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#### THE POSTAL CURRENCY.

The New York Bulletin shows the folly of the proposed substitution of silver coin for postal currency. It contends that the purchases of silver by the U. S. Treasury for that purpose have undoubtedly greatly contributed to the monetary crisis in California, and to the present scarcity of gold. It says that every dollar of silver purchased by the U. S. Treasury would otherwise have been exported to Europe in the place of gold. The equivalent amount in gold has had to be shipped from California to the Atlantic States in liquidation of purchases from the latter section, and the Atlantic States have had to ship gold to Europe in the place of silver to liquidate our indebtedness to Europe. The Bulletin asks: "What benefit has the community derived from those purchases of silver by the U. S. Treasury to compensate the loss and inconvenience. caused by the derangement they have produced in our financial affairs," and answers: "None whatever. The silver purchased, coined and uncoined lies idle in the U. S. Treasury; and when issued will no doubt immediately disappear from circulation, either and reap for themselves the profits of to be hoarded or to be exported to this rich harvest." Europe; and we shall have nothing in circulation to replace the postal

of their hard earnings, at the present tance. Let us have the factories. inconvenient moment, the interest on | The full benefit of them will accrue the debt created to purchase silver, at the same time that they will be deprived of the small currency required to effect their daily purchases of the necessaries of life."

Speaking of this effort to substitute small silver for small paper-a miniature prelude to specie payments, and as small a humbing in its way as that would be great-Gov. Hendricks in against Convention, 100,654. Mshis late speech at Zanesville, Ohio, said: "The direct effect is to increase our interest-bearing debt about forty in other elections. In 1872, Merri millions. In other words, it is the conversion of a domestic debt, which bears no interest, into a foreign debt bearing interest. Silver coin when so issued, will not be a legal tender beyond \$5. Its depreciation below gold will be nearly, if not quite, as great as that of the currency which it is to displace."

There are many financial fallacies affoat in the land, but the greatest are those set agoing by the Administration at Washington. Every move is to contract the currency whose volume is already disastrously small. The statesmanship at Washington is hand-to-mouth, and half the time the hand is paralyzed and hopelessly

A NEW THING IN INSURANCE. BIRD AND GASTON.

New York has developed something, which it claims to be new in the insurance line. As it is the duty of the journalist as far as it is expededient to inform his readers of all new "kinks" of whatever kind that are of engaging and general interest, we presume there can be no harm in explaining this new system of insurance in a few words, neither approving nor condemning it. This article is neither advertisement nor puff, for we know nothing more of the parties in interest than their names, and care less than the mass of mankind do for the details of the transit of Venus. We wouldn't puff 'em if we could, and we couldn't if we would, without building on less than the baseles fabric of a vision.

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This new company or society propose in the first place, to keep separate the two components which now make up the fixed annual premium of life insurance—the insurance rate proper and the trust deposit against the increasing risk-and the latter factor will be recoverable by the policy holder at any time when he wishes to terminate the insurance. Or if at any time circumstances prevent the payment of the annual premium, it will be met by the accumulations of the deposit factor as long as possible. The policy holder, if compelled to surrender his policy, is thus secured from the loss or confiscation of the trust deposits he has paid. He has had the insurance during the time he has paid for it, at the rate proper for his then term of life, all the rest of his payments he recovers when he retires. It appears that he pays as he goes, gets what he pays for, and stops without entire loss when he pleases. Another feature is the disuse of agents and commissions, by which they hope greatly to reduce the expenses of insurance.

It remains to be seen how the new thing will work. If there are weak points they will be be vigorously shown up, doubtless.

## COTTON MANUFACTURES.

The Raleigh News, writing upon the good beginning made by the cotton factory in this city, says that "it is inevitable that the manufacture of the coarser qualities, at least, of cotton fabrics, must be carried on at the South. The margin of profit to the northern or foreign manufacturers has become so narrow under the effect of competition, as to compel them to come to the cotton fields to save the expense of transportation, of insurance, of commissions, of damage by handling, and all the causes which add to cost. They must come to the section where the cotton is hauled at once from the field to the factory, where labor is cheap and expenses of living small, and where the climate enables machinery to run all the year with a small expense of artificial heat. Or better still, the Southern people must do these things themselves, invest their own capital,

These are good words. Let them be heeded. As far as is possible currency that will be withdrawn and there should be formed companies composed of our own people. But "The people will have to pay out this is not a matter of great importo the South.

# THE STATE VOTE.

The Radicals claim to have carried the State by 15,000 majority against Convention on the popular vote. The truth is they did not get half of that, as this statement will show: For Convention, 94,453 jority against Convention, 8,201.

Let us compare this vote with that mon, the Conservative candidate for Governor, received 98,731. The Conservative vote in the Congressional campaign of 1874 was 109.318-ap unsually full one. The Radicals carried the State in 1872 for Caldwell. getting a vote of 98,630.

It will be seen that while the Conservative vote has fallen off several thousands, the Radicals have not made proportional gains. With earnest work, North Carolina can be carried by the Conservative party here-

A fearful war is raging between the country press of Kentucky and the vivacious Louisville CourierWILMINGTON, N. C., FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 1875.

Will the Liberals combine with the Democrate and other reformers and re-elect Goy. Gaston? is the question one often hears. It was a very queer freak of old Massachusetts, with her 70,000 Republican majority. to elect a Democratic Governor at the last election. But she doesn't seem to be one bit dissatisfied with her action. It is even intimated that she may "do so again" this fall. The leader of the Liberals is Hon. F. W. Bird, who is a friend of Gaston and personally in favor of continued union with the Democracy. The Republicans are worried because they cannot find a man strong enough to beat Gaston. The philosophical Springfield Republican argues that only Charles Francis Adams can "save the State." As for that, the Republican thinks Adams is the only savior possible for the country. The Liberal Republicans will soon issue an address, and as Bird is on the Committee to prepare it, and will probably draw it up, there is little danger of the Democrats losing their powerful allies

#### MISSISSIPPI.

It appears from the latest dispatches received at Washington from Mississippi that Gov. Ames is lemling himself undoubtedly to the outrage grinders. The Sheriff of Hinds county telegraphs that matters are quiet in that county, that the civil officers can execute all process and that citizens are ready to aid whenever it may be necessary. Mr. George, the Chairman of the State Democratic Committee, says about the same of the whole State.

#### PAILURE OF AN EXPERIMENT.

The scheme to transport peaches in large quantity from this country to Europe seems to have proven a failure, They rotted before they reached Liverpool. The ice was all used up in three days after the steamer sailed The fruit kept for four days more, but were utterly worthless when the vessel arrived at Liverpool. It is thought that peaches cannot be delivered over there in good condition, profitably, for an increase of the supply of ice would too greatly advance the expense of shipment.

# DETERMINED.

An Independent contemporary says: "North and South, East and West, on the Atlantic and on the shores of the Pacific, the body of the Opposition are united in thought and purpose upon the broad principle of reform in the Government; and they mean to achieve it in spite of all the obstacles that may be interposed, or the treachery which may beset their path. They may differ as to the methods of reaching this goal, but with an earnest resolution to go by the best road, there need be no dissension on the way."

PENNSYLVANIA POLITICS. Yesterday, the Pennsylvania Democratic Convention nominated Cyrus Pershing for Governor. Judge Pershing was not considered one of the leading candidates. It was thought his friends would combine with Bigler's. His nomination is probably a half victory for the Bigler faction. A platform condemning hasty return to specie payments and favoring abolition of National Banks was

# A PREDICTION.

In his speech at De Soto, Hon. Jefferson Davis predicted that the time would soon come when fleets of iron barges would float down the mighty Mississippilbearing a commerce greater than that of the whole world. Mr. Davis also urged the necessity of direct trade with Europe.

The Convention has secured good Secretaries in the persons of Messrs. Jones and Hardy Johnstone Jones. Esq., is one of the editors of the Raleigh Sentinel. Col. Wash, M. Hardy, of Buncombe, has heretofore performed excellent service in a clerical capacity in the Legislature. These gentlemen were the nominees of the Conservative caucus.

Fashionable women, so fashion gossips in Paris say, are going extensively this fall into the menagerie and museum business. Lions, tigers, panthers and "sich" are to be aprinkled recklessly over exquisite brocades, and even heralding and bieroglyphics have been drawn

HARMONIOUS.

The harmony in the Constitutional Convention is something remarkable when we remember how close the respective parties are in numbers, and the exciting nature of the opening scenes. The leaders of both political organizations are men of ability who know that nothing is made by precipitancy and indulgence in rash humors, and that the interests of their party friends as well as those of the State at large are best served the exercise of discretion. There is every indication that the work of the Convention will progress in harmony. The Republicans will move to adjourn day after day-a harmless amusement which they fondly imagine will commend them to their constituents for consistency. The Conservatives will quietly proceed under good leadership to make a number of amendments which they deem necessary. The exciting time will come when the work of the Convention is submitted to the people for ratification. As we have before remarked, the Convention is under the control of some of the ablest of the Conservative leaders. No abler body has assembled in the State in

### BALTIMORE TRADE OUTLOOK.

forty years.

The Baltimore Gazette has been interviewing the merchants of that city on the business prospect for this fall. It says that "the outlook for the fall trade is far from discouraging and merchants are generally hopeful. The manufacturing interests of the country are slowly improving. Stocks if manufactured goods in the hands of dealers are not large, and it is believed that a large distribution of these goods will take place during the autumn. The least depression exists in those lines of industry which furnish articles for domestic consumption. No general revival of industry can be expected until the stock of manufactured goods in the hands of distributors and producers is reduced to a minimum. The greatest stagnation still exists in the iron trade and what may be called collateral indus-

The views of leading merchants of Baltimore, in constant communication with all parts of the South, indicate that the cotton and cereal crops are universally large, and it is believed that, on this account, the Southern trade for the present season, will be healthier than for several years.

The Atlanta Herald prints a story about Gen. Joseph E. Johnston, from what it considers reliable authority, showing that the ex-Confederate hero has been appointed to the position of commander-in-chief of the Egyptian forces, and that he has accepted. The Herald goes on to give the financial particulars. General Johnston is to receive \$100,000 with which to prepare himself an outfit Then he is to receive a pay of \$25, 000 annually. The Herald says that he has been tendered this position three times. The whole story is highly improbable.

In pleasing contrast with its late emiticism upon Mr. Davis is the folowing from the New York Tribune: Mr. Jefferson Davis, as an orator, seems to have made a pleasing impression upon the people of Missouri, to whom he has spoken by invitation. The address deliver-ed by him in De Soto yesterday, of which an abstract is given in another column, is to be commended for its fraternal and hope-ful tone, as well as for the good taste displayed in avoidance of those topics which must have pressed most forcibly, under the circumstances, upon the minds of both speaker and audience; while the reflections and suggestions in regard to the development of the Mississippi Valley are interest ing as the ripe thoughts of one who has given the subject intelligent and careful

There is every reason to believe that the eent insurrection scare in Georgia was got up by designing white men, in the hope of finding excuse for a massacre of the blacks. For some reason the scheme failed, but no one can say how soon it may be re-vived successfully, — Troy Times, Radical.

This shows such a conspicuously regardful sense of truth we are astonished Ames has not given the writer employment in writing up that new rebellion in Mississippi which is counted upon to snatch Ohio from the devouring Democrats.

he Weather. We learn from parties from Masonboro' that a heavy gale of wind commenced there at about 124 o'clock Friday night and lasting until 4 o'clock in the morning. The wind was from the northeast and the charge

n temperature was so rapid and striking

that quilts and blankets were brought into

almost immediate requisition. In this city quite vivid lightning in the north and northeast as early as 10 or 11 o'clock presaged the approaching change, which, however, was not accompanied with high wind. Yesterday the weather was decidedly cool and threatening, with occasional light rains.

The Rantenkerous Bads. After the usual amount of baranguing the Republican meeting, held at the City Hall last evening passed resolutions re commending Jasper Bishop as its choice for County Commissioner in place of James Wilson, resigned. Col. Duncan Holmes eems to have been "no whar" in this pre liminary race, and we hear the Knight of the Thundering Lungs took one of his pe culiarly brilliant oratorical flights, during which he inveighed against the cruel fate that so remorselessly nipped his aspiration in the bud. Moreover, he said he'd be durned of he'd stand it; it was a put-up job of Bill Moore's and Jim Heaton's, and he'd see who was the heavy coon in the Repub-

lican party. Is it possible that the K. of the T. L. cannot get a fat office from the Riproarious Rastankerous Radical Republican Ringtailed Rousers ? ...... band about 1

The following prices ruled yesterday:

#### Wilmington Retail Market.

Apples, (dried) 121 cents per pound; dried peaches 25c per pound; walnuts, 25 cents per peck; pickles, 20 cents per dozen: lard, 18 cents per pound; butter, 30@40 cents per pound; cheese, 25 cents per pound; grown fowls 75@80 a pair; geese \$1 50 per pair; beef 10@16%c. per pound; beef, (corn (d) 121@15c. per pound; veal, 121@16ic. per pound; mutton, 121@161 cts. per pound; ham, 18@20 cts. per pound; shoulders, 124@ 14 cents per pound; tripe, 20 cts. per bunch; clams, 25 cents a peck; open clams, 20@25 cts a quart; soup bunch, 5 cts.; eggs, 25@30 cents. a doz; sturgeon, 25 cts. a chunk (5 lbs); potaloes, new Irish, 40c a peck; new sweet 40 cents'a peck; fish-trout 25c. per bunch; mulles 10@25 cents per bunch; turnips, 10 cents a bunch; onions, 50 cents peck; cabbages 10@25 cents head; bologna 20 cents a pound; wild ducks 50@75 cents a pair; radishes, parcley, 5 cents a bunch; onions, 50 cents a peca; carrots, 5 cents a pound; rice, 124 cts. a quart; snap beans 20c a peck; souashes. 20 cents a doz; cucumbers, 10@15 cts a doz. green corn 30c a doz; tomatoes 10c a quart; okra, 5 cents a dozen; cantaloupes, 10@15 cents; watermelons, 15@30 cents; shrimps 20c a quart; crabs 15c a dozon; grapes 30@ 40c per peck.

#### Probably Confirmed.

The many friends of Gen. R. E. Colston will regret to learn that the first report which appeared in this paper, based on a paragraph in the New York Railroad Gazette, which report was afterwards contradicted at the request of a member of the family for reasons which appeared to be satisfactory, has now been most probably confirmed. It appears that this gentleman wrote to the editor of the Gazette for the information upon which the paragraph alluded to was grounded, and received in return a copy of the original letter from Egypt, received at the office of the Gazette, which stated that Gen. Colston was then completely paralyzed and in a dying condition, having been conveyed for some distance on a litter; that death would be a welcome relief to him, &c., and that the expedition was then awaiting the arrival of Maj. Prout, who was to succeed him in com-

We learn that a cable telegram, requesting positive information on the subject, will be dispatched to Egypt.

New City Paper. Messrs. Josh T. James and Charles A. Price will commence the publication in this city on or about October 1 of an afternoon paper to be styled the Evening Review. It will be published every day except Sunday, and will contain fresh news reports both general and local. Mr. James, who has had considerable experience as local reporter, will have charge of the City department. Mr. Price will be Business Manager. These gentlemen have the capacity to make the Evening Review a remunerative and opular enterprise, and in their efforts should have the good wishes and active cooperation of the citizens of Wilmington.

For other particulars concerning the new paper read the announcement of the publishers, in another column.

# The Cotton Compress-Trial of the

Press Yesterday. The Cotton Press, which has been erected for the Wilmington Compress and Warehouse Company, by the Delamatic Iron Works, of New York, was worked yesterday and the first bale of cotton submitted to its embrace. A 500 pound bale was compressed to a density of 35 pounds to the cubic foot. This is regarded by experts as extraordinary close pressing, especially with a new machine. The Company wil be ready for business in about ten days, when the builders of the press promise to load more pounds of cotton into the same space of vessel than has ever been accomplished in the United States.

wo tubular boilers intended to work with 140 pounds to the square inch, which will give a pressure of 1,700 tons upon each bale, and to resist this enormous pressure there is 100 tons of cast and wrought iron. The facilities now afforded by the Compress Company for handling our great staple cannot be excelled on the Atlantic

Couon will be delivered by the Wilmington, Columbia and Augusta, Carolina Central and Weldon Roads, at the warehouse of the Company and from thence loaded for either foreign or coastwise shipment at their wharves T Company times ti

More new amendments were introduced in the Constitutional Convention yesterday. Most of the amendments so far introduced will not do. The Convention should "go slow" and keep a "weather eye."

# RANDOLPH AND CLOPTON.

John Randolph's Religious Services Two Nevel Scenes in Church. [From the Co-operative News.]

Mr. Randolph was a great Bible reader, and was deeply concerned with religious subjects. He employed an excellent and eloquent man Mr. Abner Clopton, to preach every Sunday to his negroes in a large chapel he had erected on his plants tion. When at home he invariably attended these survices taking his seat by the preacher on the large open platform from which the services were conducted. On many occasions while kneeling beside the preacher, who was prone to be carried away by the fervor of the prayer, Randolph would slap him on the back and call out loudly, "Clopton, that won't do; that's not sound doctrine. Clopton take that back," and if Clopton remonstrated, Randelph, though keeping himself on his knees, was ready at once for an argument to maintain his point. No one but Mr. Clopton, who know the eccentricity and honest motives of the man, could have borne with these irreverent interruptions while in the midst of prayer, but Mr. Clopton, when he found Raldolph determined to argue the point, either gracefully yielded or proposed to note the point and argue it at the dwelling house. To visitors at the chapel, and they were many these scenes were exceedingly curious, and sometimes absurdly ludicrous. But that was Mr. Randolph's

It is said that on one cold Sunday this chapel on Mr. Randolph's plantation, while giving out the hymn in the old-fashioned way, two lines at a time, and it was being lustily sung by the negroes, Mr. Clopton, the preacher, observed a negro man put his foot, upon which was a new brogan, on the hot stove. Turning toward him, he said in his measured voice, "You rascal you, you'll burn your shoes." As this was a rhyme of the exact meter of the the squirrel must have been shot on the hymn, the negroes all sung it in their loudest tones. Smiling at the error, the preacher attempted mildly to explain by saying, 'My colored friends, indeed you are wrong; I didn't intend that for the song," there it was in again, another rhyme in good in good measure, so the negroes sung that too in pious fervor. Turning to his congregation, the preacher said somewhat sharply, "I hope you will not sing again until I have had time to explain;" but this only aroused the negroes, who sang the last words with increased yigor.

Mr. Clopton, feeling that his tongue seemed to be turned to rhyme, abandoned all efforts at explanation and went on with his services.

#### Torpedo Experiments. The experiments carried on at the

torpedo station at Newport, R. I., last week, were witnessed by the Secretary of the Navy and a large number of naval officers. The experiments were unusually successful, the most interesting being the blowing up of a hulk by torpedoes projected from the torpedo boats Alarm and Nina. On Friday Secretary Robeson took command of the Aarm in person, and the signal being given the ship proceeded slowly. She did not run at the hulk under full speed, inasmuch as the power of her ram was unquestioned, and it was only intended to show the working of the bow torpedo. The torpedo was planted well, and immediately exploded, throwing up a mass of water and splinters about twenty feet; the hulk was completely demolished, and the Alarm running through the crater, turned short around and fired her 15-inch gun into the wreck, following it up with a rattling discharge from the Gatlings. A signal was immediately made to the Nina to charge, and swinging out one boom torpedo she rushed past at full speed, singled out a large piece of the hull and exploded her torpedo directly under it. Continuing a short distance, she turned with the intention of putting her other torpedo under anything large enough to shoot at, but was obliged to stop and wait until several, eager boats had been driven away from the vicinity. As soon as all was clear she came down a second time and blew the last floating raft of the hulk into atoms. The Alarm then ran down and fired her three torpedoes in rapid succession. The effect was very fine, the spouts rising high over the ship, and looking as if they would wamp here Hendecks were deluged with water but this cleared itself in a few moments. Another volley from the Gatlings followed, turning the a sheet of foam as the balls crowded down in rapid succession. 2014 91

Pull-Back Pantaloons. Pull-back pantaloons are the latest novelty in Boston. They brace a man up so that he cannot fall down if he wants to, and they supply a want that has long been felt by the tippling fraternity by preventing a man from doing the rail-fence specialty on his way home in the morning. The first man to wear a pair of them had an encounter with a banana peel, and although the treacherous fruit followed him for half a block, it could do no more than cause him to sway a little, and had finally to retire in dis-

The Prismoidal or one-rail railroad completed from Houston to San Antonio, Texas, is now open for traffic. Japan is building one of the same kind that will be 500 miles long.

# Spirits Turpentine

- A Franklin county man killed - The Davidson blackberry trade

Mr. Flynn Bradshaw, of Rowan ounty, died suddenly last Tuesday.

— Friday week the dwelling house Thos. Gilliam, in Windsor, was burned. - There is a large revival going on in the Methodist Church at Cary. - Dr. Ransom, the President of

tie Convention, was serenaded in Raleigh Wednesday evening. - Ike Young says Orange is a poor county for a Republican to go to elec-tioneer. He has tried it.

- Mr. Pool will issue his Newbern Journal of Commerce daily, from next month, says the Goldsboro Messenger.

- Jumping from a buggy on the th inst. Miss Pattie Davis, of Warren county, had her arm dislocated. - We regret that our young con-temporary Mr. James A. Williams, of the

- The Mil session of the Wilson

College opens the 4th day of October. We are giad to learn that the prospects are en-- The Mail informs us that a young man named Guthridge, while fishing near Hilliardston, Nash county, the other day, was drowned in a small branch. He

was subject to fits. - Barrier's Mill, Mt. Pleasant, Cabarrus county, was burned last week A arge quantity of grain was destroyed. A negro Sandy Barrier, has been arrested, says the Register, charged with the crime.

- Mr. Cyrus Timments, of Char lotte, was dongerously shot at L. control two or three days since by John Channel who had an old grudge against linearous'

- Goldsboro Messenger: The rust and rot has greatly damaged the crops in this section. Cotton is opening very fast, From all reports it is hardly probable that an average crop will be made.

- The Raleigh Sentinel understands that Rev. Dr. Atkinson, late pastor of the Presbyterian church of that city, has been appointed Chaplain of the United States garrison there, with the pay of cap-

- The Tarboro Southerner learns hat a little son of Mr. Jno. F. Ward, while wrestling with a son of Mr. J. W. Lipscomb's on last Sunday evening, was thrown and fell upon one of his arms and shattered

it very badly. - Toisnot Transcript: Mr. Jack son Lassiter, who lives near this place, while out hunting the other day, shot at a squirrel and killed two very fine turtles, which he had not seen before he shot. We presume

- Windsor Times : Charles Bond. the colored man who was shot about ten days ago, died last Saturday evening. The coroner held an inquest on Monday, and the jury returned a verdict to the effect that the deceased was murdered by Antony

- The Meros says: Richard G. Sneed was chosen Sheriff of Granville by the Board of Commissioners on the 7th inst., in place of James L. Moore. Mr. Enced is member of the N. C. Senate and will surrender his Senatorial robes for the more lucrative office of Sheriff.

- The Observer says that while attempting to jump on the train as it moved from the depot at Danville a few days ago, a negro fireman of a freight train on the Piedmont Air Line Railroad, named Aaron Morrison, fell between the cars and was crushed in such a manner as to pro-

duce death in about half an hour. - Hon. Matt Carpenter writes to Gen. Clingman: I have just received and read with infinite delight, your address at the University of the South, August the 5th. If you sent it, I thank you for that; if not, I thank you for having made it, so some other person could send it. I will not say it is eloquent, for small men claim to be eloquent; but it is grand. After finishing it, I felt as I often have in reading some splendid passages in Shakspeare. I wished could imprison you in the theme, and make you do so more.

# STAR DUST.

- Barnum pays his new balloonist 200 per day.

- Shaggy overcoats, it is said, vill be popular this winter.

- Brown, the mind reader, found Vestervelt an inscrutable subject. - Indiana has now 2,032 Grange odges, and is one ahead of Missouria

French army officers can't wed. inless the bride has \$240 a year of her own. - The Amoskeag manufacturing company of Manchester, N. H., employs

4,000 men. val. lijan 1896 - John G. Whittier, although 67 years of ago, is still as lithe and erect as an Arab chieftain.

- Tennyson is to write some new scenes for the acting version of his drama 'Queen Mary.'

- "The latest dead issue in New York politics" is what the Springfield Reublican calls ex-Speaker McGuire.

— The man who writes the funny things for the Detroit Free Press also writes the humorous paragraphs for the Vicksbug Melton, the Regent street hat-

ter in London, announces himself as "by appointment hatter to His Excellency the President of the United States." - Lydia Thompson's troupe, now performing in England, is made up almost

entirely of American girls; among the number is Ella Chapman, mod w saviw bus The severe and dangerous oper-

ation performed on Clara Morris for curvature of the spine will emable the distinguished actress to resume her dramatic — The Conservative Churchman is the title of a Protestant Episcopal journal commenced in Baltimore, edited by Rev. Campbell Fair and published by Wm. P. Hamilton.

A new name was given at the recent meeting of the British Association at Edinburg, to an old and well known discase. "Emotional aphasis," said a learned professor, "is a disease which the patient, whenever he opens his mouth, speaks only

— General C. P. Buckingham, who was on special duty at the War Department at the time General McClellan was removed from command of the army of the Potomac, has written a letter to the Chicago Tribune contradicting statements made in the account of that transaction given by the Count of Paris.

Harper's Weekly thus pro-

nonnces against Grant as a candidate: "In every point of view, therefore, with perfect remembrance of the President's past services." remembrance of the President's past services and the most grataful respect for them, he seems to us unquestionably the weakers and not the strongest Republican