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congressional districts as soon as the ratio is fixed by congress. The number of judicial districts should be increased to provide for the business in the district courts. Appropriation is asked for the payment of expenses of prosecuting criminals accused of crimes committed in unorganized territory. The \$10,000 appropriated by the last legislature was exhausted in the Olive trial. The state officers should be supplied with pamphlets and other reading matter to circulate as immigration inducements.—L. Globe. Screaming Women. The woman who screams at everything, from a mouse to a cow, is of little practical use. How will the wife who screams at nothing depart herself when her husband is brought home with a broken leg, her child has a fit, the family fortunes go to sudden ruin, the house catches fire, the ceilings fall in, the pipes burst, and to use Shakespeare's expression, "all is in extremity?" The little scream, so feminine, and to some ears so appropriate in the days of white muslin gowns, dainty little hats, and rosebud cheeks, always blushing, will have a very different sound for the harassed man of business, the long-suffering husband, the anxious father; he will look with envy on those happy fellows who possess wives who do not scream. Properly considered, this question of screaming should have great weight in a man's choice of a partner for life. The little scream is invaluable as an index of character. No really well-bred woman would dream of screaming at a cow any more than of losing her temper with careless servants before company. She has been taught self-possession under emergencies as a duty owed to society, and it becomes a matter of course. A man, therefore, in choosing a wife, should ask himself whether such a calm, dignified bearing, presence of mind, and a reluctance to inflict discomfort on others, are not qualities that outlive mere beauty. Partly, therefore, to vulgarly, and also partly to vanity, must the scream be attributed. There are girls so helplessly addicted to self-adulation, women so morbidly anxious for notice, that they will do anything short of committing murder in order to attract attention. What they cannot effect by good looks, spirit, or even an attractive appearance, they contrive by the scream. A scream grates; a scream is odious; a scream has no meaning, but it makes the bystander stare; it awakens a spurious sympathy for the moment. All we can say is that, all things considered, the man who marries a woman who screams deserves the misery which is in store for him. A Parrot's Piety. Captain James Etchberger vouches for the following bird story. About thirty years ago when in Honduras, his wife then accompanying him, he was presented with a parrot, a sprightly bird and a fluent discusser in the Spanish language. The bird was brought to this city, where after being domiciled in the house of the captain's family it soon acquired a knowledge of the English tongue. The next door neighbor of the captain was a garulous woman—an incessant goad—forever quarreling with some one or something. Polly being allowed full liberty was pleased to take an airing on the yard fence, and in a short time had learned to mimic the scolding neighbor to perfection and finally became aggressive. Polly not infrequently raved her impertinence by being knocked off the fence with a broomstick. This brought forth a torrent of abuse from her injured feelings upon the head of her assailants. Finally the bird's language became so abusive that the captain was obliged to send it away, and Polly was transferred to a good Christian family in the country, where in the course of time she reformed and became to some extent a bird of edifying piety. Some time ago, while she was sunning herself in the garden, a large hawk swooped down and bore the distressed parrot off as a prize. Her recent religious training came to her assistance, as at the top of her voice she shrieked, "Oh, Lord, same me! Oh, Lord, same me!" The hawk became so terrified at the unexpected cry that he dropped his intended dinner and soared away in the distance. Polly still survives her attempted abduction.—Baltimore News. Follow the Float. A prospector, just in from the hills, went to one of the city hotels to get a good square meal. After partaking of the substantial he ordered a change and a waiter brought him some pie and pudding. The piece of pie was rather diminutive and the old miner pulled out his mineral glass, and after gazing long and earnestly through it at his small supply asked, "Waiter, where did you get this?" "In the kitchen, sir." "Well, I like the sample, and think it came from a good lead; suppose you and the cook follow up the float to the mother vein and stop me out a piece."

Gold Excitement in Alaska. The New York Times Washington special says: "A letter has been received here from Sitka, Alaska, by a treasury officer, which says that the development of mineral wealth in that region will probably cause a gold fever and attract thousands of prospectors and miners. The writer says: 'Two miners, who have been prospecting all summer on the main land, secured some of the richest gold quartz that has been found in Alaska, and many old miners say it is the richest they ever saw. An assay was made of a fair sample, not a choice piece, that ran over \$4,000 to the ton. The only question is how much they get of it? Owing to the snow there but little can be done this winter, as the ground is now covered over two feet deep. The location is easy of access, being not more than two miles from water.'" Vick's Illustrated Floral Guide. For 1881 is an Elegant Book of 120 Pages, One Colored Flower Plate, and 600 Illustrations, with Descriptions of the best Flowers and Vegetables, and Directions for growing. Only 10 cents. In English or German. If you afterwards order seeds deduct the 10 cents. Vick's Seeds are the best in the world. The FLORAL GUIDE will tell how to get and grow them. Vick's Flower and Vegetable Garden, 175 Pages, 6 Colored Plates, 500 Engravings. For 50 cents in paper covers; \$1.00 in elegant cloth. In German or English. Vick's Illustrated Monthly Magazine—32 Pages, a Colored Plate in every number and many fine Engravings. Price \$1.25 a year; Five Copies for \$5.00. Specimen Numbers sent for 10 cents; 3 trial copies for 25 cents. Address, JAMES VICK, Rochester, N. Y. Every Family, without Exception. In City, Village, and Country, will find it highly useful to constantly read the American Agriculturist. It abounds in plain, practical, reliable information, most valuable for in-door as well as out-door work and comfort, and its 800 to 1,000 Original Engravings in every volume are both pleasing and instructive. In this respect it is pre-eminent and stands alone, and it should have a place in every household, no matter how many other journals are taken. Its Illustrated Department for Youth and Children contains much information as well as amusement. Its Humbug exposures are invaluable to all classes. The cost is very low, only \$1.50 from now to the end of 1881, or four copies for \$5. Single numbers, 15 cents. One specimen, 6 cents. Take our advice and subscribe now for volume 40 (1881). Orange Judd Company, Publishers, 245 Broadway, New York. COLUMBUS JOURNAL and Agriculturist one year, post-paid, \$3 00. Wind Mill. The mill hereafter be found on 12th Street west door of Marshall Smith's where he keeps a full line of every style of PUMP, PIPE, HOSE, and the Celebrated I X L FEED MILL: As he keeps a Pump House exclusively, he is able to sell CHEAPER THAN THE CHEAPEST. Pumps for any depth. Pumps driven or repaired, and Rods cut. GIVE HIM A CALL AND SAVE MONEY. 356 COLUMBUS STATE BANK, Successors to Gerard & Reed and Turner & Elliot. COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA. CASH CAPITAL, \$50,000 DIRECTORS: LEANDER GERRARD, Pres't. GEO. W. HULST, Vice Pres't. JULIUS A. REED. EDWARD A. GERRARD. ABNER TURNER, Cashier. Bank of Deposit, Discount and Exchange. Collections Promptly Made on all Points. Pay Interest on Time Deposits. ANDERSON & ROEN, BANKERS, ELEVENTH ST., COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA. Deposits received, and interest paid on time deposits. Prompt attention given to collections and proceeds remitted on day of payment. Passage tickets to or from European points by best lines at lowest rates. Drafts on principal points in Europe. REFERENCES AND CORRESPONDENTS: First National Bank, Decatur, Iowa. Allen & Co., Chicago. Omaha National Bank, Omaha. First National Bank, Chicago. Kountze Bros., N. Y.

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