

DEMENT IS A BOX.

A recent telegram from Washington says that:

"Surveyor General Dement, having gone before the committee on public lands yesterday, and entered a general denial of the reports of frauds, attributed to him, three correspondents joined in a note to the committee, asking to be allowed to substantiate the truth of disputes which have been published about him. They ask the privilege of proving that Dement had made the statements attributed to him, and they will be given an opportunity to-morrow. One of the correspondents claims to have preserved the notes of his interview with Dement, and claims they were written on paper furnished by Dement.

Surveyor General Dement, of Utah, was examined by the senate committee on public lands, with reference to recent publications which embodied alleged utterances of his, implicating senators, members of congress and high executive officials in Washington and Utah in extensive conspiracies to influence by their bribery legislation affecting Mormons. Dement denied the statements attributed to him without reservation.

The fact of the whole business is that it has been discovered that frauds reported by Dement implicated prominent democrats and that the surveyor general was compelled by the powers that be to make the above denial and place himself before the people of the United States in the position of a self-confessed falsifier. Another feature of Dement's first statement, too is that the exposure of frauds against the Mormon is in violation of the secret understanding existing between the moneyed powers of the Mormon church and the theocratic and corrupt leaders of the democratic party. Dement will hereafter consult with democratic bosses before making any rash statements.

CAPTAIN CRAWFORD'S DEATH.

The report of Lieut. Mans is verified by the report of the Mexicans themselves in regard to Capt. Crawford's death, and it calls for a thorough and searching investigation by the government. The Mexican report of the affair appeared in the *Estadillo de Chihuahua* and read as follows:

To the Jefe Politico de De Gallado county. On the 11th inst. we reached the camp called Teapar or Sierra del Bavis, where we combated a great number of tame and wild Indians, probably over 200, led by foreign (United States) officers and over twenty soldiers of the same kind, who exhibited themselves. The fire lasted for one hour and a half killing four of us, Major Mauricio Cortez, Lieutenant Juan de la Cruz, and privates Martiniano Madrid and Lazaretos. There were also four wounded Apolonio Spier, Herculano Cruz. Our opponents lost a captain, four dead and three wounded. The account was a serious one and our safety was due to the treaty with them under the war flag of the United States, to which they pretended to belong, after their captain died. I acceded to their terms for the season given, though they displayed not a sign of equality, as was evinced as much by their strategy as by the different animals which they brought and which I bring to prove they were stolen at this place. To-day, at the earliest hour possible, I will start for your city. All of which I have the honor to communicate to you for your information.

SANTA ANA PEREZ,
Holmes Mining Camp, January 20, 1885.

THE SPECIAL ELECTION.

Yesterday's election elicited a greater discussion of the financial status of this territory than any event which has recently occurred. The appropriations made by the last legislature came in for a full share of discussion and general condemnation, and many voted against the tax as a rebuke to extravagant legislation. A cleverly designed person was exhibited in a prominent position on one of the principal streets receiving the \$2,000 appropriation for a university, \$5,000 for a normal school, \$50,000 for an insane asylum, and a load heavier than tax payers could bear while the public works were raised for want of funds. Many who voted against the proposition expressed themselves willing to contribute by a voluntary subscription more than the amount they would have been taxed, had special tax levied in order to keep the schools open.

The most prominent topic in the present discussion however and one in which a remarkable unanimity of sentiment was expressed was the opposition of the office of Territorial Superintendent to the public instruction and there is no doubt that an effort will be made at the coming session of the legislature to have the office abolished. The sum of \$4,000 was appropriated at the last session for the salary of this officer, besides perquisites in the shape of stationary traveling expenses, etc. amounting to \$2,000 perhaps or more for the two years. This is a preferred claim against the territorial school fund, and absorbs a very large proportion of it, and the spectacle of an official drawing a big salary as superintendent of schools while the schools are compelled to close for want of funds is a rather ridiculous situation for the territory to be in.

The American colony in Paris numbers about 3,000, but the shopkeepers say it is worth more to the trade of the French capital than its 30,000 Germans and 25,000 Italians combined.

BOUND TO HAVE ECONOMY.

It is unofficially whispered, but on what is apparently good authority, that United States Marshal Meade has gone south to secure an additional bond, as a result of the recent overhauling of his accounts by Special Agent Fisher. A large amount of the Marshall's accounts for expenses of United States court have been suspended, it is alleged, in Washington, hence an additional bond is required of him. It is no secret among all who have watched the proceedings of the court here that the expense has been greater than at any other term of court held in Prescott for years, and in fact there probably was never a term of court held for which the expenses footed up such an enormous sum. The exact figures are not at our command, but the appropriation usually required for two terms, it is safe to say, has been absorbed at this term. Not only this, but the United States has practically nothing to show for it. The government is usually liberal in the administration of the department of justice, and stops not at expense in the punishment of the violators of the law. But when an unusually large amount of money is expended and only one criminal conviction entered up as an offset to it, an investigation is but a natural consequence. The additional expense of United States courts, it would seem, is not confined to Arizona alone, as the attorney general has called for an additional appropriation of \$200,000 for the payment of witnesses and jurors. It must not be forgotten, however, notwithstanding the increased appropriations, which are called for by nearly every department of government, that this is a reform administration, and that the authorities are determined to have an economical and reformed administration, if they have to exhaust the last dollar in the United States treasury to bring it about.

THE IDEAL LIFE.

[COMMUNICATED.]
AIDEM.

Strive for intellectuality
As they becon star of light;
Gained through the power of mentality.

To be thy buckler of might!

To dwell on the imaginary, unreal, fanciful or visionary, is to draw upon the life. We all at times, dwell in the brutitude of this revenue, which is bottomless and shoresless, making it, "for the time" a living, expanding and progressing thing, with the powerful radiation of the Divine.

The ideal life, then should be the life of love, which is lodged immense and obscure under the depths of human life, even supporting its basis and lowest foundations. The family should rest upon love, and society upon the family, placing love in advance of everything, then we can seek the ideal; the ideal which can be realized to-day, without postponing it for a better state of society.

One phrase resounds always the same along the scale of life, whether we go up, or down, a single phrase: "I wish for something beyond myself." I wish for too much—all and always.

So the ideal ascends, and always will ascend, without reaching its summit. It would have nothing, that is not absolutely endless, without margin or limit. It has a profound instinct, desiring itself in its ascendancy, penetrating itself with light, like love eternal, until darkness closes around it, and it disappears.

Imagination cannot be termed a reasoning power, but pertains to reflex perception, or mental exercise, auxiliary to it. Through this faculty we see through the mental eye, and are continually yearning after things of beauty and shapes of grace, not content with what we have, but picturing to ourselves things brighter and more glowing than our vision can comprehend, fancying worlds within worlds, and all celestial. Never underestimate this power, but educate it with might, to work for good, as a standard element in human happiness.

WHAT BURDETTE DON'T KNOW.

I notice some of the newspapers are making no end of fun of a Harvard graduate who could not tell who discovered America. Oh, well my son, that is one of the things you don't learn in college. I am like the Harvard graduate. I do not know who discovered America. If you know, or think you know a man who does know, I wish you would tell me just that much. I am also way down in spelling class. I cannot spell Shakespeare as Shakespeare himself spelled it. I wish you would tell me the proper way to spell that great man's name. I do not know why there are so many gray horses and no gray colts. I do not know whether the egg began with the hen or the hen started with the egg. I can't understand why we can't find the north pole when we know right where it is. I don't know why a man's buttons on the tail of his coat. I can't see what earthly use an elephant's tail is to him. I don't understand why people in town are always wild to go to the country, and people in the country are crazy to come to town. Why don't they change places at once, and be done with it? I wish I could somewhere hear of a wise man who would devote a few hours every century to teaching me a few simple things that everybody ought to know, and that everybody except myself seems to know already.—Burdette.

Assistant Attorney General Zach Montgomery has had his say about the appropriations of the "late thirteenth," and pronounces a whole lot of items as void.

As the items he mentions are long since paid, it remains to be seen what the arch enemy of our public schools will do in the matter.

DEMOCRATIC EMBARRASSMENT.

When Cleveland was elected president the democratic party was jubilant. From all parts of the union there were shouts of rejoicing that after twenty-five years the democrats were restored to power. The united and harmonious democracy was to do great things for the people; government affairs were to move on like clock work, and there was to be peace and good-fellowship as the distribution of offices went on. All affirmed that "reform was necessary" and that the right men were to be put in the right places. These pleasant dreams, however, were of short duration. Among the earlier appointments were some that the wiser and more experienced leaders did not see fit to be made. Old wheel horses, men who had grown old in serving the party, were shoved aside for graduates of experience, lacking capacity to fill the positions for which they were named. And so dissatisfaction commenced, and disaffection has been growing from the day the president entered the White House until the present time.—Albuquerque Journal.

BOUND TO HAVE PIR.

Jesse Wood tells a good story of a farmer whom he saw at the breakfast table one morning in the leading hotel at Nashville.

When the waiter handed the rustic the bill of fare, he glanced over it, and remarked:

"Johnny, just bring 'em all in. I'm gosh darned hungry, and just got in Nashville."

The waiter grinned, and after being gone for a few minutes returned with dishes that made a great semi-circle around the stranger's plate. He counted them all over, and then with a doubtful look remarked:

"Look here, waiter, I don't see any pie, and I'm mighty fond of pie, too."

"Say, mister, we don't set no pie for breakfast at this hotel. Only have pie for dinner."

The country gentleman, with a look of disgust, turned to Mr. Wood, and said: "Neighbor, this a—of a hotel."

"Why?"

"Two dollars a day, and no pie."

Doc Bamford, clerk at the Burnet House, tells a similar story of a man who once stopped at the Tremont House, in Chicago. He braced up to the hotel counter, and greeted the clerk with:

"Before I register at this hotel I want it understood that I must have pie for supper."

"Well, sir, you can have pie if we have to order extra pies made."

"That's all right then. I've had three for supper ever since I was three years old, and I'm bound to have pie now."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Too Realistic.

Among others who saw the "Gold King" at the Park Theatre last night was a young man of fair complexion, blue-eyed and neatly dressed, who, after taking several glasses of wine at the bar, went up stairs and took the right prospecting box. In the play, toward the close of the second act is the cue for Hector, the New Foundland dog, to spring from behind the scenes upon W. T. Thompson, the villain of the play, and apparently choke him to death as the curtain goes down. Accordingly, at the appointed time, a large, dark object was seen to launch itself forward and settle with a growl upon the shoulder of the villain. The two fell to the stage, and the seeming struggle with death began. Just at this moment the young man in the prospecting box leaned forward out of the box and pointing a pistol toward the man and dog, not twenty feet away, fired. The audience rose as one man and made a rush for the street. They thought a tragedy was being enacted. The young man dashed out of the box and ran down stairs. A moment later he was collared. Search revealed the pistol, a thirty-eight calibre. In explanation of the shooting he said that he thought that the dog was killing the man, and he wanted to save the latter. He was put behind the bars. The bullet, which lodged in the scenery could not have missed Mr. Thompson by over a foot.—Nashville Banner.

The Field of Honor.

New Orleans, February 6.—A duel took place in the suburbs of Plaquemine this state, this morning between William Smith and Ben Anselm, two very prominent young men in Plaquemine society, both of excellent families, in which the former was seriously wounded. The difficulty arose out of the breaking off of the engagement between Smith and Miss Marie Anselm, sister of the other principal in the duel. The two young people had been engaged for some time, and were very devoted to each other. A recent affair, however, greatly to the discredit of Smith, induced the parents of the young lady to break off the engagement. Smith revenged himself by speaking against the young lady. Her brother came to her rescue, and the two principals met in the neighborhood of Plaquemine. Revolvers of thirty-two caliber were used, and four shots were fired. Smith received three wounds, one in the frontal bone, one in the forearm and above the right kidney. Young Anselm, who was unhurt, immediately surrendered to the authorities.

The terrible effects of the late cold spell in the east will do much to encourage immigration to this land of perpetual sunshine.

Eighteen persons are known to have been frozen to death in Kansas during the late storm. At Dodge city two young ladies were frozen to death, while passing from their own house to another, on the same street, and two men in a stable were unable to reach their residence, fifty yards away, having had good prospects of a verdict against him. Such lecherous, lustful wretches as old Baldwin should be shown no mercy by court or jury.

There is a lawyer in Boston who is the habit at times of addressing individual jurymen when inattentive or restless, and sometimes his argument ad hominem is effective.

Some time ago he was trying a case against a street railway company, and there was an old sailor on the jury who seemed to give no heed to what either counsel said. The lawyer made his most eloquent appeals, but all in vain. Finally he stepped in front of the sailor and said: "Mr. Jurymen, I will tell you just how this happened. The plaintiff was in command of the outward-bound open car and stood in her starboard channel. Along came the inward-bound close car, and just as their bows met she jumped the track, sheered to port and knocked the plaintiff off and run over him." The sailor was all attention after this version of the affair and joined in a \$5,000 verdict for the injured man.—Detroit Free Press.

According to the signal service all of the cold waves traced out appeared first at Helena, M. T. except five, which were felt at Bismarck, D. T., before being felt at Helena.

They have their origin in the vast regions of ice and snow near the Arctic circle, far to the north of the observing stations. It often happens that a cold wave sets in from the extreme northwest, and upon reaching the Mississippi valley divides, a part going northeast to the lower lake region, and the other part southward to the gulf states; in either case the intensity appears to be greatly diminished. This action seems generally to be due to the sudden development of a storm somewhere in the Missouri valley. Another frequent feature is that after a cold wave commences the temperature continues to fall in the northwest, and another wave is for me; ely distinct from the first from which it becomes separated by a warm wave; the warm wave is only a narrow belt, but the cold waves are perfectly distinct.

This is the situation at Columbus in a nutshell:

1. Lieutenant Governor Kennedy, the presiding officer of the Senate has decided that the four Democrats from Hamilton County whose seats are in contest, cannot vote on questions relating to the contest. The Democrats, to prevent an investigation in open Senate, put forward the absurd claim that Hamilton County members may sit in judgement on their own cases. 2. The Republicans are making a fight for the investigation of the Hamilton County frauds in open Senate, where advantage can be taken of no one, and where the truth must come out. The Democrats are fighting to prevent this, not to save the Hamilton County Senators, but to save their party from exposure.

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Editorial and Miscellaneous Items.

The Salisbury cabinet was of very brief duration.

Glendon was been summoned by the Queen to form a cabinet.

Mexico wants Geronimo turned over to that government when captured.

At a recent charity fair in Berlin the Crown Princess of Germany sold small sausages at \$15 apiece.

Lieutenant Commander M. Cuts, of the United States Navy, died of hemorrhage recently in San Francisco.

Donald McLenan, an old resident of San Francisco and prominently identified with his manufacturing interests, died recently, aged 68 years.

The department of State has directed investigation to be made of the circumstances attending the killing of Captain Crawford on the 11th inst. by Mexican troops.

Mrs. M. E. De Grer, of Scott City, Kas., has pre-empted land, founded several towns, built several hotels, and established several paying newspapers in Kansas.

It is reported in Washington that \$700,000 has been subscribed by the Bell telephone interest to drive Lamar and Garland out and down Cleveland's administration.

A 12-year old daughter of John Spitzer, of Pocahontas county, West Virginia, died last week, the blood flowing from the cavity of a tooth pulled by herself.

A Virginia democrat, not satisfied with being accused of two felonies, two straw bonds, two wives—who were sisters—and nineteen children, has eloped with a young girl.

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Beef lard,	15 "	Large ribs and loin chops,	12 "
Beef pump and round,	10 "	Lamb shoulder and leg,	15 "
Beef brisket,	12 "	Pork by choice in quarters,	12 "
Beef prime butting,	10 "	Pork ribs,	12 "
Beef prime tri-tips and porter,	10 "	Pork sausage,	12 "
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