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DRY GOODS, GROCERIES, ETC. M. ISRAEL & CO., dealers in Dry Goods, Clothing, Boots, Shoes, Saddlery, Huggins, etc., Corner Mississippi and Levee streets.

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A. D. VEGA, Agent, dealer in Dry Goods, Notions, Clothing, Boots and Shoes, Hats, Groceries, Liquors, Furniture, Hardware, Tobacco, Paints, Oils, Glass, Lumber, Bricks, Cans and Wagons; Levee's corner, Railroad Avenue and Mississippi street.

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ROBT. E. LEK HOTEL, Crescent Place, near the Market House, Joe Lafourche, proprietor. Bar and billiard room attached. First-class entertainment and accommodation.

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SODA WATER MANUFACTORY. SODA WATER MANUFACTORY, H. Hester, proprietor, No. 11 Mississippi street. Soda, Mineral, Seltzer and all kinds of aerated waters manufactured and sold at lowest prices.

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Piano Tuning & Repairing. A CARD. THE undersigned takes pleasure in notifying his former customers and his friends in general that he will resume his business as usual.

"OUR MODERN MERRY MEN."

From the Boston Folio. Here's a health to the innocents everywhere, Who help to free life from its lumbering care! Who seek poor humanity how to unload In his own way a process from a brand. Whether story with a plot so intense Or a joke with a climax intricate, Or a anecdote getting quite old, Or a bit of news that is never told, Or a friend whom they meet Often it shows a man's mind. They'd never let out For the newest pun, Then strong And long Frodo's Song, At a toast! Our toast! Laugh! To the funny men, Who with tongue and pen, Come up all smiling again.

THE CITY CAT.

He is grumpy and thin, with a ragged coat, A sere, dry, and a hunched look, Noisy and noisy, with a throat As he seeks repose in some quiet nook— A safe retreat from the world of man, And all of its boots and shoes and tan. For the life of a cat is a life of that, If he is a city cat. He is grumpy and thin, and old and gray, A coming foe with his wide eyes, (The other he lost at a mutin'— Knocked out by a boot from a window high.) Whenever he goes, he never forgets— Quarter or pounce in the midnight ap— For the life of a cat is a life of blows, If he is a city cat. He is grumpy and thin, and old and gray, A coming foe with his wide eyes, (The other he lost at a mutin'— Knocked out by a boot from a window high.) Whenever he goes, he never forgets— Quarter or pounce in the midnight ap— For the life of a cat is a life of blows, If he is a city cat.

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Hon. Henry B. Anthony.

Rhode Island's Veteran Senator—Brief Sketch of His Public Career. From Our Washington Correspondent. Upon the accession of Vice President Arthur to the Presidency in September, 1881, the Senate at its next session elected as its President pro tempore David Davis of Illinois, whose term of office as Senator expired on the 3rd of March, 1883. Just before the expiration of his term Mr. Davis resigned the Presidency of the Senate, and George F. Edmunds, Senator from Vermont, was elected as his successor. Mr. Edmunds' term not expiring until 1887. This procedure was necessary in order that the Presidency of the Senate should not be vacant during the interim between the Forty-seventh and Forty-eighth Congresses. Had Mr. Davis not resigned, the expiration of his Senatorial term would have left the country without a legal successor to President Arthur in case the latter had died before the Senate of the Forty-eighth Congress had elected a President pro tempore. Mr. Edmunds, therefore, was practically made Vice President of the United States, and will remain such until the present Senate elects a successor.

It is now well known in official circles that Senator Edmunds does not wish to continue in his present position as presiding officer of the Senate, if being his desire to accompany his family to the Bermuda Islands, where he has been for some time for the health of his wife. The Republican majority have consequently indicated a disposition to choose the subject of our illustration as Mr. Edmunds' successor, and this event seemed only to await the recovery of Senator Anthony from his late illness and his reappearance on the floor of the Senate.

Senator Anthony's Record. Henry B. Anthony of Providence, Rhode Island, was born in Coventry, that State, April 1, 1815, of Quaker ancestry. He graduated at Brown University in 1838, and in 1838 he assumed editorial charge of the Providence Journal, which he retained until called to the seat in the United States Senate. He was elected Governor of his native State in 1849, was re-elected in 1853, and defeated the Democratic candidate for a third year. He was elected to the United States Senate as a Union Republican to succeed Philip Allen, Democrat, and took his seat in 1859, his term expiring in 1865. During this term he served as chairman of the Committee on Printing. Mr. Anthony has returned as his own successor each expiring term since, his present term ending March 3, 1883. He was elected President of the Senate on March 23, 1883, and re-elected March 10, 1887.

Senator Anthony was a member of the national committee appointed to accompany the remains of President Lincoln to Illinois, and was one of the Senators designated by the Senate to attend the funeral of General Scott in 1866, and was also a delegate to the Philadelphia Loyalists' Convention the same year. He is one of the most popular members of the Senate, and his election to the Presidency a third time is at present strongly indicated.

An intriguing report that Senator Anthony had died was current in Washington on Wednesday, but the Chief's correspondents called at the Senator's residence and ascertained that the rumor was not only without foundation, but that the distinguished gentleman was feeling better, than he had been for some weeks.

LETTERS FROM GOOSEQUILL. Christmas Tide—Grand Holiday Displays at the Store—Society Notes—The Republican National Convention—A Notable Case of Bigamy, Etc. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15, 1883.

There are many souls with a single thought at present, and that thought is Christmas. The little people are writing notes to Santa Claus and trying to decide upon what most they desire of all the coveted treasures and the big people are contriving how to spend their money to the best advantage. The set-stops and the shops are so thronged that it is difficult to edge one's way along. And what a display of beautiful things! How the sight of them wakes up the generosity of our nature. How we lose thought of self and set at once to thinking how this lovely article would just suit one friend, and that would be the very thing for another, and how our souls glow with the joy of hearts which we will make happy at this Christmas tide!

Several of the prominent dry goods merchants have during the season displayed their goods so artistically as to form beautiful window pictures. Shopkeepers had a witty scene; now all over everything and girls and boys skating on a pond. Wasmann's windows create the greatest sensation. In November he gave a perfect representation of the Brooklyn Bridge. The decorator was three weeks arranging it. Every part of it, except the pillars which resembled stone, was made of block and white lace. There was a toy horse-car, horse and driver. Dolls were dressed to represent men, women and children foot passengers. The river was simulated by light blue, zephyr shawls, elevated irregularly like boat rolling waves and on it were ships and steamboats laden with merchandise. When the bridge became an old story an Esquimaux scene was substituted. There was a snow-dell with an Esquimaux in it, and in a sled drawn by reindeer, was another Esquimaux driving over the snow covered plains. At present the same window presents the most ingenious arrangement of handkerchiefs that you can imagine. It is a Florentine Court scene at the Pinzo Vecchio. Five arches are supported by massive columns in which the Spanish and Italian Renaissance is wonderfully represented by a combination of silk and linen handkerchiefs of every color and frequency in hue—relief for the walls and fluting for the columns. A fountain plays in the centre over beautiful tropical plants, and at one side a page carries the elegant drapery to recant a Gondola to pass through. Just within the store in a Chinese pagoda and a Moorish temple made up entirely of handkerchiefs. Some setting surpassing even these displays is expected for Christmas. I am told that the man who displays such genius in the decorative art gets a salary of \$2000 a year.

Society is in a perfect whirl of excitement just now. The slaves who move at her bidding are giving and attending weddings of a large class. For once fashion is sensible. Let her decree be obeyed! Quite a number of young ladies of the elite de la creme will make their first appearance on the tapis this season; among them, Miss Meigs, Miss Snowden and Miss McMurtry. Great preparations are being made for a large fancy tea party to take place December 17. But one fashion is to persuade the Republican National Committee that Philadelphia was the place where the central convention should be held. Col. Snowden made a splendid speech, and expatiated upon the delights and elegance of the old Quaker City, the spaciousness of the Academy of Music and its advantages as a assembly hall, the comfort of the numerous hotels and the splendid telegraphic communications. He pointed out the advantages of Philadelphia as a platform would be the protection of American industry and labor, and of course the convention should be held in a great city that had been built up by every branch of the East by giving the prize to the West; and more, by giving it to Chicago. You may be sure the Philadelphia delegation was elected a Western city was selected as the place where the convention should be held. The committee could not be induced, however, to consider Philadelphia at all, and they finally decided the East by giving the prize to the West; and more, by giving it to Chicago. You may be sure the Philadelphia delegation was elected a Western city was selected as the place where the convention should be held. The committee could not be induced, however, to consider Philadelphia at all, and they finally decided the East by giving the prize to the West; and more, by giving it to Chicago. 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