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VESSELY DESPATCH, One Year, ....

PITTSBURG, WEDNESDAY, FEB. 11, 1891.

DALZELL'S DEFENSE OF REITER. Mr. Dalzell's arraignment of Secretary of mander Reiter was, and who had attained his position by training and effort in the discharge of his duty, should not be summarily ferced from the service by a man suddenly elevated to power by political chance and who might as suddenly disappear again by the same accident.

third rate power like Guatemala, but winks at an outrage committed upon the person of an American citizen by any of the great nations of Europe. This exposure of our "vigorous" foreign policy is unkind, but it favorable light, a confession of weakness. is true. A great deal of buncombe was indulged over the Barrundia affair and the the importance to the railroads of Reiter, for acting in harmony with Minister Migner, without the courtesy of a court martial when it was asked for. Mr. Dalzell's defense of the discharged commander was manly and timely.

#### PROTECTING THE PAVEMENTS.

The New York Legislature has a bill requiring anyone who disturbs the pavement of a city for the purposes of excavation to give bonds to restore it to as good a condition us he found it. The provision is such an obvious one the wonder is that it has not been the universal law in all cities for years. We are inclined to doubt if there is any city suffering under such continuously stupid government that it has not such a provision in its ordinance books, although it is quite dead letter.

that all underground lines on it be put | 000. down before the payement is laid. There high cost and within two years torn railway tracks, work that could have been the case of some of the streets now under process of improvement.

But we cannot concur in the New York First, because a general statute with reference to a matter of purely municipal administration will be sure to become a dead by business principles. Second, because the principle of local self-government makes it essential that if cities cannot infuse enough efficiency and honesty into their government to protect streets from needless destruction, they shall suffer the penalty. The law does not deem it necessary to protect a private citisen against the deterioration of his There is no reason why it should protect protect streets against unnecessary destruction. It would take away the incentive to popular activity in municipal affairs and tics to have the Legislature put the city under the tutelage of State law in such local respects as the conservation of pavements.

### DISPROVING CAMPAIGN PREDICTIONS

The utter worthlessness of the clap-trap which fills some political organs before and after election is conspicuously shown in recent statistics upon the operation of the Mc-Kinley bill. The cry of free traders in November was that the McKinley bill would make a great increase in the prices of pretty nearly all the necessaries of life, especially the line of articles on which duties were raised. Yet an interesting comparison carefully compiled almost up to date by our Philadelphia cotemporary, the Inquirer, shows that upon no fewer than 951 dutiable articles of merchandise the quotations are now actually lower than before the McKinley bill went into operation. The singular fact is also brought out that the articles showing an increase are for the most part those which were not intended to be affected at all by the duties, the reason being from special causes reducing temporary shortage

of the home supply. So, too, the money stringency - the "panic" as the free traders would have itwhich the McKinley bill had caused has long since disappeared. We now witness | shall cast in 1892 30 electoral votes, or will the industries and trade of the country going | be entitled to 32. On one side is the fact along for the most part prosperously and | that the words refer to the Congress in existhopefully, except in localities and lines where particular obstructions exist.

But the full effects of the McKinley measure cannot be computed with much more certainty yet than in November, so the Inquirer's table, while proving the false and frothy | ing of the electoral colleges, and one of its extravagance of much of the rot which the | functions will be to count the electoral votes. tree traders were publishing in their organs | With these considerations it would seem and shouting on the street corners, is itself | that the new apportionment cannot go into an insufficient index to future results. It effect as to Presidental electors until 1896, will take at least a year before the trade and and that the election of 1892 will choose manufacturers fully adapt themselves to the electors on the basis of the representation in at least dignified and consistent.

new conditions. We welcome the Inquirer's figures as far as they go, but have reason to look for a still better showing as the months go on, particularly when Blaine's judicious employment of reciprocity privileges comes into actual operation.

#### A CONFESSION OF WEAKNESS.

The discussion of iron freights, as brought

out by the shut-down of furnaces in the Shenango and Mahoning valleys, has evoked a reply from some one of the railroad representatives. This counterblast sets forth that the furnacemen are guilty at once of "striking" and "bluffing." They have committed the offense of improving their plants so that they can secure an enlarged production; having done that they have committed the misdemeanor of enlarging their production so as to get the benefit of the economy; and finally it is alleged that they have wilfully and greedily abstained from selling pig iron at a loss; and have maliciously failed to divide their profits during the prosperous period "with either the men or the railroad companies either in wages or freight," which amounts to an as-PARLY DISPATCH, One Year. 200
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PARLY DISPATC 1 their cars to the furnaces without charge as THE DAILY DISPATOR IS delivered by carriers at they must do with their other freight either to depots or freight yards; and finally when freight is shipped over two connecting lines, one line actually delivers the cars to the other without extra charge!

It is to be hoped that this is not a representative railway expression; for if so it the Navy Tracy in Congress, yesterday, was would disclose an alarming degree of fatuity vigorous and clear. He held, as THE DIS- and puerility in the control of the railways. PATCH has held all along, that the sum- We do not believe that the mass of railway many discharge of Commander Reiter, with- men are so puerile as to think that indusout the trial which that officer asked for, tries which furnish them their most profitwas a very serious mistake. He touched the able traffic ought to run at a loss, or that kernel of the matter when he declared that | they are to be blamed for increasing their a man long in honorable service, as Com- output and thus enlarging the freight tonnage. We are loth to suppose that railway men as a body are so stupid as to rely upon representations that the rate on ore about covers the cost of transportation, or that the railways have to haul a great many cars empty in a traffic which is noted for furnishing a haul both ways. Yet if they do not Mr. Dalzell also took occasion to touch disclaim such representations they will acup the foreign policy that blusters at a cept the position of standing behind that practical allegation that no attention must be paid to public needs or the prosperity of industry in the adjustment of freight charges. Such an argument is, in its most THE DISPATCH has already pointed out

worst of it was the discharge of Commander the traffic furnished by the iron industry of Western Pennsylvania and the Maboning Valley. The full magnitude of this traffic cannot be comprehended without the figures. The production of pig iron in the section named during 1890 was 3,074,951 tons. As each ton of pig iron produced requires the transportation of two tons of material this makes a total of 9,224,-853 tons. On an average haul of 70 miles this amounts to 645,680,000 ton-miles, from which about 98,000,000 should be deducted for pig iron consumed at the mills adjacent to the furnaces, making a total of 547,680,000 ton-miles of traffic furnished by the pig iron industry to the railroads. But this production of pig iron also implies the production of 2,760,000 tons of finished iron. At an average haul of 300 miles this increases the possible there are many where inefficient | total traffic to 1,357,000,000 ton-miles, equal administration has made the provision a in volume to the transportation of about 50,-000,000 bushels of grain from Chicago to the There is an equally necessary provision seaboard. At an average of I cent per tonwhich the generality of cities have not yet mile on the pig iron freights and % cent had the intelligence to adopt. It is the re- per ton-mile on the finished iron this yields quirement when streets are newly paved a gross revenue to the railroads of \$13,550,

The all are noted cases in this city of streets paved at | tremely profitable to the railroads is completely answered by the fact that wherever up to lay gas or water pipes, or street any grain traffic is procurable, of half this volume, the railroads jump at it at rates of more economically done in the first place. 3 cent per ton-mile or less. Grain freights Where this is done with an asphalt pave- are considerably more expensive to haul than ment, it is practically ruined, With a either coke, ore, limestone or pig iron. blockstone pavement the damage is not so | This proves, what was well known before, complete, but the deterioration is manifest. that the iron freights furnish the most profit-Nine-tenths of such cases could be pre- able traffic that the railways enjoy. If the vented by the exercise of ordinary intelli- rates on pig iron and materials were reduced gence and foresight. The need for apply- 50 per cent, or to the level of grain rates, they ing the same qualities is also manifest in would still be more profitable than the grain traffic over which the railroads are generally fighting. No such reduction is asked, but a fortiori a reduction of 25 to 3314 plan of curing this evil by State legislation. | per cent, which will keep up the volume of the traffic, will be for the interest of the rail-

ways as well as of the general public. No sensible man desires to see either the letter, where the administration is not ruled | iron industry or the railroads run at a loss But an intelligent policy on both sides will recognize that when an industry that has in prosperity yielded such large earnings to the railroads, encounters an unfavorable market, it is best to economize the cost of production so as to enable the volume of traffic to be maintained. The railroads can make concessions which will keep up this immense traffic to nearly if not quite its total property by his own negligence or stupidity. of last year. Earnings will be somewhat reduced, it is true, but still larger than are cities which cannot adopt precautions to given by any other traffic of similar volume

in the country. To meet an appeal to do this with an as sertion that the industry which furnishes abolish the penalty for bad municipal poli- this traffic owes its existence to the railroads, and is therefore entitled to no consideration is a gratuitous offensiveness of which intelli gent men should not be guilty.

## SETTLED BY PRECEDENT.

According to some of our metropolita cotemporaries the new Congressional apportionment contains the seeds for an electora dispute beside which that of 1876 will be a mere zephyr. The Congressional apportionment itself is all right. The number of Congressmen assigned to each State will be elected in 1892, and the first Congress under the new apportionment will begin in 1893. But what is the status of the electoral apportionment? The Constitution assigns to

each State a number of Presidental electors equal to the whole number of Senators and "equal to the whole number of Senators and | Jeff Davis', setting a price upon the head of Representatives to which the State may be | Ben Butler, will enable that old war horse to entitled in the Congress." But a vital dis- cock his eye up to the ceiling and settle back pute is bound up in the question whether the Congress referred is the Congress in existence at the time of the Presidental election or that established by the apportionment enacted prior to it, and under which a Congress is to be elected at the same time with the electors.

In constraing the term "the Congress, there are arguments on both sides of the question whether Pennsylvania, for example, ence at the time of the election; and in the Congress in whose term the election of 1892 will fall, Pennsylvania will have but 28 Representatives and two Senators. This Congress will extend its term past the meet-

#### Congress which terminates when the new SNAP SHOTS IN SEASON President is inaugurated.

On the other hand this would present the incongruity of an election in which Pennsylvania will vote for thirty Congressmen and only twenty-eight representative electors. Moreover there is the obvious intention of the Constitution that an apportionment shall be made which shall assign Congressmen and representative electors alike to the various States. The letter of the Constitution, if strictly adhered to, may let the Congressional apportionment go into effect in the election of 1892; but postpone the effect of the apportionment on Presidental electors till 1896, when two more Congresses have been elected. The spirit of the law would elect the Congressmen and electors to be chosen in the same year under

the same apportionment. This question has been raised by the New York World with a suggestion that it should be given an authoritative settlement before there is any chance of a dispute. The New York Herald has previously touched upon the same point by asserting that the Presidental electors will not be chosen under the new apportionment until 1896, thus definitely taking the first view stated above. Precedent has been uniformly in favor of electing the same number of electors as of Congressmen for the coming Congress. We think the same number of representatives and the same number of corresponding electors shall be chosen in 1892.

Mr. Showalter presented a petition at Harrisburg yesterday for a law to prevent the use of tobacco on the streets by any one under 16 years of age. Had the demand gone further and called for prevention without respect to age, public sentiment would not be greatly offended. No one uses tobacco on the streets who gives thought to the comfort of others. The blowing of smoke in the faces of non-smokers is aggressive enough. The habit of expectoration on the sidewalks by those who chew the weed, how-

TOBACCO ON THE STREETS.

grows older the need for this sort of correction diminishes. Tobacco is a source of solace and delight to most of its votaries : but it can best be enjoyed in the seclusion which the home or

ever, is so infinitely worse that the offense

of the smoker is small in comparison. It is

not nice to have to resort to legislation as a

corrective of bad manners, and as the world

#### office grants, and least in public places. AN IMPORTANT DUTY.

The fact that two cases of smallpox or varioloid have been reported by the municipal health authorities emphasize the necessity for sharp precautions to prevent its spread. The disease so far is of the milder type of varioloid, which, though satisfactory in one view, does not materially change the duty of prevention and isolation.

In at least two instances in the past a failure to adopt stringent and active measures at the first appearance of smallpox has permitted it to spread to the extent of an epidemic. To cut off any possibility of such a calamity in this case is the highest public duty. Every one should see that he is protected by vaccination; and the health authorities should promptly isolate every case as soon as it appears, and keep up an active watch that no case escapes them.

In the present instance it is satisfactory to note that the health authorities have acted promptly in isolating both cases. If the public follows this up by securing general protection by vaccination all danger of the spread of the disease will be averted.

By the way, the discovery that someone has a claim to the land on which the Capitol at Washington stands, by reason of an old deed for four lots lying to the west of Fort Cumberland, Allegany county, Maryland, is a striking instance geography, Cumberland, in Allegany county, Maryland, is about a hundred miles from the Capitol at Washington. No one will be bring-ng an action of ejectment against Congress, un-

THE anti-lottery law has not been entirely futile. It is now stated that the Washington agency of the Louisiana lottery has removed itself to Montreal, with the other swindlers and cheats. There it proposes to catch business on both sides of the border. But it may discover in the fullness of time that Canada has an anti lottery law.

WILLIAMSPORT is rejoicing over the grant of an injunction to restrain the Philadelphia and Erie road from interfering with the construction of the West and North Branch road, which will give the Lehigh Valley a direct Williamsport counce tion. But that city should not be too premature in concluding that injunctions enjoin. There was an injunction granted in the South Penn matter once; but where that injunction now is, no one would be able to say.

A WEST VIRGINIA Republican cotem porary breaks loose long enough to nominate that incompatible and sterling patriot, Hon Steve Elkins, for Secretary of the Treasury. There seem to be grounds for convicting its guardians of criminal negligence, in permitting it to get away with itself in this fashion,

SIR JULIAN PAUNCEFOTE now goes so far as to admit that he did talk a little to a young man in a Washington street car about the Supreme Court decision in the Bering Sea case, but he had no idea that the young man was a reporter. The insinuating and unsuspected industry of the American reporter is the rock on which a great many British diplomatist have suffered shipwreck.

In the opinion of the Chicago Inter-Ocean, the most popular boy is the one who neither whistles nor leaves the door open. This reveals the fact that according to the standard of our cotemporary the most popular boy would not be a boy at all, but a Miss Nancy.

INGALLS criticises the Republican policy n the Senate, the Republican Speaker of the Massachusetts Legislature attacks the Me Kinley bill, and Senator Chandler threatens to expose the methods of the Boston and Maine Railroad in carrying the New Hampshire Legislature. Recent events seem to have inspired a large amount of frankness into our

THE publication of that proclamation of ato comfortable reflection on the fact that after all he was not the man who was captured

COL. ELLIOT F. SHEPARD has made the awful discovery that the downfall of Crispi was due to a conspiracy among the Italian conservatives. This permits a hope that the warlike Colonel will transfer his base of operations to "Roma" and make war on the dark and designing conservatives instead of dooming the devoted Southern States of our nation to fire

In that mutual reciprocity treat with our Southern neighbors, we of the United States invariably take sugar in ours.

### Consistent and Correct.

New York Press, Rup. 1 Governor Northen, of Georgia, is a member of the Farmers' Alliance. He was invited to a banquet at Atlanta to meet Jay Gould. He declined the invitation. His excuse giver privately was that Mr. Gould's visit had no official character, and he objected to Mr. Gould's policy of monopoly and basiness methods to such an extent that he did not care to meet him personally. Governor Northen is

#### THE BELGIAN KING.

CORPORATIONS have no souls, but they

PEOPLE are more interesting than places after all. The study of faces is more profitable to the mind than the study of scenery. The city may be vast, its amusements varied, its surroundings beautiful, its din and bustle tremendous and overpowering, but if its people are not attractive, warm-hearted, democratic, catholic-quaint, fascinating or curious—the visitor soon wearies and dubs it Boredom. The proper study of mankind is man, says the philsopher, so, too, the proper way to study a bamlet or a town is to study the physiognomies of the people. The heart is mirrored in the lineaments, the soul looks out of the eyes, the passions lurk on the lips, the characteristics of the community are stamped over all. Hence when you study the people you get at the heart of the town, feel its pulse, are drawn to the spot or repelled. Humanity undoubtedly differs with environment. A person goes from a goodly city to a metropolis. Unless he finds in the faces there the signs of friendship, feels a tight eves of those about him, he feels cramped. tired, restless. Everything looks alike. He feels that he is held at arm's length, that he is an intruder, and the home sickness drags him down until the depression forces him to return to more congenial com-pany. You long for a change of scene, and when you get it study the faces before you smell the flowers. You sigh for the sea and scan its sailors before you gaze into its depths. You go to the hills, but before you begin to climb up the narrow paths to the snows you people there. And when the scene fades and ger, the hands you clasped stretch over the seas and through the forests, the eyes you looked into sparkle in the waking and the dreaming.

have organs that grind for gold.

Dors with wedding veils are very popular fashionable circles.

WE won't hear anything more about the Indian war until Buffalo Bill reorganizes h

ALL work and no play would undoubt edly rum the stage people. TRADE revivals convert goods into cash.

JUDGING from the variegated colors shown in the ballet girl's costume the dyers are making a good living.

FAST colors never run. Blaine Will Refrain. Will Blatne Refrain From speaking to the Russian Czar

About the tar Who, for a few poached seals, Took to his beels, Was caught, And brought Before a Cadi most unjust, Then thrust Into a mine, where he spent years In digging coal and shedding tears?

Ab, yes,
'Tis safe to guess Will refrain From tussling with the Russian bear, Or ruffling up his shaggy hair,

To rear Or swear 'Bout this affair. Because he has no ships or tars To cross wide seas and punish Caars. Hence it is plain As A. B. C That J. G. Blaine Will refrain

OF what use is a Senator, anyway? ennsylvania seems to get along all right with

PEOPLE who secure divorces are un-maried, of course.

THE women who claim to be the leader are merely following the men. THE wise granger is he who looks over

the corn field instead of the political field. THE funny thing about a saying with a hidden meaning is that the meaning is only too

EVE wasn't even clothed in her right mind when she stole the apple.

A GREAT many people adopt foul means to feather their nests. FEBRUARY remains with us even after it

IT costs more money to print Pennsylvania's bird book than to breed the birds and keep them.

THE passing show-One filled with dead-THE Russian bear has pulled a feather

out of the eagle's tail. Will Uncle Sam put a chip on his shoulder, or depend on the AUTHORS are compelled to raise novel

points in order to succeed. WHEN the imprisoned miners stood in the shadow they prayed for strength and were strangthened When they thirsted they prayed for water and got it. Carry the news

o Bob Ingersoll. Ir's useless to attempt to guess who will be the recipient of Harrison's Treasury valentine. As a surpriser Benjamin is a success. CONGRESSMEN have voted themselves

On labor's field one strike puts the men

lerks. Well, they need them.

THE Poor Farm nonsense proves the truth of the old saw about too many cooks spoiling

PARNELL takes desperate chances in politics and love, and generally wins. True bold Indians in Washington talk

without reservation. A COLD spell-I-c-e.

THE Ohio fanatics who dynamite saloons are more dangerous than drunkards. BLOOD has really been drawn in a French luel. The winner immediately apologized.

CHICAGOANS realize by this time that the world is not so fair as it might be, judging from the World's Fair boycotts.

THE rumor about Senator Brice resigning s undoubtedly a canard. He's not built that THE most startling thing about that Re-

Bayard Taylor could command pearly as many serve township riot is the telling of it. and Theodore Parker read 28, though he spoke only English with ease and fluency. THE Poor Farm is still 'way out of WILLIE WINKLE.

### DEATHS OF A DAY.

James Redpath, Nationalist. NEW YORK, Feb. 10.-James Redpath, the famous Irish Nationalist, journalist and lecturer, and the Vice President of the Anti-Poverty Society, who was run down by a Fourth avenue horse car last week, died this morning at St. Luke's Hospital from the effects of his injuries. Mr. Redpath was bord in Berwick-on-Tweed, Scotland, in 1833, and came to this country with his parents in 1849.

Robert Senry. Youngstown, Feb. 10.-Robert Senry, ex Commissioner of Mahoning county, died last night at his home near Lewellville, nine miles east of here. During the six years in which he served as a member of the Board of County Com-missioners the affairs of the county were con-ducted with scrupulous honesty. He leaves a wife and family is comfortable circumstances.

### PLEASURES OF SOCIETY.

Interrupted.

The State Music Teachers' Association, by

A CAPITAL SCHOOL

Pretty Comedy.

The Valley Club gave the second entertain

AN ELEGANT RECEPTION

At the Jackson Residence, on Penn Avenue,

Last Evening.

The Jackson residence, on Penn avenue, was the scene of a notable and fashionable gather-

ing yesterday afternoon. The affair was a re-ception given by Miss Mary Jackson in honor of Miss Mary Laughlin and her guest, Miss

the mansion was in readiness for the as-

THE DELSARTEAN CORRECT.

Pittsburgers Pleased With the Lecture of

FRIDAY EVENING LECTURES

Be Given Under the Auspices of

Peter's Episcopal Church.

St. Peter's Episcopal Church is one of the most energetic and successful in the city in ar-

ranging for entertainments that will promote sociability and intellectual advancements.

PROMINENT EDUCATORS

Convention, in Two Weeks.

The meeting of the National Education

Association at Philadelphia, February 24, 25

and 26, will be the largest convention of edu

school men will be present from all over the country, among them Sheldon Jackson, agent of education for the Territory of Alaska, whose address concerning the advancement of learning in the Northwest will be an interest-

learning in the transfer of the large feature.

Superintendent George J. Luckey, of this city, will represent Pennsylvania, and is on the programme for "Qualification and Supply of Teachers for City Public Schools."

A Masonic Ballad Concert.

A ballad concert will be given in connection with the next Masonic organ recital, dated for March 26, at the handsome Masonic building on Fifth avenue. At least five of Pittsburg's most prominent and popular lady vocalists will appear upon the programme in the ballad portion, and the organ performance will be of the usual standard. Several male singers will also appear in solos and duets.

A Home Wedding on Mt. Washington

Miss Nellie M. Noble, daughter of Mrs. Ellen Noble, of Fetzer street, Mt. Washington, be-

A ballad concert will be given in conne

appear in solos and duets.

cators ever held in this country.

Gather in Philadelphia, in Nationa

The Sewickley Valley Club in Robertso

given last evening in Carnegie Hall.

Leopold II. is a Traveler, Scholar and Pro-An Enjoyable Concert at Carnegie Hallmotor of Art. Last Weddings and Other Social Affairs

T. C. Crawford in New York Tribune.] He is devoted to art. He has done more than any other modern ruler for the advancement of art in his kingdom. Indeed, one of the strong elements in the success of the present Belgian school is the support that has been given by this broad-minded, refined and scholarly King. He is constantly looking out for new talent, He is a man of profound knowledge of art, a correct and appreciative eye, and he is always the first to discover talent in a young artist. He even goes about to the studios of Brussel hunting for someone to encourage.

At the annual exhibitions he goes through

the collection carefully, and when he discover any new artist of talent he invariably pur chases his picture. This always brings artist favor and additional orders. An artist who has sold some of his work to the King is regarded as a successful man. For it is generally known that the King is not indiscriminate in his praises, and that where he approves, the artist is deserving. In the same fashion he goes out of his way to encourage sculptors. He steals, every now and then, an hour from his busy days to sit for some young and unknown sculptor whom he has found to be deserving of encouragement. This gives a great stimulus to art study and work. The young artists of Belgium know that in him they always have a friend at court. He is a widely-traveled man for a European

ruler. Before he came to the throne he trav eled all through Europe and even went as far East as China. His mind has, therefore, been broadened by unusual opportunities of observa-tion afforded by his numerous journeyings. To-day he often visits France, Germany and England, although he rarely goes farther away from home than that.

He is a splendid horseman and has served as a military officer for a number of years. He is

fond of outdoor life and keeps his iron health and vigor through his devotion to horseba exercise. He is a wonderful linguist. He speaks French, German, English, Flemish, Spanish and Italian with such case and such ccuracy that he would be able to address any public assembly in either one of these languages. He is much interested in the United States. Alt sis one of the secret desires of his heart to be able to visit this country. He will not in all probability be able to go so far away from home. He is, however, much inter ested in this country and is thoroughly familiar with its institutions. He watches closely our material development, the march of our industries and our new discoveries in science and i the world of inventions.

#### AN OPERA GLASS.

The Innocent Optical Instrument Played Leading Role in Comedy.

Jewelers' Weekly.] A humorous incident occurred recently at the Metropolitan Opera House in New York. Five people became involved in a complication over an opera glass. In one row of orchestra chairs four people sat in adjoining seats. A young woman and her escort sat next the aisie, and two young men held the adjoining seats. The young men were friends, but did not know the pretty young woman who sat next or her escort, Directly behind the young woman sat a young man. During the first intermission the two leaving a pair of opera glasses on the seat next

the young woman.

The glasses slipped to the floor after the youths had gone out, and the young man be-hind picked them up, and, thinking the young woman had dropped them, touched her on the shoulder and held out the glasses. She accepted them smilingly, and, surveying the house, passed them to her escort. He

asked her where she got them, and she nodded toward the young man. The escort bowed his thanks to him and turned the glass on the boxes.

Finally the young woman returned the glasses to the young man, who, thinking the lady wished him to have a few peeps himself, smiled and surveyed the bouse. As he finished

and was handing them back to the kind young woman, the two youths came back.

One of them grabbed for the glasses, but the young man couldn't permit any such performances. The young woman's except took a hand in too, for he didn't wish the obliging youth behind to suffer. He knew the glasses belonged

to him. So did the young lady,

They young man knew they belonged to her. The two youths knew they belonged to them, Reed, of Philadelphia. Early in the afternoon and for four or five minutes there was a comedy of errors as funny as anything in fiction. An eye witness explained the error and the comedy passed into the scene of loveliness and beauty, becoming a part of the grand whole. The various apartments with their magnificent furnishings speaking of long eathbilished wealth and elegance, unbent from their dignified stateliness and breathed a flowery welcome to the guests. From the reception hall to the tearoom great bunches of exquisite flowers rose from costly vases and urns, and others wreathed the brows of artistic statuary. Mirrors were handsomely festooned

### THE LENTEN FAST ABOLISHED.

Broad Dispensations Granted by the Louis Archbishop. St. Louis, Feb. 10 .- His Grace, Archbishor Kenrick, has issued instructions to the pastors of his diocese as to the observance of the Lenten season. In regard to the use of flesh meats, he says, leave will be given by dispense tion to use them on the following days: Sun-days, Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays; also on all Saturdays, except the first Saturday after the first Sunday of Lent and Holy Satur-

day.

This is the broadest dispensation that has ever been granted in this diocese, and it practically abolishes the Lenten fast.

#### PROHIBITION A POINT AHEAD. Resubmission Bill Fails to Carry the Day

Prof. Edmond Russell. in North Dakota. Edmond Russell is pronounced correct by BISMARCK, N. D., Feb. 10.-A majority o Pittsburg society. He delivered his first lec the Temperance Committee of the House yes-terday reported in favor of indefinitely postture yesterday, about noon, at the residence of Mrs. A. E. W. Painter. His subject was "The Teachings of Delsarte," and under that head he

poning the re-submission bill. A long and bitter fight ensued.

A motion to adopt the majority report was finally carried by a vote of 31 to 25, seven members being absent. The liquor men will try to secure a reconsideration. treated the art of expression, polse, dignity, treated the art of expression, polse, originty, repose, command of the body, society manners, and natural expression, school gymnastics and the exercises for personal culture.

He is a pleasing speaker, of wonderful innate He is a pleasing speaker, of wonderful innate refinement, and possesses a thorough and comprehensive knowledge of the subject upon which he has gained so much renown. He will deliver two more lectures at Mrs. Painter's, and will speak to-dny, to-morrow and Friday mornings at the Pennsylvania College for Women. Nort week the same lectures—or, rather, lectures on the same subjects, as Mr. Russell always speaks extempore—will be given by him at the residence of Mrs. C. L. Magee, in Oakland. PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

PRESIDENT ELIOT, of Harvard University, has gone West for a stay of six weeks, MRS. U. S. GRANT has contributed \$25 to the New York Memorial Arch fund, which now aggregates \$89,633.

ELLEN TERRY'S son is described as andsome young fellow who wears spectacles. and has hair that looks like his mother's. BLANCHE WILLIS HOWARD is as busy

in a literary way since her marriage to Dr. Teuffel as she was before. She lives at Stutt gart, and is said to be ideally happy. ALFRED RUSSELL WALLACE, the die inguished English naturalist, has written to Prot. Ely, of Johns Hopkins University, that ne has become a convert to Mr. Bellamy's

theories. THE Rev. Howard MacQueany's trial for heresy gave an astonishing boom to his hereti-cal book. More than 15,000 copies of it have een sold, a remarkable record for a work or theology.

sociability and intellectual advancements. Besides the entertainments given by the King's Daughters and the Sons of the same royal family, a series of Friday evening lectures has been outlined by prominent divines of the city. Next Friday evening Rev. George Hodges will inaugurate the series by delivering his popular lecture on the "Passion Piay." February 20, Rev. E. P. Cowan, D. D., will lecture on "The Root of All Evil;" February 27, Rev. A. J. Bonsall, on "Unseen Realities;" March 13, Rev. J. C. White, D. D., "Jezebel;" March 20, Rev. George T. Powers, on "Conscience and Christ." PHILLIPS BROOKS is 55 years old, and for 20 years he has been the rector of Trinity Church, in Boston. His salary is \$10,000 a year, but of that a larger proportion goes for charity for his generosity is proverbial. JAMES S. RICHARDSON, the largest cot-

ton planter in the South, and Miss Bessie Beban, daughter of General W. J. Behan, the largest wholesale grocer in the South, will be espectively king and queen of the Mardi Gras festival at New Orleans this week. SIR RICHARD BURTON, the famo raveler, writer and archmologist, who died re cently at Trieste, was master of 27 languages

ISAIAH T. MONTGOMERY, who made plea for education of blacks in the late constitutional convention of Mississippi, is trying to raise \$500 to extend the term of a free colored school in his neighborhood. He applied to Mr. Cleveland, and received a check for \$25.

HENRY HAYNIE, writing from Paris. says that nearly every good singer on the lyric stage there was born in the United States. In this connection it may be mentioned that Mile.
Adiny, leading prima downs of the Paris Grand
Opera, and an American, was recently
decorated with the violet ribbou. PROF. JOHN P. BARRETT, the city elec-

trician of Chicago, who has been appointed chief of the electrical department of the World's Fair, is a native of Auburn, N. Y., 5 rears of age, and was in early life a sailor. He is wholly self educated, and began his connection with the fire department of Chicago in Farrand officiating. It was a home wedding, none but members of the families being presyears of age, and was in early life a sailor. He

ent. The happy couple will be pleased to re-ceive their friends at their new home on

Social Chatter. Previous to Lent-How the Season Was Ar the annual reunion of the G. A. R. ment Altonia this month, Miss Kitty Hamm has been engaged to recite, and it is anticipated been engaged to recite, and it is anticipated that she will be adopted as the "Daughter of the Regiment." For her recitation Prof. Byron W. King, her teacher, is composing an original poem, entitled "The Grand Reunion," warranted to incite enthusiasm in even the delivery of a less talented and pleasing reader than Miss Homm. the courtesy of Messrs. Webster and Henricks, is considerably richer this morning, having reaped the benefits of the Star entertainment given last evening in Carnegie Hall.

The audience was a delightfully appreciative one and nearly filled the hall, including the balconies. Miss De Vere, whose frequent appearances in the city proclaims her excellence and popularity, was the star of the evening and appeared—in several numbers. She was beautifully gowned in pure white, her golden hair forming a halo fround her expressive face. Her reception was enthusiastic and her enceres ditto. She rendered first a polonaise from "Puritani," Bellini, and fellowed later with Romanza from "Aida," Verdi, and "Ave Marie," Gouned, which Prof. Gittings accompanied on the piano, Carl Retter on the organ and Franz Wilchek on the violin, The latter gentlemen took Miss Mamie Reuck's place on the programme.

than Miss Hamm. A FANCY dress ball was given at the Linden Club last night, being the close of the festivi-ties which have brightened the clubhouse during the winter season. There was a large at-tendance, and the assemblage had a very gay and pleasant evening.

THE Misses McCullough gave a very enjoyable "at home" last evening for the Misses McGonnegle, who are their guests and cousins, THE courtesy of the Verestchagin collection as been extended to the members of the chool of Design for next Tuesday.

A SUNFLOWER concert will be given this evening in Carnegie Hall by Post 128, Lieutennt James M. Lysle. Mrs. Henry Sproul was hostess to a

and Franz whence on the violin. The latter gentlemen took Miss Mamie Reuck's place on the programme.

The Allegheny Musical Association opened the programme, after an admirably executed "Marche Religeuse," Guilmant, by Organist C. D. Carter, with two selections by Foerster. The first, "Spring's Verdure," was a feminine chorus, but in the "June Song" the chorus united. "O, Rosebud Blushing," Lessmann, was rendered by Joseph Vogei, and "Galatea," Jensen, and "Rigoletto," Verdi-Liszt, were played by Prof. Gittings.

An "Aria From Hamlet" was given by Mr. Sapperstein, and Mrs. Lippa gave a plano solo romanza and rondo from the Concerto in Eminor, Chopin. Harry R. Brockett sang "Salva Dimora," from Faust, and Beveridge Webster played "Album Loaf," Gade, and "Rigadoon," Raff.

The Allegheny Musical Association closed the programme with "Stars of the Summer Night" and a "Lullaby" by Smart. heater party last evening that dived at the Duqueene Club. J. W. GHOVE entertained a party of gentlenen friends at the Duquesne Clubhouse last

evening. PROF. ALBERT D. LEIFELT entertained bis iends last evening at Cyclorama Hall. MISS RESSIE Young will entertain the mer

bers of the Teacup Club on the 25th.

MISS SEAFORTH, of Center avenue, enter tained friends last evening MRS. E. H. FERRE, of Montour Junction, vill receive February 20.

MRS. J. W. Ross, of Allegheny, entertained yesterday.

#### COUNTERFEIT PRESENTMENTS.

Photography and Sleep Reveal Character istics the Owner May Conceal.

ment of the season in their theater at Sewick-ley last night. The play chosen was Robertson's comedy in four acts, entitled "School," which was given some years ago by the club. Of the original cast only one, Miss Whiting son's comedy in four acts, entitled "School," which was given some years ago by the club. Of the original cast only one, Miss Whiting, was upon the programme last night. The play is not an easy one by any means, although pictorially at any rate it offers special attractions to amateurs. Last night's performance was highly successful, and that, too, in spite of many drawbacks, such as changes in the cast during the last days of rehearsal. The full cast was as follows: Lord Beaufoy, Mr. Carpenter: Dr. Suictiffe, Mr. McPherson; Beau Farintosh, Mr. H. M. Richardson: Jack Poynte, Mr. Nevin: Mr. Krux, Mr. Charles Richardson: Vaughn, Mr. Doyle; A Groom, Mr. Tate; Mrs. Suictiffe, Mrs. Burrows: Bella, Miss Anderson: Naomi Tighe, Miss Whiting; School Girls, Miss Chaplin, Miss Cooper, Miss Carpenter, Miss McCleary, Miss Lowe, Miss Swartzwelder.

Mrs. Whiting, as the spirited heroine Naomi Tighe, displayed to advantage the comedy powers with which Sewickley audiences are now well acquainted. The humor of the play, which is so largely entrusted to the feminine characters, was well brought out. The eccentric comedy of Mr. Charles Richardson as the disagreeable Crux, added to a capital make-up, was very much enjoyed, and the solemn embodiment of the aged clergymen Dr. Suictiffe, by Mr. McPherson, was equally amusing. The artless innocence of Bella was very hendering to the character of Mrs. Suictiffe, by Mr. McPherson, was equally amusing. The artless innocence of the romantic side of the play, and exceedingly clever self-possessed they were. Messrs. Tate and Doyle were good in small parts, and the picture of a stiff English servant the latter presented was true to life. Very few ladies seminaries boast such a bevy of lovely girls as Mrs. Suictiffe's showed last night. The scenery and other details were perfect, and for the management of the play great credit is due to the committee. There was dancing to Toerge's music after the play. The next play will be given after Easter. The audience was very large, and included many fro New York Evening Sun's Woman About Town. ] Photography plays queer pranks with its subjects sometimes. A photograph often flashes out a family resemblance that had never been noticed in a face until then. A photograph has a way also of telling on people sometimes. The hidden cruelty, or sensuality, or vanity, or deception comes to light under the searching of the sun, however successfully the man's will or craft may conceal it ordinarily. A rascal is running a risk when he has his photograph taken. His friends may see what he is trying to hide. It was James who wrote that remark able story, "The Liar." There was an artist who painted a portrait of the husband of the woman he had once loved himself. When the portrait was figished the husband and wife, and not only they, but all the world, saw on the canvas the face of a consummate liar. What the artist did on that occasion is what the sun often does. It tells the truth that the man has

hidden so successfully.

The woman once heard a shrewd man say: "A man can deceive me as to his real character when he is awake, but if I can once see him asleep I can tell you what he is." And there is a strange truth in it. What photography does, leep does also. In sleep a man is off guard. The will no longer dominates, and first nature comes back and asserts herself. One can make his face say what he chooses when he is awake, but when sleep touches his face it tells the truth. The forced smile slips away and the cruel lines about the mouth stand out. The sed eyes shut out the look of determination that sometimes gets into a man's face without the reality in his soul, and the childish indecision and irresolution that come back show you that the man is weaker than he makes you believe.

It was a half knowledge of this fact that clever French woman used a phrase when she declared that she never would see any of her friends early in the morning, because she hadn't got her mask on yet. Her face hadn't got the soul out of it yet-or hadn't got the soul into it, which was it? and she instinctively shut herself away from detection. We all jng-gle with our real selves and appear to be what we are not, more or less, but the truth does manage to get itself said somehow and some-

### UNCONSIDERED TRIFLES.

Very Trivial Circumstances on Which

Great Things Have Depended. semblage that later entered the portals and Dr. J. R. Parke in Philadelphia North American. 7 says Pascal, the political aspect of the world would have been different. Antony would not have been enslaved, and Cresar would have gone down to history simply as one of Rome's defeated generals. Such a groveling thing as the passing lust of a Tarquin, gave to the Mother of Men that liberty upon whose shrine urns, and others wreathed the brows of artistic statuary. Mirrors were handsomely festooned with clinging vines, mantels were blooming and chandeliers hung with garlands.

The charming hostess was attired in a becoming gown of gray silk, with embossed figures of yellow. She was assisted in receiving by her guests of honor and by Mrs. F. S. Bissell. A number of society ladies dispensed the hospitality of the tearoom, and the guests included ladies from both cities and the East End. At 7 o'clock dinner for the aids and a few gentlemen concluded the festivities. a Casar was sacrificed, and a Cato suffered

The battle of Waterloo, with all its vast in rests, was lost to Napoleon, according to Hugo, through a peasant boy's false state to Grouchy, when asked the shortest road to fougoument. Louis Phillippe drank one cup of wine too much fell from his carriage, was led, the Orleans dynasty was overthrown, the family exiled, and its estates confiscated.

To most persons it will prove a new paragraph in the history, that the War of the Revointion and the Independence of America were brought about directly by a horse kicking over his traces. Such nevertheless, is the fact. A gentleman riding in Cheshire, England, was, wanch an accident, thrown from his carriage and slightly injured. At a farm house, where he applied for assistance, he first met the young lady whom he subsequently married and who, emigrating with him to America, became in the year 1732, the envied and illustrious mother of George Washington, the hero of our fathers' nemorable struggle and the founder of Amer can liberty.

### A BURST BANK

Big Prospective but a Very Small Conce After All.

Correspondence Philadelphia Ledger, 1 A Brooklyn bank, which a few weeks ago laimed a capital of \$200,000,000, has closed its doors. This statement sounds panicky, but it isn't. The capital of the bank was on paper, and its business, as reported January 20, was limited to \$1.088 of liabilities and \$2.039 in assets. The bank was named the Mechanics' Co-operative, and the mechanics appeared to have failed to co-operate, hence the suspension. The \$200,000,000 in stock was not paid up, and had the company realized the expect officers it would have been nearly 17 years before payment would have been co stock was issued in shares of \$200, payable \$1

At the time of the last report the receipts had aggregated but \$5,242. This is the bank which began business with highly wrought pamphlets which announced, among other things, a connection with two responsible Brooklyn banks. This connection the banks in question promptly disavowed, and the newspapers very criticised the new institution for its lack of candor, and discounted its roseate predictions, During its brief life its profits were \$26 70, while expenses were over \$3,300. The inevitable failure hurts a few depositors, but the losses will

### TO BE ON GUARD.

The Friends of Sound Currency S Out for a Coup.

Wall Street Investigator.]
It is stated that Republican Represe have been urgently requested to be in Washington all this week. The Democratic leaders are trying to whip their followers into line and hold them together in an attack upon the rules of the House for the benefit of free silver, and they seem to be hopeful of success While there is not much doubt that several Democrats will refuse to join in this attack, the anger is serious enough to demand that the ouponents of free coluage should be alert and ready to repulse the attack, which will be made at the first opportunity. The present silver law is working well, and it is well to leave well enough alone.

#### Must Have His Weed. New York Continent.]

Colonel Bob Ingersoll is an inveterate user o tobacco in all its forms-excepting when rolled in milky white wrappers. He smokes, long and often and "chaws" hard and fast. The Colone would as soon think of giving up his law prac-tice as to go back on his favorite weed. He would feel that he had been ungrateful to an old friend if he did, so he won't.

#### CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS.

-Two convicts have died in the Concord, Mass, reformatory from drinking alcoholine, a preparation used in the above shop.

-Henry Kramer, a lineman, recently reseived an electric shock at Louisville, Ky., and

has become hopelessly insane, believing he is pursued by an electric ghost. -For the first time in the history of Bismarck, N. D., all the saloons have closed their doors for an indefinite period, and not a drink is to be had for love nor money.

-An attempt is being made in London to form a huge ring for the control of the calico printing business. Many of the largest houses printing business. Many of the large are already pledged to the syndicate, -A flock of 21 fine geese belonging to

Asher Werts, of Crawfordsville, Ind., spent

last Thursday night on his fish pond. It frome during the night, and this morning the birds were found fast in the ice, every one of them dead. -A wise provision for escape from fire is

obligatory in all Russian hotels. Every corridor must have a staircase at each end, and, if of extra length, several others at stated intervals, or else iron laiders must be placed outside the house. -The 7-year-old son of J. T. Webster, of Tennille, was recently bitten on the hand by a

hog, which had previously been bitten by a mad dog. The boy's hand is fearfully swollen, and fears are entertained of hydrophobia, as the hog has since evinced unmistakable signs of hydro--Baroness Nathaniel Rothschild, who recently purchased the celebrated Strauss col-

lection of objects of Hebraic art, has presented it to the Cluney Museum, in Paris. One of the finest and most curious objects is a huge ark of wainut wood, ornamented with 54 panels, su-perbly carved. -Civilization is making way in Russia. We cannot doubt it, for we read that the first strike of laborers for increased wages has just occurred. The strikers are colliers, and they show their proficiency in Western ways by choosing the middle of a severe winter for throwing up their work.

-There are reports from Poland of fresh plottings against the Czar, and the secret police are said to be adopting measures of brutal severity to find out the chief conspirators, ar-resting for that purpose the wives and daugh-ters of suspects, who are subjected to horrible tortures to make them divulge their secrets.

-Sheriff Haynes, of Dearborn county, Ind., was awakened by a pull on the doorbell of the jail at Lawrenceburg the other morning. and upon responding to the summons found one of the prisoners on the outside who had voluntarily returned. Investigation showed that all the prisoners had escaped dur-ing the night.

-The Queen of Roumania, during her sojourn in England, visited a needle factory. While watching the work one of the men asked Her Majesty for a single hair from her head. The Queen granted his request with a smile. The man placed the hair under the needle of his machine, bored a hole in it, drew a fine silk thread through the hole and then presented it to the astonished Queen. -Carthage, Ill., has a "spook excite-

ment," for which either Louis C. Boston, who died recently, or "Aut" Wright, one of his sur-viving friends, is responsible. Wright declares that Boston, in the regulation robes of an ap-parition, met him on a lonely road at night, addressed him and his horse familiarly, and delivered various messages for friends, enjoining them upon a reformation of life. -Attorney Sullivan, of Crescent, Is., recently was retained to defend a man for hog

stealing. When the officer went after the prop-erty another hog was found with the one wanterty another nog was found with the one wanted. This the defendant claimed was his own, but it has since proved to be the property of Mr. Sullivan. Since the lawyer must be sure of the innoceance of his client he will be expected to defend him against stealing his own hog. The only way for the attorney to get even is to win the case and take both hogs for his fee. -Some recent statistics show that very rapid increase is being made in vine culture in his country. There are now under vine culture

in America 400,000 acres, of which about 300,000 vineyards and wine celiars is \$155,000,000. In California there are 150,000 acres under vine culture, and a large proportion of the grapes produced are made into wine. Most of the grapes grown in New York State are sold for food. The total production of wine in the United States during the past year is about 40,000,000 gallons. acres are bearing. The estimated value of the -Rather a curious condition of things exist in New Orleans. There is racing down there every day, and a hig concourse of betting men travel to the track daily. The running of

the horses is poor, and the judging and riding are about equally spiced with suspicion. Crowds of Southern men hang around the bookmakers and bet continually. They seldom look at the only after a little investigation that spectators discover that the races which the men are in-terested in are being run at Guttenburg and Clifton. The returns are received by wire, and n wager their money on the Jersey tracks, while they entirely eglect the racing under their noses. -Dr. W. D. Gentry, of No. 182 State street, Chicago, has been using a consumption cure for several years, the discovery of Dr. J

A. Biegier, of Rochester, N. Y., who wrote of some experiments he made with it in tuberousome experiments he made with it in tubercular meningitis in the London Organum, secondvolume, 1879. The platter used by Dr. Biegler
is made by taking an atom of tuberculous tissue containing the vital principles of the poisoand teriturating it for a long time in sugar of
milk. It is then reduced by adding more milk
sugar and titurating to the one-thousandth
potency. It is then given by the mouth instead
of as Koch gives it, with a hypoulermic syringa.

Dr. Biegler's discovery has been used in several Dr. Biegler's discovery has been used in severa cases by Dr. Gentry with success. -Andrew Schissel, of Iowa City, a wid-

ower of 75 years, has missed the delights of lingering courtship in his second marriage, for he net, wooed and won his present bride in five minutes. Two weeks ago Saturday he preented himself at the kitchen door of Adam sented thimself at the kitchen door of Adam Mueller, of his town, and introduced himself to Mrs. Annie Kessler, a widow of 45, there at work. She was a late arrival from Indiana. "I wish a wife," Mr. Schissel said to the widow, "Yes, sir," she responded. "Will you marry me?" "Yes, sir," In his ardor the aged widower desired the wedding ceremony to be performed right away. The widow wanted to wait until she got her employer's nouseworkstraightened up. The marriage took place the following Monday.

### WAIFS FROM WITLAND.

Why will they longer seek the tomb

This world is full of chumps, indeed; Or would be if the daily take Of someone's self-destractive deed Did not come in by wire and mail,

Through saited love and pepp ered pride? Why longer crowd the mystic flume? Why sue and sigh, then suicide? -011 City Blissard. The Chicago people are complaining of cold street cars. They ought to insure hot passen-gers. - Washington Post.

"Did you hear the building vibrate just 'Yes. What was the cause?" "It was the artist's brain throbbing. He's try-ing to work out a cartoon to show that Ladner's a ghost dancer. That's all."—Philadelphia North

If the bacilli could be provided with through tickets and no stop-over privileges they would be better travelers in the human body. New York Evening World. Sock-The ghost dance the Indians have

seen having must be very interesting; wouldn't on like to see it? Ruskin-Weil, I should be perfectly satisfied simply to see the ghost walk. - Boston Courier. Policeman (excitedly to boy on the fence outside)-What's going on in there, Johnny? Having a war dance with all the neighbors on the

distin' on dad spendin' his evenin's at home. --Bloober-Mabel has refused me! I am lesperate! Oh, for a war cloud, that I might become a soldier of fortune and bare my breast to

Johnnie (composedly)-Nope. Only n

pitiless lead: Van Leer (yawning)—You might get a job as electric light lineman—New York Herald. Nowadays the cup of pleasure Surely yields a shorter measure Of delight than in the stricter times of yors, For attending plays, and dancing, Are not nearly so entrancing.

Now they're not considered sinful any more

—indianapolis Journal

"You seem to eat of the bouillon with ery little relish to-night, Tom." "Quite to the contrary, I assure you, my dear . I have carriessly spilled half the conterpepoer-sauce bottle into this plate ap. "-Detcoit Free Press.

One thing there is bout sockless J., As comfort for his shocks— His shoes some man may fill some day,

But none may fill his socks.
-- Sem Fork Continues