WILL MR. FULLER ACCEPT?

Want the Chief Justiceship. WASHINGTON, May 6 .- There is a rumor current among those intimate with the President that it is possible Mr. Melville W Fuller will not accept the position of Chief Justice of the United States. It will be remembered that when the President offered Mr. Fuller four other appointments he declined any office for reasons obvious to those who knew that he was dependent upon his practice for the support of his family. In this instance the President felt certain that Mr. Fuller would accept, and did not deem it necessary to ask if he would.

After his name was sent to the Senate on Monday last and the nomination was known throughout the country, it was naturally expected at the White House that some recognition would come from Mr. Fuller of the great honor conferred upon him. The day passed without the slightest acknowl-

edgement of that honor.

The President, supposing Mr. Fuller was observing to the extreme all the proprieties it was possible to invent, met him half way, and at once addressed Mr. Fuller a letter informing him of the compliment that day bestowed by naming him for the most exalted judicial office in his gift. A reply came promptly, recognizing in the most befitting manner the President's act, but it was wholly silent about whether he would accept or not.

Reasons for this were at once asked those who knew Mr. Fuller. The only one that appeared reasonable was that a project for the abolition of slavery in Bra gentleman with seven daughters, accustomed to all the refinements and conveniences of cultured society, would still need the large income of their father's profession to maintain their social status wherever they might live.

The salary of Chief Justice is only \$19,500 per annum. To accept the office would make him dependent upon that salary and such income as he might derive from his Chicago property. Whether the total would then be enough to maintain in Washington the same social standing that Mr. Fuller's family has enjoyed for many years in Chicago is a question that the President's advisers were enabled from years of experience in Washington to have been satisfactorily settled. answer in the negative. It was not alone a question of judicial

honor, but of honor with an assured enjoyment of all that is necessary to mainin it through the remaining years of his life without, in the end, having the story of Chief Justice Waite's fifteen years on the bench repeated at his death-that he died poorer than when he came to Washington. A stated income of \$30,000 a year would

not, it is said, more than enable Mr. Fuller to maintain his home in Washington as he would want to live. A personal friend of Mr. Fuller savs

that he believes he will accept the place and make whatever sacrifices may be necessary to bring his expenses within his personal and official income, but will leave the formal acceptance of the honor until the President is able to hand him the only evidence that would be acceptable, viz.his commission as Chief Justice.

## Train Robbery in Ohio.

MANSFIELD, O., May 6 .- A bold, but bungling attempt to rob the Limited Express, No. 6, on the Baltimore and Ohio at about 1 o'clock this morning was frustrated by the train crew and passengers. At the hour named, the train being at this station, a man entered the smoking car, where most of the passengers were dozing, and at-tempted to snatch the watches of three of them in succession. He had succeeded in obtaining one watch when the occupants of the car became aroused and the thief made a rnsh for the rear door, only to be met by Conductor Corwin, who, taking in the sitnation at a glance, dealt the scoundrel a tremendous blow over the head with his lantern, bringing him to the floor senseless.

A corporal of Company G, Fifth In-

fantry, who was conveying an insane sol-dier from Fort Keough, Mont., to the National Asylum, quickly produced a pair Miss Caldwell will be ceremoniously preof handcuffs, and when the prostrate bandit regained consciousness he found himself gers, who talked excitedly of the bell cord and the nearest telegraph pole.

The thief begged pitcously for his life,

and after he had been searched and no weapons found on his person, and there being no policemman within call, the crowd yielded to the councils of Conductor Corwin. The rascal, after receiving a severe thrashing, was allowed to go, and the train proceeded on its way. Two companions of the scoundrel, who were stationed on the side of the train opposite the depot, took to their heels on the first alarm The stolen watch was returned to its owner.

## Two Steamers Collide.

NORFOLK, Va., May 7.—The British steamer Benizon, Capt. Aikenhead, from Matarizzs, to Philadelphia, was towed here today in distress, and reports being in collision yesterday afternoon shortly after 12 o'clock, during a dense fog, with the Eureks, Captain Quick, from New York to New Orleans. When the fog lifted about an hour later, the Eureka was nowhere in sight, and it is feared she was sunk. After the collision there was the sound of escaping steam and one whistle. The Benizon's bow was badly stove, and she would have sunk but for her water light compartments. The collision occurred 168 miles southeast of Cape Henlopen. The Benizon struck the Eureka square midship. The Eureks was a freight boat and carried no passengers. Her crew, all told, numbers thirty eight persons. Not a word was passed between persons on either of the steamers during the collision.

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A Pauper Dies with Gold in Her Pockets. Eliza Maxwell, an old colored woman, who has been sheltered at the expense of the county, at the poor house, three months past, died in that institution a day or two After her death her dress was picked up by an attendant who remarked that it felt like it was loaded with rocks. An investigation was made and the cause of the heaviness was developed, when a pocket neaviness was developed, when a pocket book, containing \$40 in gold, was drawn from a pocket in the dress. Mr. Alexander, the superintendent, turned the money over to the county treasurer and it has been applied to the general fund of the county .-Charlotte Chronicle.

DEAR MR. EDITOR:—Won't you please tell your male readers that \$3 will buy a fine, strong and serviceable pair of pants, made to order by the N. Y. Standard Pants Co., of 66 University Place, New York city? By sending 6 cents in postage stamps to the above firm, they will send to any address 25 samples of cloth to choose from, a fine linen tape measure, a full set of scientific measure ment blanks and other valuable information. All goods are delivered by them through the U.S. Mails. A novel and practical idea. Advise your readers to in the boodle county commissioners' cases, are the firm. They are thoroughly reliable. Yours truly, WILLIAM VANDERBILT.

GENERAL NEWS NOTES.

Some Beasons Why the Chicagoan May Not Items of Interest Gathered from Various Quarters.

Dom Pedro is now considered out of danger.

The flood in the Mississippi River is assuming alarming proportions. Lord Stanley, of Preston, is gazetted as Governor General of Canada.

by the recent flood in the Canton River. A train of empty "Q" cars was set on fire Sunday at Chicago by strikers and nearly consumed.

The Delaware Democratic Convention endorse Cleveland and favors the Mills tariff bill

The Emperor of Brazil is suffering from leurisy. Physicians attending him say that his condition is serious. The State mineralogist reports that Cali-

fornia last year produced \$13,063,928 in ores and bullion. A fire in Georgetown, S. C., yesterday morning, destroyed property to the value

of \$20,000. Lightning struck a schoolhouse Wednes day at Dayton, O., and two little girls were fatally injured.

The President has nominated Robert B Roosevelt, of New York, to be minister resident of the United States to the Netherlands.

The Brazilian Government has announced its intention to submit to the Legislature a

The President contributed \$100 Wednes

day towards the building of an orphan asylum for colored children at Lynchburg, Forty-six thoroughbred yearlings were

sold at Lexington, Ky., on Tuesday, for \$23,410, an average of \$487. The Kansas Republican State Conven tion passed resolutions endorsing Plumb and Ingalls. The sentiment of the conven-

tion was decidedly in favor of Blaine. The Vatican has received a dispatch from the Papal Nuncio at Paris stating that the disputes between France and the Vatican

The schooner Ridgewood, loaded with lumber, was burned Wednesday below Jacksonville. Fla. Loss on vessel and cargo \$28,000. Commodore Norman Wilson, one of the

wealthiest men in the Northwest, died suddenly yesterday evening on the train en route for his home in Minneapolis. Geo. F. Montgomery, of Vincennes, Ind., lumber dealer dealer, who has been buying extensively in the South, has con-

fessed judgment in the sum of \$28,800. The expenses of living in the city of New York may be conjectured from a remark in the Mail and Express that a man on an income this side of \$5,000 finds the country healthier than the city.

The Republican newspapers North are diligently searching for something damaging to Mr. Melville W. Fuller. They say they have discovered he was a member of the famous "Peace Legislature" of Illinois. Dennis McLaughlin, of New Haven,

ged 50, hung himself in his barn yesterday. He owned considerable property Disappointment at losing a situation in the Derby railroad shops is the supposed cause. Wm. Hopkins, who was to have been hanged in Rabun, Ga., has been respited

by Governor Gordon. Hopkins is the man who stoned a stranger to death at a country church because he wore a "biled shirt." The National Bureau of Engraving and Printing is engaged night and day in printing one and two dollar silver certificates and to date has finished \$26,000,000 of ones

and \$17,000,000 of twos. Blakely Hale telegraphs to the New York Sun from Berlin that "it is not to be wondered at that his Majesty has deteriorated in health at Charlottenburg. The place is little more than a swamp.

The golden rose sent by Pope Leo to sented to that lady at the laying of the corner stone of the Catholic University in Washington, D. C., on the 24th ins One thousand miners declined to renew

their working contract at Pratt mines, at Birmingham, Ala., Monday, according to the company's figures, and are now out A riot occurred at Dunmany, Ireland,

yesterday, as the police were removing a number of prisoners to Cork. The police charged upon the rioters, and used their batons freely.

W. C. Chambe; lain, of Texas, who went to Paris to be treated by Pasteur for wolf bite, returned to New York on the La Gascogne Sunday, though a man bitten by the same wolf has since died.

Sunday afternoon at North Bend. O. during a quarrel over a game of cards, in which Lewis Brown, Joe Howard and Harrison Stapleton were engaged, the latter stabbed Brown in the heart, killing him instantly.

After a one hundred and ninety days yoyage the schooner Edward E. Webster arrived at San Francisco from Gloucester, Mass., with her crew disabled with a strange disease, and no provisions on board but musty flour.

Nathaniel Watts, the last of the "old defenders" who defended Baltimore from the British invasion in 1814, is dying at the residence of his daughter in Baltimore He is 94 years of age.

A terrible dynamite explosion occurred Tuesday morning at Colly mine, Bessemer Mich., instantly killing Frank Robatsky and fatally injuring three others. The engine house was burned to the ground. Loss \$5,000.

Three burglars entered the house of Mrs Mary E. Reynolds, at Gresham, Pa., on Monday night. She was alone, but she kept the robbers at bay with a hatchet. One of them attempted to seize her arm, whereupon she knocked him senseless to

The Missouri Supreme Court has re versed Judge Noonan's decision upon the law of 1857 (Sunday law). It holds that the city government of St. Louis never had authority to grant permission for the sale

of wine or beer on Sunday.

Twenty-two editions of the May number of the North American Review have been issued. It was Mr. Gladstoue's article on Col. Ingersoll's ideas that caused this unprecedented sale. Between four and five hundred people

were at Fort Hill, S. C., yesterday for the Clemson sale and were disappointed when there was nothing of value for sale except the live stock, all the furniture being left by Mr. Clemson to the State. Of the 650 reserved cases called by Jus-

tice Truax in the New York Superior Court, special term, during last week, several had been on the calendar over twenty five years. About 400 cases were disposed

The steamer Iowa, at Boston, on her last trans-Atlantic trip, was surrounded by a school of whales, which indulged in all sorts of capers, until finally one of the bolder of the monsters unwisely attempted to cross the vessel's bow. It was completely cut in two.

William Watts, a farmer near Delaware, O., was struck by lightning Wednesday and killed. The bolt struck him on the neck, ran down the left side and tore a hole in his heart, then ran down his leg and tore his boot off.

The Supreme Court of Illinois has ffirmed the decision of the lower courts their terms of sentence in the State peni-

The United States fish commission car reached Atlanta yesterday. A change of water was found necessary and Artesian water was supplied. Inside of an hour 65,000 young fish were dead and nearly \$,000,000 eggs are supposed to be killed.

Davidson College experienced a severe electrical disturbance on Sunday night. A destructive fire was caused by lightning striking the warehouse of John Caldwell. The structure, contents and nine bales of cotton were consumed. Caldwell's loss is

Three thousand persons were drowned estimated at \$12,000. The Sound View Farm stables of Richard Conkling, who raised the great trotters Rarus, Wedgewood, King Wilkes and many others, were destroyed by fire Monday morning, together with several valua-ble horses. Loss \$50,000. Insured.

The Senate public buildings and grounds committee Monday acted favorably upon bills for public buildings at the following places: Vicksburg, Miss., \$100,000; Jackson, Miss., (enlargement), \$6,000; Columbus, Ga., \$100,000; Charleston, S. C., \$300,000.

W. Bayard Cutting, under decree of the United States Court, Monday bought for \$125,000 the balance of the T. R. & N. R. Railroad system, consisting of the Florida Transit, Transit, Tropical and Plant City Extension. He controls the majority of bonds, and now has the whole property.

After four days' discussion the General Conference of the Methodist Church, at New York, Monday afternoon, by a majority of 39 votes, refused to admit women as delegates. The ministerial vote was 159 ayes against 122 nays, and the lay vote 78 ayes against 76 nays.

Captain Martin Moore, of the steamer Benton, running between Memphis, Tenn., and Jackson Mound Park, was murdered on board his steamer at 8 o'clock Suuday night, during a disagreement between those who chartered the steamer and himself. Eph Reeves and W. J. McCowan are charged with the murder. Judge Tuley, of Illinois, has rendered a

preliminary decision in a contestea will case which is of considerable importance to all children born in slavery and to many of the descendants of such children. He pronounces such children illegitimate, and holds that they cannot inherit property from the father. The Georgia State Temperance Conven-

tion, before adjourning, passed resolutions to make a general prohibition contest in the elections for the Legislature this fall. Prohibition candidates will be nominated in every county pledged to vote for a statutory prohibitory law instead of leaving the question to the vote of the people. A Dublin dispatch says: James Quinn,

boy ranger, who lived in the village of Loughrea, County Cork, was found murdered yesterday. Three bullet wounds were discovered on his body. He had been threatened by moonlighters with death unless he abandoned the farm he occupied. Quinn's family live in America. Mrs. Annie Flsenbarth, residing at 3,725

Organ street, St. Louis, was walking through her residence Sunday morning when she suddenly fell to the floor and expired. Her sister, who lived near, was summoned. On arriving at the house she went to the room where the dead woman lay and fell dead beside her. Both ladies were supposed to be in the best of health. During a heavy rain and thunder storm

Tuesday the towboat Future City and three barges from St. Louis came in contact with United States war vessels at anchor in front of New Orleans. Two of the barges were sunk. One contained 51,000 bushels of bulk wheat and the other a full cargo of freight. The barges are valued at \$9,000 each and their cargoes at \$70,000. United States Revenue Officer A. H.

Williams on Tuesday arrested Geo. Hale, moonshiner, at Rocky Mount, Franklin county, Va., while peddling illicit whisky from an ox cart. While on the way to jail the guards were overpowered by a crowd of 150 men and the prisoner released. The rescued prisoner was carried to the mountains amid wild shouts. No pursuit was

Henry Miller and Wm. L. Aderholt, two farmers living near Beecher City, Ill., had a law suit Wednesday over a trivial matter. | were a number of poor old women watch-Aderholt won the suit, and Miller became so enraged he went home, seized his gun, marched to Aderholt's house and shot him dead. He also went to the house of a man named McKenzy, who sided with Ader-holt, and shot him, but McKenzy will re-COVET.

Early Monday morning a cloud burst near Maize, fifteen miles west of Wichita, Kan. Rain had been falling all night and when the cloud broke there was an awful roar which frightened the people out of their houses. Many buildings were de-molished. The house of a family named Rockby was swept into the Arkansas river where it sank. Rockby, his wife and two children were drowned. Many horses and cows were lost in the flood.

The Common Council of Lansing, Mich. had a deadlock session of twenty-two hours, which ended Tuesday evening in the election of Democrats to all city offices. The vote of all members was required to make an election legal, and Mr. Edson, a Republican, was purposely kept hidden. He was found at last and forced to vote, and as the count was a tie, the Mayor's vote (Democratic) settled the contest.

The barn and stables of William Smith, who lives about ten miles west of Anderson, were destroyed by the torch of an incendiary on Saturday night, about 10 o'clock. The buildings contained forty bushels of corn, seven hundred bundles of fodder and two fine mules. Nothing was saved. Mr. Smith knew nothing of the fire till aroused from his slumbers by one of his neighbors who lived near. There is no clue yet to the incendiary.

A strange atmospheric phenomenon was seen at Maize, Kansas, on Sunday. A storm cloud burst and extended over a space, parallelogram in form, about 500 yards wide and one mile in length. For half an hour the rain came down in torrents. The heavens were black, and darkness almost equal to that of night covered the entire area. The people ran affrighted from their homes, many crying that the end of the world had come. The loss of property will be heavy.

Trying to Murder by Wholesale.

An arrest at Toledo, O., Tuesday disclosed a fiendish attempt at poisoning that might have resulted in the death of hundreds. Hiram Fields, a prominent grape grower and wine merchant, reproved his hired man for drunkenness. The hired man replied, "I'll fix you!" Later Mr. Fields found that his wine casks had been tampered with. A closer examination revealed crystals of blue vitriol not dissolved in the wine. Dozens of casks containing thousands of gallons were found to have been thus poisoned. The man was ar-There is great excitement and threats of lynching.

PIANOS AND ORGANS.

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Columbia, S. C.

Flattery is often a traffic of mutal meanness, where, although both parties intend deception, neither are deceived, since words that cost little are exchanged for hopes that cost less.

WEDDINGS IN PARIS.

The Great Resort for Parties of the Middle Classes.

Bride and Groom Go Hand-in-Hand to Church, Their Friends Grouped Around Them-Description of a Double Marriage.

The Bois de Vincennes is a great resort for wedding parties among the middle class, as there is a restaurant there where they can dance and have an entertainment, writes a Paris correspondent to the Baltimore Sun. We saw two parties on a previous visit. In one instance the bride and groom were walking hand-in-hand, with a group of friends around them, and a boy was playing a fiddle. The other party were playing some sort of game chasing each other in a circle. Both brides were dressed in white, with nothing on their heads but orange blossoms, though the weather was quite cold. I attended the wedding of my Freuch landlady's nephew on Saturday last. He is a very nice-looking young man with very little to say, especially if you do not speak French. Each of the guests of the hotel was furnished with an invitation nearly as large as a sheet of foolscap, in an envelope to suit. There was a monogram of the initials of

the bride and groom at the top of the paper, and on one page a request from the father and mother of the bride that you would honor them with your company at the marriage of their daughter, while the opposite page contained a similar invitation from our landlady with respect to her nephew. At the bottom of the sheet there was a statement to the effect that the wedding would take place at mulday precisely in the Church of St. Merri, in the Rue St. Martin. It was a few minutes after twelve when I arrived at the church, and the wedding was in progress. It is not fashionable to be late at a wedding in Paris, as it is with us in Baltimore. The Church of St. Merri, formerly St. Mederic, is a Gothic structure, with beautiful portal in the Flamboyant school.

The Roman Catholic churches of Paris are all built on the same general principles. There is a high vaulted roof over the main building, supported by several rows of columns. Behind these columns or pillars are recesses built in the side of the church which are known as chapels. There are usually paintings on the walls of the chapelse and they are furnished with altars and candles. The pulpit is commonly in the middle of the church and the organ over the entrance. There are no pews, chairs tak ing their places. I found the wedding party in one of the chapels. The bride was dressed in white satin, with a long white veil, while the groom wore a dress suit. They were seated in chairs near the altar, and behind them was a bridesmaid dressed in a short blue dress and a dark red hat.

The groomsman was dressed like the groom. Our landlady was there, dressed very elegantly in black silk, and there were some thirty or forty relations and people from the hotel in attendance. A priest, in a white satin surplice, embroidered with gold, and an altar boy in red, with white surplice, were performing the ceremony. A large man in a cocked hat, with silver lace, and a uniform similar to that worn by our police, was standing in the aisle holding a baton with a silver knob on the end in his hand. I was told he was a beadle.

After awhile he went away, and was succeeded by a smaller man with a large silver chain round his neck. When the bride arose from her knees the beadle would carefully arrange her veil on a chair behind her kept vacant for that purpose. All at once the bridesmaid left her seat, and accom panied by the groomsman, walked about among the people taking up a collection in a blue bag she held in her hand. After she returned to her seat the deputy beadle struck his cane on the pavement and led the way out of the chapel to a room where the register is kept and the names were duly inscribed. Then congratulations were in order, and near) y everyone kissed the bride, first on one cheek and then on the other. I shook hands with the bride but did not kiss her. I never care to kiss another man's

wife when he is standing by looking at me. Besides, as a native of North Carolina once remarked to me: "I never did believe in this here promiscuous kissin'." There ing the ceremony in the church with great interest, and when the bridal party stepped into their carriages several women, with babies in their arms, offered flowers for sale. After the bride and groom had left I returned to the interior of the church to have a look at it, and discovered two other weddings in progress in different chapels. One party were attired exactly like those have just described, bridesmaids and all, while the other bride was in a dark dress with a short lace veil, and her bridesmaid

wore a bonnet and brown dress. This bride looked past thirty, while the groom had evidently not had the hair on top of his head cut for some time, for the reason that there was none there. When I returned to the hotel, about four in the afternoon, I walked into the dining-room for a glass of water and found our wedding party seated around the table with a look of expectation, while the stout French landlady was bustling about with the keys of the sideboard. I felt that this was no time to drink water, so beat a hasty retreat, just catching a glimpse of the blue bridesmand as I went out. I have noticed several marriage advertisements in the papers here. One reads: Rare opportunity; pretty orphan, twentyone years, 500,000 francs." Another: "Great choice of misses, and a widow of forty, with 900.000 francs."

PRESIDENTIAL POETRY.

What Mr. Cleveland Wrote in a Lady's Autograph Album.

Washington special to the Pitts burgh Press: A lady went to the White House recently to obtain the President's autograph. Handing Mr. Pruden, the Executive clerk, a bright, clean sheet of tinted note paper with her monogram upon it, she requested that gentleman to ask Mr. Cleveland to inscribe his name thereon. Mr. Pruden, always obliging, went to the President's private cace to secure the favor for the lady. Returning in a few moments he said: "The President sends his compliments, and says that if you will bring your autograph album he will be glad to write his name in it, but he never puts his signature upon a blank sheet of paper."

The lady was rather taken aback, but, thanking Mr. Pruden for his kindness, returned home to bring her album. The book being a trifle dingy in appearance, and also quite full of autographs, she determined to purchase a new one and have the President's signature to "start it." Proceeding to a book store, she bought a new and handsome album, and repaired to the White House, arriving there within twenty minutes from the time she had left. Mr. Pruden, smiling, took the book and repaired to the President to obtain his autograph tor the persevering lady. Returning, he gave the book to the lady, who, thanking him, left for her home. Upon arriving there she opened the album to gaze on the valued in-

scription and found the following: Woman's name—hers but to give away! A man's. his all; it should not go astray. GROVER CLEVELAND.

It is idle to say that any man get ahead in life. He can if he has the will in him, otherwise he can't. There are tunes a plenty in the piano, but one has to know how be fore he can pick them out. There will be a marked change in the

will get to wearing their hats so far back that they will have to lift them when they sit down. The economical country housewives are now airing their husk mattresses for sum

tendency of things, or stylish young ladies

mer boarders. Singularly enough, there is a great deal of fire in a hot base ball that comes from a cool pitcher.

WALTZING GIANTS.

Dervish of the Desert.

"Out in Nevada," said Joseph Grandlemeyer, a mining man from White Pine, to a New York Sun correspondent, "we have the sublimest dance that any man ever saw. We call it the dance of the giants Great cylinders of sand, from eight to twenty feet in diameter, and sometimes immensely tall, come careering across the desert with a whirling, waltzing motion that is very graceful. I have often seen them when they must have been two or three miles high, for their tops reached up into the clouds. But oftener there will be one big column, with a lot of little columns attending it, all waltzing along together The effect is the strangest thing imagin able. It inspires you with awe, and at the same time fills you with the desire to laugh at the odd performance. And, if the mar is superstitious, the weird, fantastic sight can make him feel mighty uncomfortable They are never seen except in the summer time, and are most frequent in July. They have their beginning in some little, incipient whirlwind, which snatches up a handful of sand while the surrounding air is still, and then they keep on growing and moving onward. "They are not like the cyclones further east, for they move with very little noise,

and, instead of being funnel-shaped, are

of the same size from top to bottom. The

motion is the same, being both circular

and advancing. They draw up into the cyl-

inder fabulous quantities of sand, tons of

sage brush, and sometimes good-sized

stones. How far they travel nobody can

tell. The very big ones must have waltzed along in their silent majesty over the lonely deserts for a long distance. They must travel the whole distance of the White Pine valley, three hundred and fifty miles, and sometimes they come down through Spring valley from Idaho to the Perannegat valley. "Joe McCann, one of the pioneers of White Pine, solemnly declares that he owes his richest strike to one of these waltzing giants. He was plodding along through the valley, leading a pack mule laden with his prospecting outfit, when half a dozen sand columns came dancing silently along. Joe tried to dodge one of them, and got right in the way of the biggest one of the whole gang. It picked up him and the mule as though they were feathers and packed them across the valley in the liveliest waltz Joe ever shook a leg in. He got so dizzy that he couldn't tell where he was going, and he had just made up his mind to be smothered in sand and carried to Heaven by this duncing dervish of the desert, when his feet gruck solid ground, and after whirling about a few times he fell into the bed of a creek that was almost dry. When he picked himself up there was the mule kicking solemnly and methodically at a shower of sand that was falling around him. The waltzing column had struck a side hill and collapsed, as they often do, and the upper part of the column was just com-Where the foot of the column ing down. struck the bed of the creek it had torn up the gravel to a depth of three or four feet and exposed some of the richest pockets of small nuggets that Joe ever saw. He stayed with the claim about two months, and cleaned up nearly \$60,000. Then he started to go back to the States, and blew in the whole pile at a fare bank in Pioche. Joe has wandered through those Nevada valleys for years since then, but hasn't had the luck to be picked out for a partner by another waltzing giant."

TRACHEOTOMY TUBES.

An Englishman Who Has Worn One for Fully Six Years.

A case in which the operation of tracheot omy proved strikingly successful has just come under our notice, says the Pall Mall Gazette. It is that of a man, formerly a soldier, who had the incision into the wind pipe made six years ago, and who wears the tracheotomy tube at the present moment. He was a private in the Royal En gineers, and took part in the Egyptian campaign of 1881, being present at Tel-el-Kebir. While in Egypt he drank some bad water and this induced a blood poisoning, which ultimately took the form of deep-seated abscasses in the neck. He returned from Egypt, arriving in this country some time in October, 1852, and at once became a patient at the Royal Military Hospital, Southas being only a little painful. The previous difficulty in breathing had been so grea that if the incision into the windpipe had caused much pain that pain was over-whelmed by the great relief which followed the operation. He remained in the hospi tal for some months, but finally left quite

He finds but little discomfort or inconvenience in wearing the tracheotomy tube. He can not speak without first putting his finger to his neck to close the orifice of the tube. The reason for this is obvious. Voice is caused by the vibration of the vocal chords in the larynx, and to set them vibrating a current of air from the lungs is re quired. The incision of tracheotomy being made in the windpipe below the larynx, enough air to vibrate the vocal chords can not be obtained until the orifice is closed The closing is, in most tracheotomy tubes, effected by an automatic valve, but the soldier now in question will have none of them. He wore the automatic valve for a short time, it is true, but when he was coming down Regent street one day it flew off was lost, and he has done very well without it since. He can also talk by puting his head down, in which case the orific is closed by his chin instead of by his finger. He possesses a duplicate tube for use in case of accident.

A brief description of the tube may be found interesting. It is made of silver, that being the metal least likely to be acted upon by any fluids to be found in the windpipe or by the condensed aqueous vapor of the breath. It is in reality no more than the name implies-that is, a tube. It is bent into the form of a quadrant, and the outer portion has a shield, which presses against the flesh of the neck. To the shield are attached tapes, which pass around the neck and are tied. These serve to keep the tube securely in position. The instrument is further sup-plied with a smaller inner tube and guide. The former can easily be removed and re placed for the purpose of cleaning, which, however, is not necessary more than once a day, unless the weather be very foggy. But the inner tube is not an essential, and the soldier of whom we write never wears it. He removes the tube itself, the tissues around it having become so hardened that for a short time they answer all the purposes of the tracheotomy tube itself. The person who is compelled to use a tracheotomy tube generally wears a high collar, and all that is seen is a small hole.

Human Electricity.

At a recent meeting of the Society de Biologie a woman was exhibited from whom M. Fere could under certain circumstances disengage at the surface of the body luminous electric tufts, one centimeter long -more than a third of an inch. The son of this woman presented the same peculiarity. In both the skin was remarkably dry These phenomena could be easily augment ed by exciting the sensations. Such phe nomena are known more commonly in certain hot and dry tropical climates.

Every day we hear people complaining of spring's detestable weather; but they are, all the same, willing to bear with it rather than be beyond the reach of climatic discouragements.

One of the colors in spring dress goods is "apple green." Green apples present many shades of green, and sometimes produce a little yeller. It is hard work to believe in the mental superiority of women, particularly when we see what miserable specimens of human-

No sweetness of perfume comes from the life of a mean man. It is partly because such a man hates to give up a scent for any

ity they are willing to marry.

MELVILLE WESTON FULLER.

Luck of a Prospector Who Met a Dancing Illinois Furnishes a Successor to the Lamented Chief Justice Waite.

The new Chief Justice could scarcely have been anything but a lawyer. His father and his father's brothers were lawyers. One of his grandfathers was : lawyer and a Judge of Probate. His mother's brother was a lawyer. His maternal grandfather was Chief Justice of the Court of Common Pleas of Middle District of Maine: and after the separation of Maine from Massachusetts was appointed one of the Judges of the Supreme Court of the State of Maine, and he afterwards became the Chief Justice of that Court. Nature gave Melville Weston Fuller a good start on the road to distinction in his profession.

The choice of Mr. Cleveland for the highest place in his gift was born in Augusta, Maine, on Febuary 11, 1833. He received his collegiate education at Bowdoin, where he was a classmate of Minister Phelps, and was graduated in 1853. Mr. Fuller pursued the study of law at Bangor, and also attended lectures at the law department of Harvard University. In 1855 he began to practice in his native city, but devoted himself chiefly to editorial duties. The following year he was elected a member of the Augusta common council, and was made president of that body. In addition to this he was city solicitor, but he resigned both offices, and went to Chicago. at once established a lucrative practice, and made a reputation as an able lawyer. At an early period he took an active

part in politic. He worked hard in the Presidential campaign of 1856, supporting the Democratic candidate. Five years later he and "Long John" Wentworth were elected delegates to the State Constitutional Convention, where his legal abilities came into play, and he rendered a distinct service in the revision of the Constitution. In 1862 Mr. Fuller was sent to the Legislature from usually Republican stronghold. He has continued to be actively engaged in politics, and was a delegate to the National Conventions for several years, taking part in those held in 1864, 1872, 1876 and 1880. His record in the Legislature was one of efficient service. It was in 1863 that he was at Springfield, and he was the recognized leader of his party during those stormy days. Among the numerous public addresses which b ivered the one at Michigan City in 1860, in welcoming Stephen A. Douglas, is mentioned as especially noteworthy for its eloquence. He it was, also, who delivered the address a year later when that celebrated statesman died. In the meantime he had been rising in his profession. He was notably connected with some celebrated cases before the State Supreme Court arising out of the prorogation of the Legislature by Governor Yates in that year. In 1869, when Bishop Whitehouse attempted to discipline the now Bishop Cheney before an ecclesiastical tribunal for leaving "regenerate" out of the office of infant babtism, the offender was advised and defended all through the years of tedious litigation by Mr. Fuller, who exhibited a profound research and knowledge of ecclesiastical law. The Reformed Episcopal Church, of Chicago, of which Cheney is Bishop, largely owes its existence to the prosecution thus instituted. Mr. Fuller has often appeared before the Supreme Court of the United States, and his reputation is that of a learned and sound lawyer and a man of very superior culti-

vation and attainments. He was married in Chicago in 1858. but soon lost his wife. In 1866 he was married a second time. Mrs. Fuller is a little woman, blonde, with a sympathetic face, a winning manner and a ready tongue. She has five daughters and little son. The young ladies of the family are remarkable for their cultivation and originality. One of them attracted a great deal of attention two seasons ago in Washington. There is no doubt that hey will be belles in the society of the Capital.

In personal appearance Mr. Fuller is unusully handsome; his hair and mustche are silvery and his features clear-cut and ntelligent. He is short in stature and of slight build. His membership in the Democratic party has been continuous. While holding advanced views of State rights, he was loyal to the Union cause luring the war. He is a member of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and has been prominently identified with that denomination

The Mysterious Package.

Washington, May 7.—The Treasury Department has no further information as the circumstances under which a packof brown paper was substituted for \$41,000 of currency sent in for redemption by the American Exchange National Bank of New York. Treasurer Hyatt said this morning that the matter was not one in which the department could take action. Upon the presentation of the bogus package the Treasurer had refused to receive it. and had thus escaped all responsibility and connection with the matter. The investigation and location of the responsibility lies between the bank and the express company.

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