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HONORS TO WASHINGTON.

The commemoration of the birthday of George Washington yesterday was surrounded with especial suterest and brilliancy by the unveiling of the equestrian statue of the great patriot presented by the Junior Order of American Mechanics to the city of Allegheny. The demonstration marked by thet order, both in the ceremonies at the park and the immense parade throughout the two cities, was highly impressive. In their successful efforts to honor the memory of Washington the members of the order have reflected honor upon themselves.

There is an especial fitness in the work which the order has undertaken and carried out of especially commemorating the life and services of the Father of His Country. The part which Washington bore in the first histor; of this locality entitles this community to a particular share in his memory. Besides the debt of gratitude which we, in common with the rest of the nation, owe for his great work in founding and preserving our independent Government, it is no less cogent a fact that earlier in his career he performed as leading a part of the work in founding this city. In honoring him, we can at once reprember that the same man who led the way to the establishment of English civilization here was the patriot, soldier and sage who twenty years later was the leader in the work of placing the nation on its foundation of constitutional and independent Government.

Yet with this incentive for special honors to the memory of Washington by this community, it is the fact that little was done in the way of exceptional commemoration here until the order which erected the statue and conducted the imposing ceremonies of yesterday, took the matter in hand. Theirs is the first statue erected on the ground and fully the money put in. objective point of his first exploits. The commemoration of his birthday had not been for years the subject of more than perdeficiency of the past has been so thoroughly made up, by the granite memorial which in favor of the order which has so thoroughly done this work.

The celebration was therefore creditable to the community and particularly to the the case of the Pacific railroads. order which took charge of it. It is to be hoped that the efforts to inspire respect for the memory and the principles which his career typifies may have permanent effect.

RESPONSIBILITY FOR A TRAGEDY The fatal affray between a couple of editors at Columbus, Ohio, yesterday was a disgrace to the town. The quality of journalism represented by personal controversies which bring up to such a bloody issue could not have existed if it did not find some toleration in the community. A community which respects itself will no more countenance scurrility or personal malignity in the columns of newspapers than they would encourage like exhibitions in the ordinary relations of life.

It is fortunate for the press of the country that such incidents are now very rare indeed. They will be still rarer when the public realizes fully that the responsibility does not rest wholly with the active participants; but that the readers who promote such culminations by countenancing the virulence and personal hatred which leads up to them, are themselves in no light degree accessories before the fact.

APPROPRIATIONS FOR PITTSBURG.

Representative Titman, of the sub-committee of the Committee on State Approprintions, says Pittsburg's requests for money for charitable institutions are smaller than like requests from any other portion of Pennsylvania. This will cause citizens to hope that the legislative pruning knife will not be used to cut down amounts already on the Treasury; but in the present instance ing aid and medical attendance from the charitable institutions of this city is large, and their proper handling entalls considerable cost. Should the requested appropriations be reduced, usefulness of the various charitable institutions will be curtailed, probably to such an extent that much individual suffering may ensue. This hypothesis of social organization. is based on the fact that the hospitals, etc., have asked for no more money than experience has suggested would be necessary.

A proper supervision of all amounts proposed to be taken from the State Treasury is but just to the people of the whole Commonwealth. THE DISPATCH does not advocate ceiving the asked-for appropriations in full.

GOOD PAVEMENTS AND SPEED.

number of accidents on the streets of London is caused by the smooth payements of argument from some headquarters of sapi- progress of the world in that especial era is ence that it is bad policy to lay smooth capable of reforming. pavements in our cities because pedestrians

which if followed out would produce re- discontent-some of it ignorant and disposed

markable results. It is evident that the to wild or foolish measures—there is no ne same style of reasoning would lead to the conclusion that cities ought not to have any pavements at all; for to the exact degree in which the departure is made from the universal law of miry streets compelling slow movement, to that degree the possibility of greater speed and consequently less safety is established. If we condemn any improvement because it is liable to wanton abuses we must abandon a large number of things such as the corporate system, political government of any sort, commerce, literature and even law, and return to the unprogressive stage of savagery. Of course the argument will rule out any speedier method of travel than the safely slow canal boat, and put a stop to all injudicious efforts to

improve the race of road horses. The fact that London payements lighten the load so much as to render reckless driving possible proves their superiority. They do not necessitate fast driving, but they do make possible a large increase of street travel at the same expenditure of power. When a city is so fortunate as to obtain pavements of that grade it may become a municipal duty to restrain unsafe driving. But even the claim that the duty would be neglected does not justify the argument that cities should retain their streets in a medieval condition for fear that good pavements would produce too much speed.

A VERY THIN DISGUISE.

literary bureau whose function is to amuse the public with sophistry while the concessionaires get their hands into the Treasury. We regret to see that no less a person than Senator Sherman has been induced to puff the business for a monthly magazine. Extracts from his argument are now being assiduously circulated. The Senator disguises the marauding character of the enterprise by saying that Uncle Sam does not advauce the money but merely his credit. That is, he simply gaurantees \$100,000,000 of the Nicaragua Company's bonds, the principal and interest, in place of issuing them direct. The thin argument is made by Mr. Sherman that if the United States did not make these bonds desirable by its guarantee they would sell only for twentyfive or fifty cents on the dollar; and in that way twice or four times the amount would have to be issued to raise the money for construction, and the interest upon this enlarged volume of debt would afterward be a tax upon the commerce passing through the canal. For refreshing coolness this is unequaled. It need scarcely be urged against Mr. Sherman's novel plea that if private capital esteemed the venture such that there was only a 25 or 50 per cent chance of the first cost being got back, the United States is taking a very extraordinary risk, indeed, when it becomes responsible for the full 100 per cent. The plea that it is right to keep down the fixed charges, in rivers a clear egress when they are overorder to make the tolls on commerce low, is utterly inapplicable in this case when it is remembered that whereas less than \$100,-000,000 will build the canal, another \$100,-000,000 of stock, representing pure water, is provided for by the bill, and that commerce must pay tolls to make dividends upon this water stock as well as to meet the interests on the bonds, which latter alone represent

That the Nicaragua canal is a desirable undertaking may be fully conceded. But if Uncle Sam's money or credit is wholly to functory ceremonies, until they undertook the | build it, Uncle Sam should own it outfunction of securing the honors especially right. The very least, surely, which comdue to his name here. The fact that this mon sense would suggest is that the Govern ment should have absolute control of the expenditures. But in place of that, the old graces the Allegheny park and the monster | familiar device of an inner ring construction parade which filled the streets yesterday, es- company has already been created; and is to be excluded from sympathy, New York ablishes a debt on the part of the public when private pockets shall have been lined might be blotted out of existence without with immense fortunes from the undertak ing, Uncle Sam can whistle for his indemnity, just as he has been obliged to do in

Were the Government but half as gene ous in offering a guarantee of half the above amount for honest expenditure upon shipcanals to connect the great lakes with the Ohio and Mississippi-and this is directly within its province and its own territorythese important works would be imme diately undertaken. Until this is done, the Nicaragua canal has not a leg to stand upon in the shape which its extraordinary demand upon our National Treasury at present takes.

DISCONTENT AND PROGRESS.

The recent publication by Bryce, the English lecturer, of the lecture which he delivered in this country last fall, again calls attention to the idea which he brought out of the conditions under which great reformations always have been established. " Prof. Bryce's argument was that not only is there generally a large class of people who are dissatisfied with existing conditions, and even look with despondency to the future. but that the causes of such popular discontent have produced the great reformations of modern history from the Reformation down to the last French Revolution, and before this era produced those migrations of race which swallowed up ancient empires, and started the work of rebuilding civilian

tion on a new foundation. This theory is elaborated by the further detail that improved conditions founded by the original movement of discontent produces new evils. These in their turn inspire a new discontent and cause another progressive effort. Thus the Reformation produced civil wars and military oligarchies. confessedly small. The temptation to pose The parliamentary stand against the as economy-loving statesmen is always be- Stuart absolutism produced the Cromwellian fore the lawmakers. It often prevents raids | rule, the reaction to the Stuarts and did not work out its perfect result till the revoluany diminution of the amounts asked for by tion of 1688. The French Revolution re-Pittsburg would be very poor policy from a sulted in the Reign of Terror and an alterhumane point of view. The number receiv- nation of reaction and progress until the second republic of our own days. Even our own revolution was succeeded by an era that was the despair of men like Washington, Jefferson and Franklin. The pendulum of popular progress swings back and forth from one side to the other to keep up the steady movement toward higher levels

The accuracy of the analysis of the caus of progress may be criticised. It is hardly correct to thus indicate as the primary cause of progressive movement what is really an attendant condition. To put it in another way, the discontent which Prof. Brye makes the starting point of revolutions. looting in the interests of any section, but peaceful or otherwise, is in reality a result only hopes that the sub-committee will find of a mere primary cause in the shape of itself able to report in favor of Pittsburg re- evils, or abuses to the general perception of which is due the discontent which is here held up as the cause but is really the agent of the reformations. The abuses may be The novel point is made that the large such as previous generations have borne as mevitable ills: or they may arise out of new conditions. But in either case the that city, which make it easy for horses to cause of the progressive movement is the draw loads at a trot. This has evoked an existence of evils of such character as the

But apart from this distinction there is no would be in so much greater danger of being | doubt that this theory applies to the present day. While there are abuses and wrongs in The argument belongs to a class of logic our social system and a wide prevalence of

essity of taking a gloomy view of the future The recognition of the abuses, the discontent which leads to inquiry how they may be reformed, and the refusal to accept them as necessities simply because they have heretobest promise of an ultimate remedy.

There is another general law with regard to great reformations which is full of promise, and which we do not understand, that Prof. Bryce brings out. That is that in proportion as any nation affords easy expression to the popular discontent and permits it to exert its influence upon government to that degree the reformations are gradually and peacefully made. The early establishment of Parliamentary privileges enabled the overthrow of the Stuart monarchy with scarce a tithe of the violence that accompanied the downfall of the Bourbons. Wherever constitutional government has afforded an outlet for the popular discontent the remedy can nearly always be obtained by peaceful legislation. In this country slavery could not be overthrown without bloodshed, because the slave element had risen to the height of dictating law instead of obeying it, and constituted a practical tyranny of force. In France the long suppression of popular rights invested the outburst, when it did come, with peculiar vio-

lence and ignorance. These considerations permit us to retain firm hope that the evils which are felt in The Nicaragua Canal Company Bas a the countries that possess representative governments will be cured by a peaceful olution. We of this country may feel assured that this will be the operation if the evils are not permitted to take such a hold upon our social system as to create a new and heretofore unsuspected tyranny and to suppress the liberties that are opposed to them. But the discontent that is kept under with an iron hand, as in Russia, can never be relieved except by an explosion to which the Reign of Terror will seem a

zephyr.

NARROW VIEWS OF SYMPATHY. An expression of sympathy for the Johnstown people when they were supposed to be suffering from a second inundation last week, in which the New York Tribune indulged itself, moves the New York Me tropolis to declare that the Johnstown people deserve no sympathy. This remarkable declaration is based upon such grounds as that they knew of the danger from previous experience, but took no steps to guard against it, and that they permitted the Cambria Iron Company to do certain things which that corporation ought not to have

The evident impression of this journal whose object in life appears to be the exploitation of its own idea of its own smartness, is that the Johnstown people ought to have moved a mountain or two to give the flowed. But as the reasoning from which sound and commendable in itself, but these conclusions are drawn is based on that New York Herald investigation of last fall. people who are informed on Johnstown matters will not deem it worth while to spend much time in refuting them. The Herald succeeded in developing some remarkable statements and striking conclusions by depending on the imagination of other people for facts and its own ignorance of the primary principles of accounting for

its financial statements. But the assertion that the Johnstown per ple are not entitled to sympathy because they have been the victims of their own errors and other people's blindness, reveals a remarkable limitation of the functions of human sympathy. If every community which has left public works undone, or per mitted corporations to take undue liberties. causing the rest of humanity a single pang.

AND now it is asserted in the East that Chicago has raised the estimate for the World's Fair to \$25,000,000. The statement is rather apocryphal, but if Chicago wishes to put \$25, 000,000 into that enterprise the rest of the na tion will applaud her liberality.

THE familiar proposition to change the dates for the assembling of Congress and the inauguration of the President to the first Monday in January and the 30th of April has ap peared in its usual place at the end of the session, too late to be acted upon. The propo sition commends itself to the good judgment of all. Our statesmen are always so busy with partisan fights, however, that they can never think to bring this on until the close of the session admonishes them that the dates are all wrong. Mr. Crain, of Texas, is the member to make the delayed move this session. He prom ises to do something to get it before the next Congress in time to do something

Ir is stated with regard to Senator-elect Kyle, of North Dakota, that he worked his way through Oberlin College by sawing wood. This holds out promise that the Senate wil contain a rival to our Matthew Stanley in the wood sawing art.

THAT New York census still occupies a place in New York politics through the rigorous efforts of the Legislative Committee investigating it. The partisan interests involved are shown by a Republican organ which reported Inspector Byrnes' testimony as an admission "that two of the police enumerators employed for the recount were professional criminals. The Inspector's testimony was very clearly that the criminals referred to were among the Federal inspectors. Party necessity must have come to a desperate pass, when the organs find it necessary to falsify testimony given in pub-

THE fact that the Australian sheepshearers have just got through with a losing strike hits the gentlemen of Wall street as an Hustration of supreme folly. They never stor their shearing operations except for a scarcity

BECAUSE the diplomatic representatives of the United States abroad are called ministers while those of minor European powers are called ambassadors, an Eastern cotemporary "This is both humiliating and inconvenient." Notwithstanding the fact that the business of the United States with the foreign powers has gone on just the same, there seem to be decided belief that the diplomatic agent by another name would smell a great dea sweeter.

IT requires 380 employes to take care of 332 members of the House, and the present body wished to increase the total to 712 by the election of a clerk apiece. But they lacked the nerve to do it.

CONCERNING the allegation that "no less than 50 bills have been introduced in the Kansas Legislature to regulate railroads," an Eastern cotemporary asks: "But what would Kansas be without the railroads ?" The ques tion with equal pertinence might be turned around so as to inquire what the Kansas railroads would be without Kansas?

A CINCINNATI physician says that h can operate successfully on idiots. This leaves hope that the college yell and the stock market m may yet be cured.

ONE New York paper is urging the completion of the Washington memorial fund, and nother has just started a Sherman monumen fund. But since the unfortunate sheet which tried to complete the Grant monument fund has passed into oblivion, no New York publication is bold enough to take up that work

THE American Mechanics made a demon-

stration which did honor to the order, in honor-SNAP SHOTS IN SEASON. ing the memory of Washington

THE resolutions for reciprocity with Canada pending in Congress ought to be passed without delay. While the Dominion is squab THE steam escaped yesterday, and the ling over the subject the United States should fore excited without question, furnish the take the opportunity to inform their neighbors best promise of an ultimate remedy. and not otherwise.

PERSONS PARAGRAPHED.

PROP. PALMER is the third graduate of the old Western Reserve College to assume a chair

MRS. SALTER, the Mayor of Argonia, Kan. is a small, nervous woman, but she rules the City Council with a rod of iron. THE late Charles Bradlaugh played a strong

game of chess, and ranked among the best players of England. He was also skillful in checkers and other similar games. ABE GOULD, broiher of Jay Gould, will have charge of the purchasing department of the Union Pacific and Missouri Pacific Railroads

under the proposed consolidation.

GENERAL GRANT died at 63, Sheridan at 57, ncock at 62, Meade at 56, Logan 60, Hooker 60, Thomas 54, Lee 64, Bragg 61, Pemberton 63, Ex-GOVERNOR GORDON, Senator-elect from Seorgia, is 60 years of age, and tall and lean, He bears on his left cheek a deep scar from a saber out received in the late unpleasantness. PROF. POULSON, of Berlin, is the most popular of Germany's host of professors of philos-ophy. He is about 45 years old, tall, rather

stout and vigorous. He is very modest, and his lectures are always crowded. AT the recent sale of John R. Boker's collect tion of Washington relics in Philadelphia, two volumes of "The Federalist," once owned by Washington, brought \$1,900. They were pur-

chased for Senator Hearst. MR. GLADSTONE has three hats and three only. One is black and very old. The second is white, and is used only in summer. The third is a soft felt, and his constant traveling companion. Its age is unknown, but certainly it was not new in 1880.

THE Czar of Russia inherits the wonderfu bodily strength of the Romanoff family. He is more than six feet tall, perfectly proportioned, and can bend a horseshoe in his naked hands with ease. He is also an accomplished linguist, speaking seven modern languages besides

JOHN D. ARCHRO D. of New York, who acknowledged to be the brains of the Standard Oil Trust, is said to be the most modest man in that city. He is the trusted lieutenant and ac viser of the Rockefellers, the Flaglers and the Pratts, and wields an influence in the financia world second only to that of Jay Gould. MISS JANE MEADE WELCH, Mrs. Cleve land's protege, and the preacher of the new cult-namely, Americanism and the Constitu-tion—is a slender, dark-haired woman, with a high forehead, and a strong, masculine face. There is nothing striking about her gowns, and here is where her Americanism comes out

MRS. MEAGHER, widow of the late General Thomas Francis Meagher, has presented to the Red Jacket Club, of Canardaigua, the famous silver medal presented to the Indian Chief Red Jacket by General Washington in 1792. Mrs. inherited it from her grandfather Meagher Captain James Parish, to whom it was intrusted by the great chief before his death.

THE CONFESSION OF FAITH.

ne of the Changes Made by the Presbyte rian Assembly's Committee, COLUMBUS, Feb. 23 .- Dr. W. E. Moore, Se retary of the Presbyterian General Assembly's Committee on the Revision of the Confession of Faith, which held its second session at Washington, February 4 to 18, furnishes the

following:

"The same method was pursued as at the ses sion at Allegheny, so that the entire Confess was revised and attention given to the answers designated by them. The work done and ten tatively adopted at Allegheny was passed in re-view and confirmed, or changed as deemed best. The committee had thus revised chapter i. to xvi. The remaining chapters were taken n. to xvi. The remaining chapters were taken up at these sessions and changes tentatively made were finally adopted as the mature judgment of the committee. The changes, eliminations or additions are chiefly in chapter; .6; chapter iii., 3, 4, 5, 6; chapter iv., 1; chapter vi. 4; chapter viii., 3, 4, 5, 6; chapter x., 2, 3, 4; chapter xi., 1, 2, 3; chapter xiv., 1; chapter xxiv., 3; chapter xxiv., 4; chapter xxiii., 3; chapter xxiv., 3; chapter xxv., 6; chapter xxiv., 2, and chapter xxiv., 6; chapter xxiv., 2, and chapter xxiv., 6; chapter xxiv.,

ter xxv., 6; chapter xxix., 2, and chapter xxx., 2

"The question of publishing its report before the time of the meeting of the next Assembly, which was left to the discretion of the committee, was fully considered. It was unanimously agreed that we do not print any part of our report prior to the meeting of the next Assembly, with the suggestion that the work of the committee be referred to the Presbyteries for their mittee be referred to the Presbyteries for their consideration, but not as an overture for final action; that the Presbyteries be requised to report it, suggest any changes that they may deem desirable, and forward the report of the same to the Secretary of the Revision Committee by the 1st of December, 1891; that the committee subsequently act upon these suggestions of the Presbyteries and make its final reports to the Assembly of 1892."

COUNCIL OF WOMEN.

Mrs. Frances Willard Delivers a Notab Address at the Opening Session. WASHINGTON, Feb. 23,-The first triennia meeting of the Women's National Council of the United States was held at Albaugh's Grand Opera House this morning. President Frances E. Willard delivered a long and most interest ing address. Speaking of women individually Miss Willard paid a high compliment to Miss Kate Drexel, of whom she said: "Let the Catholic Katherine Drexel speak, who, on February 12 consecrated herself by solemn yows to the exclusive service of the Indian and the negro, devoting her fortune of \$7,000,000 to their religious, intellectual and social elevation As true a priestess as walks the earth is such a woman in this mammon-loving age."

On the subject of social purity Miss Willard spoke at length, with especial reference to the recent Parnell-O'Shea scandal. Miss Willard paid a compliment to Goneral Spinner, who, she said, just 30 years ago, proposed the admission of women to employment in the United States Treasury Department. She criticised the present style of dress worn by society women, maintaining that it prevented physical development. She criticised ex-President Cleveland for the use of the word "female" by him in a recent speech, as being obnoxious to women, who, she said, were women, and wished to be designated as such. As true a priestess as walks the earth is such

IN ANNUAL SESSION.

Tenth Yearly Meeting of the National Body of American Mechanics.

THOM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT. WASHINGTON, Feb. 23 .- The tenth annual can Mechanics, a large proportion of whose membership is in Pennsylvania, was held here to-day. There were some 200 delegates present, of which nearly a majority were from Pennsyl vania. The Secretary's report showed that 299 death claims had been paid during the last year, amounting to \$52,250.

The Monongahela Council of Pennsylvania put in a claim, which was ordered to be paid. The claim presented by the Conshohooken Council was ordered paid, as was also one by Steelton Council of Pennsylvania.

WHY SOME DO NOT MARRY.

Excess of Culture Makes Them Entirely Too Hard to Please.

Illustrated News. 1 The reason why "marriage is losing its population The reason way 'marriage is losing its popularity and beginning to die out" is, it seems—if we are to believe a writer in a well-known social review—because of the progress of culture. "This creates, emphasises, and sensitivises individuality, and becomes the parent of a critical fastidiousness"-but of nothing else. In other words, the egotistic idiot thus described seems to have just sense enough to see the advisability of not per store upon a companion who is capable of appreciating fresh and spontaneous thought," his area of matrimonial choice is limited, and he does not marry. Let us thank heaven for that, whatever be

his reason, though his idea of freshness and spontaneity being associated with a prig of this kind is humorous indeed. He is not even a self-made man; he is made out of materials stolen from other people, and is at best but a species of tailor-made Guy Fawkes. We are told "he pines for a luminous sympathe," by which, perhaps, is meant the fireworks. What which, perhaps, is meant the fireworks. What possible effect he can have on the matrimonial question at large it is difficult to understand oce there are surely only a few of such creat

THE men who are taking the dimensions of the saloons for the guidance of the License Court are using board measure.

human poiler is the better for it. Surely the fete days serve a good purpose. If some outlet was not provided for the escape of the pent up patriotism, the tightly corked gases generated patriotism, the tightly corked gases generated by love of land, love of pleasure, love of change, love of the spectacular, love of pomp and parade, love of martial music and love of crowds would fresfully generate and explode unexpectedly. But the dates for display, for devotion, for memorial—for joyous shout and holiday sorrow—are fixed firmly on the calendars and in the hearts of the meanic and in between them we nied along people, and in between them we plod along contentedly, quietly laying a train of powder for the pyrotechnic display, into which a coal will be dropped or a match applied according to programme. Hence the steam escapes and the gases ignite without hissing, jarring or flashing. Those who touch elbows in the long lines touch hearts in the living walls that line the route. Good fellowship weaves a rope that stretches clear across the land and binds the brotherhood of man firmer with each turn taken in the knot by time. So the festal days come and go. So the emotions which distil the human emotions which distil the human forces that can be applied for good or for evil are regulated—held in check by the red-lettered figures which are the safety valves on the calendars of all countries and all peoples. If they were obliterated, if such occasions were at the binding of the few, or could be shifted at the dictation of the many, surely the explosions would be unexpected, the noise discordant, the shock unsettling, the date uncherished. But as it is they dot the years, sprinkling memory maps as the pages of childhood and mile posts along the highway that, though it loses itself i the shadow leads to the light. Let them live

LESS creeds and more religion would not hurt the churches now.

An Ohio editor yesterday shot a brother editor. He double-leaded his article.

SCHOOL children prefer a vacation to

GIRLS who are in the habit of lingering

long at the gate should remember that the night air now induces pneumonia. SYMPATHY should be judiciously admin-

istered, else it will irritate the wound made by NEW YORK is too English to build monu-

Ir requires grit to drink the gritty water furnished after a flood.

ments to American beroes,

Noah once got drunk.

In this world those addicted to the tobacco habit can have what they chews. THE doubters have frequently disputed the Biblical story of the ark, but not one of them ever attempted to disprove the statement that

JERRY SIMPSON says the West wants more money. It should start a lottery.

WE delight in flinging mud at a saint

and kicking a sinner. Ir we were as willing to share our riches as we are to share our sorrows life's burder would be easier to bear.

WHY not legislate against the dude, and strike at the root of the cigarette evil.

Tire scratch of a venomous pen hurts worse than the scratch of a lion's claw.

THE elephant that went calling in New

York the other day took his trunk along of

A GREAT many men make a good living n the street by picking up negotiable paper.

THE greatest blackguards in Stanley's expedition seem to have been white people.

THE grip is epidemic in political circles about campaign time. RENTES fluctuate more in France than in any other country.

THE meter in Edwin Arnold's "Light of he World" is erratic as the other light meter.

ECONOMY led to the New York tunnel horror. It's the economy that allows the rail-road president \$50,000 a year and the switchen about a dollar a day.

THE sneak thief manages to get his hooks

THE death struggles of the present Con-THE stress of weather helps to increas

GIGANTIC frauds are committed in the name of fraternity all over the land. THERE'S a Tempest in a tea gown at the

A GREAT many churches are dedicated to self worship nowadays.

UNEASY lies the head of those at the

WEALTH comes to he who waits on pec ple in the fashionable restaurants. GEORGE WASHINGTON generally secures better birthday weather than St. Patrick.

IT takes bills to smother a bill at Harrisburg. THE little brown jug has cut out hard

work for Chief Brown's finest during the past year. THE man who stepped into an East End

mud hole was out of sight. SWEET sixteen may prove to be a very

bitter twenty-six. WHAT is sauce for the goose is not sauce for the pudding.

PIE breeds dyspepsia. Hence the more crust you eat the crustier you grow. INGERSOLL says the world is full of liars,

and this is the truth. WILLIE WINKLE. A GREAT NEWSPAPER.

The Dispatch Meets With Hearty Approval on All Sides. New Cumberland, W. Va., Independent.]

We place the emphasis where it evidently be-

ongs, when we say that THE PITTSBURG DIS-

PATCH is a newspaper. It is such in every sense of the term as applied to the modern means of disseminating intelligence. As a news gather-er and dispenser it is world-wide in its scope. The writer remembers THE DISPATCH when I did not equal the average county daily of totay. It has been a marvel in growth and pros parity within the past 30 years, and we can only guess at the progress it will make in years to come. Its further improvements may be possi-bilities, but how it will be accomplished no one knows. The publishers keep abreast with the times in appliances and facilities and will not be slow to seize upon whatever may transpire to promote the future growth and popularity of THE DISPATCH. Its Sunday issue is man moth in proportions and has an immense cirover 60,000. You can find everythin in THE DISPATCH that you should expect in any popular newspaper, literary, financial commercial. THE DISPATCH is an independ ent Republican journal, discussing events only along the line of truth and public interest. Its daily bona fide circulation is over 30,000.

That's What It Is.

OPERA. COMEDY AND DRAMA.

Pathos Thrown In-Marie Tempest and The Red Hussar an Undoubted Success. That the people are not easily surfeited with light opera was proven by the fact that a large and brilliant audience filled the Grand Opera House last night to witness the debut of Miss Marie Tempest in an opera new to Pittsburg.

large and brilliant audience filled the Grand Opera House last night to witness the debut of Miss Marie Tempest in an opera new to Pittaburg.

As soon as "The Red Hussar" was fairly under way it was recognized as one of the prettiest light operas that has pleased Pittaburg for many a day.

The story is not a deep one—merely a coquetish young country girl who follows her lover to the wars, meeting with the tuneful adventures usual to operatic heroines. But there is abundant opportunity for tasty costumes, and Ed. Bolomon has sprinkled musical gems through it that set the feet of the audience beating time and—what more would you have in a comic opera.

The audience thought that it was not so much the opera as the prima donna that they had come to see. They took the opening chorus with great satisfaction, and were measurably pleased with everything presented, until a dainty little girl in picturesque rags, with roguish face framed in a long blonde wig under her rustic hat, came skipping upon the stage. There was an involuntary burst of applause, and Marie Tempest had established herself as a Pittsburg favorite.

Marie Tempest is a revelation to us. She is unique. There is something suggestive of Zelie de Lussan in her methods, but there is a delightful freshness about Marie Tempest that is all her own. She has chic, without vulgarity, humor without coarseness, and a bubbling naturalness that is like a summer breeze. Kitty Carroll is a country girl, and as she was represented on the Grand Opera House stage last night, she might have come from a thatched cottage in Devonsuire rather than a gas it dressing room. She has a clear soprano, and sile uses it to perfection, Her duet with Rodney, (Mr. Charles O. Bassett), "One Winter Morn," was deheious, while her "Soong of the Regiment," with its mospiring burden of "Steady, Boys, Steady, Ready, Boys, Ready," in the second house, and she was hare house. She makes a very pretty picture in her costume of the "Red Hussar," and she sings the song with a dash that belongs to th

was here last season. He is a good actor as well as sloger.

Miss Leonore Snyder as Barbara sings a remarkably pretty ballad in the second act besides other numbers. John A. Mackay, whom we all remember in "Poo" years ago, makes a low comedy part of Co poral Rundy. Some of his jokes are evidently introduced by himself, but they all make the audience laugh, so it matters not where they originated. He helps to bridge over places in the opera that might be dull were he not there to keep the audience in a good humor.

Miss Irving dances in the second and third acts, and dances well. In her first dance, in the second act, last night, which was something between her and the orchestra, but in the third act they had evidently become reconciled and the dance went with more smoothness. The chorus is strong and well-trained, and the orchestra will doubtless do better this evening, after another rehearsel.

Duquesne Theater. Perhaps the cleverest Hoyt piece that has ver been presented in Pittsburg is "A Brass Monkey," which opened at the Duquesne last night. The skit has been seen in this city before, but it has been improved sufficiently since

fore, but it has been improved sufficiently since last season to lay some claim to being considered a novelty. It plays closer than it did, and the performers have all given so much study to their parts that they get more out of them than they did at first.

George F. Marion, who is still the Jonah, "a victim of superstition and about everything else," gives an unctious representation of a thoroughly original character. It is really an artistic performance. Mr. Marion's methods are quiet but wonderfully effective, and he occasionally ventures upon the exceedingly delicate ground of introducing touches of pathos into farce-comedy with perfect safety. His Jonah is a character study.

M. L. Hecket plays Tim Murphy's old part, Dodge Work, on the lines laid down by his prototype, and with clever Otis Harlan as Mr. Barnes, and William Hatter, as Mr. Potter, is a laughable figure throughout. The "Razzle Dazzle" true is as catchy as ever. Martin Hayden, as Dochittle Work, and William McEride, as August Frost, are satitled to special mention for their excellent representations. Fin Reynolds, the bright young Pittsburg comedian, makes a good deal out of the part of Surage Hoggs, a crusty old curmudgeon—"a man who wants his rights," and later as Frisco Fogo.

There are some bright as well as pretty girls

There are some bright as well as pretty girls "A Brass Monkey." Miss Sadie Kirby is a dainty Baggage, a precocious child. Then there is Maud K. Williams, as Faith, and Alice Canning, as Hope, who are graceful girls and good actresses. The company throughout is strong, and there is not a member of it who is not entitled to special mention.

Bijou Theater.

"Mr. Barnes of New York," the play, follows the novel so closely that it is necessarily good. Those who have read the book see the interesting plot unfolding itself upon the stage incident by incident, while those that have not read it find themselves deeply absorbed in the narrative before they realize it.

The Mr. Barnes is now played by that bright young actor, Mr. James Neill, who makes the hero just what Mr. Gunter describes him in his novel. Mr. Neill is as good as Bob Hilliard was, which means that he gives a good performance.

was, which means that he gives a good performance.

The rest of the cast is virtually the same. Miss Emily Rigl is a rather tigerish Maima Patoli, such as the author probably intended her to be, and Horace Lewis plays Tomasso, the revengeful old Corsican, in his usual effective manner. It is a pity we do not see more of him in the play. Annie H. Blancke repeats her remarkable performance of the child Maud, and one can hardly believe that she is really a mature woman, so faithfully does she portray Venfant terrible. Frank Covington is a manly Edwin Austrulier, and Sheridan Block again startles us with his fiendish Count Musso.

The large audience was fairly carried away by the performance.

Fifth Avenue Museum The show at Harry Davis' Fifth Avenue Museum this week is brand new except Elmer Collins, the man who is fasting. In the lecture

hall Mr. and Mrs. Shields, the giant and giantess were greeted by hosts of old and new riends. friends. Mrs. Shields was formerly a resident of Pittsburg, and she will be rememresident of Pittsburg, and she will be remembered better here as the widow of Pat O'Brien, the Irish giant. She is undoubtedly the tallest woman now on exhibition, and her husband is a perfect specimen or manhood. The scroll saw turns out some pretty work, and is a novel piece of mechanism. The Mirror Quartet sang themselves into favor with but little delay. In the theatorium an excellent programme with Boyd and Alton, black face comedians, followed by a very pretty and talented little songstress in: Miss Blanche Andrews. The Coupe family are good musicians. Mr. Harry songstress in: Miss Blanche Andrews. The Coupe family are good musicians. Mr. Harry Foster is a German comedian of merit, and Irvin Bush is one of the best actors that has

Harry Williams' Academy.

been seen in this city for a long time.

Williams and Orr's Meteors played yesterday to the delight of the audiences at Harry Will to the designt of the audiences at Harry Will-iams' Academy. The house was jammed at both performances, and the applause was loud and spontaneous. The com-pany includes the Coyne Sisters, Miss pany includes the Coyne Sisters, Miss Ida Howell, Tachibana and Oume, unique Japanese artists, William J. Kaye, Ada Henry, Mason and Raiston, Zenora and Poden, the Wems Brothers, Lawlor and Thornton, J. Pettingill, P. Gale, C. DeForest, D. Sullivan and last, but not least, Flora Moore, whose, recognition by THE DISPATCH as an inimitable McGinty has been indorsed all over the country. The programme is bright, new and pleasing.

Harris' Theater. Quite a bright vehicle for the introduction of number of specialties is "Struck Gas," which opular house, despite the big free show on the treets. Farce comedy is so rapidly and thoroughly depopulating the variety stage that soubrettes are nowadays few and far between, soubrettes are nowadays few and far between, so that one with more than ordinary vivacity and beauty shines like the center gem in a cluster ring. "Struck Gas" has a little gem in Miss Lillian Harper: one that, with a little rubbing up against other gems in the theatrical world, will develop into a treasure. Her "Telephone Duet" with E. H. Sullivan is worth anyone's while bearing. Other songs and several pretty dances are introduced, making the skit, with its pretense of a plot, a very enjoyable one. Manager Starr looks for a big week's business.

World's Museum

"Hop o' My Thumb" is, indeed, a curiosity He is said to be 20 years of age, and yet he New York World, 1

The police of Indianapolis are raiding the dudes who ogle women as they come out of the fellow, who talks intelligently on any subtheater. It is a good example for the police of and who is a man of the world in the fellow.

Besides weighs only nine pounds. He is a bright little fellow, who talks intelligently on any subject,

urlosity there is Andy Gaffney, who curiosity there is Andy Gaffney, who is said to be the strongest man in the world; Millie Owens, the happy possessor of a beautiful head of hair and other novetites. In the theater the Metropolitan Novelty Company gives an entertaining performance. The company comprises a number of well-known vandeville stars, and fun and laughter reign supreme for an hour at a stretch.

A Bright Young Manager.

One of the brightest young managers in the ountry is Fred R. Zweifel, now manager of A Brass Monkey." He goes with "A Hole n the Ground" next season.

HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS.

fartha Washington Reception at the Monongahela House-Chinese Supper at the Second Presbyterian Church-A Neat Musicale and Luncheon-Social Chatter and Announcements.

Washington's birthday anniversary came to ton reception given at the Mortha Washing-ton reception given at the Monongaheia House last evening by the Ladies' Aid Society, auxiliary to Major Samuel Harper Camp No. 162, Sons of Veterans.

The assembly room was appropriately decor-

ated in the national colors embroidered in handsome silken flags, one of which draped a large painting of the distinguished George. The ladies on the reception committee were ar-The ladies on the reception committee were arrayed in the diess of the Martha Washington period, and were pictures of stateliness and dignity, with their elaborately-dressed and powdered hair, the arrangement of which had necessitated the combined efforts of two members of a Fifth avenue hair-dressing establishment for six hours previous to the reception. The other ladies were all attired in lovely evening toilets, and the gentlemen in the conventional full dress, with the exception of the floor committee, who were commissioned officers of the camp, and arrayed in all the glory of their gilt-trimmed uniforms.

Guenther's orchestra furnished the music, and from 8 to 10 the floor was filled with merry dancers. At the latter time an adjournment to cers. At the latter time an adjournment the banqueting room was in order and a de icrous repast was served, after which dancing as resumed for some time. To Mrs. Colo. L. Foulk, Mrs. I. K. Becker and Mrs.

w. I. Fouls, ark I. R. Becker and ark Sid-ney Omohundro is much of the success of the reception due. The floor committee consisted of Captam I. H. Foulk, First Lieutenant J. E. Shaw, First Lieutenant E. Forester and Second Lieutenant F. C. Becker. CHINESE GENTLEMEN AS GUESTS

At a Couple of Church Enter Given Last Evening. Happy, Celestial hosts, with beaming faand well-brushed queues, ushered guests by the score into the lecture room of the Sec Presbyterian Church last evening for the annual supper given by the Chinese delegation of the church and Sunday school. Long tables lined the room—that represented the Flowery Kingdom in its profuse decorations—laden with all the delicacies of the season, and after seating the guests the hosts themselves occupied chairs at the different tables. The supper was served by Hagan and consumed nearly two hours in its disposal. A literary programme followed the supper, for which the assemblage adjourned to the auditorium of the church. Toasts were offered and responded to, and recitatious and musical selections were

and recitations and musical selections were also given.

"Our Guests," by Nee Dock: response, Rev. Dr. Sutherland; "Our School," W. P. McJunkin; "Our Teachers," Wee Tang: response, Miss Ford; "Chinese in America," Rev. E. R. Donohoo; "The Book We Study," Chin Yeng: response, Thomas A. Park, William McCreery, Major Montooth and Colonel Stone were also down on the programme for impromptu addresses.

A similar programme of feasting and speechmaking was indulged in at the R. P. Church on Sandusky street, Allegheny, the hosts being Yee Kue, Yee Chee, Yee Sim, Yee Yoe, Yee Foe, Charlis Yoke, Yee Orr, John Yeng, Yow Hong, Yee Wee, Yee Gin.

MR. BASSETT WILL WED.

on to Be Married to Miss Cooley. Dubuque. Cards are out announcing that the marriag f Miss Mary Cooley, of Dubuque, Ia., and C. W. Bassett, of Pittsburg, will take place Thursday evening, March 5. The ceremony

will be performed in the Dubuque Methodist Church, and afterward a reception will be held at the home of the bride, on Locust street. Mr. Bassett is the popular and efficient gen-eral passenger agent of the Piesburg and West-ern road. He has hosts of friends who stand ern road. He has hosts of friends who as ready to congratulate him on his matrimo venture. Miss Mary Cooley, the bride to b one of the leading society girls of Dubu and is said to be as charming in manner as is handsome of face and figure. They make their home in Sewickley and wil ready to receive friends after May I. -A special kind of paper has been in-

MUSICAL AND SOCIAL because the insects which form their food are With Luncheon, Given at Christ's M. Church Last Evening. A brilliant gathering of socially-inclined pe ple assembled in the handsome lecture room Christ's M. E. Church, last evening, and enjoyed an informal musicate and social, with luncheon variations. It was the regular monthly literary and musicale, given considera-

ble more prominence, and with the luncheon to promote more sociability.

The church choir furnished the music per ier, solo, duet or quartette, and it was inter-ersed with the chat. A thoroughly enjoyable

VISITORS FROM YOUNGSTOWN

Entertained by Encampment No. 1, Union Veteran Legion. Encampment No 1, Union Veteran Legion, had as visitors last evening a large delegation from Youngstown, who were royally received

y their Pittsburg comrades.

The meeting was devoted to recalling event connected with General W. T. Sherman's military career, and an eloquent paneggric on the dead commander was delivered by Captain W. M. Dalgielsh.

Social Chatter.

THE February entertainment of the East Liberty branch of the Young Men's Christian Association will be given Thursday evening at the association's rooms. Among those will take part are the following: Apollo Club Quartette, J. Foster McCune, B. C. Taylor, Dr.

P. J. Gallaher and H. G. Dickey. THE Young Men's Hebrew Ass Allegheny county, will give its second lecture of the series of 1891 at the Eighth Street Temple this evening at 8 o'clock. Rev. Dr. Stolz, the popular Chicago rabbi, is the speaker of

THE ladies of the Sixth Presbyterian Church will hold their annual missionary supper Thursday of this week. An entertainment will be given at the West

Penn Hospital this evening. THE Pittsburg German Club dances this THE Hoyt-Miller wedding this evening.

EARRINGS ARE GOING.

Very Few Fashionable Women Wear Them

Though a Few Affect Studs. New York Continent, 1 Not many years ago two women out of three wore earrings.

Little girls at school begged to have their ears pierced, and submitted to the painful punctur-ing of the delicate lobe of the ear only for the

ratification of vanity.

To-day, except among the Italian and Portuguese women, the pendant earring has almost wholly disappeared. A few still cling to the ear ornaments in the shape of a stud, but the jewelers say that few women nowadays submit to the piercing pro-

Some whose ears are already punctured still wear their ornaments, but many use little artifices to conceal the traces of the needle.

The Only Way. Chicago News.

"It is impossible," says a cotemporary, "fo Mr. Cleveland to please the New York Sun." It is believed that Mr. Cleveland could please the Sun, however, although a natural distant for suicide prevents him from trying to do so.

OPPORTUNITY. Master of human destinies am 1! Fame, love and fortune on my footsteps wait,

Cities and fields I walk: I penetrate Deserts and seas remote, and passing by Hovel and mart and palace, soon or late I knock unbidden once at every gate! I shock annough once a every gate:
If sheeping, wake: If feasting rise before
I turn away. It is the hour of inte,
And they who follow me resen every state
Mortals desire, and conquer every foe
Save death: but those who doubt or hesitate,
Condemned to fallure, penury and woe,
Seek me in vain and uselessly implore.

CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS.

-Rag baby parties are the latest Lenten

-Eleven battle ships are now being built for the German Government. -There are about 120,000 hairs on the head of a man-if he is not bald.

-An Australian photographer is reported o get excellent pictures of obj -A ghost that whistles through its teeth

is reported to have made its appearance in Kansas City, Mo.

-The Turkish Government is considering designs for a bridge across the Bosphorus, to connect Asia and Europe. -Of all the Kings of European countries

the steadiest apponent to capital punishment has been the King of the Belgians. -Dried toadstools pushed into a bleeding nostril will stop the hemorrhage. They are also said to make excellent pipelighters. -A New Haven physician who refused to attend as urgent case an the ground that he had a previous engagement has been fined \$10.

-Four bottles of Dr. Koch's lymph have been seized because they were sent through the mails as merchandise. They were worth -Natural gas is reported to have been

liscovered at Cleveland, in Yorkshire, England, and the owners of the land refuse to sell at any -A Connecticut woman, aged 48 years,

died the other day of hydrophobia, the result of a bite from a cat on the forefinger of the -A young woman in Genessee county, Mich., who had obtained \$1,000 in a breach of promise suit, has rewarded her chief witness by marrying him.

-Sands Carpenter is a Port Huron character, 90 years old. He supports himself on \$50 year, and one of his eccentricities is to chow tea as he would tobacco.

-A Scotch terrier is a regular dead head on the West Shore Railroad, and will only ride on a first-class train. He spends his whole time traveling and is well liked by railroad men. -Some thirsty people of Steubenville, O., got into a saloon-keeper's cellar, bored a hole

through the ceiling into a barrel of whisky, took what they wanted, and allowed the rest to go to waste. -In European countries before the Reformation it was the custom to drink to the health of the Pope..."Au bon pere—to the good father." This French expression has been corrupted into bumper.

-In these days of so many alleged cure for consumption, systems are commended and are given to consumptive patients because they contain iodine. The treatment is quite com-mon in the South. -The weather in Paris during January

was so severe that the flower market was sus-pended. One florist lost 100,000 rose bushes, and the total loss to rose growers is estimate at 7,000,000 francs. -Scarcely a train passes through Ashland, Ore., for the North without having from one to three carloads of fruit attached to it. The fruit consists almost wholly of oranges and lemons at this time.

that has established a nest in the center of his flower garden, in the most conspicuous part of his front yard and deposits an egg regularly every day except Sunday. -A colored man at Coushatta Louisiana, charged with disturbing the peace, went into court, pleaded not guilty, declined to em-ploy counsel, asked for trial by jury, conducted his own case and was acquitted.

-An Oregon man claims to have a hen

-In England, in the seventeenth contury, there was a renowned hangman, named Derrick, who erected gibbets and attended executions by hanging. Hence a machine with ropes for hoisting took his name. -A relie of Marshal Ney, Napoleon's

famous general, in the shape of a brass bound,

rosewood jewel or toilet box, is in the possession of a Lancaster druggist. Its history is said to have been authentically established. -A box alleged to contain books, and addressed to a minister of the gospel in Montana, was examined by custom inspectors, and found to contain 96 pounds of opium, valued at over \$1,400. The reverend smuggler has not claimed

vented, which, it is alleged, is absolutely im-pervious to water, and will even stand boiling. The waterproofing can be carried out either after the paper is made or during the operation of making it. -Swallows in dry, clear weather fly high

high in the air during such weather. When the weather is cloudy and damp the insects set tie nearer the earth, and the swallows of course follow them. -Electricity has found use in the stable in a new idea for grooming horses. The nower urnished by an electric motor is taken by a

flexible tube to a brush that revolves rapidly. With this brush a man can groom a horse better in five minutes than in a much longer time -In Warrenshure Mo lives a lightning calculator who has done, in three hours, work that would have taken six ordinary acco

six days. He can also, at any period of the day or night, give the exact meridian time in hours, minutes and seconds, though he cannot tell time by looking at a watch or clock. -The oldest newspaper in the world is the King-Pau, or "Capital Sheet," published in Pekin, China. The paper was first printed in 911 A. D., but for many years was issued only

at irregular intervals. Since the year 1851, however, it has been published weekly and of uniform size. During the present century, and perhaps longer, it issued a daily edition, published about noon and selling for 2 kesb, or something less than 1 cent. -During the year 1889 the mines of Georgia produced gold to the amount of \$107,-605 24, contributed by the following counties: Carroll, \$314 51: Cherokee, \$14,645 60: Dawson Carroll, \$314 51; Cherokee, \$14,945 60; Dawson, \$1.271 85; Forsyth, \$129 59; Habersham, \$895 66; Hall, \$750; Lumpkin, \$42,246 64; McDuffle, \$8,568 00; Meriwether. \$1.384 41; Rabun, \$1,040 85; Warren, \$86 44; White, \$25,273 20; Wilkea, \$105 61; miscellaneous, \$15,285 68. The product of gold in 1888 was \$104,500, thereby making the increase of 1889 over 1888, \$3,045 24.

-The introduction of the electric light caused a great sensation in Jerusalem. It is used in a large flour mill adjoining the sup-posed site of Calvary and close to the Damasposed site of Calvary and close to the Damas-cus gate. If the Arabs and Hebrews were filled with wonder by the flaming gas jets in 1887, they are confounded when they see the light of electricity in 1891. Many of them are so alarmed that they hardly dare to look at it, and the Mohammedians call upon the prophet for safety. They ask what it is, where it comes from and how the magicians make it. When told that it is the same thing as lightning, they become still more mystified, ask how it can be caught or held, and take care to keep at a re-spectful distance from it.

FUN FROM FAR AND NEAR,

"Can't you employ me, sir?" asked the amp.
"I have nothing for you to do," returned the "That's just the thing I can do, sir," said the Mrs. Honeyton-Are those some of the

Honeyton—Yes. Mrs. Honeyton—How are they? Honeyton—They are of the kind that it is bett give than to receive. - Chicago Nens. PULL DOWN YOUR VEST. They say that honest Mr. Vest Would wear the White House crown, He'd better go afar out West, And pull himself way down. —New York Continen

The prize fighters were in their corners, waiting the call of time.
"May the best man win!" yelled an excited ma n the crowd.

The referee, a man from Boston, raised his hand "Hold!" he exclaimed, in a voice of thunder,

"I cannot permit that to pass uncorrected. May the better man win! Proceed with the contention, gentlemen. The moment has arrived. "-"Hello up there," shouted his wife, "what

in the world are you making such a rumpus about?"

Husband (on roof)—I am holding an inquest.

Wife—An inquest! Who is dead?

Husband—Nobody. I am in quest of the collar
butfon that slipped down the back of mr neck,— "On what grounds did Henshaw get his

oring the war." 'He didn't; but he claims his sympathics were Belle-What time is it?

pension? I never heard that he did any fighting

Helen-Quarier past giggling time. Belle-Why don't you say a little laughter 7 am e done with it. - Spare Moments.