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NORTHERN PACIFIC NOTES.

New York, Jan. 6. An unusually well informed party says there are several reasons for the non-action in regard to the election of Villard's suc-authorizing the president, during the cessor at this time. Villard has only recess of congress, to prohibit the resigned the presidency and not the importation of articles injurious to resigned the presidency and not the importation of articles injurious to directory. Consequently, if a president was chosen some director would Germany on the same grounds that have to make way for him; but the they prohibit the importation of any chief reason is that the directors wish time in order to select a good man. It is regarded as extremely important that Germany has prohibited the imwho will have the confidence of the upon the unproven assumption that who will have the confidence of the stockholders and the public, and be eminently fitted for the position. All health, and has declined to send exthe talk about Billings succeeding to the presidency has been that of illadvised friends. While there has been nothing like a contest, Billings' such products. The president, to investigate the quality and manner of marketing such products. The resolution was manne has never been considered by referred to the ways and means common who control the company. The mittee The friends of retaliatory men who control the company. The mittee. The friends of retaliatory truth is Billings treated old friends legislation contend that ample authorof the company shabbily when he was ity and precedent for it are found in president, and sold out privately to various acts passed by congress at Villard at a time when he was calling on the men who elected him nating duties; in the act of March, to stand by his management. 1809, to interdict commercial inter-lt is not certain that Billings has ever signified a willingness to take Great Britain and France, and in the position, but his superserviceable friends have put him in a false posi-tion. It can be confidently said that Representative He Billings' candidacy has not been speaking of this matter yesterday, thought of seriously. Billings resid: "There is one subject in regard signed on account of ill health, and to which the people of my state, within a week he has had a return of his old complaint (Bright's disease), which has confined him to his house. else are heartily united and thor-Charles B. Wright, of Philadelphia, oughly in earnest in asking congress who has been one of the staunchest to act. Our people want legislation friends of the company since 1864, and the largest stockholder, was in- adulterated wines and liquors, and vited by leading members of the syn-dicate to accept the position of presi-some other articles now imported

utive committee. Talmage, in speaking of Villard, the grandest enterprises of all time, tion called for is furnished I propos he has swamped everything. His to bring in a bill." bounded generosity, one which fed leeches enough to suck out the life of any fortune that was ever gathered. I saw his railroad train in which he took, free of charge, to the Yellow-stone park a great number of sham English lords and dukes, whe denounced Villard because while be provided them with every luxury, they could not each have a whole drawing-room car to himself, and so were compelled to breathe the same air with 'vulgar Americans.' I do not suppose that ever since the world stood did there go through the country as many titled nonentities or so much glorified muck as went up last summer, free of all charge, on generous Villard's train. Most of these people have gone home to the other side of the sea, and are writing magazine articles of the crudities of American society, while Villard goes into bankruptey. Perhaps this was the last straw that broke the camel's back.

of Vice President Oakes and the exec-

Following is the text of the complimentary resolutions: Resolved, That the directors of the Northern Pacific, in accepting the resignation of Henry Villard as president, desire to express to him their deep sympathy in his severe illness, their regret at the causes which have brought about his resignation, their appreciation of his great energy in oushing our enterprise to a successful completion as a trunk line, and their sincere hope that he will soon be restored to health and prosperity. Resolved, That in view of the fact that Villard, during his presidency, voluntarily received no salary what ever, the treasurer be directed to pay

him at the rate of \$10,000 a year for the period he held that office. Villard has been president of the company about two and a half years.

Never Joke.

When the Toledo Telegram says joke he might be the next speaker of the house," it is only putting in sententious form what is heard in many tentious all the W. W. W. The speaker of the house all the speaker of and fret of life.—Gail Hamilton. that "if S. S. Cox had never made a forms all about Washington every hours now-a-days. Why is it that man who adds to great power and clearness in the discussions of great questions the ability to amuse as he goes along should be so underrated 31 pounds by the public? It is a singular fact. Clearfield but fact it is, and always has been. Tom Corwin was probably the greatest man Ohio ever produced, but because he could amuse as well as instruct he was always sneered at by the owls of politics as a "joker" It grave to give Abraham Lincoln any other reputation than that of a joker

and story teller. When Oliver P. Morton was starting in 1856 upon that wonderful ca-reer that made him one of the most conspicuous figures of the war pe riod, he commenced by seeking to en-liven that extraordinary logical eloquence (if such a term is admissable possessed by him in such a degree, by anecdote and witticism. He had a happy turn that way. At Terra Haute, after a brilliant effort to its followers, a venerable and famous politician took the young orator to task: "Young man, if you want to be regarded as a great man, a great leader, never tell a story, never atter a joke look solemn and pound the

The pope will hold a consistory April, when several cardinals will be exceated and the vacant Sees in America filled. It is rumored another American cardinal will be appointed at the close of the forthcoming coun

LIMA, PERU.—Hon. S. Crosby, Ha-waiian Consul, says he suffered with rhenmatism, and was advised to try the conqueror of pain, St. Jacobs Oil. By three applications he was entirely Retaliatory Measures.

The Tribune's Washington special Representative Townsend of new president shall be a man portation of American hog products other like measures passed early in Representative Henderson, of Iowa

dent of the company. Wright came from Germany and such other coun-over here to attend the late meeting, and gave his final decision in the matter. His health is such that he could swine products under the false prenot take the position. Until a president is selected the management of healthy articles of food. The only the company will remain in the hands way, we think, to bring to their senses Germany and other countries which exclude American products is Talmage, in speaking of Villard, by retaliatory legislation. I have said: "In pushing the great Northern Pacific railroad through, one of subject and as soon as the informa-

One of Them Talks.

Woman, O my sisters, bath on this continent what the worldly call a "soft snap of it." I mean the average woman has. Individuals suffer wrong and hardship, and it is a pity, but the American woman is born under a lucky star. Consider her mental and social inferiority in England, her serfdom in the east, her infantile helplessness everywhere else, save here, where she is paid a deference almost akin to worship. By nature's laws she is handicapped everywhere, but the ballot won't remedy that.

The average woman of middle class, in America, works because she pre-fers to. If she were in England woman of the same class she would let her father or brothers support her in genteel poverty until a husband assumed the burden. The American woman prefers to work and, out of deference to a social prejudice purely of her own creating, prefers starving on a beggarly pittance in the over-erowded workshop or store, to living well in domestic service. own choice. No use to rail at heartless employers, when the market for labor is overstocked with those who have decreed that "living out" is

In due time she marries, some of her; the majority don't. She has not BLACKSMITH learned to do housework and must hire some one to do it for her, thus S H O entailing on her husband the support of three adults. This is the average eastern man's case. To do him justice he does not complain. He has been used to that arrangement in his own home and takes up the burthen of living, cheerfully as his dyspepsia will allow. He effects a life assur-ance, and in due time, the sooner the more economical realizes on it and goes to his long account. The wo-man has borne her share of work, you will say, and truly; but her share has not been the heavy portion, and she has been spared the greatest task

Editors and Potatoes.

Uniondale (Tenn.) Messenger: A Corey comes to the front with the largest potato yet received. Weight,

Clearfield (Iowa) Enterprise; The New Market News is in possession of a sweet potato that measures over three feet in length. Alma (Kan.) News: Mr. Malone left

at this office another specimen of his the owls of politics as a "joker" It took two elections and a martyr's potato crop. This time the variety is possible and they are extra for peachblow, and they are extra for

Trenton (Ills.) Gazette: William H. Harris brought to the Gazette office Saturday three monstrous sweet potatoes. The largest measured 2214 inches in circumference.

Wyandotte (Kan.) Gazette; Mr. E. C. Dew, of Six Mile, has brought us a sample of potatoes of which we gladly make a note. The sample is forty potatoes, making just a half bushel.

Brimfield (Ills.) News: If the potatoes keep coming we will have to enlarge our cellar pretty soon. Mr. E. T. Learned has our thanks for half a bushel of very fine ones of the Scotch red variety.

Oberlin (Kan.) Herald: Last Saturday, J. L. Wilson, of Hazard Draw, left at the *Herald* office some splendid potatoes of the Beauty of Hebron variety, as the production of that variety. He raised about 100 bushels.

It is said that mice are just as much afraid of women as women are cil in the United States. It is prob-able that Archbishop Gibbons of Baltimore will be selected. of mice. But as the screaming ap-paratus of the latter is not construct-ed on the same principle as that of ed on the same principle as that of the former, they are restrained from communicating the intelligence to the

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