FRIDAY, JUNE 22, 1877.

VIEWS AND REVIEWS.

Prentiss Ingraham denies the statement of the Galveston News, that he filched a portion of his Gettysburg poem from Father Ryan. He quoted a few lines in regular form.

The Sun Francisco Stock Board has suspended operations. The wind-bag has burst. Not wenty members out of the one hundred are solvent, and seats on the board which two years ago sold for \$40,000 find no buyers to-day.

It is told that the owner of the house in which Voltaire died, the Marquis de Villette, left in his will a clause imposing upon his heirs a conditon of not opening for 400 years the windows of the room in which the philosopher breathed his last. They remained shut for 25 years only.

for the possession of certain valuable jewels Russia during her thirty years' residence in that country, and entrusted by her to the son of Vice Admiral Sir William King Hall, R. N., and pawned by him.

hands recently. The retiring editor in his valedictory says: "We were regarded as rash in attacking a man like Secretary Sherman and urging his removal. That we honestly believe his policy is ruining the country, and not since have we failed to speak plainly when we believed the public interest demanded it. I regard to Mr. Sherman, the seed we have sown is bearing good fruit, and within four months from this date he will have ceased to be a member of Mr. Hayes' Cab-

Mr. Key is engaged in an interesting correspondence with a Special Agent of the Department, an ex-Judge in Mississippi. The ex-Judge was recently ordered to investigate some petty theft out of the State, and his judicial dignity rebelled, and he wrote Key that it was understood he was to have his headquarters at Mobile, supervise the postal affairs in his State, and build up an Administration party. Key has informed him that Special Agents are expected to go anywhere, at any time, and that the Department is not engaged in building up party, but expects agents to do their duty. The Judge's reply is not yet received; but it is not expected that dighity has suffered sufficient to throw up his \$1,200

Roger C. Tichborne, son of Sir James Tichborne, embarked on the ship Bella which sailed from Rio Janeiro en April 20. 1854, and was never seen again. Thomas Castro, the Australian butcher, who is now in prison for attempting to get possession of the Tichborne estate, stated that after the Bella went down, he (the claimant) and eight of the crew were picked up. by a vessel called the Osprey (Capt. Lewis Owens or Owens Lewis) and landed at Melbourne in July, 1854 Inquiries were made at ports in North and South America and Australia, and the records were searched for traces of the Osprey, but the only vessel of that name that had arrived at Melbourne in 1854 was a small sloop, whose log had no record of the rescue. The claimant insisted vessel of a peculiar rig. A witness was found who remembered that an American vessel of that name had left Staten Island in February, 1854, but the proof was not conclusive enough to be of any service. The missing link in the testimony has never been found nor successfully forged. and the claimant's friends are searching for it still. The secretary of the Tichborne Release Association sent a letter to Giles H. Gray surveyor of customs for the port of San Francisco, asking for information of the three-masted vessel called the Osprey, bound for Melbourne, faden with mining implements and provisions, which sailed from some port in the United States early in 1854. Mr. Gray answered that the records of his office for several years, including 1854, had been destroyed. but that two or three persons in his city remembered the vessel. Two San Francisco lawyers have been advertising for the captain and crew of the Osprey, and it is now stated that the captain, whose ment buy the silver bullion at what it i name is Mitchell (not Lewis) Owens, has been found, and that the log-book of the vessel has been purchased. From the log it appears (so says numor) that the Opprey arrived at that port in 1853, and sailed early in 1854 for Melbourne; that on the 20th of April, 1854, when off the Brazilian coast, she picked up five men. who said that they were part of the crew popular demand. This process, every of the ship Bells, which had foundered in mid-ocean; and the log also shows that these men were landed at Melbourne. wonderful story this, if it be true! The ized by law will soon bring all our money log-book has not been seen by any wit- to the same value. We will then have log-book has not been seen by any witness of good standing, but Capt Owens

TRANSIT OF VENUS.

In 1875 scientific expeditions were ent out by the United States, Great Britain and several other nations to observe the transit of Venus. The cost of these expeditions is now announced as having reached the large sum of one million dollars, of which Great Britain paid two hundred thousand. The sum will seem to unscientific persons a very large amount to pay for an endeavor to ascertain the sun's distance from the earth, more particularly as astronomical science has not thereby ascertained that distance except approximately. But the sum is insignificant in comparison with the great advantage to be derived from even an approximate calculation of this problem, as on it depends the solution of much that is of vast importance to practical as well as speculative science. And there is no comparison between it and the abortive results so far of the numerous Arctic expeditions that have been made at greater cost of money and much loss of life. Some astronomers believe that the sun's with accuracy by observations on the A grand niece of Lord Nelson is suing planet Mars when in a suitable position, such observations at the island of St. making contribution towards the expense

### The Washington Daily Nation changed THE GEORGIA CONVENTION

The Augusta Chronicle says there will be less of mediocrity in the Constitutional Convention which will assemble next month than in any body that has met in Georgia since 1865, the delegates thereto being largely men who have given much of their time to public affairs and whose probity and ability have won them State and national reputations.

The following are some of the things which the Chronicle thinks the people wish and believer the Convention will se-

1. The absolute equality of all men before the law and equal political, rights ticle is Hostetter's Bitters, one of the mos for all classes and colors.

2. Such a common school system as will allow the children of every man, no matter how poor he may be, to obtain, at least, a good English education.

3. A Homestead law that will reduce the amount of the present exemption, allowed in the flush times that followed the war, that will prevent fraud in the taking of such exemption and that will -make it inalienable, so that the woman and children whom it is intended to benefit may be really protected.

4. A change in the tenure of office by which, after the expiration of the term of the present incumbent, the Governor will be elected for two years; instead of four '5. Election of all judges by the Legis-

6. Biennial session of the Legislature. 7. Prehibition af all bended indebtedness by the State except for the redemption of bonds issued previous to the as-

sembling of the Convention. 8. The adoption of such a system of government for counties, incorporated towns and cities as will limit indebtedness

#### SECRETARY SHERMAN AND THE SILVER QUESTION.

Secretary Sherman has furnished for publication his views on the silver question. He advocates the purchase of silver bullion at its commercial value, and the issue of silver coins free to all who accept that the Osprey was a large, three-masted such coin in exchange for legal-tenders. The Secretary, after discussing the "extremes" of the question on both sides,

"It is an old dispute that has periodically risen for more than two thousand years, and has always been adjusted by der the MARYLAND MEDICAL JOHRNAL, a welthe government issuing both metals as coin, and maintaining their equal value! at a fixed rate by limiting the amount it home, issues. The metal more valuable in the market than its legal ratio can be issued without limit; the metal less valuable in the market than its legal ratio must be limited in its issue, leaving the absolute! need of it to fix the amount. In our country, where we are struggling to make postage. our paper money equal to coin, we are happily in a condition to do this easily and with profit to the government. The way is to issue silver coin whenever demanded, the old silver dollar as well as the smaller coins in exchange for paper money, either for fractional currency or United States notes, and retife them. The silver coius already have superseded the body of the fractional currency, and they are a legal tender to the same extent Specialty as fractional currency. Let the governworth, and coin silver dollars and issue them freely to everybody who will surrender a paper dollar. This is a fair and voluntary exchange that robs nobody. The silver dollar cught to be received by the government and made a legal tender, precisely as the paper dollar is. In this way, perhaps, 50,000,000 of and entirely free from setting-off. silver dollars will supersede 50,000,000 of paper dollars. Some say more, some say less; but let that be determined by the

his labor or production to sell can have either kind of money, and all of the same value. If he wants current money in considerable sums he will take paper for convenience of carriage. If he wants silver for daily supplies or change, he will take silver. If he wants to buy in foreign markets he will take gold or exchange, Practically, silver and paper will be the current money, and gold the ultimate standard.

A man named Davis died at Grand Rapids, Michigan, Friday, and John Howell, an undertaker, was called to dress the corpse. He had got it shaved and partly dressed, when he asked for pay. The widow said she could not pay him just now, when Howell took out his knife, cut the drawers off the corpse and tried to cut the shirt off, cutting the arm of the dead man badly. The widow assaulted the undertaker, and in the melee the corpse was dragged on the floor.

At a sale the other day of the wardrobe of a notorious New York courtesan lately deceased, thirty-five dresses sold from \$10 to \$100, and a \$1,000 camel's distance from the earth can be obtained hair shawl only brought \$290. An elegant purple silk and velvet dress, made in the latest style, was bought by a dealer which will occur this year, and a private for \$24, and a chip hat, trimmed with given her by the Emperor and Empress of expedition is prepared in England to take lace, easily worth \$40, was secured for \$3. A fine velvet muff sold for \$3, a Helenat the Royal Astronomical Society dozen pair of four-butten gloves for \$12, a real black lace barbe for \$10 and a rich-embroidered black silk cape, trimmed with yak lace, for \$10.50. The jewelry, including diamond, pearl and amothyyst rings, solitaire diamond earrings, a diamond cross and pecklace and diamond and enyx bracelets, brought fair auction prices. On all of these there was a lively competition, the respectable women and the demi-mondaines bidding against each other vigorously.

#### A Medicine of Many Uses.

A medicine which remedies dyspersia, liver complaint, constipation, debility, intermittent and remittent fevers, prinary and uterine troubles, depurates the blood, etc. counteracts a tdendency to rheumatism and gout, and relieves nervousness, may be truly said to have many uses. Such an arreliable alteratives of a disorderly to a well ordered state of the system ever prepared or sold. It has been over a quarter of a century before the public, is chidorsed by many eminent professors of the healing art, and its merits have received repeated recognitions in the columns of leading American and foreign journals. It is highly esteemed in every part of this country, and is extensively used in South America, Mexico, the British possessions and the West Indies. If its increase in public favor in the past is to be regarded as a reliable criterion of its gain in popularity in coming years, it has indeed a plendid future before it.

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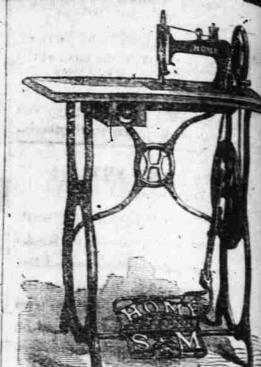
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