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AN INVESTIGATION NEEDED.

"The state of things shown to exist at the penitentiary is a scandal to the State, and we cannot doubt that the legislature will promptly pass the measures necessary for changing it. It is scandalous that men should be fed as the prisoners have been shown to be fed there; and what is the meaning of this thing of tying men to the crucifix? The whole thing is scandalous, and should receive the immediate attention of the legislature."—Richmond Times.

The revelations at the recent joint meeting of the committee on education and educational institutions, when the authorities of the State penitentiary appeared before it, showed a condition of affairs there, which, if true, is a disgrace to the State and a shame to the civilization under which its people are living. According to the statement of Mr. Davis, president of the shoe company which has a large contract for the employment of Virginia prison labor, the convicts employed by him are virtually subjected to a starvation diet. He was considerable enough for the superintendent of the penitentiary to say that the meager and unwholesome food dispensed to the prisoners was given with a view to show profit on the part of the management of the institution; but he did not hesitate to say that, in his experience with several of the penitentiaries in the United States, in the matter of providing and dispensing food, the Virginia prison ranked first in beastly and niggardly inhumanity.

The superintendent, he said, had been feeding his prisoners at a cost of less than five cents a day per head. They had been seen going to their rooms after a good day's work with a piece of stale bread and a rotten fish, with maggots in it, for their supper, and with tears in their eyes had exhibited this mess of corruption as the reward of a hard day's work. He said in his experience of more than twenty years in dealing with prison labor, he had never witnessed such inhumanity. As there could have been no motive in this revelation other than the promptings of humanity on the part of Mr. Davis, since his own interests might probably have been promoted by ignoring this condition of things, it is plain that there should be an immediate investigation of this alleged inhumanity. It is true the prisoners at the penitentiary are criminals who have wantonly broken the laws of the State; but nevertheless, they are human beings and should be treated as such by those in charge of them.

In decreeing the confinement to which they are subjected the State assumes the duty of housing and feeding them, and all such provisions should be made in accordance with the dictates of humanity and modern civilization. When the work of investigation shall have been commenced it should be searching and thorough. The reputation of the State is at stake, and Virginians everywhere will insist that, if such evils exist, they be promptly remedied, and such punishment visited on offenders as justice and the good name of Virginia require.

A NOBLE UNDERTAKING.

The movement to erect a Confederate Memorial Hall or Battle Abbey for the South deserves every encouragement, not only from the people of this section, but from all who admire true heroism and valor, such as was displayed by Southern soldiers during the late civil war. The Union has been fully restored, and the people of the South are as ready and willing to fight for the general Government as those of any other section can possibly be. It is, however, meet and proper that a building should be erected, in which the records and other memorials of the Southern soldier can be kept, together with mementoes of the noble women who helped to make this section immortal in those years of suffering and heroism.

Mr. Charles Broadway Rouse, the eminent philanthropist, has offered to give \$100,000 towards the erection of such a building, provided a like sum is subscribed by the Southern people and their friends. There ought not to be any difficulty in securing this amount, and there will not be, judging by the active exertions which the Confederate camps throughout the South are now making to raise the required amount. Gen. Thomas L. Rosser, of the late Confederate army, is now making a tour in the

interest of this movement, and on Monday evening next will deliver a lecture on the War between the States, for the benefit of the Battle Abbey fund, at the Y. M. C. A. Hall in this city, under the auspices of William Watts Camp of Confederate Veterans.

It is earnestly hoped that the lecture, of which a further notice is printed elsewhere in THE TIMES, will be largely attended, and that a substantial addition will be made to the fund, which has been so munificently commenced by Mr. Rouse, who is himself an ex-Confederate of the Twelfth Virginia cavalry.

SENATOR MARION BUTLER, of North Carolina, is a new man in the American house of lords, but he has already developed great dispersing powers as a speaker in that body. On Tuesday last, the day he was billed for a speech on the finances, the galleries were nearly deserted when he began, and before he had spoken many minutes there was hardly standing room in the cloak department for retiring Senators. Mr. Butler may not be a relative of the man who talked himself to death, but, metaphorically speaking, he bids fair to be in the same fix, so far as the Senate is concerned.

THE Democratic national committee, after twenty-nine ballots, selected Chicago as the place for holding the Presidential convention and July 7 as the date. St. Louis made a gallant fight for the convention and came near capturing it, the final vote being Chicago, 26; St. Louis, 24, and Cincinnati, 1, but no city, however great its aspirations, can cover the whole earth, so the enterprising hustlers of the "Future Great" had to be content with the Republican convention as glory enough in that line for this time at least.

THE unanimity with which the people of the United States supported Mr. Cleveland's affirmation of the Monroe doctrine ought to assure him and his friends, if he has any hankering for a third term, that it is idle to indulge in any such hopes. If the people are such sticklers for precedent in the case of a promulgation by President Monroe, it may be confidently expected that they will insist on following the example set in regard to a third term by the father of his country, George Washington.

President Kruger an American.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 16.—David Haywood, G. A. Haywood, Charles and Henry Roney and Charles Kruger, citizens of Indianapolis, are first cousins of President Kruger, of the Transvaal. According to Mr. Haywood's story, the mother of the Dutch president was born in Germany, but settled near Mauch Chunk, Pa., where the now distinguished president was born. When 13 years of age young Kruger ran away from home, and, until a few weeks ago, he had never been heard from. Joseph Kruger, who was a well-known contractor of Indianapolis about twenty years ago, was a brother of the South African statesman.

Coal Miners Strike.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Jan. 16.—One thousand miners struck to-day at the Morris Coal Company. President C. C. Morris, of the Morris Coal Company, said in relation to the strike at the Hooking Valley mine of the company to day that one man had been discharged for sending out inferior coal, and because he had not been taken back 1,000 miners had struck. The man, he said, would not be reinstated under any consideration. No question of wages is involved in the strike.

Handsome Home Wedding.

NORFOLK, Va., Jan. 16.—One of the handsomest home weddings of the season was solemnized by Rev. A. S. Lloyd, rector of St. Luke's P. E. Church, this evening at 5 o'clock, when in the parlors of Judge R. W. Arnold's handsome residence on Bute street, his daughter, Miss Martha Prince, was married to Mr. Henry Watkins Seabury, of this city. The party left via the Washington steamer for an extended Northern tour.

One Killed and Another Injured.

STUBENVILLE, Ohio, Jan. 16.—While a freight train was going through Collier's yard in West Virginia several cars jumped the track. An eastbound passenger train came along and ran into the freight cars. Engineer Rogers, of East Liverpool, was instantly killed, and James Comby so seriously hurt that he will die.

Colonel Lamb Will Entertain.

PETERSBURG, Va., Jan. 16.—A Richmond special to the Index-Appel says: Col. Wm. Lamb, chairman of the Republican State committee, will tomorrow night give a dinner at the Jefferson Hotel to the Republican members of the legislature.

Italian Counterfeiters Arrested.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—United States secret service agents to-day arrested eleven Italians, alleged to be members of a gang of counterfeit money passers. One of them, Nicolo Tornato, is said to be the head of the Mafia in this country.

Make Yourself Strong.

If you would resist pneumonia, bronchitis, typhoid fever, and persistent coughs and colds. These ills attack the weak and run down system. They can find no foothold where the blood is kept pure, rich and full of vitality, the appetite good and digestion vigorous, with Hood's Sarsaparilla, the one true blood purifier.

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Early Hats for Early Birds.

Our first shipment of Spring Hats was received yesterday. They are open to-day. If your old one needs replacing, visit us.

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ACADEMY OF MUSIC.

"The Dazzler" Given Before a Large and Enthusiastic Audience.

An old favorite, "The Dazzler," greeted the Academy patrons last night, and, true to its name, fairly dazzled its audience with a rich repertoire of songs, dances, witticisms and up-to-date specialties.

The company presenting this first-class farce-comedy has a quintette of comedians in Finlay, Ralston, West, Miller and Leslie, whose individual and collective excellence is rarely excelled. Particularly unique and exorcistically funny is the physique and acting of the dwarf, Bobby Ralston.

The ladies of the company, however, do not measure up to the standard of ability set by the male members, and the need of a first-class musical comedienne becomes more and more apparent as the performance proceeds.

With this gap properly filled Cosgrove & Grant's would be one of the best farce-comedy troupes on the road.

A very good audience was present and attested its delight and enjoyment by wild applause and enthusiastic recalls of each specialty.

"Sowing The Wind."

Since the announcement of the success of negotiations with Mr. Charles Frohman for the presentation of "Sowing the Wind" in this city play-goers have been deeply interested, and this interest was intensified when it was made known that we would see the celebrated cast that has won fame in the principal cities of the country. No play since the days of "Daniel Rochat" has made so deep an impression. During its two hundred nights' run at the Empire Theatre, New York, it was a subject of comment and controversy in all walks of life and in all schools of thought, and this fact alone embodies one of the greatest tributes that a dramatic work could receive. It was the same in Boston, while the play held the boards of the Columbus theatre for fifty nights, and the discussion aroused throughout New England has not shown any appreciable measure of diminution.

In these days of utilitarianism the financial test is the surest one to the managerial mind, and judged by this test alone the success of "Sowing the Wind" has been one of the most remarkable of the generation. A very good sign is that in its ordinary engagements of a week or more the receipts are like the mercury on a hot summer day—continually climbing upwards; and on return engagements, after its superlative dramatic, artistic and literary merits have been practically advertised by their actual unfolding, the advance sales have been phenomenal, and the solicitous "deadhead" has been smilingly met with that comprehensive Biblical sentence, "Thou shalt not pass." "Sowing the Wind" will be at the Academy on next Tuesday night.

A Great Prima Donna.

The "fotchingest" accent that has ever been heard is the property of the comic opera queen Camille D'Arville, with a beautiful throat and a clear, spontaneous vibratory voice as well. Miss D'Arville is something of a revelation in the fields of comic opera. She is so blessed by nature in the way of a complexion that she uses very little of artificial accessories and she even takes her comedy situations with a seriousness that is a luck of her own. "Madeline, or the Magic Kiss," which Miss D'Arville will present at the Academy of Music Monday, January 27, is said to be a very pretty comic opera, full of bright music and beautifully staged. The company numbers seventy people and orchestra, including the clever comedian Gao. C. Boniface, Jr.

AMONG the fruit and flower novelties which 1896 brings us, we notice that the enterprising and reliable firm of James Vick's Sons, Rochester, N. Y., are already calling attention to three, which seem to have won great favor where known. They are the Double Sweet Pea, the only one in the world true to name, "Bride of Niagara" the "Early Leader Tomato," the earliest of all the early tomato family and sure to become a great favorite, and the already famous blackberry, the "Rathbun."

From the praise and compliments given so abundantly to the "Bride of Niagara," this sweet pea must be more than charming, and from the encomiums lavished on both the new tomato and this new blackberry, it is pretty certain no garden desiring to have the first and best of everything, can be without these three new comers.

By the way, readers, are any of you so far behind the times as not to know "Vick's Floral Guide"? If any of you have never seen it, send 10 cents to this firm at Rochester, N. Y., and get a copy. You can deduct this from the first order for seeds, and the pleasure and information their Guide will give you will certainly induce you to keep up the acquaintance.

England Must Arbitrate.

LONDON, Jan. 16.—Henry M. Stanley, M. P., writing to a friend, says that unless England submits to arbitration war with America is inevitable.

SOME time ago Mr. Simon Goldbaum, of San Luis Rey, Cal., was troubled with a lame back and rheumatism. He used Chamberlain's Pain Balm and a prompt cure was effected. He says he has since advised many of his friends to try it, and all who have done so have spoken highly of it. It is for sale by the Chas. Lyle Drug Company.

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"The Roaring Girl."

"Enter Moll in a frieze jerkin and a black safeguard." Thus in the old comedy Moll Cutpurse comes upon the stage, and truly it was by her clothes that she was first notorious. By accident a woman, by habit a man, she must needs invent a costume proper to her pursuits. But she was no shrieking reformer, no fanatic spying regeneration in a pair of breeches. Only in her attire she showed her wit, and she went to a bull baiting in such a dress as well became her favorite sport. She was not of those who "walk in spurs, but never ride." The jerkin, the doublet, the galligaskins were put on to serve the practical purposes of life, not to attract the policeman or the splinter, and when a petticoat spread its ample folds beneath the doublet not only was her array handsome, but it symbolized the career of one who was neither man nor woman and yet both.

After awhile, however, the petticoat seemed too tame for her stalwart temper, and she exchanged it for the great Dutch slop, habited in which unsexedly she is pictured in the ancient prints. Up and down the town she romped and scolded, earning the names which Middleton gave her in her green girlhood. "She has the spirit of four great parishes," says the wit in the comedy, "and a voice that will drown all the city."—Macmillan's Magazine.

What Becomes of the Lead Pencils.

"I don't know that anybody ever gave a satisfactory answer to the question, What becomes of all the pins? But I think," said a father, "that if anybody should ask what becomes of all the lead pencils I could tell 'em. My two younger children have reached that age when they go to school and carry pencil boxes. A part of the equipment of the pencil box is a pencil sharpener, which can be bought now for the marvelously low price of 1 cent. Armed with this pencil sharpener the temptation to sharpen the pencil is, of course, great. When they first got the sharpeners, the children used to turn off little saucers full of the fragrant cedar shavings just to look at and smell, and now at the least blunting or breaking off of the point the pencil is carefully turned down again. And that's what becomes of the pencils—my children turn 'em into shavings."—New York Sun.

Stanley's Glasses.

Mr. Stanley told a New York reporter how he came to wear glasses. "This very pair of spectacles," he said, "I took from the table of the missionary, Bishop Parker, in Central Africa, put them on carelessly to look at a manuscript and discovered that my sight was no longer in its normal state—for reading, at least." He uses the bishop's glasses still.

No Use.

Mrs. Phunnel's Sister—Stella, if I had a husband that drank as hard as John does I'd make him buy a plaster and stick it over his mouth.

Mrs. Phunnel—It wouldn't do any good, Jennie. He'd buy a porous plaster.—Chicago Tribune.

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W. G. Skinner is one of the best known men in Wakefield, Mass. He is a war veteran and everybody's friend. He says: "I had rheumatism and was in poor health a long time. Indications pointed towards the accumulation of impurities in the blood and germs of disease. I was constipated and had no appetite. I evidently needed a good blood purifier and decided to take Hood's Sarsaparilla. It made a change all through my system, gave me an appetite and worked effectively on my blood. I am now perfectly well, my blood has been put in good order, thanks to Hood's." W. G. SKINNER.

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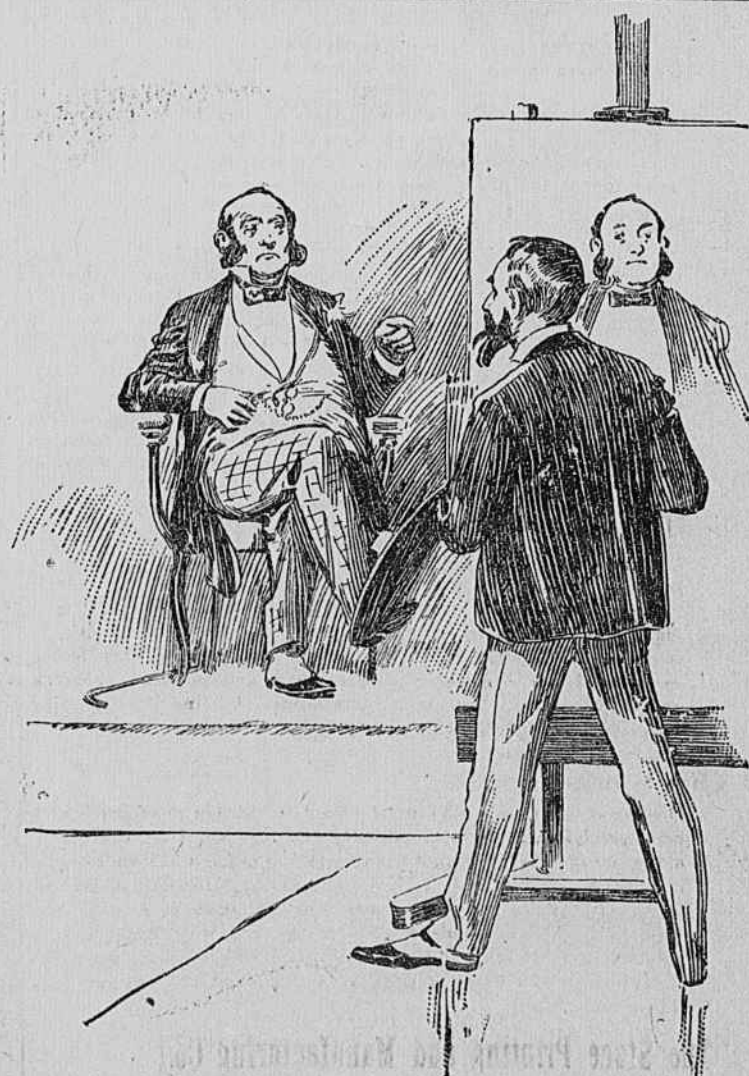
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"What is your most expensive color, Mr. Daubley?"
"Oh, ultramarine costs as much as gold."
"Then put on plenty of ultramarine—don't spare the expense."—Sketch.