administration bys past. For administration by past. For Washington and who Belonged to a farty years no other man has held the Fire Company in 1779. highest and most powerful position in Michael Edwards, Sr., of Mounds this country for so long a time. The ville, Pa., is now in his one hundred has ever been possessed of, so great vide, a few days ago, a correspondent power for so many years. What use had a short interview with the old has Grant made of his eminent posi-gentieman. It was something to look tion? The question answers it of when we point to the fact that there is not to the 17th of August, 1767, and hear a single department of government of in tell of seeing General Washington which has remained untainted—under his administration. Paring the last yet the Father of his Country had two years five men.' ers of his cabinet have retired from their places, every one of them going out disgraced either when the news of the Declaration of by gross income tency, or gross cor Indep to base was brought to York raption. Even now there is at least Pa., where he then lived. He rememone member in the cabinet whose included hearing Washington make a tegrity is questioned. This seventh short speech in York, after the war, in year of Grant has witnessed the re which, among other, things, he said tirement of Williams, Delano and there was likely to be another war in Beikmap. Of these the first two were the future, a war, caused by office. known as incapable and corrupt office seekers, that would be worse than the cers long before the President consent-Revolution. He east his first vote ed to let them go. Toth withdrew in for Washington for President, and the intervening period between the voted for him both times, and after elaction and the macking of a Demos him for John Adams. He , lett cratic House of Representatives, and York in 1801 shelw-nt to Washing it may be added than both died hard, ton, Pennsylven's, where he was mar The House being in session, however ried in 1805 to Miss Eleanor Cody, a in the case of Secretary Belkimp, and dying in 1858. The family consisted the discovery of his misconduct was of four boys, all still living, the oldest swiftly followed by his restorted for of whom is now in his seventieth year. tirement. The incompetency and cor. Mr. Edwards fixed at Washington ruption of heads of departments, only indicates the prevailing rottenness of the Manufacilly, whose he have increased in Manufacilly. the entire civil service. Even the army and judiciary have been infected, smithing) until he was between eighty and the searchas connected with for and ninety years of ago. When he cign missions have largely contributed was in his ninety third year he walk. to the humiliation of the country, ed from Wheeling to Moundsville in All this would have been impossible if the first officer of the government had shown bimself to be imbued with. a high sence of official duty, resposibility and honor. Unfortunately, however, Gen. Grant has always looked upon his appointing power and patronage as a private perquisite, to be employed for personal and partisan has been to rise and retire at an early gratification. He has regarded the hour, and during the most of his life official servants of the people as if they were his own vassals, and thereby has demoralized the entire system. His administration has repelled honest and able men from the service of their country and filled public office with rogues and thieves. The chief responsibility for this disgraceful condition of public affairs, however, rests not upon a single individual, eminent. as is his position and great as his pow. er has been. It is the republican party which has permitted and enabled the president to abuse his official pow. ers and sustained him in all his shortcomings. Without such support by a Company had him charged on their reat political organization the administration of President Grant could never have been so disgraceful a fail of March, 1799," and while there the ure. But even the recent conventions Secretary, as a good joke, rendered of the party had nothing but "admira tion" and "gratitude" for President est, amounted to \$4.81. Grant. It is with such declarations in New Hampshire and Conecticut, in than old Mr. Edwards. each of which States a political campaign is now in progress. The gener. al responsibility of the party for the condition of public affairs and for its representative men in public positions is greatly increased by its base adula, lation and vile subjection to the one man who is the dispencer of the fed. eral patronage. Grantism and repub. licanism are indissolubly connected, and theirs must be a common fate The time has come when the people are about to pass judgment upon both

tual connection with the Ring, and ly enough, three of these buildings, pied by three persons whose names Boss Shepherd.

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Belknap, Babcock and Harrington were these neighbors, who sought play, and who adopted similar means for growing rich. The first is to be tried for bribery, the second escaped and the Administration, and third was saved from the penitentia-ry by a packed, and purchased ju-

The three were loyal Republicans and third termers of the most pronounced type. It shocked their particular triotism to see the South represented go to Havana and lay in an inexhaustriotism to see the South represented in Congress, especially when it contributed to a Democratic majority in the apiece, should thus wilfully, and you and of an organized system of rob'e y and rascality, which is without a pars stances tear his hair and howl.

allel in civilized government.

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[From the New York Mercity] VETERANOF THE CENTENNIAL, The seventh year of Gen. Gran's A Man Who Listened to a Speech from

> up on a man whose birth dated back reached the zenith of his great fame young men could not rival. He has seldom been severely sick in his life aithough he has never taken extra care of his health; has both chewed and smoked tobacco, and taken an ocaddicted to drink. His general habit has seldom slept after 4 in the morn ing. He comes of a long lived an be upwards of 103 years old.

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At the coming Centennial Celebra and endorsements that the republicans tion at Philadelphia there will not be ask for popular confidence and power in New Hampshire and Conecticut, in be present a few venerable men of the past like Mr. Edwards, who we s children in 1776, who may perchance remember the Fourth of July of that for eventful year, and they will be, as indeed they ought to be, among the most interesting features of the exhi

A WIFE WHO STARVED HER-

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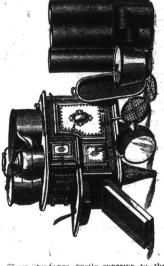
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