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My God! it was 'nough to reise the heir On the head of a marble statue! 'There Stood a crowd of at least two hundred me None daring to enter that fiery pen— Men that were brare on an Injun trail. Whose courage was never known to fail— But to enter the buildin' was certain deat So they stood there starin', and held their bu

With a yell of horror the crowd looked on Fur they felt for him 'twas ''good-bye, John. But haif a minute after the dash An up-stairs window burst with a crash! An' there stood Mead, like a smilin' saint. The gal in his arms in a death-like faint. He yelled for a rope, and let her down, To terra firma—which means the groun'

Then he tied the rope to a winder sash Fur to follow down—but there came a crash, An' the blazin' roof, with a fearful din. Throw'd the boy to the ground as it tumbled it We carried him 'way from the fearful heat. A hopin' the noble heart still beat; But the old post surgeon shock his head. An' said, with a sigh, that Mead was dead!

It wasn't long afore little Nell
Got over the shock; as soon as well
She circulated among the men,
With a sheet o' paper, an' ink, an' pen,
An' axed each one fur to give his mite,
In remembrance o' Mead's brave work
Aight!
An' as the result this monument stande,
Among flowers planted by Nellie's hands.

LETTERS FROM GOOSEQUILL.

Election in Philadelphia-Weariness and Picture Galleries-The Age of Discovery,

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 23, 1884.

Give me credit for being a true prophet nce. Our municipal election came off on Tuesday and went triumphantly Repubican. If I had been a betting character there might have been "millions in it" for me, but as it was I could only explain, "I told you so!" The great city of Philadelphia has turned its back on reform and elected for mayor a man totally unfitted for the position, a man who thought it not peneath him to solicit votes in the slums, the saloons, and the dens of inquity. Beside the means and zeal used by the Redue to the tariff scare which was the result watching the movements of the soft palate, of Mr. Randall's unfortunate speech, and when experimenting on the human throat. rally around their party and utilize every vote on the eve of a presidential campaign. Mr. Randall said that the Democrats ought to carry this election and thus make Pennylvania a debatable State in November and not of candidates. Mr. Randall I supstand a good chance for the presidential with those of the most primitive race

from this on belongs to the Republicans.

city solicitor, went far ahead of Mr. Smith, vote, because, as some Republicans expublicans, and too much of a Republican to suit all Democrats, and too, because, afmother took the field against him. There was a good deal of combined effort against owing to the fact that he had, by enforcing the law and preserving quiet and order on Sundays and holidays, interfered with their pleasures and profits, whereas Mr. Smith promised that the German should have all that holidays should be celebrated as of old. Jacob Purnell, the negro councilman, thinks his election one of the greatest victories ever achieved in Philadelphia, considering the prejudice against his race. Yes, the prejudice has been very great, and it is a noteworthy fact that although the Republicans are estensibly the benefactors of the negroes, Mayor King, a Democrat, is the first mayor who has had the courag to appoint negro policemen. For that rea on Mr. King was blamed by many and lost votes. I heard influential busines men in commenting on the election give that as a reason why they did not vote for him. They said they liked the negroes well enough in their places, but thought it a perfect outrage to give them office or any osition, however unimportant. The 'boys," of course, are perfectly elated over their success and are in hopes they have put a quietus on the Committee of One Hundred. Of that, however, nothing can

be known definitely before their meeting hich will be held in March. That the Committee is discouraged is but natural It is composed of Republicans, one of whom is George Purves, a very cultivated. intelligent negro, and being truly unpartizan, has worked sincerely for reform. It certainly has done great good—controlled nany elections and ferreted out much fraud and corruption, irrespective of peron or party. The highest and most influential officials have been weighed as care fully on the scales of honesty and purity as he most insignificant. No pains or money have been spared to put in office the pure and honest-for this campaign alone, at

east \$15,000 have been expended. When one is weary in mind and body there is nothing more refreshing than a half hour of self forgetfulness in a good picture gallery. I put this to the test to-

"Hunter's Delight" was a feast for the eyes. It was perfectly beautiful and so natural that it was an impulse to take a hold of the articles—the very perfection of art. It represented a door such as you have seen many a time in the country, with great lock and hinges, and on it hung in a cluster a huntsmanrs gun, powder-fiask, wild ducks. The artist, Mr. Hurtnett, is a Philadelphian, who studied in Europe and s now living in Munich. It was soon sold for \$1000 and orders have been given for two duplicates. Another thing that grati-fied me very much was the engraving of Rosa Bonheur's last great painting, "The Lions in Their Home." It represents a grand, old, forest monarch and his mate, lying side by side, with three little cubs nestling close to the mother. The artist's knowledge of animals was never more won derfully displayed. It is said that she studied her subjects a long time in the Jardin des Plantes. Somehow the engraving of this picture has been a difficult process and long in hand. Three years ago when the painting was first exhibited in London, a fine engraver was engageg to bring out the engraving, but he died soon after he cure the Indiana and other State delegahad etched the plate. It was finished by Mr. T. L. Atkinson of London. Mlle. Bonheur is entirely satisfied with it, and regards it the best engraving that has been made from any of her works. It is certainly very fine and cost \$72. Only artist's proofs are out yet. The plate is dedicated to Queen Victoria. "The Last Man Brotherhood!" Don't that sound queer? Well, it is a social club that was organized in 1856, in the composing-room of the Philadelphia Inquirer, by thirty-three compositors, all of whom, except two, belonged to that paper. Now there are only fourteen-so ew, that they meet in a private house to have their annual suppers, instead of a restaurant. At the supper each man must ing a song, give a toast and contribute a little money, which is laid up to buy the supper for the last brother. A bottle of wine which was bought in 1866, is also being kept to console the very last man at as his futue home Indianapolis, where he the last supper. A few nights ago the bas since resided, and has been one of its Brothers celebrated the anniversary of their organization, and I imagine they felt rather sad at the dropping off of the members. Alas! who can tell who will taste of that bottle of wine or how many more

years will be given to it to mellow. Truly this is an age of discovery! What now? Why, Prof. Harrison Allen of this city has had the fact revealed to him that writing can be done by means of the voice. publicans, I think this great victory was His mind gave birth to the idea while to the fact that the Republicans always To demonstrate the principle, he has a receiving surface of white paper, coated with soot and with an instrument of his own make, he registers on the surface of the paper, the lines and curves which represent the phonetic sounds of the human voice next; that it was a canvass of principles Hopes are entertained that this discovery will be a great aid in diagnosing diseas pose was urged on by the feeling that if the of the palate, in the study of stammering State could be made doubtful he would and in comparing civilized languages nomination. He need dream no more. He | Prof. Allen has already proved that many had best awake to the reality that this State sounds supposed to be formed by direct action of the lips, the teeth and the tongue Mr. Smith scored a majority for the are in reality formed by the action of the

nayoralty of over 8000, Mr. Warwick for palate. "Excelsior," the wonderfully beautiful both beyond expectations, while Mr. Hun. | spectacular drama, surpassing even Jalma, ter, receiver of taxes, got 110,000 of the has been on the boards of the Walnut 150,000 votes cast, about three out of every | Street Theatre during two weeks, jamming four. Mr. Hunter, you remember, was the the house every night. It is a pantomime, tableaux are just indescribably exquisite pressed it, he was to honest to suit all Re- Miss Flint, the premiere danseuse is a remarkably artistic dancer-grace itself. She is a Boston girl. There are five princiter Mr. Pierie, the first opponent, resigned, pal dancers. This play was first brought out in Milan three years ago and afterwards ran 300 nights in Paris, where it had Mayor King, on the part of the Germans an orchestra of 100 musiciaus and 630 acand the manufacturers and retailess of tors. Of course it is on a small scale here, fireworks, firecrackers, toy pistols, etc., Mr. Kiralfy having only 140 actors. The Kiralfy Brothers have purchased and will soon produce in this country a new panto-

mine ballet called "Silba." All the theatres are doing well and cele brated Washington's birthday with matithe latitude they wanted on Sunday, and nees. The laughable comedy of "Peck's Bad Boy" at the Arch, "Storm Beaten" at the Opera House, insipid little Minnie Maddern in "Frou Frou" at the Chestnut. "Cinderella" at the Academy, Mr. George Cable at Association Hall, etc., none of which, would I pronounce very attractive.

FRAGMENTS.

Green peas are in market from Savan-nah, at \$2 a peck. nah, at \$2 a peca.

The best butter, made from the milk of Alderney cows, sells for 80 cents a pound. A man who fell on the iced pavement here in 1882 has just been awarded by the

In China the Roman Catholic Church has forty-one bishops, 1000 priests, 452 of whom are native Chinamen, sixty-four colleges and thirty-four convents. Mr. Charles Preston of Montgomer county, has a penny bearing the date, 1788, the year in which pennies were first coined in the United States. Its worth is estimated at ten thousand times its face value.

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ALER. McCorp.

Foreman for City Railroad Company,

weather service in China, with the Hon Kong Observatory as its center, Meteorolo at the principal ports of the country, and it is expected that the Government Astron. omer, who is at the head of the project, will ultimately be able to give forecasts of day in the art rooms of Earle & Sons, Chestnut street. An oil piece called the dangers of their voyages.



Senetor Beni. Harrison of Indiana, Who will Go into the Nex

for the Presidential Nomination. Although it is not generally known to the Harrison are working in a quiet way to setions to the Chicago convention next June Mr. Harrison has been frequently mentioned as an available candidate for the Revancing his personal interests through public "booms," and when the convention assembles it will be surprised at the strength this Indiana Senator will develop for the head of the ticket. There is no doubt but Mr. Harrison, if nominated, would carry Indiana, Ohio and New York, and thus practically secure the success of the Republican party. In view of his increasing prominence in this convention, we give this week a portrait of the Senator with a brief

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH. Benjamin Harrison, of Indianapolis, was born in Hamilton County, Ohio, August 20, 1833. After graduating at the Oxford, Ohio, University, and having studied law two years in Cincinati, in 1854 he selected most prominent lawyers. In 1860 he was chosen by the people as a Reporter of the Supreme Court of Indiana, but at Lincoln's famous call for 75,000 volunteers, Mr. Har rison enlisted and was commissioned as Second Lieutenant. He then organized Company A of the Seventieth Indiana Volanteer Infantry, and was commissioned Colonel on the completion of the regiment. While in the field he was promoted to be Brigadier General, and was mustered out apolis he resumed the duties of court reporer, and served four years. In 1876 he was he Republican candidate for Governor, but vas defeated; and in 1879 was appointed on the Mississippi River Commission. In 1880 e was elected United States Senator to succeed Joseph E. McDonald, and took his

OUR LETTER FROM BROADBRIM.

xpensive Opera Singers-Beecher and Irving-Aldermen and Balls, Etc.

EDITOR CHIEF:

The experience of the past opera season as effectually settled one thing, and that nominee of both parties and the "peoples not a word being spoken from first to last. candidate," but he did not get the entire The ballet dancing is superior and the who is expected to entertain all sorts of notoriety that he craved; but the great to the President of the United States, would notice him, and thus give him the who is expected to entertain all sorts of notoriety that he craved; but the great to the President of the United States, would notice him, and thus give him the who is expected to entertain all sorts of notoriety that he craved; but the great to the President of the United States, would notice him, and thus give him the whole served to entertain all sorts of notoriety that he craved; but the great to the President of the United States, who is expected to entertain all sorts of notoriety that he craved; but the great to the president of the United States, who is expected to entertain all sorts of notoriety that he craved; but the great to the president of the United States, who is expected to entertain all sorts of notoriety that he craved; but the great to the president of the United States, who is expected to entertain all sorts of notoriety that he craved; but the great to the president of the United States, who is expected to entertain all sorts of notoriety that he craved; but the great to the president of the United States, who is expected to entertain all sorts of notoriety that he craved; but the great to the president of the United States, who is expected to entertain all sorts of notoriety that he craved; but the great to the president of the United States, who is expected to entertain all sorts of notoriety that he craved; but the great to the president of the United States, who is expected to entertain all sorts of notoriety that he craved; but the great to the president of the United States, who is expected to entertain all sorts of notoriety that he craved; but the great to the president of the United States, who is expected to the president of the United States, where the pres people in regal elegance, and represents catholic prelate passed him in silent confifty millions of people. To think that in twenty nights she receives as much as Washington received for four years as President of the Republic. It is monstrous when the cry of want is going up from all the labor districts in the land. When the floods are barying towns and cities along the banks of all the great rivers, to think of this reckless and sinful waste on a lot of foreign

Pennsylvania has 7454 militia with 553 the New Opera House, which, notwithstanding its attractive and magnificent patront necessary to reduce the wages of the employees on the New York Central Railroad. and to discharge a large number of worknen from the shops along the route. It is not at all astonishing that Henry George is received with open arms by the downtrodden workmen of England, when he ask the pertinent question: Why should one man bsorb the labor of a thousand? If Mr. Vanderbilt wants a fast horse and pays \$25,000 for him, a 1000 men will have to abor twelve days and a half, at \$2 per day, to furnish him with that luxury. If he lery, the merit of which he can no more understand than he can a problem in mathematics, a 1000 men may have to work a month simply to gratify his vanity. There look quite springlike. is no more hollow or unnatural sham than opera. If any man or woman in real life of themselves they would be put in the lu- question of the hour.

There is some thing ennobling in the better class drama in the hands of compotent actors. You are lifted into a more exalted admosphere, and if the piece be good and it is acted well, you feel that you are hettered for having seen it. But the opera s simply an amusement, and not always a very moral amusement at that. The opera in New York for forty years has been one long history of broken promises, disgraceful fiascoes, and lamentable financial fail-

I don't know what it may be worth to him, but Colonel Mapleson has the satisfaction of driving the only manager from the operatio field who could give him any some cost that there are some other mansaid that he has reduced the size of his hat, river. and where nine months ago Knox had not a block large enough to fit him, he now gets along comfortably with a boy's size, and the chances are that his head will shrink still more before his dramatic season is

Speaking of theatres reminds me that in

our neighbor city of Brooklyn, is an individual by the name of Justin A. Fulton. He is supposed to be a Baptist minister and presides over the old skating rink which he chooses to call the Temple. From the hour that this man was transplanted from Boston to Brooklyn his life has been one long history of disgraceful squabbles and it is by no means due to him that the Hanson Place Baptist Church, one of the foremost Baptist churches in the city, was not utterly wrecked by his pastorate. After one of the most disgraceful church squabbles ever seen in that city, he was ummarily ejected and sought another pastorate. He was expelled from the conference of Baptist ministers, and only got back by the christian sufferance of its memby the Rev. Gen. Conway, of an attempt to defraud him, and the exposé in court, is one of the most disgraceful chapters in Brooklyn church history. Last Sunday Mr. Fulton took exceptions to Mr. Beecher's

visit to Irving, the actor, and Irving's visit to Beecher. This ecclesiastical numbskull. who is not worthy to black Mr. Beecher's hoes, delivered himself as follows on Sunday last: "The theatre is the home of vileness. It is surrounded by vileness. Place me upon a polar iceberg, where no verdure bear's growl can be heard; let me live where no friend shall cheer me with his smile; bar me in prison walls or let the gloom of dungeons cover me; but do not, oh, do not, compel me to mingle in the crowd of the theatre, or to be a worshiper in that temple where there is no cross or Calvary." This would have been pretty heavy ec

clesiastical thunder from a first-class saint; but from a fellow like Fulton, who has done as much as any other man in Brooklyn to bring religion into contempt, such a tirade can only awaken laughter. The great aim of his life appears to have been to create a sensation, and as far as his residence in Brooklyn is concerned, he has been a great success. He has now been a resdent of Brooklyn between seven and eight years, and I think he has figured in the newspapers at least once a week in that time, and in many instances in not a very credible manner. If he is a sample brick of the excellence of the religious teachings, it is not astonishing that Bob Ingersoll is such a distinguished success. Whatever may be thought of Bob Ingersoll's religious views, he is personally an agreeable man, is that no manager in the future, for some and in public and private, a gentleman; time at least, will be called upon to pay this is more that can be truthfully said of \$5000 a night for a prima donna. Just the pastor of the temple. Only a few weeks tempt, and it nearly broke poor Fulton's heart. The day has gone by when people are to be terrorized by such absurd denunciations. Our best citizens attend the theatre and the opera, and will continue to do so, notwithstanding the frothy denuncia-

tions of such saints as Mr. Fulton. Our Board of Aldermen are liberal; they of all the great rivers, to think of this reckless and sinful waste on a lot of foreign tramps, who, as a class, outside of their peculiar calling, are as ignorant as herses. Conceited, narrow-minded, vain, arrogant and ignorant, they know absolutely nothing outside the operatic score. There is not one in a hundred who has an idea that the world was made for anything but opera, and I can scarcely wonder at it, when a lot of purse proud flunkies pamper and cringe to them, giving them more in a night than they are willing to pay their most tried and trusty servants for a year.

Wm. H. Vanderbilt is a stockholder in the New Opera House, which, notwithstanding its attractive and magnificent patronsage, closes its doors with a deficit of a quarter of a million Mr. Vanderbilt has found it necessary to reduce the wages of the emlicans; but the better element of both parties are in favor of it, and as it has been successfully tried in Brooklyn, there is no reason why it may not be equally successful in New York.

Stocks have been up and down. You can scarcely tell whether Wall street is a Bear garden or a Bull ring, perhaps it is a little

We caught the tail end of the cyclone early in the week; but if the treatment was heroic, it was effectual, for the weather, which was miserable before, settled down wants a Messonier for his magnificent gal- to quiet respectability, and for the past few days the ladies, who have been cooped up in their houses for a week, have crowded the streets and stores, so that we begin to

full of buyers from the West and South were to make such donkies and donkiesses | But politics appear to be the all important

Yours truly.

A French meteorologist has planted in the ground near his house two bars of iron, from which wires run to a telephone receiver. The earth currents which are indicated by sounds in the telephone never fail to give notice to the observer, who consults the apparatus several times a day, of the approach of a storm from twelve to fifteen hours in advance.

SCIENTIFIC MISCELLANY.

Mr. C. W. Heaton, an English chemist. has analyzed a sample of water from the trouble in the future. Good fortune had famous Hagar's well at Mecca-to which made Mr. Abbey somewhat conceited, and thousands of Mohammedan pilgrims resort it is well enough that he should learn at annually-and reports that the water is a most dangerous compound, containing an agers in the United States besides himself. extraordinarily large proportion of filth. For a couple of years past, Mr. Abbey has The total amount of solid matter found in been suffering from a complaint by no a gallon of it was more than twenty-five means uncommon in America, called big times as great as that found in a like ead. Since his operatic experience it is quantity of the water from the Thames

The pulse-beats of a criminal during execution by hanging have been recorded. After the rope was adjusted the pulse-rate was 121; immediately after the drop it fell to 58,52,39, 20 and to 0 in the fifth minute, 73; eighth minute 0; ninth 34; after this no palse was perceptible in the arteries, but the ninth and nineteenth minutes, and once in the nineteenth minute. The death was from strangulation, the neck not being

Physicists have lately been trying to deermine by experiment whether the electricity of thunder storms is generated either by the evaporation of water or by Blake have each obtained results which indicate that no electricity is produced by the evaporation of pure water, and Mr. S. Kalischer has since made some investigations with delicate apparatus which have failed to show that condensation of or the formation of hail is a source of atmospheric electricity.

The result of a hydrographic survey made in the Straits of Sunda since the volcanic ernotion of last August have been given by M. E. Van Dorn. It appears that the outhern peak of Krakatoa yet remains unchanged, and rises with an almost perpendicular northern edge, to a height of more than 2500 feet above the sea. The northern part of the island, however, has entirely disappeared, and soundings on the place where it had stood reached a depth of 1800 feet without touching bottom. The lost ground of Krakatoa is evidently found a ew miles to the north, where the depth of the water has been greatly diminished and while several new ones have appeared above the surface. The entire examination of the north of Krakatoa suggested the idea that the surveying ship was above a crater which had been filled with water and

quenched by it. Out of the 700 species of solanum known to botanists, according to a paper read by Mr. J. G. Baker before a recent meeting of the Linnean Society of London, there are only about six which produce tubers, and only one of these, the common potato, The native home of the potato is in the dry and elevated parts of Chili. In other por-tions of the same country is found another species, S. Maglia, which should be much better adapted to general cultivation, as it 1826 the cultivation of this species in England was attempted, with most promising the plant was believed to be identical with the common potato. Another species, S. Commessoni, from the eastern part of South America, is now being cultivated experimentally in France, and is likewise spita. think of it! Paying in ten nights for a sin-ger to amuse you as much as you pay in a Capel, in the vague hope that monsignor States. This last species is the one which ble for damp soil; while a third wild spe-

The Late A. Franklin Pugh of As-

sumption. A correspondent of the New Orleans Pica-yune, writing over the nom de plume of "A Friend," gives the following sketch of the life of the late A. Franklin Push which will be read with interest by all who knew that la-

mented gentleman:

the storing his parish in the Legislature and the other his district in Congress of the United States.

It is needless to say that in his public capacity he was faithful to his trust and watchful of the public interests. Up to the beginning of the war hat took an active interest in all that concerned his parish, and was ever ready to promote any scheme, by whomsover proposed, calculated to advance the prosperity of his friends, neighbors or State.

He was at all times ready and willing to serve his friends, neighbors or State.

He was at all times ready and willing to serve his friends and his parish, to the utmost of his ability. At the time of his death he was a member of the State Levee Board, whose meetings he regularly attended and took an active part in its proceedings.

During his whole life he was a diligent stadent, and kept up with the literature and politics of the day. He was one of the best road men in a parish which can boast of more than usual cultivation among its residents. As a young man he devoted much time to the denaction of his sisters, and later on, to that of his three daughters, not only superintending their studies, bat devoting much of his time to their recitations, and making their progresses by lucid explanations.

He was a gentleman in its most extensive sense of good judgment and fine hasiness qualities, and his loss of fortune can be justly ascribed to circumstances which no one forcess, and each part of the content of the death, to inherit his reputation for honesty of purpose devotion to the welfare of his State, and the love and respect of his fellow-citizens.

A colored man answering the description back to St. James, but upon their arrival

derer of Eugene Guedry, was arrested at Clinton, and Sheriff Bourgeois dispatched two deputies to bring the prisoner at Clinton the officers discovered that the man apprehended was not Washington, though bearing great resemblance to him