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ELI PERKINS writes to the Chicago Tribune about natural gas wells. Eli is continually writing about himself.

THE Western Union is preparing to submit to the inevitable. It has borrowed \$1,000,000 to pay the expense of putting its wires underground in cities.

BOB INGERSOLL was defeated in his attempt to be a delegate from the District of Columbia to the Chicago convention.

MR. CALLOWAY, who comes to the Union Pacific as assistant to Managing Director Ames, under the new arrangement of conducting the road, has for many years been the general manager of the Chicago and Grand Trunk railway.

THE Philadelphia Press is responsible for the following, which will be appreciated in a state that gave Garfield over 26,000 majority.

THE Nebraska democrats have prevailed upon J. Sterling Morton to retain his position as chairman of the party's state committee.

SOME of the year of grace, 1777, the state of Georgia furnished to the continental army, then in its borders, a certain amount of supplies, for which it has been trying during a century or so, to get payment.

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EXTRAVAGANT APPROPRIATIONS.

The recklessness with which money is being appropriated by the present congress for public buildings is enough to make the average citizen gasp for breath.

The most surprising thing about this reckless disposition of the revenue is the total indifference with which congressmen seem to receive all objections and arguments raised against the different items.

The manner in which this singular unanimity was brought about, is, of course, evident enough. Every congressman who had a job simply pooled with every other congressman who had a job to work all the jobs through, and the thing was done.

THE BEER'S SPECIAL DISPATCHES. THE BEER publishes alleged "special dispatches" from the east. THE BEER'S telegraph lines would be struck by lightning if somebody should steal the shears.

AS usual the Republican has succeeded in making itself supremely ridiculous. Anyone who knows anything about newspaper gathering knows that Chicago is the principal center in the west for the collection of news.

THE fight between the Cable interest and Vanderbilt for the control of the Rock Island road is soon to take a definite shape in the election of director, Vanderbilt is supporting John Newell of Cleveland, and Cable has thrown his influence in behalf of H. H. Porter, the present incumbent.

GOVERNOR SHERMAN has not yet filled the vacancy in the Iowa railroad commission, although it was understood that he would do so on the 10th of April.

MR. RANDALL told the democratic convention of Pennsylvania that he had pursued an aggressive course in congress "in advocacy of the cardinal principles of Jefferson, Jackson, Polk and Buchanan."

JEAN BAPTISTE DUMAS, who died yesterday in Paris, at the age of 84 years, was a celebrated chemist. He was at one time minister of agriculture and

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niah coal at reasonable rates. But the Rock Island road which owns or controls all the track therabouts, and is run in the interest of the Cables, stands in the way.

DEATH OF CHARLES READE. Charles Reade, the novelist, is dead. He was born in 1814, and graduated at Magdalen college, Oxford, in 1835.

OTHER LANDS THAN OURS. The passage of much discussed franchise bill was one of the principal events of the week in England.

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commerce of France. Besides this he filled several other important public positions, both of a political and literary character.

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about \$100,000. The Indian government is also urged to obtain the money by starting loans in London at 3 per cent in perpetuity on the capital invested, because of the scarcity of capital for investment in India.

When political arrests are made in Russia the victims are generally described in the police reports as "nihilists," that being the faction which is most dreaded by the conservative portion of the people.

Altogether separate from these factions of terrorism and anarchy, or methods, is the "party of the people," which demands that the subjects of the czar shall have a voice and influence in the management of the political affairs of the empire.

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