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THE SOUTHSIDE FREE BRIDGE.

It is not surprising that a diversity of opinion is shown as to the proper site for the proposed free bridge to the Southside, but it will be unfortunate if that is allowed to stand as an excuse for delay. No matter where the bridge is placed it will not suit everybody. The general principle, therefore, to govern the choice should be the greatest convenience to the greatest number, taking all the circumstances into account. If some, as must be the case, are disappointed it will be well to bear in mind that this free bridge must be followed by others for other localities.

The suggestion to utilize the occasion for giving access to the hill wards, to the East Liberty valley and to the Schenley Park district, by making the new bridge connect not only with Second avenue, but with Forbes street and Fifth avenue, conthues the most important of the many that have been made. This is a feature which the best judgment will commend. Wherever the site is chosen it should be held in view. Any bridge ending on Sec-

avenue alone will to a great extent ut doplicate the toll bridges withan giving the quick and direct access which is desirable from the residence porfor \$2 50. tions of the city to the Southside, and which should be greatly beneficial to all sections. The facility with which such a bridge, with three outlets in place of one, could be built at Soho, strongly recommends that site. The lines and the levels of Second avenue, Forbes street and Fifth avenue closely approaching each other there, would permit at comparatively small additional cost a structure so arranged as to give access to all three of these main arteries from the Southside. It would require no extraordinary engineering skill to plan such a bridge, ending on the Pittsburg side with three outlets, adapted to the three grades to be reached.

At present neither by toll bridge or otherwise, is there any communication excepting a circuitous and tedious one between the Southside and the greater part of the city which lies beyond Grant street. This is an important consideration. But wherever the bridge is to be placed, the

jovial Thomas B. Reed could offer a general and sweeping partition of the spoils. The large prependerance of the unin-structed element is a disclosure that the President is by no means indisputably strong with his own party; but the character of the putative opposition does not afford much ground for the expectation that it will withstand the arguments of Federal patronage.

FIRE AND INSURANCE.

Some new issues are introduced into the discussion raised by the recent fire by the interview with Major William McCandless, President of the Board of Fire Underwriters. Major McCandless points out that as a result of conferences last year the policy was outlined of increasing the fire protection of the downtown district by multiplying the fire plugs, which would not only decrease the reliance on long lines of hose but mitigate the blockading of streets by fires; by the transfer of smaller engines to the residence wards: by the increase of crews so that the heavy three-inch hose could be handled with more celerity, and by the purchase of a fire boat and water towers, which would increase the effective means for fighting fire for quite a distance back from the river front. These things do not seem to have been done; and the head of the insurance interest presents it as a

These points only increase the force of what THE DISPATCH has already said about an authoritative inquiry into all the points on which criticism has been made, in order that the course of the city shall be clear for the future. THE DISPATCH has invariably indorsed whatever expenditure is necessary to afford full fire protection to the business part of the city. In the last appropriation ordinance it accepted as based on valid reasons the increased appropriations for the Department of Public Safety, supposed to be for the purpose of providing this protection. Recent experiences appear to afford a

strong argument for promptly making the changes agreed upon a year ago. Meantime, will the insurance men on their part answer a fair and pertinent question upon the other side of the case since the subject is up, viz.: Why are the owners and tenants of dwelling houses in Pittsburg charged two and three times the rate for insurance that insurance comnamics are glad to get upon dwelling houses in Philadelphia? Whatever may be said about the losses upon business property in Pittsburg it must be admitted that there are very few losses on dwelling house property in the city, yet Pittsburgers have to pay at the rate of 80 cents for three years where Philadelphians get their insurance for half or even one-third that, and can get a perpetual insurance

#### VENEZUELAN PASSION.

Civilization has a good deal of progress to make yet in Venezuela, if reports thence are to be credited. War is bad enough with all its modern refinements without any retrograde to the methods of the dark ages. Here is a Dictator who has been fortunate enough to capture the son of the General leading a rebellion against him. This man, Palacio, threatens to shoot his hostage should his father succeed in getting within a league of Caracas, the capital. In return, the prisoner's father, General Crespo, promises that should such an outrage be committed he will improve upon it by burning Palacio at the stake. Comparisons are at best unprofitable,

and the barbarity exhibited at the recent Texarcana lynching prohibits this country from indulging in stone throwing. But it is clear that humanity has much to do before Venezuela can be recognized as more site should soon be selected. The work than a semi-savage country. Apart from

common sense in the United States does not want Cuba on any terms. When the joint obstacle of a government that will not sell Cuba and a government that does not want Cuba as a gift can be overcome, then the time may be oppor-tune as suggested by our New York cotemporary, but not until then.

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SILVERFRIEND has become Victoria Woodhull's private secretary. If his name carry no Southwestern States the lady's chances for success are slim indeed.

THE immense growth of Pittsburg was very creditably illustrated by our cotempo-rary, the Commercial Gazette, in its special business edition yesterday. The tale of this city's great development cannot, for the best interests of all, be too often or too elaborately toid. Pittsburg is still traveling in its sevenleagned boots. THE DISPATCH delights in chronicling its progress from day to day, and it says "well done!" to every effort of its cotemporaries in the same direction. When the same spirit is thoroughly diffused among all classes of citizens, Pittsburg's march to vaster proportions will be greatly accelerated.

IMPOSTOR TEED might take kindly to feathers alone, but when they are offered mixed with tar he is little likely to regard them as a becoming angelic outfit.

GOVERNOR FLOWER has taken two leaves from Biaine's book. The latter feels himself disqualified for the Presidental race by cogent question, why they have not been physical weakness and has called in the ad vice of a professional wrestler to counteract the stress of official labor and the disastrous delights of the dinner table. But Flower has taken time by the forelock and engages nightly in an hour's boxing with a rub down to follow. He evidently hopes to make up in healthy tissues what he lacks in statesmanship. More Delsartism is nowhere when a Presidental contest is to be prepared for.

> A HARRISON "transparency" has caused a row in a New York Republican club. The particular transparency in question was not the President's civil service views.

O'DONOVAN ROSSA says that convicts are helped to this country by the English Government, and of course he ought to know. Moreover it may be regarded as certain that his inclination would render him liable to err in favor of the British government he loves, rather than against its interests which he has striven so hard to foster.

THERE is more than one Presidental dark horse who could be fittingly described either as stalking horse for others or as talking horse for himself.

IF railroad companies would confine injuries arising from wrecks to members of the fraternity of tramps stealing a ride there would be little to complain of, but unfortunatety no such limit is made, and the paying innocent passenger runs just the same risks as the gentlemen who scorn to walk and are too proud to work.

TURN about is fair play and the actions of the Huntingdon Reformatory officials having been investigated riotous inmates are to be placed on trial.

WERE the truth known, there are many people who could set up as a detense for the non-payment of taxes the claim made by a Kentuckian that his estate was equaled by his debts. But the moral courage of a colonel is necessary before recourse can be had to so desperate a measure.

MCKEESPORT finds "speak-easy" raids so profitable for the city treasury that the illicit industry is really in danger of exermination

As for throwing cold water on the enhusiasm of our firemen, thereby dampening their ardor, no one would be foolish enough to try to do that. Even were such action desirable, the hose used would serve the purpose very fully and render any further fort entirely supererogatory.

WHEN you see by the bill posters that

"The Drummer Boy of Shiloh" is on at the theaters it is safe to look up your spring un derwear.

## THEIR PECULIAR POLITICS.

The Articles of Faith to Which the People's Party of Maine Subscribe-Many Characteristic Demands-Laws for Labor as Well as Capital.

GARDINER, ME., May 3 .- The State convention of the People's party of Maine assem-bled to day with 100 delegates present, in-cluding many prominent labor men. It was practically a meeting for organization. There is no fund to assist delegates to attend the convention, and they are at their own expense. Some walked from 10 to 20

miles in order to be present. The Commit-tee on Resolutions reported the following "Articles of Faith:" We heartily indorse the platform adopted

by the Industrial Conference, at St. Louis, February 22, 1892. We demand a safe, sound and flexible ourrency, which shall be full legal tender for all debts, public and private, to be con

trolled by the national Government without the intervention of private corporation and issued to the extent of \$50 per capita. As a step in the right direction, we de-mand the free and unlimited coinage of sil-

We demand that all revenues shall be lim ited to the necessary expenses of the Government. We demand a graduated income tax.

We demand that labor shall receive the ame protection that is accorded to cap-

ital in its various forms in this coun try, and to this end we demand that Con gress shall enact a law that any person, firm or corporation who shall employ the labor of foreigners not naturalized shall pay into the United States Treasury is per day for every day such foreign laborer is thus employed, or such a sum as shall be equal to the high-est average protection to capital employed in the various industries of this country. We demand that all land now held by capi

We demand that all land now held by capi-talists and corporations for speculative pur-poses shall be reclaimed by the Government and held for actual settlers only. We demand that all trasts and combina-tions of capital for the purpose of controling the prices of articles of necessity should be placed under the ban of law and made a penal offense. We demand that the Government shall at

We demand that the Government shall at once take charge of railroad, telegraph and telephone systems and manage the same in the interest of the people. We demand a living system of taxation. We demand an eight-hour system in all mills, mines, trades and factories. We demand equal suffrage regardless of sex.

sex. We recognize the saloon as the mortal en-emy of all the above named reforms, and, therefore, demand strict enforcement of the statute laws and the enactment of such naional laws as may be necessary for its com

tional is we as may be necessary for its com-plete and universal overthrow. For Governor, L. C. Bateman, of Sears-mont, and for electors at large J. R. Clark, Bangor, and W.H. Harris, Anburn, were nom-inated by acclamation. J. R. Swan, W. G. Soule, Wm. Hobbs. G. C. Walker, J. E. Camplon, W. M. F. Harris and Henry Petts were nominated for delegates to the Na-tional Convention at Omaha.

LEFT THE METHODIST CHURCH

#### To Become an Episcopalian Is the Action of a Southern Divine.

NORFOLK, VA., May 3.-[Special.]-One of the most surprising things that has happened in Norfolk in a long time occurred last night. It was the resignation of Rev. Dr. William E. Evans, pastor of the Granby Street M. E. Church, one of the wealthiest Methodist churches in the Virginia Conference, with a view of becoming a clergyman in the Protestant Episcopal Church. The

In the Processant Episcopal Church. The first in timation the Episcopalians of Nor-tolk had of the proposed change was during a visit of Rev. B. D. Tucker, of St. Paul's P. E. Church, to the doctor soon after Easter. The visit had no relation whatever to the change, but it was then and there that Dr. Evans unbosomed himself and told of his purposes.

Dr. Evans feels that he will be happier in Dr. Evans feels that he will be happier in the Episcopal Church, and therefore more useful. His letter to his Presiding Elder conveying the credentials under which he has for 16 years performed the duties of a Methodist minister was written last night and mailed this morning, so that he who was yesterday pastor of one of the most prominent Methodist churches in the South is without the pale of that denomination. In due time he will apply for orders in the diocese of Alabama. Dr. Evans' salary was \$3,000 a year. \$3,000 a year. **RUSSIA'S VIGILANT POLICE** 

Spoil a Plot in Which an American Woman Was the Central Figure. NEW YORK, May 3 .- Mrs. Theophila Kras-

#### IN WOMAN'S REALM.

Daughters of the American Revolution Ar ranging for a Series of Lectures-Y, W. C. A. Reception-Reunion of the Sterrett

W. C. T. U.-Gossip of Society.

THERE was an important meeting at the esidence of Mrs. Park Painter, Bidge avenue, Allegheny, yesterday afternoon of the Daughters of the American Revolution. The usiness of the meeting was to perfect arrangements for a series of lectures by Miss ane Meade Welsh, the first of which is to be given on Monday, May 30. There was a arge attendance at the meeting yesterday, and the greatest interest was manifested by nose present. After due consideration the following programme was submitted by committees that have had the matter in charge, and adopted unanimonsly by the meeting: Monday, May 30, Miss Welsh will lecture on "The Making of the Constitution," at the residence of Miss Denny, 412 Penn avenue; Wednesday, June I, "Alex-ander Hamilton," also at Miss Denny's; Sat-urdny, June 4, "Thomas Jefferson," Mrs. Park Painter's house; Monday, June 6, "The War of 1812," Mrs. Hogg's, 78 Church avenue, Allegheny: Wednesday, June 8, "John Quincy Adams," also at Mrs. Hogg's; Saturday, June 11, "The Capture of a Common wealth," Mrs. M. K. Moorhead, 5221 Ellsworth avenue. These lectures will all commence at 11 a. N. They will not be exclusive in any sense of the word, the public generally being invited to attend all of them.

invited to attend all of them. The committee of arrangements are Miss Julia Harding, Miss Kate McKnight, Mrs. Howard Morton, Mrs. O. D. Thompson, Mrs. Frank LeMoyne, Miss S. Ewing, Mrs. W. J. Holland, Mrs. Walter McCord, Miss Burg-win, and Mrs. Charles McKnight. Tickets for the course of lectures can be obtained of any of these ladies. The sate has already commenced, and there is no question that Miss Welsh will be welcomed by very large audiences. The ladies having the lectures in charge are very enthusiastic, and are de-lighted with the interest the enterprise has awakened in Pittsburg. moved," you refer to the unsavory repu-tation of the agents employed by the "Law and Order" organization to procure evi-

dence against violators of the Sunday, or Sabbath, law. In the course of your remarks you proceed to say: "The necessity of agents of good standing was recognized by a re-ported assertion of the chiet officer of the THE new building of the Central Young Women's Christian Association at 421 Penn avenue will be formally opened Friday evening of this week. A reception will be held on that day from 3 to 5 P. M. and from 7 to 10 P. M. The association was organized society," etc. Will you kindly permit me to annex a lew observations to your state in June last, so that it is not a year old, but ments? already has a membership of over 400. Some of the most prominent, ladies in the two I believe-and I think every good man I believe-and I think every good man will agree with me in this opinion-tinat an honest and reputable man will never engage in the nefarious and odi-ous business of systematic espion-age. To make a living, or to earn money, by playing the spy, is an absolute impossibility to an honornbie and conscien-tious man. The very fact that a person en-ters into such an employment causes us to doubt his honesty and uprightness, sup-posing he is aware of the nature of the busi-ness. To induce a man to sell a cigar, or a glass of lemonade, or a newspaper, and then to report him-that is an avocation just as cities are members and are working hard for its success. The new house is very commodious, having 23 rooms all elegantly fur nished by the ladies of the different denominations of Pittsburg and Allegheny. The intention of the association is to rent some of the rooms to young ladies and to serve of the rooms to young ladies and to serve luncheon every day at a lower price than it can be obtained of the same quality else-where. Girls employed in business houses, factories, etc., can take their lunches with them to the association's rooms and eat their meal there, buying coffee or not as they please. They will be welcome to come, to enjoy their lunch, to rest, to read and to make use of the place as if it were home. Women out for a day's shopping are invited to come in and rest. There are toilet rooms supplied with all conveniences, and, in fact, everything that should be found in the ideal club house for women. Beauty as well as utility has been cared for in the turnish-ment of the association's rooms and pic-tures and brica-brac, carefully chosen, are seen on every side. The officers of the asso-ciation are as follows: President, Mrs. James B. Scott; Vice Presidents, Miss Essie Price and Mrs. A. J. Norcross; Secretary, Miss Annie D. Robunson; Treasurer, Miss J. L. Lewis. dishonorable, and contemptible, and mean, as the calling of those men whom some of the Roman Emperors employed to inveigle others into rash utterances against the Emperor and then to report them on the charge of "Lesee Majestee," which men Tarius has branded for everlasting times. One more remark I may be allowed to make: It appears to me that the newspa-pers in their criticism on the agents of the "Law and Order" organization have missed the vital point-failed to hit the real point at issue. The legal machinery of a civilized country ought to be so arranged and regulated that the business of organized espionage could find no place therein, far less a legal and recognized standing. Is it not a sad and queer spectacle to see spice that are stigmatized as criminals in the public press, supear before a court of law, as prosecutors of honest men, who have come, by request of the public, into conflict with a law which is against the spirit of the adapted to the changed conditions of our time, long agof Is it not a monstrous in-congruity to behold criminals pose as en-forcers of the law, and reputable clitzens as violators of the law. Is not, in the last instance, this Sabbath law, in its present anachronistic form, responsible for the ex-istence of this "Law and Order" organiza-tion, with all its disgusting features and nauseating excorescenses. A READER. peror and then to report them on the charge of "Lesee Majestee," which men Taritus has Lewis.

YESTERDAY afternoon the ladies of the Sterrett W. C. T. U. met at their rooms, North avenue, Allegheny, for business, and later in the day enjoyed a social reunion. At the afternoon, committees appointed some time since to visit all the public schools and find out whether physical cuiture was taught in them, reported that it was and that the teachers as well as the pupils were very much interested in the study. A lunch, free to all, was served from study. A lunch, free to all, was served from 6 to 8 p. x., after which there was a pleasant entertainment, consisting of ballad singing, recitations and select readings. Among the performers were Miss Blanche George, Mr. Luther Harper, Miss Carrie Herber, Miss Amelia Hill, Miss Alexander and Master Lindsay Barr. These rooms on North ave-nue are known as the "First Allegheny Day Nurser." The purpose of the institution is to care for the children of mothers who have to go out for the day to work. A charge of 10 cents a day is made. Formerly the charge was 5 cents, but the mothers thought it was too little, so the fee was raised to 10 cents. The children are fed and washed and the larger ones sent to school, while the babies are kept at homeand taken chare of all day. It is an excellent instituion, with all its disgusting features and auseating excrescenses. A READER. Hodjeska and Her Clever Company in was presented at the Duquesne Theater last night by Mme. Modjeska and her admirable a whole was artistic. Modjeska once more

press of Germany and other notable ladies

Miss Bertha Vierheller is in charge of the

room, the establishment of it being her own

guished ladies asking them to send some thing for the fair, and all have responded

Bell's station, on what is known as the Little Sawmill Run road. The lot is 110x25 feet, and is the gift of a prominent real estate agent, who desires that his name shall not

She wrote to a number of distin-

# Miss Bertha Galentin, soprano: Mrs. LaBelle Kennedy, mezzo soprano: Mr. Joseph C. Breil, tenor: Mr. L. A. Ricketts, haritone; Mr. Harper Smith, cornetist, and Mr. Harry P. Ecker, accompanist. The Philharmonic Society Orchestra, of Pittsburg, a sisted. There was a large audience and the concert was an entire success, particular credit being due Mr. Kirk for his management and artistic work

artistic work. Artistic work. A CHARMING entertainment was given last evening at the Auditorium under the direc-tion of the principal and teachers of the Thuma Dancing Academy. It was the ninth annual children's carnival and fancy dress party, entitled "Terosichore's Festive Day," and it was a credit to the institution under whose auspices it was given. There were a number of pretty fancey dances by the chil-dren, all of which were executed with smoothness and precision, and elicited the warmest applause.

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warmest applause. THE Westmoreland County Christian En-denvor Union met in the Parnassus Presby-terian church yesterday afternoon. The so-cieties of Greensburg, Latrobe, Jeannette, Mt. Piensant, Derry, Livermore, Delmontand Parnassus were represented on the program. The evening session of the convention was addressed by Rev. A. C. Applegarth, D. D., and Rev. John F. Patterson. MADAME CONSTANCE HOWARD gave her sec-ond lecture-recital, "Die Meistersingers," at the Pennsylvania College for Women, East End, last evening. Mas. DALLA ALBERTS will lecture this even-

MRS. DALLA ALERATS will lecture this even-ing before the pupils of the Pennaylvania College for Women on "Gastronomizing." This is the first of a series of addresses on domestic science. lomestic science. S. T. MCCLELLAND and daughter, of Alle-gheny, went East on the fast line last night, on a short visit to Eastern cities.

OUR MAIL POUCH.

Not an Occupation for Honest Men.

In an editorial of your estimable paper of yesterday, entitled "A Beam to Be Re-

To the Editor of The Dispatch:

-In Normandy not fewer than 5,000 dif-

ferently named varieties of the acid or bitter apple are known and grown for the man-ufacture of cider. -Food costs little more here than in

Europe. It has been ascertained that the cost per family for food in the United States is \$243 65 a year against \$222 52 in Europe.

-In China a man cannot by will dispose of his land in favor of any one person, whether relative or stranger; it must be dis-tributed evenly among all his male children without exception.

-A paper published in Greenland is said to have the longest name ever given to a newspaper, but as the people of Greenland can see to read until nearly midnight, that doesn't matter much.

-In the loft of an Oldtown, Me., store are 10,000 fancy baskets, the result of the work of Oldtown Indians during the last winter. They are of all shapes and colors, and insured for \$6,000.

-We owe many things to Japan, but it is not generally known that the pheasant of our preserves can trace its pedigree on one side to the more brilliant bird of the Land of the Rising Sun. Such is, however, the

-Bullets made of precious stones are rarities in warfare. But during the recent fighting on the Kashmir frontier, when the British troops defeated the rebellious Hun-zas, the natives used bullets of garnets en-cased in lead.

-In an old trunk in a forgotten corner of a garret of a house in Martinsville, Ind., the other day, were found \$10,000 in gold coin. It is supposed to have been deposited there by the father of the present owner of the place many years ago.

-Pliny tells of an Arabian giant, Gabara, 9 feet 9 inches, the tallest man in the days of Claudius. John Middleton, born at Hale, in Lancashire, in the time of James I., was 9 feet 3 inches in height; his hand was 17 inches long and 83 inches broad.

-Hand-mirrors of metal are still in common use in Oriental countries. In China and Japan they are usually made of bronze, slightly convex and about 12 inches in di-ameter. The Japanese woman who is so fortunate as to ow a mirror regards it as the most precious of her possessions.

-The Ecclesiastical Commissionersthat is to say, the Church of England-pocket by far the greater share of the mining royalties exacted in the County of Durham. The total of these royalties last year is esti-mated at about £520,999, and of this enor-mous sum about one-third went to the chure

-The population of the German Empire was 49,428,470 on December 1, 1890. The relative numbers of the federated German States A univers of the Prussia 29,557,357; Bavaria, 5,594,982; Suxony, 3,592,684; Wurtemberg, 2,636,532; Baden, 1,637,867; Elsass-Lothringen, 1,692,566; Hesse, 992,583; Thenumber of males in Prussia on the census day was 14,769,151. —It is not uncommon to see The famine-

ompany. The interpretation of the play as stricken districts of Russia families wandering about with a cart full of coffins fr

-The colors of Great Britain are red and

blue; of the United States, stars on the blue

colors are red, white and plue; the Bavarian,

red: those of Denmark, red with a white

red; mose of Denmark, red with a wine cross; those of France, blue, white and red; of the Netherlands, red, white and blue: of Portugal, blue and white; of Prussia, white; of Russia, white, with a blue cross; of Spain, black, yellow and red; of Switzerland, red with a white cross; of China, yellow; of Mex-ico, green, white and red.

-Some insects are remarkable, not only

JOKELETS FROM JUDGE,

Charles-Miss Spindle has pretty teeth,

ong which they live. They are for

with white and red stripes. The

CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS.

-Every hare on a farm costs or wastes nnually 4s. 6d. at least; every rabbit 2s. -The University of Oxford has appliances for printing in 150 different languages. -Sixteen skeletons of ancient Indians

were recently dug up in a field near Merced, Col. -Out of the 32 ducal and princely fami-

lies established by Napoleon I., It are ex--There are said to be 1,500 snakes known

to naturalists, but that only a few of them are po -The export of apples to Europe from

Portland, Me., will be 1,000,000 barrels larger this year than last. -Arrow heads covered with hieroglyphics were an interesting find in Lake county, Col., recently.

-Gustave Dore, who never saw the Niagara Falls, put upon canvas one of the grandest paintings of them ever executed.

-Two-thirds of the total number of children under ten years of age in the United Kindom are insured in one form or another.

-In a court in Mississippi an important case was interrupted because one of the invors caught the mumps and gave it to the other 11. -At an English wedding recently the

bride, in default of a male relative to perform that office, was given away by a young-

should not be allowed to lag, now that the money is on hand to go on with it.

#### THE TRUSTS' GREAT MISSION.

The energy with which the anthracite coal combination pursues its mission of cheapening the cost of coal by its superior business organization is strikingly shown by its advance of 15@25 cents per ton in the East last week, the rates to the Western people having been previously advanced 25 cents.

Likewise, the appointed mission of the trusts to confer benefits on the people was exemplified by the Electric Trust, with \$50,000,000 of fiat capital, in its attempt to justify some portion of that dronsical capitalization by charging the World's Fair \$1,200,000 more than a competitive price for electric lights. Of course, the SugarTrust pursues the same disinterested mission by its recent addition to the cost of sugar for this nation of about \$15,000,000 annually.

If the rusts keep on cheapening things this way the cost of living will be cheapened so far as to be out of sight for the ordinary laboring man.

#### THE PUTATIVE OPPOSITION.

As a supplement to the review of the situation as regards the selection of delegates to the Democratic National Convention, made recently by THE DISPATCH, a summary of the action of States in sending delegates to the Republican gathering is interesting. Such an one is presented by thorizing railroads to levy charges on the New York Commercial Advertiser with | inter-State freight, but, as Justice Bradley regard to the action of 31 conventions, including two Territories and the District of Columbia. The showing on the Republican side differs somewhat from the strong preponderance of Cleveland on the Democratic side. It is true for the use of its improvements cannot be that Harrison is the only candidate in the field, but of the 31 conventions only tweive, sending 248 delegates, are instructed for him. These include the Monongaheia river from tolls. But the Southern States, the doubtful State of In- way to accomplish this is by condemnation diama, and the Republican States of Ne- of and compensation for the improvements braska and South Dakota. In three of the Southern States there is a dispute as to the regularity of the instructions, and in South Dakota the instructions were only carried by a very close vote. On the other hand 14 Northern States, two Southern, two Southwestern Territories and the District of Columbia have sent 390 uninstructed delegates after formally indorsing the administration.

This showing of 63 per cent more delegates that are not pledged to Harrison than the number which are is widely and lucifer matches, to impose higher taken as indicating a shaky outlook for duties on wines and spirits, and so forth, the President's renomination. That all with the hope of adding \$5,000,000 to would be a legitimate conclusion if there the revenue. This suggests to the Press were one or more candidates whom the | that "it might be an opportune time to the fact is that there is no opposing candidate, and the character of the Great Un- States." instructed makes it difficult for them to unite on an available man. If the 390 tions. First, that Spain has frequently could take up Gresham, for example, it and forcibly declared that the one thing might put a new face on the political she will never do is to sell her sovereignty situation. But Gresham is the last man of the Island of Cuba. In other words, whom the leaders of this element would Spain will not do it on any terms. The accept. The fact is that 200 of 390 un- other objection is that while it would be uninstructed are under the direction of poli- fortunate for the United States to embark ticians who have more concern with the on any policy of territorial acquisition, the distribution of patronage than with the one property of all others which she does direction of national policy. Harrison is not want is that land of bandits, ex-slaves in a position to deal with these gentlemen | and unrepublican landed proprietors-that more immediately and promptly than any breeding place of lotteries and yellow

these considerations, however, the employment of such tactics indicates the heat of passion and the stern determination which animate the southern revolutionists. whose performances are too often regarded here as a harmless pastime.

NOT LIKELY TO HOLD GOOD. It would be a very comfortable thing for the river coal men if the theory of Mr. Grant, of Morgantown, that there is no law allowing tolls to be charged on inter-State freight by the Monongahela Navigation Company, were to stand the test of the courts. It would likewise be a very bad thing for the Monongahela Navigation Company. But we would not advise the river men to bank much on obtaining such a decision, nor is there any need for the Navigation Company's stockholders to unload their investments in expectation of such a ruling.

The slack water improvement stands on the same legal foundation as a railroad, and both of them on the same basis as the old turnpike improved by a corporation. All are highways improved under corporate charters from the States. They are of different classes, being water highways and land highways of characters each adapted to different sorts of vehicles. Their right to charge tolls rests on State charters; and any constitutional rule which required inter-State freight to pass free over one class would apply equally to all. There is no national statute aucogently pointed out in his dissenting opinion in Wabash vs Illinois, the railroads derive that right from State legislation. Besides that, in natural equity the right of a corporation to charge a toll disregarded without injustice.

THE DISPATCH has heretofore clearly declared itself in favor of freeing the made by the Navigation Company. The United States has commenced this work, and the part of those interested in making the river free of tolls is to urge on the rather leisurely process.

#### A JOINT OBSTACLE.

Our esteemed jingo cotemporary the New York Press notes that Spain is in

such financial difficulties that it is proposed to increase taxation on numerous industries, to put stamp duties on tobacco some worthier object for his talents than uninstructed delegates could take up. But inquire diplomatically at Madrid if she is Chicago Times.] willing to dispose of Cuba to the United

It might be if it were not for two object

other candidate-except perhaps that the | fevers known as Cuba. In other words, | coming forward.

SENATOR SHEEMAN seems to have reconsidered his refusal to ever enter the field or the Presidental nomination. He has in timated to a Chicago man that he would not refuse if offered the prize, and, singularly enough, the Chicago man believed him.

FULLER details are necessary to substantiate that rumor that Cieveland fathers a Presidental boom for the Chief Justice.

EXPERTS declare that the air of the United States Senate chamber is not o very bad quality, in spite of a general belief to the contrary. Can this be explained by "leave to print" in the Record instead of personal delivery on current topics?

A MAYOR should be a great deal more than a figurehead, but a head for figures is a useful possession for such an officer.

IF weather in Philadelphia be such as it is in Pittsburg, the strike of 500 grammar school boys may be explained by dolence which accompanies spring fever more readily than by a change of principals.

#### IT is about time for Coleman Drayton and Aurelian Scholl to see if they can shoot. so they will not feel lonely.

As the fine for sealing in Bering Sea is twice as much under the American law as under the English, poachers should pray for arrest by British vessels. Or, better still, avoid danger from either by regarding the

A MISS Is as good as a mile, and it appears that in the Allegheny postoffice she is better than a Myler.

WHILE Anarchists confine their efforts to sell-destruction in the manner of the fanatical crank who hanged himself in the Central station, they will achieve more popularity than they can otherwise compass.

DEEMING is now "in irons." In a short time it will be difficult to locate him so definitely.

A CONSERVATORY of glass and iron is peculiarly typical of Pittsburg's industries, and its contents should arouse thusiasm than exists at present in the pursuit of the beautiful.

IT is the magnetic pole that now forms the center of attraction to Arctic explorers.

SURELY Deeming has crimes enough on his head without adding authorship to the list. But perhaps this last offence is only a final effort to demonstrate his insanity.

He May Have to Retire McKeesport Herald.]

It many more of the Law and Order spies are shown up in their true light McGuro should return to his country home and seek

the Sunday newspaper.

Old Enough to Have Silver Threads It is about time that a store of precious metals was accumulated by the Grant Monu-ment Association of New York. The asso-

ciation is certainly old enough to have silver threads among the gold. Worse Than a Thunder Storm Tolego Commercial.]

Presently the noise and confusion of Demo cratic hosts clashing together will be heard in the land. Democrats never did dwell in mony and peace.

Backward About Coming Forward. St. Louis Republic.]

If, as alleged, there is a strong Hill sentiment in Texas it is very backward about

care of all day. It is an excellent institubut if she reaches there she will land in the tion and does a great deal of good work in a modest, unassuming way. bastile in short order, as both she and the object of her visit are too well known to THE German fair in Old City Hall is progressing most satisfactorily. There was a very large attendance yesterday both for

object of her visit are too well known to escape the Russian police. She wanted to go with the Red Cross relief to the famme stricken districts and would then leave and then elude the viginance of the officials and assist the Nihilists. But Mrs. Kraemer's plans were discovered and she was dropped from the list of those to go by the Tynehead. However, she has disappeared and it is believed she is trying to go on her own account. The Bussian dinner and supper, and the entertainmen was unusually good. The Germania Band gives a concert every evening, and last night the church choirs of Mt. Washington and to go on her own account. The Russian secret police are said to be closely on her track and watching every movement. Mrs. Kraemer is a naturalized Polish woman, who has lived in this country nearly all her life. Homestead rendered vocal music. A feature of to-day will be a visit of the little ones from the Orphans' Home at West Liberty. They will go to the fair in a body. The room containing contributions from the Em-

#### POOR BEN'S TROUBLES.

#### General Butler Again Sued by the C. F. Jewett Publishing Company,

Boston, May 3.-[Special.]-General B. F. Butler has to withstand further litigation thing for the fair, and all fave responded. The Empress of Germany sent a porcelain placque, accompanied by an autograph let-ter, in which she expressed her entire sympathy with the cause for which the fair is given. The placque is decorated with a picture in colors of Sanssoci Castle, the favorite residence of the old Emperor William, granufather of the present Kaiser. Mrs. Governor Pattison on account of his book. Suit was yesterday gun in the Suffolk county Supreme Judicial Court in which the General figures as the defendant and is such for \$50,000. The plaintiff is the C. F. Jewett Publishing Com-pany, who claim that the General has vio-lated the terms of a contract made with it on September 15, 1889, wherein it is alleged he agreed to give it the work of publishing his book.

his book. General Butler will have 30 days within which to respond to the allegations. A former suit was brought by the same plain-tiff against the General, seeking to have the court order him to perform his part of the alleged contract. This last named suit went to the Supreme Court full bench on ques-tions of law. tions of law.

### PIERCE'S BOOMER DEAD.

#### George B. Proctor, Who Made a Fresiden Dies at the Age of 84.

PERTINENT AND PERSONAL.

poser, is seriously ill in Paris.

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lie library.

An interesting wedding took place in Bosron, May 3.-[Special.]-Mr. George B. Proctor, of Wellesley, Mass., who made himthe East End last night in the Park Avenue Church. The couple were Miss Amelia May self famous half a century ago by starting the Presidental boom of Franklin Pierce, Smith and Mr. Dean D. Goewey, and they were made one by Rev. Mr. Chalfant, the the Presidental boom of Franklin Pierce, died Monday aged & years. From 1842 to 1852 he had charge of the Democratic head-quarters in this city, and when Franklin Pierce came home from the Mexican War his Boston friends rallied about him and at the old headquarters they started the boom which bore him on its tide into the doors of the White House. At that time party headquarters was a decided innovation, and this movement, which put Pierce into the Presidental chair, was undoubtedly the first one of importance from such a source. pastor. The bride wore a cream white crepe de chine robe, with pearl passementerie, he de chine robe, wich pearl passementerie, her veil being held in place with a spray of orange blossoms. The maid of honor was Miss Sadie Lawton, who wore a lavendar gown, trimmed with chiffon, and carried lavendar hiacs. The ushers were Lou Latty, Lon Stewart, Will Means and James Adams. The happy pair have gone to Niagara Falls and Canada for the honeymoon.

made public.

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LAST night the commencement exercises of the Monongahela City High School took place in the Opera House, in the presence of a immense audience. A pretty idea in the preparation of the very tasteful invitation AMBROISE THOMAS, the well-known com was the insertion of the words "Unfinished Still," intimating that the real school days commence in the world after the graduating commence in the world after the graduating and receiving of diplomas from the authori-ties of the High School. The graduates were as follows: Harriet Hamilton Hazzard, Laura Irene Carson, Margaret Eleanor Al-ten, Florence Rosella Dickerson, Mary Catharine Briggs, Jane B. Bewalt, Margaret Cecilia Cassady, Emily Clarke Byers, Mary Jane Anderson, Evelyn Van Voorhis, Mary Elmira Pollock, Cora Latta, William Taggart Dawalt. Dewalt

COLONEL JAMES FAIRMAN, A. M., son of an officer of Bernadotte's army and an artist, traveler and orator, delivered an address on art before the students and fac

ulty of the Western University yesterday. The speaker held the attention of his audi-The speaker held the attention of his aud-tors for nearly an hour and was well re-warded by the heavy applause which greeted him at the close. Chancellor Hol-land at the close of the Colonel's address spoke in warm appreciation of what he styled the education of the discourse, and expressed the hope that ers long Pittsburg would inaugurite a legitimate school of art would inaugurate a legitimate school of art on a scale and in premises worthy of the wealth and intelligence of the Iron City.

THE Cornopolis cornet band gave a spien-did concert in the Presbyteman church, Cornopolis, last evening under the direction of Mr. Thomas F. Kirk. The band rendered or Mr. Thomas F. KIK. The band rendered several good selections, concluding with a number that was applauded as heartily as anything during the evening. It was en-titled "A Good Humored Band." Among the well-known artists that took part were

making a pathetic and romantic figure of the unlucky Queen of Scots. Mr. Thalberg any about with a cart init committee church to church, until they can find a priest who will perform the last rites gratis. They are often finally forced to bury their relatives themselves, and the piece of ground allotted to them as a cemetery by the municipality of Tumen is already over-crowded with graves. played the Earl of Leleester with quiet in-tensity, and Miss Kute Meek cave a dis-tinctly clever performance as Queen Bess, who is anything but "good" as Schiller paints her. A fair-sized audience appreci-ated the good acting and the play. To-night "Much Ado About Nothing" will be played the given. -It has been computed that for every

#### BOOMS THAT ARE BACKWARD.

UNLUCRY MARY STUART.

Schiller's Powerful Play.

"Mary Stuart," Schiller's powerful drama,

MCKEESPORT, May 3.

bird of the rarer species-such as the hum-ming bird, the orange and scarlet cock of MR. CLEVELAND has bought a new house in the rock, the oriole, and the kingfisher-that is worn in a woman's headgear, at least New York. This may be a happy omen for ten have suffered the death pang; counting the have some who die of starvation, the that "good Western man .- Chicago Times. ten have suffered the death pang; counting in the young who die of starvation, the wounded which ify away to drop down and die in the woods or among the reeds, and those which are mutilated and destroyed by the peliets so much as to be unavailable for purposes of decoration. No convention of any State mentions "Senator Hill's man Friday"-Governor Flower-for Presidental nominee.-Chicago Inter-Ocean Governor Borrs' boom is as big as the Black

was opened yesterday for the first time. hawk county convention can make it, and there may be very good growing weather by and by .- Toledo Commercia

IF Senator Hill reads the proceedings of the various State Democratic Conventions he must have begun to wonder where he comes in .- Chicago Tribune. Some of the county gatherings in Iowa de-

clare for Boies. The State Convention, too, will indorse him, but it will be careful to tell the old Emperor William, grandfather of the present Kaiser. Mrs. Governor Pattison sent a very kind letter, with a pretty linen table square. Mrs. Garfield's contribution was a dainty handkerchief case, and Mrs. McKinley's ten pairs of knitted invalid slip-pers. Mrs. McKinley is herself an invalid, and the slippers are her own work. A fancy workbox and brocaded pincushion, made by the wife of the Indian cnief, Yellowhead, of Canada, are among the interesting articles shown. One present, that cannot be put on exhibition in the hall, is a building lot at Bell's station, on what is known as the Little the delegates to vote for Cleveland first .-St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

JOHN SHERMAN must feel queer to see his in possessing protective coloring, but also a wonderful change of form. Such as the name put forward by the sliver statesmen as their candidate for Presidental honors. leaf and stick insects, which deceive even the practiced eye, so closely do they re The silver act of 1890 is responsible for this emble in shape and coloring the leaves and phenomenon .- Boston Herald. twig= am Tow REED's yellow shoes and red sash

twige among which they live. They are for the most part large, sort, defense less creat-ures, and would readily fall a prey to the countless multitudes of insect enters were it not for the almost perfect manner in which they simulate the objects around them. would make a picturesque entry on the Presidental course. But the chances are he would not be able to count a quorum on his side at Minneapolis .- St. Louis Republic. them. SENATOR SHERMAN is not a candidate for the

Presidency, but his refusal to answer hypothetical questions would seem to indicate that he might take the nomination if it were offered to him. Who wouldn't?-Cleveland asn't she? Leader.

DEATHS HERE AND ELSSWHERE.

Dr. John C. McQuiston,

Dr. John C. McQuiston, of the Southside, died Monday night at his home. Plenie street and Berg avenue. He had been til some time past,

suffering from inflammation of the bowels. He wa

suffering from inflammation of the bowels. He wa 35 years old and is survived by a wife and fou children. He was a member of the Southside Med-ical Society and the staff of the Southside Hospital Last evening an autopsy was held by the deceased' fellow physicians to ascertalu the exact cause of teath.

Hon, William Henderson, Indiana.

Obituary Notes.

an, is dead.

COUNT HOLSTEINBORG, the eminent Danish

ROBERT D. FOWLER, of the Anglo-American

Maude (spitefully)-Yes, and quite reasonable. If you have rowed against the tide,

And all your ready cash is spent: If you have nothing left but pride The landlord's sure to raise the rent, "Who was Atlas?

"A famous highwayman,"

"What?" "A highwayman. He held up the earth."

Mr. Plowshare (approaching hotel clerk's eak)-I'd like tu git a room.

Clerk (in a loud voice)-Front. Mr. Plowsnare-No; a back un'll du ef it comes any cheaper. (Sotto-voce) Wonder how he knowed I was deef.

He growls about the coffee and he grumbles at the steak:

He makes remarks about the bread his mother used to bake. And fosters the impression with his weary little

wife That her cooking is the worst he ever tackled in his

life. But at noon he seeks the lunch-room and he grabs

chunk of ple And struggles in a manner that brings moisture to

dence in Boston, of pneumonia, aged 39 years. Mr. Cole has been a frequent contributor to the Paris saluo, and his pictures have been of a supe-rior order of excellence. the eye: He tosses down the sky-blue milk they ladle to the

berd. And hands his money to the clerk and never says a

An Important Advantage.-Adlet-Murerers in New York State have one thing in their

THOMAS HOHLER, formerly a prominent English favor. opera singer, who married the Dowager Duchess of Newcastic, is dead at Monte Carlo. Gasket-Do you think it is an advantage to be HERMAN COSACE, SR., head of the lithographing and publishing frm of Cosack & Co., of Buffalo, died Monday morning, aged 66 years. electrocuted?

Adlet-Certainly. They can say they were not rn to be hanged. Briggs-What is the trouble with Miss

JOHN B. MURPHY, superintendent of the south-ern division of the West Jersey Railroad, died Pinkerly and her sister? I hear that they don't uddenly of paralysis of the heart Saturday, at his nome in Miliville, N. J. He was 27 years old. neak.

Griggs-No. They very foolishly joined the same church.

Whether fixed up or just as they grow, There's no fruit of which I'm more fond; For the only kind I can't go. 1 find, is the strawberry blonde.

Penfield-You know that girl that Bangle ook to the theater so much? I believe they are engaged

Miss Dunn-Why; has it been announced? Penfield-No; but he has stopped taking her to the theater and goes to church with her now every unday evening.

Provision Company, Chicago, died yesterday morning in London of typhoid fever. Mr. Fowler was born in the neighborhood of Beifast, Ireland, and was about 53 years old. His fortune is esti-mated at \$1,500,000. Social Chatter. REV. JOHN K. DEMAREST, D. D., pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Gettysburg, died at his mother's residence in Hackensack Sunday night, in listoft year, of consumption. He was past of the Getlysburg church 17 years, and whe forced to guil preaching a few weeks since he ten dered his resignation, which was not accepted and he was continued under full salary.

SENATOR STANFORD contemplates giving his Nob Hill residence in San Francis to the State to be converted into a free pub-

A GREAT deal of anxiety has been caused in Catholic circles by Archbishop Kenricks' inability to flil his confirmation engage-

EMPEROR WILLIAM will visit Queen Victoria in August next. He will arrive at Cowes on the imperial yacht Hohenzollern

on August 1. ONE of the prettiest girls in Utah-rather a dubious compliment, perhaps--is Mrs. R. W. Sloan, of Salt Lake City, who is a granddaughter of Brigham Young.

MISS ANNA DICKINSON, who was seriously ill at New York where she was stopping, was much better yesterday morning, and her physician pronounces her out

of danger. DR. MANSFIELD MERRIMAN, of Lehigh University, has been offered the chair of Mathematics in the Chicago University at a

salary of \$7,000 a year. He has taken no action regarding the offer.

THE Rev. Dr. George H. McGraw, who has been the pastor of St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal Church in New York, for the last three years, has formally renounced the Methodist faith and has been confirmed in the Episcopal Church.

Hon. William Henderson, one of the I oldest and most prominent lawyers of Indiana, dropped dead at noon yesterday, at his home in Indianapolis. Mr. Henderson was 72 years old and was a lifelong friend of the late Vice Presi-dent Hendricks. Mr. Henderson leaves a wife, daughter and son, the latter, Rev. W. R. Hender-son, being managing editor of the St. Louis Mid-Continent. J. Foxeroft Cole, Landscape Painter, The well-known landscape painter, J. Foxcroft Cole, died Monday evening, at his res