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THE PORK BARREL. The "pork barrel" has been dragged forth conspicuously for public inspection during many Congressional debates, and it has been held up for a special interest in dipping their hands into its savory contents.

importance is chiefly local must be undertaken by the state as well as by the Government. This policy is correct. It will tend to economy in Government expenditure, to promotion of meritorious enterprises, and to elimination of the non-meritorious.

RAILROAD REGULATION IN WASHINGTON. As fruit of the harvest of railroad regulation which has been a long time ripening in the United States, the Railroad Commission act of Washington is worthy of careful scrutiny.

THE PASSING OF MRS. STANFORD. Mrs. Jane Lathrop Stanford, whose sudden and tragical death occurred at Honolulu on March 1, left a record which will be remembered as long as her name lives.

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THE QUESTION OF ADVERTISING. The question of advertising their professional skill is a perplexing one to the doctors. Of course, being human, they want the public to know where they may be found, and also what they can do for their own estimate of their abilities.

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THE CALIFORNIA ASSEMBLY HAS PASSED AN ANTI-RACETRACK BILL. The California Assembly has passed an anti-racetrack bill and an anti-prizefight bill. The latter had already gone through the Senate.

REBEHESING IS THE ONLY TREATMENT THAT WILL CURE SOME OF THE SPITTING HABIT AND THIS COURSE IS TOO VIGOROUS FOR EVEN DR. WOODS HUTCHINSON TO ADVOCATE.

ARIZONA DOESN'T WANT TO BE COUPLED UP WITH NEW MEXICO, AND NEW MEXICO DOESN'T WANT TO BE COUPLED UP WITH ARIZONA. Who can blame them?

NOTE AND COMMENT.

Throwing bricks at railroads has become a popular legislative amusement. "Violets, is cents a bunch." Doesn't it do you good to hear that cry in the street? It brings Spring into the city.

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PUBLIC BUILDINGS FOR ALL.

The average man does not take care of a public building that has cost \$100,000 to put up, according to the Treasury, \$117, as follows: Repairs and maintenance, \$60; fuel, light and water, \$14; employees, janitor, heat and miscellaneous, towels, etc., \$53.

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NEW YORK CORRESPONDENCE.

Chicago Journal. NEW YORK, Feb. 29.—Mr. Towner has gone to Camden, N. J., to attend a meeting of the Eastern Star.

THE YOUNG PEOPLE OF THE BAPTIST CHURCH will give a "social" on Wednesday, March 1, at the Missionary Society, who intend to send it to the heathen in India.

A NEW JOB PRINTING OFFICE has been located on East Forty-second street by a young sprig from Chicago named Saul. He is cutting into the business of the World and other job plants.

ARTHUR WESTBY, the little son of Alexander Westby, the well-known farmer, while playing with a jackknife yesterday, accidentally cut his ear.

SOME OF OUR SOCIETY folks have got into the habit of eating dinner at 7 o'clock in the evening. We knew some of them who used to come in out of the field, grab a place for themselves, call it dinner, and be mightily glad they had it.

SODA WATER STOP HUNGER. Soda water is now prescribed for hunger, especially in the case of children produced by disease. The seat of hunger is found in the solar plexus.

DRILLIC. A Desatur Smith Jr., in Lippincott's "Deep over you, heaven, looks at a broken stone. Deep in the heart of Asia, homestead and all alone."

GEORGIA LEADS IN PEACHES. Georgia has held the lead in the production of peaches for the Eastern market since 1902, and for years to come is likely to be the leading peach state in the Union.

FRANCE'S BIG WINE HARVEST. France had a great wine harvest in 1904, the best, in fact, with one exception, since 1875. The total production is reported to be in excess of 7,000,000 hectoliters.

CHICAGO ALDERMAN'S MISFORTUNE.

Politician yesterday caused Alderman Patrick Moynihan, of the Eighth Ward, South Chicago, to freeze his ears.

AS HE WAS LEAVING HIS HOME after a Monday meal he spotted a neighborhood very pretty young matron, stretching a clothes line preparatory to hanging out her weekly washing.

LEADING OVER THE FENCE he hailed her. "It is too cold for you to do that," he cried, and then he turned to the young woman replied that it must be done.

"THIS STAGGERED THE ALDERMAN, who had not thought that, not only the cold, but the woman's words, would be so effective. He cried, 'Not me do it.' Without a moment's hesitation, 'All right,' she answered, and running into the house, left the matron to her own devices.

GLOBULES. In our judgment, globules are not well acquainted with the simple rules of addition and subtraction.

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