

It is related that recently one of the New
York aldermen had an idea York aldermen had an idea. Moved by its
rarity, he hastened to lay it before his brother Solons. "Gentlemen," he said, "I think it would add to the beauty of Central Park if
we were to import some gondolas-say a We were to import some gondolas--say a
dozen-and place them on the lake." The
idea was faverably recived by all but one. idea was favorably received by all but one.
He was the economist of tbe board, and in
his veins ran the blood of Iribh king. iHe
rose. "Gintemen," he remarked, "the idea
roin is a good wan, but 1 wud make an amind-
mint. Why should we by twelve of thim?
It wud be a useless expense. tion that we buy two of thim-a m male and
female emale wan.
take her course.,

## Mysteries of mining.

"I don't see what they want to salt a claim underatand how they do it.'
"Well, you see, a hot season like this they
have to salt the claims lots of times to keep it. A fresh claim is good enough for a ten thing but a pickled claim. You know asery claim has quartz. Some more snd some less. You find out how many quartz there are and then put in so many pounds of salt
to the quart. Wildcat claims require more salt, because the wildeat will spouire quicker than anything else. Sametch a sucker, too, and you hame to put him in in brine pretty plenty or
you will lose him. That's one reason why you will lose him. That's one reason why
they salt a claim. Then again you often
 boys hang their grub on so they can carry in Lots of mining men have been knocked cold y a blow from a grubstake. What I want-
ed to say, though, was this : You will probabyy, though, was this: You wirst free milling poverty,
vith indications of something else you will not doubt of strike beding else. Ther or a true
fissure gopher bole, with traces of disap pointment. That's the time trace op of in your
salt. You can ahoot it into the shaft with double-barreled shot-gun, or wet it and apply
it with a white-wash brush. If people turn p their noses at your claim and call it snide

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 bu uefiuto him as long as he iive. Rotracted
Mr. Maguire, of a Kansas town, was elect ed constable, and the local paper which opposed him sid. "Mr. Magure will wseh
himasel before he ossumes the ofice of con. table." The notice maddened Maguire an be called on the editor to oxplisin. ""Ou ob
ject to that statement ?" asked the editor. "I do," replind Maguire. "Very well, I' in his paper that he wished to retract bis an
nouncement that Mr. Maguire would was himeelf before assuming office, as Mr. Ma
guire denied he statement and oven that re
retraction didn't satisf Magure, but ingea retraction didn't satisfy Maguire, but instead
ncreased his wrath. Some men are hard to

FIOATHn-
FLOATING FANOIES.
Asthetic Bosto
"Ignorancc"" writes
the fominine of butter
The number of verses written on the deat of President Garfield is as remarkable a their general lack of merit.
Two hundred and forty-one Boston $f$ males are registered as voters th
about half the number of last year.
New York Enterprise:-The picture of Kelakanas daughter, published in an illus
trated paper, when the royal gemman has no
There are places in the Gulf of Mexico six miles deep, yet not a paper in all the broad
has suggested that that would be a good place to anchor Guiteau.
The small boy who swapped off his sled for a jack-knife and a base-ball last Spring found outside of a hospital.
A Chicago writer, wishing to be as helpful as possible to the new administration, earn-
estly advises the President to take off thos estly advises the President to take on
side whiskers and give us a goate. A very enthusiastic meeting of the Wo man's Suffrage Party took place last week in
Irving Hall.
Five cartloads of hairpins wer taken the next day from the building.
The forty-seren whiskey sellers of Alask are to hare a representative in congress.
The next step will be a movement to admit the ice-berg to the Union with a coupleo
senators.
If the Italian Government would only mis take Ex-Senator Conkling and John Kelly
for Sicilian brigands, and demand their extradition! The Stalwart an.
cancies could soon be filled.
"An æsthetic discourse," said the Lady A thea to her husband as they rode home from
chureh. "Right jou are," non-who had found a soft place on the pew
rail for the repose of his lordly head-"it
In that stronghold of civil and religiou newspaper has been fined fifty marks for ac cusing a Police Commissioner of neglecting
his duty. If this were always done here, the his duty. If this were always done here, the
income of the city would be so large that income of the city would be so large that
taxes could be entirely done away with. "De banjo-yum! If you want my do
-my hoss-my house an' lot, play me banjo an' beep time wid yer fut. I, spect de
music of angelic harps am sweet an' soft an dreamy; but if dey want to keep us cull'
olks satisfied up dar, a leelle mo banjo on leetle less harp am de fust prescription." ing discorered North America long befor Columbus dreamt of crossing the Atlantic. Americanista Congress at Marria. Judging
by the population of New Yerk, we don't see how anybo.
for a moment.
A Deadrood minister, says the Detroit Free Press, recently preached three sermons, led the Sunday School, acted as referee at a
prize ifight, traded shot-guns, licked a deacon tor snoring through service, and married
three couple, allin one das. And yet some
of our eastern ministers, who preach two sermons
worked.

Good Templars.
The fourtenth annual session of the Grand Lodge, I. O. G. T., of Montana, held at
Sheridan last week and the following officers Sheridan last week and the following officer
dected for the ensuing year: G. W. C. T.-Thomas T. Taylor, of
Sheridan.
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