

cause of any special selfish attribute of his character, that he thus limited his confidence in all his intercourse with men.

NEVER UNBOSOMED HIMSELF TO OTHERS. In this view of Lincoln I am fully sustained by those who knew him best. The one man who saw more of him in all the varied vicissitudes of his life, from early manhood to his elevation to the presidency, was William H. Herndon, who was his close friend and law partner for a full score of years.

A MISTAKE ABOUT HIS FRANKNESS. Speaking of his generally assumed frankness of character, says a letter given to the public mistake of his (Lincoln's) character as generally received and acquiesced in, is that he is considered by the people of this country as a man of unusual frankness and sophisticated man. There never was a greater mistake.

THE MOLLIÉ MAGUIRE REBELLION. While there were mutterings of disloyalty in a very few sections of Pennsylvania, they were only within a very limited circle, there was one sore spot where open rebellion was threatened. That was Cass township, Schuylkill county. The Mollié Maguires were then just approaching the zenith of their criminal power, and Cass township was the center of that lawless empire.

NOT GUILTY OF DECEIT. I have seen Lincoln many times when he seemed to speak with the utmost candor. I have seen him many times when he spoke with mingled candor and reserve. I have seen him many times when he spoke but little and with extreme caution. It must not be inferred, because of the testimony borne to Lincoln's reticence, generally, and to his singular methods in speaking on subjects of a confidential nature, that he was ever guilty of deceit.

OPEN SUPPLIES HIS CABINET. When he nominated Mr. Stanton as Secretary of War there was not a single member of his Cabinet who had knowledge of his purpose to do so until it was done, and then he appointed Mr. Chase, Chief Justice, and Mr. Davis, Secretary of the Interior, and the hundreds who had advised him and pressed their friends upon him, who had any intimation as to even the name of the man who was to be his member on one occasion, when we were alone in the Executive chamber, he discussed the question of the average man by accepting of a half an hour named the man who had been prominently discussed in connection with the appointment; spoke of all of them with apparent freedom; sought and obtained my own views as to the matter, and then, without either of them, and when the conversation ended, I had no more idea as to the best of his mind than I had before.

GETTING AROUND THE TROUBLE. Commissioner Bannan appreciated the necessity of avoiding a collision between the military and the citizens of Cass township. He drafted for the purpose of the law, and the draft ordered, to prove that the quotas had been filled by volunteers who had enlisted in some town or city outside of their own township. In each case, where the evidence was clear, the order for the draft was revoked because the complement of men had been filled. I said to the military authorities that, in each case, where the evidence was clear, the order for the draft was revoked because the complement of men had been filled.

LINCOLN'S MENTAL QUALITIES. Tested by the standard of any other great man, Lincoln was not great, but tested by the only true standard of his own achievements, he was justly appear in history as one of the greatest of American statesmen. Indeed, in some essential attributes of greatness I doubt whether any of our public men ever equaled him. We have had men who could take a higher intellectual grasp of any abstract problem of statesmanship, but few have ever equaled him in the practical, common sense and successful solution of the gravest problems ever presented in American history.

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THE MUSIC WORLD.

Plans of the Art Society for the First Half of the Season.

A SERIES OF ORGAN RECITALS. Something About Mascagni's Famous Opera Soon to Be Here.

NEWS FOR LOVERS OF THE ART DIVINE

The Board of Directors of the Art Society met last Thursday and blocked out an elaborate plan of campaign for the first half of the season. It was determined to hold the opening reception—the 18th—on next Friday evening, when Mr. Homer Moore will give an informal lecture or talk on the subject of Musical Expression in Singing.

Points of the Star and Tarter. In many respects the "Tarter" is to be accounted creditable to the much-maligned American composer, in the person of Mr. Adam Izel, Jr., of Baltimore. While the "Tarter" is not a masterpiece throughout the work, there are many passages and some whole numbers through which the composer has shown a real mastery.

An Opinion on American Music. Antonin Dvorak, the great Bohemian composer who has been engaged as director of the National Conservatory of Music in New York, recently submitted to an interview at the hands of a *Harvard* writer.

A Great Little Opera. Now that Mascagni's "Cavalleria Rusticana" is announced for production here by the Minnie Hall Italian Opera Company next week at the Duquesne Theater—Pittsburgh, it is not surprising that the opera has a larger share than before in the interest of the Pittsburgh public.

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PICTURES BY PIPPLS.

An Interesting Exhibit of the Prang System in Allegheny.

Col. Parker, Dr. James MacAllister and Hon. Henry Honck to Speak.

COOKING AND DRESS CUTTING IDEAS.

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