

An exchange remarks that the presidential boom which the California papers are pushing for Mr. Wm. T. Coleman with a somewhat suspicious zeal is clearly hampered by the difficulty of explaining to the country who Mr. William T. Coleman is.

The engagement of Col. Geo. Bliss to Miss Casey, of New York City, is announced. Col. Bliss is a widower with several children. He became a convert to the Roman Catholic church some years ago. The young lady whom he is to marry is also of that persuasion.

In Michigan it is proposed to fix the saloon license for towns of 10,000 and upward at \$700 and the bond at \$10,000, the license and bond decreasing in amount as the size of the town decreases. The minimum license, however, is fixed at \$300. There is thought to be little doubt of this measure passing the legislature.

Gov. Hill presided at the Arthur memorial services held at the Assembly Chamber Tuesday in Albany, N. Y. The addresses were delivered by Chauncey M. Depew and Benjamin Harris Brewster, who was Attorney-General of Mr. Arthur's administration.

We learn from Chicago that the anarchistic grouping of the international working people's association which for a season filled the city with terror and excitement, have within a few days since disbanded. There was no particular excitement about this occurrence and none of the once influential and powerful leaders were present. About fifty members of the different groups and of the Lehr and Wehr verein were present and after speeches pro and con the organization formally disbanded. This disbandment was a good thing to do, but if it is only a feint and they reorganize in a more clandestine manner, only trouble will ensue. We hope anarchism is squelched in Chicago.

Suicide of Lieut. Denenhower.

We learn from Washington that a telegram had been received at the navy department from Commodore Sampson, commanding the Annapolis Naval Academy, in which the suicide of Lieut. Denenhower is announced. The dispatch also states that Denenhower was undoubtedly insane. While we do not know for a fact we suppose that the suicided was the Lieutenant Denenhower who accompanied General Greeley in his arctic explorations and was rescued with him.

A later account assures us that it was Lieutenant John W. Denenhower, who suicided Wednesday. He had mental trouble after he came back from the Arctic regions. He was discovered at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning dead in his quarters at the naval academy with a bullet hole in his right temple. He was found lying on his rug in front of the fire place, with a tag tied to his button hole saying: "Send to my brother at Washington." Although he has had mental trouble since he returned from the Arctic regions, what immediately led to the suicide is thought to have been the recent grounding of the Constellation on its way to Norfolk, which he had charge of, and for which it is supposed he had fear of being court-martialed. Furthermore he was very intimate with young Herbert W. Gatewood, who recently committed suicide, and whom he saw in death. It is supposed that this

death suggested the same mode to him. His wife, formerly Miss Sloan, of New York, is away with her parents. The lieutenant leaves children. He was about 35 years old, and an intelligent and polished officer.

Great Britain.

Political matters are creating great interest in Great Britain, and in this country as well. The people of the old World know us much better than they did 30 years ago, and our affairs attract more attention on the other side of the Atlantic ocean. In turn, especially owing to Irish affairs, what is of interest in England interests a great number of people—indeed we may say, all the people—of the United States. Hence, the American newspapers deal much more in foreign political news than formerly.

Just the other day there was a very acrimonious debate in Parliament, wherein the lie was given back and forth, and a Mr. Healy, an Irishman, was suspended for a week for giving the lie to his Orange opponent, Mr. Saunders, too frequently, and not taking it back so readily as the latter did.

Since then a letter has been made public in the Thunderer—the London Times—implicating Mr. Parnell, the Irish Leader, the purport of which went to prove that he (Parnell) approved the murder of Lord Cavendish and Secretary Burke, in Phoenix park, Dublin, 1882. The friends of Parnell deny that he was the author of the letter, yet the Times reiterates the charge and offers to prove. These matters add much to the interest in political affairs in Great Britain, and we look for some curious developments of which we will keep our readers advised.

We learn from England that a correspondent at Acrinton, having written to Mr. Gladstone respecting the position he took during the American war, has received the following reply:

DEAR SIR: I at one time expected, but never desired, the separation of the South from the North. The whole story was told in Harpers Magazine in New York, about 1873 or 1875. Yours faithfully and obediently, W. E. GLADSTONE.

April 12.

Wade Hampton's Belief in Prayer.

The love and admiration in which he is held by the people of South Carolina are illustrated in an incident related by General Hampton when he was recovering from sickness.

"I am certain," he said, "that my life was saved by the fervent prayers of the people of South Carolina. I was at the point of death and had lost all interest in life, when I received a letter from an old Methodist minister, a friend, telling me of the deep and devout petitions put up for my restoration to health by the Methodist Conference then in session at Newberry. The letter closed by begging me to exercise my will to live in response to the supplications of the people of the whole State, who were praying for me night and day in every household. When I heard the letter read I promised my sister that I would heed the kind, loving words of the man of God, and arouse my will to live. That night I fell into a deep sleep and dreamed most vividly that I was in a spacious room in which I was moved to all parts of the State, so that I met my assembled friends everywhere. I remember most distinctly of all, old Beaufort, where I had last been, I saw immense assemblages, and as I looked down upon them a grave personage approached me and touched me on the shoulder and said to me: "These people are praying for you. Live! Live!! Live!!!" I never realized anything like it before. It seemed a vision. I waked the next morning feeling the life-blood creeping through my veins, and I told my family that the crisis was passed and that I should get better." —Z. L. W. in American Magazine.

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