THURSDAY.JANUARY 31, 1884

AN ARROGANT MONOPOLIST.

THE public lands committee has unanimously voted to prepare a bill forfeiting the Texas Pacific grant and restoring the land to settlers, but still Huntington is undismayed. Why? He relies on the Supreme court to decide in his favor, as it has so often ruled in favor of corporations and against the people and settlers. Huntington built through the territories over public lands as a trespasser without the consent of the government; he entered and built through a government reservation in the same high-handed way, He crossed the Colorado river on a reservation in spite of the positive prohibition of the secretary of war. Now he says if congress, in pursuance of its right, presumes to declare the grant which he "earned" from the government in this way forfeited he will go into the courts and tie up the land for twenty years by litigation, with the evident conviction that in the end the Supreme court will award him.

If there are suy simple-minded people who refuse to believe that there is any reason why certain great monopolies should be making a simultaneous and continuous effort to obtain control of the Senate and to name a candidate for the Presidency, we hope the revelation by Huntington of the great stakes he will have to play for and this reliance on the Supreme Court will enlighten them. In the next dozen years questions about land grants and railroad diser iminations are coming up before the Supreme Court, to control which Huntington and the Standard Oil Company could afford to pay the expenses of all the Presidential elections and the elections of a majority of the Senate until they are settled.

Men like Huntington are anarchia'mindantly illustrated in his remarks on the proposed legislation by congress to prevent the railroads of the country from favoring one at the expense of others. He stigmatizes such royal salary with the utmost regularcontrol and says railroad property ity, and maintains a tight hold upon must be treated like other property. The class of men he represents are could not borrow a ten-dollar bill perfectly willing to be given extraor- from his royal mamma if he tried to dinary privileges, like those of eminent domain and common carrier, by watched with the eagle eye of a good by which they can take to their own uses and profit the property of others and gain possession exclusively of the great highways of the nation's travel and traffic, but the moment the obli gation that goes with these rights is to be enforced, why, then their property is like other property.

There is no end to special favors, railroad men are willing to beg or buy from legislatures. Their property is when they are after these things, but when they have got what they the people seek put them under the obligations which have always attached to the property of common carriers, their position is suddenly reversed. They are then only like holders of other property. There is an irrepressible conflict here. The property of men who, by charters and delegated powers of eminent domain, hold the roads of the country in their sole control, is not at all like other property. Not even the citizens of the monarchial and aristoeratic governments of Europe are ridden by such despotism as Huntington and his associates have determined, by the help of the senate and president and supreme court to fasten on us. These railroad kings will find that they must submit, in free America, to at least as much control as would be imposed on them in England, France or Germany.

THE American sailor and American merchant navy have been "protected" and taxed off the "face of the great the people of this country want the deep." It is impossible for an American ship-owner, under the state tax the control of the solid south, which laws and navigation laws of this country, to compete upon anything approaching equal terms with foreign ship-owners. We discriminate against our own ships in our own ports and abroad, wherever an American consular agent is to be found, and then get provided with taffy-proof armor all muddled up in a maze of nonsen- modesty would not be such a rare sical projects of rebates, bonuses and virtue among the nation's law-makers the like, instead of going straight to the point by amending our navigation laws in the direction of free ships the abolition of tonnage dues and other vexations charges, and the exemption of deep sea-going vessels from taxation. Were this done, as done it must be if Americans are to control their own foreign carrying is the Samuel J. Tilden of Ohio. This trade, there would be an end to the is a left-handed compliment to the jeremiads over "the decadence of Buckeye state and a double back-ac-American shipping." American ship tion boomerang for both of the genowners do not want "protection." They want elbow-room, freedom of action and enterprise and fair play ton-chops and a liberal quantity of generally. With these conditions guaranteed and the world's commerce open to them, the next decade would tell a very different story from the past one.

A BILL is to be introduced in the New York legislature to imprison horror when he discovered that many wife-beaters in the penitentiary. Of the wild Westerners invariably est pie with a knife. a man who beats his wife Shakespeare says: "He is a wretch whom it were base flattery to call a coward."

GETTING TALKATIVE.

MR. Gould seems to have lost his head and began to talk. Almost every day brought out an interview with him in one paper or another. Now, if a man like him begins to talk, it is invariably a sign of weakness on his part. He never says a word when he has anything to say. He talks only when he is powerless to act. It is well known that financiers and railroad magnates hate the press, and have recourse to it only in extremis. Even out of men like Mr. Henry Villard and Mr. Horace White, who are themselves old reporters, a newspaper man could no more get a word than he could get blood out of a stone till they both came to grief. The moment the so-called big men begin to talk, look out; there must be something wrong. The law in this case is gen eral. Every one of the so-called big men hates the press almost as much as Bismarck does. But everyone of them is anxious to use it when he is driven to the wall like Bismarck again, who always said he would like to see every newspaper wiped out of existence, and who constantly wrote

The only exception in this case is Vanderbilt. He likes to talk to the newspaper reporters almost as much as he does to his horsey friends on the road. It seems to be a kind of hygenic measure with him. It gives him an opportunity to air his elegautly conceived ideas. He loves to dwell upon the fact that he has reached the seme of beautitude, and cares not a straw for any other being in existence. He cannot find names strong enough to call people by, and every fresh interview brunds some men with a new, refined, and gentle manly appellation.

to gain his point by it.

QUERN VICTORIA'S devotion to the memory of John Brown is, it is reported, giving alarm to even the most loyal of her subjects. The portrait of HERBERT A. SLADE, the great Macri Giant. loyal of her subjects. The portrait of the great gillie adorns her private spartments in Windsor, and the Windsor, and the perfect McCoY, champion light-weight of rooms he occupied are not allowed to be profuned by the tread of vulgar cal. Their anti-social attitude is mortals. These are, to be sure, extraordinary honors; but we see no reason why the throne should be thereby regarded as in a dangerous condition. Her majesty draws her her pocket-book. Albert Edward do so, and the kitchen in the castle is housekeeper as well as of a queen. Her majesty's Brown studies are not in the least alarming

opinion that the high tribute paid to the memory of the dead Senator Morton by the people of Indiana, in the erection of a statue, is in burning contrast to the "shameful neggifts, powers and exemptions which lect" that we of Oregon and California are guilty of towards the gallant H in Astoria all parties indebted to me and genius-gifted General E. D. are requested to make immediate settlemen of the same at the office of D. L. Beck & Son unlike any other kind of property Baker, whose neglected grave is a Baker, whose neglected grave is a in this city. All parties having claim standing shame and disgrace to the above office.

GEO, W. HUME. loyalty, intelligence and patriotism of the entire state. This animadversion is deserved. It is a shame that the gallant spirit who laid down his life for his country on the fatal field of Ball's Bluff, twenty-two years ago, has not been more fittingly honored by the people of the states which his genius illustrated and his oratory en-

THE San Jose (Cal.) Times is of

SETH GREEN, of the State Fishery commission, announces with pardonable pride that he has succeeded in giving the world a new fish. It is a hybrid cross, to quote his own words, between the brook trout and the salmon trout. Mr. Green declares that their new relative which he has succeeded in bringing into existence is superior to both of them. It has the vermilion spots and all the other first-class marks of an aristocratic trout lineage. This is all very well, but we still uphold the supremacy of the Columbia river salmon.

THE main question in the presiden tial campaign will be as to whether government placed completely under will be the result of electing a demoeratic administration.

SPEAKER CARLISLE, according to his admirers, is not at all affected by compliments. If every politician were

LUCY STONE wants the erection of the Bartholdi statue deferred until the women of the United States "are given their rights." From the present state of affairs it is evident that Lucy's wish may be fulfilled.

It is now said that Henry B. Payne

With an unstinted supply of mut-"cold tea," it is more likely that the average congressman will be able to weather the killing frosts of an off

It is strange that Matthew Arnold didnot hold up his hands in holy

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Executors' Notice.

HE COUNTY COURT OF CLATSOP County, Oregon, having appointed the lersigned executors of the last will and tament of Truman P. Powers, deceased, all persons having claims against said estate are requested to present the same with the proper vouchers, at the office of C. Leinen-weber. Upper Astoria, within six months from this date.

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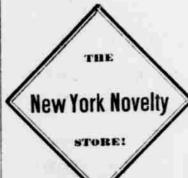
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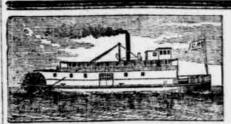
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