senator Peffer, of Kansas, is the first to see

the workings of the plan. This morning he said he wished to call attention to some sig-

ward F. Cragin, of Illinois; F. J. Odendahl,

of Louisians, and Richard L. Edwards, of

New York, made its appearance in the city

New York, made its appearance in the city this morning to promote the Nicaragua Canal project in Congress. This committee was appointed by the National Nicaragua Convention to present to Congress the memorial adopted by the body, and to request Congress to take such steps as will insure the early completion of the Nicaragua Canal and place it under the control of the Government.

REPRESENTATIVE DEARMOND, of Mis-

souri, to-day introduced in the House a reso.

lution providing for the election of the Pres

ident and Vice President by the direct votes

of the people and a distribution of the elec-

toral votes in proportion to the number o

votes cast for each candidate. A novel rea-

THE Secretary of the Treasury to-day

authorized the delivery of \$33,000 in souvenir

cent pieces to the World's Fair directory,

that being the amount of expense voucher

so far approved by the department. These coins will be shipped from the Mint at Phil-

-The city of Boston lays claim to a Chinese voter. -The dwarf magnolia came to Europe from Chins in 1756.

-The Eiffel Tower is eight inches shorter in winter than in summer

CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS.

-The double handed swords of mediæval times often weighed 30 pounds. -The diploidion was a handsome cape

-A railroad with a gauge of but 24 inches is now building in North Carolina. -About 20 letters go astray out of every

been recommended for consumptives. United States Army in the Mexican War.

-Over 600 varieties of cotton are said to

the intestines, gills and blood of the fish left to putrefy.

-The New York obelisk was brought to this country in a specially prepared vessel, the hold being opened at the bow to admit

-Absinthe is an alcoholate composed of

WILKINSBURG enjoyed its great social sulphate of copper. -Here is the "college yell" of the Cen-

> -An intoxicated person, it is said, is such a rarity at Gaylord, Kansas, that when one is arrested so much consideration is shown for him as to release him from the dilapidated jail for lear of his taking

-The annual report of the Society for the Protection of Birds of Great Britain states that the English goldfinch is threatened with excinction, because of the present de

-The inhabitants of the Andaman Islands are the smallest race of known human be ings-that is, taken as an average. The height of a full-grown Andamanian seldom exceeds 3% feet and few weigh over 65

most any other common food material as regards both the amounts and the relative portion of nutrients, the food values of equal weights of milk and oysters being nearly the same.

Prof. Goodyear, curator of the Brookiva Institute of Arts and Sciences, will lecture on "Progress in American Architecture." Tomorrow evening he will lecture again in the same place on "Dutch and Flemish Paint-THE second annual entertainment of the Pittsburg letter carriers will be held in Turner Hall, Forbes street, this evening. quail among his other live stock.

THE musicale under the direction of Miss Mary B. Kier, for the benefit of the Women's Industrial Soci-ty of Christ M. E. Church, will be given in Christ Church chapel this

spacious floor of the lower apartm

There were about 100 guests.

brown into one was given up to the dancers

This evening the one hundred and eighty

seventh reception of the Art Society will be held at the Pittsburg Club Theater, when

evening. THERE was a large audience in the Cum berland Presbyterian Church, Shady ave-

nue, last evening, to hear the fecture of Mrs. Haggart, under the anspices of the East End and the Shadyside W. C. T. U. Mrs. Haggart will lecture in Wilkinsburg this evening. A QUAINT entertainment was given i the Wilkinsburg Opera House, last evening, before an audience that packed every corner of the hall. It was a "Deestrict Stule," with all the prominent people in the borough taking part, either as teachers or scholars. The exercises of the school commenced with

The exercises of the school commenced with a song by one of the pupils, followed by the A. B. Cinfant class, the spelling class, the reography class, and grammer class. Then came recess. The fun of this part of the programme can be imarined when it is remembered that some of the scholars in the infant class were professional men and women of the highest culture, all of whom recited their alphabet as gravely as they could, and tried to suppose themselves children again. The second part consisted of the cited their alphabet as gravely as they could, and tried to suppose themselves children again. The second part consisted of the "skule exhibition," in which there were songs and recitations, with a few declamations and remarks thrown in. Essays were read on such abstruce subjects as "The Cow," while those classics, "Mary had a Little Lamb," and "The Roy Stood on the Burning Deck," were rendered with all the fire and massion that the subjects demanded. When, at last, skule adjourned, the and ence, as well as the performers were downright exhausted with laughter, and most of them fest that school-days would indeed be the happiest period of their lives if they were as full of angusement as this one evening in the "deestrict skule."

THE young ladies of St. Joseph's Academy, Seton Hill, Greensburg, will give a performance of "The Merchant of Venice" after the holidays. All the parts will be sus tained by the young lady pupils of the Academy, Shylock and all. Last year "Hamlet" was given at the Academy, and it was declared to be a most creditable performance clared to be a most creditable performance. An extensive addition to the Academy building is now in course of creation, which comprises a hall, with an immense and well-cquipped stare, so that the theatrical performances shall be given with all the advantages that would be enjoyed in a city theater. There are a number of very clever electionists among the pupils, dramatic talent showing itself in a marked manner in the persons of some of the very young girls.

persons of some of the very young girls. THE King's Daughters of the Second Presbyterian Church will to-day pack a box of Christmas gifts to be sent to a colored minister in the South, who will distribute them among the poor of his district.

DOWNFALL OF AN ATTORNEY.

He Gets a Year's Imprisonment for Issue Ex-Congressman Leopold Morse called at the Hotel Vendome, in Boston, shortly before 6 o'clock last evening to see Representative Hitt, who was attending the reception of the Boston Merchants' Association. While waiting in one of the outer rooms of the hotel he had an epileptic shock. His physician was called, and just as the guests of the Merchants' Association were filing into the dining hall he was removed to a house on Commonwealth avenue nearly opposite, where he died within an hour.

False Pension Papers. NORFOLK, VA., Dec. 15.-[Special]-W. R. Drury, an attorney at law in Norfolk, was found guilty in the United States Court in this city to-day for making a false paper for the producing of a United States pension, and was sen-tenced to one year in jail and \$100 fine. When asked by Judge Hughes if

he had anything to say he replied: "No," and threw himself on the mercy of the Court. He was carried to jail and was

Court. He was carried to jail and was heard to intimate that he would commit suicide, and this information was communicated to the jail officials.

The presence is about 65 years of age, and is credited with having enjoyed for some time a most increative practice in connection with the United States Penston Bureau, and it is said that he made \$13,000 in one year. He is an enthusiastic Republican, and lost \$1,000 on Harrison. The scene when Deputy Marshal Cross was ready to start with the prisoner from the court room was touching in the extreme. Mr. Drury called his son to him and told him to go home and tell his mother of the sentence at once. A cry of anguish escaped the son's lips and tears stood in the eyes of the parent. It is thought there will be but little trouble in securing a pardon for the prisoner.

ALLEN L. BASSETT. President of the Board of Trade of Newark, N. J., died Wednesday in his ofth year. SIR ADAMS GEORGE ARCHIBALD, K. C. M. G., aged 7s, died yesterday at Hailfax. He was one of the best-known historians in Canada. MARTIN NOONAN, a well-known citizen of Readling, father of Mayor Edward C. Noonan, of St. Louis, died in Reading yesterday aged 75. AUGUST SIMEON LUCE, the historian and French in securing a pardon for the prisoner. choiar, diet yesterday in Paris. He was born ecember 29, 1882, and was the author of a number well-known works. Santa Claus' Turn Now.

St. Louis Globe Democrat.] Columbus has received a great deal of attention in this country this year, but for the next few days he must yield the floor to Santa Claus.

When Grover Needs His Armor. eapolis Tribune. ]

Here's a pointer for Mr. Cleveland. Oak-ley Bhinelander, of New York, has the most

this country.

New York Advertiser. 1 In England a man wrote a poem and the became insune. In America insanity usually sets in first and then comes the poetry.

Canada Knows Where the Money Is

670a year.

BOBERT MEANOR, editor of the Grant, Pa.,
Record, who died the other day, was buried at his
old home, Marion Ceister, Wednesday. His age
was 36. He had been ill for three weeks with
plenty of money that she longs to be one
of us.

IN SOCIETY'S WHIRL.

THE Columbian Exposition, under the aspices of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor of the First M. Church, opened last evening with a large attendance, and every prospect of the pe-cuniary returns being most gratifying. The roung ladles have shown much taste in the decoration of the room and in the arrangement of the various booths and tables. The fancy work booth was in charge of Miss Jennie Hewitt. The common sense booth was taken care of by Mrs. Snerman West, while the popcorn booth was watched by Mr. Victor and Mr. Charles Gaus. Miss Mc ile Keogh sold flowers and Mr. William Keogh sold lemonade. There were dozens of aids to assist in the work at the various booths, and the amount of business done was only equaled by the lively chatter and laughter that bubbled up in every direction. An excellent supper was served by the La-

dies' Aid Society from 5:00 to 8 r. M. The fair A MUSICAL and literary entertainment was given by the Young Men's Society of the Sixth Presbyterian Church last evening, the roceeds of which go into the fund for missions in North China. Miss Edith Harris, the Keeler quartet, Mesars, P. A. and M. Ward, Miss Katherine Ward and other well-known artists of Pittsburg, took part. Refreshments were served during the evening, and it was from the profit on them that the mission cause benefited, as admission to the concert was tree. in our midst who will, without doubt, co-op-

THE famous Evangelist, Sam Jones, is to lecture in Carnerie Hall this evening, on "The Battle of Life and Haw to Win It." This is one of the course of entertainments nuder the auspices of the association of the Ninth U. P. Church.

Very sincerely, MRS. W. E. SCHMERTZ, JR., sensation of the season last evening. It was the reception given by Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Westminster Place, Shadyside, city. CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED

Duncan, and their daughter, Miss Nellie Duncan, in honor of three brides who are well known and popular in Pittsburg society. They are Mrs. William O'Hara Woods, Mrs. E. Reynolds Munroe and Mrs. THE PITTSBURG DISPATCH.....

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 15 .- The State Board of Canvassers met at 2:40 o'clock this afteroon. Attorney General Rosendale was abent on official business. The other members of the board, Comptroller Campbell, State Treasurer Danforth, State Engineer Schenck and Secretary of State Roy, were present. Under the new law the board had imply to canvass the total vote cast for

The vote for electors shows: Democratic.

coins will be shipped from the Mint at Philadelphia to-morrow, \$5,000 worth going to
New York and \$28,000 worth going direct to
Chicago. The formert will reach New York
the same day and the latter will reach their
destination Saturday afternoon, but will
serve only partly to meet the present heavy
demand from all points for these coins for
use as Christmas gifts. Orders have been
issued for the coinage of these pieces as
rapidly as possible and it is estimated that
several hundred thousand of them will bear
the date or 1892. the date of 1892. SENATOR SAWYER evidently has in mind the recent attempt to hold up railway passengers in West Virginia by highwaymen and proposes to inflict severe punishment upon any future ambitious person who at-tempts to either wreck, hold up or interfere with the progress of trains. To-day he in-troduced a bill which imposes heavy penni-ties upon persons who either attempt to

REPRESENTATIVE ANTONY, of Texas, introduced in the House to-day a bill repealing the act of June 27, 1890, granting pensions to soldiers and sailors and to widows,

A VERY strong presentation in favor of the claimant in the famous McGarrahan case was made in the Senate to-day by Mr. Hunton, of Virginia. The chief point made was that after a hearing before President Lincoln, in which both sides were represented by counsel, Mr. Lincoln had decided in support of the claim, and had directed the issuance of a patent; that the patent was actually filled out and signed, and that it was afterward (before McGarrahan knew of its existence) mutilated in the Land office of the Interior Department. The morning hour expired before the argument was concluded, and the bill went over, without action, till Monday next in the morning hour. Hunton, of Virginia. The chief point made

morrow. next week fixed for a vote upon it. He had, early in the day's session, fought against a motion to adjourn over till Monday hext, in which fight he was defeated only by the casting vote of Vice President Morton, which vote was greeted with laughter and appiause by the opponents of the anti-option bill. The bill went over without action till Monday next. There will be but four days left until the holidays begin, and as four Senators have given notice of their intention to discuss the measure there is little probability that a vote can be reached until after the recess.

THE President to-day sent the name of John B. Tobias to the Senate for postmaster at Everett, Pa.

CONGRESSMAN SPRINGER, Chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means, reported in the House to-day a concurrent resolution for a holiday recess from December 22, 1892 for a holiday recess from Dec to January 4, 1893. Agreed to.

it shall be relieved from liability for loss or damage arising from negligence, fault or fallure in proper loading, storage custody, care in transportation, or proper delivery of any merchandise committed to its care.

and Means was held this morning to con sider the resolution of investigation into the financial condition of the Treasury De-

THE Secretary of the Treasury sent to the House to-day estimates of deficiencie

A Horse on Himself,

HOMESTEAD CHILDREN. Make Christmas Happy for Them-Their

Letters to Santa Claus to Be Answered Practically. On Wednesday there was published upon he fourth page of THE DISPATOR a few letters written by some little children at Home stend setting forth their individual infantile Christmastide wishes and needs. The utterances were the children's own, and were not in any case suggested by our represe tative. They tell their own story and need no elaboration from us. That they have struck a responsive chord

in many charitable hearts is evidenced by several letters that THE DISPATCH has received on this subject, and one lady whose name appears below has expressed her sympathy in the practical way that sympathy should be expressed, and is most valuable. The Disparch supplements this lady's contribution by its own check for \$50, and with more of this world's goods and cheer than have these little ones to assist in making Christmas for them as happy as their

THE DISPARCH will see that these children's needs are supplied, and that Santa Claus shall be no mere name to them, but a practical entity. A hall will be hired at Homestead, a well supplied Christmas tree will be furnished, and each little tot's wishes shall be, as nearly as may be, satisfied. There are thousands of charitable hearts

erate in making for these children a "Merry Christmas." Contributions will be acknowledged in these columns from day to day.

To the Editor of The Dispatch: Sin-Having noticed in this morning's issue an article by "Chick," in regard to the condition of the Homestead children and their anything but bright prospects for a happy Christmas, I inclose a check for \$20 from my husband and myself to be used exclusively for the children.

WEDNESDAY MORNING. Mrs. W. E. Schmertz, Jr..... 90 00

Samuel Lincoln Boggs. Each of the brides Samuel Lincoln Boggs. Each of the brides is a cousin of Miss Nellic, and it can be understood at once that the occasion has evening was a very interesting as well as pleasant one. There were some elegant costumes worn, among them being that of Miss Nellic, who was attired in a handsome evening gown of white silk tulle, with green velvet puff sleeves and train. The brides all wore their wedding gowns, which were of white silk trimmed with duchesse lace. Miss Harriet Duncan was in one of the fashionable shades of red, and little 2-year-old Gladys was in buby write. There was a reception from 8 till 10 o'clock, and after that the spacious floor of the lower apartments NEW YORK'S OFFICIAL VOTE.

Cleveland's Plurality in His Own State Is Just 45,449.

each elector by counties.

votes cast for each candidate. A novel feature of the resolution provides that if either House certifies that the result of the election depends upon the vote of any specified State, and that it ought to be judicially determined for whom the votes should be counted, there shall be convened at Washington on the fourth Wednesday in January a Court of Chief Justices, consisting of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court and the Chief Justice of the highest court in each State to hear and determine all questions raised by either House. The judgment of this court shall be final. highest, John Lang, 654.968: Democratic, lowest, Richard Croker, 654,835. Republican, hirhest, Frederick P. Morris, 609,459: Republican, lowest, Paul Tuckerman, 608,232. Prohibition, highest, S. W. Mason, 38,193; Prohibition, lowest, Daniel B. Sill, 28,173. S. etalistic Labor, highest, Samuel Jacobson, 17,938; Socialistic Labor, lowest, Erastus Pellenz, 17,933. People's, highest, 16,430; People's, lowest, 16,426. Four electors on the People's party ticket each received 16,430 and three each received 16,428. The board declared that all of the Democratic electors were duly elected, as shown by the certified returns filed. The plurality for the Democratic elector who received the highest vote over the largest vote cast for any Republican elector was therefore 43,449, which was the highest plurality cast for the Democratic caudidates for President and Vice President through the electors. The total vote cast for all the electors was 48,153,526. lican, lowest, Paul Tuckerman, 609,232. Pro-

CHICAGO'S CHRISTMAS GIFT.

Evening Wisconsin. Mr. Asmous has done a generous thing and he has also done a wise thing .- Brook-

Mr. Annous has shown in his action gen erosity guided by the truest wisdom.-Kan-He has set an example which other mil-

lionaires in Chicago would do well to follow. -Chicago Herald. PHILL ARMOUR'S WIFE OF & \$1,500,000 handsome. Vive l'Armourl-Roston Herald. PHIL ARMOUR'S erection of a public educational institution is a graceful act, its

unostentatiousness being its greatest virtue. -Harrisburg Patriot. Mr. Annous has never made an investment that will bring him greater satisfaction or reflect as great and lasting honor on his name .- Minneapolis Tribune.

PHIL ARMOUR has given Chicago another million for education, but it will take more than that to teach Chicago and its million-aires to earn money before they give it away .- St. Louis Republic. MR. PHILIP D. ARMOUR has furnished another reason why his name shall long be

cherished in grateful remembrance by the people while those of some other millionires are execrated or forgotten .- Chicago Tribune. MR. PHILIP ARMOUR'S gift of an institute

to Chicago modeled a ter our Drexel Insti-tute, shows how contagious a good example may be; and, moreover, it is one more instance of that wise ante-me wealth which, taken in its varied manifest-

Pittsburg reports a tight money market

and the reason given is that large amounts

have gone into permanent investments in the way of realty, bonds and stocks. The

amount laid up for Christmas purchases is

also quite an item in the financial markets

of all the towns. But the Christmas money

stockings are now disgorging, and money is

again becoming plenty, at least in small

DEATHS HERE AND ELSEWHERE.

Ex-Congressman Leopold Morse

Mary Ella Gibson

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Gibson, of 225 Federal

street. Allegheny, mourn the loss of their daughter morning. Deceased was a lovable, pleasant young lady, just a little over 16 years of age, and a large circle of acquaintances will regret to hear of her death, which was quite unexpected.

JOHN EMIL LEMOINE, the well-known French

GENERAL GALVAN, Governor of the Mexican

State of Julisco, died Monday night. In the war with the Fr. ach he was a celebrated cavalry offi-ter. As Governor he was progressive.

GEORGE WOLF, who served two terms as post

master at Hummelstown, Pa., under President Jackson, has just died at his home in Harrisburg from paralysis. His aged widow is critically ill.

DR. W. CHEW VAN BIBBER, a prominent physician in Baitimore, died suddenly at noon Wednesday from brain trouble. He had practiced medicine in Baltimore for over 40 years and was 68 years

William Mann, minstrel and vaudeville per-former, died of pneumonia Tuesday night at the residence of his sister in Brooklyn. He was 40 years old and formerly of the team of Hurley and Marr.

MARMADURE SLATTERLY died at Ft. Wayne

Ind., Wednesday. He was the inventor of the Slatterly induction system of electric lighting, upon which he had a royalty of \$10,-070 a year.

ations, truly honors human nature,-Philadelphia Record. Christmas Makes the Money Go.

every-day trading.

Cincinnati Commercial Gazette.

SENATOR GEORGE to-day brought to's close his three-day speech in favor of the anti-option bill; and Mr. Washburn made a letermined but fruitless effort to have a day next week fixed for a vote upon it. He had,

A MEETING of the Committee on Ways

the financial condition of the Treasury Department. Some favored an investigation by the entire committee, and others believed results could be expedited by assigning the work to a sub-committee. The matter was finally settled by the adoption of the following resolution, presented by Mr. Wilson, of West Virginia: "Resolved, that the inquiry devolved upon this committee by the resolution adopted by the House on the 13th instant be conducted by a sub-committee, to be composed of five members, consisting of the Chairman and four members appointed by him." This committee will be unnonneed by Chairman Springer before the holiday adjournment.

Washington Post. Judge Crisp now realizes the feelings of the member who fails to catch the Speak-

PHIL. ARMOUR'S gift is a noble beneficence.

wreck a train or rob its passengers. lyn Eagle.

minor children and dependent parents of soldiers and sallors. The bill also provides that all pensions granted under the act shall be discontinued.

CONFIRMATIONS by the Senate to-day: James W. McDill, of Iows, inter-State Commerce Commissioner. Also the entire list of triny and navy promotions made during the

THE military post authorized by act of Congress approved May 12, 1892, to be established at or near the city of Helena, in Lewis and Clarke county, Montana, will be known and designated as Fort Harrison, in compli-ment to the President of the United States.

THE Senate and House to-day adjourned, the former till Monday and the latter till to-

THE House has passed the bill making it unlawful for any common carrier to insert in any bill of lading or shipping document any clause, covenant or agreement whereby

THE Senate Commerce Committee has or dered a favorable reply on the Frye bill to protect our coasting trade by prohibiting foreign vessels to transport merchandise from one United States port to another United States port via any foreign port.

in appropriations on account of the postal service, payable from the postal revenues. The deglency amounts to \$867,970, and cov-ers the years of 1891-92.

worn by Greek ladies of fashion

1,000,000 sent through the postoffice. -The warm blood of animals has often

-Rubber nontoons were used by the -About 1,000 fishing boats engaged around the British coast are named Mary.

exist; 400 in Asia and Africa and 200 in -Garum, the Roman sauce, was made of

-The different boring machines, designed to cut out a central bore 24 feet in diameter, were invented for use in the Hoosac tunnel.

-Henry IV., of France, had for his wedding feast young awans, fat puddings, suck-ing pigs, rabbits, sturgeon, almond cream and fritters.

anise, coriander and fennel, flavored with wormwood and colored with indigo and

trai University, Rentucky: "Brackety, hax, Kowax, Kowax, Brackety, Kax, Kowax, Kowax, Wo-oop, Wo-oop; Hulmbaloo-C. U., C. U."

mand for its feathers for "murder

-Oysters come nearer to milk than al-

-Quail love potato bugs as an article of diet. One of these birds was recently opened which had 101 of these farmers' person cealed in its crop. It will pay the avera potato grower to have a flock of train

-King Charles V. said that we always ought to employ French to converse with statesmen, Italian to speak with ladies, English to answer birds and German to ad-dress lorses; but Spanish was the only language to be used in addressing kings, queens and the Almighty.

-The English-speaking people and the Russians are about the only untions who use Fairrenheit's thermometer, while Germany and Scandinavia still employ Reaumur's, though in all these countries scientific data are almost universally given in that o: Colsius or the Centigrade.

-In the islands of New Britain a man ust not speak to his mother-in-law. Not only is speech forbidden to his relative, but she must be avoided, and if by any chance the lady is met the son-in-law must hide himself or cover his lace. Suicide of both parties is the outcome if the rule is broken,

-According to the best and most recent

Ill. This appears to be the first record of the finding of coal in America, but it was not mined until nearly a century and a half later. In 1813 five ark loads of flinty coal were floated down the Lehigh river and sold for \$21 per ton. -Probably the smallest electric light in staliation in the world is to be found in the little village of Bremen, near Dormbach, in

Thuringia. It comprises a single are lamp installed in the church, the lamp being operated when required by a small dynamo arranged in the village mill and driven by the mill wheel. -In France there is an unwritten but immutable is w that a painting shall not be exhibited without the artist's consent, no

matter what the wishes of the owner may be. And now a literary and artistic congress in session at Milan, Italy, has decided that the right of reproduction does not pass to the buyer of a picture. -Miss Viola Fuller, of Mitchell, S. D., will present to the Chicago World's Fair a unique opera closk. It is made entirely of the feathers of prairie chickens. It took Miss Fuller ten years to collect and sew on the small feathers, each prairie chicken caught yielding only four or five suitable tenthers.

lenthers. -A traveler in the Transvaal has met a mysterious chieftainess, one Majajie, who claims to be the original of Rider Haggarl's "She Who Must Be Obeyed." She is an ancient dame, strangely decrepit, and evidently not a Kaffir, for she has a transparently white complexion, bright blue eyes and long snow white hair.

-Among the most sacred relies of Horluji is the veritable eyeball of Buddha. It looks like nothing else but the ting, black, well-boiled pearl that one so often finds in an oyster stew. This "Eye of Buddha" is shown every day at high noon, special muss being chanted by the priests while the relie is being brought out and aisplayed.

-Fine-edged tools assume a blue color and lose all temper if exposed for any considerable length of time to the light of the sun, either in summer or winter. A similar effect is exercised by moonlight, a large cross-cut saw with which the experimenters were working baving been "put out of shape and its temper ruined by a single night's cx-

posure to a first-quarter moon.

CHEAP AND DESIRABLE. If she's loved you and you've loved her For many, many years, And through faint heart you've not proposed, Why, chase away your fears; And on the coming Christmas eve

Take Cupid with his darts, And she to you and you to her Make presents of your hearts, AN BLEGY.

"What do you think of the plum pudding?" asked Mrs. Newbride. "I made it all my-"It's a perfect poem," replied her husband en-That night he died.

HARD LUCK. "Say, Jimmy, did yer hear what happened to Dirty Tom inst X-Mass?" "Well, he hanged his stockin' up and Chris Kin-

gle put a chunk of 'lasses taffy in it.''
"Dat was nice."
"It would a been, but do fire melted do taff and to stay in de house all day."

HE'LL PROBABLY BE ABLE TO KEEP IT.

"Well, I suppose you are ready with your

s for the first of the year?"

"Yes, sir; at least I'm thoroughly resolved on one thing." .. What is 11779 "Not to turn over a new leaf, "

AN EYE OPENER. Love is blind, but I'll bet if yo your wife a seal plush sack for a Chrishe will be able to tell that it isn't the

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### TWELVE PAGES

A PIECE OF IMPUDENCE. Steamship companies have been making steerage passengers will be carried, as the 20 days' quarantine deprives them of all profit. And they have further stated that their loss in this direction involves fewer boats and higher prices for the accommo-

has been a suspicion of threatening in the manner of the announcement, but the country has borne it with wonderful equanim tv. These draudful things, however, are not to happen at once, and in some quarters there is an evident inclination to make the most of present opportunities. Yesterday the steamer Stuttgart, of the North German Lloyd, reached querantine with s fely from cholera, that an effort is made simple process of turning immigrants into

"alien 'ourisis" and the ne r relatives of American relatives or residents. There is a good deal in a name at times, and some estimate of the class to which these "tour sts" belong may be made from a few of their illustrious but jawbreeking cognomens as published in THE Disparen this morning. All the passeagers or said to be well and their quarters clean and siry. But for future reference, and on general principles, it would be well to reach the transportation people through their pocket nerves by detaining ther bumin freight for the 20 days, A more il grant piece of impudence was

#### se dom exhibited, and a sharp and costly soub would be as fittest punishment.

SERVANTS OF THE PUBLIC. The overcrowning of the street cars on the East End lines during the busiest the morning and evening has become a secious nuisance to residents in that neighborhood. Car after ear is groward to three or four times the seating capacity, and "standing room" is conspicuous by its absence. Discomfort and foul ger must be put up with by those who wish to make the journey, or they must walk or rearrange the times of their business and domestic engagements to suit the traction companies' convenience. It is evalent that the corporations are making no effort to so arrange their running schedules as to oblige their patrons. It is even asserted that, by way of economizing in expenses and increasing profits, cars

have been laid off at this season when waiting therefor is so especially uncomfortabl : These corporations were of course orgamized to make money, and the convenience of the public would naturally be an entirely secondary and unimportant consideration. But valuable franchises have been conferred by the city, and that conference cutails some regard for patrons, even though it be but of an incidental nature. How the public is going to force the corporations to think at all of its claim to decent treatment is not, however, very clear. Individual growls and complaints are a mere waste of breath. The only hope of redress lies in a strong concerted action on the part of the afflicted, and even the aggregate pressure to be brought to bear thereby is by no means certain of success. The traction companies have a monopoly at present, and until new competition is obtainable they can and are likely to keep their hands

#### in their pockets and ask their ill-used passengers: "What are you going to do about it?"

AN INSTRUCTIVE INCIDENT, A drunken Pinkerton watchman narrowly escaped lynching in Chicago on Wednesday night, Exhilarated by an overdose of liquor, he presumed on his "authority" as an "officer" to arrest a man ejected from a restaurant on the charge of refusing to pay for his supper. He escaped an angry mob, thanks to the timely assistance of a policeman. The danger he had escaped was apparently without warning for him. For, having distanced his pursuers, he made an attempt to arrest women walking along the street. Again he fell into the hands of a crowd, and this time his uniform, coat and cap were torn from him. His immunity from serious personal injury-not to say the preservation of his life-was due here solely to the advice of the cooler headed

Such is the story sent out from Chicago and it is highly significant of the disfavor in which the Pinkerton organization is held. It is safe to assume that the man's drunkenness and ill-behavior were not the sole cause of the passions aroused. Ununiformed citizens when they molest a man or insult a woman upon the street do not as a rule excite mob violence. They are either promptly suppressed by onlookers or held and handed over to the nearest policeman. It is the badge of this man's office and his masquerading as a servant of the law that caused the sericus trouble. It would be unfair to assume from this example alone that too much carelessness is used in the selection of the employes of the Pinkerton agency. Even members of the regular police force have been known upon occasion to get intoxicated and make a display of over-officiousness, or even brutality. But this incident exemplifies the fact that there is in the public mind a deep-rooted contempt and

among his captors.

hatred for all that is stamped with the trademark of Pinkertonism. There is a strong movement afoot to

such a prohibition would lessen or remove the animus at present directed against this order of men, but the probability is that t would not.

There is something essentially un-American in the whole system of Pinkertonism. and 80 Diamond Street, New Dispatch | The way to get rid of it and its accompanying dangers is to be found in so perfecting the public service that private TRIBUNE BUILDING. NEW YORK, where agencies of this kind can no longer find complete files of THE DISPATCH can always be an occupation. When the law is enforced by its own qualified instruments as it THE DISPATCH (son sale at LEADING HOTELS | should be the public peace will not be endangered by the hiring of private force to protect private property. The Pinkerton Agency is filling a demand; the best way to get rid of the objectionable supply is to abolish that demand. Perfect the public protection of life and property and Pink-

## ertonism will be eliminated root and

MODERN HERESY. So long as churches are bound by creeds, so long will the inadequacy of language to express the same thoughts of diverse minds result in charges of heresy. In joining a denomination of which each congregation is under the authority of a central government, a minister, as it were, makes a contract to act in accordance with the dogmas set forth in its confession of faith or other documents recognized as authoritative. But, as years go by, while language undergoes modifications the meanings of words change and thoughts on theology progress with progression in the arts and sciences, differences of opin ion inevitably arise between individual ministers and the governing body of their

denomination as to the breadth permissia loud-joined declaration that no more ble in an interpretation of the documents aforementioned. Where such differences arise, a careful discussion in the form of a trial before the aforesaid central government is necessary to decide whether a minister has commitdation of World's Fair visitors. There ted a breach of contract. In earlier days the conviction of a minister for practices contrary to the dogmas of the church under the auspices of which he preached was punishable with torture in the hope of changing his mind, burning at the stake that his permicious practices might find no imitators, or an excommunication that amounted to a boycott in most of the temporal affairs of life as well as his condemnation to eternal punishment. All these 2.263 steerage passengers. It is character- things being done to persuade erring men isne of this company, which showed less to mend their evil ways and return to the regard even than others for America's only path available for salvation. Nowadays when a preacher is convicted of to evade the quarantine restrictions by the heresy he muy or may not be excommunicated, but he will certainly undergo no

physical death penalty or torture, though he is certain to be more or less forcibly driven from the fold which he has outgrown. After the severance of ties of association due to an honest conviction on his part at variance with the no less honest conviction of his former associates, his uzual course is to continue his preaching either without affiliation with any denomination- n which case he not unfrequently starts a new sect or sub-sect-or within the rale of some religious body that he can conscientiously adhere to. His usefulness may or may not be impaired by his enforced severance from his quondam caurch. The greater loss is sometimes his and sometimes the church's, But in a them. progressive age and by reason of the elasticity of language, such discussions and

decisions are unavoidable while creeds are literally interpreted and dogmas rigidly insisted upon. The world loses somewhat and gains somewhat by having such things brought to its notice. On the one hand scoffers find an opportunity for railing that there is a more practical work for the church than the enforcement of what may be called its theoretical principle. On the other hand interest is aroused in and attention attracted to matters that are too apt to pass unnoticed in the rush and tumble of modern life. Again some thoughtful folk are sent adrift by the

wonder who shall decide where doctors disagree, while others gain new light for the solution of long troublesome doubts and journey on in renewed confidence. On the whole, however, less and less acrimony attends such trials as time goes lature will doubtless reward his conspic on, and the general public is seldom inclined to look seriously askance at one who has simply demonstrated the existence of a difference of opinion between himself and his fellows. In matters of religion individualism is on the increase, and the most useful church is generally considered to be that which devotes too much time and energy to the preaching of the gospel and the practice of charity to

be able to spare much of either to the in-

vestigation of its representatives' pub-

lished opinions as to the technicalities of

MANUAL TRAINING FOR ORPHANS. The report of the special Committee on Manual Training was yesterday submitted to and unanimously adopted by the Soldiers' Orphans' Schools Commission. Tae report states that three schools now support 512 children at a per capita cost of \$140 per annum. That there should be so many soldiers' orphans' children under 16 years of age 30 years after the war is somewhat surprising, but it seems that there are still more applications coming in. The proposition of the committee is that the three schools be maintained as preparatory institutions to a Manual Training School to be established. It is suggested that the three schools be made to maintain 750 children at \$140 per capita and the Manual Training School 250 at a per capita of \$200 a year. The preference is to be given to soldiers' orphans, and after that the vacancies are to be filled by selections of indigent and destitute children from various sections of the State. Gradually it is expected that

the Manual Training School would absorb the preparatory branches with a resultant diminution of expense. There is no doubt that manual training would be an excellent thing in educating orphans to earn their own living. The proposal, judged as a whole with reservations made for criticisms of its details when the bill reaches the Legislature, outlines the establishment of what should be a very useful charitable institution for the State. It is clear that the number of soldiers' orphans must continually decrease, and the State will be doing well to provide means for teaching other destitute children. Such an institution, properly maintained, would be a profitable in vestment of any funds the State can spare, by its tendency to lessen pauperism and crime in turning out boys and girls well qualified to make an honest living who would have a poor chance to make

WHILE there is a general and generous movement for substantial relief for the distrees at Homestead, it is gratifying to note that the quaint and touching letters of the little children of that place to Santa Claus, of Grand Rapids, Mich., has been accepted by Mr. Merriam, who will enter on his new asking to be remembered at Christmas, are duties January L

their way in the world otherwise.

not going unanswered. Throughout Chrisand cheer to all, but most of all to the little There is a strong movement afoot to ones. The provision of a Christmas tree prevent the employment of this agency in with suitable remembrances for the chilthe defense of property or any other dren at Homestead is a matter requiring no capacity during labor troubles. Perhaps great expenditure nor much laborious effort. All the more reason why others should follow the example of the charitable lady whose appreciative letter with a sub-stantial enclosure for the purpose yesterday reached THE DISPATCH and is this morning printed in another column. Santa Claus will see that donations are duly applied to making the festival a cheerful one for the thousand and more children who otherwise

would be disappointed. EUROPEAN financiers who are fond of urging that America's support of bimetal-lism is due to this country's production of ica still supplies more gold than any other

WILLIAM EWART GLADSTONE is magnificent orator and a man of wonderful energy for his years. His powers are such as could not fail to illuminate the opening ceremonies of the World's Fair or any similar celebration of the nations. But it is safe to assume that in his effort to secure home rule for Ireland the Grand Old Man has a task of such magnitude on hand as will prevent his visit to this country next May. The mere suggestion, however, is an indication that there are people in this country who recognize greatness even when it is found in England, and they are more than enough to offset the ridicule cast upon the British Isles by the infatuated Anglomaniacs who make a point of adopting all that is most

foolish and worthless in English fashions COLUMBUS discovered America and gained future fame. Chicago discovered the souvenir half-dollar and gains present cash. The magnitude of an enterprise is seldom

proportionate to the profit of its originator. A RESOLUTION was introduced in the House yesterday providing for the election of the President and Vice President by the direct votes of the people and a distribution of the electoral votes in proportion to the number of votes cast for each candidate, some such measure will be emphatically demanded before long, as the evils of the present system are becoming more and more generally recognized. The most remarkable fenture of this resolution, however, is its suggestion for the formation of a court to finally settle a contested election. Such a

provision would be extremely wise, no matter what the system of election adopted. In the United States spoils of office are sought by the ballot, in South American re-publics the bullet is the medium of ex-change. Evolution gets its work in even in

politics and there is room for more of it. SENATOR PEFFER is agitated over the amendment to the inter-State commerce act to legalize pooling, now under the consideration of a committee. It is not quite clear why the railroads should desire such as mendment or the Populist leader dread it. The act is pretty much of a dead letter any how. The railroads disregard its provisions with impunity. And its supporters will do well to devote their energies to the substi-

tution of something more effective.

In a city where public spirit is mainly onspicuous by its absence, it is hardly surprising that a Historical Society should fail of support in a neighborhood richer than most in its historical associations. TREASURERS and bookkeepers, whether of private firms, benefit societies or municipalities, will find it a safe plan to eschew the opening of a personal credit and debit secount with funds entrusted to their care, Debts have a way of coming due at the mos

inconvenient of times. And such debts as these are to be steered clear of even when ande with the best of intentions to repay A CORNER in eranberries can be supported, but the threatened absence of eggnogg at Christmas, due to the rise in the price of whisky, she rant of all trusts and monopolies.

A NATION that does not wish to b

guarantor to the extent of \$100,000,000 for an

indertaking hundreds of miles beyond its

porder and estimated to cost only \$65,000,000

will do well to keep its eye fixed on the Nicaragua Canal lobbying committee which has made its appearance in Washington. AND still there is a necessity for some kind of emergency brake while street cars vary their proceedings by running into buildings instead of over pedestrians. Let

it be provided at once.

SENATOR QUAY has relieved an anxious State of a serious source of care. He has consented to be a candidate for the United States Senate once more. A grateful Legis one devotion to duty by making his return

THE State Grange has decided to ask the Legislature for a general road bitl. Now le it use its influence to demand the framing and enactment of a sound comm measure. A LARGE crowd was attracted by Phila delphia's first electric cars yesterday. Such speed would naturally attract a crowd down there. Perhaps the rate of the cars will have a wholesome offect in waking up

the inhabitants. If not, the mortalities are

COLONEL SHEPARD may just as well be reminded that he is not the first gentleman of whom it has been said that he can quot scripture to suit his purpose. VICE PRESIDENT MORTON can retire from his official career with the knowledge that he has killed at least one measure dur

ing his tenure of office. For his casting vot

that pet production of Representative

Hatch yesterday. PEOPLE that pay premiums for souvenir half-dollars will have every inducement to remember the date of Columbus' discovery. PERTINENT PERSONALITIES.

MAX O'RELL is lecturing to enthusiasti

MICHAEL DAVITT'S intimate friends

MISS GRACE HAWTHORNE lately sued a

state that he will not re-enter Parliament

London paper for libel, and recovered a ver-dict of 40 shillings. It was only a little one. COUNT TOLSTOI has been struck with a udden but sensible relapse, and has settled his estate and other property upon his wife MRS. MARGARET HOWELL DAVIS Hayes, a daughter of Jefferson Davis, a the her little boy had an ovation at the hands

of Confederate veterans in Dallas, Tex.,

lately. The boys in gray idolize the lad, whom they call "Little Jeff." MRS. J. W. DELANO, of San Francisc carefully treasures a piece of blood-stained white silk dress which Laura Keene worson the stage when Lincoln was assassinated. ident until he was removed. MISS MORTON, daughter of the Vice Pre-

ident, will not make her debut in society un-

til after New Year's Day, as her mother is

detained in Philadelphia under treatment

the Capital until the holidays.

FOXHALL KEENE and his bride are on the steamship Majestic en route for England, where they will pass the winter. On board the ship are several of Mr. Keene's thoroughbreds. Mr. P. D. Armour, of Chi-cago, is also a passenger on the Maiestic. THE Professership of Practical Theology in Hartford Seminary, lately held by Prof. Graham Taylor, of Chicago, and recently of-fered to Rev. Alexander R. Merriam, late

mires republicanism will regret. It would

be a singularly disagreeable coincidence if

this man, who has kept himself above re-

proach or suspicion as a man and an official,

should be dragged into the mire by his rela-

LIVE NATIONAL NEWS. A LOOK AROUND. A Cluster of Gems From the Capital-Pop-Ir looks as though the slimy claws of ulists Alarmed at Attacks on the Interthe Panama Canal moneter would drag down Sadt Carnot, President of the French State Commerce Act-A Pension-Repeal Bill Introduced in the House. Republic, if the dispatches from Paris are WASHINGTON, Dec. 15 .- The Populists to be relied upon, not through his own fault, but because his relatives and triends seem in Congress have taken alarm at certain measures aimed at the inter-State commerce tainted with the all-pervading rottenness If this be true it will be a calamity to France act, and are fearful that a determined effort and something every man who truly adis to be made to devitalize the most benefident piece of legislation, as they regard it.

nificant facts in connection with the pend-ing Cullom bill to amend the act. This bill, tives, as was his predecessor in the Elysee he said, was marked "introduced by re-Palace. Grevy and his son-in-law, Wilson, fell through the sale of decorations, when quest," and he intimated that poor Boulanger went out also, and yet no was done at the request of the railone ever accused the President of any sort road people. It was introduced day of complicity, nor of any moral warp. Parbefore yesterday, and was not printed until yesterday morning; yet a meeting of the committee was neld to hear the railroad people almost before the bill was off the press. Looking at the bill itself, Senator Peffer said it was framed to achieve the very thing that the inter-State act was intended to prevent, which was pooling. Under its terms the people would surrender the control they now held over the roads, and the latter would once more be authorized to make and maintain any rates they choose to fix. Then the amendmenis to section 10 of the act would remove the penalty clause so that there would be practically no punishment for violation of the very essence of the act. Altogether, Senator Peffer regards the bill as a most dangerous measure, and announces his purpose to fight it at all points. before yesterday, and was not printed simony of an official nature paved the way to unpopularity, but the weight of his domestic complications sealed his fate. THE wholesale rottenness developed as to this Panama matter seems likely to blot many a name and fame hitherto above reproach, but there are two men above all others who will attract more attention in their downfall in foreign eyes, than any of the others who may meet with disaster-Carnot and De Lesseps. "The Grand Old Man of the Suez" appears to have fallen into bad hands. Just ore you turn into the avenue which runs through the town of Versailles and up to the all points. A COMMITTEE composed of Walter Gresham, of Texas; Charles M. Shelley, of Alabama; Mr. Maybury, of Michigan; Ed-

entrance of the palace park they show you a modest brick house on the corner of a nar row street, where the great engineer was born. A brass tablet set into the wall commemorates the event, and you are sure to hear words of praise and reverence from any Frenchman who may be with you for the man who unlocked the gateway to the Red Sea and gave to France the glory of the great canal project. What a hero he was then, and how highly the European world held him during those memorable fetes on land and sea, when the first vessel passed through the muddy pass, when the brilliant and beautiful Eugenie was Empress of hearts as well as France, with pageants such as have rarely if at all been equalled from that time to this. This wonderful old man, with his 13 or 14 children and his wife, with the impossibly young, fresh face so familiar to Parisians and to strangers who met this patriarchal group nearly every pleasant day, riding together like a Bedonin tribe in the Bois, this man of astounding

credit and tremendous influence, this sun of

almost fourscore and ten years' shining,

seems about to sink as he sets into a nigh

THE sentiment as to Carnot was peculiarly unique for a French public man. He had been somewhere out of town with his family when I reached Paris last, but was drawn thither as I was by the public fetes in honor of the Centennial of the birth of the Republic, he to lead in all the ceremonies and I to listen to his praises sung alike by Orleanists, Bonapartists, Radicals, Conservatives, Socialists, Clericals and all other minor shades of French political parties. A good man in private life and in the line of domestic duties, singularly free from any of those lapses which are so common and so much pardoned in French statesmen; a pru dent man in the conduct of affairs; and yet withal a man whose public spirit and courage were at once his own shield and that of France among the nations. "Ah if we were sure of such Presidents as that little dark man yonder," said a man who stood beside me as the troops marched past the President public would be a thing to look up to." And this same man had previously cursed every man of every party he could catch a glimpse of, had called the celebration "the fete of the guillotine" and had mourned the exist-

ance of law and order. "Great is the palm tree" say the Arabs, "but greater the vine that saps it and brings it to the sand." Wurre at luncheon the other day with an old resident of Washington, a man at an adjacent table managed to deposit the con tents of a soup plate in his lap, and as the soup was fresh from the stove he was quite active physically and conversationally for nents. "That reminds me of some thing I saw at the White House years ago," sald my friend, "President Arthur gave one of those delightful dinners for which he was so famous, and among other guests were a Western Senator and his wife was a big, bluff, loud-voiced man and she he littlest, meekest, quietest woman imaginable, who never seemed to have a word to say in the presence of her lordly lord. At the table at this dinner the Senator sat at the President's left and the Senator's wife at his right. When the Senator began eating his oysters he tucked the corner of his napkin into his collar. It remained there until the soup arrived, when it fell to the floor. The Senator was accustomed evidently to wait upon himself, and he ducked to pick up the napkin and in doing so brought the top of his bald head sharply against the edge of the soup plate while the soup streamed all over him. He howled with pain and mopped himself with the napkin. The President made some sympathetic remark and the Senator arose with his head partly shrouded in a big handkerchiet and partly in the nap-kin. As his partially parboiled countenance arose above the table somebody snickered. Tue Senator's eye fell on his meek little wife who had stood up with consternation and fright written all over her face, but silent withal. The instant the Senator saw his wife chanced to be that when the President

cought to console the scalded statesman. Whether he was bewildered and what was going on inside his head I don't know, but he leaned over toward Mrs. Senator and roared 'Be silent, you infernal hag!' and then after a moment of horrified silence the room shook with the laughter of the whole party, the Senator included." WHEN we have a dark day like that of Tuesday and the lower part of the city is buried in fog and smoke, those who enter the dingy region from the East End notice a singular phenomenon. There is brightness, even streaks of sunshine, until you reach the hillside on Fifth avenue just below Robinson street, and there the foggy atmosphere actually seems like a compact wall, on the Anti-Option bill sounded the knell of all the way across the river at an angle to the works of Jones & Laughlins. The street cars on Fifth avenue or Forbes street and the railway or electric cars on Second avenue, seem to enter a gloomy archway, so marked and so clearly defined that for an instant the forepart of a car will be dark and full of fog while the rear is light and the air comparatively clear. The outlook-what little there is of it as you go on down Soho

hill toward the flat part of the town-is reminder of the chesnut suggested for a motto for the municipul coat of arms by some Eastern writer: "He who enters here leaveth his clean shirt behind." WALTER.

This Country Is All Right.

This is a luxurious country. They have

iscovered diamonds in Idaho, and there is

no end of sealskin cloaks up in Alaska.

oston Herald.

THE SNOW-STORM Wild the winds and wildly snowing.
White flakes o'er the sad earth sowing
All, all must go!
Hear ye not the pine trees sighing? For the year is old and dying! Ail, all must go!

O'er the lake the north wind stealing.

Chills and kills all hope and feeling.
All, all must go!
Far and wide the ice extending

Marks the reigning will unbending, All, all must go!

All around the cold snow hovers, Falls, and all the wide world covers,

All, all must go!

Naught remains to tell the comer

Of the joys that sped the summer,

All, all must go! In the woodland's depths and shadows, On the wide and rolling meadows, All, all must go! 'Neath the laurel the rabbit lying Sees the bright flakes onward firing, All, all must go!

Fast and fast the white veil growing Hides all beauty of earth's showing, All, all must go!