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ourpose to any extent. The health of th prison was reported good by the officers, but some of the residents of the town, who were not con nected with the prison, informed us that there had been sickness prevalent among the convicts in the shape of low fevers, which they attributed to the ravine at the back of the prison. There were one hundred and eighty-two prisone in the penitentiary at the time of our visit, and we could not but be struck with the number of Mexicould not cut be struck with the number of Alexi-cans, easily distinguishable by their-long, straight, coal-black hair and light yellow complexions, and plercing black eyes. A large number of the con-view were und easing antineas for here-stealing, the most prevalent form of hereny in this country. and which is very severely punished, some of the centences ranging as high as fifteen years. One

inken to secure its introduction, and after separa-"By a law passed at the hast essain of the Ler-gislature, the question of separation was submitted to the people of the sounties. south of a certain line, to be voted upon on the day of the general State election. It seems to have been samggled through the Legislature by some trick or surprise, for very few of the people of the effect of the law. However this may be, the vote of the counties to which the mat-ter was referred was almost namimous in favor of being set off. No change of the State's boundaries nor allenation of its territory can be legally made except by a change in the Constitution, which re-quires the concurrent action of the Legislature same requires the concurrent action of the Legislature same state, and there can be no question that a begin-ning and some progress have been made in the scheme. This plot connects itself with the proposed Territory of Nevada, in this way: The population of the lower counties of California is small, and is not increasing ithat of the southern scittlements of the proposed new Territory, east of the mountains, is also meagre. The plan lately formed is understood to be to unit the settle-ments of Nevada, south of the Trackee river, with the seconding counties of California. These districts. It is aupposed, will comprise a popu-lation which will reconsile Congress to the admis-sion of a new State, though the whole proceed-ing may appear, ever so plainly, a nere trick for folding two more representatives of starery into the Senate, with luckran constituenels. This arrangement leaves out of view the settlements in itoney Lake Valley and other districts on the east ide of the Sierra, north of Truckee river, in which are then we silver innes. They are disconnected from California by natural obstacles and a conflict of intercit; but there is no reasonable probability that they will attain a sufficiency of population to warrant their creciton into a Territory, for many years to come. For the present, all the inhab prisoner was under sentence of solitary confine-ment for life. The front of his cell was painted structed over the streams. Then come the plains ind you strike Little river. The Canadian is fordable, or a ferry is to be had at all time black, and over the door was the following inscrip tion in distinct white letters : "William Brown The other streams between Fort Smith and Little river are crossed with the substantial Murphy-Whipple iron bridges sent out from the contractors aged twenty-four years, convicted for murde in Grimes county, spring term, 1858, for which h n Philadelphia, A. & P. Roberts. Mr. Edward is now suffering solitary confinement for life. as his men now engaged upon the double span This distinction of his cell from the rest, and the in scription painted on it, was in accordance with the ridge over the Poteau, which will be complete tatutory provision of the State, which requires ero long. The Choctaws have commenced to in prove the read over the Winchester mountain, and that it shall be done in every case where a prisone is sentenced to solitary confinement for life. Brown project is a foot to turnpike the road from the bridge through the fearful boggy bottom of the Poteau and Arkansas to the village of Skullyville entered the penitentiary on the first of May, 1859 and had been kept in close confinement in his cell, never being permitted to leave it for any purpose until about the first of October, when his bealt Thus will there be a good wagon road, or road for any kind of travel, from the East to California. had suffered so much, that to preserve his life, Already railroads are erceping toward Fort Smith, he was, by virtue of a discretionary power, vest by the way of Little Rock, from Meraphis and from ed in the directors, taken out and set to work St. Louis. The fererunner of railway travel, the elegraph, will station itself soon-as soon, I learn in the woollen factory, since which time his health as the poles can be put up-at Fort Smith, which, had been improving. It was not to be wondered at that his health should decline under the rigorous enforcement of his sentence. The cell in which he f itself, will lessen the time of news communication from California three or four days. All these was confined was in the lower tier, and the top of I have seen Santa Fe traders taking Beale's the door was some feet below the lower edge of the route as far as it would take them to their desti-nation. You nover saw a Santa Fe party. Riding windows in the outside wall, on the opposite side of the corrider. The interior of the cell was of in advance is a young man, armed with his sixthe same size with all the others in the prisonnooter, and knife, and a fowling piece. His dress eight feet by five, and eight feet high. The only is for use rather than show, yet show is not forgot aperture for light or ventilation was the doorway, ten, as the red sash round his waist will testify, as which was lovel with the floor of the cell, and well as the rich blue ribbon that binds his hat, and about five feet high and two and a half wide; it Ratters its ends in the wind. It is saddle has the high cantle and pommel, the broad wooden stir-hups, the leg-flaps, and the wide leathern machilla that covors the frame in day and serves at night as ful refusal to inform themselves upon, and recogpart of his bed, to prevent the sharp stones, and nise the very wide distinction between separat part of his bed, to prevent the sharp stones, and solitary confinement, that renders namy per-stleks, and damp getting at him; all these, like and solitary confinement, that renders many per-thould-fashioned Spanish or Moorish saddles; the awful spurs and check-bit, weighing something less than a ton, must not be forgotten. Anon and we (P Geo. Lunt. of the Boston Courier, and Chaslale, of the Advertiser, were opposing candidates or members of Assembly, Fourth ward, in Boston l'ae contest was very exciting, and the vote

see two old, hard-faced, grave-looking men mounted upon serious-looking males, that have their tails Out of the 182 prisone Out of the 182 prisoners, there were but three we shaved off, except a slight bunch of hair at the end, giving them a ludicrous appearance. They are in murder of her own father to get his money, and the deep chat, but salute us with much dignity as we third for the murder of her niece, out of jealousy pass them. In the woods and prairie are others of of her husband, who had been imprisoned as an ac the party hunting fresh ment for the evening meul. | complice, and had occupied the cell immediately Then there are the heavily-laden wagons, drawn above his wife's, but who died in prison a few by their half-dozen ox toains each, the loose cattle, the teamstors, and the long ox-whip cracking on woman who was imprisoned for the murder of her every side its eternal noise. We saw an Indian | jather was then in the penitentiary, having been just behind the party, tricked in his best. He was | convicted as an accomplice. His cell was immedi on his way to pay a visit. We inquired why he had so many dogs. He replied that he had to take some with him, or they would get fighting at home. It had to long the interview of the solution of the solution

116 had following him fifteen of all breeds, sizes, colors, and dispositions-a merry party, to be sure. If Edward F. Bealo had been a Massachusetts meals being all served in the colls. There was a boy of seventeen in the penitentiary, sent there for stabbing a man; he would have been sent to man, his services to his country would have teeme House of Correction had any such institution bee the papers with his exploits, his daring, and his provided ; he was allowed many privileges in the u cfulness. The more credit to Massachusetts! A penitentiary, owing to his youth, and sometimes slept in the same cells with other convicts. It young lieutenaut in the navy during the war with Mexico, not his least daring act was to carry desseemed to us more than probable that by the time

prevenes through Mevico itself. In California, he his term had expired, he would be pretty well gathered the wild Indians, that threatened the lives posted up in all sorts of crime, at least if he imnd property of the settlers and miners, upon reproved his opportunities, and his associates would sorves, and there taught them agriculture and t hardly permit him to neglect them, even were I carn their own subsistence. His merit gained for him from California high praise, together with a commission as general. Hon Jefferen Daris, wood, and a few years since the prisoners confined then a Senator from Mississippi, and before going in three colls, one over the other, made their es ato General Pierce's Cabinet, was impressed with cape by cutting through the floors and roof, and so the belief that camels, if introduced into this coungutting down upon the outside of the prison. Since this occurrence, the prisoners have been searched regularly twice a day-once when they come in ry, would be of vast uso in Texas, Arizona, and New Mexico, and he made successive efforts to hav from work to dinner, and again at suppor time Two or three hounds, trained to catch fugitives and the matter tested. At last he succeeded ; and when the camels were brought over, under his adminis tration of the War Department, he selected Mr. unaways, are kept by one of the guards, and ar

Boulo to take the cameis and decide the point he had so much at heart. We all knew how well Mr. used to track out any prisoners who may attemp get away; and as some of the convicts are en de discharged this duty The first mail over ployed outside the prison walls, about the store Mr. Beale's route was brought by the camels in an houses and in the garden, the opportunity thus af mprecedentedly short space of time. Now, the forded for escape is comptimes attempted to be im proved, and the services of the dogs are the

ragon road over the thirty-fifth parallel is completed, Mr. Beale retires quietly into the circle of his neighbors, in Chester, Delaware county, brought into requisition. There are no negroes in prison; but few free negroes are to be found in the Pennsylvania, and, without ovation, settles himself State, and for the higher offences, for which a white down to the preparation of his report to Congress. man or free negro would be sent to the peniter The same people that hung in raptures over the tiary, a slave is hung. The officers of the penitentiary are a superin

have little hops of it in view of the recent elections. But, as a conservative man and a Union-loving man, and yet as a Virginian and a Southerner, we have discharged our duty is giving calm and lime-ly warning to the Northern people of the fearful precipice over which the Union is even now hang-ing. With them is the responsibility. As for Vir-ginia and the South, their own safety is their first duty, and that duty will be fearlessly met, regard-less of conscibuences." There is news from Dr. Livingstone, the Af-

ican explorer. Letters have been received from

him dated at Sette, on the Zambesi, in Februar

last. It was the worst period of the year, and fever was very fatal on the coast, but the members of the expedition had had but slight attacks. The result of experience seems to be that the condition of fety is to get away from the coast. Dr. Livingstone had conducted the steamer 1,700 miles, and proved not only the navigability of the Lower Zam pesi in the dry season, but that the Shire is a splen did river for a steamer, upward of one hundred miles from its configence. The last trip prior to the above-named date was up the Shire. Near the conduence there is a mountain over 4.000 feet high, with considerable cultivation on the top, and a climate fitting it admirably for a sanatoria and lemon trees were found growing wild upon it, and there are fine springs and hot-water baths. The valley of the Shire is twenty or thirty miles broad, and wonderfully fertile. The people seen never to have been visited by Europeans before, and were very suspicious of man-stealing. The explorers landed frequently. and took great pains o allay these unfounded fears, and to explain their real intentions. They bought provisions and otton-yarn of the natives.

IF" The removal of Cook, the postmaster of Chicago, is again being agitated at Washington. It is said that the Postmaster General's agent, sen<sup>‡</sup> recently to Chicago, has accumulated a large amount of evidence against him from the office-holders Cook discharged

17 The Washington correspondent of the New York Tribune says :

"A less number than an actual majority of the House, which is 119, will be required to organize. Mr. Brown, of Kentucky, Democrat, will not take his zont, being under the constitutional age, and one or two others may be absent, from a belief that the Democrats have no chance. Two members did not attend for several weeks in the protracted strug-gle of the Thirty-fourth Congress. If every Oppo-

not attend for several weeks in the protracted stug-gle of the Thirty-fourth Congress. If every Oppo-sition man is on the ground on the first day, 117 votes will elect the Speaker. "There are unward of twenty candidates for the vacant marshalship of Weetern Pennylvania, and the President is much exercised about a choice. "Gen. Joe Lane has returned, but with chop-fallen prospects, ance the Oregon election. Mr. Buchanan and others, who favored his pretensions before orise him theodd aboutde new" before, give him the cold shoulder now."

Suicide of a Philadelphian at Pitts-

throughout the day stood : At nine o'clock, Hale burg. was some 30 ahead; at ten, 40; at eleven, 10; at [From the Pittsburg Journal, 14th inst.]

The contest was very exciting, and the volu throughout the day stool: A thin so clock, that was some 30 ahoud; at ten, 40; at eleven, 10; at twelve, 11; at one, 206 to 196; at four, an hour twelve, 11; at one, 206 to 196; at four, an hour twelve, 11; at one, 206 to 196; at four, an hour twelve, 11; at one, 206 to 196; at four, an hour twelve, 11; at one, 206 to 196; at four, an hour twelve, 11; at one, 206 to 196; at four, an hour twelve, 11; at one, 206 to 196; at four, an hour twelve, 11; at one, 206 to 196; at four, an hour twelve, 11; at one, 206 to 196; at four, an hour twelve, 11; at one, 206 to 196; at four, an hour twelve, 11; at one, 206 to 196; at four, an hour twelve, 11; at one, 206 to 196; at four, an hour twelve, 11; at one, 206 to 196; at four, an hour twelve, 11; at one, 206 to 196; at four, an hour twelve, 11; at one, 206 to 196; at four, an hour twelve, 11; at the twelve, 11;

