fall off so. "You don't care to go along the streets smok-ing," said he, "when one hand is holding your umbrella, and when every wind makes your cigar sputter." -A railroad man, who is an agent for an

Eastern road doing business with all the West-ern, Southwestern and Northwestern trunk lines, says that 70 per cent of the emigrant travel goes to the Northwest. About a month from now the bulk of this business will have been done for the calendar year. From that time until next spring the travel will be chiefly for business or pleasure. -Among the distinguished visitors to Maine this season are to be Governor William Guy and his wife, of the Indian Territory, who

have just been married. Mrs. Guy (formcasian and has been one of the belles Montgomery, Ala. She is very beautiful and highly accomplished, and the Governor is a well-known leader of the Chickseaw pary. -A marriage license was issued to rette Eldred and Anna Smith, of Grand Rapids, Mich., on December 11, 1887, but the ame night the couple quarreled over some trivial matter and no marriage took place,

Tuesday the couple returned to the County Clerk's office and had the license renewed, as their love had been revived and they wanted to join fortunes. They are now happily mar--It is said that on Cross' Island, off Machias, it is a daily sight to see five to 15 deer feeding on the border of the forest; those are onceded not to be "wild deer," as no one is allowed to shoot or fire at them any month in the year. Any one who does so is an outlaw. It is judged by men who does so is an outlaw. It is judged by men who live most of the time at the life saving station that there are 150 deer, may be 200 on Cross' Island which is one of the best natural deer parks on the continent.

-Jacob Penvy, of Waterville, is one of the oldest merchants in active business in the State of Maine. He was born in German Prussta in 1819 and his career is an interesting one as showing how poverty may overcome the most formidable obstacle and get into the garb of affinence. Mr. Peavy came to Waterville in 1854. On his passage to America he was able. of ammence. Mr. Peavy came to Waterville in 1854. On his passage to America he was ship-wrecked off the New Jersey coast, and barely escaped with his life, losing all his personal effects and having on his body only a part of a suit of clothes. But he was not discouraged and as a result of industry and shrewd business habits, is to-day a rich man.

FUNNY MEN'S PANCIES.

IWRITTEN FOR THE DISPATCH. Miss Madison Square (to her country cousin)-What literature of the day interests you

Cousin Jake Haysetd-Well, thar's no files on the bill of fare .- Alex, E. Swest, "It is a curious fact that tramps come as near the realization of perpetual motion as any-"Very true; and like the Keely motor, too, they

Full many a gem of purest ray screne The ladies of our "upper circles" wear, Who dine upon gincose and butterine, And with "half soles" the old man's "pants" repair. Matrimonial Rights .- Mrs. Henpeck (hear-

wont work, "-Cartyle Smith.

THE JEWEL AND THE TOAD.

ing a rumpus) - You, Charles, I'd like to know what you are up to now?

Mr. Henpeck (feebly)-1 suppose, my dear, I can fall down the cellar stairs if I want to. - diex, E. Siosst. J. V. Dunzenbury, of Austin, Tex., wants o know if I can explain why it is that women are rarely ever bald-headed?
This question has been referred to a man whose head is as baid as a mere statement of facts, and his answer is: "It is because they do not marry women."—Alex. E. Siecet.

THE DEACON'S DAUGHTER, The new parson at the gate of the deacondid not see you at prayer meeting last night, The Deacon-No; I was very sorry, but I had an important business engagement which could not possibly be postponed.

The Parson—I knew you must have been unsvoldably kept away. Is that your little girl in the

yard there, Brother?
The Deacon-Yes, that is my youngest.
The Parson-What are you so busily engaged at, issy? The Youngest-Pickin' up chips. The Parson—And what are you going to do with o many chips, ch? The Youngest—Sell 'em. Pa told a man this sornin' he bought & wuf of white chips six times

ast night. - Polk Swaips. THINGS THE ENUMERATORS DIDN'T LIST. "What is your name?"

"George Washington Henry Clay Webster Cal-Are you ever Ill?" What's the matter with you?"

"I don't seem to be able to get along with my-

"Are you insane?" "I am."
"What is your mania?"
"Uben, Browning, Howells and Toistot."
"How does it show itself?"

"I hate 'em all." "Where were you born?" 'I don't know.'

'Don't your parents know?" 'Did you ever ask them?"

What did they say?" "They said it was somewhere at sea, but were too excited to take an observation, so my birthplace is irrevocably lost.