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The Poet has said :

The sceptred king the burthen'd slave, The humble and the haughty, die; The rich, the poor, the base, the brave, In dust without distinction, lie.

Charlotte had her saddest day Sunday. An Easter Sunday could have brought no sadder day than the last was. Three compartively young people lay dead in our town. The first was Mrs. J. Frank Wilkes, 31 years old and 4 years a wife. She was a native of Louisiana. She was well and all right last Monday week. On the following. Sunday her remains were laid to rest? Society lost a lovable woman when she passed away.

The second was a young man in his twenties. A christian, a moral, a model young man in every respect, one that any man should be proud to follow as an example. Mr Henry Davis was the young man. He was loved by his friends and admired by all who met his open face. He did a great deal for the church.

The third was Mr. William. P., Dixon. He was 40 years old and leaves a family of children and a wife to mourn thier loss. Mr. Dixon was a traveling man with reputation.

Mrs. Wilkes and Mr. Davis died of Pneumonia, and Mr. Dixon died of erysipelas from a boil. How uncertain life is? Two weeks ago these three young people were pictures of health, today they are not on this earth. The young, the old, the rich, the poor, the good, the bad, the wise the ignorant, all alike die and leave behind them the effects of this world. To live right is the only thing that any person should strive after. Strive not to grow rich or famous, but strive to do good.

THE following from the pen of Mr Henry Norman, of the London Chronicle, one of the most famous newspaper men now living and the man who went to Washington some time ago to look into the Venezuelan trouble, is very significant to the American people. In an ar ticle to the April number of Scribner he the first few carts that pass over it will for the presidential nomination. While calls attention to a few American pro- crush it down into the solid bed beneath. blems. The subject of his article is "The The habit of scattering sand and of my party, I am much more concerned Quarrel of the English Speaking People," but he digresses and gives a few hints on away again; or, in dry weather these opinion its failure or success at the elec-America's domestic troubles. He says:

of the Mason and Dixon line. He did Senator Hill and the Cleveland Adminisright. The South is as yet free from , the many serious social troubles of the North. And it would be galling to think that the domestic troubles of this section would ever be as the writer sees them in the north.

The writer concludes:

"Now, what folly or wickedness could be greater than for the two nations which follow freedom to disable one another, while all the crowned and uncrowned obscurantists sit by and rubtheir hands with delight? As Mr. Balfour, the most philosophically minded of our statemen has just said, amid 'loud and prolonged obeers' 'if Burke could have een told of the situation between the two nations today, bis eloquent voice would have been raised pleading for a common language of governments and of hearts, pleading that the English and the Amercan branches of the Anglo Saxon rase

should be joined in an alliance not to be broken by old controversies, but that each should work in its sphere for the propagation of Anglo-Saxon ideas of iberty, government and order." him.

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Publie Roads and Convict Labor.

The April edition of Current Literaure a very reliable and popular magazine comments on the good reads and convict labor as follows:

A correspondent writes to us to ask whether the tremendous energy put into the building of good roads will not be wasted if some definite plan is not des ised for the future preservation of these new-made thorough fares. Such will, undoubtedly, be the case if these roads, built of crushed stone, are not carefully and systematically inspected, and in addition, kept in constant repair. A very common mistake is to repair a good road

at intervals along the thoroughfare. This to comply with their requests by authori will fill the "bad place" in the road, and

tration. From the Chicago Record. When any body draws a bead on the present Administration Senator Hill always knocks up the gun if he can reach it, and

he has been the most consistent, alert. and energetic defender and apologist the President has had in either branch of

tation to dine about a year ago. The other day some one asked bim how he ministration vith the private opinion he askes no attempt to conceal." "and a citizen of New York. President" Cleveland was elected by the Democrats and we are responsible to the country

for his acts. He is also a citizen of my

Carlisle Not a Candidate.

WASHINGTON? April 5 .- Secretary Carisle this evening gave out the following etter to Chairman Long of the Democratic State central committee; of Keh-s tucky, declining to enter the contest for the Democratic nomination for the

presidency : TREASURY DEPARTMENT. OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,

WASHINGTON, April 4, 1896. Chas. R. Long, Chairman Democratic State Central Committee, Louisville, Ky .:

DEAR SIE: Your favor of March 30, n which you say in substance that many of my friends in Kentucky and elsewhere desire me to become a candidate before the approaching 'national Democratic convention for the nomination for the office of President, and asking me to give some authoritative or definite expression upon the subject, was duly received and has been maturely considered. Many communications upon the same subject and of similar import have been with sand, gravel or loam, gathered at received from my friends in different

the roadside." The proper remedy, and parts of the country, and while very the only one for such roads, is the ap- grateful for these numerous expressions plication, as soon as any unevenness ap. of confidence and esteem upon the part pears, of a shovelful of broken stone, of my Democratic fellow citizens, I have taken from convenient piles of it which not been able to reach the conclusion the road master has caused to be placed that the existing conditions require me

WASHINGTON LETTER for political emergencies of any man in active political life. None, who know him think he retains a cent of the thou-WASHINGTON, April 6, 1896. sands that have passed through his Washington seems to be the center of hands. He probably expends more than

he takes in, but whenever he makes a

The Immortality of the Soul.

Very appropriately, the Independent

call the cash always answers.

New York Su

gossip and prediction anent presidential possibilities. Here, in the activity of political and official life, the pulse of the whole situation is most accurately felt. The fights for the nomination are grow-

ing fiercer, and the prospects of the vari-Congress. Notwithstanding this fact, ous candidates are an absorbing topic of Senator Hill has been inside of the White | conversation at the Capitol, in official and | gives a large part of its Easter number to House but once since he has been in the social circles, and in the great political articles on the immortality of the soul. Senate, and that was to accept an invi- meets of the Botel lobbies. Absorbing. These are of two radically different kinds. tersnake, and the like. Every farmer up and on reaching the maintop turned interest is manifested earlier than usual First there are papers by eminent clergy. this year, for never perhaps in the history men, doctors of divinity, and theological reconciled his public defence of the Ad- of the country has so much importance professors, who treat the subject from attached to the personel characteristics the point of view of theology or faith. and principles of the candidates for Next are essays by men of science, who "I am a Democrat," was his reply, presidential nomination. The McKinley discuss it in the cold light of reason only;

week as they did a week ago. "It's all merely when physical demonstration is such as grasshoppers, caterpillars, &c. over but the shouting," is the way a possible. "Now for some of my experiences. McKinley enthusiast expressed himself to j The most considerable of the second State and in that sense is my constituent. me today, but truth compels the state- class of discussions is a paper by Prof. E. I defend and support the Democratic ment that underneath the enthusiasm of D. Cope, the distinguised paleontologist party under all circumstances and on all the McKinley leaders is the manace that He starts out by saying that as a matter occasions, and when one of my constituent' the anti-combination will control the of science, or "as an inference derived is attacked I do my best to stand by temperary organization of the Republi- from observation and experiment, the quite a deep cut, when our attention was can convention.""The McKinley shouters | doctrine of immortality has no standing;" are plainly some what worried 'upon this that "there is no conclusive evidence" point. "Do you suppose," said a man either that it is true or that it is false. last night who will be a national figure Then Prof. Cope proceeds through a long at the convention, "that we are going to article to play with the subject, and con-sit still and see "a"presidency taken from cludes by saying that "the question of us? Waknow, that we have a majority immortality is an open one, and he who

on the national executive committee, and considers it closed is as unscientific as the if there is a change we will know how it person who believes it on insufficient came about." The average voter has no evidence." According to his beginning, idea how big an power is wielded by a however, 'there is no conclusive evidence national excentive committee on a of the truth of the doctrine;" and hence national convention. The committee anybody who believes in it is necessarily distance and released. Returning, he after much persuasion, to get two of the makes up the rolls and has the naming sunscientific.

of a temporary chairman. The list of ... Of course, belief in the immortality of contested delegates means much and de- the soul is unscientific. Science depends and tied the horse. Climbing over the to the jetty. I unrove the flag halyards pends a great deal on the temporary on practical demonstration, and hence is organgization. In the present Republi- radically and essentially opposed to can fight there will probably be between religious faith. If immortality were appearance we stealthily worked our of reed, some six or eight feet in length sixty and a hundred delegates whose demonstrable by science, it would not be sealt will be a matter of contest. It is a doctrine of religious faith. Every reli not improbable that the comination or gious believer is unscientific to the extent defeat of McKinley may hinge largely of his belief. No faith is requisite in the on these conteste, and the key to the seen and the known. They can be proved.

whole situation in this respect is the con But the un-een and the unknown, and since their election in favor of Reed. Mr. man he has nothing to do with faith and after his snakeship, who as soon as he sack, when the keeper immediately cut Manly's complete estimate of the situa. faith has nothing to do with him. tion gives McKinley 156 delegates; Reed, first heavy rain to wash the material its selection of candidates, because in my 210 anti-McKinley delegates." Among sion of a question of science, it would not the Democratic clans all are still consider. invite them from theologians. Why then, ably at sea. Few men can be found who should a religious paper give prominence will definitely predict the Democratic to the discussion of a question of theology nominee, and an estimate of the relative strength of the Democratic aspirants is hardly possible. Carlisle's candidacy is mere baseless superstition, its belief in the regarded by many as part of a scheme the full purport of which is not yet mani fest. The Venezuelan Boundary Commission has made an official denial of a'l reports considered, the commissioners are not in a position to form an opinion respect submitted, by the British government, while remarkably detailed, does not includ upon. quire me to devote my entire time and all the documents which may be adduced in support of its contentions. Besides, the commission is engaged upon independent lines of inquiry aside from what the two Society is human nature at its best. governments may present, and will exhaust all its sources of information Then certainly promote the true interests of and not until then, will an opinion be formed and a report be made, and the latter is not expected for some considerable time. The serious fire which occurred last week in the old rookery which has served to house the Census Office, and destroyed tons of census records, was one more argument against the unbusiness like methods common in the conduct of the government business. Congress has, against years of petition, paid practically no attention to the many official reports which have condemned the expensive and unsatisfactory practice of renting tinder box building and aban-doned residences here for government FERTILIZERS, uses. It has been repeatedly urged that a hall of records should be erected as much pay as a man for the same class for the st rage of important departmental papers, but Congress has never made TO OUR MANY FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS: the proposition any more than an idea against which there was no reasonable you for past favors. objection. Some of these days a conflagration will eat up vital goverment docn. ments perhaps Congressional recordsand then with all haste the Senate and House, will proceed to give us a parallel

Three Snake Stories.

How a Black snake Hunts-The Rattlesnakes Foe-Rescuing a Ship from a Python.

Buffalo Commercial. "Sit down and sharpen your pencil, while I overhaul my mental shelves," remarked Mr. Thompson' curator of the zoological collections in the park, in answer to a request for some snake stories. "Be-

fore giving you some of my experiences, I want to enter a protest against the indiscriminate slaughter of our common harmless snakes, such as the blacksnake, gar- sails, in order to dry them. He start should protect them, for they are beneficial instead of being barmful, as is gen erally supposed by a large majority of humanity. Any naturalist will tell you that food of the blacksnake consists largely of rats, mice, &c, while that of people manifest the same confidence this and apply to its methods applicable the gartersnake is principally insects,

> "Now for some of my experiences. In my younger days I was crossing Asbby's Gap, over the Blue Ridge, Virginia, in company with an uncle of the famous his own hook. No sooner did his bead Black Horse Cavelry Ashby. We were making a portion of the ascent through attracted by a toad, which rolled instead of hopping down the side slope Ashby pulled up the horse and said. "There's and spreading the report that the rigging a blacksnake after that fellow.". An in stant after the snake thrust his bead through the fence, and, on observing us, drew back. In the meanwhile the trad had gathered himself together, and was hopping at a lively gait up the road.

Ashby remarked, 'Now I will show you something,' and sprang out of the buggy caught the toad, which he carried a short topmast. Borrowing a sack 1 managed turned the buggy, and drove back down the road some fifty steps, when we lighted brig, where they left us, and turned back fence on the opposite side of the road to made a noose in one end of them, and that on which the snake had made his bunted around until I found a tout piece

way up until we came in sight of the Climbing up the shrouds, I made my point where he was first seen. Lying down in the grass and peering through the rails, we did not have to wait long

before the snake reappeared. put his head down through the hole for "He looked about for a few seconds, the purpose of fighting me, when he was trol of the temporary organization of the the unseeable and unknowable require and then descended the slope down which instantly noosed around the neck and the convention. On the Reed side of the faith. Where there can be scientific evi- the toad had rolled, and followed his halyards made fast to the ratines. In question, Mr. Many says that of the 398 dence there can be no faith. Accordingly, trail up the road. On coming to the his violent efforts to effect a release he Republican delegates elected up to this Prof. Cope contributes nothing to the spot where it had been picked up, he be- drew back with such force as rapidly to time, McKinley will bave 162 provided Independent's discussion which was gan to circle, precisely as a dog would choke himself into insensibility. Calling "there are assigned to him the entire dele- pertinent. It was impossible for him to act, having lost the scent. He gradually to the keeper to hold the mouth of the 'gations' from Wisconsin, Indiana, and throw any light on the subject. His increased the size of his circles until he sack open, I watched until I thought he Minnesota. But He says that of this intellectual speculations are altogether struck the spot where the toad had been was nearly at his last gasp, when I number there should be taken twelve without importance from the point of put down, when he made a bee line after squirmed up on the top, loosened his coils uninstructed delegates who have declared view of religious faith. As a scientific it. We leaped into the road and burried around the masts, lowered him into the

liscovered that he was being followed, the noose. By the time that I reached We are surprised, therefore, that the turned up the slope and squirmed out of the deck he had roarly recovered from 72; Morton, 64, Allison, 38; Quay, 26; Independent brought the incongruous sight through the fence. Ashby said: 'I his severe wi ' stoppage. I gently Cullom, 12; contested 36, and he adds and condescending essays of these scien am sure you are satisfied now that a opened the mouth of the sack to have a significantly. "You will see that this tific professors into its Easter number. blacksnake hunts his prey by scent.' I good look at him, and discovered, from assented, and he turned back after his bloated appearance, that he had rethe buggy, while I pushed forward, cently partaken of a hearty meal. On picked up the frightened toad and carried the arrival of the crew on board it was discovered that the Captain's for terrier was missing. I therefore concluded that Springs, Hampshire county, W. Va. the python, in swimming across the har-While their I often amused myself squirrel bor, had struck the vessel's hawser, up hunting. The landlord owned a small which he had crawled on to the deck, immortality of the soul does not require terrier, which had been taught to hunt swallowed the dog and gone aloft to di-

gascar. One morning I received a n from the Port Captain, asking me come down to the harbor with all possible dispatch, as a python had taken possible sion cf a German brig and I was wanted to capture it Taking one of my keepen with me, I burried down, and found on a crowd on the jetty, among who we the crew of the brig. On inquiry I learned that there has

been a shower during the night, and in

the morning the mate had ordered on

of the men to go aloft and shake out the

and came down on the clean run. The

mate wanted to know what he meant he

such actions. Whereupon he was in

formed that if he wished the sails loosene

he was at perfect liberty to do the in

himself; and, moreover, if such a trie

was ever attempted on him again h

would take his discharge. The mutiton

tar was instantly ordered to hades, and

numerous other places, while the valiant

mate started aloft to attend to matters on

get on a level with the top than he cam

down at a gait that which far excelled

that of the disobedient sailor. He in

stantly raised the alarm, and the entire

crew lost no time in getting on shore

was full of the biggest kind of snakes

tain's binoculars I had, no difficulty

making a critical examination of theen.

tire upper works of the vessel, which

was anchored about 100 yards from the

shore. The result was, one large python

coiled around the laps of the main and

crew to pull myself and keeper off to the

attack through the lubbershole, by punch

ing his snakeship with the reed, to the

end of which I had tied the noose. He

"With the assistance of the Port Cap.

"As I hope I am safe from the charge question, perhaps I may be permitted to used upon our highways, "will readily to take upon the public questions now of prejudice against America in this suggest one or two matters which seem to me to receive from Americans less consideration than they deserve. To begin with the somewhat alarming nature of the domestic problems of the United States which call for solution. In the first place, the growth of the Roman Catholic power in the United States. with its immovable hatred of the undenominational national school, seems to Rind involves, would hardly find object times. Secondly, the almost inconceivable growth of capitalist organizations is another. Thirdly, the rapid growth of the foreign element with the American commonwealth is surely ground for deep anxiety. The foreign-born and their immediate descendants already exceed the number of native born north of Mason

and Dixon's line. Every large chy in this area is politically controlled by the votes of this foreign population, and its police and administrative officers are drawn almost exclusively from the same source. Sixty-three per cent. of the the roads in repair is essentially the liquor dealers are foreign-born, and sixty per cent, of the saloon keepers. North

of Mason and Dixon's line there are a million and a half of total aliens. It has actually been proposed to abolish the English language as the vehicle of school instruction in a certain district. 'The republican, anti-prohibition, anti-popu one thing you shall ask for in vain in the listic, yes, anti all political parties, its adminstration and a sound financial chief city of America is a distinctly American community.' Fourthly, while we in England are laboring earnestly on behalf of the 'living wage' for the works more efficient city government Muniing classes, the tendency in America, at cipalities are first coming to recognize any rate among the foreign born, seems that the problems which confront to be to sink below it. A cloak, for the making of which \$3 25 was paid in 1885. earns its maker only ninety cents in 1893. An overcoat was produced before a congressional committee, in the making of ing but purely local questions. which nineteen men had been employed,

the total price for the making being forty five cents. Corduroy trousers are made for ten cents a dozen. The Massachusetts Bureau of Labor Statistics has intelligent workmen of the State 'are not bread, and have to depend upon the la-

loam upon such places only invites the about its declaration of principles than in materials help to make the road more tion, as well as its capacity for useful dusty. A few common sense principals service to the country in the future, deabout roads drilled into the laborers pend upon the position it takes or omits bring abou a knowledge of the art of engaging the attention of the people. road building which will make the pre- and especially the questions affecting the servation of roads an easy matter. We cannot have roads that are too good, and we cannot have too many roads that are good. It has recently been suggested that the State should utilize convict la, been agreed upon and clearly and diss bor:upon such work, a proposition which tinetly announced, the convention ought. even those who, on general principles, to have no difficulty in selecting an ac-tear the competition which labor of this ceptable candidate who will f irly repre-

ionable. In every State the criminal classes could be put to work upon the highwa s to the credit of the community which has to, support them. In time my duty to the party will be best perof perfection in our highways which would change the whole aspect of our country life.

It is encouraging to note the comment attention to the public interests comin connection with our roads on repairing mitted to my charge and I shall continue the macadam roads. The system adap- to discharge the duties imposed upon me ted in Charlotte township for keeping to the best of my ability and in such a same as the one approved of here.

Asheville places a non-partisan or anti Democratic ticket in the field. If it had gone further and made its ticket antiaction could not be regarded as other than policy. With many thanks for your kind a distinct advance in the direction of letter, I am them are not political at all, and that the principles of no political party can in any especial sense apply to their often perplex-

We will have to ask some of our writers not to be quite so productive writer in harpers Bazar gives some reawhen they write. Our sp ce is limited, sons however, which go far toward exshown that thirty-two per cent. of the and we cannot use two column articles

The Winterop girls, haughty girls, bad

zing them to announce me as a candidate I feel a profound interest in the welfare monetary system of the country and the character and amount of taxation to be imposed upon our citizens. Its position upon these and other subjects having sent its views; and in order that its deliberations may be embarrassed as little as possible by the contention of contest for the nomination.

The obligations assumed when I ac. cepted my present official position remanner as will in my judgment most the country; and if in the opinion of my fellow-Democrats in the Kentucky my service entitles me to their commenda tion and approval, I would regard their

endorsement of my public course as an ample reward for the little I have been able to accomplish in behalf of honest Very truly yours, J. G. CARLISLE.

Wages of Women.

Atlanta Journal. There has been much complaint on ac count of the discrimination against women in the matter of wages. It is contended that a woman should receive and quality of work, and there seems to

be no answer to that argument. A plaining why women receive smaller This is due partly to the fact that wo-

Washington has for years led all other cities in the world in the matter of eques-Square started the line, Gen. Washington came next, and he was followed by Generals Scott, McPherson, Thomas and

Green all erected in parks bearing the same name. Against the exhibit of eques trian statues at our National Capital. Vienna comes next with five, Paris has but three, and Antwerp and several other

by men of science ? It the theory of the Independent is sound and its faith is not the support of any human or temporal and, tree them, and an old-fashioned gest his meal."

rejects the doctrine, is a matter of no con both dog and gun, and with their assistsequence to the believer who has faith ence managed to have sport. One afterthat the commission has reached a decise that it has been revealed to men by an soon I was making my way through the ion favorable to Venezuela. "It must be omniscient God. Asking for the opinion undergrowth, attracted by the barking of evident," says the denial "that so long of Prof. Cope and other "students of the dog, when just in front of me I sa as anything remains to be examined and modern experimental psychology" sug- a blacksnake with his head well alor gests that the faith of the independent is intently looking over and old rotten lo getting shaky. Science as science is I remained still and awaited develop rival aspirants and their friends, I think ing the merits of the controversy."All the necessarily infidelity. It believes noth- ments, and in a few seconds he darte evidence is not yet in. The papers thus far ing that it does not know. The doctrine over the log, and there was a fearf they could be made to bring about a state formed by declining to participate in a presented by Venezuela are but a part of of the immortality of the soul rests solely rustling among the dry leaves. On ac what has been promised. The blue book on faith. It is not presuble to find any | vancing so there was a clear view be

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it fully half a mile before releasing it. "Many years ago I visited the Capon

evidence. Whether science sustains or Kentucky rifle. I frequently borrowed

merely scientific ground for it to stand yound the log. I saw that he had seized a rattlesnake just back of the head, and

was killing it by constriction. Just then Wrong doing begins with wrong think the dog began to bark with increased vehemence, and fearing that the squirrel would become so frightened as to com mence jumping from tree to tree, I hastened away to secure my game. On my return 1 found the rattler dead and the blacksnake gone. The conclusion I drew bales. Receipts from the plantations 37, bascanian and Crotalus duri-sus were not loving neighbors. "Now I shall have to take you out to

Comparative Cotton Statement.

The following is the comparative cottle statement for the week ending April 3d.

W		1896	1895
ft,	Net receipts at an U.S. port	ts. 81.766	116,460
og.	Total receipts to date.	4,720,392	7,237,873
p-	Exports for the week,	110.214	127,000
ed	Total exports to this date,	3,649,514	5,502,020
fu⊨	Stock in all U.S. ports,	628,889	897,182
	Stock at all interior towns.	121,710	129,198
d,	Stock in Liverpool,	1,164,000	1,816,000
e-	American afloat for		10 10
ia	Great Britain,	116,000	95,000

The Total Visible Supply of Cotton. NEW YORK, April. 4 .- The total visible supply of cotton for the world is 3,286,849 bales, of which 2,837,649 bales are American, against 4,408,385 bales and 4,117,185 respectively last year. Receipts of cotton this week at all interior towns 29,645 from this incident was that Constrictor 690 bales Crop in sight 6,401,886 bales.

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