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Mone brick buildings and less frame houses. Extend the fire limits.

THE United States grand jury has reported on the Zimmerman abduction. As usual no one is to blame.

THE Lincoln land office is vacant, and various sungry democrats are on the anxious seat. It is a very dry bone to pick.

A scancerry of Wyoming coal is reported in Omaha. If the railroads were out of the coal business the public would receive better service.

THE Nebraska Statesman is the name of a democratic peper about to be started at Broken Bow. Every democratic editor these days is a statesman.

COLLECTOR POST still hangs to his perch, notwithstanding the prevailing impression that he will have to come down from his roost within the next sixty days.

WALL street still booms and the broker blooms. Sales of stock are averaging more than four million shares a week. and there is no sign of the expected reaction.

IT is an ill wind who blows no one any good, while the clothing dealers, store men and coal dealers, bricklayerscarpenters and mechanics generally have had an Indian summer harvest.

MR. RANDALL pinces himself on recor as being in favor of reforming the house rules at the next congress. There is too much one-man power in the house of representatives as matters now stand.

MR. PETER SCHWENCK, of Norfolk, is now complaining bitterly of railroad discrimination against his business. As Schwenck has always bitterly opposed all railroad regulation he now knows what it is to be hoisted "with his own petard."

The strangest and most singular thing about the Lauer tragedy is the fact that false sentiment which confounds unthe man who brutally maltreated his wife | bridled license and lawlessness with perduring his life is backed by the relatives | sonal liberty. They give their support

The Position Defined. OMARA, Nov. 20.- Mr. E. Rosewater.Editor of the REFT Dear Sir -Will you kindly explain your position on the prohibition question? It seems to me as if you were carrying water on both shoulders. You cannot be ig notant of the fact that most of the founders

of this "Law and Order" business are noted prohibitionists, or members of the so-called Young Men's Christian association, which amounts to about the same. And still you urge the organization of such a league, whose sole purpose is to persecute the liquor dealers. In a sty-devil way you try to conceal the real object by adding the names of some of the influential German citizens to the list of organ izers, thus giving the concern a seemingly nonest character. By following this slippery course you are making yourself deeldedly unpopular with a good lot of your readers In sympathizing with Marshal Cummings in his persecution of the saloonkeepers, you simply advocate the cause of what the Germans call the "Dankelmanner." Whenever

the prohibitionists hold a meeting, the proceedings are published in your paper with a favorable comment.

As I am averse to gaining public notoriety, will not mention my name. Suffice it to A GERMAN. say that I am As a rule, I pay no attention to letters that are not signed. But when I am accused of moral cowardice and double dealing by a self-styled representative of a nationality I resent the accusation. I propose to define my position squarely, even though the challenger has not the courage to enter the arena of public discussion over his own name. My views with regard to the liquor traffic have been public property for years. I am not what is commonly called "a temperance man." The Germans of this state know that I have consistently opposed prohibition. I spoke and voted against t in the legislature fifteen years ago and my views have undergone no change since that time. I am boid to say, however, that if I could be convinced that prohibition would do away with the wretchedness, misery, brutality, vice and crime which drunkenness and drunkard makers foster upon society and the human race, I would be a prohibitionist no matter who was with me or against me. It is because I do not believe that prohibition is an effective remedy, and because all experience has shown that liquor selling and liquor drinking cannot

be abolished by law, that 1 am opposed to prohibition. I have always been, am now, and will continue to be in favor of laws that tend to protect society against the worst evils

of intemperance. The right and duty of the state to surround the citizen with proper safeguards that will restrain and restrict the liquor traffic within proper bounds is undisputed. There is not a civilized country on the globe where the liquor traffic is not regulated by law under penalties. Nobody knows better than the Germans themselves that free trade in liquor is not toierated in their own country. The trouble is that the German-American press which subsists largely from the patronage of sa. loon keepers has taught the vicious doctrine that in this free country any restriction or regulation of the liquor traffic is an intringement upon

personal liberty. They have created a

property owners can afford to offer strong pecuniary inducements for its construction. Ia this view we agree. A handsome structure at the point named would be an ornament to the city and a heavy advantage in dollars and cents to the entire neighborhood. Messrs. Paxton, Mercer, Brown, Barton, Dufrenc, Horbach and Goodrich are all interested in the proposed improvement, and every member of the board of trade, to the extent of his stock in the property. We trust that all encouragement will be extended to our citizens who are working earnestly to provide a suitable home for Omaha's young men. Local pride and

the example of other cities, entirely apart from other objects, should stimulate a generous liberality on the part of our people.

Call a Grand Jury.

The treatment of the Lauer case by the authorities on Saturday is not satisfactory to this community. There is a deep seated and growing sentiment which calls for a prompt and searching investigation of all the circumstances which preceded and attended the killing of the unfortunate wife of John Lauer. This can only be done by a grand jury, which should be called by the court at an early day. The question whether a brutal crime has been committed is on everyone's lips. We boldly assert that the hasty investigation of Saturday does not give such an answer to the question as is demanded by this community.

In the first place the action of the coro ner in removing the body from the spot where it fell, and his indecent haste to prepare it for burial before the scene of the tragedy was viewed by the jury cannot be too strongly condemned. It was unprecedented, and tended to destroy clues which otherwise might have thrown light upon the dark mystery. Why was not the sheriff at once notified, and why upon his arrival was not the house guarded and the room closed until the arrival of the jury? These are the usual and ordinary precautions taken in such cases. Their omission in the present instance cannot help causing wide spread and unfavorable comment. Why was the inquest hurried through at railroad speed, with no representative of he state to watch its course and draw out important evidence? The district attorney was notified when the evidence was almost concluded, and only reached the scene as the jury were about to retire. There seems to have been no attempt made to secure any outside testimony as to the relations subsisting between Mrs. Lauer and her husband since the time when his brutal treatment drove her from her home something over a year ago, and the whole proceedings were rushed through because the coroner, who is an undertaker, had a funeral in another part of the city. The jury

blundered in the wording of their verdict, which was not in accordance with the statute requiring a definite statement of opinion as to the intent of the killer.

In one paragraph they advised action by the district court; in the other they virtually acquitted Lauer of blame. Instead of saying that Lauer should be held over for trial, they said he should be nor. bound over, and that left the district at Miss Ada C. Sweet, who is now in busine in this city, is femiline in appearance, with torney almost without option to admit blue eyes and golden hair. The only traces him to bail. Why Mr. Lauer should have remained entirely at large before and during the coroner's inquest is also difficult to explain. When a street car driver, only two weeks ago, shot down a highway robber he was kept in custody until the case had received proper invesing to climb the north pole. tigation. Let the case receive the thorough and searching inquiry which it deserves, and which the spirit of our laws for the preservation of human life demands ner this year. Nothing else will satisfy the community. Nothing else should satisfy the husband

"for facilities extended its members for

making the examination and inspection

as evidence of the utter wortlessness of

this creation of the corporations which

A MOST excellent example has been set foi

our own Lambertsen by D. B. Searle, the

United States district attorney for Minnesota

Some men, however, do not always

follow excellent examples. Among the

office-holders it has long been a rule that

few die and none resign. Although

there are exceptions to every role, Mr.

Lambertson does not appear to be an

WE have no disposition to prejudice

the public against any officer who is en.

deavoring to discharge his duty. Wa

have been led to believe that Judge

Stenberg was not acting in good faith in

the selection of jurors to try the vio-

lators of the midnight ordinance and we

scored him on that account. Since then,

an inspection of the lists of jurors has

shown that we were misinformed

exception.

who has sent in his resignation .- Herald,

senate to the end of his term, which does Pearce, republican, Second district of Rhode Island, Pearce's seat is contested not expire for two years yet. No one on the ground of the unconsti-tutional disfranchisement of citizens can tell what will happen in two years. by the Rhode Island laws. Hurd, demo

ONE by one the old settlers are going. We shall soon have no reliable weather prophets left to recall the winters of '55 and '56 and the exceptional thickness of the ice on the Missouri in "the year after California, the ferry began running."

THE Sixteenth street viaduct agitation ought not to be allowed to rest, The bridge ought to be built even if a portion of its cost has to be collected by interested property owners.

POLITICAL POINTS.

Hannibal Hamiln has just been elected president of a political club in Bangor, Senator Mahone, It is said, will becom reneral manager of the Chesapeake & Ohlo ailroad. 1.1

New Orleans Times-Democrat: As long as the south is solidly democratic it must always furnish the republicans with a campaign issue.

Messrs, Edgerton and Trenholm, the new civil service commissioners, are said to be the handsomest men in the service of the government.

As the Chleago News understands it, Hip ple Mitchell goes into the United States sen ate from Oregon with a democratic string tied to him.

In the senate the late Mr. Sharon was a figure of little prominence. His part in politics was that of a silent figurehead. His influence was that of wealth clone. A disappointed candidate for the Newport

Me.) postmastership claims that his papers were stolen in Washington, and his friends have espoused his cause so actively that they have given up their boxes and boycotted the postoffice.

Now comes the aggravating philosopher of the Louisville Convier-Journal with an a propriate epitaph to vex the mugwumpian ghost. "The mugwump," he says, "seems to be a verb neuter, first person singular, disjunctive mood, and past tense."

Mr. William Hyde, the newly-appointed St. Louis postmaster, was the companion of Messrs, Wise, Lamountain and Gaver in their balloon voyage, July 1, 1869, from St. Louis to Jefferson county, N. Y. He was then a reporter on the Missouri Republican. Mr. Thoman, the ex-member of the original civil service commission, whose distinguishing quality was his remarkable "firmness," is now the agent for a non-explosive boiler. during the past year with It is to be hoped the boilers will partake of Mr. Thoman's peculiarity to a reasonable extent.

PERSONAL.

Colonel Bob Ingersoll's head grows more ike an eig every day. Sarah Bernhardt never thinks of going on

the stage without taking a stiff glass of old Cognae. Gen. Boynton, Washington correspondent of the Cincinnati Commercial Gazette, gets

drink to live at its latter end. \$5,000 a year. Belva Lockwood is again lecturing in the SENATOR SHARON'S SHREWDfar west. She profers gilded fame to un profitable notoriety.

Emperor William of Germany reads the newspapers very closely, and detects the slightest misstatement of fact.

nissing the most interesting features of Field Marshal Count you Moltke cele-Uncle Billy Sharon's deathord," said a yesterday's arrival from San Francisco. brated the eighty-itth anniversary of his The deed of trust by which he gave all birthday recently, at Kreisau, in a royal manhis property out and out to his children and grandchildren has a string to it. The

d man preserved his bu

ness and tact to the last. Sharon

good deal of a Shakespearean studen

A PATRIOTIC UPHEAVAL.

The Blasting of the Andre Nonument a Rebuke to Anglomaniacs.

The Soil Hallowed by Patriot Blood Descerated by Field-Andre's Mission to Arnold and Its

ocrat, against Romeis, republican, Tenth district of Ohio, the official plurality of

Romeis is 239, but Hurd expects to prove

come it and give him his seat. The seat of Henley, democrat, First district of California, is said to be contested by the

Alaska Fur Scal company, to which Mr. Henley has made himself obnoxious, but

the election committee or of the house.

answered, "me and the possum."

Drink or Die.

themselves from the drinking habit

NESS.

String to It.

Thanksgiving Day Thoughts.

two more contests. The

family

mistakes and frauds sufficient to over

Consequences.

the next house is not a body in which this company is likely to get much favor or [WRITTEN FOR THE BEE.] encouragement in the effort to turn out a democratic representative. It is prolable that there will be notice of one of In Sept. 1780, Major John Andreadjutant general of the British army, in two more contests. The above list will hardly occupy a great deal of the time of Nor th America, then under the command ot Sir Henry Clinton, whose headquarters were in New York, sailed up the Hudson on the British frigate Vulture At this season of the year, says the on a mission to Benedict Arnold, and New York Herald, rich people ought to tanded a few miles below Stony Point, begin to make up their minds to give not far from West Point. To that place something to the poor. Those who are Arnold, then a major general of the close-fisted can test their sympathy for American army, and commanding at their kind by handing a plugged dime West Point, then the strongest post in to a blind beggar, and then when the the colonies and the most important one,

snow falls they may work themselves up stealing away in the darkness of night to giving a sack of coal to some freezing from his post of duty hastened to complete the negotiations for the betrayal of As a general thing New Yorkers are his country. There, under the shadows generous. There is a vast deal of human sympathy in this big city. Money jumps out of pocket books at the call of hon-est philanthropists as a dog leaps from of Clove mountains the spy and the traitor met and entered into an agreement that, resulting so differently from his kennel when the master whistles. There are some, however, who are so what they expected, consigned the spy to the scaffold and the tranor to weakly selish that they graftly refuse to others what they want themselves, and as they happen to want everything they everlasting infamy as the associate of Judas Iscariot. Their negotiations can get, the others must be satisfied with nothing. Such people are like the man were concluded. Andre was supplied by who caught a 'possim' and said, "We shall have a big supper." "Who will be there?" he was asked. "Only two," he Arnold with a complete description of the works at West Point, their strength and the way to approach them and the strength of the garrison. He was also supplied with a safe-conduct through the American lines. He fully expected to return to New York on board the Vul-Chjengo Herald: The fate of Dion, the billiard player, furnishes another examture, but when he was ready to start she was not to be seen. The fire from our batteries had compelled her to move ple of the danger which attends sudden and radical changes of habit late in life. down stream. By the advice of Arnold, Men cannot violate the laws of health the treasonable papers which were in his with impunity for many years and then handwriting, were placed by Andre in his stockings under the soles expect to "catch up" by merely abstain-Had he returned to New York on the ing from their accustomed stimulants. Vulture those papers would have reached the British commander-he have Under such eireumstances temperance is would have moved up the river and the likely to be death, whereas if the departure had been taken earlier it might have stronghold of West Point would been handed over to him by Arnold. been less dangerous. Dion now The treason would have been accomgoes to an insane asylum because the plished. On such slight events or incidents, do mighty results oftentimes haug. Who can tell the effect upon the revolurevolution that he has made in his habits has unsettled his mind. Other men who tionary way if he had returned on the might be named who have died Vulture? Being obliged to return by great land, who can tell what might have be suddenness were brought low by an at-tempt to forego the drinking habit when the result if the three sterling patriots who captured him and sold themselves such a change became in the highest de for his gold and released him? The regree perilous. Such cases do not, as sult of the war might have been different. some may facetionsly aver, argue the unand the whole course of events on thi continent might have been changed.

wisdom of men attempting to relieve The rankest case of Auglophobia which they do illustrate unmistakably the folly has latterly developed itself is that which of the idea that after a lifetime of excess has seized Cyrus W. Field, and caused the only thing that is needed is to stop. such a persistent determination on his Moderation early in life entails no such consequences. The man who lives to part to honor the memory of Andre, who. his mission had been successful, the drink during the best part of his life will American nation might not have been. The monument lately dynamited in o fragments is the second one erected by this man Field, where the spy was hung, and while they stood, they were a stand ing reproach to the people of this coun-try. The remains of Andre are not lying How He Made His Will, and Tied a there-they sleep in Westminster Abbey, under a splendid mardle monument, Chicago Herald: "You people are dong side of kings and queens, and the illustrious dead of England. It was be coming for England thus to honor him, but for an American citizen thus to pay tribute to his memory is highly discredit-able to the taste and judgment of that citizen, and the act descreves the sereprehension. Monuments are erected o the memories of those who have been ienefactors to human kind, to heroes who have given their lives for their country, to philanthropists who have striven to relieve buman suffering and to elevate the race, to men and women of whom it can be said, the world is better e doeu for their having lived, such as Washington Lincoln Grant Moses Montellori John Howard and Florence Nightingale. True, Andre was not a traitor, but he was engaged in the consummation of treason,-he was engaged in the consum-mation of an act, which on the part of his associate in the business, was the lowest in the calendar of iniquity D was such a crime on his part that it fills the soul with loathing at the mention of his name. It was such a crime, so blight ing to the innocent as well as the guilty. that it adheres not only to the third and fourth generations, but through all A descendant of Benedict Arnold had better be living in hades to-day, though a hundred and nine years have passe since the treasonable plot was entered into, than living in the United States, for who could bear the weight of infamy attaching to the name, when it should be said, "there goes a descendant of Bene-diet Arnold." Such are the withering, blasting effects of the curse pronounced good upon Arnold's treason. And yet for being a participant in such a crime, such a doed, which if it had not been defeated. would have wrecked the cause of the patriots, for the time being at loast, and may be for generations. Cyrus W Field seeks to perpetuate Andre's name in monumental marble on American soil. Andre was more and worse than a spy Sending disguised emisaries into the ene my's lines is recognized in all armies One takes his life in his hand, penetrates juto the enemy's camps, obtains all the information he can, and if he returns he is a hero. If he is caught he is hanged. He gains the information as best he can But Andre was worse than a spy-he was helping to execute the orime 1 have described, and he was doing it by means of yenality, and he was purchasing all the information, and the delivery of West Point with the surrender of its garrison, through the venality and baseness of the American commander. For one I am glad the descendants of

ment to Louis Riel. Oh, no, that would not be an acceptable offering to the Er glish people

Let me suggest a better plan for the expenditure of his surplus millions than building monuments to the enemies of his country. Employ half a dozen suitable women and send them down into the slums of New York city, there to gather up four or two hundred boys and girls, whose only education now is in learning crime-bring them up into the light of day-cause them to be cleansed put on to them clean rainment, and send them out of New York into nice, coantry villages, where they can breathe what they have never breathed before, a breath fresh air, have a taste of wholesome life, send them to school and to choren, et them find out what they had never found out before, that there is a God. Then send them out west, put them on an eighty acre tract of land, and they will call him blessed, and he will prove

a blessing to humanity. Sir Moses Monteliore was the possessor of an immense fortune, and he devoted that and his life to the amelioration of human suffering, and to the elevation of his race. He left an example worthy of imitation, but with few imitators.

Writing of spies, and their capture and execution, recalls to mind painful event of that nature with which it fell) my lot to be connected.

In the winter of '63 and '64, the rmy of the Arkansas was in quarters at Little Rock, and I was stationed there. One day there came into our lines under a flag of truce a youth named Dodd, who had left Little Rock with a portion of his family, prior to our capturing it. He was permitted to remain there, and in a few weeks he obtained, through the aid of some friends who had made a favora le impression upon the commanding general, a safe conduct through our lines to his family in the confederate lines. With that document, he passed the first and second line of pickets safely and had reached the extreme out post. picket examined his pass and to ind it all right, just as the three patriots found pass all right. Andres but something prompted bim, as it did them, to search the boy, and the search revealed upon his person papers with characters which the guard could not understand, but excited his suspection. He therefore in to headquarters with the suspicio is documents. No one there understood the characters, but it was suggested that they resembled telegraphic characters, Col. Clowry, who married the daughter resembled telegraphic of Gen. Estabrook, was there as the in litary telegrapher of the army. He was sent for and the mysterious papers were submitted to him. He at once said they were in telegraphic cypher, and then translated them. They contained a complete exhibit of the army, its numbers divisions, brigades and batteries, and their locations about the city. There were also drawings, showing the differ-ent roads leading into the city, and how they were defended. When contront d with the evidences, he admitted he was a telegaaph operator, and had used the cypher. I always supposed some rebels in the city aided him in obtaining such complete information as he had secured but he would not implicate anyone.

A military commission was mored ato-ly ordered for his trial, composed of one general and four Colonels and it fell to iny lot to be president of it. Counsel ap-peared and conducted the defense of the accused, but none of his friends in the city came forward to assist him or to try to comfort him in his time of sorrow. recall with vivid recollection the appear- Y ance of the youth in the dark and dingy court room where the trial took place; and the weather was as gloomy as the business in which we were ca-gaged. The soldiers who searched him, and found the documents secreted on his pardon, and Col. Clowry who translated them were the main witnesses. The evidence was clear, explicit and overwhelming. The court could reach but one conclusion and that was cenviction, and he was sentenced to be hanged. The finding was approved and sentence was carried into enect. There was this aggravating feature about the case. The prisoner had abused the kindness shown to him in being permitted to come into our lines, remain some time and then depart with a pass. He had taken, advantage of it to obtain full information as to our forces, drawings and all information of value to the enemy, and he had to meet his fate which he did bravely. On the morning of his execution I walked out in the sight of the grim gallows which had been erected, but turned back as I had no desire to be a witness of the awful scene, and met the guards with tae prisoner seated upon his collin in the wagon on the way to his death. It was a sad sight, one so young going to his doom, but it was the fate of

of the woman he killed. Avoiding publie seandal is one thing, but stifling proper investigation is another.

NORTHWESTERN Nebraska is demand ing a new land office to be located in the White River valley. The demand is a just one. Without it, a trip of from one to two hundred miles must be made to reach Valentine by settlers who desire to file homestead papers or make final proofs on their claims. There are lifteen thousand people to whom such an office would be a convenience.

WE congratulate the Herald upon its new dress, which was donned yesterday for the first time and which freshens up wonderfully the venerable figure of our democratic contemporary. Ever since Mr. Cleveland's inauguration the Herald has been showing a marked desire to keep up with the democratic procession, It is now in many respects the equal of any of its party associates in the trans-Missouri country.

THE very 'fishy' story of a convict who at one time claimed that he murdered Watson B. Smith, is published in one of the Omaha papers with a flourish of trumpets and five columns of alleged fact and transparent fiction. The tale contradicts itself at a dozen points. " The alleged principal easily proves an alibi and one of the supposed accessories has been dead for months. The grand jury before whom the story was brought disposed of it by postponing its investigation until December. The public disposed of it finally as soon as they taid down the paper containing its details.

-THE community was startled this morning by the report that John W. Lauer, the general superintendent of the Omaha mail works, had shot and killed his young and beautiful wife, formerly Miss Sallie Goetschius. Mr. Lauer claims that it was a mistake, as he supposed her to be a burglar. In view of the well-known fact that Mr. Laner has the reputation of be ing a wife-beater, and had at times treated his wife with great cruelty, even going "so far as to beat her black and blue and to threaten to shoot her, his statement will be received with deep suspicion. If Mr. Lauer really tells the truth, it is unfortunate for him that his reputation and conduct on previous occasions will lead the public to put no faith whatever in his story. It is the general impression that the killing was not accidental. The greatest indignation provails mong the people, as the dead woman was not only possessed of a Charming disposition but was graceful in manners and beautiful in person. She was a general favorite among her ac. ousintances, who regret her untimely weath, and who now see that a fatal mistake was made by her intimate frien is and relatives in inducing her to return to her husband after he had most shamefully abased her and threatened her life. The result of the coroner's inquest is not batisfactory. A special grand jury composed of the best citizens should thur-'oughly shit the case to the boltom.

and approval to a law which prohibits druggists from selling poison promiscuously, they approve and support ordinances which forbid the storage of

petroleum and gasoline in unlimited quantities within our cities and towns, but they denounce as persecution the law which says to the liquor dealer: "You shall not sell intoxicants to boys, imbe ciles and habitual drunkards, who are not capable of taking care of themselves." 1 maintain that any man who will sell liquor to the drunkard, who lives upon and squanders the hard earnings of his wife and abuses his family, should be severely punished

for so doing if he has proper notice to withhold liquor from the home wrecker. The high license law under which this AND now we have another "valuable state regulates liquor selling may be dereport" from the Nebraska railroad comfective, but it has so far proved to be the mission. This time it is on their late most effective remaly in restricting the pleasant junketing trip up the Elkhorn number of saloous, closing up dens and Valley, where the fifteen' minute stops placing the tralle in the hands of re. for searching investigation of grievances sponsible men. A large majority of were so gratefully appreciated by the inliquor dealers show a disposition to obey habitants. The results appear in a rethe law and there is no good reason why port which fills nearly a column of print its provisions should not be enforced covering a trackage of some 500 miles. upon all. Explanations of a dozen minor com-

I plead guilty to the charge of being in plaints of shippers are requested from favor of enforcing law and order, and do the railroad company, and the report not care who is with me in the fight upon closes with fervent thanks on the part of law broakers. I was not present at the the board for dead-head courtesies and meeting that started the law and order league, and my name was placed on the committee without my knowledge required by law." The report is cordialor consent. Having been placed there I ly commended to its readers by the BEE propose to accept the trust and to act with other law abiding citizens in the effort to sustain our city officials in enthe railroad cappers in the last legislaenforcing law and order. If this "shpture foisted upon the people to stille the perv course" mik is mis appopular I am anti-monopoly agitation. Just at preswilling to take the consequences. The ent it seems to be performing a directly saloon keepers who obey the law are not opposite function. being perspected and those who defy the law should be made to respect it.

E. ROSEWATER.

Tue house of representatives is to receive a thorough ventilation when congress meets. It needs it in a great many ways, but the particular one which is to receive attention has no relation to the character of its membership. The officer in charge claims that the complaints of "bad air" have been caused by the velvet carpet which covered the floor and the nap, worn off by the boots of members, was continually tickling their throats as it rose in the currents of air from the floor ventilators. The velvet carpet is to be discarded and a brussels laid in its place. In a few weeks some of our democratic contemporaries will be referring to the change as a return to Jeffersonian simplicity.

THE success met by the friends of the

Y. M. C. A. in their efforts to secure a jot and building for the association on the southwest corner of Douglas and Sixteenth streets, has led several of our prominent citizens to urge upon the directors the advisability of making an effort to raise \$75,000 instead of \$50,000 as at first proposed. It is claimed, and properly, that a \$50,00) building on the \$25,000 lot would so benefit the street in

and family of the dead woman.

Vicksburg Herald: The bee, like the flea, is a very industrious creature, but not half so inquisitive. You never want to catch a bee as bad as you do a flen.

The Bee and the Flea.

Will Gnaw a File.

Gerrymandering.

Boston Record: A gerrymander is a transaction by which one party does to the other what it believes the other would do to it if the positions were reversed. It is the golden rule read backward.

Monumental Tyranny.

Chicago Herald: Treasury clerks at Washington who complain of oppression because they are compelled to be at their desks at 9 o'clock in the morning forget the monumental tyranny which changed their politics in the twinkle of an eye on the 4th of last March. They are all demoerats now and ready to swear that they always have been.

Money Will Bring the Brains.

St. Paul Pioneer Press: Some disinguished eastern college professors, upon hearing of Senator Stanford's splendid gift of endowment to the Cellforma university at Palo Alto, the property included being valued at about \$1,000,000, shook their heads and gave utterance to by no means new eastern opinion that the money was poorly bestowed, because no western universities "amount to much." There are many persons in the eastern states who scally believe that scholarship is rare the Mississippi valley and west it, and thus eastern colleges c in of CAH alone furnish genuine educational facilities. These persons are misin ormed They forget that Harvard, Yale, Cornell, Columbia and other great seats of learn

ing become such from successive gifts of endowment, and that several western colleges are rapidly rising to the stature of great educational o mers through the same potency of ich towment. Such endowments as Senator Stanford's bring the brains to give fame to the Palo Alto university. A poorly endowed college gets mediocrity in its chairs. Rich endowments can make an Oxford or a Cambridge or a Harvard or a Minnesota, Oregon or California. or a Yale in

Contests in the Next Congress, Philadelphia Record: The number of contested seats in the next house of representatives promises to be very small compared with the numerous contests in the past. Up to this time the following notices of intended contests have been made to the clerk of the house: Campbell, republican, against Weaver, domocrat and greenbacker, from the Sixth district of Iowa: Weaver's official major-fty is 57 votes. Kidd, democrat, against Steele, republican, Eleventh district of Indiana: Steele's returned placality is

ind when—in his prime—he had knocked of masculinity about her are the lines of her off the necks of a couple of the Widow face, which indicate decision and firmness. Cliquot's jugs he could quote the bard by the hour. He remembered King Lear Sergeant Brainard of Arctic fame, is to be and so, after he made and signed th given a second-licutenancy in one of the cay of trust which virtually left him alry regiments. He will stand a better pauper he suddenly raised his head, chance of keeping warm than if he were tryeckoned to Gen. Barnes. his attorney "Wait a moment. and whispered. guess, you'd better put in there some thing like this, That in the event of my Chicago News: Unless we are grievrecovery from this illness I stipulate that ously mistaken, the Hon. William Mahone the sum of \$10,000 a year be first set will gnaw a tile for his thanksgiving dinaside from the income of the estate for my personal support until I die. you understand You remember gen ral, how old King Lear once remarked "Fathers that wear rags do inake their children blind." I would avoid that, Put it in the deed-\$10,000 a year if well-ten thon-tions'-and then the little millionaire fell of into a doze. "Continued the same authority: "No list has yet been published of Saron's property, but it is known to cover the Palace and Grand hotels, alone representing four or live millions; all the property on both sides of New Montgomery street for four blocks; about 450 dwellings in the West ern addition and near the central portion of town, nearly all of which pay rent, business places on Dupout street; 20,000 acres of hand in Fresno, belonging once to the Friedlander estate: the Bur ingame ranch in San Muteo county, em bracing 800 valuable acres; the old Ral ston property at Belmont; most of the Bank of California stock: controlling interests in the Virginia & Truckee and Carson & Colorado railroad companies, and large interests in the Yellow Jacket Crown Point and Belcher mines. He has been the largest builder of Francisco. dence houses in San and altogether he probably owns 600 houses, which rent from \$550 to \$5,009 a year. I regard his estate as worth at least \$12,000,000. The deed of trust pro Vides that, pending settlament and di-vision, his son, Fred Sharon, and has daughter, Lady Flora, Hesketh, of Eagland, shall receive \$18,000 a year in come; that his son-in-law, Mr. Newlands shall receive \$10,000 a year, and \$3,000 per annum shall be devoted to educating the latter's three little daughters. That when the latter shall be grown they, with their father, shall each receive one twelifth of the estate. It will, by the time those little girls are of age, yield them all more than a million eachcatches, eh?" And as the Occidental tourist remarked this he looked at himself in the glass and turned away. He was a triffe gray.

An Incorruptible Man. Washington Correspondence of the Cleveland Leader: This matter of public men speculating in information which they acquire through their positions was our Puritie not considered proper by our Paritin fathers. It recalls a story I have hear J Senator Hamlin. Some legislation was being considered in the halls of congress in regard to one of the railroad needed but a vote or two to pass it. At this moment a brother senator came to Hamlin's desk and said: "Senator Hamlin, if this bill passes, the Biank Blank railroad's bonds will be worth 100 cents on the dollar. I can take you or let you send to a place where you can get any amount of these bonds at this moment for 6 cents on the dollar. What say you to the chance?" "I sa d-n your chance and d-n your bonds MI Hat d-n your chance and d-n your bonds, sir!" was Hamin's emphatic reply: and with that he turned his back square upon his brother senator, and the story is that he never treated him decently afterward Hamlin did not believe that it was right for him to use information gotten as a public man to advance his own fortune, and he acted upon this rale during his 54 votes. Page, democrat, against public life.

the sturdy patriots who captured An ir , Joan Paulding, David Williams and Isaac Van Mart and their associates, in Reck land and Westelnester counties, had the spirit to rebuke this worshipper of the English as they did, and if he builds another there will not be much regret on

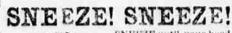
my part if he should be dynamited with If Field is so unklows to build monuments let him creet one to the memory of Capt. Nation Hale, who was executed as a spy by order of Sir Wm. Howe, the British commander in 18.6 Without trial. After the retreat of the army from Long Island, Washington called for a discreet o licer to penetrate the enemy's lines and obtain information. Hale volunteered for th service. He was a gallant, daring onli-cer. He and another one a short time praviously, had cut out, during a dark night, a shoop loaded with provisions, from right under the gaus of one of the enemy's frightes, captured it, and do-tributed the supplies among the American soldiers. He had succeeded in one taining foll information as to the unarber of forces, had made complete draw-ings of the British camp and troops, and was on his return when captured. He died a here, on the scatfold, his last words be-

ing, "I only regret I have but one life to lose for my country. Rev. Edward Ev-erett liale, the distinguished writer and Teacher, is his grand nephew. Here is an opportunity for Mr. Field to do honor to the name of a patriot was sacrificed his life for his country. But

then, Hale was an American, and Andre was an Englishman. I do not believe ne will build a monu-

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FRIENDS of General Terry are making a determined tight for his appointment to the next vacant major generalcy; but if the signs of the times do not fail. General Howard will receive a pressing call to San Francisco early in the year to wear the shoulder straps of General Pope. -

SENATOR MAHONE will not move to Dakota for some time to come. He will the neighborhood that the adjacent represent Virginia in the United States