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THE LATEST COURT PROCEEDINGS. Before the last echoes of the Homestead affair die away in the courts, the public will be thoroughly informed upon the law of riots. The latest step is the prosecution of the officials of the Carnegie Company for murder. Judge Ewing admitted some to bail yesterday upon a preliminary hearing and postponed action in the cases

It is essentially proper that if the agents of the Carnegie Company offended against the law in the Homestead proceedings they should be held to accountability as strictly as the other parties. Judge Ewing from the Bench yesterday intimated that there was a wide difference between the status of the Pinkerton men and that of the strikers assembled on the river bank. The Judge was disposed to hold the one as upon a lawful, the other upon an unlawful mission. On the other hand, various attorneys, going upon the reports of the disturbance in the newspapers, have been quoted as contending that the Pinkertons and the Homestead people were all rioters together. This is evidently the view of Lawyer Brennen and his associates.

There is no room to doubt that the facts will be fully brought forth and the law justly administered before the court. Whether the Carnegie Company acted within its legal rights or not, in bringing on the Pinkerton men with arms to take possession of its property, there are no two opinions now that the proceeding was tactically a blunder, and that a simple application to our county courts would have been sufficient to thoroughly reinstate the company in its rights. But whether there was an actual violation of the law in any of the proceedings of the company-or any such violation as to justify the present grave charges against its officers and agents—is a matter of such gravity as, in the face of the informations lodged, to be properly determined only upon the sworn

BLAINE ON THE STUMP.

The announcement is now definitely | C made that Blaine's oratory and personality will be at his party's service on the opening of and during the campaign in Maine. This is but a confirmation of the expectations of his many friends and a striking refutation of the murmurings of such few enemies as he has. All his admirers will rejoice in this manifestation of his health and vigor, notwithstanding the recent blow he received by the death of his son

Blaine is no individual so absorbed in self as to mope after the selection of another when he was in the field for the Presidental nomination. Even what is known as a good party man would show his allegiance to his party's ticket as Blaine has done and will do. And Blaine is more than a good party man; he is a patriotic statesman, imbued with the belief that in Protection lies his country's greatest good. Therefore, he throws himself into the fight, destitute of personal ambition, and devoted to the prosperity of America. On all sides the ranks of the Protective army are closing in, and victory is as much a certainty as logical arguments and solid unanimity can make it.

NORTHWESTERN RECIPROCITY.

While the politicians of the country are considering the question of straining our commercial relations with Canada to the point of rupture, the commercial interests of the Northwest are taking altogether another view. The Chambers of Commerce of Duluth, St. Paul, Fargo and other Northwestern cities have taken action in favor of calling a conference of representatives of the United States and Canada on the subject of reciprocity, to be held at Grand Forks on the 1st of September. The movement is supported by prominent citizens of Winnipeg and Manitoba. The influence of the Northwest on both sides will clearly be exerted in favor of improved instead of suspended trade rela-

It is natural to suppose that the object of improving our trade relations with Canada will be better subserved by friendly conference than by quarreling with her. If the policy of offering the gains of increased trade does not secure the correction of any injustice on Canada's part in tolls on her canals, the policy of retaliation may be made necessary. But it is much wiser to first exhaust the means of conciliation. Such a conference as is proposed would be the surest means of improving relations. As it represents large and growing sections of both countries, it is likely to have a double effect. It will not only stimulate public opinion in favor of reciprocal trade between Canada and the United States, but also indicate to the politicians of both countries that the interests of their Western populations are not to be lightly jeopardized by unnecessary quar-

We think that the conference as pro posed will be productive of much more good than the attempt to conciliate Can-

ada with a club. NOT A DEMOCRAT. A journalistic worshiper of David B. Hill discovers a determination on the part of that politician that he will not go to duce in the minds of our cotemporary any reflection on Europe's gain. On the contrary, it leaps to the conclusion that the Senator will be found doing work in the

canvass when the proper time comes, as "Senator Hill is a Democrat." This declaration of Senator Hill's De-

mocracy has been frequent since he sought advertisement for himself by that means. But while there may be two opinions whether a man is necessarily the sum of all virtues because he is a Democrat, there can be no doubt that if a man is not what he claims to be he is a fraud. The only possible definition of a Democrat is a man who believes in and supports the principles of the Democratic party. The authoritative declaration of Democratic principles was made by the party through its regularly elected delegates in national convention. Consequently, according to all party ethics, if Senator Hill is a Democrat he must stand by the platform of his

party. But this is exactly what Senator Hill has not done. The Democratic platform declared against free coinage or any other monetary device which would fail to maintain the present standard. Senator Hill voted for free coinage, and in doing so not only misrepresented the State of New York, but denied and forsook formal and authoritative Democratic principles. It is, therefore, cogent to remark, whenever we are confronted with that Hill selftrumpeting "I am a Democrat," that the assertion, like David B. Hill himself, is a fraud.

OBSERVATIONS OF MARS.

Our nearest planetary neighbor Mars naturally occupies a good deal of attention at present. Having reached his closest proximity yesterday, the astronomers of the world were busily occupied in observ-ing his peculiarities. While Schiaparellis' alleged canals have been observed, the duplication of them has not yet been perceived, and up to date the evidences of life which it was thought possible might be discovered by the improved instruments of the day have not yet been noted. Some bright projections have been seen on the south west limb which are not fully explained. It is not thought, however, that they are the much-talked-of signals from the Martial inhabitants, but are probably mountain peaks or some other phenomena which retract the light.

The most interesting of the observations are those taken of the two moons of Mars. That planet seems to be well supplied with moons, but the fact is the two together do not amount to a good-sized moon such as the earth has. The smallest is about eight miles in diameter and the largest about twenty. The utter departure from mun dane standards is shown by the fact that the smaller moon revolves about the planet in less than eight hours, is a "new moon" three times a day and has been seen to go through its four phases in a single

It is evident that a planet where they have new moons three times a day is not bound by any of the conventions known to earth. It may be questioned whether, if there are any inhabitants in Mars, the utter absence of common ideas, indicated by the divergence in such fundamental matters as the phases of the moon, would not preclude any communication. How would we, for instance, communicate with a people whose sun rose only once in three months? We may imagine the Martialists looking down on the earth with a similar contempt as a wretched planet where it takes a moon nearly 720 hours to go through its changes; as a body which is wholly incapable of sustaining life.

It is evident that the present opposition of Mars will give a large addition to our astronomical knowledge. The power of observation by improved instruments has been greatly enhanced. Vast fields of knowledge are discovered by the addition to the power of the telescope.

CUBAN RUMORS.

There are now rumors of an uprising in The proposition in Spain to farm out the Cuban revenues has excited dissatisfaction, as well it might, and consequently rumors are rife of a revolt which is hoped to be strong enough to throw off the Spanish rule.

There is reason, however, to believe that any expectation of a successful revo-lution in Cuba is mainly due to the wish that it may be so. There is no doubt that Cuba is fearfully misgoverned; but it has been misgoverned for centuries. An Anglo-Saxon population would long ago have thrown off the yoke; but the mixed races which form the mass of the Cuban population have not the vigor necessary to effect such a revolution. The intelligence leadership and wealth of the island are in the hands of Spaniards or those who are loyal to Spain. This is the only explanation of the invariable failure of all other revolts, and it is likely to have the same effect on all similar attempts in the near

It would be desirable for the United States to have Cuba placed under an intelligent and progressive Government of her own people. But, besides the very grave doubt whether the Cuban population is capable of maintaining such a Government, the United States cannot wisely meddle with the support of any such desperate undertaking as the attempt of the revolutionists to overthrow the Spanish rule. Our trade relations with the island have recently been greatly improved under the Spanish Government, and they should not be broken off by a useless ex-

hibition of enmity. If there were any reasonable hope that the Cubans could free themselves from Spain and maintain a stable Government, considerations of trade should not debay them from our sympathy. But that prospect is so exceedingly remote that the United States cannot wisely do anything but hold aloof and prevent its territory from being made the base of insurrectionary incursions upon Cuba.

ANTI-TROLLEY HUMBUG. The factitious nature of the attempt to

make the public believe in certain cities

that the trolley is exceptionally deadly is revealed in a striking light by the last article in the New York World on that subject. This article contains a list of the accidents on the electric lines in Columbus for the year ended with the first of this month. It gives a list of 76 alleged accidents, and of that number there was exactly one caused by electric shock due to the peculiar nature of the trolley wire. The other 75 were such as any method of transit faster than the horse cars is liable to; and some of them are common to the horse cars. For instance, when we find the list swelled by such examples as the following: "Unknown woman severely injured while stepping off car," we are impelled to ask whether it is the view of the opponents of the trolley that cars should be furnished which people will not have to step off from. It is the case that 14 of the 76 alleged casualties were those of persons injured while getting on or off the cars, a class of accidents only possible from the carelessness Europe. This startling fact does not in- or weakness of the passengers. Almost the entire list of casualties thus produced to show the deadly nature of the trolley system proves nothing of the sort. It may prove that there is risk in providing rapid transit with greater speed than the snaillike pace of the horse cars; but so far as the peculiar nature of the trolley is con-

cerned the search after accidents due

from it yields surprisingly small returns. The trolley should be abolished when a practical substitute is found for it, on account of its incumbrance of the streets. But the evident attempt to manufacture calamity lists with which it can be charged proves its own falsity by the fact that about 98 per cent of the casualties cited so far are not due to the trolley at all

THERE must be something seriously the matter with the 800 residents of Addison, or surely there would have been enough men among them to take a long-range shot at Frank Cooley and Jack Ramsey when they appeared there in broad daylight armed only with revolvers. With substantial monetary rewards and the gratitude of Fayette county to be obtained by a capture of the thieves, it looks as though something close akin to cowardice could alone have prevented an attempt at arrest by decent

ALABAMA'S election indicates more clearly than anything else that the Third party has overestimated its strength this year with more than its usual exaggera-

CONGRESS has kept things altogether too tong in statu quo. And, if it disregard the na-tion's ultimatum that it selects reasonable modus operandi in short order, it will be delib-erately providing the people with a casus belli which will result in its having to adopt a modus vivendi of no vacation, as the summer resorts will become a mare clausum.

No one can accuse Cleveland of putting a fictitious value on his autograph. It seems that his signature can be obtained by anyone who takes the trouble to write to him.

Ir appears that all the Allegheny Board of School Controllers has to do to insure a balance at the end of its financial year is to raise the salary of its teachers. This is a method of procedure which cannot fail to give a very general satisfaction to all conerned, and is likely to become quite popu-

WITH the announcement that Blaine will take the stump in Maine on his party's be-half, suggestions of disunion in the Protec-tion forces should end once for all.,

IF Congressional Representatives took as much time to think as they do to talk it is probable that the deadlock would be ever-lasting. But on the rare occasions when legislation happened to be enacted, it is presumable that it would be characterized by more wisdom than appears as a rule now.

POSTON is to see the launching of a war vessel for the first time since 1975, and of course the occasion will be duly celebrated with a regular bean feast.

Now that all leaves of absence to members of the House have been revoked, that happy-go-lucky body may suddenly awake to the fact that it is not only making a laughing-stock of itself, but also occasioning unnecessary inconvenience for itself as well as for the country.

CONGRESS is so divided against itself that even a proposition to double the sal-aries of all Representatives would probably neet with opposition.

IF Kaiser Wilhelm would confine himself to yacht racing and attendance at fashionable English regattas, while leaving affairs of state in abler hands and to the cooler heads, he might succeed in doing little enough mischief to retrieve his lost popularity.

SAM SMALL will be a smaller Sam than ever now that he has been detented in his candidacy for Congressman of the Fifth district of Georgia.

SENATOR CAMERON refuses to express an opinion on any political questions. No doubt his realization of the mistake he made in opposing the Shiras confirmation has frightened him into a temporary silence that is complete while it lasts.

MARS must be held responsible for a good deal of star.gazing, both amorous and scien-

Ir office seeks the man in Allegheny, the Mayoralty will be somewhat embarrassed in making a selection from the number of men who have expressed a willingness to take charge of it after February.

A DOUBLE-DECKER has more than twice the amount of standing room found on or-

THE World's Fair is an enormous under taking and, whether or not it prove the success that is expected, it has already estab lished a phenomenal reputation as a Congressional bone of contention.

AMERICANS who set out to "do" Europe in a month generally come back "done."

THOSE who experience more trouble in finding nothing to do than selecting a sum-mer resort to do it in are saved from the regrets that attend many who come home fter a so-called rest.

VACATION season is a time of active unrest for railroad baggage handlers.

OF course Harrity will at once relin quish the Chairmanship of the Democratic National Committee when he hears that the fuses to indorse him.

MASCOTS EN MASSE.

MR. CLEVELAND will be the guest of Frank Jones at his Sorrent residence, near Portsmouth, N. H., in early August.

JAY GOULD intends to learn how to travel around in snow shoes, and is practicing upon a combination substitute made out of tea trays and tennis bats.

THERE is no better horsewoman in Austria than the Empress and nobody who is more careful of the steed she mounts or more attentive to its training and treatment. OLIVE THORNE MILLER, the authoress.

knows about as much ornithology as a pro-fessor. She devotes six months of every year to the study of birds and birdlife. GEORGE WALTER VINCENT SMITH, of Springfield, Mass., who has been collecting paintings for 30 years, and is a much traveled

connoisseur in art, promises to present to the city of his residence all his treasures. THE Rev. Dr. Joseph Stockbridge, who is at the head of the list of chaplains in the United States navy, is the only one who has the rank of Commodore. He resides in Philadelphia. He has been in the service over 50 years.

PRINCE BISMARCK is partly of Slav origin. His ancestor emigrated to Russia in the eighteenth century and eventually be came Governor of Livonia. He was afterward sent to Siberia, but recalled some years after. His tomb has just been discovered at

Poltava. HARRISON W. CROSBY, who has just died at his home in Jamesburg, N. J., at the age of 78, discovered the art of hermetically sealing tomatoe in tin cans. He sent samples of his goods to the President and hd thereby advertised the liscovery to th

SENATOR DATED B. HILL, with a party SENATOR D. ID B. HILL, with a party of friends, let on a yachting cruise to-day. The fac that the provisions were ample and the ggage large indicated that the party was for more than a few days' cruise. The Sector said it had not been determined just where they would go nor how long they would be out.

THE Brazilian Commissioners to the World's Fair arrived in Washington yeater-day afternoon en route to Chicago from New York. All the members of the commission are distinguished men and prominent in

are distinguished men and prominent in governmental affairs. The party will re-main in Washington a day or two and pro-ceed to Chicago, where they expect to stay until the close of the exposition.

I HEAR a good deal of complaint about the condition of the Natatorium on ladies' days. There is said to be a said lack of attendance, and the accommodations are very poor. Such things as ladies need for their toilet after bathing are either totally lacking or are in such condition that they can-not be used. The attendants seem to be entirely without regard to the comfort of patrons and do not endeavor to teach them to swim or in any way make them desire to return. This is a really good thing this swimming pool, and while it was well kept it made money. It is a pity to let it run down and I doubt if those who have stock in it are aware just how it is managed.

A GENTLEMAN who owns a corner lot on Fifth avenue spent considerable money on a handsome semi-circular curbing. It was so nest it attracted the attention of the drivers of heavy wagons and they made a target of it for the wheels of their ice wagons, beer wagons, sand or stone wagons, or whatever it was they drove. In a short time the curb was like the ruins of a Roman tomb. Then the owner of the place had a heavy cast Iron affair made, and sat on his porch and en joyed the way it shook up his ancient enemies when they caromed off it about dusk. They give it a wide berth now, which is an indelation of the wanton way in which exposed property is treated by some of these

"WE do comparatively little criminal business nowadays," remarked the head of a Pittsburg detective agency. "Of course we take such cases when they amount to much, but as a rule we prefer civil cases. By this I mean obtaining evidence as to patent infringements and all sorts of civil actions where an inquiry is necessary. Divorce cases or prospective divorce cases we do not touch at any price, although I suppose we are offered half a dozen such every month. Reputable agencies will not handle that sort of business."

"THE natural gas business of Pittsburg THE natural gas business of Pittsburg has taken a new lease of life," said James M. Guffey yesterday. "This is due to the results of pumping. Nearly all the companies have tried it with entire success. The company which supplies Newcastle has decided to put in a \$20,000 pumping plant and the Wheeling, People's, Manufacturers' and others have done the same. It is with gas just as it is with oil. It is cheaper and much more profitable while it flows for say six more profitable while it flows for say six months, but it will pay to pump the wells for years. I should say that with pumps the old fields would yield at least five times as much merchantable gas as before. This makes things look much brighter than they did two years ago, wells which have run down to 10 or 15 pounds can be successfully pumped and a number that have been shut off from the lines because they have dwindled will now be reconnected. There ought to be enough gas with this system in operation to supply nearly all the mills and factories from early in the spring to late in the tall. I doubt if there will be volume enough to supply them in the winter. This will set all the old fields on their feet and will do away with any scare about a scarcity. The Pinhook field is showing well for a large supply of gas and good wells elsewhere are

Some of the gas experts who hang around the Oil Exchange told me that as an example of the success of the pumping process, it was estimated that last year the People's Company, which was the first to use pumps, had sold \$250,000 of pumped gas to customers from fields which under previous conditions would not have yielded more than \$50,000 worth of gus and perhaps not that much. It requires about 300 pounds of rock pressure and ten pounds minute pressure to make a good pumping well, although less than that is worth pumping. It does not seem to drain the wells or to exhaust them after they have settled down to what seems to be a permanent supply. Some years ago a suck-ing process was tried by the Wheeling Gas Company, but it did not prove a success. Pumping costs but little and requires but a few men for a large number of contiguous wells. All the same this does not mean that gas stocks are a buy.

"Don't you know you are awfully rude?" "Perhaps I am, she replied. "Well, you shouldn't be, for everybody is supposed to have good manners." "Indeed," she retorted chillily, "well I hate anything

"LET go!" exclaimed the locomotive. "I'll be switched if I do,"retorted the freight

SUPPOSE you ran a rolling mill, or a glass house or a bakery or a restaurant or a milk route or anything to which by any hook or crook you hitch the name of busi ness, the way the Allegheny baseball club is run? How long would you be solvent? It is a funny thing, that which we call the public-which means all the other fellows.

IT is just at the coming of the twilight Close your eyes for a moment and listen There is a rustle among leaves as the winds nove them; crickets beside you somewhere in hiding shrill their jaunty piping; the tree toad's incessant grinding comes to you with a distinctness you never before noticed; many little tufts of feathers twitter from the lower limbs of the trees and from somewhere off in the valley there comes the sweet caroling of a robin, a rather rare sound for early August; listen-hush! A brown thrush litts his sweet monotony from tall tree across the ravine, those mellow notes which some has likened to the har monious sharpening of a saw; how the fellow does send out his rich thrilling tones. I have heard a man do something like it with a bassoon; there! did you hear that saucy catbird? "Sukey! Sukey!"a woman calling the cows, and tinkle tinkle, tinkle, come the slow bells down some hillside. There is just a touch of chill in the air-it is time to go home. The country? Look up and see what that is on that sign! "This property for sale in lots to suit purchasers. Apply to --- "Country? No! it is merely the wilderness ward, the Twenty-second, and the cable cars run not ten minutes' walk over there at the foot of that next hill.

WHEN the city can afford it I hope she will put some signs up along the Schenley Park drives telling the uninitiated how to get out. Those winding roads take you over stretch of lovely park, but if it is near din ner time and you are hungry it is a nuisance not to have grideboards telling you "This way to dinner," or something to that effect,

IMPRISONED IN A CYCLONE PIT. Authory's County Commissioner Resppeare

and Says He Was Abducted. Wichita, Kan., Aug. 3.—County Commis-sioner Amos Farmer, whose abduction from his home in Harper county Sunday night

caused such a commotion in that community, has reappeared on the scene. He was a prisoner for about 24 hours. Masked men, he says, entered his residence, made him get out of bed and dress, and after blindfolding and binding him with cords, placed him in a

and binding him with cords, placed him in a wagon, in which they carried him a long distance, when he was unbound.

Farmer found himself imprisoned in a cyclone pit, where he was held all day and late into last night, when his abductors again blinded him and drove him back to his home. Farmer has no clew as to the identity of his abductors. The supposition is he was set free because of failure of the other gang of abductors to secure Alex Torrill, the other Commissioner, it being necessary to have two absentees to prevent action of the board. The Commissioners met in Anthony peterday, but lailed to make the tax levy for the fraudulent bonds as commanded by the Supreme Court of the United States. They have been so violently threatened that they fear to take action, and have hired men to protect themselves and their homes from further violence.

A sure Rock to Spilt On.

New York Press.] antagonism to a free ballot and fair count, and free trade to present as "Democratic principles," the Democrats are pretty cer-tain not to get together this year.

AN ASSURED FACT.

Mr. Hill Burgwin and Colonel A. S. M. Mo

rection at once. The plans are almost identical with those published in The Disparch already, only a promise to have the building ready for occupancy by June of next year, which, judging
by past architects and contractors, is more
likely to mean a date nearer the following
year. The work will be begun in a week
and a very handsome brick building having trimmings of stone will grow up to the
front of the present home. The new home
will stand back from Penn avenue 80 feet.
There will be a frontage of 103 feet, and the
dimensions from front to rear along Forticth street are not expected to be less than
125 or 130 feet. The annex to the old Brown
mansion, the present Church Home, will be
removed and joined to the new building. It
is a very commodions part and of recent construction.

moves on the Church Home axis has in the meantime become pretty well inured to a great many discomforts.

Accommodations for old women has always of a necessity been an after thought at the Church Home, but will be so no longer, as 19 rooms in the new building will be arranged with a view to the comfort of the declining years of the respectable beneficiaries of the church.

Nearly all the managers are at their country or seaside homes, but once the season closes work will be energetically begun, and the hope is that 1894 will see a home bustly fulfilling its mission in an ornamental as well as practical manner.

Probably Mr. George L Whitney, more than any other eligible Pittsburger, is harassed by well-meaning, over-zealous friends, who insist on disposing of his heart to every pretty girl that comes along. Mr. Whitney will sail to-day from New York, but even on the deck of the Kniser William he is still to be the victim of innocent plotting. The latest summer day story is that Mr. Whitney is to become a bridegroom on his way across the Atlantic Ocean, but rumor has been very ndefinite concerning the young lady to whom he is to occupy that interesting relaionship. So far as one can speak positively of futurity the Kaiser William will not be the scene of a marriage in which Mr. Whit-

delphia, and a very clover young artist. She has been busily engaged for some time on a portrait of Mrs. Whitney, who is very much

Among those who will spend their vacation in Western Pennsylvania is Rev. D. K. Nesbit, formerly pastor of the Hazelwood Presbyterian Church, and now of Peorla will spend some time visiting friends, and on Sunday, August 14, will preach in the First Presbyterian Church. Mr. Nesbit

House will summer this year at Cape May.

Social Chatter. MR. AND MRS. D. HERBERT HOSTETTER ATO now comfortably ensconced at Shelter Island, a swell resort near Newport. They have a suite of apartments in the new hotel

MR. SMITH, of the riding school, asserts the people waiting for the rush to subside among the ranks of students of norseman-ship have created an uncommon "rush" of their own, and certainly there seems to be no diminishing force at work among the ranks of the riders in the East End.

An interesting acquisition to midsummer society circles is the young guest of the family of Mrs. J. J. Gillespie, Miss Minnie Jenkins, of New York. Miss Jenkins is a charming girl, and a daughter of a former member of the Jamous Cook firm, of excursion fame.

MR. AND MRS. WALTER L. MCCLINTOCK and Mr. Oliver McClintock have gone to Nonquit, Mass., to Join Mr. McClintock's grandfather, Mr. Abraham Garrison, who is occupying a cottage there near the cottage of Mr. John H. Ricketson. MR. GEORGE SCOTT ABBAHAM and his bride

An acquisition to Chautaugua society next week will be made in the person of Miss Eva Muller, sister of the editor of the Bullerin, who will go there next Friday, accompanied by her young niece, Miss Zena Muller.

THE A. E. W. Painter cottage at Cre has been reopened by the arrival of M Painter from the East with Miss Lane young friend, who is to be Mrs. Painte guest for some weeks.

A SMALL dinner party, strictly en famille, agreeably marked the occasion of Mr. Horace Dravo's birthday anniversary on

Miss Mann Magne is to be the guest of Miss Lewis, of Pittsburg, at the family cottage at the Thousand Islands.

MR. AND MRS. A. C. McCallax and Misses McCallax will leave on Friday the East.

ACROSS THE CONTINENT.

THERE are a great many stations between Pittsburg and the Pacific. Some are located in bustling olties, lively towns, sandy, shadeless hamlets, upon high hills, in deep valleys—some under the snow-spotted mountains, some in the shade of the cedars and the firs, some where life is scarce worth the living, where all is dead save the lone-eyed pair who see to the water tank and listen to the tick of the telegraph. You who growl at a lonesomeness in woody spot with neighborly neighbors, you who sigh with ennui and sicken at the sameness of city humdrum, could be cured by merely catching a glimpse of the sun-ridden, dust-washed, sage-sur-rounded, neighborless kennel-like habitations that dot the trackless, treeless, stream-less, tiresome prairie at five, ten. twenty, fifty-mile intervals—lonely, oh, so lonely, lifeless, listless, desolate. But someone must watch the pumps, the reservoirs, the steam-making fluid so precious and so needful; someone must listen at the key whose ticking wears away one life to save the lives of others. Martyrs be they—heroes of circum-

CHICAGO is, of course, much more tha way station. Between its bustle and the twin cities of St. Paul and Minneapolis the train stops are numerous. But get off at St. Paul when you go West and get a shave. The St. Paul shave as I got it would make a Pittsburg tonsorial expert brush with shame at what he doesn't know about making a bristly face feel fit for select company and giving a dust-filled head something to think about after a rub. Pittsburg used to pride itself on the extrestness and minuteness of its barbers. But they're not in it with the disciples of St. Paul. Perhaps it is the love of the Scanding vian for the massage that applies the hot and cold towels to the shaven phiz; that pats and caresses the freshened cheeks; that cools the blood and makes one feel that the barber chair is a necessity of civilization and a luxury well worth cultivating a rapid growth of bristle

The natty barbers of St. Paul are great shavers.

"YES, the Scandinavians are good hard workers," said a Minnesota ex-delegate to the Minneapolis convention as we whirled past the well cultivated fields, noisy sawmills and pine stretches through which the Northern Pacific has cut a comfortable pathway. "But they're the most obdurate officeseekers in the country. They simply demand something in the gift of the people in order to write back to Kanute Somebody in the Fatherland that they are getting there with both feet. The result of this persistence is that prior to all local and State elections both parties confer and decide on the placing of a Scandinavian upon each ticket. This is the only way we can hope to split the vote. Clannish? Well I should say so. They are set, too, in the customs of the Fatherland, and hold some peculiar views. I'm a lawyer, and have had business with them. If I had to defend a crimina who cut a man to pieces I'd select a jury from this wing of my State's population. They can see no harm in using the knife even with deadly effect. But if my man had used a gun then there would be no hope for him before a Scandinavian jury.
I've lived all my life among them, and I know what I'm talking about." Thus was another immigration idol slightly shattered.

"No liquors sold while in North Dakota." This was displayed on a card suspended from a chandelier in the diner as we crossed the Prohibition dead line. "Yes, here's where I live," sighed the clericallyclothed, well-fed, red-cheeked passenger "We're Prohibition to the core out here—or the surface, at least. I don't believe Pro-hibition pronibits, however, and in this foriorn grass-growing section it only makes people more miserable and sneaking than otherwise."

"BEING in North Dakota reminds me of a little story which someone—presumably an enemy of the State—once told me," chimed in a listener. "One day a prairie schooner holding a cadaverous looking pair and a rising generation struck a ranch somewhere out here and applied for hospi-tality. Tethered to the canvas-backed wheeler was a runty, emaciated steer, seemriosity was aroused, and he asked the owner why he was leading such a scrawny speci-men of live stock over the country. The traveler's eyes sparkled as he solved the mystery thus: 'Why stranger, that steer's to me a precious specimen of hide and hoof. You see, stran rer. I settled down on a quarter section in see I've lived through it all. Well, one day a tellow came along with this here little steer. After much haggling he agreed to swap it for 80 acres of my ranch. We went to the Justice to put it on legal paper, and while lawing there I found out that the law sharp couldn't read writin'. There's when I got my work in and secured the best of the trade. I just altered the document by slipping in another 80 acres. That's why I'm here now. The runt represents a quan ter section of North Dakota soil and is a living example of my ability to drive a good

This was good enough to sleep on. The wasible truth of it dawned when we awoke

WYOMING has a bad name. Out in its vicinity they say it's the wickedest section of the Union. It's the home of the rustler, the cattle crook and bad men with big guns. I was told of a cattle transaction there of this sort: In the spring one grazer branded and sold to another 1,200 head of stock. When the round-up was over just 13 head were found bearing the brand. Some said it was a hard winter. Some winked the other

Perhaps this is a base slander on Wvo ming. But the narrator of the episode the victim still lived, but is no longer in the GEO. A. MADDEN.

t. Louis Globe-Democrat.

It is too bad to keep the Democrats out of power in the Presidency so long, but fate appears to have decreed that Harrison is to elected in 1892 and McKinley in 1896,

VARIED VIEWS ON WATSON.

Ir wasn't a Virginia "reel" that Represe tative Watson had in mind, but the Georgia article.—Phi/adelphia Record. Ir Mr. Watson's charges of drunkennes

against members of Congress are sustained

the drinks will be on the House .- Chicag

CONGRESSMAN WATSON believes in advertising his book. The Congressional Record may be somewhat dry, but it is cheap and roomy .- Toledo B'ade.

Warson, of Georgia, didn't succeed in making the House as full as his charges in-dicated, but he did manage to make it awfully tired .- Philadelphia Ledger. THE hitherto unexplained popularity of

"tea" among Congressmen has at last been accounted for, thanks to the Watson investigating committee. - Chicago Globe. REPRESENTATIVE WATSON, of Georgia, still believes he has seen Congressmen intoxi-cated on the floor of the House. Really

Watson must be joking.—New York Press. CONGRESSMAN WATSON is absolved by circumstances from even the necessity of inviting anybody to drink in return for the free advertisement Congress gave his book.

WHATEVER pecuniary profit, therefore, Mr. Watson has been able to gather from his slanderous attack on his colleagues, the epi-sode has not redounded to his honor or his future political prospects.—Baltimore News DEMOCRATIC abuse of Hon. Tom Watson for telling what he knew about Democrats being drunk during the session of Congress, will make interesting reading in Kansas when fusion is talked about.—Ohio State

CONGRESSMAN WATSON, of Georgia, is doing a good work in exposing the drunkenness and general cussedness of the Democratic members of the House. Perhaps its short comings are due to the bibulous propensi ties of the members of the party which runsit.—St. Louis Globe Democrat.

CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS.

-Violet is the Turkish mourning color. -A potato weighing 26 ounces is a curios; tv of Gastana, N. C.

-There are 300,000 commercial travels re in the United States.

 A canteloupe weighing 18 pounds is owned by an Alabama farmer. -Seven-eighths of the bread made in London is made of American wheat.

-A man in Trenton has a stamp worth \$1,000 for which he paid 9 cents. -Naturalists say that a single swallow

will devour 60,000 flies in one day. -Portland, Me, exported \$1,500,000 worth of lobsters during the last three months. -A historic collection of railway tickets

vill be one of the exhibits at the World's -Girls in tight or short dresses are not allowed to appear on the stage in Butte

-The first volume of Indian tales from

the pen of Cooper appeared when the aut was 30. -An interpreter in the employ of the Government on Ellis Island speaks 15 ian-

-An Atlanta paper announced the other

day that a new college was to be "corner stoned," -The St. Louis Chief of Police requires the 1,000 Chinese in that city to be photo-

-Jewish writers say that Isaiah wrote the famous old ode on the fall of the king of Babylon at 52. -Wasps' nests often catch fire from the

hemical action of the wax upon the paperike material -A French priest stationed at Jerusalem

ecently found a talent of the time of King David in his door yard. -The expected has happened. A girl in the New Jersey city of Camden has tried to hang herself with her suspenders.

-Unless an Austrian gains the consent of his wife, he cannot get a passport to journey beyond the frontier of his own country. -At a public entertainment in Parls a young man was hypnotized. Two days elapsed before he was restored to conscious-

-A woman 90 years old died and was buried recently at Winston, N. C. Her burial shroud was the dress in which she was -The British general elections are never held on one or the same day, because an

elector has the right to cast a ballot in every district in which he owns property. -A distinguished botanist announces that he has discovered in the Philippine Islands a plant which bears a flower nearly a yard wide which weighs 23 pounds.

river. A tribe of Indians, formerly in that locality, were known as the Konsosor Kows, and the State is probably named from -Rose L. Clemens, of El Reno, O. T., though only 18 years of age, is slowly dying

-Kaosas is named from its principal

of essification. There is now scarcely any flesh on her bones, and she weighs only 28 pounds. -A report on Italian trade, issued by the British embassy, gives £20,000,000 as the amount annually spent in Italy by tourists and visitors from foreign countries. Of this large amount one-third is contributed

-During a review of several regiments in France, whither he was sent, Hugo Grotius, one of the famous men of the seven-teenth century, retained in his mind the names of all the soldiers that were named and passed before him.

by Americans.

-Justus Lipsius, an eminent man of the Tactus Lipsus, an eminent man of the sixteenth century, made bold to recite Tacitus from beginning to end, with one of his audience piaced before him with a drawn darger with which he was to be stabbed if he missed one single word. -Macrocystis, a seaweed of the South Pa-

cific, it is said, often grows to be 30 or 40 inches in diameter and 1,500 to 2,000 feet in length. In no case do any of these have roots in the proper sense, their nourishment being absorbed from the water by all parts -Melvin Atwood, the aged San Francisco mineralogist, one of the discoverers of the great Comstock ledge, believes the

chances are excellent for finding in California one or more of the volcanic pipes containing diamonds, as at Kimberly, Du Toispan and Bultfoutein. -The telephone has lately been arranged for use of divers. A sheet of copper is used in place of one of the glasses in the helmet, and to this a telephone is fixed, so that the diver, when at the bottom of the sea, has only to slightly turn his head in order to re-

port what he sees, or to receive instruct from above. -Dr. Dareste has demonstrated that monsters and monsposities during animal development are not the results of patho-logical changes in the embryo, as hitherto supposed, but modifications of the processes of organic evolution, such as bring about the difference between individuals and races in mankind.

-The statement that until this year no February has had five Mondays for 200 years was referred to the Universal Knowledge and Information Bureau, New York, whence comes the reply that there were five Mon-days in February of the years 1616, 1644, 1672, 1700, 1712, 1740, 1768, 1796, 1898, 1898, 1898, 1892. The like will occur in 1904.

-A curiosity was lately found in a hostload of lobsters brought from New Brunswick waters. The strange crustacean was of bluish-white-one of the rare and remarkable albino lobsters. It was sent to Washington, where it is to become a part of the exhibit of the United States Fish Commission. Only one other white lobster has been taken in these or any other waters.

-Among the other great things in this ountry the number of its high mountains is a remarkable feature. There are 300 countains in the United States, each exceeding 10,000 feet in height. The greatest number are found in Colorado and Utah. In Alaska there are five which exceed 15,000 feet, and Mount Elias, 19,500 feet high, is the loftlest peak in the United States territory.

FLIGHTS INTO FUNNYDOM,

"So you want to join our company?" said the theatrical manager to the seedy-looking appli-cant. 'In what attractions have you ever ap-"Well," replied he, "my last engagement was

with the 'Blot on the 'Scutcheon. "What character did you enact?"
"I was the 'Blot,' "-Baltimore News. The savage killed his victim with A club both thick and yellow.

The coquette, in this day of grace,
'Kills' with a sun umbrella. Josiah-Cynthy, I went into a dish store Cynthy-Law, Josiah, now are they like that blue an' white one I broke?

Josiah-They told me they want fit fur nuthin' but to hold beer, so I didn't git ye one. - Chicago

BICTCLE-TRICYCLE. He, on the bicycle, She, on a tricycle,
Together, side by side;
Down the lane they went,
On pleasure intent.
Two lovers taking a ride,

With an arm, in haste, Three times, in vain he tried; As she raised her head, "I wish t'were a buggy ride,

Managing Editor-We want you to write the tariff editorials for us all through the campaign,
Mr. Bjenks.
Modest Editorial Writer—But I don't know the

Monest Editorial writer—but I don't know the first thing about the tariff. Managing Editor—Well, if that isn't the first qualification, I'd like to know what is,—Somerville Now doth the little busy flea

Come gally skipping round, And make us see, with heartfelt glee, The dogs shut in the pound. "I tell you, it takes nerve to be an officer

out where I was, " said the returned Westerner "Once, when I was deputy sheriff, I arrested a fel low who had killed 11 men."

"An' pfwat of if?" sneered Officer McGobb. "I pulled the boss av me own ward wanst."—Indian-

A LOOK AROUND.

The Stern Sex Prevalls Where the Ladles Efforts Were Unavailing, and at Last There Will Be a New Church Home-Gosalp Off Hand.

THE hot wave of last week brought in on its swell a bit of news of interest, particular-ly to the friends of the Church Home, and generally to the Pittsburg public. After watching the managers for some time the trustees decided themselves to come to the rescue. The sum of \$15,000 was required to add to Mr. Shoenberger's bequest of \$35,-000 before an attempt could be made to erect a new building. This the trustees, Mr. Reuben Miller, Mr. William Metcalfe, gan, have pledged themselves for; but, as to whether it comes out of their own pockets or those of modest friends, is an uncracked nut of news that they decline to open. Suf-fice to say that the money is at hand and the building ordered to be put in process of

few alterations having been suggested and accepted. The architect and contractor promise to have the building ready for occu-

Is a very commodions part and of recent construction.

The energy of the managers, who have been greaning in spirit over vexatious delays and difficulties, is picking up flesh wonderfully, since hearing the good news. They expect the utmost good nature of all their friends, and desire help in the most practical way. The furnishing of the house will be no small matter, and little in that direction can come from the presentestablishment; for 'tis a sad fact that all of its rooms are exceedingly out of elbows and can't hold life and limb together for a much longer while.

Long ago it ceased to be a matter of surprise when the wind and the weather came into the home without going through the ceremony of ringing the hall door beil and asking permission; and the small world that moves on the Church Home axis has in the meantime become pretty well inured to a

the scene of a marriage in which Mr. Whitney will play a part, unless that gentleman changes his mind between New York and Hamburg.

In the party with Mr. Whitney is his mother Mrs. William Whitney, her guest, Miss Babb, of Philadelphia, and Miss Sutton, of Indiana, Pa., who is a sister of Dr. Sutton, of Pittsburg. Miss Sutton is a very hand-some young woman, whose startling resemblance to Mrs. Grover Cleveland has been commented upon frequently.

Some weeks ago Miss Sutton invited Mrs. Whitney to take a run over to England. Mrs. Whitney instead decided that the Whitney household should go, which then included Miss Grubb, a visitor from Philadelphia, and a very clever young artist. She

portrait of area to the control of t out for its own salvation. From the Continent they will proceed to England, and probably not return to America very much before winter.

when hundreds were unable to find seats,

Mr. Ralph Bagaley is one of the most agreeable entertainers of the male sort beging 10 Pittsburg. He is at present at Bedford Springs, and has not been home Bedford Springs, and has not been home long from the lakes, where Miss Grange, the young daughter of the Rev. Mr. Grange, rector of the Church of the Ascension, and her brother, were the guesta, respectively, of Mr. Bagaley and his son, Mr. Robin Bagaley. Toung Mr. Bagaley came home from the North resorts on Tuesday, and immediately joined his inther at Bedford.

Mr. Edward House's domestic establishment will be temporarily broken up by next week, when the family will take their re spective ways until the winter season. Mrs. House, Miss Blanche House and Maste Edward expect to sail from New York next week. It is scarcely a year since the family returned from a foreign trip of considerable length, taken partly for pleasure and in part to complete Miss House's education. Mr.

there which, by the way, is said to have a most admirable cuisine. This is more than explained by the fact that the summer hotel is controlled by the management in charge of the Murray Hill Hotel in New York.

are reigning supreme over Major Moreland establishment, the head of which with Mr Moreland and the family has retreated; Ocean Grove for the remainder of the summer.

MR. AND MRS. CHRISTOPHER L. MAGES are "flying the weather" up in Northern New York, and will probably do the St. Lawrence and the cities of the Dominion before returning to Pittaburg.

MES. NORMAN SPANG and Miss Spang, of the Kenmawr Hotel, leave this afternoon for Lakewood, N. Y.

MRS. TATE and her daughter, Miss Beulah Little, will leave to-day for Chautauqua. THE MISSES MCKAY will leave to-day for Bedford Springs.