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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

NATURAL WONDER .- The most wonderful thing in the shape of a pig was born on the farm of Mr. J. R. Smith, ten miles from this city, last week. As near as our memory serves us, this is the description Mr. Smith gave us of the animal: The head of the pig bore a striking resemblance to that of an elephant; the ears were large, thick and pendant; had no mouth, but where the mouth should have been was an eye, the only one possessed by his pigship, with long white bristles above it-the only bristles or hair on the hog. Just underneath the eye was a protruberance about an inch in length, resembling an elephant's proboscis. From a point just behind the Front and Washington Streets, ears about half way down each side of the neck, gradually running up to the centre of the back, forming a wedge, the pig was coal black; the balance of the body was white, and entirely destitute of anything in the shape of hair or bristles. This curiosity in the pig line was dead when discovered. The great curiosity was the absence of a mouth, and the presence of an eye where the mouth should be. It seems as though "wonders will never cease."

> FLAX CULTIVATION.-Last week we mentioned the fact that large numbers of the farmers of Linn contemplated raising flax the coming season in lieu of wheat, believing its cultivation the most profitable. California papers are also recommending its cultivation by farmers of that State, believing there is more money in it. The Watsonville Pajaron ian says that one farmer has contracts to sell all his flax straw at \$40 per ton, and the flax seed at four cents per pound. The average yield in California per acre is placed at two to three tons of straw and about 1,800 pounds of flax seed. giving, at the above prices, from \$152 to \$193 per acre for the crop.

ated. Superior accommodations for families.

The New Columbian Hotel Coach will be in attendance at all the landings to convey pasthat city, on the evening of the 7th inst., esty, eminently fit him for the high and

At a table almost in the middle of the tlers" as an accomomdating, intelligent and amiable gentleman. His age was about sixty-five years.

ICE.-The first two days of the present week were real "sharp" for this country. Jack Frost, during the silent hours of the night, covered all "out-doors" with a beautiful drapery of white, and ice was tormed the sixteenth of an inch in thickness. Our young folks are anxiously looking for the "cold snap" which is to afford them ice with sufficient bearupativeness to "skeet" on, while others, older in years, are hoping for rain.

REPUDIATION .- A Washington telegram of the 17th reports Brooks, of New York, as saying: "We never have been, never can be, never will be repudiators." About the only plank in the platform of Oregon Democracy is the repudiation of the national debt-and yet they would have us believe Democracy is the same everywhere.

THE INDEPENDENT .- We have received the number for December 2d. It is the largest religious paper in the world-the number before us containing 108 columns of matter-twelve pages of nine columns each. And this immense weekly is offered for \$2 50 per annum. It has an immense circulation, which is constantly being increased. Send to Henry C. Bowen, publisher and proprietor, New York city.

TERRIBLY SCALDED .- A little son of Mr. W. Peebler, aged about eight years, who lives three miles west of Lebanon, was badly scalded by the accidental upsetting of a pot of boiling water, on last Saturday. From about half way below the knees down, the flesh was fairly cooked, and it is feared that the amputation of both feet may become necessary.

RAILROAD MEETING .- At the railroad meeting held on Friday night, Dec. 17, den death. 1869, Messrs. Jas. H. Foster, Dr. J. P. Tate and Dave Froman were appointed a committee to solicit subscriptions to secure the location of the Oregon Central Railroad through this city.

SEE IT .- An important change has been made in the advertisement of Messrs. O. P. Tompkins & Co., to which we call the attention of our readers. Oliver is a live business man, and will always be found equal to the demand of Todd delivered lectures in this city dur-

UNION SUNDAY SCHOOL SOCIABLE .--

The Presbyterian and Congregational Sunday Schools have united for the purpose of holding a sociable at Parrish Hall on the evening of the 24th—Friday.

The friends and teachers of the two our ideas) by a succession of cold-blooded murders, committed under the sancschools thought that a sociable, under all circumstances, would prove of children, than the erection of a Christmas Tree. The friends of the schools are cordially invited to attend. The ant time may be expected.

CHRISTMAS TREE .- The exercises at the Methodist Church connected with the Christmas Tree, to consist of one or more short addresses, with vocal and astrumental music, will transpire on friends of the Sabbath school are invited.

RELIGIOUS MEETINGS .- The Baptists of this city, Rev. Dr. Hill, pastor, have been holding nightly meetings erable interest was manifested.

SABBATH EXERCISES-At the Methodist church, will be conducted by Rev. the 26th. All are invited to attend.

A glance out of the window at the partially frozen mud in the streets, reninds one of the winters in the older States. The warm sun of noonday soon held a sword in his life, so that it would dispels the illusion, however.

16th by the election of Hitchcock, (Re-Cairo, Secretary. Most of the other offi- warm for him. cers elected were straight Democrats, Republicans elected on citizen's tickets,

JUDGE LORENZO SAWYER .- The nom-Freeland, of this city, dated 8th of De- is pronounced by the Sacramento Union Clara, Dr. Joel Shepherd. He was found His habits of mind and life, together

Messrs. Collins & McLeester, Philadelphia, reaches us regularly. It is one specimens of new type faces, &c., it contains many rich jewels of thought, and valuable suggestions to those engaged in

GONE EAST .- Mr. H. W. Scott, editor will be absent six or eight weeks, and besides visiting his old home in Illinois, will visit Washington and look in upon Congress. We wish him a pleasant and profitable trip.

Bulletin says that the real wealth of California is probably not below \$500,000,-000, which would allow an average of one the table opposite the unconscious stranand child, white, black, red or yellow in the State.

RICH .- The Victoria Colonist, speaking of the new gold diggings recently discovered on Peace river, and on several small streams twenty miles north of Findlay Branch, says that they are so rich that two ounce diggings are not considered worth attention.

A "Third House" has been organized at Eugene. At its last meeting two bills were introduced, one for the repeal of the Usury Act, and the other to establish Female Suffrage, and referred to special committees. The Third House is spoken of as a "big thing" for the beeples.

DEATH'S DOINGS .- Mr. N. Haun, President of the late Willamette Steamboat Company, died at Umpqua a short time since. Mr. Painter, living at the mouth of Tualatin river, was found dead in his bed on the morning of the 7th. Heart disease is given as the cause of his sud-

A TIE .- The death of John Russell Secretary of State for Ohio, and State Senator elect from his district, leaves the Senate, politically, a tie.

THE FRANKING PRIVILEGE .- A bill has been introduced into Congress to establish the franking privilege. We hope to hear of its passage.

SPIRITUALISM .- Mr. and Mrs. Benj. ing last week to fair audiences.

SERVED OUT.

In the year 183-there lived at Bordeaux, the last-or one of the last-of a long line of scoundrels who had made tion of what the people were pleased to call the Code of Honor. This was a cernore interest and more benefit to the tain Comte de V-, a man of great physical strength, imperturbable sangfroid and relentless cruelty. Not a bad sort of companion, as some said, when the fitdueling fit-was not on him; but Hall will doubtless be filled, and a pleas- this came on once in about every six this came on once in about every this came on once in about every months, and then he must have blood, it mattered little whose. He had killed mattered little whose. He had killed mattered little whose of sixteen, fathers of which flashed like fire, and a mouth that vocates, peaceful country gentlemen. The cause of a quarrel was of no importance; if one did not present itself readily, he made one; always contriving Friday evening, December 24th. All that, according to the code aforesaid, he friends of the Sabbath school are invited should be the insulted party, thus having the choice of weapons; and he was dead-ly with the small sword. It is difficult for us to realize a state of society in which such a wild beast could be permitted to go at large; but we know it to be through the past week, at which consid- historically true that such creatures were endured in France; just as we are assured that there were at one time wolves in Yorkshire, only the less noisome vermin had a harder time as civilization W. D. Nichols, morning and evening of progressed than was dealt out to the hu-

nan brute. The latest exploit of the Comte de - previous to the story I am about to tell, was to good a poor young student into a challenge; and when it was represented to him that the boy had never be fairer to use pistols, he replied that "fools sometimes make mistakes with pis-ILLINOIS CONSTITUTIONAL CONVEN- tols," and the next morning ran him TION.—This body was organized on the through the lungs. The evil fit was on him, but the blood thus shed quieted him for another half year, and rather oublican—elected on citizen's ticket) of more, for public opinion was unfavorable, Chicago, President; Harmon (Dem.) of and the air of Bordeaux became too

But the scandal blew over after a time, and he came back to his old haunts, one of which was a cafe by the river side, voting for them. The straight Republi-cans voted for Republicans only. where many used to spend their Sunday. Into the little garden of this establishment our wolf swaggered one fine summer afternoon, with the heavy dark look SUDDEN DEATH .- A private letter ination of this gentleman to the bench and nervous twitching of the hands from Santa Clara (Cal.), to Postmaster of the Circuit Court of the Pacific coast, which those who were acquainted with him knew well meant mischief. The evil fit was on him : consequently he cember, contains the mournful tidings of as good a one as could have been made. found himself the center of a circle the sudden and unexpected death of His record as one of the Supreme Judges which expanded as he went on. This one of the principal citizons of Santa of California is perfectly satisfactory, did not displease him. He liked to be feared. He knew he could make a quarrel when he chose, so he looked around Go, if you please," (this to the waiter,) for a victim.

occupation which does not call forth any would have to seek elsewhere what he latent strength of character. Above all, of the neatest and attractive publications he was profoundly unconscious of the we receive from the East. Besides the presence of M. le Comte de V—, and continued eating his strawberries and reading his paper as though no wolf were

in that pleasant fold. As the Count approached this table, it the "art preservative." Terms-\$1 per become sufficiently well known whom he was going to honor with his insolence; and the circle narrowed again to see the play. It is not bad sport, with some of of the Oregonian, has gone East. He us, to see a fellow-oreature baited-especially when we are out of danger ourselves.

The strawberry-eater's costume not such as was ordinarily worn in France at that time, and he had a curious hat, which-the weather being warm-he had placed on the table by his side. "He Good Showing.—The San Francisco is a foreigner," whispered some in the

Monseiur le Comte.' Monsieur le Comte seated himself at

"Gargon," he said, when that func-tionary appeared, "take away that nasty thing!" pointing to the hat aforesaid. Now the stranger's elbow, as he read his journal, was on the brim of the nasty thing," which was a very good hat, but of British form and make. The garcon was embarassed.

"Do you hear me?" thundered the ount. "Take me that thing away! No Count. one has a right to place his hat on the

"I beg your pardon," said the straw-berry-eater, politely, placing the offend-ing article on his head, and drawing his hair a little aside; "I will make room for Monsieur." The garcon was about to retire well satisfied, when the bully called after him-

"Have I not commanded you to take that thing which annoys me away?" "But, Monsieur le Comte, the gentloman has covered himself."

"What does it matter to me?" "But, Monsieur le Comte, it is impos-What is impossible?"
"That I should take the gentleman's

"By no means," observed the stranger, uncovering again. "Be so good as to carry my hat to the lady at the counter, and ask her, on my behalf, to do me the favor to accept charge of it for the pres-

"You speak French passably well for a foreigner," said the bully, stretching his arms over the table and looking his neighbor full in the face -a titter of contempt

going round the circle. "I am not a foreigner, Monsieur."
"I am sorry for that."
"So am I."

"May one, without indiscretion, in-

"Meaning me?" "Meaning precisely you.
"Do you know who I am?" asked the Count, half turning his back upon him, and facing the lookers on, as much as to say, "Now observe how I will crush this

poor creature." "Monsieur," replied the strawberryeater, with perfect politeness in his tone, "I have the honor not to know you."
"Death of my life! I am the Comte

set itself very firmly. "The Comte de Vin a low voice. "Yes. Monsieur. And what have you

to say against him?" O uothing." "That may be well for you."

"But there are those who say

coward." "That is enough," said the bully, starting to his feet. "Monsieur will find me in two hours at this address," flinging him a card.

Monsieur le Comte," replied the strawberry-eater, calmly tearing the card in "Then I shall say of Monsieur what

"I shall not trouble myself to find

he, permitting himself to lie, said just "And that is ?"

"That he is a coward." "You may say what you please, Mon-

"And thou-thou art a Frenchman!" thrown so much disdain as he did into the "thou."

The strawberry eater made no reply but turned his head and called "Garcon The poor trembling creature came up again, wondering what new dilemma was prepared for him, and stood quaking ome ten yards off.

"Garcon," said the stranger, "is there room vacant in the hotel?" "Without doubt, Monsieur."

"A large one?" "But certainly. They are all largeown apartments. "Then engage the largest for me to-

day, and another-no matter what-for Monsieur le Comte." "Monsieur, I give my own orders when necessary," said the Count loftily. "I thought to spare you the trouble.

Then the strawberry-eater returned to dead. It is supposed that he died of heart disease. Dr. Shepherd owned the first drug store ever opened in Albany, and will be remembered by the "old set
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responsible office, and will meet with the agarden sat a man of about thirty years of age, of middle height, and an expression of countenance which at first struck one as mild and good-humored. He was engrew a little wider, for a horrid idea got abroad that the Count had not found one in front; whereas you killed him." interest him, and eating strawberries, an who was likely to suit him, and that he

wanted.

serve

"O, don't trouble yourself on that said the stranger, with a grim "If you are not afraid, follow smile.

as the two walked towards the house. Was there no one to call "police," no one to try and prevent what to all seemed imminent? Not a soul! The dreaded duelist had his evil fit on, and every one breathed freely now that he knew victim was selected. Moreover, no one

supposed it would end there. The count and his friend (?) were ush ered into the apartment prepared for the latter, who, as soon as the garcon had left, took off his coat and waistcoat, and roceeded to remove the furniture so as to leave the room free for what was to follow—the count standing with folded arms, glaring at him the while. The decks being cleared for action, the stranger looked the door, placed the key on the mantel-piece behind him, and said: "I think you might have helped a lit-tle; but never mind. Will you give me your attention for five minutes?

"Perfectly." "Thank you. I am, as I have told ou. a Frenchman, but I was educated

without indiscretion, in"I cannot flatter myself that I do."
"Ha! Then I must be more exploit.
I learned, then, that one who takes ad-

eigner, I should be spared the pain of seeing a compatriot behave himself very the week, or who, practised in any art compels one unpractised in it to content compels one unpractised in it to content with him, is a coward and a knave. D you follow me now, Monsieur le Comte?"
"I came here, Monsieur—"
"Never mind for what you came, be

content with what you will get. For example—to follow what I was observing—if a man skilled with the small-sword, for the mere vicious love of quarreling, goads to madness a boy who has never fenced in his life, and kills him, that man is a murderer; and more—a cowardly murderer, and a knavish."
"I think I catch your meaning; but if you have pistols here—" foamed the

with pistols in my pocket," replied the other, in the same calm tone he had used throughout. "Allow me to continue At that school of which I have speken, and in the society of men who have grown out of it, and others where the same habit of thought prevails, it would be considered that a man who had been guilty of such cowardice and knavery as I have mentioned, would be justly pun-ished if, some day, he should be paid in his own coin by meeting some oue who would take him at the same disadvantage

as he placed that poor boy at."
"Our seconds shall fix your own weapons, Monsieur," said the Count; "let this farce end."

"Presently. Those gentlemen whose opinions I now venture to express, not having that craze for blood which distinguishes some—who have not had a simi-lar enlightened education—would proba-bly think that such a coward and knave sieur le Comte. Those who know me would not believe you, and those who do not my faith! what care I what they humiliating castigation befitting his knavery and cowardice

"Ah! I see; I have a lawyer to deal No one but a Frenchman could have with," sneered the Count. I regret to say I am about to break one of its provis "You will fight me then?"

"Yes. At the school we have been speaking of, I learned, among other things, the use of my hands; and if I mistake not I am about to give you as sound a thrashing as any hully ever got."

"You would take advantage of your skill in the box?" said the Count, getting

a little pale.
"Exactly. Just as you took advantage of your skill in the small sword with

"But it is degrading—brutal!"
"My dear Monsieur, just consider,
You are some four inches taller and some thirty to forty kilogrammes heavier than I am. I have soldom seen so fine an outside. If you were to hit me a good swinging blow it would go hard with me In the same way, if poor young B

"I will not accept this barbarous en-"You must; 'I have done talking.

wanted.

The murmur that went round roused the bully.

"Monsieur," he hissed, "has presumed to make use of a word which among men of honor—"

"I beg your pardon?"

"Which among men of honor—"

"But what can Monsieur le Comte possibly know what is felt among men of honor?" asked the other, with a shrug of incredulity.

"Will you fight yourself with me, or will you not," roared the Count, goaded to fury.

"If Monsieur le Comte will give himself the trouble to accompany me to the apartment which, no doubt, is now prepared for me," replied the stranger, rising, I will satisfy him."

"Good," said the other, kicking down his chair; "I am with you. I waive the usual preliminaries. I only beg to observe that I am without arms; but if you must; 'I have done talking.

"You must; 'I have done talking. for help, the strawberry-eater took him by the neck and brecches, and threw him out on to the flower-bed below. that I am without arms; but if

The strawberry-eater remained a month in Bordeaux to fulfill his prumise of givme."

This he said in a voice sufficiently loud for the nearest to hear, and the circle parted right and left, like startled sheep, and after a few passes the Count, who was too eager to kill his man, felt an unpleasant sensation in his right shoulder. The seconds interposed, and there was an end of the affair. It was his last duel. Some one produced a sketch of him as he appeared being thrown out of the hotel window, and ridicule—so swful to a Frenchman—rid the country of him. The straw-berry eater was alive when the Battle of the Alma was fought, and is the only man to whom the above facts the only man to whom the above facts are known who never talks about them. -Temple Bar.

How to FIT A COLLAR TO A HORSE. —In purchasing a collar for your horse, it is important to get one that fits him, as both the animal and yourself will thus both the animal and yourself will thus be saved much annoyance. The Harness and Carriage Journal says: "The plan adopted in the West, and which, we are assured by men who have been long in the collar business, does not injure the collar in the least, is to dip it in water you. A Frenchman, but I was educated in England, at one of her famous public schools. Had I been sent to one of our own Lycees, I should, perhaps, have gained more book knowledge, but, as it is, I have learned some things which we do not teach, and one of them is, not to take a mean advantage of any man, but to keep my own head with my own hands. Do you understand me, Monsieur le Comte?"

"I cannot flatter myself that I do."

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A hint for life insurance company