SATURDAY, APRIL 1, 1882.

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Senator Ransom voted against the restoration of the franking privilege to members of Congress, and he was right.

Unly three of the old poets left-Emerson, born in 1803; Whittier, in 1807; and Holmes, in 1809. May they live long, write much, and be happy.

There should be a law forbidding arctic explorers from going beyond the limits of United States territory. If they go they are sure to be lost, and a government expedition, at great expense, has to go and hunt them up.

The latest scientific curiosity inspired by Edison's electric lamp is a lady's brooch, in which a tiny incandescent spark takes the place of and outtves the brilliancy of a diamond of the purest wa

It is rumored now that the Secretary of the Navy, Hunt, will have to "step down and out," to make room for a more pronounced Stalwart barnacle. It will not be a very difficult matter to find a man of sufficient intelligence and ability to be placed at the head of the navy de- record. Both have claims which should partment, but he will have something of not be ignored. a job to find a respectable navy.

Mr. Whittier said in Boston on Satnr day that he had never been as intimate with Mr. Longfellow as he wished, but in all his relations with him, as with other American authors, there had been perfect freedom from all jealousy. His ways, Mr. Whittier says, were always cheerful, and he never lost patience. He was the foremost of American poets and only second to Tennyson.

Commodore Vanderbilt's widow will be married after the end of Lent to Dr. Nathan Bozeman, a surgeon of some reputation, in New York, and the manager of one of the large charity hospitals. It is announced, as might have been expected, that Mr. William H. Vanderbilt is not pleased with the marriage, but the young wife has already passed a long widowhood and she is entirely her own mistress as to her choice and fortune.

The reduction in taxation agreed upon by the ways and means committee cover the following items:

Capital and deposits of	
banks and bankers other than national banks	3,762,208
Capital and deposits of Na- tional Banks	5,372,178 2,253,411
Matches	3,278,580
fumery, cosmetic, &c	2,226,503
Total	16 892 880

Whittaker, who slit his own ears and forged a note to fire the Northern heart, his escaped punishment. Flipper, who embezzled army funds and was found guilty, is not to be punished. Sergeant Mason, who attempted to murder a prisoner under his guard, is to be made a hero of. Fitz John Porter, who saved McLellan's army in front of Richmond and who was persecuted by Stanton and his gang, still suffers under a sentence which has been pronounced an outrage on decendy and justice by a military commission.

A piteous reminiscence of Mr. Long. fellow is related by Mr. G. W. Childs, who several years ago entertained the poet at dinner in Rome. He was walk. ing to the diningroom with Mr. Childs, and on their way through the corridor of the hotel they passed a series of lighted wax candles placed in candelabra surrounded by flowers. Mr. Longfellow immediately shaded his face with his Malls for points between Flon hand and begged his companion to hasten his footsteps. It was through the flame of a lighted candle, when in the act of melting some sealing wax, that Mrs. Longfellow was burnt to death.

Far pleasanter is it to be the receiver of and insuranc ecompany, enjoying terrapin and champagne, than a poor widow holding a policy therein, and having sorrow and poverty therewith. An investigation into the affairs of bankrupt insurance companies in the State of New York shows the enormous deficit of over \$7,000,000 on the part of officials of this class who represent seven companies onlv. In other words, out of assets amounting to \$10,234,570, which came into the hands of these worthics, only \$1,825,000 have paid out as dividends, with \$1,175,000 yet to be disbursed in that form, leaving a deficit of \$7,234,-570 to be accounted for. This vist sum has been consumed in commissions, percentages, fees to lawyer.friends, costsand the various other ways of getting to dark, and on Sundays from 8:80 rid of money so well understood by re to 9:80 a. m.

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WHAT IS THE MATTER?

The anti-Chinese bill passed both Houses of Congress, and so far as legis lation was concerned it became allaw! several days ago. It was duly forwarded to the President for his signature, and there it has remained ever since, and thus far, there are not the slightest indi. cations of what he intends to do with it Whether he will approve or veto it is a question which all may ask, but only he can answer, and he seems in no haste to relieve the public suspense. We hazard the opinion that the bill will not become a law by his signature, and if it ever goes on the statute book, it will be by the usual method after the expiration of the time the President is allowed to hold such documents in his possession.

VERY APPROPRIATE.

The Savannah News, of March 31st. gives the following very appropriate advice to the Republican party for consid eration at the next National Republican

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N. B .- Of course it is understood that in the case Guiteau is hung before the convention meets, Moses should have the first place. There will be no difficulty whatever in finding in Republican ranks any quantity of kindred spirits who could be brought forward for the Vice Presidency, and whose claims upon the gratitude of the party should be recognized. There's Belknap, for instance.

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"Ella, is your father at home?" said a bashful lover to his sweetheart. want to propose something to him." "No, Clarence, papa is not at home, but am. Couldn't you propose to me just as well?" And he did, with perfet suc-

"There is something about Pingrey that I admire," said Brown. "Yes," replied Fogg; "there is something about him that I admire, too-something in the morning paper, which says he has gone to Europe for a ccuple of years .-Boston Transcript.

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