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JOHN WILKES BOOTH AND HIS GRAVE.

Shortly after Booth was killed, it was reborted that Mr. Stanton, the secretary of war, had ordered his body taken into the middle of the ocean and there sunk, so that there would be no spot of earth that, as he alleged, inight be worshipped by Southerners as holding the remains of President Lincoln's assas-

Oh ! give him a grave as broad as the sweep. Of the tidal waves' measureless motion. Lay him to sleep in the arms of the deep Since his heart was as free as the ocean.

It was liberty slain that maddened his brain To avenge the dead idol he cherished. So 'tis meet that the main, never curbed by

Should hold the last freeman now perished. The dust of the brave could hot rest in the

grave Of a lacd where blind force had dominion,

But the step of the slave never soiled the proud wave That spurnech the hamper and prison.

He who dared break the rod of a blacka-

May not sleep in the sod, a nation's feet trod, That he shamed with his glory in dying. Yes, hide him away, from the sad eyes of day In the cotal of sea green abysses,

the spray, Shall parple his pale cheeks with kisses.

the pole,

and just now begin to preach politi- soft pine in my hand and cut a notch cal morality. There is something for every measure as it is poured in peculiar about this. The truth is the sack. There is no politics about Arthur had a slate and these fellows that, and everything is calm and sewere on it. They were all interested rene. Cobe is hopeful and holds his in some way in that ring, and now head up. When I asked him last they begin to holler wolf. Why, Mr. summer about his crop he said : Blaine is about the best man they "Major, it's about null and void, and

Why, even when he steals there is nothing little about it, and he divides liberally and tells on hobody. I never expected any respectable republican to find fault with him for plunder-

business. He is no little trickster.

He wouldent stoop to put a darkey in as chairman of the great republican man say the other day that he had a ed.' letter from him since his nomination, and if he was elected he would make

a clean sweep of every darkey that was in office.

Ilis ancestors came from Carolina.

clean up things generally. He is

More's god, All the bosts of the despot defying.

have got. He is the biggest states- if the weather don't adulterate soon it man, and has the biggest brain, and will be nuller and voider." But he

more and he will put a stop to the union.

But Mr. Cleveland is a reformer

Cleveland is a Carolina name. They

Where the mermaidens gay, as they fly thro'

Lat them moan him with musical dirges.

BILL ARP.

Elevated to the Peerage.

Caleb Andrews, a well-known citizen of Arkansaw tells rather an amusing ing the government. They have all story concerning family pride. "I was devotedly attached to Priscilla it was a plank in their platform. If Ridman," said Mr. Andrews, "and af-For job work or contracts for advertising address Watchinan and Southron, or apply at the Office, to N. G. OSTEEN, it was a plank in their platform. If we have got to take a republican for president we want Mr. Blaine. He Ridman: who had ever been a friend of president we want Mr. Blaine. He Ridman; who had ever been a friend of has got enough and won't want any our family and asked his consent to our

" Certainly, Caleb,' said he. 'Certainly, for to tell you the truth I have had my eye on you for some time, because I know that you will make a convention that was to nominate a good husband. Besides that, it is president-not him. I heard a Blaine well that our families should be unit-

> "When can the marriage take place?' I asked. " Oh, anytime, or rather as soon as

arrangements can be made.'

"I was delighted with the old man's frankness. His face seemed a model sure enough. He comes from that of noble expression. My father agreed kind of stock. He has got a south | with me concerning the old man Ridern name and a southern pedigree. man, but my mother, woman like, would not agree that he deserved any credit, and dropped a mild hint that the Ridman family was no better than were the old cavaliers and wouldent hers, that her mother was old Major stoop to do a mean thing. The Harvey's daughter, and that none of Clevelands are all about in Carolina the Harvey stock need feel elated even now, and are still the same proud and if the governor of the state should grant noble stock. When Grover Cleve- the hand of his daughter. This was land gets to be president he will all very well, and quite natural, my mother necessarily being a woman, but with me, it robbed old man Ridman of following in Mr. Tilden's lead and none of the nobility with which I had will wear his mantle when the old surrounded him. Extensive preparaman is gone. I'm free to say that I tions for the wedding were made, and

believe Mr. Blaine is the smartest I doubt that there was ever a happier man; but Cleveland is the safest and clod-hopper than I. The marriage was to take place at noon Thursday. War most reliable: When Ben Hill had been declared between the states, whipped out Blaine in the Auderson- and, after the ceremony, I, as captain ville matter Blaine didn't go off and of a company, was to march away, repout and plot revenge but he gave it gretful at such an early separation As the ocean streams roll, from the gulf to up nobly and went over and congrat- from my young wife, but happy in the ulated Mr. Hill and they became thought that I would be envied by all warm personal friends and could be the young men in the neighborhood. warm personal friends and could be

publican shebang for twenty years | I shall sit down by it with a piece of | MEN WHO WANT TO KILL. Homicidal and Suicidal Impulses That are Likely to Spring Up.

> "Considering the number of cases of homicidal and suicidal impulse that come under the notice of experts in nervous diseases," a distinguished specialist remarked, "it is a wonder to me that so few tragedies from that source really happen. Last week a business man in this city, who owns a handsome country residence on the Hudson, and would be regarded by his acquaintances as the last person in the world to be possessed by such a whim, came to me in a great worry of mind

and told me he had something to communicate that must be held strictly inviolate. The story was typical. I have heard it with trifling variations a thousand times in five years. He had not been feeling very well-rather nervous and ill at ease-for some days. That morning, as he left the house to take the train for New York, he happened to pass his gardener who was at work on the grounds, and stopped to talk to him a minute. The man was stooping over a clump, of ornamental shrubberies, thinning out the dead stalks with a pruning knife. A spade was leaning against the trunk of a tree just at his hand. 'I had never had any quarrel or misunderstanding with the man,' said this patient, telling his story. 'But the impulse was upon me in an instant to seize that spade and brain the poor fellow on the spot. I trembled all over like a leaf, with a kind of nervous terror that I can hardly describe to you, Doctor. Finally, not daring to trust myself longer, I turned and walked away as fast as my legs could conveniently carry me. I believe, sir, that 1 should have killed the man if I had lingered five minutes longer. Now,

what is to be done?" The doctor advised his patient to avoid tomptation for a few days, turn his mind resolutely to something else, and gave him a sedative prescriptionbromides, of course-with instructions to call again in a day or two. The man was sensible enough to act on the advice, and on the fourth day he dropped in and told the doctor that the trouble had passed off, and he felt like himself once more. And so a tragedy was averted probably.

The physician went on to say that he had no less than nine cases of homi-cidal or suicidal impulse then under treatment. Of these seven were suicidal, and the other two homicidal. One of the latter had been on his hands for three weeks. The patient, a many years. He will probably return man of some note in interature, had Tuesday evening I wont over to Ridbeen sleepless for several weeks before the impulse manifested itself. He was a married man, and loved his wife devotedly. One night, after dozing a few minutes with terrible dreams, he awoke with a strange presentment of imending disaster. His wife was sleeping quietly. The moonlight, struggling through the window pane, fell upon her face and white, shapely throat. As sudden as the leap of a tiger, the impulse seized him to cut the woman's throat, and he was actually out of bed and hunting for his razor in the bureau drawer, before any realizing sense of the enormity of the deed that he was about to perpetrate interposed to prevent the tragedy. He returned to bed, and lay in a tremble till daylight. His wife never knew how near she had been to death. He had had no wish to kill anybody else as yet. "One of my suicidal patients," continned the doctor, "was first seized with the impulse on a Brooklyn ferry boat. He had been across the river on business, and was on his way back. He went on board one of the boats at the Fulton Ferry, and stood gazing listlessly at the rampart of business houses extending far to the right on Furman street. The boat started suddenly as he stood ruminating. He insists that the impulse had its origin in irritation of the retina caused by the movement of the sunshine-flooded surfaces of brick across the optic field, and very likely he was right. 'For an in-stant,' he says, 'I was wild; and when I came to myself my hand was on the railing, and a couple of stalwart passengers had collared me. I had never thought of such a thing as committing suicide except as a coward's resource. Now," added the doctor, "this man was no more mad than I am; it was a typical case of suicidal impulse, caused, perhaps, by long nervous tension." In point of fact, both suicidal and homicidal impulses appear to be far less frequent with women than men. In all his experience, the doctor has treated only five cases of the impulse in women, while of the sterner sex his patients have been numbered by scores. He inclines to the belief that the habit contracted by men of business of always being in a hurry, engaged, occupied, is one of the principal instrumentalities, next to malarial poisoning, in producing this type of nervous disturbanco. "And Limagine," he concluded, "that our former Commissioner of Lunacy, Dr. Ordronnaux, was not far out of the way when he declared that one man in every hundred who walks the streets is potentially a murderer or a suicide; a startling declaration, but one that my own practice during the last ten years has abundantly verified." Sometimes the impulse is accompanied by voices in the ears, urging the patient to kill; sometimes a red light -lurid, dismal, weird-suffuses the eves and with one of the doctor's pationts the attack is announced invariably by a premonitory shiver or shudder of momentary duration only, which precedes it by a second or two. It is a curious fact, also, that serious organic troubles with the brain and spinal tract seldom gives rise to these strange paroxysms .- N. Y. Sun.

manageu 10 get \$200 or \$300 for all the notes I held; the bank wouldn't pay any more. When Ellmore returned I asked him how he had made out, and he said he had got his notes redeemed in full. I was surprised to hear this, because the Lapeer bank was considered the meanest in the whole state. He said he had a draft on Detroit which

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would be paid all right. When he got to Detroit he look his draft to get it cashed, and soon afterward I saw him come up to his store with a handkerchief full of money; he must have had a peck of it: Well, sir, the man on whom the draft was drawn had paid 190 voting in the affirmative and only him all in Lapcer bank notes, the same thing that he had so industriously collected and taken out to the bank." "How long did wildcat banks flour- ca. to that of an old lady who had purposes.

ish ?" From about 1837 to 1839, if I remember rightly .- Detroit Times.

A Yankee in Red Paint.

The campoodies southeast of towh were the scene of unusual excitement vesterday. It was accidently discovered that one of the head sachems, who had lived on the Walker river reservation for years; was a white man. How the discovery was made is not stated. The Indians were so worked up over the discovery that the renegade, fearing for his life, came to town. Upon being interviewed by a reporter, he said he was a native of Massachusetts and forty-seven years old. He became entangled in a scrape when he was eighteen years old, and, running away from home, followed the sea for two years. Arriving at San Francisco he pretty rough experience going from camp to camp, he finally, after the col-lapse of the Meadow lake boom, joined thePiutes at thePyramid reservation. He remained there until he had fully masdusky friends, and then, painting himself and assuming the garb of the red men, came to Walker lake, where, in consideration of his able advice in the councils of his tribe, he was elected a chief and allowed three wives. He says news from the Bay state, he was perfectly content to remain where he was, as he found the roaming; independent life of the Piutes just the thing for a man tired of the busy scenes of civilization. Now that he has the paint washWhat Our Editors Say. The State Convention. Aiken Review.

true that the inorganic, elements that

The State Convention met and ad- are found in the pea-vines, are drawn journed on Thursday last, and trans- from the soil itself; but a large proacted its business with such singular portion was before in an isoluble

delegates were positively instructed crops. to vote against State nominations at this convention, the motion to go into Shall the Common Schools Perish ? grading completed by fall. an election was carried with a rush,

of physic to her children upon the first the important question for our people ? | than ever. favorable opportunity, and who ac- It must be answered in no uncertain

which, under the influence of the glee- for schools is a provision of the 84 miles distant. The dram at Fort ful occasion, was partaken of freely Constitution. The amendment was Mojave is heard as far away, whilst

nose of a single patient. We hope this summary disregard and aliens, by the supreme effort of beyond. for the wishes of the people and this every lover of liberty in the State. In portant that the rank and file, in other The people sanctioned the tax by an words the people themselves, should overwhelming majority. The legislatake more interest in their primary ture endorsed it almost without a dis-

tered the language and habits of his party will soon become a huge ma- the State, are pledged, in the most unwho can get near enough to pull the common schools It would be bad now. levers and turn the cranks. The late faith to recede from our undertaking. Convention is simply another illustra- We would not only forfeit the confition of the facility with which a con- dence of the whole country but we ed the Academy of Music just as the that although he sometimes longed for vention can be managed by a few would sink under the consciousness of troupe were all singing together in adroit and industrious workers, and a breach of public faith. affords another argument in favor of Some good Democrats have never have our money. See, they are all the necessity of extending the Pri- approved of this tax and their views singing together so that they can get mary system to Congressional and are worthy of respect, but this does not through sooner." even, if possible, to State nomina- justify or excuse us in crushing out ed off and has donned a decent suit of tions. The shrewd wire-puller knows the common schools. clothes, he is a very intelligent looking | that in a body of convenient size, like man, and it is a wonder that he could a convention, all that is necessary is

have kept himself from his race so to induce a few of the bell weathers to take the leap, and the rest will justle each in their anxiety to follow. But when it comes to a race before the entire party, the situation is sufficiently modified to insure at least a reasonable amount of individuality and consideration. Greenville News. The news from Washington is good. The probabilities daily become stronger people cannot speak out for themselves that the Democratic convention will not -there they are generally sold out, and allow John Kelly to dictate the nomiour best and most worthy and deservnee for President, and will deprive him ing men do not fill the positions to of the power to betray and defeat the which they are entitled, by brains, worth and education. Whether Mr. Kelly sold out Han-Our people want men of fair minds cock in 1880, as he is charged with and broad views in office, even the most doing, or not, there is abundant evihumble office within the gift of the dence to show that he is not trustworpeople, and not incompetent, narrowthy. It is an undisputed fact that he minded gassy parrots who can only say ran against the nominee of the party "Polly wants a cracker," because they for Governor of New York in 1879 and heard some one passing by say so, and enabled the Republicans to win by really, at the same time, do not know drawing 77,000 votes from the demowhether they want a cracker or a peaeratic ticket. The Blaine managers nut. These "Polly want a cracker" have ample inducements to offer for treachery, and the experience of the ceed in Conventions, when there would past proves that they will offer them not be a scintilla of a chance before the successfully if Mr. Kelly is left in a people on the huskins, where they must position where his treachery will bo coupete with their superiors. Brass

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| leaves-contains the identical elements, News and Gossip. and in almost the same percentages.

as a ton of good stable manure. It is Ex-Senator Gordon, of Georgia, is now taking contracts, it is said, to build railroads in South America.

The Palmetto Railroad is a new lind unanimity as to even surprise itself. condition, or so deep in the subsoil under construction from Hamlet, N. C. Nothwithstanding the fact that many as to be unavailable to the ordinary to Cheraw, S. C., a distance of 173 miles. The work is being pushed rapidly and it is contemplated to have the

When the train of cars crosses the

bridge at the Needles in Colorado the

sound is heard in Cottonwood Island,

the sunrise gun is heard 96 miles

A Chicago merchant, 'whose safe is

'Why do they always paint angels

as blondes ?' asked Mrs Krank of her

husband, as they stood looking at a

picture in the art gallery, 'Because,'

answered Mr. K., looking at his wife's

hair, 'artist's wives are generally bru-

nettes' There's a frigidity in the at-

mosphere about the Krank mansion

An old lady from the country, who

attended opera for the first time, enter-

chorus: 'Ah !' she remarked, 'they

Abbeville Medium Butler's canvas at Chicago will be

War against progress and knowl- illustrated by ten thousand pictures of 90 in the negative. We regard this edge has been inaugurated in the at- himself, preparations for the distribuvery much in the light of a parallel tempt to kill the two mill tax for school tion of which have already been made. The pictures of Butler will make his

made up her mind to administer a dose Shall the common schools perish is prospects of a nomination look worse

cordingly gave them a party and dis- way and we believe the response will tributed worm candy all around, be on the right side. The two mill tax

without the necessity for holding the made in 1876 when the State was redeemed from the misrule of strangers

premature nomination of State offi- that hour of trial, the promise was often used as a depository of political cers, in order that the entire old ticket made by Hampton and other leaders, money,' says that seventy-five votes in might be foisted upon the people, from one end of the State to the other, the convention for Blaine were bought may result in nothing worse than to that the schools would be kept up for and paid for. The manner of Blaine's make them more careful in the future a longer time, with less money and to nomination was doubtless corrupt, and as to how they instruct and whom better effect than ever before. This his campaign will be as corrupt as any they elect. The fact of the matter is promise was made in solemn earnest. the country has ever seen. that as the Democrats are the supreme There was no mental reservation. It masters of the political situation in was not a deceit and a snare. The joined the rush to the mines. After a this State, it becomes all the more im- Democratic party was bound by it.

assemblages. If this is not done, the senting voice. The whole people of chine run only in the interest of those equivocal manner, to the support of the

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metal Polly is made.

Our Home Candidates. Marion Dial In the first place to give entire satis- my dear," said the mother, a little faction candidates should be nominated doubtfully, as if unwilling to concede by Primary election, so that every voter the objectionable fact, but unable to can go to the polls and say for himself deny it; "I suppose he was a Jew." whom he wishes to represent him in the "But I thought he was the Son of Legislature; whom he wants to be God." "So he is my dear," "I don't Sheriff or Clerk, or School Commission- see how, then, he can be a Jew," er or Judge of Probate or County responded the young sectarian, "for God is a Presbyterian."-Christian Commissioner. In a convention the Union.

A little girl came from Sunday school in a high tate of indignation because her Sunday school teacher had told her that Jesus was a Jew. "Was He a Jew, mother?" said she, in great excitement. "Why, yes,

Let the tempest bell toll, the repose of his soul More sublime than the sound of its surges. He hath written his name in letters of flame.

O'er the pathway to liberty's portal. And the serfs that now blame, now crimson

with shame. When they learn they have cursed an im-

He hath died for the weal, of a world 'neuth

Of too many a merciless Nero. But while there is steel every tyrant shall

That God's vengeance but waits for its

Then give him a grave as broad as the sweep Of the tidal waves' measureless motion. Lay our Brutus to sleep in the arms of the

deep, Since his heart was wide as the ocean.

BILL ARP.

Politics is on a boon. Fifty millions of people are going to choose a president, and it looks like most ev-1 am, and so are my nabors. There hasen't been a time since the war that the people felt so easy about an election as they do now. The nation divide them. The country is pros- nation who wont stoop to meanness perous. We are all doing pretty can't be made president. It all goes former action.' well, better than any other nation of by favors and by rings for plunder people on the globe. There is a good, and office. Blaine is a great man 'you forget that I a hamble, old fashioned preacher not and I was hopeful of the sign but the confederate army.' far away who always prays, "We respectable republicans are against thank thee, oh, bord ! that we live in him. The Tribune is for him and a land of freedom, where the gospel that is the leading paper, but you see what the old man means, and it is all and bold and has got money enough ciation with my daughter.' right. I wish we all could read our to do him and his children. So let title clear to mansions in the skies. him go. the top side of this green earth, but 'I'm afraid we will find it very dear up take Blaine, and be thankful that we "I went home. 'The old fool!' exyonder. This is a blessed country live in a land where the gospel is dis- claimed my father when I told him. pensed with. I heard a good man for the poor. We can't realize how say the other day that he knew Blaine blessed until we read about the old was a good man, for he was a Presworld and talk to people who have traveled. Just think of land renting byterian. That shows our predjudifor \$60 an acre in England and \$40 in Germany. Just think of the avercouldn't make that man believe that age laborer working for twelve hours Blaine is a bad man. We are all for forty cents and boarding himself. very selfish and we can't help it-No wonder they keep coming over not so selfish about money, but about here, and they would choose the south instead of the north and west if they were not fooled by those agents who thought of that when listening to the are paid to work for the railroads and call of counties in the convention at get settlers for their lands. The Atlanta. It looked to me very much and sat down. Shuffling footsteps told south has got no agents. We tried like it was city against country. We to establish agencies of immigration have a great big territory north of the and we had pamphlets printed telling Chattahoochee; but we were ignorall about our climate and productions | ed, there wasent offices enough to go and the first thing we knew them fel- round and so the big cities of Atlanlers up north had great big maps ta, and Macon, and Augusta and printed and stuck up everywhere Savannah had to be supplied first. showing the Dismal swamp to extend That is all right and the men are just from Virginia to Texas. Nearly all splendid, and I honor them all, but be removed should I attain the rank of of Georgia is covered with it. Well, somehow I couldent help feeling general." ern rascals have been swindling us Georgia. We extend from Athens to even with them after while-see if we forward a man who, of all others, is dents and cabinets. Who ever convention General Young was the heard of a president plundering the chairman of the committee in credengovernment or being mixed up in any tials, the most important committee of moneyed scheme before the war? all, and he did his work vell. He is The war seems to have corrupted the a harmonizer. He knows how to whole yankee nation and made steal- pour oil upon the troubled waters. ing respectable. How came all these He has had more experience in such charges against Grant and Garfield matters than anybody and yet he was and Hayes and Arthur, and all those left out severely. Ithought maybe chaps connected with the Credit-Mo- that it was because there were not bilier and the railroad subsidies and five places instead of four, but I hear the star route transactions? There some hints of bal faith, and that he were no southern men in those was tricked out. Well, we will see schemes. Bat what surprises me now is to will not be ignored nor Bartow counsee a big lot of them fellows up there | ty nor Cherokee, Georgia We will splitting off from the party and saying they wont support Blaine because things must be equalized and harmohe plundered the treasury. When nized. did Mr. Beecher and Mr. Adams and the Harpers and Judge Tourgee and The what shocks stand thick in the

seen together arm in arm walking ou man's house. He did not welcome me Pennsylvania avenue. I like that. in his usual outburst of Why, my dear It did me good. And when we boy, how are you?" and I thought that wanted to build a monument to Mr. he might be ill. "'Mr. Andrews,' said he, 'let me see Ilill he was among the first to send

down a liberal contribution. But he you a moment." "There was a chilliness in his voice has gotten a man tied on to him that and an expression in his eye which I wouldent have done that.

could not quite understand. Logan is dead weight. He is a "He led the way down to the pen half Indian-that is he has got an where the hogs were eating. Placing Indian's hatred without his love. his right arm over the fence, he turn-

He has been waving the bloody shirt ed to me with an air of importance and ever since the war. He will do some since "I believe there has been some little dirty work if he gets in power. 1 talk in regard to a marriage between

have a contempt for him. He you and my daughter?' "I looked at him in astonishment. shouldent come in my house. He shouldent stop in the big road and and replied affirmatively.

"Such a union is now impossible. say howdy. He has never said one " Why?' I gasped: kind word about the south and would "Why!' he exclaimed. 'Why, in-

put us all in chains and bondage if he deed. You certainly cannot have heard could. He is a turbulent disturber of | of the governor's action concerning me. the public tranquility. He is no He has appointed me justice of the gentleman, and I'll bet ten dollars peace. A judge, sir, under the confederybody is in a good humor about it. that Mr. Blaine feels handicapped by erate government. This war, young man, is intended to define social lines. having him on his ticket. But such It is to confirm an aristocracy which is politics. 'That was the way with for years has been growing. You are Garfield. They tied Arthur on to quite a respectable young man, with him. He was nothing but a ward fair education, but you cannot hope to is safe. Both of the great parties politician bumming around among the marry into the nobility. Before I was will put up their best men and there brothels of New York. History is elevated to the peerage, I gave my conis not much of principle or policy to still repeated. The great men of the sent to your union with my daughter, but now, sir, in duty bound to myself and family, I am forced to rescind my

"My blood arose,' 'Sir!' I exclaimed, "you forget that I am a captain in the

" I seek not to rob you of any laurels that you may have won. A captain can make his position honorable, but he is by no means a 'squire. If you atis dispensed with. We thank Thee the Tribune was on his slate. tain the rank of general, then I shall that we have a plat and grant and a Whitelaw Reed is to be minister to be pleased to reconsider this decision, clear chain of titles to a field in the England, and that is all right. He but until then or some similar elevapromised land." Well, we know will make a good one. Ile is smart tion, I must discountenance your asso-

"Does your daughter share your opinion?'

" 'My daughter may not share, but Land is cheap enough down here on Well, we can't please everybody, she accepts my opinion. She could not and so if we can't get our man, let's | do otherwise.

'I'll go over and whale him till he can't stand up,' and it was as much as I could do to dissuade him from his violent purpose.

"I went into the war without seeing ces, and it is all right. We get our the girl again. Just before Lee's surreligion from our fathers. You render, I was promoted to the rank of brigadier general. After peace was declared I returned home. Miss Ridman had not married, and I was told that she had never ceased to grieve for me.

"One evening I strolled over to see honors and office and the like. I her. The sitting-room door was open, and seeing no one within. I entered man entered. He looked at me a momeat and said: " 'Have you come back to taunt me?"

"No, old man, having attained the renk of general, I have come back to marry your daughter.' "How do you know, sir, that I will

consent?' "You said that all barriers should

our folks couldent make the foreign-ers believe but that it was all so and We had a man, and we are a good general. Well, as I did not specify they wouldent come. Those north- big fragment of a people in north what rank of general, I suppose it would be better to yield. Remember, sir, that I am soon to be a candidate for a hundred years by all sorts of Columbus. We thought we had a under the United States government tricks and devices. But we will get right to representation, and we put for justice of the peace." "We have been matried for years. don't. The time was when we had the best known man for a rational The old man lives with us, and is constatesman of principle for our presi- convention. At the last national stantly engaged in copying opinions delivered under authority of the confederate government." - Arkansaw Traveler.

Wildcat Banking.

"Wildcat banking days? Yes, I had some little experience of how business was done in those times," said Mr. William A. Butler vesterday. "Banks used to be started on a capital of land; it was assessed at a certain value, generally about ten times what it was worth, and the bank allowed to issue a portion of the amount in notes. On paper the scheme was perfection, all the safeguards imaginable, but it was all on paper. You see, we fellows came from the east, and I imagined that fortunes were to be made out here, but people didn't have any money to do business with. So this wildcat money was issued, and as soon as a man got some of it he was mighty anxious to change it [with a laugh]. The man who could change it quickest was the fellow who came out best. I remember one fanny instance. At the time I was keeping a store I had some bills to pay in New York. I had lots of wildcat money, but unfortunately it was no good down east. I had a neighbor of the name of Eilmore who was about in the same fix. He proposed collecting all the money he could get on one bank and getting it exchanged. He was pretty sauguine about the success of his scheme, but I wasn't; at any rate I told him we would try it. Ellmore got all his money on a Lapeer bank, and I got mine on three wildcat banks in Pontiac. We drove out next day, and Ellmore left me at Pontiac to go to Lapcer. I did what I could and like to help the poor boys along."

to the home of his youth in a few day Walker, (Nev.) Bulletin.

A Magnificent Mast.

A magnificent mast has been sent from Verona to the agricultural department of the Turin exhibition. The tree grew in the woods of Cadore, and five other majestic pines had to be hewn down before the one destined for the mast could be removed. When the lower branches had been cut off this fine tree-trunk was divided into two pieces, the bottom part measuring more than 120 feet, and the top part, still adorned with its green branches, 18 feet. The weight of the tree, after being thus prepared, was 41 cwt. On examining the base it was found that that part was 205 years old, while the summit was only 83 years old. The mast was dragged from the forest to the station on two wagons, drawn by eight horses, and the whole of it took up seven railway trucks. Three days were employed in the transport by rail, as the special train could only travel by daylight, proceeding very slowly on account of the curves, and had to stop

continually, not being able to pass another train. The mast is slender in comparison to its height, being 65 centimeters at the base and 15 at the summit. The stem preserves an equal width up to the height of about 90 worth the purchase.

feet, after which it diminishes rapidly. Including the expense of transport, the mast will cost more than £50.-Naples Cor. London Daily News.

Congressional Fun.

A scene occurred on the floor of the house to-day, during a discussion on the Wood-Peters contested election case, such as is rarely witnessed. It with a two hours' speech from Mr. Wood, the contestant. He read his speech in the central aisle, displaying a portly figure of a man about 50 years of age in a bob-tailed coat and with a country grocery air. It was the great-

est effort in his life. But this was the bluest of skim milk by comparison with that which followed. Judge Bennett, of North Carolina, had made a minority report in favor of Wood, the rest of the committee on elections being unanimously on the other side. On his report Judge Bennet made a speech nearly two hours in soil. length, in which he discussed constitutional law in the most florid style and pompous manner. He is a large man with a towering bald head, the hair his chin, and has a voice like a bull. fury, and was constantly guyed by the whole house unmercifully. Every time he misquoted the law the law-

vers laughed, and every time he slaughtered Latin a groan went up from the scholars, which set the whole house in a roar. This amused the house so immensely that one member after another got up and gave Bennett additional time, until they wore him out. He then convulsed the house by asking permission to rest awhile, filling in with Mr. Pettibone. This was granted, whereupon Pettibone amused the house still for field service than for the house of representatives.

We do not know whether Mr. Kelly is a delegate to the national convention from New York or not. If he is not, no attention at all ought to be given thim or his pre'erences. Ile should be notified to take his place in

the ranks or leave the party altogether, and that it would be better if he would leave. He would not be dangerous was cranks' day in the house and they as an avowed Republican. He is

## Pea Vines as a Fertilizer. Colton Plant.

Enough has been said in previous reports from this Department to impress upon farmers the importance and value of peas as a renovator of the soil. The practical results of experiments on this line have fully sustained every reasonable claim that has been made in favor of this method of increasing the productive capacity of the

The growing of peas, clover, etc., is unquestionably a cheaper and more certain method of improving laud than having apparently all slipped down on any plan that involves the purchase of commercial fertilizers, or transporta-He raged and reared with ponderous tion to the field of composts and fertilizing material of any kind. Commercial fertilizers and chemicals are good in their place, and when judiciously used, and composts have been repeatedly and strongly recommended by this Department for the past eight years. But the great cost of commercial fertilizers must becessarily limit their general use to the purpose of merely fertilizing the current crops to which they may be applied ; while composting materials cannot be generally ted with economy of time and labor, to sition Committee, has come into pos- who fill the business column. Is there more, his harangue being more fitted had in sufficient quantity, or transportbring up large fields and farms to a high session of a new process by which not a drinker in the comploy of a large es-

and more or less permanent state of only the fruit but its original color and

The frenzy (we can think of no better name) for tall houses, stores, offices, mills, in fact structures of all kinds, that has been sweeping over the country for several years, seems to have reached its limit, and a returning wave of common sense is taking its place. We have just read a paper from Mr. Edward Atkinson, the great cotton factory man, that is a strong plea for low buildings for factories, based mainly upon economic reasons; and after a few more hecatombs of people are sacrificed to the flery god, in ten and twelve story buildings, common sense candidates can and generally do suc- will point out the propriety of reducing those abnormal structures to a more

practical size.

Mr. William H. Vanderbilt's treasbeats brains in a trading convention, all ure vault, in which he recently stowed hollow, whereas before the people, the away \$100,000,000 in securities, is one honest ycomanry will soon see of what of the most redoubtable works of defence on the American continent, Every office carries with it both hon- though you may not be entirely certain or and money, more or less, and they of that by surveying his mansion from should be filled by men who are com- the outside. Its foundations were petent, capable, who have minds of blasted out of the rock ; the front wall their own, who have decision of char- is five feet in thickness, and the side acter in all their communications with and rear walls three feet, the materials their fellow men, who are houest and used being pressed brick with brownmade the most of it. The fun began dangerous as a pretended Democrat. deal honestly in their business. We stone trimmings. The beams girders know of no office within the gift of the and main pillars are iron, encased in people that requires a pecuniary sacri- fire-proof material The doors, winfice to accept, and we know of no strict- dow frames and minor portions are ly houest, industrious, energetic, busi- iron, marble and glass. No wood is to ness man who would sacrifice his time be found in the structure. The great and money for the public good. Our vault is thirty-six by forty-two feet, of people generally are too poor to make wrought iron, steel and Franklinite sacrifices. It is the honor and the iron, is imposing in strength and promoney, more especially the latter that portions, and is situated on the ground men who accept office want Shorn of floor. Its four outer doors weigh 8,200 these and you will find no man so self- pounds each, and have every effective sacrificing and patriotic as to spend his and known improvement in defensive own time and money for the public devices. A massive wall of masonry good. It is the name of the thing and surrounds the ironwork. The vault. the money in it, that candidates have which is burglar, fire, and water-proof, an eye single to, and then as a stepping constitutes a distinct building in itself.

The eye of the world may be dull and careless and all that, but it takes note that the drinking man is going out of style. There are few men bea good many young follows indulge, quit off. Employers do not want men benefit of our own fruit growers, at the men. The demand for sober men same time repeating the information brings the supply. The young man conveyed in a paragraph in Sunday's may as well make up his mind to quit, Star, to the effect that Mr. J. M. if he drinks ever so little, or stay in the Forshee, Chairman of the State Expo- rear of the procession of sober men

stone to higher positions. How to Preserve Fruits. We take from a New Orleans paper tween twenty-five and forty in business he following in referace to preserving for others who drink. Under that ago ruit published for the benefit of those having and wishing to exhibit the same but they must go out of business or at the approaching Exposition in that city, and which we reproduce for the who drink, and they do want sober

He Wanted a Chance.

Husband-"Do you know, my dear, that the men would be happier if the women would follow some of the customs of the Japanese?"

Wife-"Why you horrid thing! You wouldn't want me to blacken my teeth. would you?"

Husband-"No: but there is one thing the Japanese women do which, if you followed might give me a chance what we will see. General Young to look in the mirror occasionally." Wife -- "What on earth can that be?"

Husband-"They dress their hair only once in four days, darling."- New be heard from later for these kind of York Journal.

Art is making great strides in New Well we are through our harvest. York. It has reached a point now the Harpers and Judge Tourgee and the other editors take this new de-parture? When did they reform? They have supported the whole re-thing is the "travelling thrash," and are a solid comfort to look at. I'm looking at them now. Next thing is the "travelling thrash," and ively for the American market.

When Bennett had again run down the house took a vote, which was practically unanimous against him. In the vote to give Wood the seat, only Bennett and Calamity Weller stood up against the whole house, which result was hailed with shouts of laughter .-

Washington Cor. Philadelphia Times.

"Is this beautiful little girl your grandchild, Mrs. Yerger?" asked that demented creature, Gilhooly. Exasperated, and stung to the quick at not being taken for the child's mother. Mrs. Yerger unthinkingly retorted: "Is that child large enough already to be taken for a grandchild?"

In Russia a child is born every eight seconds, and a human being dies every eleven seconds. Sixty per cent. of the young children die before they are five years old.

The Cleveland, (O.) Herald is enraptured by a remarkably generous New Yorker visiting that city who threw 50 in silver change for the newsboys and bootblacks to scramble for. "I was a bootblack myself once, boys," it quotes him as saying, and I know what a hard time you have to get along. I was a bootblack in New York when I was a boy. and I got my first start handling the brush. Now I am rich and I

productiveness. may be as quickly, easily, cheaply, thoroughly ripe, use proof alcohol. and universally grown than the cow

harvesting of wheat and oats should be and two parts proof alcohol availed of to plant the fields in peas. planting in rows and fertilizing, if the soil is thin, with acid phosphate. It fresh alcohol as above directed, until is not necessary to plow them under

Indeed it is claimed, with good reason. that better results will follow it the use in one part alcohol and one part clear water. soil is not disturbed-after the crop is grown-until the next Spring. Hogs apples and pears will answer for all may be turned in to consume the ripened peas, or they may be gathered. In kinds of vegetables. 5. Alcohol once used and discolored either case the peas themselves will

can be filtered and used on other fruits usually more than repay all the expense and vegetables or for permanent speof their cultivation, and the soil will cimens .- Wilmington Star. respond next year, as if it had been treated to a very liberal application of the best commercial fertilizer or com-

The beneficial effects of such treat- hawk stole it, but after an hour Crimsonbeak mildly hinted that if ment of the soil will not be surprising came back with a broken bill and they were wed he would run the risk of when the fact is considered that one ton three claws gone, put the hen down, getting too much of her voice .- Statesof green pea-vines-roots, stems and and took an old rooster in place of it. man.

tablishment? Ile is the first may to be

laid off in dull times and the la be The resort must be to the growing of 1. For preserving strawberries, rasp- taken on again. He is the first to feel ameliorating crops on the soil itself, and berries, blackberries, currants, goose- the reductions of retremelument and the for this purpose there is no plant that berries, plums and cherries, when last to feel the liberal benefits of returning presperity. The sober man is at 2. For peaches, pears, apples, the front, and he will shortly occupy plums, currants and gooseberries, when the whole field. As the world is going The seasons of rain which follow the not thoroughly ripe, use one part water it will be no great period, till the young man must give up his liquor or abaudou

3. After the fruit stands in the alcoall hope of success. hol three or four days, pour off and add

'I'd give anything to have your the coloring matter has been extracted ; voice,' exclaimed the delighted young then put the specimens for permanent Crimsonbeak after Miss Fussanfeather had tested her lungs as a fire alarm the

other evening. 4. The proportious for peaches, 'Well,' replied the fair maiden.

slightly drooping her head, you can have it for the asking."

·How so ?' quickly responded the young man, little suspecting the girl's meaning.

Why, propose, Mr. Crimsonbeak, propose !' was her answer ; 'you can A Vermont man has a hen thirty- then have my voice, but you've got to

nine years old. The other day a take me along with it !'