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Cubs, and our government says that It ought to pay the entire running expenses dom, for which he has received the Spain says she does not want to sell does not want to buy it. We would like of the state. to know what Cubs wants.

THE Omaha Herald is authority for terest of any applicant for office in Neanyhow?

THE splendid display of fruits, flowers, and vegetables that is being made by the Douglas county horticultural society is not receiving the attention from our citibeing held in the Capitol avenue skating rink, and the price of admisssion is merely nominal. It is hoped that our people will encourage by a more liberal attendance this first effort of the society.

THE owner of a democratic paper, who Bluffs, charges Mr. Armour with being that our quota at the saylum was full. an offensive partisan. Mr. Armour has man who wants his office. If Mr. Armour is removed it will only show what a sham and farce civil service reform is

THE liquor license in Wisconsin cities is \$200, and they dignify this sum with the name of high license, and claim that it works satisfactorily. Milwaukee, with a population of 150,000, has nearly one thousand saloons, but the revenue therefrom is not much more than that derived by Omaha-whose population is only about one-third that of Milwaukeefrom 140 liquor establishments, the license of which is \$1,000 each. If Milwaukee had a thousand dollar license she would have fewer saloons and a much "Total receipts to date of \$192,500 for liquor licenses in this city answer the question as to whether high license is wise or not The receipts last year were about \$75,000, thus making a clear gain of \$117,000. This is not all, for a conhave been suppressed. But not enough have been so destroyed, and a license fee of \$500 would not only increase the municipal receipts in a very marked degree, but would lower the number of salcons able ones."

THE attempt to force upon the property owners of Thirteenth street the Colorado sandstone pavement, at a higher price than is demanded for Sloux Falls granite, is in keeping with the policy pursued by the sandstone agents ever since they have begun operations in this city. It is fresh in everybody's mind how they sought to override the will of the property-owners of Farnam and other streets, and compelled them at great expense to invoke the power of the courts to put a stop to the fraud. The way they have worked up and put is, if anything, more disreputable than the Farnam street job which the courts enjoined. It has been shown, as we understand by competent testimony, that parties were induced to sign the sandthat the cost would be very much below that of asphalt or Sloux Falls granite. It is also asserted that many property owners, who were in Union Pacific employ, were bulldozed by threats into signing the petition. A good deal of chicanery was also resorted to in getting property owners to change from one petition to another. It is not necessary to go into details, but it is sufficient to say that Thirteenth street, which could have been made one of the most elegant thoroughfares, will be spoiled by this pavement if it is allowed to be laid. The blocks laid on Ninth street are a fair sample of what may be expected. than cobble stones. Now, whether or not the court grants a permanent injunction the remonstrance of the property-owners of Thirteenth street. They should not force a costly and inferior pavementupon them against their will, especially when it is property-owners are poor working men. Leavenworth street until the Union Pacific has widened its bridge to the full warded with the governorship of the ministry. The Marquis of Salisbury opinion that it was all a pretty farce; that width of the street. If the present ob. Schleswig. In the France-Prussian war is the embodiment of aristocracy and of Disz found it necessary to do something structions are allowed to remain sfter the street is paved, there is no telling

when they will be removed.

DEMANDING TOO MUCH. general tax. Mr. Leese threatens to mandamus the commissioners to compel them to make a levy to meet this alleged deficiency. The commissioners, on the thing of the kind, unless forced by a deto the suggestion of certain parties who

The demand made upon this county is unjust. Douglas county, it is true, sends more patients to the insane asylum than greatly enjoyed his pleasant and ingenthe statement that Dr. Miller and Mayor any other county in the state, but it Boyd are not in Washington in the in- should be borne in mind that many of there patients are transients or persons braska. The office-seekers would now who are designedly unloaded upon Omaha like to know what they are there for, by other cities and towns both in and out of the state. This is largely due to the fact of her being a rallway center. If this class of patients were excluded, it would be found that this county has no more insane persons than any other zens that it deserves. The exhibition is county in proportion to population, It should also be remembered that Douglas county pays about ten per cent of the entire taxes of the state, but when it comes any means receive her proportionate share. It has frequently occurred that accommodations have been denied to our patients wants to become postmaster at Council on account of lack of room, or by reason

This demand for \$36,556 looks attended strictly to his business, and is very much like a piece of hoggishness on which he has been connected since its drive the great mass of the tory members not, and never has been, the owner of the part of certain Lincolnites. any newspaper, offensive or otherwise, They are willing enough to let Omaha and can in no way be regarded as an have the privilege of paying the taxes offensive partisan to any one except the for the state institutions, only one of which is located here. When the state capitol is completed it will have cost this county not less than \$50,000. The reas now administered by the postmaster form school, one-half of whose inmates west, which compels us to pay transportation to and from that point. This social science. school should have been located as near as possible to the city that supplies most of the inmates. Perhaps we shall have an extra bill sent into this county for of the views which our new railroad comthat institution also.

Let Lancaster county apply this rule to the State university, in which about two-thirds of the students come from Lincoln, and she would find that she would owe the city about \$100,000. The same would be true of Nemaha county, in which the state normal acbool is lolarger revenue than she now receives. cated. If Omaha is to pay such extras A Milwaukee journal of recent date says: as \$36,556 for her insane, she better have St. Louis Globe Democrat that "It is n asylum of her own, as other large

THE government has been defeated in the star-route sults against the Parkers, which have just been tried in a consolisiderable number of the worst saloons dated case at Topeka. This probably settles the fate of all the other cases against the star-route ring. The Parkers were residents of Kansas, and were backed by influential men and politicians, among whom were the two Kansas senand weed out yet more of the objection- ators, and it is quite possible that the jury was largely made up of their friends. Judge Dundy, of Omaha, presided during the trial. The case against the Parkers was said to be the worst in the whole list of star-route frauds, and hence if the government cannot recover in such suits it will be useless to try to do it in others that are not nearly so bad. Commenting on the proceedings, with reference to the Parker case as well as others, the New York Times says:

As attorney-General Garland looks at Mr. Douglas's expense account his thoughts will inevitably turn to the record of the long fight be seriously embarrassed by the refusal against this ring and to his department's share of the work. When it was discovered through the Thirtsenth street payement that \$8,000,000 or \$10,000,000 had been stolen by the robbers the evidence against them was collected and sifted and the work of prosecution was begun. What is the result? Not one piece of sharp practice on the part of the cent recovered and not one guilty man pun- political leader to avoid a threatened ished. The only defendant who has suffered imprisonment was a poor tool in followers. To try to carry stone petition on Thirteenth street under Philadelphia who had given information to false pretenses. They were assured the government and who supposed that the the government in the face of a hostile government's promise of protection was majority in the house of commons, with worth something. It was a case of misplaced almost a certainty that he will be overconfidence. But while no money was recov- thrown in the new parliament which ered and no guilty man punished, hundreds meets in February, is a task which even of thousands of dollars were poured into the the Marquis of Salisbury hesitates to unhole that had taken the lost millions, in dertake. Lord Salisbury is, of all men of duty was rightly surmised to indicate in England, the last to inspire confidence irregularities in the accounts which could not stand the light of day. But it was the whole history there is one bright page— among the people of Great Britain. the whole history there is one bright page—
the page that records the labors of an honest
postmaster general who saved \$2,000,000 a
year for the people by his fearless pursuit of
the ring contractors and his relentless cutting

THE announcement of the death of now. It was never called Field Marshal Baron you Monteuffel, closely following that of Prince Frederick Charles, has thrown Emperor William and generalship, as well as numbers, were Within eight months they have worn off more than Sloux Falls granite would dying," mournfully says the sged emin ten years. They will soon be no better peror, who must soon follow them to a successful assumption of office at this the last administration, the members of Charles, was a distinguished soldier, and the council should by all means respect by his efforts contributed largely to the success of the German Empire. He was born in 1809, and was educated in the best military schools in Prussia. In the army his talents, bravery and energy borne in mind that a large number of the won for him rapid promotion. He became aide-de-camp to the king in 1848, stances, very much the best that could be vowing vengeance upon his perfidious There is another point which the council and in every campaign he won renown, should take into consideration, and that not only as a warrior, but as a military is that no paving should be done south of engineer. At the conclusion of the Schleswig-Holatein war he was re-Baron Manteuffel commanded the First public career has been marked by more allowed the committee to make their rearmy corps, and assisted Prince Freder

The attorney general, Mr. Leese, has lowing the capitulation of Metz, Mansuddenly made the discovery that Doug- teuffel took the cities of Dieppe, Rouen, person sent to the asylum from this pointment as commander-in-chief of the county, and that no per capita payments army of occupation was reward for his to, have been made since 1873. The county valuable services. Upon his withdrawal to commissioners, acting under the advice from France, after the payment of the relaxed of the county attorney, Hon. John C. last indemnity in 1873, he was made gov-

WILLIAM L. ALDEN, who has been apother hand, do not propose to do any. New York Times. He is a highly educated gentleman, and speaks the Italian of the attorney general is probably due Italy twice and has written several newspaper and magazine articles en the relithink that Omaha and Douglas county gious and political affairs of that kingthanks of both Victor Emmanuel and the vatican. He will be missed by the readers of the New York Times, who have

DR. LORING, ex-commissioner of agriculture, has been notified that he will be held responsible for the use of the laboratory money for purposes other than those for which it was intended. It amounts to over \$20,000, and he has been called else he and his bondamen will be sued compromises. He thoroughly believes in if the latter is taken off the boards befor for it. His successor will probably take warning and not spend the laboratory ples. money for sorghum seed, as Dr. Loring did. The lesson sought to be taught by to the benefits this county does not by this unpleasant little incident is that there is some responsibility attached to the handling of government funds.

THE resignation of President White, of foundation, some twenty years ago, we believe. He has carried out the plans of the founder, the Hon. Ezra Cornell. whose intimate friend he was. It is due to Mr. White's efforts that this young university took rank among the very first educational institutions of the country almost from the very start. Mr White come from Omaha, was located 200 miles goes to Europe for recreation and rest, and also to write a work on history and

> THE people of Nebraska will await, missioners hold in regard to inter-state commerce and railway regulation. disclose what they know about railreading our people will have something to think

> of senators." The democratic aspirant will, therefore, have to patiently bide his

> Hon. P. O. Hawes wants it distinctly name taken out of that five-cent list. He says he is not that kind of a man. On the other hand Gere's man Friday

> THE Crete Globe calls Freddy's appeal for five-cent contributions boy's play. That's precisely what it is.

OTHER LANDS THAN OURS. The ministerial crisis precipitated by the Marquis of Salisbury, the tory leader, has been charged with the formation of a new cabinet, and its members have been selected, the new premier is said to on the part of the liberals to give him their cheerful support in the house of commons. Lord Salisbury is well aware that the withdrawal of Gladatone was a conflict within the ranks of his own

the great Peelite schism, and its resources in respect to concord, discipline, forced to put forward Sir Stafford Northcote for prime minister, the difficulties nherent in the situation must have been

There is probably no more distinctively the two would henceforth representative tory in England than the bitterly hostile. But the army corps, and assisted Prince Freder han one protest against the extension of port; but that nothing will ever come of tek Charles in defeating Bazaine and be the franchise. He was the tory leader the impeachment, and that the whole af-

sleging him at Metz. Immediately fol- in the house of lords when the contest fair will now be allowed to lapse. was made over the bill which recently belas county owes \$36,566 to the special and Amiens, and finally closed the war in which he lives. He belongs to a past the accused efficials, and also declare that insane tax. He claims this money is by defeating the only forces that the age. Even the slow-moving English peo- Disz was with Gonzales up to the last medue as a per capita tax on each insane French had left in the field. His ap- pie have given the aristocratic system ment before the latter's departure, in the faster than he was compelled sation. The opposition of the Lords the recent enfranchisement bill Cowin, stopped payment of this tax on ernor of Alsace and Lorraine. In his contest would be over their own existthe ground that the expenses of the state death the Germans have lost one of their ence as a branch of the law-making politely declined to accept, but will reinsane asylum were provided for in the most illustrious soldiers and statesmen. power. Gladatone has been, and still is, main plain Mr. William E. Gladatone for the especial dread of this class of tories. the balance of his life. His policy exhibits that masterly blend william L. Alben, who has been appointed consul general at Rome, is the the tories can least resist. An outright semi-humorous editorial writer of the radical might be kept down for some years longer. But Gladstone has advanced with the more intelligent voters, who comprehend that the time has arcision of the supreme court. The action language fluently. Mr. Alden has visited rived when the nobility must divide the He has gone as Beach, earth with the people. fast as he could take the influential classes with him. His ability is so superior that the lords are dumb in his presence. vote on the beer tax affords the queen an opportunity to make salisbury premier. She does not seem to have lost muchatime in consideration. While the leading London journals were calling upon Gladstone not to retire, the queen telegraphed her acceptance of his resignation. In so doing she conformed to custom, but under the peculiar conditions of the situation she might have shown more rejuctance to majority only by an alliance with the Irish wing of the liberal party. Such an alliance is uppatively and the suppative of the liberal party. Such an alliance is uppatively and the liberal party. alliance is unnatural, and cannot long on to deposit that sum in the treasury, or continue. Salisbury is not a man of

will retire sooner than sacrifice his princi-

The drift of the news from London indicates that the bitter war waged by Parnell and his followers upon Gladstone and the liberal party is to recoil speedly and with great force on Ireland and the Irish party in the house of commons. The Irish leaders demand the end of coercion as the price of peace with any min-Cornell university, is generally regretted istry, but the conservatives cannot pay it. by the friends of that institution, with To attempt anything of the kind would away from the government and insure its breaking with the Parnellites, it might be possible to dissolve the liberal party. The radicals would go with the home rulers, and the old whigs would surely sympathizs strongly with the government. In case they should join it the Irish members would find an opposition majority so strong that their efforts against it would be utterly impotent, and their prestige and influence would end. In any case it is difficult to see how the cause of home rule can fail to lose by the defeat of Gladwith a good deal of interest, the publicity now the best friends of Ireland in Eng. been angered and weakened. The tactica of the Parnellites have been singularly like those of the prohibitionists in this Whed Gere, Buschow and Cowdrey country. Because they were not all granted their utmost demands by the siast on the sport, and probably goes to more only great party ever friendly to them, trouble to catch his fish than any other man only great party ever friendly to them, they have aided in driving it from power and talk about.

The present Omaha postmaster may take some comfort in the statement of the take some college overything their enemies in office. Just now Parnell is receiving a great deal of attention and praise from his admirers, but he may soon occupy about the same place in British politics which John P. St. John holds under the Cleveland ad-Tayre will be the Gretchen.

G. Wills' "Faust" for the Lycsum theatre, and is closely following the story as told in Goethe's poem. He hopes to make the stage balance. Some eight or ten days after tofore seen in London. Mr. Irving will take the part of Mephistopheles and Miss Ellen ington was utterly demoralized by the carried to the Lycsum theatre, and is closely following the story as told in Goethe's poem. He hopes to make the stage balance. Some eight or ten days after tofore seen in London. Mr. Irving will take the part of Mephistopheles and Miss Ellen ington was utterly demoralized by the carried to the control of the control not to disturb postmasters at the homes for Ireland than any other English statesman of his times, and his downfall is likely to prove a great misfortune to that unhappy country.

There will be grave apprehensions in Hon, P. O. Hawes wants it distinctly Germany as to the effect the death of understood that he does not wants his Prince Frederick Charles and Field Marshal Manteuffel may have upon the aged Emperor William. For some time bis magnificent physical system has been giving way before extreme age, and the wants his name inserted in the glorious wholesome and courageous spirit which has animated him has been greatly affectmade him suffer deeply from the shock of losing members of his family, and it is noticed that the recent death of his kinsman, Prince Karl Anton, the head of the Roman Catholic branch of the Hohenzollerns, moved him greatly. Until his time the two branches had been estranged, and the reconciliation was efthe dissolution of the Gladstone cabinet feeted while William was yet prince rehas resulted in a dead-look. Although gent, and by his nrgent efforts, since when the kinsmen had been constant and

A curlous illustration of the intricacies f Mexican politics has been furnished in the supposed rupture between President England. Diaz and ex-President Gonzales. This grew out of the necessity of submitting the accounts of the last year of the lat ter's administration to an auditing committee of congress. According to the law this committee, which has had all the material in hand since last fall, should have presented a report on the second day of this spring's session—that is, two months ago. But on one flimsy pretext and another, its report was delayed until the near approach of the constitutional imit of the session. This prolonged avasion for a long time without meving wing or leg.

While standing so quietly he has frequent chances to catch English sparrows. He eats the ring contractors and his relentless cutting naither of those occasions was the tory of their fraudulent service.

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was in accordance with his orders, and of their fraudulent service. party so deplorably deficient in that no report would be made at all suitable material as it is Yet, to the surprise of all, two days be-Yet, to the surprise of all, two days beupon fore the close of the session, the committo face a more awkward altuation since tee brought in its report to the effect that grave abuses had been found, and recommending the presentation for im-peachment of the last secretary of the reasury and the treasurer-general. The debate which followed gave occa

Baron Monteuffel, like Prince Frederick time. But had the conservatives been which, from the president down, were openly charged, in the midst of the frantic applause of the galleries, with systematic robbery of the public grievously aggravated by the mischievous The report was adopted by a vote of 142 activity of qualities which for five years to 40, the heretofore thick and thin suphave debarred them from profiting by porters of Gonzales making haste to trin egregious blunders on the part of their their sails to the wind from the new olitical opponents. The selection of quarter. The ex-president himself was Lord Salisbury is, under the circum- reported to have left the capital in a fury, friend Dlaz, and it was the common bethat the relations between two would henceforth be henceforth man the queen has placed at the head of er and shrewder observers are of the

support of their view they point to a came a law. As a statesman, Lord Salis- large number of technical defenses which bury has been dragged along by the times might be successfully urged in behalf of several shocks. He has never moved most friendly and confidential conver-

Gladatone has been offered an earldom relaxed only under the menace by Queen Victoria in recognition of his more or less distinctly made, that if past services, but unlike his predecessor, the lords refused their assent the next Disrael', the bauble of a title of nobility

MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC.

Effic Ellsler is summering at Long Branch. Mr. Edwin Booth is visiting Lawrence Barrett at Coharset, Mass.

The "Last Days of Pompeii" is a gorgeou spectacle being presented at Manhattan Italian opera will be reviewed at the Grand

opera house in Paris next winter, when Mme Patti will appear. "Andrea" is the title of the new play by Sardou, which Mme. Janish will bring

this country next season. Mme. Sembrich's fame is assuming colossal proportions. She has been made royal opera inger to the king of Portugal. Mme. Nilsson recently astonished a Paris

audience by appearing in silks of the Swedish national colors, blue and yellow. Tom Keene, the tragedian, will spend his time this summer between his place on Staten Island and the sauds of Sea Bright, N. J.

"The Three Musketeers," adapted from "The Three Guardemen," will succeed "The Black Hussar" at Wallack's theatre, that is the right of the aristocracy to rule, and next fall.

Mr. C. W. Couldock announces that among those whom he has engaged to support him in "The Willow Copse" next senson are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Walcott, Carrie Turner, and A. L. Lipman. Jennie Dickerson, an American, has a con

tract with Carl Rosa for a provincial tour as contralto in place of Josephine York, Goring Thomas has written a new song in "Na-deshda" for her, The music hall at the exposition in St.Louis

will be opened with a great musical festival on October 28. The seating capacity of this on October 28. The seating capacity of this hall will be very large and allow prices of admission to be moderate. Miss Anderson's tour of the English pro

away from the government and insure its vinces commences in August, and her last immediate defeat, while by bringing the performance takes place in Dublin, on Septrish question to the front at once and tember 27th. She will arrive in New York about the 5th or 6th of October. Miss Fanny Davenport has produced "Fe

lora" at the Baldwin theatre. San Francisco Mr. Joseph Whelock supporting her in the character of Loris Ipanoff. The play has been favorably received on the Pacific coast. King Louis of Bavaria has ordered the manager of the Royal theatre, at Munich, to produce Sardou's "Theodora" at a cost of \$40,000. His majesty is to be the sole auditor of the performance, which is to be continued during his pleasure. Louis is just a trifle exclusive in his tastes.

virtuosity that is truly astonishing."

Mr. Joe Jefferson and Joseph Murphy, the Irish comedian, have both started for the fishing grounds in Canada. Jefferson takes fishing easily, but Murphy is a great enthuin America. Still, he likes it.

It may not be generally known that the ate Frederick T. Frelinghuysen, secretary of Shire's Garden theatre, that stood on the site where now stancs the Burnett house, in Cincinnati. He played under his own name, too, as the programmes of the time, about the year 1843, will show. There has been a novel idea introduced

into London society entertainments. Reently a party was given, and the programme f music was "Opera Scenes"—"Martha" and Trovatore." A small stage, which had been prected with very little trouble, and without letriment to the walls or furniture, provided ed. His strong affections have always sung and played the three scenes from these all that was required for the five artists who

Mme. Modjeska has just completed an enragement in Dublin, where she was called and scalled after the curtain fell on the last act of "Heartsease," until she satisfied her ad-nirers by delivering a short address. Speak mirers by delivering a snort address. Speaking, apparently without preparation or deliberate intention, she disclaimed that the idea that their cheers were due merely to her "poor artistic merits." "I know," she her "poor artistic merits." "I know," she exclaimed, "that the largest share of the cordiality with which you greet me is due to your sympathy for my dear Poland, a counfaithful friends. The death of his nephew, the Red Prince, to whose splendid generalship he has owed so much, and who to the old emperor must have seemed in the the old emperor must have seemed in the very prime of life, cannot be other than a very serious shock.

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## SINGULARITIES.

The seed of the petunio grandiflora is worth An eagle kept in Vienna. Austria, died af ter a confinement of 114 years. Swans on the river Thames have been known to live 150 years and more.

A stork in Court Square, Memphis, attracts a good deal of attention. With one of his wings trimmed he cannot fly and will stand a few of them each day.

The big boa-constrictor in Central Park, who has laid coiled up in an unconscious state who has laid colled up in an unconscious state all winter, awoke from his lethalgy last week Saturday and, gradually peeling off his last year's skin, displayed a shining new coat.

The hearing organ of animals is generally double, but not always located in the head. In the clam it exists at the base of the foot; in some grasshoppers it is in the fore legs, and it appears on the wings of many insects. The auditory sacs of lobsters and crabs are at the base of the autennæ.

Two years ago several large iron spikes were for some purpose driven into a very old apple tree near Clyde, N. Y., that for years had nearly been barren. Last year it was filled with large fine apples, and now the blos soms are plentiful enough to warrant a good supply of fruit. The owner believes that the spikes restored to the tree its original prolific qualities, and is now trying the experiment on other trees in his orchard.

Dr. J. L. Blair, of New Haven, has constructed an extraordical glock which shows

base of the antenna.

structed an astronomical clock which shows the earth, moon, and minor planets in motie about the sun, the minutes, hours, days, weeks and months of the year. Mercury revolving about the sun, and its superior and inferior conjunction with Venus and the earth; also when it is the evening and morning star. Venus is shown in its orbit the same way. The clock gives the whole system of tides, all the phases of the moon, solar, and sidereal time, periodical and synodical time, and the earth's passage through the constellations of

About a mile above Magnolia Dell, Muckatee Swamp, Ga., a colony of beavers have settled. The site of their home is well chosen. It is at a sharp bend in the creek, a long open reach extending southward and in the rame manner westward. On the land side it is protected by a boggy morass, which, intersecting above and below with the creek, makes an island. On this island they have stitution concerning cruel and unusual puntulit that mud fortress, and a queer looking. built their mud fortress, and a queer looking structure it is, made of eaplings and pieces of bark and branches skillfully interwoven. The trees in the vicinity exhibit marks of the sharp teeth of the busy little animals, and a fish trap near by has been utterly demolished.

A correspondent of the San Francisco Exminer writes from Lake View, Oregon: ronderful fish is becoming numerous in Goose Lake, It is called by some the greenback fish, for it is certainly an inflationist. It has the power to fill itself with air until it becomes the power to all itself with air until it becomes very much like a round ball. Of evenings about sundown they may be seen playing on the surface of the water. They will swell up by taking in the air and the wind will blow them over the lake. They reflect all the colors of the rainbow, and when sporting over sh when in a normal condition, but before the crane had got more than fifty feet up above the lake the fish had taken in enough air to explode the crane, which at the sound of a report like that of a gun, flew all to atoms, and the fish came lightly down on the water. no worse off for the short ride in the air. The fish is a great curiosity, never having been found, I believe, in other waters. The last statement is authentic.

McCulloch's Reminiscences of Lin

Ex-Secretary Hugh McCulloch has contributed an interesting article on Abraham Lincoln to a recent layue issue of the New York Tribune, from which the following extracts are taken: "The history of Mr. Lincoln's life," he says, "is an exceedingly interesting one—more interesting in many respects than that of teresting in many respects than that of teresting in many respects than that of teresting in many respects than that of the names are highly fanciful. any other man which our country has produced.

"Mr. Lincoln's character it is difficult to analyze, so rare and seemingly incongruous were its combinations, Instead, therefore, of attempting an analysis, I must confine my remarks to a description of his appearance, and of his prominent and singular, if not inconsistedt, characteristics. In form Mr Lincoln was tall and angular, lacking in compactness, but strong and sturdy, with great capacity for doo geenger, one—" "Wader"" work and power of endurance. His features were coarse and to strangers uncomely, but prepossessing to those who became his friends. His face, dull and movements, I thought as he came forseen upon a platform. Grave and se-date in manner, he was full of kind and and gentle emotions. He was fond of poetry. Shakespeare was his delight. Few men could read with equal expression the plays of the great dramatist.

"The theater had great attractions for him, but it was comedy, not tragedy, he went to hear, He had great enjoyment of the plays that made him laugh, no matter how absurd and grotesque, and he rule can fail to lose by the defeat of Gladstone. The tories will not and cannot favor it as much as the liberals did, and now the best friends of Ireland in England, the followers of Gladstone, have

South Carolina has a musical prodigy in the person of Miss Edith Plate, only 18 years of age and the daughter of Professor Louis Plate, of Columbia. She renders the toughest works of Chepin and Mendelssohn with a cared nothing for the dogmas of the cared nothing for the cared nothing for the cared nothing for the dogmas of the cared nothing for the cared gave expression to his enjoyment by man of strong religious convictions, but he cared nothing for the dogmas of the churches, and had little respect for their

"The habit of story-telling was formed in his early professional life, when, in company with a few other prominent members of the bar, he visited countles at long distances from his awn to try important cases. The habit thus formed result, I called upon him at the White House, in company with a few friends, state in Arthur's cabinet, essayed the stage and was amazed when, referring to somewhen a very young man, as jeune premier, at thing which had been said by one of the company about the battle which was so disastrous to the union forces, he remarked in his usual quiet manner: 'That reminds me of a story,' which he told in a manner so humorous as to indicate that he was free from care and apprehension. This to me was surprising. I could not then understand how the president could feel like telling a story when Washington was in danger of being captured and the whole north was dismayed and I left the White house with the feel ing that I had been mistaken in Mr. Lincoln's character, and that his election might prove to have been a fatal mistake. This feeling was changed from day to day as the war went on; but it was not entiraly oversome until I went to Washington in the spring of 1863, and as an officer of the government was permitted to have free intercourse with him. I hen perceived that my estimate of him before his election was well grounded. and that he possessed even higher quali ties than I had given him credit for that he was a man of sound judgment great singleness and tenscity of purpose and extraordinary sagacity; that storytelling to him was a safety-valve, and that he indulged in it not only for the pleasure it afforded him, but for a temporary relief from oppressing cares; that the habit had been so cultivated that he could make a story illustrate a sentiment and give point to an argument. Many of his stories were as apt and instructive a sthe best of Esop's fables. All of his stories, however, were not of this character. Next to the theatre he liked to tell stories and to listen to them. The evening of the day on which the reports of Sheridan's great victory in the valley of Virginia were received I spent with him in company with Mr. Randall postmaster-general, and a few of Mr. Lincoln's personal friends at the Soldiers Home. Mr. Lincoln was in the best of spirits, and Randali was also a good story-teller. For two hours there was a constant run of story-telling-Lincoln leading and Randall following—a contest between them as to which should tell the best story and provoke the heartiest laughter. The stories were not such as laughter. would be listened to with pleasure by very refined ears, but they were exceed ngly funny. The verdict of the listen-

## ers was that, while the stories were equally good, Mr. Lincoln had displayed the most humor and skill.

PEPPERMINT DROPS.

The Swedish government must be opposed og gambling. It is closing up Faro Sound. It is the husband of the woman who snores

If a man fails he attributes it to bad luck; if he succeeds he attributes it to his shrewdness. The bull dog is a good deal like a comme rial traveler. He has about as much cheel

and as strong a grip. The butcher who was shot at by the western circuit judge doubtless regards the official a an offensive partisan.

R. B. Hayes is said to kill all his ared hens in June. Look out for tough chicken sand-wiches on the glorious Fourth! There is an artesian well in Savannah, Ga-

700 feet deep, and the milkmen in that city all have a sad look.—[Boston Post. An Indian chief has just died in Michigas at the age of one hundred and six years, took him a long time to become go "Sharks are A New York exchange says: "Shabeginning to show at Long Branch.

In chosen. It is at a sharp bend in the creek, a presume that is a playful way of saying the to a long open reach extending southward and in landlords are getting ready for business.

ishments. A western postmaster says that he has been

reported as an offensive partism because he has refused to lick stamps for the young women who sends letters through his [New York Tribune,

went about insisting that she was mayor of the place. She declared, also, that she wanted to resign, and then everybody knew that she was insane.-[Philadelphia Press. Nothing makes a man feel prouder than to find when he has got his garden nicely laid

In an Ohio town the other day a woman

out and the seeds all in, that every ben within a mile of him seems determined to have a claw in the job, and to show him how she the lake are a grand sight. A hunter several would have arranged matters if he had con-weeks ago saw a crane swallow one of these We would like to find a scientist in this enlightened country who can satisfactorily explain how a boy's shirt gets turned wrong side out a warm day when he has been "right to school and back." There never was a boy

who could imagine how it happened. - [ Boston Attorney-General Garland decides that an Indian cannot hold a postoffice. Not having a very loud voice in the matter this paper will not criticise the attorney general's decis-ion, but it does seem that a man who can hold

a buck jumping pony can hold almost anything. - Arkansaw Traveler. Men in New York are getting drunk on 112 different brands of liquovs. The drunk doesn't exhibit any marked difference in the brands. The snakes that are evolved out of

George Francis Train, as he sits in Madison square, will speak to no one but children, stubbornly turning away from grown people. The other day he wrote:
"I dwell amid the thronging square

And am immortal called; I hate the fools who come to stare And eat like oven stalled.

"Two beers, two ginger ales and a glass of vater," ordered one of five friends who dropped into a German restaurant on Sunday. The waiter seemed bewildered. "Doe peer doo geenger, one—" "Water, water. A glass of water," "Wader," "Yes, water, plain water." He shook his head incredulously and fetched two beers, two ginger alse and a ryebread-and-ham sandwich.

The Reno Gazette came out the other day heavy when in repose, was all alight with intelligence when in conversation. The first time I saw and heard of him was at Indianapolis shortly after the conclusion of his debate with Mr. Douglas.

Careless of his attire, uncreasful in his where the compositor set "cigars." [Sacra-Careless of his attire, ungraceful in his where the compositor set "cigars." - [Sacramento (Cal.) Bee.

ward to address the audience that his "I don't see much of my husdand nowawas the most ungainly figure I had ever days," sighed a West side woman, dejectedly. conversing over the back yard fence with a neighbor. "What is he doing most of the time?" "He's working in the pail factory." "Where's that?" "I don't know exactly. It is somewhere down town. He calls it a 'bucket shop,' but I think the name 'pail factory' doesn't sound quite so harsh and disgraceful."- Chicago Telegram,

Now nature wears a joyous smile, The girls are wearing feathers. And the dude is out in his new white tile, And a pair of patent leathers: once more the days are warm and bright

The birds are gayly singing, And the ice cream peddler's bell at night In the thoroughfare is ringing. -[Boston Courier. Great Gladstone, now thy good axe seize! The Britons yet will have their senses. Tis easier far to cut down trees

Than to cut down John Bull's expenses -[Louisville Courier-Journal A cucumber is bad for food It breeds internal strife:

Who eats it never comes to good, It cuts up like a wife. -[George Francis Train.

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