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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 6th day of November, A. D. 1886, [SEAL4] N. P. FEIL, Notary Public.

BOODLER MCQUADE will eat his Christ mas turkey in Sing Sing with Boodler Jachne. Two of the gang of municipal bribe takers now wear striped suits with eight more to follow.

GENERAL GORDON's death at Khartoum nearly two years ago is finally confirmed by a letter from the Mandi himself. The official confirmation was unnecessary but the time taken for its receipt reminds us of the slowness with which "official" news travels sometimes even in America. The press invariably beats red tape.

UNDER the proposed metropolitan charter the Omaha board of public works will have more power and greater responsibility than the city council. If the delegation ratifies the work of the charter committee it cannot be too careful in guarding all the points to prevent the board from becoming a source of jobbery and arbitrary power.

The close of the famous Campbell suit is a drawn battle. The verdict of the jury relieves each party from the charges brought by the other. It does not however, relieve the public from the conviction that the English aristocracy is a school of vice, which, for the public bene fit, should be shorn of their political privileges and their position as the assumed leaders of manners and morals. Ma filing their amended articles of incorporation covering Northeastern Nebraska, the Elkhorn Valley line only announce to the public what they have long contemplated in private. The move towards Yankton is to be made to cut out the Missouri Pacific extension and the proposed advance to Hastings and Seward will be in retaliation upon the Burlington for its invasion of the northwest. It is not probable that the prospect of these competing branches will prevent the opposing roads from continuing construction. The railroad situation in Nebraska is one of dog eat dog. The contest between the roads which has for so long been fought on paper, will now be fought out with cold steel rails. RATES may rise and rates may fall but that remarkable monopoly, the Standard Oil company, holds the whip hand even over the railroad companies. A suit has just been entered at Louisville by an oil dealer against the Louisville & Nashville railway company and the Standard Oil The great oil monopoly was engaged in driving out of business one George Rice, of Marietta, O., a competitor in the trade, and according to its usual system had enlisted the railroad company on its side. Mr. Rice produces a letter from an agent of the Standard Oil company to the railroad complaining that rates had not been put up high enough on Rice and winding up with the seatence "Please turn on another screw," The result was a charge of \$63 for a shipment of seventy barrels made by the dealer while the Standard was charged only \$39.90 for the same service at the same time. Such instances as these furnish the best of arguments for the necessity of an interstate commerce regulation bill which will regulate for the poor as well as for the rich BILLS were introduced in both houses of congress on Monday providing measpres for extirpating pleuro-pneumonia and other enttle diseases. They authorize the appointment by the president of a commission, to which ample powers are given for investigation, the establishment of quarantine, destruction of infected or exposed animals, and such other proceedings as may be required. Provision is made for paying the owners of animals killed, \$160 being named as for the issue of circulating notes of any the maximum for those with pedigree national banking association, and as they and \$50 for those without. Penalties are provided for obstructing the commissioners, concealing the disease, and for transporting or delivering for transportation diseased animals, knowing them to be such. The senate bill appropriates \$1,000,-000 to carry its provisions into effect. It is a comprehensive measure and is understood to have been propared, as also the bill introduced in the house, by representatives of the Consolidated Cattle Growers' association formed a month ago in Chicago. The opinion was general at the late convention of casttlgrowers and veterinarians that the aid of the general government was absolutely necessary to the most effective work for stamping out cattle diseases, and the bills presented are in response to that view. Such a measure should be passed, and a thoroughly capable commission ap-pointed that will perform the duties care-fully and vigorously.

Blocking the Thieves, Secretary Roggen, chairman of th state board of public printing, deserves hearty commendation for standing between the tax-payors and the tax-enters. The state printing contracts have been for years rotten to the core. The prices for the national bank circulation is temcharged have been outrageous in the extrense, and have only been seenred by a

ts own printing of bills and legislative

reports wherever it may see fit. If it de-

eides to give it to the Journal at an enor-

Better Building Needed.

hen shoulder the responsibility.

and walls and built to stay.

nstitutions. Of course the measure is combination between the bidders under intended only as a temporary expedient. an agreement to divide the spoils. Sevo tide over the treasury until the next oral years ago when an investigation was congress can deal with the surplus quesin progress the Omaha Herald end of the tion, should nothing be done at the presring nastily skipped to California rather ont session. It is certain that the surplus than to face the legislative music. will be increased if the revenues are not and the other cogs in the machine reduced, and it is important to find some were badly polished during the expoway to dispose of it in the public intersure. Secretary Roggen this year deterest. This is the object of Mr. Hewitt's mined to do his best to protect the state

at any and all hazards. While he could A bill of like intent, though different not entirely frustrate the scheme of a a its provisions, was introduced in the printing pool made up of the various senate by Mr. Aldrich. This authorizes oncerns who were bidders for the genthe secretary of the treasury to receive oral state printing, he has point blank 4 and 4) per cont bonds and issue in exrefused to let a contract for printing the change therefor bonds bearing interestat bills and incidental work of the legislathe rate of 2) per cent per annum, paying ture for which the Lincoln Journal was the holders a sum equal in each case to the sole bidder. Believing that it had a the aggregate present worth at the time monopoly of this business, that shameof exchange of the portion of the several less concern had put in a bid which was quarter-yearly payments of interest 130 per cent, higher than the amount for from which the United States is released which it did the same work two by such exchange. This bill would inyears ago. At that time the volve a larger disbursement from the Journal patriotically offered to do this treasury, provided all bondholders acclass of printing during the session for cepted the offer under it, than would the \$6,000. As there was a neat little profit Hewitt bill, and in naming a lower rate of some \$3,500 in the work at those figof interest for the exchanged bonds it ires no one had any idea that they would would be more likely than the latter e raised for the next session. The measure to fail of its object. It is doubt-Journal, however, evidently thought the ful, however, whether either plan would nargin too small and put in a bid for be largely successful so far as the bond-\$11,000. Secretary Roggen has decided olders are concerned. cery properly to let the legislature order

A Great Natural Gas Field.

The people of Ohio have reason to feel ecure in the position of that state as

mous price above what if is worth it can third in the union in population and wealth, and to confidently anticipate its forther progress and prosperity. According to a recent report of Professor Orton, One of our contemporaries is clamoring of the Ohio Geological bureau, the natu for ten story buildings in Omaha because ral gas field of the state is commensurate Minneapolis has them. We don't want in extent with its geographical limits. them. Six and seven story structures The geological formation belongs to will be quite high enough for safety and the silurian age. In the neighborhood of arge enough for profit. Land in Omaha Cincinnati it lies 500 feet below the suris not yet so dear as to demand such face, andat Toledo at a depth of 1,100 owering structures. Every city which has gone into the sky scraping business of oil and gas have been around the to 1,200 feet. The greatest developments towns of Lima and Findlay, in the northih the other direction toward moderately western part of the state, not far from igh buildings, substantially constructed, Toledo. Valuable developments have, well lighted and ventilated and easy of however, been made at other points, a access in every part. We can afford to be Cleveland paper having recently reported content with six and seven story structhe development of a most promising tures located on ten story foundations natural gas well near that city. In the Lima region the production of oil has ex-

What Omaha with all other western ceeded that of gas, and fifteen joint stock itics needs most of all at the present time ompanies are now operating for its de s better architecture and construction. colopment. In the Findlay region the There has been too much attempt at cheap intural gas territory has an extent of display and gingerbread work and too wenty-six miles in length by sixteen little regard for interior convenience and miles in breadth, and of the twenty-seven exterior solidity. The building that is subgas wells that have been opened only stantial, Safe and convenient and at the two have failed. The daily production of same time attractive in appearance is the most prolific is 13,000,000 cubic feet the one which finds the best class of tenof gas, others produce 10,000,000 feet. ants and brings in the best returns on the and for the rest the daily average is some investment. While the elevator has to a degree anthilated distance and brought what less. This gas, by reason of its abundance and cheapness, has banished the fifth and sixth stories within easy all other materials of illumination as well reach of the street it has greatly increased as all other fuel for domestic purposes tire risks. To reach even seven stories and manufacturing. The demands of the in height is a severe task for water works community are supplied without restricand fire steamers. Beyond that distance tion. The charge is \$1 a month for its fire protection is an experiment. There is use for cooking, \$1.50 a month for heatample room for improvement in the ing and 30 cents a month for lighting the change from our low, squatty and comwhole house. Still the people regard onplace looking business blocks to six these rates as extravagant and have been and seven story buildings whose designs agitating an organized resistance to bear the stamp of originality and which from foundation to cornice are conthem. The cost of sinking a gas well is about \$1,500, and nearly every considerstructed of solid materials and with honable manufactory in the region has its est workmanship, own well. -An extraordinary industrial growth has Proposed Financial Legislation. naturally followed this gas development, There have been introduced at the and almost every day new enterprises present session of congress quite a score of bills proposing financial legislation. are springing up, or going into this terri Nearly all of these relate to providing tory from less favored regions. The the national banks with a new basis of supply keeps up steadily, and so great is circulation and to making other prothe extent of this natural gas territory visions with regard to the system. Most that there is no longer an apprehension of the exhaustion of the product. At of these measures will undoubtedly die various other points prospecting and in the committee room, where so many boring for natural gas are being actively ambitious efforts of crude statesmanship pushed, and the report of the state are every year consigned to oblivion. A few may be heard of again, but with the geologist will doubtless have the effect of exception of one or two they are all unincreasing explorations and activity in worthy of serious consideration. There this direction. The manufacturers of Cleveland and the Mahoning valley is no subject with which congress has to are every day feeling more urgently deal that the average congression the need of this cheaper fuel, which now so well likes to dabble in as a financial juestion, and there is no other question gives Pittsburg so great an advantage, and they will not be sparing of effort to that the average congressman knows less about or is less able to comprehend. find a supply if it exists anywhere in con-One of the important bills introduced is tiguous territory. that of Mr. Hewitt, which is designed to If natural gas shall prove to be inex. haustible in the territories where it is now enable the treasury to dispose of the surplus, in the event of the probable failure developed and developing, there is cerof congress to keep down the assured actain to be a radical change, in the not recumulation by reducing the revenues mote future, in the conditions of compe-This bill provides that the sceretary of tition which may be in the nature of an the treasury may anticipate so much of industrial revolution. The battle will be the interest of the funded debt of the between the manufacturing centers that United States as may be in excess of 3 have this natural fuel, rather than as at present against the foreign manufacper cent per annum. If all the holders of the 4 and 4; per cent bonds should avail turer, who having to rely upon a dearer themselves of such an offer, the treasury fuel will no longer be regarded with terwould be enabled to use \$75,000,000 or ror as threatening to usurp the Ameri-\$80,000,000 in anticipating the interest of can market and destroy home industries the public debt. It is provided that the if not shut out by a tariff wall. With interest upon the amount paid shail be augmented and cheapened production, computed at the rate of 3 per cent. per against which England, Germany and annum, reinvested quarterly, so as to Belgium, with their higher-priced fuel, secure to the United States the benefit of cannot compete, the favored manufac compound interest thereon. Thus the turers of America may become as carnest government would lose nothing in the in demanding the removal of the tariff transaction. The bondholders would be obstruction as they now are in urging its left with a bond bearing 3 per cent. inretention, and the most persistent in askterest, but the cash payments would be ing enlarged and cheaper transportation a full equivalent for any premium that facilities in order to get their surplus the bond would bear in the market. It products to the markets of the world. is further provided that these reduced There are great possibilities in the natural bonds shall be received by the gas development if it shall continue and comptroller of the currency as scenrity hold out.

disadvantage to the bondholders. In the good position as regards supplies and the other case it would reach the people outlook for sustained strenth in prices. through the banks, being fully secured by Upward of 8,500 tons of steel rails have

the deposit of bonds or other forms of been sold, chiefly by Pennsylvania mills, government indebtedness. At the same and there has been continued activity in all kluds of rolled iron. The entire iron time the question of providing a security trade is in good shape, and the general porarily met with entire farmess to those tendency of values is upward. Bearish influences have been at work in the grain as well as in the stock markets during the week, and the price of wheat, which has been principally affected, is I to 18 cents per bushel lower than it was at the close of last week. The partial withdrawal of speculative support on account of the stringency in the money market and the weakening of confidence among holders by increasing receipts of winter

wheat, the promise of a further increase in the visible supply, and the expectation of a lull in legitimate demand until after the holidays, have contributed to this result. The export demand has been very fair, and cansiderable business has been done at all Atlantic ports. The presence of this demand and the continued strength of foreign markets have prevented a more serious decline, but have not exerted sufficient influence to sustain or advance the market. Corn prices are 1 to 1 of a cent lower owing to liberal receipts at Chicago and the weakness in the wheat market, but there is little pressure to sell this cereal, which confronts the prospect of an increasing home consumption and an early improvement in export demand. There has been comparatively little speculation in corn, as the attention of operators has been largely directed to wheat. Hog products have ruled stronger under moderate receipts of hogs at Chicago. The hometrade distribution of provisions keeps up well, and exports of lard exceed those of

the corresponding week last year. It is to be hoped that the city conneil will go very slow m letting any contracts for future paying or curbing for which no money is available and no bonds have yet Leen voted. The plea that the city will suffer by delay will not satisfy the taxpayers. We always favored pushing pubic improvements and we propose to ad-

WE do not know to what extent Senafor Manderson's chances for re-election two years hence are to be advanced by the vindictive warfare which his rejuvenated Omaha organ is waging upon Senafor Van Wyck, but we do know that there is not a single vote in the coming tegislature which Manderson can inlaence one way or the other.

FVIE rooms have been engaged at the Lincoln hotels for Jim Laird. Jim has been known to spread hunself over several beds when in a hilarions condition. We are only surprised that Jim hasn't fired more rooms, since the B, & M. india-rubber fund is large enough to stand the draft.

PAT FORD is beginning to pose as the only decent and honest member of the city council. Pai is a jewel that ought to be set in solid brass mounting.

PROMINENT PERSONS. Mrs. Manning is mentioned this season as

the favorite of the cabinet ladies. Evangelist Moody will hold revival meetngs at Ithaca, N. Y., in January,

and Judge Gresham's decision but gave legal | he stood guard with two big revolvers, bad expression to an indignant public senti-ment. not seen her leave, but it was evident that she had crept out very stealthily and

Waiting at the Door.

Detroit Tribame. It is poor comfort, perhaps, for Dakota to tand at the door of the union ringing the bell for admission so long as the entrance is guarded by a democratic majority, but our adrice is to keep on singing until the bell gives out, and then sit down on the doorsill till hey swing open the door.

Fighting Opera Companies.

It would be a pleasure not easily to be escribed in words to see an opera comany once which had no black eyes or dirty linen to exhibit. Is such a thing possible? Judging by the record it might be said that to hope for it would be a waste of time and strength, but there are people who nevertheless believe that the time will come when the managers, the directors, the stockholders and the high-price performers of an opera company will be able to go through the country without getting into a single row. The people who figure in opera as man-

agers or performers do not, on close inopection, appear to differ materially from other human beings. They have an art which has been more or less carefully cultivated, but so have thousands of other people who never sang a note and never intended to sing. However excellent intended to sing. However excellent their work on the stage may be, they are not more to be praised than are many other people in their own peculiar lines. Cheir prominence relieves them from none of the amenities of life, but rather imposes upon them the more inexorably Skilled as they are and -talented as some of them may be, they are still at their est nothing more than masters of their own business, and are not entitled by that fact to put on greater airs than the mas-ters of any other business. It appears however, that the man or woman who can fiddle or sing imagines as soon as some reputation has been gained that the next thing to be done is to demonstrate to the world how uneivil a so-called great performer can be. If their peculiarities do not take this direction they, force on the public their private griefs and quarrels, as if anybody could by any pos-sibility be interested in them. "If rom the greasy fiddler to the painted prima donna, through the entire range of perormers, one would suppose from their bickerings that every person connected in any capacity with an opera organization was prepared at a minute's notice to engage in anything, from a ten-round knock-out to a hair-pulling match. It is a disgraceful state of affairs and one which, if continued, will bring the whole

profession into disrepute. It is probable that these fights grow out of the enormous vanity of most of the eople engaged in performances on the yric stage. The reason for much of is vanity does not appear, but it cannot be denied that if these exponents of art would learn some of the commonest rules of good breeding they would have something to be proud of which is not liscernible at this time.

SHE WAS A PRETTY GIRL.

A Question Which the Western A Stage Coach Adventure Which Sur-League Must Decide. prised a Vigilant Guard.

posed of

It is probable that before Hastings is "Well, what I started out to say was admitted into the Western league, she that Jimmy had a deal with a mighty will have a hard fight to make. Mr. pretty girl once." said a resident of Dil lon, M. T. to a New York Sun corre-spondent. "He was down in Virginia George Kay, of this city, has written to the secretary of the league concerning City and was to escort a treasure coach the matter, and that official states that through to Helena. The country was full the majority of the clubs now composing of tough citizons—that was before the boys tied up the gang by the neck—and it the league are in favor of the admission of Pueblo instead of Hastings. It seems was known that stages with money aboard were aimost certain to be atto be the general opinion that Pueblo would sustain a series of games better tacked. On the coach coming up was a than would Hastings. At any rate the matter will be thoroughly discussed at a meeting of the league to be held soon, either in Omaha or Lincoln. young lady in deep mourning, about the prottiest girl that we had ever seen here, and as there was no treasures aboard Jimmy got pretty well acquainted with She could not have been more than Hastings claims that she is already a her. member of the league, having been ad-mitted last spring by a vole of the ma twenty-six or twenty-seven years old, and she was that handsome that when she got to the tavern at Virginia City the boys jority of clubs. Mr. Kay states that it i true that Hastings was so admitted, went into the dining-room and ate an extra supper all around just for the chance of seeing her. Jimmy had learned something with the condition that she put up the \$500 forteit money. This, it is claimed, the Hastings men have never done about her. She told him that she was a though they have been requested to widow and that her errand was to find do so. Colonel Savage, who was said to be in this section. He was her uncle and the Active Good Templars. administrator of her father's estate, and Monday night quite a number of membusiness matters made it necessary that she should see him. Jimmy didn't know bers of Life Boat lodge, No. 150, and their friends assembled in the North Presby any such man, but he said he might be terian church to listen to the Rev. Scott around for all that. That evening he was of Sutton, Nob., who was the lecturer of very attentive to her and most of the boys the evening. Mr. Scott made an earnest speech and related some interesting bits about the liquor traffic. Mr. Scott said as to the money that from the liquor hung about the place half inclined to be jealous. "The next morning just as the stage was about to start and Jimmy with his shot gun was standing by its side, the sale yearly went into the school fund, ") treasury box having been screwed on and the driver being in his seat, the young do not want to educate my children with money that has brought ruin and diswoman came running up, exclaiming grace to some mother's heart or some family circle." The speaker was rightly that she wanted to return and would be ready in ten minutes if the stage would wait. The driver grumbled, but Jimmy anthusiastic when he said that, stage would saloons were closed, we would not have yielded, and the girl soon made her ap a gambling hell in the city, and would be pearance. There were no other passen-gers. After she had been seated the boys spared the unspeakable pain of seeing families robbed of happiness and purity stepped up, hat in hand, and said good-Mr. Scott, in concluding, made an elo by while some of them-Jack Fergus quent plea to the audience to join heart. was one of them, 1 remember-went so and and abilities to fight the saloons. far as to express regret that she was not to stay longer. She laughingly replied After the lecture was over, a mass meet ing was held in the basement of the that she might return, and waved a little handkerchief out of the coach window as Found With Oleomargavine. it rolled away. That was the last we ever saw of her. Jimmy was inside of the coach with her, and we all thought that On next Friday, at 9 o'clock, Collector Calhoun will sell four fikins of oleomarhe was the luckiest chap that ever struck garine, containing about 115 pounds, Montana. which were seized by the government be-"But let me tell you something. than six hours after that pretty little darling sailed out of Virginia City lookcause the packages containing the material were not marked according to law. The property was seized in the early part of November, and, as the law prescribes, ing as sweet and gentle as a lamb, she was holding one of Jimmy's big pistors thirty days' notice was given to all perto his ear, and he was looking two ways for Sunday. I am afraid he wasn't watch sons who might have anything to say ing things as close as he ought to have done, but nobody blames him in those days. We'd see a woman like that about against its forfeiture to make the same known. No claim having been made he property was forfeited, and on next as often as we would a flock of angels, ten days' notice of sale, re-Friday, the and Jimmy was only a man. He rode on the inside of the coach most of the way mired by will have expired by law, and ie material will be duly knocked down until about the middle of the afternoon o the highest bidder. The officers feel when he got out. Then she complained of ioneliness and fear, and after a while he got inside again. Not many minutes hat Johnson is an innocent party, having ought the oleomargarine from dealers in this city, who represented to him that was butter. He escapes the penalty after there was a volley and a yeil, the horses coming to a suddon halt, Jimmy's hand was on his gun, in this instance, because of the early date a which the discovery was made, but it will be a fine and imprisonment for any and was just on the point of making a jump, when the fair one by person who is hereafter caught in the his side raised one of his revolvers, which ame predicament. she gulckly removed from his belt, and

with a savage "no, you don't?" leveled it

at his head. For a second Jimmy didn'

THE made a short cut for the timber. On the floor of the stage was a luttle gold tassel which had been lost from the young woman's watch-chain, and Jimmy picke i Two Young Bears From Siberia Added to it up and wore it for a long time. After satisfying himself that the agents had KANGAHOOS AND WALLABYS. made a fizzle of it he drove on and madthe rest of the trip in safety.

TWO BIG EVENTS.

ary and February.

to lay 2,000 canvas. The ec

Garneau, jr., appointed last week to con-

annual ball February 7, has organized by

Magrane, secretary and Frank Colpetzer

treasurer. The ball will be a very select affair, and tickets will be sold to the gen-

one of these tickets is entitled to take as many ladies as he chooses.

HASTINGS OR PUEBLO?

chairman; T. G.

electing R. C. McChure

A Carponter Street Monkey and His ; CHRISMAS TREES.

The Evergreen Messengers of Santa Claus' Gitts.

Philadelphia Times, There were Most of the grocery stores and commisseveral distinguished arrivals at the Zoo sion houses of the city are displaying : vesterday. The most notable guests that large assortment of Christmas trees of all egistered were two polar bears. They varieties, sizes and prices. Some of sed to play hide and seek with Arctic these trees are very small, with scarcely travelers in snowy Northern Siberia and room enough for the presents of Santa were captured three months ago by a Claus, even when he is in his most small band of exited Russian peasants. stingy moods. Others are larger They were sent to St. Petersburg, where and really fine specimens of evergreens they were bought by an agent for our or pine trees. The smallest sell for 25 home society and immediately shipped cents, the other sizes ranging in prices here in a big iron-bound cage. The last up to \$1.50, which will purchase a mag-nificent specimen. The very large sizes, such as these used for Sunday school celpolar bear of the Zoo died in 1884. His death was due to paralysis, the result of a bolt of lightning, which struck and inebrations, are of course, worth more say \$1 or \$5. These trees are cut in Wisstantly killed his partner on a stormy msin, Michigan and the northern lummorning in the spring of 1882. When ber countries. Very few of them are cut in the vicinity of this city. With each free a small iron standard is soid, which the new Arctic bruins were released from their traveliing box they simultaneously holds the tree firmly by clamps. These leaped into the pool of water that forms ell for 25 and 50 cents. the centre of their new quarters. A good "Christmas trees are becoming more and more popular every year," said a dealer yesterday. We expect to sell a large number of them this year. They

cold bath was a great luxury to them after their long imprisonment. Head Keeper Byrne baptised them, Frank and Minnie, in henor of two friends. Like grizzly bears they are treacherous and will not be friendly. Bread and milk is their main diet, varied by an occasional dist of five pounds of fish each. are inexpensive, and at the same time give a better show for the display of presents, than does the old-fashioned

Z00'S ATTRACTIONS.

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Caged Companions.

It would make Magistrate Bob Smith the friend of the oppressed wives, indig-nant if he should see how Frank, the new The Charlty and Elks' Balls in Janu-Siberian arrival, is treating his better half, Minnie. He not only gives har pe-riodical beatings, but frequently confis-Arrangements have been completed for the grand annual charity ball to be cates her fish or bread and milk, held January 14, 1887, in the exposition domestic autocrat. His conduct is in building. It promises to surpass anywithering contrast to that of George, the handsome stalwart king of the garden, who capers about his better half like a thing of the kind ever held here before. The committee of arrangements is workleonine cavalier, and always allows her the first piece of old horse. It was just ing hard to insure the success of the event, and there is no doubt but that the about ten years to the day since the ar affair will be well attended, Especial rival of the first pair of polar bears, which were killed by the lightning stroke, when preparations are being made for the dectheir successors were put in the pit. They oration of the west pavilion. Instead of promise to live long and prosper, as they are but four years old, are in good health waxing the floor, which at its best is never in first-class condition, it is proand have come to the country at the pro vards per season to become acclimated for of canvas. The committee, consisting of R. C. McClure, T. G. Ma-grane, Frank Colcetzer, I. W. Miner, George Mills, W. F. Beenel and Joseph Garnean in suscitation of the second second

coming hot waves.

FOUR NEW KANGAROOS. "Ah, there?" was the slang salutation of Stonewall Jackson, the veteran and loquacious parrot, a pet of the late Signol duct the arrangements for the Elks' first Blitz, when a quartette of kangaroos, four "amoosing cusses" from Australia, took up their quarters in the snake house esterday. The immigrants from the antipodes are of a neculiar type of bushailed kangaroos and came direct from a tlemen at \$5 each. A gentleman holding little town seventy miles from Melbourne. The jumping animals have a quiet and ubdued appearance, but are pugnacious. They are natural collar-and-elbow wres flers and had several bouts yesterday afternoon. They seem nettled by the re-ception given them by Stonewall Jack He seldom uses profane language but yesterday he slandered the friends of Artemus Ward in a style so vigorous that t would have made an Arizona editor

howl with impotent envy. The kaugaroos were accompanied by two cousins, Australian wallabys, the only specimens of their kind in captivity. Their cage is next to that of the ingunna, which, by the way, is in a surly mood. He is a big, drab-colored offshot of the lizard family, that was sent from India : few months ago. He is a epicurean with a very dainty palate. As the number of bouquets bought by star actresses to be handed over the footlights to themselves on first nights increased, the price of Jacqueminot roses went up and the so ciety, in order to avoid bankruptey, had to change the bill of fare. The ignana is a mean-looking, bustle-backed creeper and at first objected, but finally had to come down to bananas or starve. An object of interest in the snake house is a large landscape of an Indian forest, which is being painted by Keeper Thomp son, who is a natural artist. It will soon form the background of the anaconda and python enge. The work is so well done that the big reptiles will no double be deluded and try and curl their fat bodies about the imaginary trees, while they will have an ambitious struggle in endeavoring to crush the life out of a counterfeit presentment of "Stonewall Jackson."

here to our policy in the future. There s, however, a limit beyond which it is not safe or prudent to go, and the council should draw the line at that point.

The Business Situation. The condition of trade during the week past has been favorable according to re-

par it is provided that the banks are to be given their par value in notes, instead ports from the principal business cenof 90 per cent., as now required by law. ters. Clearings show increased business, In view of the possibility that the holders which is particularly noticeable in retail of bonds may not generally accept the trades affected by the approaching holianticipation of interest, authority is given days. Wool has attracted little demand the secretary of the treasury to deposit, except for the immediate wants of the with any national banking association looms. Holders are not urging business any portion of the money in the treasury at the expense of prices, partly because not otherwise appropriated, upon securof a prevalent expectation of improving ity of an equal amount of bonds or other traite next month and partly because seaindebtodness of the United States, such board stocks are owned by dealers who special doposits from the treasury at no bought them at comparatively full prices time to exceed \$100,000, and to be and cannot afford to let the market go subject to call upon such notice as the lower. The proportion of consigned wool secretary may prescribe. Thus two awaiting sale in the custern markets is ways are provided for disposing of very small this year. The dry goods the surplus and converting it from an trade is seasonably quiet, but a good many idle accumulation to the public use. In orders are being recorded for the future the one case it would go directly to the delivery of fabrics adapted to the spring people upon terms which would protect and summer trade. The market as a

The tour of Christine Nilsson through Holland and Belgium has been remarkable for social and official attention.

Senator McPherson of New Jersey was a well-to-do butcher twenty years ago. He is a millionaire now.

Kate Field holds \$100,000 worth of telephone stock, and can allord to shake up the Mormon monster occasionally, whether she hurts him or not.

Congressman Hitt of Illinois five years go was stenographer for a house committee, but he married a woman with cash and he entered the political arcus?

John Peter St. John is lecturing in Iowa in behalf of three interests: First, for a good admission fee: second, to advertise himself third (and incidently), for the temperance cause.

Ben Butler has discarded his black slouel hat, and now appears crowned with an enormons beaver hat, such as is worn by the frontiersman. It gives his comical figure the appearance of a fancy perfumery bottle with a huge stopper.

Susan B. Anthony declares with some thing approaching ghoulish glee, that when women have the right to vote they will not alliliate with either of the present political parties, but will cast their ballots for the purest men who offer without regard to their political views.

Henry M. Stanley can well afford to forego even the profits of a lecture tour in this country at the bldding of the king of Belgium. He receives \$20,000 a year acting as the figurehead called vice-general of the Congo state and is said to exercise a wonderful influence over the untamed Africans.

Big Business on a Small Capital.

New York Telbane, Hill, the Chicage "plunger," selling 50,000 00 bushels of wheat on only \$5,000 capital. greatly resembles the democratic party and the disproportion between the task of run ning the government and its stock on hand of brains and patriotism.

An Object of Compassion

Mr. Cleveland's ambition is for a second erm. He had it in his power to force the democrats to nominate him. That is gone, He now depends simply upon their love. He will have to go still lower to get that, and then it is not worth having. We pity Mr Cleveland.

What though, with each feturn, the gatherlows whiter round tay brow? What though the wrinkles there urrowed with thought or the rude hand o

Thou find'st are deeper now?

) blessed day ! O blessed time ! Dear to the beating heart of every clime, Thy coming and thy cheer wait impatient now

As when no furrowing care dated trench my In days of youthful year.

Jay Gould's Methods.

When Mr. Gould watered Western Union tock to almost double its actual value, and then shaved the wages of thousands of employes in order to declare a dividend on the lyzed her. She fell back obling his is dead faint and Jimmy grabbing his is ock thus watered and bull it in the market. he was engaging in a deliberate robbery for his own financial aggrandizement. It is the prevalence and shameless repetition of these trim they took to cover and he gigantic frauds that breed discontent among nem. the people, multiplies the causes of disquietude, and converts thousands of honest and industrions wage-workers into rank communists. The supremacy of Jay-Gouldism the government against less and be no whole is firm, with cotton especially in a has about reached its zenith in this country,

Whimsical Wills.

William J. Haskett, a lawyer, who died in New York, left a will containing this very curiously-worded clause:

know which way to turn, but it was only a second. The driver was a good one, and he was already at work with a Colt's "I am informed that there is a society composed of young men connected with the public press, and, as in early life I Without hesitating Jimmy tried a dangerous experiment. As he held his shotgan, its muzzle pointed to was connected with the papers, I have a keen recollection of the toils and troubles that bubbled them, and ever will bubble, for the toilers of the world in their pottage the window where the girl sat, he saw at a glance that to fire it would not kill her. out it could be discharged so as to search caldron, and, as I desire to thicken with a little savory herb their thin broth in the life out of her, providing she was not a regular wildcat, which he didn't believe she was. A good deal quicker than I can tell he pulled the trigger, at the same mothe shape of a legacy, 1 do here bequeath to the New York Press Club of the city of ment reaching for the receiver which the young woman held, knocking it out of hand. The crash of the gun was terrific, and as it went of not more than New York \$1,000, payable on the death of Mrs. Haskett.

Monsica r Colombies, a Parisian merchant, died leaving a bequest of £1,200 to a lady who twenty years before had reeighteen inches from her nose it pura-lyzed her. She fell back on the seat in a fused to marry him, "through which," states the will, "I was enabled to live inirons was on the ground in a jifty. Well, the minute the agents saw him in fighting dependently and happy as a bachelor." The following very whimsical bequest was from a Scotch newspaper: "Some after was from a Scotch newspaper: "Some years ago an English gentleman be-questhed to his two daughters their weight in £1 notes. A finer pair of na-per weights has never been heard of, as They kept up a lively firing for a fow moments and then Jimmy went bac to the stage, expecting to find the girl there, but she had disappeared. The driver, who had mounted his box and per weights has never been heard of, as the elder daughter got £51,200, and the was holding the lines in his teeth while younger £52,314.

FEARS FOR A DABY BEAR.

Head Keeper Byrne was afraid that Daisy, the cute cub bear, was going to die on Friday. She was sick, but yester day she had recovered and was in a trisky mood. Daisy is a great favorite, and had she died hundreds of little patrons of the garden would have mourned her loss. while it would have inspired Low-water Muldoon, the poetical keeper, to write

an obituary poem. Photographer Charles Crowthers and Artist J. N. Hess had a busy time at the Zoo vesterday leveling the camera at the leading objects of interest. An old broken-footed mule had been brought to the garden to be fed to the animals, surprised the keepers and his former owners by the vitality that he displayed while photographer and the artist were urging him to pose for them. When Head Keeper Byrne dropped that Carpenter street monkey into the mammoth cage of former cocanut throwers at to stat a riot. But it is a matter of his-tory however. About a dozen of alleged relatives of our ancestors tried to knock out the little stranger and he was only saved by the keeper and a thick pole The settlement of the monkeys at the Zoo has the pugilistic craze as much as any of the padded shouldered about Eighth and Vine streets. John L. Suilvan, the heavy-weight champion, makes daily additions to his list of victims, but Keeper Bryne believes that Dominick McCaffrey, the blue-nosed baboon, will recover his lost laurels. Dominick Me Caffrey was boss of the monkeys until about four months ago, when he knocked out by John L. Sullivan. WOOD. then they have had several lights and Me Caffrey held up his end with credit every time. The old gray-haired noakey, known as Jem Mace, was swinging shou httle Tommy Warren by the tail on Friday when Dominick McCaffrey went fo him and almost knocked him silly. A DEST terday Mace waited until John L. Snillvan took his daily nap, when he jumped on him from the top of the cage and almost chewed off the remaining stump of John L.Sulhyan's tail. As a result to keepers of the monkey house expect to soon bury the undipionatic Jem Mace

Buckingham Notes.

The second of the series of meetings now in progress at the Buckingham under the leading of Rev. T. B. Hitton was well attended last evening. The interest of the previous needing being well sus-tained. Rev. Hilton space energy from Rev. 21, 7—"He that overcometh shall interit all things,"—dwelling most upon the necessity of firm resolution upon the part of all who would build a noble Christian life, taking the position that those who from the ranks of mora men and women, step into the Christian church, need this determination of nar pose as certainly as those who altempt to rebuild upon the rocky foundations of Christ's love, lives well nigh wrocked and runed

In summing it was torsely remarked "God gives the grace, but man must sup-ply the grit." Meeting this evening as announced.

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