"It is a bit annoying," said the funny comedian of the burlesque troupe, "but one must endure these inconveniences for the sake of art .- Indianapolis Press

Business failures in Great Britain during 1899 were 8,600, against 8,895 in

Bon't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away. To quit tobacco easily and forever, be magnetic, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To-Dac, the wonder-worl'er, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c or \$1. Cure guaran-Booklet and sample free. Address

Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York. A man walking da, and night without resting would take 428 days to journey around the world.

The Best Prescription for Chills

and Fever is a bottle of GROVE'S TASTELESS CHIELTONIC. It is simply iron and quinine in a mateless form. No cure—no pay. Price 50c.

Mexico is one of the United States' best customers in the sewing machine Beauty Is Blood Deep.

Clean blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascarets, Candy Cathartie clean your blood and keep it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin to day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets,-beauty for ten cents. All druggiats, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c, 50c.

Out in the frontier the word gun was applied almost exclusively to pistols.

To Cure a Cold in One Day. drig that refund the money if it falls to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature is on each box. 25c.

Dans, as they color all floers at one boiling. Sold by all orugdists.

Berlin has lixty-three public monuments.

How Are Your Kidneys ? Hobba Scaragus Pills cure all kidney ills. Sam-free. Add. Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or N. Y.

The late Lord Hylton was one of the few surviving officers of the Balaktava charge.

Educate Your Bowels with Cascarets. Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever. 10c, 25c. If C. C. fail, druggists refund money.

The average toy makers in Saxony makes about one cent an hour.

Spring Medicine.

There's no season when good medteine is so much needed as in Spring. and there's no medicine which does so much good in Spring as Hood's Sarsaparilla. In fact, Spring Medicine is another name for Hood's Sarsaparilla. Do not delay taking it. Don't put it off till your health tone gets too low to be lifted.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Will give you a good appetite, purify and enrich your blood, overcome that tired feeling, give you mental and digestive strength and steady nerves. Besure to ask for HOOD'S. and be sure that you get Hood's, the best medicine money can buy. Get Price \$1.

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SENT TO THE PENITENTIARY.

Three flen Convicted for Throwing 246,000 last year. Stones at S. A. L. Train, "Here is another illustration," re-

marked one of the officials of the operatting department of the Seabcard Air Line this morning, of the fact "that persons who persist in throwing stones and other missiles ut moving trains must sooner or later come to grief. "The case in question is one that oc- public, but those in a position to know

ed a window light broken out by a ligations to him. stone thrown into the truin, it is likely that few rullroads in the country are as persistent as the Seaboard Air Line in following up such miscreants, and this case Which started with blarely no court proceeding before Judge Buchan an at Laurens, S. C., with the result' that three negroes, Joseph Ball, horuton Boyd and J. Leak, respectively, were proved guilty of this charge, and sentenced to two years in the South Caronna penitentiary."-Portsmouth

Berlin, Germany, is to construct an underground railway costing \$25,000,-

MY BEAUTIFUL BABY BOY

Weak Women Made Happy by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound -Letters from Two Who Now Have

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:-It was my ardent desire to have a child. I had childless, so wrote to you to find out the reason. After foltable Compound, I be- required." came the mother of a beautiful baby boy, the joy of our

thanks to your medi- | State. cine."-MRS. MINDA FINKLE, Roscoe, From Grateful | of success. Mrs. Lane

DEAR MRS. Ireland. PINKHAM: - I

ago, stating my case to you. "I had pains through my bowels, hendache, and backache, felt tired and sleepy all the time, was troubled with the whites. I followed your advice, took your Vegetable Compound, and it did me lots of good. I now have a baby girl. I certainly believe I would have miscarried had it not been for Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I had a very easy time; was sick only a short time. I think your medicine is a godsend to women in the condition in which I was. I recommend it to all as the best medicine for women."-Mrs. MARY LANE, Coytee, Tenn

WANT MORE TROOPS

Philippine Situation Assumes a New Aspect of Danger.

OTIS CALLS FOR RE-ENFORCEMENTS. Harrass Our Troops and Cannot Be Dislodged.

Manila, by Cable,-Generals Young fair are lacking. The rebels are holdsymbolic of resistance, is again appearing among the natives. It is said Insurgent Generals Tenio and Flores is unable, owing to lack of troops, to or the dead. maintain garrisons in all the towns oc-

natives General Bates has returned here afof North and South Camarines. The expedition lose seven men killed and ten wounded. On entering New Caceres, province of South Camarines, Gen- them. Take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE TABLETS. All | eral Bates learned that 2,000 insurgents had departed the same day. The Americans sent out thsee pursuing All goods are alike to Pulnam Fadeless columns, encountering the enemy in three small engagements and killing a

> total of forty men. The Spanish - prisoners report that the enemy has divided into small bands in the mountains under the leadership of General Legaspi. The town of Iraga has been burned by the enemy. Both provinces were thoroughly scouted. The inhabitants of the district of Libmanan, inculding Abella, the provincial governor and other officials, are jeturning to their homes. Abella has issued a proclamation calling upon the natives to submot to the Ameri-

> The liberated priests from New Caceres report that the insurgents killed 68 Chinamen and 40 Spaniards at the town of Calabanga. It is estimated that there are 100,000 bales of hemp in the Camarines provinces.

Twelve hundred well armed insurgents, formerly of Cavite province, with a Chinese general in command, surrounded the town of Albay and Legaspi. They have effected three night attacks and continually harrass the Forty-seventh Regiment, which has lost eight men killed and twenty wounded in defending these towns. The War Department has received

the following: "Manila, March 8 .- One officer, 60 enlisted men, two civil officials, captured Spanish prisoners, were received today from Tavabas.

The Visible Supply.

New Orleans, Special.-Secretary Hester's statement of the forld's visible supply of cotton shows a decrease for the week just closed of 66,979 against a decrease of 31,618 last year. The total visible is 3,874,089 bales, against 3,941,059 last week and 5,366,-503 last year. Of this the total Amerlean ection is 3,143,089, against 3,197,-059 last week, and 4,231 503 last year; a bottle TO-DAY. All druggists. of all other kinds including Egypt, Brazil, India, etc., 731,000 against 744,-000 last week and 1.135,000 last year. Of the world's visible supply there is now affoat and held in Great Britain and continental Europe, 1,995,000 bales against 3,335,000 last year; in India, 325,000 against 521,000 last year, and in the United States 1,363,000 against 1,-

Phophate Plants Shut Down.

Ocala, Fla., Special.—The annowacement was made here Friday that C. H. phosphate plants near Juliett, had shut record, 2.37 2-5. down his works. Just what was the cause of his action has not been made curred last December. The conductor | My the fault lies with Mr. Hazard's on one of our vestibuled trains reported European broker, who failed in his ob

Debs For President

Indianapolis. Special.—"For President, Eugene Victor Debs, of Indiana; for Vice President, Job Harrison, of California." This is the national ticket of the Social Democratic party which will absorb the Hilquit-Harrison faction of the Socialist Labor party by agreement. The Social Democrats were happy Friday. They say the candidacy of Debs will attract hundreds of thousands of votes to their party. They profess to see the beginning of a great mational victory. The convention, in agreeing to unite with the Social Labor faction, remains the party name-Social Democratic party. The candidates and the amaignmentian are to be approved by a majority of each party.

End of War Near.

London, by Cable.—Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, Chancellor of the Exchequer, when explaining to the banment considered the end of the war near. "Since the estimates were prelowing your kind ad- pared," he said, 'events have taken vice and taking Lydia | place that have changed the situation: E. Pinkham's Vege- and probably not all the money will be

Telegraphic Briefs Lord Robers, by a flank attack, forhome. He is a ced the Doers to abandon their posifat, healthy baby, tions near Osfontein, Orange Free

The rising of the Cape Dutch is reported to have spread to every part of Cape Colony where there is a prospect

Queen Victoria has decided to visit

Admiral Watson says the navy was wrote you a let- flast to reach Nuevas Caceres, Luzon, ter some time recently occupied by General Bates' troops. When Trees Go to Sleep. Trees and plants have their regular

times for going to sleep as well as boys

and girls. They need the same chance to rest from the work of growing and to repair and oil the machinery of life. Some plants do all their sleeping in the winter while the ground is frozen and the limbs are bare of leaves. In ropical countries, where the snow never fails and it is always growing weather, the trees repose during tha rainy season or during the periods of drouth. They always choose the most unfavorable working time for doing their sleep, just as man chooses the

night, when he cannot see to work.

AN EXCELLENT SUGGESTION

That of the Seaboard to Encourage Tree-Planting.

Line are requested to have a "good time" on the third Wednesday in March, which is the 21st day of the month. Recollect that the Seaboard Air Line Arbor Day comes each year on the third Wednesday in March. The Insurgent Forces Continue to Meet with the people at your nearest station, and have a good old time picnic dinner, and carry with you a half dozen trees to plant for shade trees. (They ought to be about five to six feet in height.) And be able to tell and Hood are asking for re-enforce- your friends you have put out fruit ments and a battalion of the Forty- and shade trees around your home. eighth Regiment has been sent to Young walnut trees are good for shade Aparri. Other troops will follow. The | trees, and they are known to keep off rebels recently persistently attacked disease; but there are many other Aparri for several hours, but were fi- kinds of trees growing wild that will nally driven away. Details of the af- make nice shade trees. A street set ing reunions in the province of North | soon be a beauty spot to any place, on Hocos and the red Katipunan cross, account of their snow white blooms.

Plant what trees you can from now until March 21st at your own home and then celebrate tree planting at have been driven by Generals Young vour nearest town on the Seaboard Air into General Hood's territory south of | Line by planting a few trees and ded-Aparri. The fact that General Young | jeating them to some of your friends

The secretary of the United States cupied has had a bed effect on the department of agriculture, Hon. Jas. Wilson, says, "The young should plant trees in recognition of the obligations ter leaving garrisons in the provinces to those who planted trees for them. The old should plant trees to illustrate their hope for the future and their concern for those who are to come after

Don't wait for your friend to plant the first tree this spring. Be a leader in this good work yourself.

The Industrial and Station agents of the Seaboard Air Line will join with the people in doing what they can to encourage tree planting, and aid in having a great final wind up tree planting and celebration on Arbor Day, Wednesday, March 21st.

The Shelby, N. C., Aurora says: "Wednesday, the 17th, was duly observed at Ellenboro, Rutherford county, by the good people living in that section who came in early from the surrounding country, bringing with them trees of every description, and setting them out on the streets and sidewalks to the number of 900 or

Notes.

The State has chartered the Vanslory Clothing Company, of Greensboro capital \$18,000.

President McIver, of the State Normal and Industrial College is being warmly congratulated upon his success ful reopening with 300 students now present. Examinations take place this week. The second term begins March 19th: commencement June 30th. Its special feature will be the laying of the corner stone of the students' building to be paid for by students and to cost \$10,000. It will contain the cociety halls. The senior class contains 30 members. None died and all returned.

Nearly every junior recovered. The State auditor is sending out the tax sheets, of which there are 33,-000, to the various counties, and also the tax abstracts, of which there are

The agricultural department's bulletin containing fertilizer analysis will be issued this week. There will be two other bulletins containing analysis.

The Pembroke cotton mill company has been organized at Newbern, with \$100,000 capital. The State has chartered the Eastern Tobacco company, of Wilson, capital

\$10,000; stockholders, P. G. Briggs, C. M. Flemming, and S. B. Ryerson. co and fertilizers. The board of agriculture met Wednesday. It is the expectation that it

will direct Secretary Bruner to go to Paris and that he will leave in ten Schaefer, of the University of Penn-

sylvania, made a new amateur swimming record for 200 yards Saturday Hazard, who has been mining five night, his time being 2.30 2-5; previous

Secretary Root has submitted to Congress a recommendation that the extra services performed by the war department employes during the war with Spain be paid for by an appropriation aggregating \$85,000.

Shot in His Cell. " -

A special from Asheville says: 'Word has been received here of the killing of George Ratcliffe, a negro rapist at Waynesville Sunday night by a mob. Ratcliffe assaulted an 8-year old white girl near Clyde, Sunday afternoon. He was caught the same afternoon, given a preliminary trial, and carried to Waynesville. About 1 a. m. Sheriff Haynes was awakened by a mob, who demanded an entrance. This was refused and the crowd smashed the outer door. Being refused entrance to the negro's cell, they shot him to death from the outside. The crowd dispersed, orderly but resolute and with no drinking. The victim's condition was not learned.

Telegraphic Briefs.

The Liggett & Myers branch of the Continental tobacco Company has kers the terms of the new loan gave granted 100 feeders an increase in them an intimation that the govern- wages amounting to 31 per cent., or \$2.50 per week each.

The committee on rules of the House will take favorable action on the rule to have a time set for considering private pension bills urging the day instead of at Friday night sessions.

Craven county has in five years yielded the State \$5,331, revenue from the shell fish tax.

The total number of those taken out of the Red Ashe mine at Red Ashe, W. Va., up to Saturday night is 31. The United States transport Kilpatrick, which sailed from Newport News Thursday for New York to undergo an overhauling to cost \$150,000, has arriv-

ed there. The journeymen plumbers have won the strike inaugueated two days ago at Newport News, Va., the employers conceding them a nine-hour day at \$3 a

For Women Military Nurses. Red Cross women who worked during the Spanish-American war have establishment of a nursing service in the United States army. The chief features of this bill are the development under efficient supervision of a service consisting of a superintendent, who shall be a graduate of a training school for nurses, and of conspicuous executive ability, and of a corps of carefully chosen graduate nurses, the majority of whom shall be women.

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but the qualification is nothing com-The people along the Seaboard Air pared to the harshness of this measure. The objection I raise to the bill here and the objection with which I fought the measure in the committee room is that it is legislating purposely positively, and conclusively against one race; purposely, positively, and conclusively in favor of another race. Is it judicious to work this change in the law? I speak from an experience of fifty years as a citizen, and in which time I have had occasion to observe the prevailing condition in my State. and I tell you that the provisions are

first of all unnecessary." "Mr. Howard, of Challapoochee, opposed the bill. He said: 'In my section' of the State the negro who has never spent one day in school is the best citizen of his class and the most intelligent voter of his race. It has been my observation that education is not a test of citizenship. We are hedged in by the Federal Constitution which proout with young dogwood trees would hibits us from barring any man from citizenship by reason of race, color or previous condition of servitude, and I can not see how the bill before the House can be considered in any light but as a violation of the provisions of that Constitution. If we are to limit the franchise, it is a limit that should work alike in both races.

'Mr. Overstreet, of Screven, began with a statement that he would feel that he was doing the people of his section and State an injustice and falling far short of his duty to his constituents if he did not raise his voice in onposition to the pending measure. He said: 'From the time when the teenth amendment to the Constitution was enacted up to the present day the best part of the negro race in Georgia has voted and stood by the party to which I have the honor to belong. would take pleasure in going on record as as favoring the elimination of the ighorant and purchasable voter of all classes of this State, but I am not in favor of the discrimination which is proposed in this bill.'

"On the call of the ayes and nays, which were demanded, only three members, Mr. Hardwick, of Washington, Mr. Bell, of Forsyth, and Mr. Ellis, of Bibb, voted for the bill. "Mr. Hall, of Bibb, was against the

bill, because it might be the means, he

"In voting against the Hardwick bill Mr. Holder, of Jackson, had the following to say: 'I oppose the bill because I believe it to be in violation of the Constitution of the Republic. But were it constitutional, it is not right to count of his color. I believe in every ror; but when I consider the fact that The people of North Carolina will man in this State being allowed to vote

State in paying taxes, working roads, responding to his country's call to go to arms when his services are needed. and as long as he is obedient to law. oppose the measure because it will also disfranchise hundreds of honest white men who can not read and write and give a reasonable interpretation of the Constitution. I oppose it because it is unnecessary.' I also insert some extracts from the debates in the Louisiana convention:

DEMOCRATS IN LOUISIANA CON-AMENDMENT AS VICIOUS AND whites and the blacks-the whites WHAT THE WASHINGTON POST UNCONSTITUTIONAL. In the New Orleans Times-Democrat

of March 28, 1898, the views of the Democratic members of the constitutional convention in opposition to the amendment are given as follows: Mr. Clingman said: "I am opposed and which are as follows: to section 5. I favor an educational or property qualification, with a poll tax. to take effect at the adoption of this constitution.

Mr. Chiapella said: "I believe that section 5 is violative of the amendments of the Federal Constitution, and and to the son or grandson of any such the following extract from a recent ed-I fear that the adoption of this unconstitutional ordinance is fraught with the national Democratic party. I therefore vote 'no.'

Mr. Carver said: "I feel constrain-The company will manufacture tobac- Forates the payment of a poll tax as a the blacks were not voters in Louisiaed to vote against any plan that incorprerequisite for voting, as does sec- If this be so, it is clearly made to debar tion 6 of this ordinance. Such a provision in my judgment violates the United States from the right of sufcanons of taxation and the cause of frage, and in this manner violates the suffrage as well. I think it is unwise, dangerous, inexpedient and contrary to the sound principles of government '

Mr. Chenet said: "I vote against the ordinance in its present form because, in my opinion section 5 is un- not discriminate against that class. If constitutional. Mr. Drosman said: "I am opposed

ion will work great wrongs and damage to the best interests of the people of the State, which violates the fundamental principles of free government, all the accepted theories of free government, all the accepted theories of suffrage, and is undemocratic, unadoption of said section 5 will, in my judgment, compel the repeal of the Australian ballot law, a wise and good ity of the members of this convention could not have been elected, and whose

acts in the history of the State." Mr. Wise said: "I am opposed to the adoption of this ordinance because believe an educational and property qualification in the alternative, with the payment of a poll tax as a prerequisite for voting would meet the exigencies of the situation, and because I fects of laws; that a law may be unbelieve section 5 is unconstitutional constitutional in its effects, but may be and vicious and undemocratic in prin-

Mr. C. K. Browning said: "I oppose section 5 on the grounds of its un- But, Mr. President, under what consticonstitutionality, and section 6 on prin | tution or statutes of the State of Louciple, believing such a requirement un- isiana, or any other State, prior to 1867, American, undemocratic, and unjust, do the majority wish to stand? Clear and by every honest and manly method by mot under the constitution of 1864 called upon to do,) was to express the endeavored to defeat it, and have gone and the laws passed thereunder, for hope that the Supreme Court of the on record on these lines."

this ordinance for the following rea- State government or adequate protect in regard to the fifteenth amendment sons: The educational and property tion for life or property existed in the and would hence uphold section 5, qualifications are placed beyond the Southern States," and thereby set aside though in violation of it. Since that reach of many of our best citizens. said constitution and necessarily all time I have noticed that one of the These citizens are too proud to vote laws in so far as suffrage was con- leading Democratic candidates for govbecause their father could vote. They corned. It follows, therefore, that no ernor in my State has written an artidesire to vote because they are white valid ordinance can be predicated upon cle taking the same position. I do not men and good citizens, and have al- something illegal. * * If, there- deem it necessary to reply to such a They are poor and unlearned, but hon- statistics existing prior to 1867 upon mere statement of the same is a suffiest. Their property in consequence of which you can stand to base this suf- cient reply. If I could believe that depreciated values, is not worth \$300, frage clause, why, then it becomes per- these men are serious in claiming that and they will be unable without assist- feetly useless and should be entirely the Supreme Court of the United States ance to file the application required eliminated. for registration required by this ordi-

these reasons. I vote no."

Mr. J. E. Moore said: "I am unaker. under. ably opposed to certain provisions of which allows the sons and grandsons contend, and may mean illegitimate. ic and thoroughly vicious."

Mr. Hart said: "I vote against ordi- significance.

namce 205, because I consider section 5 | The consequence will be that in

in confilet with the Constitution of the tain parishes the registrar of voters

United States." Mr. Henry G. Hester said: "In vostages I have expressed my opinions ers the registrar will understand the to it, fearing that it is an uncertain and dangerous experiment which may possibly defeat the main objects for which this convention was called."

Dr. H. Dickson Bruns said: "I desire be indefensible in reason, law, or mortegrity I have the fullest confidence, I believe they have been misled into that they will soon regret. I vote 'no' because, whether unconstitutional or not. of common sense, because this ordi- stituents, I now desire to vote no." ification; because while pretending to will vote to repudints the amendment exclude all but legally naturalized for- next August. eigners, it expressly permits, through THE OPINION OF THE LEADING the intervention of an interpreter, the registration of American (?) eltizens in every jargon in the world. I vote 'no' because it incorporates in this organic members of the Louisiana constitulaw the un-American doctrine that a tional convention, I call attention to or grandlather once possessed that in the New Orleans Times-Democrat. while providing in Article II a summa- islana, on Friday morning, March 25, ry process by which persons excluded 1898, the next day after the adoption from registration may appeal for red- of section 5 by the convention: ress to the highest court of the State, and that without cost, it denies by express provision incorporated by the and flercely denouncing section 5, a same process formal amendment of jus- majority of the members of the constitification against the permanent roll tutional convention yesterday passed

Mr. Soulat said: "Mr. President and Then follows the names of Senators gentlemen, I desire to record my vote and Congressmen who are recognized against the entire bill (205) for the fol- as among the ablest constitutional lowing, among other reasons: claimed, of interferring with the white the bill are glaringly unconstitutional, not since that time changed its opinundemocratic, and un-American. Were ion as to the unconstitutionality of I alone in my opposition to this bill, this measure. That paper in many and particularly to section 5, I would recent editorials has repeated the opinhave remained silent and not have ion that was expressed the day after tittered another word on the floor of the action of the convention. I read this convention, for the reason that I the following from an editorial of redeprive any man of his ballot on ac- would have considered that I was in er- cent issue:

eventually cause the disruption of the ly declared against this plan of dis-STITUTIONAL CONVENTION DE- Democrable party in Louisiana, be- franchising the negro as unconstitu-NOUNCED THE CONSTITUTIONAL cause at discriminates as between the tional.

> against whites, and the native-born citizens against foreign or naturalized citizens. I desire now to reiterate briefly the

It is now proposed to allow any male Northern paper, takes the same view citizen the right of voting who was Indeed, the Post is the strongest deon January 1, 1867, or at any date prior fender that the South has among thereto, entitled to vote under the con- Northern papers. Yet that paper destitution or statutes of any State of the United States wherein he then resided, tional and wicked in morals. I read

Now, Mr. President, the manifest danger to the State of Louisiana and to purpose or motive of this clause is to discriminate in favor of the whites and against the blacks; because it is a wellknown fact that on January 1, 1867. na, and only the whites were electors. the blacks as a class of citizens of the fifteenth amendment of the Constitu-

tion of the United States. But I am told that certain States of the United States had granted to the blacks the right of voting prior to said whites who would otherwise be disdate, and therefore this section does the prohibition of the Federal Constitution was limited to the color line that to poll tax as incorporated in this bill." | argument might be conclusive, but the Mr. Strickland said: "It contains a authors of that amendment did not section, section 5, which, in my opin- stop there; they added the words, "pre-

vious condition of servitude." Why is it that the blacks were allowwhy? Simply on account of their previous condition of servitude. It is pa- it is stupid and blundering in expetent, therefore, that you are discrimilaw, and without which a large major- nating against certain colored citizens in the very teeth of a constitutional provision of the United States Senate enactment by a Democratic legislature and you thereby render not only this was one of the best and most patriotic section liable to a serious attack, but the whole suffrage clause for the reason that if one brick in the edifice be demolished you make such a breach therein that it may all fall from that

inherent defect. But I am told, Mr. President, that we must not be concerned as to the efnevertheless valid. This would unquestionably be true if the motive or purpose was constitutional. * * * the reason that Congress by act of United States would take note of the

nance. The poll tax should go into ef- against the fourteenth and fifteenth fect at once. The fifth section is of amendments; they are stone walls and be constrained to say that no one has such doubtful constitutionality as to can not be assailed by any human in- ever uttered a more serious slander cause me to withhold my support. For genuity. We might as well recognize the fact that from the beginning of the court will ever assume such a position. Mr. Paul Leche said: "I vote no, war until the acts of Congress which no matter how high or strong public First, because I believe section 5 of the granted Louisiana the right of suffrage, opinion may be. The court cannot reordinance is unconstitutional; that it in 1867, and their tudification by the cognize public opinion as far as the is uncair in giving naturalzed foregn- adoption of the constitution of 1868, fundamental law of the land is coners an advantage over mative citizens, they possessed it not, neither under cerned until said public opinion is appointed a committee to obtain the and the registration thereunder is not the constitution of any of the Southern crystalized into a constitutional repeal passage of a bill by Congress for the sufficiently safeguarded against fraud." States, nor unider and statutes there- or amendment through the prescribed

must be understood in their broadest and will uphold it.

will admit all descendants of voters prior to 1867-some blacks, many muting on this measure in its earliest lattoes, and some whites-and in oth-

law differently. I, therefore, Mr. President, will demand that these very reasons should be embedied in the journal, because I to be recorded as voting against Ordi- wish it to be well understood that the nance No. 205, because I believe it to great city of New Orleans, which I have the honor to represent, does not als, I vote 'no' because, although I have need such a law. * * and that it friends in the opposition in whose in- will give to certain parishes unfair advantage over our city.

Feeling convinced, therefore, that this whole ordinance is wrong in prinin the light of legal technical know: oiple, inexpedient, and unwise, and edge it is undoubtedly so in the light that I voice the scutiments of my connance, while ostensibly ostentationsly Mr. President these are about the pretending to qualify the suffrage, con- views held by a large majority of the tains a section that will admit men to voters of North Carolina on this same the electorate in spite of every disqual- question, and for such reasons they

> DEMOCRAIC PAPER IN LOUISIANA In addition to these expressions by

man shall be a voter because his father the following editorial that appeared right. I vote 'no' because the ordinance the leading Democratic paper of Lou-TRIUMPH OF POLITICIANS.

After themselves disavowing and of unqualified voters, while granting it that offensive section-offensive to against the rell of voters qualified by Democracy, to political honesty, and to reason of property or education. I vote Americanism. * * * And the con-'no' because, while admitting the prin- vention, too, has passed this offensive ciples of a poll tax, it gives the shallow section in the face of the fact that the and withholds the substance of benefit ablest Democrats in the United States for two years by a unique exception to Senate have declared it to be unconstithe time of the effect of this constitu- tutional. Senators Caffery and Mction. I vote 'no' because I believe that Enery have both protested against its' that ordinance, No. 205, as now written passage and have declared that it conviolates justice, law, and morals, and I travenes the Federal Constitution. In have faith that every such violation this opinion they are joined by such inexcrably evolves in the fullness of stalwart Democrats and uncomprotime its own punishment upon the vio- mising State rights Senators and Conlator, be it a man, a party, or a State." gressmen as the following. * * *

lawyers in this body and in the House. "I consider that certain sections of The New Orleans Times-Democrat has

both of our Senators in Washington, vote in August on the proposed constiregardless of his color so long as he and many of their associates, condemn tutional amendment disfranchising the complies with the requirements of the in unmeasured terms said section and negroes from voting, and which condeclare that our representation in Con- tains the famous "grandfather clause" gress and our Presidential electors borrowed from the Louisiana constitumight be jeopardized, and when I fur- tion. * * * The grandfather clause ther consider the fact that a majority which the Louisiana constitutional of the members of this very convention convention invented, is objected to as have openly expressed their dissatis of doubtful constitutionality, containfaction to some and were induced to ing elements of great danger, and bevote for some only on the ground of sides altogether unnecessary. * * * expediency, I cannot but take issue The theory that the opposition to the with the majority and urge that the grandfather clause comes from the adoption of said sections will work Republicans is wholly untrue. The great injusy to the State at large and Northern Democrats have unanimous-

SAYS

The Washington Post, which has never joined in the sectional crusade against the people of the South, and arguments that I have repeatedly ur- which probably understands the pecuged against the obnoxious section 5, liar social and industrial conditions of our section better than any other. nounces the amendment as unconstitu-

It is to be hoped that Senator Butler speaks by inspiration when he predicts the defeat of the North Carolina suffrage amendment.

If it sought simply to make the act of voting an intelligent and enlightened function and to reduce to a minimum the opportunities of bribery and corruption, we should hail it as a step toward purity and wholesomeness in politics. But, as we see the matter, the scheme is simply to disfranchise the negro because he is black, and to protect at least a majority of the

franchised under an impartial application of the same rule. North Carolina, in a word, has borrowed from Louisiana the iniquitous expedient whereby illiterate white voters may retain the franchise enjoyed by their fathers or grandfathers in 1867, no matter what may be their personal disqualifications under the reed to vote in certain States and were strictions imposed upon the negroes denied that privilege in others? It is without exception. We believe the plan simply because some few Northern to be unconstitutional, as we know it States considered them citizens from has been so denounced by both the the date of their emancipation and Louisiana Senators in the case of their American, and unconstitutional. The others denied them that right, and own State, and we have not the slightest doubt that it is wicked in morals as

liency. The defeat of this measure will be a national benefaction. AN ABSURD CLAIM-A SLANDER UPON THE SUPREME COURT.

Before passing from this part of the discussion, I desire to refer to one other argument that I have heard advanced in support of this proposed amendment. A certain judge in my State, who has

reputation not only for considerable

legal learning but also for high char-

acter and conscientiousness of motive,

They are sent free. was appealed to to write a legal opinion in support of section 5. 'The judge wrote an article in response, but hardly a legal opinion. The sum and substance of his article, after attempting to prove that the white man was superior to the negro (which every advocate of this provision seems to lee Mr. J. T. Boone said: "I oppose March 2, 1867, declared that "no legal fact that public opinion had changed ways tried to do their duty as such. fore, there were no constitutions or claim, for its evident absurdity upon a would themselves violate their oaths It is useless for us to butt our heads and nullify by their decision the United States Constitution, then I would against said court. I take it that no constitutional methods. To the court Another objection that I make to the fifteenth amendment represents the bill. * * * I am opposed to this section is that it is ambiguous in public opinion on the suffrage question section 5, because it is unconstitutional this, that the words "son and grand- until public sentiment has forced the and, further, I regard that portion of it son" may mean legitimate, as some repeal or the amendment of that provision. If the fifteenth amendment is of a certain class of voters to vote with. As for me, I consider that it may mean wrong, then its only remedy is its reout other qualifications as undemperat-

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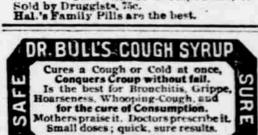
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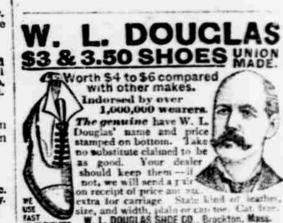
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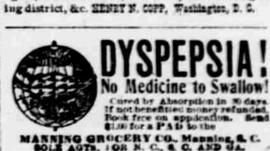
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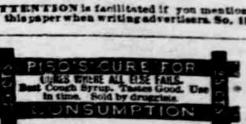
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