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THE BOND SUBMISSION. The reported opposition in Select Councils to the ordinance for submitting the question of a bond issue to a vote of the people materialized only in the adverse speech of one member and the adverse votes of three.

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A NOTICE in the court at New Haven assigning October 29 for argument on the quo warranto case of Morris against Bulkeley is a reminder that the duly-elected Governor of Connecticut has been deprived of his seat for nearly a year without shadow of reason or excuse.

THE PROPOSAL that Anson, of Chicago, will take the stage this winter in a baseball comedy is calculated to make theatergoers take to the woods.

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ENGLAND ASTONISHED BY THE RATE OF SPEED NOW ATTAINED UPON AMERICAN RAILWAYS—FORCED TO CONSIDER THAT ANOTHER PROUD EUROPEAN BOAST IS A THING OF THE PAST.

On the second day after the special train of the New York Central Railroad made its first run, a mile a minute, from New York to Buffalo, several English newspapers published editorials admitting that this country "took the cake" for fast trains.

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BETTER HOMES FOR THE POOR. To the Editor of the Dispatch: Some time ago I noticed in THE DISPATCH a communication from a lady calling the attention of Miss O'Reilly to the condition of the houses of the workingmen.

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IN SOCIETY'S REALMS. Mrs. Hogg Resigns as Regent of the Daughters of the Revolution—Some Notable Gossip of a Day.

The most important phase of the meeting of the Daughters of the American Revolution, which convened yesterday, as usual, at Mrs. Nathaniel Hogg's, was that lady's resignation from the regency of the Pittsburgh chapter.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the ladies' branch of the Hospital Saturday and Sunday association was held at the free dispensary building, Fifth avenue, yesterday afternoon.

THE STATE CONVENTION of the W. C. T. U. at Bradford this year will be more notable than its predecessors, because the convention will be held in the city of Bradford.

THE BOYS of Miss Minnie Vandergift's Sunday school class will be "John Chinaman" this evening.

IT IS an interesting probability that to Pittsburgh will belong the distinction of owning the youngest child of the nation.

SOME Pittsburghers will leave to-day and to-morrow to attend the wedding of Miss Emily Rowan Hall and Charles Gibson Brown, on Thursday evening, at 8 o'clock in the Presbyterian church.

THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY of the Park Avenue Presbyterian church, on Monday evening, will give a social entertainment with instrumental and vocal music and a lunch.

Mrs. Margaret Emma Thomas, daughter of David J. Thomas, of Forbes avenue, Oakland, will be married this evening to James Gilmore Straub.

CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS. —Chinese maidens pluck out their eyebrows. —Cats continue growing until they are a year old. —There are more Germans than Irish in the United States.

—The revenue of bankrupt Egypt was \$10,250,000 last year. —The human brain weighs one thirty-fifth of the whole body.

—The President of the Swiss Republic receives but \$5,000 per year. —A million telegrams a week pass through the English postoffice.

—The barrel of the Krupp gun is 14 feet long, and each charge costs \$500. —Twelve hundred and eighteen species of mushrooms grow in Great Britain.

—No one is allowed on the streets of De Land, Fla., after 10 o'clock at night. —More than a million people are treated in the hospitals of London each year.

—Within 40 minutes the other day at Hamilton, Mo., one cat killed and stacked up 28 rats. —From 25,000 to 30,000 letters are posted every year in England without any addresses.

—A chunk of hail which fell last week in Munson, Mass., was 4 feet long, 3 feet wide and 2 feet thick. —The population of Greece is increasing faster than that of any other country in Europe at present.

—Constantinople is claimed to be as much of an educational center as any of the universities of Europe. —Mortality from consumption is higher in England than in America, and higher in Scotland than in England.

—At the Westchester fair last week there were 30 men on the grounds whose aggregate fortunes would be \$1,000,000,000. —Fifteen thousand Scotchmen left their homes during the past eight months of the present year, and took with them last year 100,000 bushels of apples.