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TERMS FOR DAILY. THEMS FOR WHEKLY.

Our Clubing List.

THE dispatches today bring the good news that Stanley is still alive, but that he has been hard pressed.

FORTY-Two states now instead of thirty eight. Cleaveland has signed the omnibu bill, pull down the flag and add four more stars then float it to the breeze.

THE Ceadlock in West Virginia was broken Thursday by the democrats yot ing solid for Senator Kenna, who will now succeed himself in the United State-

WITH a republican president and con gress, a patriotic foreign policy, and four new stars added to Old Glory, the Amer ican people will have good reason to celebrate the fourth of July this year in a most grateful and enthsiastic manner.

MR. VEST says he will not give up his belief in the unconstitutionality of the direct tax bill even to secure nearly \$700,000 for Missouri. That is one of the reasons why he will be retired to private life at the end of his present

Two members of the administration the president and secretary of state have just made a formal and elaborate defense of their policy in the past four years. This is something of an innovation in our politics. In justification of the act, however, it is only fair to say that no other administration ever needed defense so sorely as this one.

THE "Monongahela" has sailed from San Francisco for Samoa. It is supposed there is no need for a war ship at Samoa now, since Klein has left. But then it is well to have one or two there as Mr Blaine may see fit to use them. Whether he does or not the American people can rest assured that this country will suffer no dishonor under President Harrison and Secretary Blaine.

"THREE little maids from school are "we, wandering what the great wide "world can be," is what our fair young sisters South Dakota, Montana and Washington are trilling and humming, till all the Nation is filled with the music, as they primp and powder before the glaspreparatory to donning their spic and span new dresses of statehood. South Dakota has her more shy but not less pretty little sister of North Dakota by the hand and she too, though she blushes and trembles as her more robust sister draws her forward, is eager for the new honor. Four lovlier brides were never seen, and right properly they will assume the matronly dignity of their new station. Nebraska will be proud to take them each by the hand and welcome them to the next great tea-party of the states at Washington.

AGAP IN THE SUCCESSION LAW If Benjamin Harrison should die between this time and the 4th day of March, how would a president be selected to take the reins of a government on that day? The Electoral College met on the second Monday in January, as the law prescribes, and chose a president and vice president of the United States for the four years beginning with March 4, 1889. After going through the formality of voting for these officials, and certifying to the vote sent to the president of the senate, to be counted before the two brances of congress assembled in joint session on the second Wednesday in Febrnary, the functions of the Electoral Col-

lege expires, and that body dissolves.

Gen. Harrison was chosen president by the Electoral College on January 14, and Levi P. Morton vice president. If both Harrison and morton had died or become incapacitated at any time between that time and this, or if this should happen at any time between now and March 4, there is no way, under present laws, in which the presidential succession could be provided for. In the law enacted three years ago the succession devolves on the secretary of state, if there be no yice president. and if there be no secretary of state on Can supply every demand of the trade the secretary of the treasury, and in this way it goes through the cabinet. But if

Harrison and Morton should die now there would be no cabinet after March 4.

Even if Harrison alone should die befor M crea 4 there is doubt among constisutional lawyers as to whether Morton could take his place. Senator Hoar, who took the leading part in the preparation of the presidential succession bill en cted in 1886, thinks Morton could not, without a strained construction of the laws, and he is probably as good authority on this subject as is any man in the country. Cleveland would step down on March 4, and there would be nobody to succeed him. The electoral college could not be reconvened to fill the office, for that body has no legal existence after casting its vote. Nor could the min who stood second in the electoral vote-who is, in this instance, the retiring president-take the post. Of course, there is a probability that there wovld be a general acquiesence in the giving of the presidential office to the vice-president elect, in this case, so as to word anarchy. Still there is an omission here in the succession laws, which congress should provide for at the earliest racticable moment.-Globe Democrat.

Style.

The most fashionable color, at present, the hue of health, and it will never go out of style. Its shades and tints are parious, but all of them are exceedingly ecoming. It is perfectly astonishing what a change is being daily wrought by Or. Pierce's Favorite Prescription in the ooks of sickly women. Sufferers from ny sort of "female weakness" or irregu arity, backache or nervous prostration hould give it trial. All druggists.

A PEARL RING.

She looked down at her hand; "Twas slender quite; the band Of gold so brightly gleamed, Each day it yellower beamed "N r love, he'll come," sh- said-The days and weeks fast sped.

She looked down at her hand; The pearl set in the band Seemed strangely dark to grow. "He'll come, yes soon, I know."
The beaves turned red and fell—
"My love, he loves me well."

She looked down at her hand; "I wonder in what land He roves, and if this ring Could me to sorrow bring! O, does this shining gold Portray my love untold?

And can the pearl, so dark, Falso emblems, you deceive! Fil die first than believe 11- could unworthy be-I know my love leves me.

She looked down at her hand; With age and toiling tanned, And loosely in the gold, Now worn, but bright of old, The blackened pearl remained. Che sighs, "He's long detained '

-New Orleans Times Democrat. China as a Manufacturing Center.

Li Hung Chang is reported as saying: Before half a century has passed China will be covered with railways as with a et. Its immense mineral resources will se developed. It will have rolling mills and furnaces in many parts of the country, and it is not impossible that it may do the manufacturing for the world." The viceroy is exceedingly sanguine, but here is no immediate reason for Amerian and European manufacturers being frightened at the prospect of the competition of the Flowery Kindom. A place once lost is rarely recovered. The Chinese-were once the leaders of the world, and fell behind in the race. It is not likely that they will again take the lead, Turkey was once in advance of Europe,-Rail way World.

The Same Stick.

First Physician-What utter idiocy! Here are a lot of American actors proesting against the importation of foreign actors. Second Physician-Yes, just like the imorant laborers who want their own countrymen shut out so as to keep up prices. But we must be going. 'Yes, it won't do to be late at the medical convention. Our votes will be needed to keep these impudent women doctors out of the female wards of our hospitals, and besides; we want a big majority on the motion to debar young Dr. Wiseman or advertising in the papers."--Philadelphia Record.

The late William Woolsey, of Harford county, Md., was a philanthropist with ideas of his own. He has left nearty \$100,000 to be expended on certain designated roads in that county provided the county commissioners spend an equal sum on them.

The manufacturers claim that their new harness for work horses, which is made of steel and applied in an entirely new way, does not cost half as much as teather harnesses, and will last ten times

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WOMEN'S COURAGE.

Two Girls Who Brave a Storm, but Fly

in Terror from Eats. Miss Nina Trevelyan and her sister Nannie, two young girls, left their residence, near Norfolk, Va., a few days ago, accompanied by a gentle-man friend, on a wild goose and duck expedition in the bay. Both ladies were familiar with the use of shot were familiar with the use of shot guns and anticipated a pleasant time. At 3 o'clock they procured a sail boat and sped across the bay, where the blinds were ready for cccupancy. After sundown, when they had secured considerable game, they hoisted sail and endeavored to make the landing from which they embarked. The night was very dark and they were on the eastern side of the Chesapeake. When they started the wind was acrtheast. They did not discover that it had changed to several points to the south and lost their reckoning. For south and lost their reckoning. For hours they beat up and down the Chesapeake, lost, as if in midocean. Chesapeake, lost, as if in midocean. The night was bitter cold, and the gale high, but the girls never expressed any fear. They were seated amidships, in heavy blankets that had been used for blinds. No sign of human habitation or civilization hove in sight until after midnight, when their craft ran into a lot of anchored skiffs. This brought them to the shore, where, at midnight, after being exposed to the weather, they discovered a little cabin, in which they found plenty of wood, and soon had a crackling fire, but it was a long time before the half frozen ladies recovered. Finding four bunks in the cabin they, with much persuasion, were induced to try to get a little sleep. Suddenly a piercing scream came from Miss Nina, who sprang to the center of the cabin, holding her skirts high towards heaven. The other young lady, frightened almost to death, sprang from her bunk, receiving several severe contusions and at the same time adding her soprano to the music. The trouble was explained when the younger one exclaimed, "Rats!" Investigation proved that a horde of marsh rats had entered the cabin and sought refuge under the blankets and the pillows. At day-break Sunday sail was hoisted and, after scouring the bay shore for hours, they finally discovered their landing, arriving home late that evening. The girls were received with open arms by their parents, who had given them up for lost.—Baltimore American.

A Thackeray Dinner. Thackeray was in high spirits, and when the cigars were lighted he said that there should be no speech making, but that everybody, according to the old rule of festivity should sing a song or tell a story. Lester Wallack's father, James Wallack, was one of the guests, and with a kind of shyness, which was unexpected but very agreeable in a veteran actor, he pleaded earnestly that he could not sing and knew no story. But with friendly persistence, which was yet not immoderate, Thackeray declared that no ex-cuse could be allowed, because it would be a manifest injustice to every other modest man at table, and put a summary end to the hilarity. It was to be a general sacrifice, a round table of magnanimity. "Now, Wallack," he continued, "we all know you to be a truthful man. You can, of course. since you say so, neither sing a song nor tell a story. But I tell you what you can do, and what every soul at this table knows you can do better than any living man—you can give us the great scene from the 'Rent Day.' "There was a burst of enthusiastic agreement and old Wallack, smiling and yielding, still sitting at the table in his evening dress, proceeded in a most effective and touching recitation from one of his most famous parts. It was curious to observe from the moment he began how completely inde-pendent of all accessories the accom-plished actor was, and how perfectly he filled the part as if he bad been in full action upon the stage.-Harper's Magazine.

The Evolution of Toys.

Harlow Gale has written a thoughtful article tracing the evolution of holidays. He might take as a theme the evolution of toys and other means of amusement. The advance along this line has been something tremendous in the past few years. The toys of a few years ago were pretty tame beside the ones of today. They have become so respectable, in fact, that adults may get recreation from them, and even get enthusiastic in their use. Think what a furor the bicycle has made. Minneapolis wheelmen are now numbered by the hundred, and now numbered by the hundred, and few people now stop to consider a moment whether it is dignified to ride a wheel. Even the ministers employ them, Amateur photography likewise is brightening existence for thousands of people. The latest and probably the most delightful toy that could well be imagined is the phonograph. To be sure, it may become vastly more than a toy. But even as such it has a great future before it. Think of the thousand one novel uses Think of the thousand one novel uses to which it can be put. It tires the imagination even to picture the thing beforehand. As a fireside comforter it could have no rival for years to come. -St. Paul Pioneer Press.

Practical Christianity.

An amusing incident of the impressions made upon the Chinese pressions made upon the Chinese mind by Christian teaching may be gathered from the following: "A clergymen employed a Chinese boy to assist in the kitchen, and, Sunday being the former's heaviest day of labor, there was naturally plenty of work on that day in the culinary department. It was the first Sunday the Celestial had been in the house, and after the dishes had been cleared and cleansed from the afternoon dinner, Ah Got went over to Chinatown, but failed to return. He learned a little English and writing in the mission school, and left the following note on the kitchen table: Too much Sunday work no good.' I go, Lamb of God, China boy.'" He had appropriated the literal meaning of the third commandment — Victoria (B. C.) Colonist. THE SIGN OF THE CROSS.

Facts Concerning a Costom That Is Much

Observed in Russia.

The Russian is crossing himself all day long. When he first comes forth in the open air in the morning, if no church be in sight from his own door, he listens to the first sound of some bell, then, turning towards it, crosses himself with great fervor, to insure a blessing on the undertakings of the day. He crosses himself before and after each meal. When you make a bargain with him he crosses himself that it may prosper. When the peasant who is to drive you takes the reins in his hands he crosses the reins in his hands he crosses himself to keep away accidents; and every steeple he passes gets the same mark of respect. Somelike manner the person standing beside you in any public conveyance crosses himself every time you start with new horses. If you give a child a piece of money its little hand is up in a moment to make the sign of the cross, by way of blessing and thanking von. No Russian ever passes a church without pausing when he comes opposite its center to make the sign of the cross. It is not alone the grave and the aged who pause at these places, but also the giddy and young. You have just seen some gray haired general do it—but wait one minute; a laughing band of youngsters are coming up. Now they are opposite the church or the shrine-each crosses himself devoutedly-utters a prayer or two-you see the lips moving-then passes gravely on, the laugh and the jest being reassed only when they are some way off.

So far is this crossing custom carried that when a Russian enters your room he cannot say "Good morning" until he has crossed himself at the Saviour's picture. A man in any publie way, such as innkeeper, must always have a picture hung in his own apartment in addition to that in the public room, to which each Russian turns before he sits down to eat .-Russian Interior.

An Old Humbug.

For a long time I have observed a poor negro who sits every day at the corner of Sixth avenue and Twenty third street, playing an orguinette. A tin sign, on which is painted the legend "I am blind," hangs by a string from his neck, and a little mongrel cur, with a dirty linen jacket wrapped around him, sitset the unfortunate's feet with a cup in its mouth, begging for alms. The poor, blind negro never lacked for sympathy. Fashionably dressed ladies out shopping were continually dropping small coins of various denominations into the receptacle provided for them. On Wednesday afternoon, as I chanced to pass, I saw the negro vociferating and talking very loudly to three policemen. As soon as one or these placed his hand on his collar and threatened him with arrest, his sight was restored as if by magic, for he struck a very direct blow at the blue coat's nose. When the guardian of the peace adminis-tered a little persuasion with his club he burly mendicant became more carcely be held by the conjoined efforts of the three officers. What the trouble was about I could not learn, but the man was allowed to go away unmolested. He will probably not receive as much sympathy as formerly.

Serpents in Books,

-New York News.

Keep a watchful eye upon current literature in order to know what had best be avoided. Keep some books out of the house. It is related in a re-cent interview that a gentleman, connected with the English government in India, went into his library (he lived in Calcutta) to get a book. As he took it from the shelf he felt a sharp prick on the end of his finger. He thought some careless reader had placed a pin within the leaves for a mark. Presently, however, his finger began to swell—then his arm—then his body—and not long afterward he died in agony. It was not a pin, but a small and deadly snake peculiar to the country that lay within those pages. There are serpents, too, in the books that many are reading nowadays. They lay coiled away and out of sight. But as the pages are fingered the sting will be felt. Let certain books alone. The naked inde-cencies of Zola, with their brutal and repulsive realisms, are not half so dangerous as are the draped nastiness, the refined innuendoes, the elegant libertinism of some more reputable writers. If you would not be morally poisoned, look out for the serpents among the books.—Clergyman in St. Louis Republic.

High Art in a Sanctum. Great Artist (a noted impressionist, lounging around a newspaper office waiting for the art critic)—My gracious! Did you study art in Paris, too?

Exchange Editor—Eh?

You should make some use of your

wonderful talents, sir. Drop journalism and open a studio at once. You would take every prize in the exhibition. That, sir, is one of the most divinely ideal studies in black and white I ever

"This? This came from inadvert-ently jabbing my paste brush into the infistand."—Philadelphia Record.

Agreeable Disinfectant for Room The following, from an Italian journal, is recommended as a pleasant and efficacious disinfectant for sick rooms: Camphor, 20 parts; hypochlorite of line, 50 parts; alcohol, 50 parts water, 50 parts; oil of cloves, 1 part oil of eucalyptus, 1 part. The ingredients should be mixed slowly in a cool. pacious vessel, and a few drops on a late placed in the rooms.—Herald of

Nature uses a good many quills with which to make a goose, but a man car make a goose of himself with only one. —Orchard and Garden.

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