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It is especially incumbent upon the two party organizations to appreciate the enormous responsibility attaching to the election of the law as the arbiter in their momentous dispute.

A CORRUPT GAME.

Under the peculiar circumstances, the residence-district lighting contract should be considered apart from the question of the Kern company's financial ability.

It may be as contended, that the Kern company has not in hand funds to execute the contract.

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quately represent the people it must act on the Hay-Panofote treaty with a view solely to the conservation of American rights.

The Senate debate on this treaty will doubtless fully reveal the temper of that body on a question of vital import in its bearing upon American policies of the near future.

There is considerable foundation in fact for the European belief that Russia is boldly taking advantage of England's troubles in South Africa to advance her East-Indian interests at British expense.

That England will promptly and firmly call a halt to the Russian movements menacing Afghanistan and indicating designs on Persia there is little reason to doubt.

There should be some interesting developments closely following the termination of the war in South Africa.

The reports which come from Puerto Rico through official channels of the destruction and starvation there cast a smirch on the United States.

The Republic is again constrained by the Globe-Democrat's unfortunate course to recommend an alliance with the better element of citizens against the gang.

President Harrison shows good sense in declining to enter the presidential race this year.

Kansas City is preparing for the Democratic National Convention with an enthusiasm born of a well-founded conviction that this convention will nominate the next President of the United States.

France says that the war with England which she sees in incubation will be postponed till after the Paris Exposition.

It should not influence the action of the United States Senate to learn that Secretary of State Hay is expected to resign from the Cabinet.

CRANE IN A NEW COMEDY—

"CARMEN" AT MUSIC HALL.

The programme calls "A Rich Man's Son" a comic play. It is all of that. The audience finds itself laughing about two-thirds of the time.

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MISSOURI DEMOCRATS.



EDWARD A. NOONAN OF ST. LOUIS. Judge Noonan came to St. Louis at the age of 29; he was elected Assistant Circuit Attorney in 1877, and again in 1881; was twice judge of the Court of Criminal Circuit.

of high excellence which has come to be expected of the Castle Square people. I must record my conviction that generally the work of this week is far and away the best ever witnessed in St. Louis.

SOME OF THOSE WHO WERE AT MUSIC HALL.

The first nighters were out in force at the opera last evening and brought with them many new faces.

PACKING-HOUSE DEAL.

Chicago, March 12.—Three million dollars is the price paid by Swift & Co., the Chicago butcher, for the plant and American holdings of the Eastman Company of New York.

FURNITURE AND PIANO AT AUCTION.

Auctioneer, S. Kirk will sell today at 10:30 o'clock the entire furniture, upright piano, carpets, etc., in residence No. 1111 North Sarah street, public auction, in detail.

A CORRECT PERCALE.



Blue and white percale shirt waist, tucked in front and trimmed with white embroidery. Stiff collar of material closing at back. Black butterfly creases.