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PITTSBURG, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY &.

THE FITZSIMMONS CLIMAX.

The attempt at suicide with which that extraordinary criminal Fitzsimmons yesterdby sought to finish his melodramatic career, taken in connection with the letter he left for the authorities, shows that the composure with which he affected to regard the operations of the law, which he had defied, was largely feigned; and that, whether it was inspired by inordinate vanity or bravado, it degenerated into arrant cowardice at the crucial test. It would have been in every way much more desirable if adequate precautions had been taken at New Orleans to prevent Fitzsimmons' escape from the regular and formulated processes of justice. In fact, the want of vigilance which enabled Fitzsimmons to conceal and use an implement of destruction, in the face of the full expectation that he might resort to that device, is if possible even more to be censured than the gross negligence through which he was enabled to take his leave of

the Allegheny county jail. It would have been a terrible reflection on the inefficiency of legal safeguards for life and property if Fitzsimmons had not been captured. Complete vindication of official methods should have called for his return and trial and punishment in due legal form. The Claude Duval, Dick Turpin and Jack Shepard type of robber and outlaw may be highly thrilling in the marratives of Newgate, or picturesque in the comic opera, but it is decidedly uncomfortable to think of an outlaw of that type making his record in these days in civilized places, defiantly of fail or constable. As by evident carelessness of the New Orleans authorities Fitzsimmons has been enabled to carry out to the last his and moderate appropriations if the voters defiance of ultimate legal process, the insist before the elections of Councilmen only compensating feature of the busi- that they co pledge themselves. ness is that his attempted suicide and his letter show that he felt at last the disgrace and after failure which was the inevitable result of his lawlessness. His career furmishes a lesson to criminals. It also gives some sharp instruction to jail-keepers.

#### JOHNSTOWN'S GRATITUDE.

It is nearly three years since one of the greatest disasters on record overwhelmed | Slasher we have had Ishmaels of a most the City of Johnstown. While the suffer- undesirable type, but in Kate the Kisser ings were well nigh unparalleled, the re- we have a less harmful individual and a ief was equally unprecedented. Personal more interesting study. This name has ald was prompt from all within reach, and | been bestowed on a German girl, Katinka monetary help flowed in from every part | Steen, who has evinced a strange and inof the globe. The reconstruction of explicable desire to kiss as many male tel-Johnstown and its present prosperous conegraph operators as possible during her dition are due no less to the timely assistance received than to the energy of the inhabitants themselves. And it is right and | that she is justified in indulging her oscuproper that gratitude should have been so latory caprices because this year there are eloquently expressed as it was by the reso- twenty-nine days in February. lutions adopted at the mass meeting last

Terrible as was the catastrophe, it afforded valuable proof of the progress of them by stealth in order to exercise her mankind in the readiness with which self was sacrificed for the benefit of others: and the ungrudgingly grateful acknowledgement of such generous action is a fitting climax to the tragedy.

## THAT LOTTERY DECISION.

The decision by the Supreme Court that the Postal Department was within its constitutional rights in forbidding the transmission of papers advertising the Louisiana lettery is of course beyond dispute. and has in this particular instance led to very oesirable results-the lottery throwing up the sponge. But a postal censorship of any kind is none the less contrary to the spirit of the age and the feelings of the majority of our people. It behooves the Government, therefore, to guard aga nst a reactionary tendency which will carry us back to the dark ages.

The object of national effort should be an education fitting individuals to judge for themselves what is good for themselves, and raising the standard of their desire in literary directions. The home and its influence must learn its duties, and accept the responsibilities of judging what is fit reading for the young and inexperienced. A public censorship of the mails does far more barm than good by advertising and calling attention to that which should be buried in oblivion.

When parents and guardians exercise their authority for the safeguard of their wards, as it is their duty and should be their pleasure to do, harmful literature will have no market except among those whose depravity is already such that their morals cannot be further debased.

THE CRISIS IN GERMANY. The German Emperor is for the first time confronted by the united opposition of the many parliamentary parties inconded by the term Liberals. The strong front opposed to the bill for the introduction of sectarian teaching into the schools is evidence that the Liberal party is learn- struction. One hundred miles an hour ing its strength, and finds that it can cope even with favorite schemes of the Emperor. This incident points to a near future when the people will assert their power, and, that once learnt, it will not be long before the degrading military despotism of Germany becomes a part of the carrying the degraded, slow and heavy

The Emperor William has in many ways shown himself a man of no mean abilities, and that he is capable to an unusual dearee of readzing and coping with the quesions of the time. But his opinions on the divine right of sovereigns and all that ships float, finds no difficulty in inflating hanes thereby are metieval. Cope with the capital of his company as it soars it as the Government may, whether by through empyrean. Railway promoters seeking to forestall some of its demands. have made a record by adding millions to by legislation, or by the endeavor to sup- | capitalization on the score of a slight sucpress it in other directions, socialism is a cess; but Pennington casts their most amrapidly increasing power in the German bitious efforts in the shade by adding ten

The first institution to be seriously at- score of a failure. A man who is able to tacked will be the military system. Re- make capital spread its wings in that way cent exposures of the cruel practices of may be pardoned if he considers it easy to

the subordinate army officers are small make so light and trivial a thing as a ship compared with the grievances felt at the do a little flying. Or perhaps he ado severity of the autocratic regulations for the more logical system of thinking that, the preservation of the dignity of the as there is good authority for the belief higher officers. Not content with robbing that money has wings, the 30,000,000 pair men of some of the best years of their life. the military system demands such abject deportment from the privates as better be fits slaves than the citizens of a civilized floated—ought to be able to furnish the and enlightened country. The feeling sustaining and motive bower for an airagainst the enforced military service is | ship. such a growing one that the smoke may burst into flame at almost any moment, and where the conflagration will cease it is impossible to foretell.

sales do not guarantee buyers at the same

price for a whole district; and so in regard

to large and small places, there are ten

times more buyers for the small than for

the large holding. One swallow does not

make a summer; and sales of real estate,

like chickens, cannot always be counted

Rental values for business and dwelling

property are the only true values, and

they should be established by law as the

standard. Thus there would be the same

just, uniform and easily ascertained stand-

ard for all sections of the built-up part of

the city. Assessments would in such case

no longer depend upon individuals, but

upon the actual earning capacity of the

property. The only objection ever raised

to this suggestion has been the very weak

one that it would not cover cases where

parties resided in their own houses, or

vacant grounds. But it would be a simple

The effect of assessing by rental values

But all this is for the future. What con-

though the present system is, it be admin-

istered so as to distribute the burden of

taxes fairly and equitably as may be, the

inherent defects of the system considered.

But again, it is well to call attention to

the fact that all the assessors may or can

do will not limit nor lessen the aggregate of

taxation. That must be settled by Coun-

cils alone. It will be settled by Councils

Councils decide what the taxes shall be:

IT IS LEAP YEAR,

In Jack the Ripper and Dowd the

journey from West to East on her way to

the Fatherland. No doubt Katinka feels

But the puzzle is as to why she should

favor telegraph operators to the extent of

climbing through windows, or approaching

lips when she would have been able to sat-

willing bystanders. She refuses to offer

any explanation for her invidious distinc-

tions, and those of us who are not tele-

graph operators find it difficult to solve the

that we can evolve is that Kate finds stolen

pleasures sweeter in proportion to the dif-

ficulties it is necessary to overcome in order

to obtain them. Then we see that she

realized that telegraph operators were the

busiest men encountered on her travels,

and that therefore she achieved more by

kissing them than the rest of an otherwise

AN IMAGINARY FLIGHT.

The possibility of aerial navigation is an

interesting topic. It is especially pleas-

ant to be assured by an expert that we are

on the eve of seeing that dream of invent-

ors and cranks become a visible and

demonstrated fact. Talk of that sort

from Maxim and Langley has heretofore

enchanted society: but it was reserved for

Mr. Pennington to usher in the new era

by announcements of its actual presence

with visions of the achievements of the

sky-fivers that stun the imagination and

Pennington will be remembered as the

individual who last year scheduled him-

self to launch his airy navies and a \$20,-

000,000 company from the banks of the

Massissippi, to wind up with a grand exhi-

bition of aeronautical tacties at Chicago

next year. But owing to the chill mate-

rialism of the age and the stupid resistance

of gravitation Pennington has not been

heard of in the West lately. He now re-

appears in the East. We presume he

reached that section by the prosaic and

antiquated agency of a railway train-the

season being an extremely unfavorable

one for walking-but after reaching there

he casts aside all such tume surroundings.

The airships are in actual process of con-

will be a mere commonplace; the New

Yorker can get into a Pullman flyer-sup-

posing that Pullman is in it-at night and

wake up for breakfast in London the next

morning. The railroads will not be wiped

out, but relegated to the low function of

freights: and the greatest share of this is

to be effected by the Pennington Airship

In this last touch we recognize the hand

of the master. Pennington, whatever his

shortcomings in the way of making air-

millions to his corporate capital on the

Company with a capital of \$30,000,000.

beggar the commentary of enthusiasm.

equally inviting mankind.

riddle of her conduct. The only theory

in favor of retrenchment and economy

of assessments out of . the range of dis-

before they are hatched.

selling price.

uniform basis.

We repeat that the public is anxious to be assured of the existence of successful airships. But with regard to Pennington it would be an earnest of more progress, as well as a relief to that fatigued feeling RENTAL VALUES A TRUE STANDARD. on the part of the public, if he should do less talking and more flying. The stir over the tax and assessment question must already have satisfied the public of the correctness of the frequent contention of THE DISPATCH that the system of assessing by alleged cash values

In a blind desire to serve his party, Judge I. Maynard, in his action with regard to the Duchess county returns, seems to should itself be changed by the Legislapunishment. The spectacle of a member of ture for more certain methods. The wide New York's Supreme Bench as defendant in a criminal trial is by no means an improbadiversity of views on cash values is shown bility, and should it come to pass it will be an editying spectacle for the world at large, and it may teach a lesson to those whose by the difference between the assessors' figures and those of appellants. The former go on the theory that sales in a watchword is party at any price. neighborhood determine cash values for

of wings on \$30,000,000-which we pre-

sume to be gold, as it is well known that

the standard silver dollars refuse to be

THE collapse of the Iron Beam Trust means the cessation of an artificial scale of prices which cannot fall to benefit the consumers and is likely to stir up the iron trade

PITTSBURG detectives must not allow their disappointment at falling to bring Fitzsimmons to trial, or any other matter, to hinder them in the work they have before them in discovering the perpetrators of the dynamite outrage, and unraveling the developments that have followed from the unearthing of a body in the ruins of the Lib-erty street fire. They have plenty of work before them and work of an important order, too.

THERE is much bitterness and a considerable amount of truth in ex-Senator Ingalls' statement that the recent war cry was manufactured by interested parties.

Now that the bill authorizing the pres ence of press representatives at electrocu-tions in New York has passed the Legisla-ture, and requires only the confirmation of the Governor, who has expressed himself in favor of it, we may hope for less seasation-alism and more reliability in the accounts of executions in that State.

and easy task to estimate a fair rental for THE most remarkable feature of the antihouses occupied by the owners-while as Hill movement, just started in New York, is to vacant tracts valuations could be made the support it has already received from me as now, with reference to their probable of high commercial standing.

WE must guard ourselves from an inwould be to at once remove the great bulk clination to grow over the expected further mal-administration. There is only one pute and guesswork to a solid, sure and standard of right and wrong, and it is a matter of no consequence whether we be bet-ter or worse off than our neighbors. eerns the present is to see that, defective

ANYONE carrying a satchel to a millionaire's office creates more sensation than a visit from the grip in a country village.

ANY measure that can pass the House and Senate for rendering the laws of the country uniform with regard to marriage and ree will go far to abolish a ridiculous and evil anomaly. But such a measure must have very careful consideration or the last state will be even worse than the first.

MAYOR GOURLEY should be encouraged in his literary efforts. They are entirely in the right direction so tar as they go.

and the voters-all taxpayers-decide who New Mexico is to be congratulated on shall sit in Councils. As it is easy to inits possession of a National Bank Examiner who does his duty. It is a sad sign of the terview candidates on their position, no ballot need be cast in ignorance of its times that an official who does that for

his lack of wealth is an eloquent sequel to the generosity of his life.

evil than the printed record of the same which encourages it at a further expense to

### WELL KNOWN EVERYWHERE.

to New York from his pleasure trip to the GEORGE J. LONGFELLOW, a brother of

Bexton, N. Dale EX-SENATOR EDMUNDS is said to accept no smaller retainer than \$2,000 "in cases of isfy herself more easily from numerous

importance," and to refuse all other kinds PRINCE HENRY of Battenberg left Osborne House vesterday on a trip to the Med-

iterranean. He goes to Algiers, where the vacht Sheila awaits him. THE parents of ex-Senator Ingalls are still living at Haverhill, Mass. The father,

now over 80 years of age, was the inventor o several useful machines employed in manufacturing shoes. DOUGLASS TILDEN, the American deafnute sculptor, is winning valuable laurels in Paris. His "Baseball Plaver" in

which was sent to the Salon of 1889, was most

favorably criticised. THE famous "pre-Raphaelite mansion" in London was owned by F. R. Leyland, who and Burne-Jones' pictures is declared to be

PRINCE VICTOR EMANUEL, heir to the Italian Crown, is one of the handsomest and most accomplished men of his station in life. Although near 30 years of age and widely

traveled, he is yet unmarried. MRS. LEW WALLACE says that Florence Nightingale was a slender woman of graceful figure and great dignity of manner. She exhibited remarkable fortitude at all times and especially when present at surgical operations

### THE EAST TO DO ITS SHARE

New York to Take Up the Matter of Relief for the Starving Russians.

New York, Feb. 4.-The regular monthly meeting of the Chamber of Com-merce was to-day devoted to the discussion of means to ameliorate the condition of Russian famine victims. Ex-Governor Hoyt, of Wyoming, said the Western people were the Senate was presided over by Mr. Man derson, President pro tem, to-day. and were only waiting the action of the New York people to aid in getting it there. The lowing resolution was adopted:

Resolved. That the President of the Chamber of Commerce is hereby authorized to appoint a con-mittee of 36, with power to add to its number, to appeal to the citizens of New York and to the scopic of the United States in general, for contri-sations to a relief fund to be distributed in Russia brough sinch channels as may, after proper exam-nation, seem most efficacious and reliable. The President of the Chamber was made

Chairman of the committee, and among its members are: William M. Evarts, Abram S. Hewitt, J. Pierpont Morgan, C. P. Hunting-ton, Austin Corbin, Cornelius Vanderbilt, Andrew Carnegie, John D. Rockefeller and William Stelnway. Subscriptions lists will be conned at once. The Mormons Demand Home Rule.

SALT LAKE, Feb. 4 .- The Utah Legislature has passed a memorial to Congress urging the passage of the home rule bill introduced ator Faulkner and Delegate Cain last month. The memorial recites oppression through the Utah Commission; repression of the popular voice in the make-up of courts by appointments from Washington. It also says the conditions in the Territory have changed and that polygamy has been abol-ished.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.- The Stock Exchange odny reinstated S. V. White and F. W. Ho ins, representing S. V. White & Co., as members in good standing. The announcement of reinstatement, when real from the rostrum, was received with cheers, and when S V. White appeared on the floor he was congratulated by all the members present.

#### THE TAXATION QUESTION

sion to Look Into the Subject.

discuss the revision and equalization of State taxation. Colonel J. A. Price, of Scranton, Vice President of the National

Board of Trade, presided. After a long dis-cussion of the subject from many differing

points of view, a committee was appointed to report a plan of operation. They pre-sented the following, which was adopted:

The Chairman was authorized to appoint a

favored the adoption of the resolution. The resolution was amended increasing the num-

resolution was amended increasing the num-ber to six, and to include all the states in the United States, and then adopted without

INDIANS HOLD TO THEIR MESSIAH.

No Excitement Among Either Them or th

Whites, but a Firm, Quiet Bellef.

CHICAGO, Feb. 4.-Captain Eli L. Huggins

aide de camp to General Miles, returned this

morning from a trip in the Indian Territory. He was sent there to investigate the

rumors of ghost dancing among the Indians

"The Aaranahoe Chevenne and Osage

Indians still cling to the belief that the

Messiah will some day appear to save them,"

said Captain Huggins, "and they are not at

all disappointed in the failure of the Messiah to come among them last year. They do not

pretend to know the date of his coming. The

former frenzy among them and their ex-

cited dances have given way to a quiet be-

lief, which has almost become a religion

with them, that the whites are to be de-

stroyed and the Messiah will come. There is no excitement among the whites because no outbreak is feared."

LAURA BRIDGMAN'S BRAIN

When Examined Proves to Have Grown

Very Unevenly.

WORCESTER, MASS., Feb. 4 .- [Special.]-The

for examination, has just told its story. The

SUB-TREASURY MEN WIN.

A Complete Back-Down on the Part of

the Kansas Alliance Committee,

hemispheres were developed atike.

nting vote.

The House at Last Adopts Rules Under Which to Work-A High Tribute to Ex Speaker Carlisle-Irreverence for De parted Representatives-The Senate's Short Session.

A DAY IN CONGRESS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 4.—The House of Representatives was called before the bar of public opinion to-day to answer he charges of irreverence to the memory of departed representatives. Mr. Stout, of Michigan, was the public prosecutor, and in he absence of counsel for the defense, the House pleaded guilty to the charge. It was n the historic days of Adams and Clay and Webster and Calhoun that the practice of setting apart a day for the culcgy of de-ceased statesmen was inaugurated. The panegyries of those men are still live in the nation's history as the ideal of American oratory, and now adorn the pages of nearly every school reader in the land. But as time assed the custom of enlogizing the illustrious was gradually extended, until to-day every member of the House has as his osthumons heritage the right to have s day set apart for the special eulogy of his, eminent abilities and qualities of statesman-

The eloquent and spontaneous orations of Webster and Calhoun and Clay have generally given place to studiously prepared re marks on the mental and moral character istics of the deceased. As eulogy became a duty instead of spontaneous tribute, the in-terest of the House and of the country in bese events decreased, until Memorial Day is it is now known, is regarded as a day o rest and recreation; as a period when no one feels it incumbent to attend the sessions ex-cept the orators of the occasion—generally the colleagues from the State which the de-ceased represented in life.

Sunday as a Day for Eulogy. The first declaration of the insincerity of such proceedings came from Mr. Enloe, of Tennessee, who desired to amend the rules by providing that eulogies to deceased mem bers shall be delivered on Sundays, and Sun days only, on which day the ceremonies shall be opened with prayer by the Chap-lain. These services, he said, were in the nature of religious services, and no more appropriate day could be selected for giving tribute to deceased members than Sunday.

The amendment was seconded by Mr. Morse, of Massachusetts. He believed that

Morse, of Massachusetts. He believed that the memorial services were educational and proper, and the Lord's day was the most suitable one that could be chosen.

Mr. Stout, of Michigan, said: "I am in favor of this amendment. I happened once, Mr. Speaker, to be in St. Louis when a tuneral cortege bearing the body of a member of Congress passed through the city. The newspapers on the next morning said that the body was left in the depot while the Senators were talking about the Presidental election in the rotundas of the hotels [laughter], and the younger members were gone to the theater—I suppose to assuage their profound grief. [Great laughter.] The country should know whether or not we are sincere in our professions of respect to the dead. Let us meet on Sunday, and those who are not sincere in their professions of regret and reverence of the dead can stay at home." [Applause.]

Mr. Ray, of New York, opposed the amendment. It was evidently offered in the interest of those persons who never attended church, but who could come here on the Sabbath day and listen to oratory.

A Whole Month for Memorials.

A Whole Month for Memorials. Mr. Reed, of Maine, gave the informatio that the consumption of time in the first session of the last Congress for memorial services was 24 days. This announcement created great surprise, but was not diputed.
Mr. Bergen, of New Jersey, said he saw no
necessity for putting another day into the

week.
Although a standing vote showed a major Although a standing vote showed a majority of 96 to 68 in favor of the amendment, this majority vanished before the dreaded roll call, and the amendment was defeated—yeas 91, nays 153.

Mr. O'Neill, of Missouri, offered an amendment making it obligatory on the House to consider the private carendar on Friday. Lost—yeas 57, nays 111.

Various propositions were made having for their object the abolition or the re-triction of the custom of setting apart days for the delivery of culogies upon deceased

who does his duty. It is a sad sign of the imes that an official who does that for which he was appointed is a rarity that calls for laudatory comment.

CARDINAL MANNING'S will revealing his lack of wealth is an eloquent sequel to the generosity of his life.

WASTE of the nation's time in Congress by idle and useless speech is only less of an support the constant of private pensions for the consideration of private pensions for the constant pensions for the

sion bills. Agreed to.

In speaking to an informal amendment J.
D. Taylor, sent to the Clerk's desk, and had read, the letter sent by Messrs. Wise, of Virginia: Henderson, of North Carolina, and Randall, of Pennsylvania, to Speaker Carlisle, asking for recognition to move a suspension of the rules and the passage of a bill for the repeal of the internal revenue taxes upon tobacco. EX-PRESIDENT CLEVELAND has returned Carlisle More Than Defended.

Mr. Caruth, of Kentucky, said he did not se to enter into any defense of Speaker the famous poet, is a farmer, and lives near Carlisle. His name and fame were well peaker's chair who had the confidence of this country-without segard to party-in a greater degree than had Hon. J. G. Carlisle, Democratic applause.)
Mr. Taylor said that he meant to make no

attack upon Speaker Carlisle. He pointed to these letters only as an illustration of the great power which the rules conferred upon the Speaker. he Speaker.
Mr. O'Neill, of Missouri, offered an amend-nent requiring the Committee on Rules to eport back, within ten days, all amend-nents to the rules referred to. He did not pelieve that when the code of rules was greed to, the House should bind itself hand and foot, and have no power to amend it, le did not propose without notice to put

He did not propose without notice to put his head in the halter. The amendment was ost. The consideration of the rules reported by the Committee on Rules having been con-cluded, Mr. Reed, of Maine, on behalf of the Republicans, offered as a substitute there-for the rules of the Fifty-first Congress. Lost, without division. The code of rules

was then agreed to. At Work With the New Rules. Mr. Savers, of Texas, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported a bill to supply

a deficiency in the appropriations for eleventh census, and it was referred to the committee of the whole. Also, a resolution directing an inquiry into the affairs of the directing an inquiry into the affairs of the World's Columbian Exposition, stating that he would call it up for action to-morrow, Mr. Durborow, of Illinois, presented a substitute, which was ordered printed and which will be considered at the same time.

Mr. Dickerson, of Kentucky, offered a resolution directing the Committee on Judiciary to make an investigation and report whether Congress has the constitutional authority to appropriate money for the World's Columbian Exposition. Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Goodnight, of Kentucky, a Senate bill was passed to provide for the a Senate bill was passed to provide for the creation of a fourth judicial district in the territory of Utah. The House adjourned un-

The Senate Does a Little Work. In the absence of Vice President Morton. who has gone to New York for a lew days,

Mr. Brice introduced a bill for the erection of a monument at 'ut-in-Bay, O., to commemorate the battle of Lake Erie in 1813 Mr. Peffer offered a resolution, which was agreed to, changing the day for holding the special service in honor of the memory of Senator Plumb.

At Bo'clock the Senate proceeded to executive business. When the doors were

ecutive business. When the doors were opened, ten minutes afterward, Mr. Frye, opened, ten minutes afterward, Mr. Frye, who had made an adverse report in the case of the bill for a bridge between New York and New Jersey, said that the friends of the measure desired to have the bill and adverse report placed on the calendar. He had no objection, and the bill was therefore so placed. The report of the Committee on Privileges and Elections in the case of the Florida Senatorship, declaring Mr. Call entitled to the seat, was taken up for action, and the report was read, closing with the sentence: "The appointment of Mr. Davidson was an act of mere irrelevancy which it is not necessary further to notice." After a long debate the resolution was agreed to without a division. long debate the resolution was agreed to without a division.

Mr. Manderson, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported a bill granting to the State of Wyoming certain lands in the Fort Russell military reservation as grounds for agricultural exhibitions, and one for the improvement of the military reservation at Walla Walla, Washington. Both were placed on the calendar, after which the Senate adjourned till Monday.

Still a Chance to Be Named.

Chicago Mail. Any prominent autorney that has not been mentioned as the probable successor of Justice Bradley will please arise and be

A Representative Body Creates a Commi Opponents of the Anti-Option Bill Have an Inning - Their Arguments Before the Harrisburg, Feb. 4.—[Special.]—Probably the most representative body that ever met in the Senate chambers assembled to-day to House Committee-Excellent Effects of

> WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 4.-The opmen who were engaged in the business of supplying the demand for grain.
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> Mr. Aldrich, of the Chicago Board of Mr. Aldrich, of the Chicago Board of Trade, said the board was heartily in favor

sented the following, which was adopted:
Resolved, That it is the sense of your committee that, owing to the inequality of valuation and taxation throughout the State, some change is needed in our present system of valuation and taxation.
Resolved, That a commission, composed of members of this conference, be appointed for the purpose of ascertaining from the most reliable data to be had the value of the various classes of the taxable property of the Commonwealth, and also to further ascertain the amount of property at present exempted from taxation, not covered by the exemptions specified in the Constitution of 18'4.
Resolved, That the same, commission also ascertain the amount of taxes paid by each class of property, both local and State.
Resolved, That a finance committee be appointed by this conference to solicit contributions for the purpose of defraying the expenses of this commission.
Resolved, That this commission be authorized to of the bill so far as it related to options as designed in the first section of the bill relat ing to fictitious sales. That kind of trading had always been illegal and unrecognized and the board had spent a great deal of money trying to procure enforcement o the State law on contracts. He admitted that there was in such a large board as at Chicago considerable trading of a kind that could not be upheld. If the best members aton.

Resolved. That this commission be authorized to pay all the expenses necessary to procure and tabulate this information, not exceeding in amount the money that may be raised by the Financial Committee heretofore appointed, and that this commission report to this conference not later than June 1, next. of the board could out find a way by which such things as "Partridge has the market and is a great short seller" could be made things of the past they would be giad to do so. The system in operation was the result of a great many years of experience; it was The Chairman was authorized to appoint a Committee on Finances and the commission created by the resolution, this commission to consist of six members and the Chairman as an ex-officio member.

A resolution was offered by Mr. Price, that a committee of three be appointed to examine the tax laws of other States, and turnish a printed or some report to the conference at the next meeting.

r. Wright opposed the resolution on the ground that the committee was too small, and that the resolution does not cover the whole field of States. He said it ought to be a simple and easy matter to rrame a tax law not something designed specially to give an opportunity for dealing in tutures. The Boards of Trade, like the bank Clearing Houses, were commercial conveniences for exchanges. At times prices were temporarily advanced by speculative buying, and, in fact, the fluctuations were greater on that side than on the other, the short side.

Mr. Hatch asked what were the average cally each including facilities saids.

received.

Mr. Hatch—Are all your sales on the Board
of Trade recorded?

of Trade recorded?

Mr. Aldrich—No, sir.

Mr. Hatch—Is it not a fact that the Board of Trade declined to record the sales simply because they did not want the country to know how many fictitious sales were made?

Mr. Aldrich—No, sir.

Mr. Hatch—Has not that matter been discussed in the board for years?

Mr. Hatch—Has not that matter been dis-cussed in the board for years?

Mr. Aldrich—I never heard it discussed, and never knew of it. The board could not make such reports without putting an im-mense amount of work on the brokers.

Mr. Hatch—If this committee was to re-port a bill simply doing away with fictitious sales, would it meet the approbation of the representatives of the Board of Trade at Chicago?

Ex-Speaker Reed on the New Rules. AFTER the House this afternoon agreed o a new code of rules, ex-Speaker Reed wa ought and asked to talk upon the subject. After a moment's consideration, he said: "The withdrawal by the Louisiana lottery of its demand for a new charter is one of the triumphs of the Fifty-first Congress. The acts of the Fifth-first Congress are all stand-ing well the test of time." With regard to the rules just adopted, Mr. Reed said that "the principle of responsible government no outbreak is feared."

Captain Huggins witnessed the distribution of cattle for food for the Indians at the Cheyenne and Aarapahoe agencies. The cattle were supplied by a contractor, and were so poor and thin that Little Chief objected to them. The officer who inspected the cattle rejected them. An investigation showed that all the poor and worthless cattle were given to the Indians, the fatter ones being shipped to the markets.

brain of Laura Bridgman, the famous woman who lived her allotted years devoid of sight, hearing, speech, smell and taste, result of the investigation proves that the peculiarities were due solely to arrested development in the portion relating to the disused senses. Up to the time of the girl's developed normally. After that it grew unevenly. The weight was but slightly less than that of the entirely normal brain. Both The extent of the gray matter of the cortex (which receives and imparts sensaless than in the average brain. In general the entire cortex was thinner than in the normal brains with which it was compared. normal brains with which it was compared. The most striking and conclusive feature, however, was the condition of the parts connected with the nerves of sight. The right eye of Miss Bridgman remained useful to a slight extent some time longer than the left. This resulted in developing that portion of the brain connected with the right eye to a greater extent than the left.

He May Not Know He Has Withdrawn. Washington Post. 1 There are reasons for beliging that Mr. Cleveland has not yet been apprised of his withdrawal from the Presidental race.

### DEATHS HERE AND ELSEWHERE.

Prof. Theodor Mommson. Prof. Theodor Mommson, the German historian, is dead at Kiel. Prof. Mommson was one of the last of a dwindling group of scholars who made a golden age for Germany's universi-ties. He was a participant in the Revolution of In 1882 he was equitted on a charge of libel-Prince Blamarck in a stomp speech by calling "Iron Chancellor's" tariff polley "pure swin-"On an appeal the professor was again vic-ous. Prof. Momison was a Radical, very bil-in controversy, and was known as "the Old nan of Germany." Colonel George G. Minor.

Colonel George G. Minor died suddenly at the Laciede Hotel in St. Louis Wednesday, whither he had gone from Chicago Monday on a business trip. Colonel Minor served in both the Mexican and the Civil wars. It was he who drew Mexican and the Civil wars, it was he who dret up the articles of agreement between the Unite States and Mexico at the end of the Mexican war-the treaty of Guadaloupe. Colonel Minor, who was then an aide on General Scott's staff, spok French and Spanish fluently and acted as inter-preter for General Scott during the entire war an while the peace negotiations were in progress. Russell rage, Jr. Russell Sage, Jr., the favorite nephew of Russell Sage, died at 11:15 o'clock yesterday morn-ing, at the Windsor Hotel, New York, from men-ingitts. He had been seriously ill since the dyna-mite explosion in his uncle's office. He was 53 years old and married.

Obituary Notes. McLain Sheny, the oldest white person born in Young town township, died yesterday from the grip, aged 79.

GENERAL ISADORE PIERRE SCHMITZ, who saw service in 14 French campaigns, died in Paris Tuesday, aged 75 years, General Schmitz was chief of the staff under General Trochu during the siege of Paris. ANSON C. OWEN, a ploneer of Iowa, died at Ma and lived for a long time in a tent, and had many thrilling adventures with the Sloux and other ribes of Indians. He has been prominently identified with the development of the northern part of to instruct the proper officers to receive and

EDWARD STEVENSON, an actor, known on the stage as Ned Forrest, is dead at his home in Scattle, aged 35. He was the son of an old-time manager and made his debut at the age of 6 in a company which also contained Deniman Thompson. In 1874 he went into the pariety business, in which he remained until his death.

LIVE WASHINGTON WALFS.

Reciprocity-Reed on the New House Rules-Notes From the Capital

ponents of the anti-option bill had the floor to-day in the hearing before the House Com-mittee on Agriculture, and Chicago and Minneapolis told why the bill would not benefit the farmers and would burt the

daily sales, including fictitious sales.

Mr. Aldrich replied that he had never made an estimate, but that the sales were very much larger than the quantity of grain received. whole field of States. He said it ought to be a simple and easy matter to frame a tax law for this State. "First ascertain what property you have." said Mr. Wright, "then make your language in your bill plain enough to cover it all. I believe that such community, whether it be State or local, should collect its own resources. Neither State or county shall levy tax to be used by the other. These corporations, whose functions reach out from one county to the other, should be set aside as a general class.

Representative Taggart and Mr. Niles favored the adoption of the resolution. The

Chicago?

Mr. Aldrich—I have not a doubt of it.

A. J. Sawyer, one of the largest elevator
men in Minneapolis, then explained the
system of marketing grain. He said he would
make no attack on the bill, but before the
present method of handling grain was destroyed, he would ask the committee to devise som substitute by which it could be
better handled.

"the principle of responsible government in the House has been more ruthlessly recognized in that part of the new regulations relating to the power of the Committee on Rules than was ever dreamed of in the Fifty-first Congress. Power to enforce the will of the House was lodged in important measures in that committee, so that party legislation could have full swing, while the will of the individual members, even if approved by the House, was left to the mercy of the fillbusterer. The right of a present quorum had been denied, and the farce of the member present for the purpose absent had been revived. All this, however, time and the Supreme Court will take care of. The debate, however, has shown that the good example of the last two years has not been entirely lost. What used to be called 'tyranny,' and is now on the road to be called 'good sense,' has been established in the great and unexampled power conferred on the Committee on Rules. The folly of wasting the time of the House in the reference of bills has been foreyer done away with."

The People's Party Out in an Address, THE People's party of the House of Representatives is intact as a political organiza-tion, and united as to the party measures livered before a large representative gatherthe Fifty-second Congress. In the caucus least curious, was treated in Dr. Hodges' met before the organization of the House and nominated Representative Wat-House and nominated Representative Watson, of Georgia, as the candidate of the People's party for Speaker of the House, the
nine independent Representatives then assembled decided to preserve their political
autonomy on all questions to the end of the
session. Within the past few days various
reports of alleged dissension in the ranks of
the nine People's Representatives have been
current, and the third party men to-night
complain that these rumors have been inspired by politicians of the other parties,
and telegraphed throughout the country and telegraphed throughout the country purely for political effect. To silence these insidious rumors in their inception the nine regular-Representatives of the People's party to-day issued a long address to the country.

Frenchmen on an Inspecting Tour. A-PARTY of gentlemen representing the French Government are now on their way to Chicago and other Western points for the TOPEKA, Feb. 4.-The Executive Committee purpose of investigating our pork inspection of the Farmers' Alliance, which seems to have created dissension in the ranks by apregulations and the efficiency of their practical application. The party includes Mr pointing five delegates to St. Louis who were opposed to the sub-treasury scheme, is holding a meeting this morning to find a Riche Member of the Academy of Medicine and Professor of Chemistry at the Paris Col lege of Pharmacy in the employ of the Min-istry of Agriculture; Mr. E. Roume, an offiway out of the difficulty. A compromise istry of Agriculture; Mr. E. Boume, an official of the foreign department of the Ministry of Commerce, and Mr. Maurice Duclos, a produce commission merchant of Paris, not a permanent employe of the Government, but specially commissioned by the Minister of Agriculture for this investigation, and who has been frequently employed under special contract with the Government as an expert examiner and appraiser of food products. Mr. Duclos called upon Secretary Rusk while in Washington, and was furnished by him with a letter of introduction to the Chief Inspector of the department at Chicago, instructing the latter to give these gentlemen every opportunity to thoroughly investigate our system of pork inspection. cheme is being considered which the com-nittee thinks satisfactory to the sub-treasmittee thinks satisfactory to the sub-treasury demands.

The committee proposes to allow the men named by the bolting Congressional delegations to accompany the men named by the Executive Committee as delegates. It is a complete back-down for the committee, but the bolters have won so far that they may insist on a solid sub-treasury delegation. Van B. Prather stated this morning the thought this compromise would bring the opposing factions into harmony.

The San Francisco Site Scandal.

THE commission having in charge the matter of the selection and purchase of a site for the public building at San Francisco consisting of the Postmaster General, the Secretary of the Treasury and Attorney General, met to-day at the Treasury Department and decided that the purchase of the Seventh and Mission streets property should not be consummated until every effort had been made to discover the truth as to the charges of bribery which had been made charges of bribery which had been made against the local commission. A special agent of the Treasury Department, it is stated, has been a long time in investigating the matter, but thus far has not discovered anything tangible upon which any adverse action can be taken. The commission today ordered the publication through the public press of a request that any person or persons having any knowledge of a bribe having been received by the local commission to communicate the same to the general commission at Washington.

Among the appointments sent by the President to the Senate to-day were the fol-lowing postmasters: Edwin J. Vinton, Jeanlowing postmasters: Edwin J. Vinton, Jeannette, Pa; Joseph M. Brother, Knox, Pa;
Edward A. Hamilton, New Bethlehem, Pa;
Hiram J. Haideman, Salem, O; Walter W.
Patton, Kent. O, and John M. Datchler,
Franklin, O. The Senate in executive session confirmed the following nominations:
James H. Beatty, United States District
Judge for the District of Idano; D. P. Roberts, of Indiana, Recorder of the General
Land Office, W. C. Haskell, United States
Marshal, Northern district of Ohio, and L. S.
Howlett, Register of the Land Office at
North Yakima, Wash.

The Silver Brick Case Again THE Supreme Court of the District of Columbia to-day sitting in banc heard argument of counsel in what is known as the silver brick case. The contention in this case is, in brief, that the act of 1878 restored silver to free coinage. The petitioners ask for a writ of mandamus to compel respondent

tendent of the United States Mint on March

14 last. The coinage was remsed on the ground that it would be in violation of law. To the petition the respondent demurred and it is on this the case is heard. Jere Wilson appeared for petitioners, and As-

sistant Attorney Gerard Maury for the United States Government. Mr. Wilson asserted that the act of 1873, which demonstrate of the act scill remains, he insisted, however, that it does not remain, but that this feature was repealed by the act of 1878. Assistant Attorney General Maury read an abstract from the decision or the United States Supreme Court in the case of the United States ex rel Dunlap versus Black, in which it was stated that: "The court would not interfere by mandamus with the executive officers of the Government in the executive officers of the grant of the law, the dinary official duties, even where those du-ties require an interpretation of the law, the court having no appellate power for that purpose." Resting on the law as cited by the case, Mr Maury declined to enter upon an argument in support of the views of the statutes in question taken by the Secretary of the Treasury unless requested to do so by the court. Good Effects of Reciprocity.

THE reduced duty on American flour imported to Cuba under the reciprocity treaty went into effect January 1 last. Consul General Williams telegraphs the State Department that the receipts of flour at the nort of Havana for the month of January last were as follows: From the United States, 62,371 sacks; from Spain, none. The receipts for month of January, 1891, were: From the month of January, 1891, were: From the United States, 2,720 sacks: from Spain, 33,490 bags. The exports of figure to Cuba from the ports of New York New Orleans, Mobile and Key West in January, 1892 amounted to 67,478 barrels or sacks. The exports from the same ports in January, 1891, were 9,234 barrels. Don Antonia Batres, the Guatemalan Minister, has informed the Secretary of State that he will return to Guatemala by the Pacific Mail steamer which leaves New York on the 10th inst., and that he will use his best offices to secure the early approval his best offices to secure the early approval by Congress of the reciprocity arrangements recently signed by himself and Secretary Blaine, on behalf of Guatemals and the United States.

Uncle Sam Not Bearing Resentment THERE is no feeling of resentment on the part of the United States on account of the action of the Mexican authorities who searched the residence at Matamoras, of Don Enrico Vizzaya, the United States Consular Agent at Mier, Mexico, for arms and mmunition supposed to be concealed there. The agent in question is a citizen of Mexico The agent in question is a citizen of McAlco and has not been at his post at Mier for several months. He has been living at Matamoras, and it was the house there and not the Consulate that was searched. The Department of State will await full reports by mail before taking action.

No Faith in the Reports From Rome. THE reports from Rome that the Italian Sovernment contemplates the immediate rewith the United States and that Signor Catilini, now Minister to Denmark, will be accredited to this Government, are discredited in official circles in Washington.

## NOSEGAY OF EVENTS.

clety as Thursday Found It in Pittsburg Parlors-A Few Things Treated at Length and Others Briefly-Comings

Goings and Doings. THE disappearance told in yesterday's DISPATCH of several unfortunate bachelors' evening toilets, due to cultivated, impecu-nious gentlemen with light fingers, brought about a "that-reminds-me anecdote" at a dinner table last night in Pittsburg. A club of New York book men were entertaining a number of bright fellows of the craft from Boston, Philadelphia, Pittsburg and Chicago. Everyone was de rigeur evening dress, excepting one of the New Yorkers—an Irishman by birth. After champagne had loosened every man's reserve, it was demanded of Jack why, since he was known to possess a dress suit he had not appeared in it.

appeared in it.

"A fellow," said Jack, "has played me a
nasty trick. I had a friend, you know,
whose parse, jointly with mine, didn't make
a millionaire banking firm of us. He owned dress suit and I borrowed it, as you saw, out didn't realize on several occasions. But but didn't realize on several occasions. But, what do you think! the other day the fellow died, and like the ungrateful corpse that he is, he was buried in his dress suit: and that's why I am as you see me." Jack's explanation was accepted, and the absent dress suit, doing duty as a shroud, was toasted by a standing majority.

THE Rev. Dr. Hodges entertained the Art Society last night by a lecture on "Life ing. The subject, fascinating even to the own terse fashion, the interest by It no means suffering at his hands. was in part a philosophical treat-ment of the subject, as well as narrative. In addition to being a capital raconteur Dr. Hodges is always a thoughtful speaker, so that he not only entertained but instructed his listeners. All present were delighted, and expressed a desire to hear Dr. Hodges in a short time again.

MRS. MARIE COSGRAVE, who is clever in almost everything and cleverer than everas an artist, is painting the daintiest imaginable card counters that are now the fad in all circles where cards are a "card" to a decorative artist. She is rapidly climbing to a neight where she will command the admira-tion of people appreciative of art in Pitta-burg. Whitcomb Riley's "Old-Fashioned Roses," one of the holiday books, was made additionally interesting by the aid of her creative brush, to say nothing of the many little novelties which she is unceasingly turning out from her "workshop" in the East End.

### Social Chatter

PREFARATIONS are proceeding energetically for the leap-year party which the Alhambra Cotilion intend giving on Monday evening week in the Monongahela House. The young ladies on that occasion will usurp all the indies on that occasion will usurp all the privileges of the superior sex, escorting the unblushing sex pro tempore to and from their homes, and supplying them with those floral tributes and honbons in which young ladies are supposed to revel. The dance will be made as novel as possible, and, undoubtedly, will be a success. Mrs. E. T. Normecutt will act as chaperon.

MISS MARY MCCLELLAND, of Fifth avenue Miss Mary McClelland, of Fifth avenue, left on Wednesday night for New York where she sails on the steamship La Bourgoyne for Europe, with the intention of joining her brother and, his family. The intervening time until their return, some time in April, will be spent cruising on the Mediterranean. Miss McClelland will be much missed in home social circles, where she is considered a necessary attraction of any function worthy the name.

Mrs. W. Newron Lives a member of the

Mrs. W. Newron Lincu, a member of the Women's Auxiliary Board of the World's Fair, in which august body she acts as representative for West Virginia, is in the city. Besides being a clever woman, Mrs. Linch pos-esses those social charms which make their fortunate owner engerly sought by hostesses who desire to be known as successful entertainers. ful entertainers.

The Art Society invitations have been issued for Mr. Frederick Keppel's locture on "Personal Sketches or Some Famous Etchers," with storeopticon illustrations. Mr. Keppel is a man of unbounded information Repper is a man of modulate the society is to be in his particular line, and the society is to be congratulated upon bringing the distin-guished gentleman to Pittsburg. The event in polite circles this evening will be the opening reception at the Pittsburg Club, which will be thrown open to Pittsburg's 400, the feminine part of which is expected to pass judgment upon the improvements. Six hundred invitations have been issued and about a thousand people, probably, will be present.

MR. AND MRS. W. P. Wood, of the East End. will leave in a few days for Florida. Mrs. Wood returned home last week from a visit of some duration in New York, so as to be in attendance at the dinner dance given on Tuesday evening by her sister-in-law, Mrs. J. M. Schoonmaker, of Ellsworth avenue. A very charming evening at cards and after them a dance passed the night at Mr. George Wamhoff's house on Rippey street. Mr. and Mrs. Wamnoff are a popular young married pair of the Allegheny Cotillion, which organization was entermined by them last night.

THE Allerheny Cotillion set remembered Miss Fawest upon the eve of her wed-ding to Mr. McElroy by a very handsome onyx cabinet. Mrs. McElroy comes of an artistic family, and her presense indicated the influence of a good deal of carefully cul-tivated taste.

At the last meeting of the Art Society Board of Directors the following active members were elected: Henry Darlington, Theodore Salmon, J. L. Koether, Jr., Dr. Milie J. Chapman, Mrs. E. E. Tingley and Miss Lillie C. Schleiter.

MR. AND MRS. D. HERBERT HOSTETTER les

Miss McBridg, of Philadelphia, is visiting Mrs. Florence Mitchell, of Stockton avenue

CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS.

-There are a dozen women piano tuners n Philadelphia.

-The net indebtedness of the world in 1890 was \$26 917,098,000. -A \$15,000,000 railroad tunnel is to be pored through the Alps.

-Thirteen tons of postage stamps are said to have been sold in New York City last -Playing upon the typewriter is said to

produce an ailment known as the "type-writer's stub finger." -A Connecticut judge fined a man \$10 for disturbing the siumbers of a police officer by practicing on the cornet.

-Out of a total of 36,503 dogs in New York City, only 3,387 were licensed according to the last dog census. -The Washington office of the Western

Union Telegraph Company has sent out over 400,000 words in a single evening. -Au Englishman who recently visited

Boston was most struck with the fact that the men there use ice water in shaving. -One bullet in its passage from a pistel bored through the knee of one man, the calco

United States there were but 123 legal excess tions. Judge Lynch, though, contrived 650 attend to 195 more.

There are 800 public baths in the eller of Tokio, Japan, where natives are party boiled at a temperature of 110°, for a single equivalent to 1 cent.

name of "caviare," are shipped as a food deli-cacy from Russia to the extent of over 3,000 tons, valued at \$£:22,000.

—A hotel keeper on the upper shore of Lake Michigan proposes to transport his big hotel over the lake on a raft to Chicago in time to open in the spring of 1893. -Philip Stehler, of Marine City, Mich., who died the other day, aged 95 years, was buried in his wedding shirt, a garment which he had kept 63 years for that purpose. -Suppose that each baby born this year

weighed eight pounds, it would take half a dozen cradles of the size, capacity and strength of our new steel war cruisers to hold the infants.

compelled to carry about with her for four years the bones of her dead husband, in-closed in a casket.

-Paris is celebrated for dolls and mechanical toys: Jumeau's is one of the great doll factories. Switzerland is another storehouse

-When the effects of a man who died reto macry 12 different girls in various parts of the country. He had a photograph of each, and on the backs had written the date fixed for the marriage.

occasion for over an hour when the sky was entirely free from clouds. In the Mauritius and other parts of the Southern Hemisphers this is not a rare occurrence; but in Europe it is, and the greatest known length of its duration was ten minutes at Constanti-nople. -A steam atomizing apparatus fell on a

child in an English town and killed him, and

was turned out the local police engaged him. The leading striker was soon arrested for sedition, and the first thing he was set to work at in the prison was chopping wood for the Chinese cook. -One of the most successful ranchers in the West is a young widow, slight in stature, refined in manner and fair of face. She is also a clever conversationalist, intellectual in her tastes and very fond of painting, to which she devotes the leisure she can se-cure after attending to the large estate she

manages entirely herself.

-The bread tree has a solid fruit, a little larger than a cocoanut, which, when cut in slices and cooked, can scarcely be distina drought constantly distilling water m its leaves, and the wine tree of Mauri-

cently. One morning passers by were as-tonished to see the immaculate field of over five acres covered with white eruptions varying in size from a marble to a pumpkin, investigation showed that the snowballs had been formed by the high wind of the

Mandyle Bender, it was resolved that in-stend of a ring women should wear a flower in the nose. Inasmuch as the nose ring had led to "much unfavorable comment," hence-forth wearing nose rings would lead to a fine of 10 rupees and four annas, in addition to

them affoat in boats. The lehthyophagi, or fish enters, who lived in a region bordering on the Persian guif, are mentioned by Ptolemy as having the custom of invariably committing their corpses to the ocean, thus repaying the obligations they had incurred to its inhabitants.

He-Will you expect me to-morrow evenng if it snows? You know the waiking will be so She (brightly)-If worst comes to worst, you can

come in a sleigh. She kept him indoors just an hour Engaged in idle talk; But did not think to don her gloves Until they went to walk.

marry some peer before you return?
Miss Budd-Dear me, no! Most peers belong to old families and are dreadfully in debt, with nearly all the baronets are quite new and knighted secount of their money. I'm going for

Flora Wall-Oh, dear! there's a spot on back of my gown. How can lever go to the Minute Ball-it won't be noticed, my dear, if you

Although my darling is priding Herself on her formal tone, I know that the zirl is thiling A fove which she will not own.

Yet my eager hope is ted, Not by the words she has spoken. But by things which she hasn't said. Brown - What baggy, sloppy-looking

ice, heat and hall-tones all in a row-By what name shall our bels be known? Intemperate or Horrid Zone? Tom Cotlins-The singing of the Lonely-

"It took me about half an hour to strike the right

-With some 6,000 homicides in the

-The eggs of the sturgeon, under the

-According to a law enforced among ome American aporigines a widow is always

-"Horned shoes" were first introduced in the reign of William Rufus, 1000, by "Rob-ert the Dandy." Robert's shoes were long and pointed, the toes being turned up and twisted like a ram's horn. On this account history frequently refers to him as "Robert the Horned."

of toys. Pewter toys are mostly made in London and Birmingham. Ohrdruff exports porceiain toys, and many plaster toys come from Prussia. cently in Leadville were examined it was discovered that he was under engagements

-In the South Atlantic it rained on one

the verdict of the Coroner's jury was that "He died from shock following broachits and whooping cough, caused through the shaking of the house by the firing of a gun at the Government proof butts on the Plumstead Marshes." -A gang of strikers in Queensland insisted on a hotel keeper discharging his Chinese cook, who was excellent. When he

-A few days ago a farmer who lives near Woodland, Cal., procured a wagon load of grape pomace from one of the wineries with which to feed his hogs. Upon placing it be-fore the swine they ate of it so heartly as to acquire a load in more ways than one for they became intoxicated and remained in a frunken stuper for several days.

guished from excellent bread. The weep-ing tree of the Canary Islands is wet, even rius Islands furnisnes good wine instead o -A peculiar and extraordinary phenomsnom was worked on the snow-covered campus of a New York theological seminary re-

previous night. -The Hindoo nose ring is said to be doomed. At a meeting of the members of the Cutchee Veesa Oswal caste, held at Mandvie Bender, it was resolved that in-

-Among the people of antiquity the practice was not uncommon of disposing of the dead by throwing them into the sea, by sinking them in water courses and by setting

## PICKINGS FROM PUCK.

Mr. Trotter-Well, I suppose you will

Though I have received no token,

consers Henppeck wears:

Brown, Jr. -I heard mother say that his wife sore the trousers at his house, and I guess that is

all the great planists have such long, bushy hair? Prof. Savage (reflectively)—I presume it is to keep off the files while they are performing. Cold wind, fog, spring zephyrs, snow,

ille choir reminds me of an experience I had the ther night returning from the club.