

Griffin & Reed, City Book Store.

team can scarcely haul an ordinary load of wood to the top of one of the hills. On the other hand, the business streets are docated so low over the water, that there is no room for a basement in the business blocks, and Astoria can beast Pastar scorectly a building used for business pur-poses having a cellar or passmeent of any utility. Modera heating apparatus

elevators, and such like conveniences are unknown in the city. Hotels and pub-lie buildings are run upon of 1-fashioned plans of fitty years ago.

ans of fifty years ago. moust, a brother of President Cleve- Jersey. He has control-date business man, who has land, and his church. Mr. Cleveland of his colleagues man

NO BALM IN GILEAD.

"From such investigation as has been practicable, it is evident that a large amount of destructible property, esti-

within the past few days the Spanish troops have been defeated by the insurnated at not less than ten billons of dollars in value, is exposed to attack, or, at least, is heavy essessment, for the purpose of securing immunity from de-Havana, allowed to go out in regard to these en-gagements by the Spanish authorities. struction. The president of the Chamstruction. The president of the Cham-ber of Commerce of New York informed me that be has given careful attention to the question of property risks in the cities of New York, Brooklyn and New Jersey. He has consulted with many of his colleagues in the great susiness institutions of New York and he cat

ments by the Spanish authorities. most important of these engage monts occurred near Majana, on the strong line. Maceo's advance guard, 2000 strong, attacked the Spanish column under Colonel luciau, near that place.

DEPENDS UPON SILVER.

Bland Does Not Want the Nomination President, but Will Accept It if Tendered Him. for

St. Louis, April 14.-A Republic special from Seddila, Mo., says: "To night the friends of ex-Congress-man Richard P. Bland decided to offer a

or Cleveland, the President's Brother, Severs Relations With His Charch

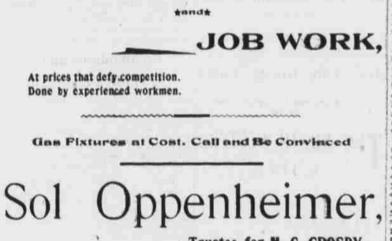
Watertown, N. Y., April H.-The pres-bytery of St. Lawrence this afternoon voted to dissolve the relations existing between Rev. Wm. N. Cleweland, sit Cha-



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EXTENDED SYMPATHY.

EXTENDED SYMPACHY. "Do unto others as you would have others do unto you," is sympathetically shown in the following lines, the pre-sumption being that sympathy is born, or akin to pain or sorrow: "Gentlemen:-Please send Krause's Headache Capsules as follows: Two boxes to Flora Seay, Havanna, N. Dak. Two hoxes to Lillie Wilcox, Brookland, N. Dak. I have always been a great aufferer from headache and your Cap-sules are the only thing that relieves me." Yours very truly. Yours very truly, FLORA SEAY, Havanna, N. Dak.

For sale by Chas. Rogers, Astoria, Or.,

by an Astorian representative stated; "I can see, that the question of grades of streem in the sity of Astoria has in the past been a great drawback if not a complete obstacle to the crection of substantial business buildings. iNen now no one is warranted in putting up a brick block or haldding, for it may be but a short time before the grade is changed and his building left two or three feet below the line. To raise a brick or stone structure can only be done at large expense. There are but few such buildings now in the city, and upon the see of a new growth, and in fact the building of a new town here, this is the time for the eithents to wake up to the situation, establish a permasent grade stantial business buildings, iNem now situation, establish a permanent grade for your business streets, and pave the way for capitalists to come in and put up such structures as will be moduments of beauty and utility. In my spinion, of beauty and utility. In may opinion, and your city engineer, Mr. itel, agrees with me, as do nice some of your local capitalines, the grade of slong street should be faised eight feet, and such legislation should be enacted by your city council as would make that grade perma-nent for at least fifty years. All the buildings which are now standing in the city, goold be easily raised, and with very little expense. From Bond street the grades should be established back tow-

grades should be established back how-ards the hill at a slight raise, and you would then find that the avenues to the higher grounds weeth have their grades so reduced that access to every part of the diffy would be easy. The curptus earth upon these fills could be washed down by hydraulies and thrown under your present board streets, illing out even to the proposed seawall at the deep channel line, and before you know it, your bistness blocks would be resting on solid ground. Let this be once accom-plished, and your insurance, which is plished, and your insurance, which is now at a rate of about nine percent, would be reduced to one and one-half or two per cent. The difference in rates of

Insurance alone for a period of only a few years, would not only pay the ex-pense of raising your suithings, but would in a large part, defray the cost of the hydraulic grading.

within the past few tays left this town in disgust because he could not find a stable site on which to erect a large hotel. Your city engineer could give him no assurance as to what would be the street grade, and he refused to plant his capital on such uncertainties. This is but one of many such instances which have been complied with. MANY IMMIGRANTS Rome, April 14-Fifteen migrants are about to le Tork from Naples. EVFECTS OF THE BICY One of the most notable phenomenal popularity of

shaks? I am satisfied that every citizen will agree with me that if the city is ever to amount to anything she must have respectable buildings, and that now is the time to lay the foundation for

FOR PLENTY OF SILVER.

Tacoma, April 14.—The silver men in the Democratic state convention made an all-day fight for a silver platform and a silver delegation instructed to vots for a free silver candidate for president. They did not even propose to give the ad-ministration the usual compliment of endorsement, but the administration forces, led by Committeeman Hugh C. Wallace, finally frocured an unqualified Tacoma, April 14.-The silver men in

only recently settled in Astoria, when interviewed yesetricay upon the subject

HOTEL MEN'S ASSOCIATION. Annual Election of Officers Hald in Los.

Angeles, Cal.

Los Angeles, April IE-The direction of officers of the Hotel Men's Mutual Bene-tit Association was held in Music hall Loday. George W. Lynch, of the Hotel Flowers San Union and and the Hotel Isday. George W. Lench, of the Hotel Florence, San Diego, was elected presi-dent; Walter Barnes, of Chicago, secretary and ireasurer, and G. H. Booker, of Boston, vice president. Boston was selected as the next place of meeting. At noon today an Al France lunch was given to about 700 pauple, including the hostel men, at the home of Judge Silent. There are twenty-two millionaires in the scrowd.

TO MEET AT BERRER

Cairo, April 11 .- Information has been received here that the Khalifa does not contemplate an attack upon Kassala, but be intends to concentrate the Dervish forces at Berber

The Abyssinian envoy who recently arrived here bearing a letter from King Menelek to Lord Cramer, the British diplomatic agent here. In regard to the Dongola expedition in its effects in strengthening the position of the Italians in Abyosinia, has started on his return, onveying Lord Cromer's reply to the king.

RETREAT OF ITALIANS.

Rome, April 14 .- A dispatch from Masowahsowah, dated April 5, says that on Friday last Colonel Stevani attacked the Dervish entrenchments in the vicinity, He won a partial success, and proposed to renew the attack on Saturday, but General Baldissern, the commander-in-chief, ordered him to make no further attack and instructed him to evacuate "It has happened within my personal knowledge that an Eastern capitalist within the past few tays left this town Kassala and Agordat. These orders

MANY IMMIGRANTS COMING.

Rome, April 14.-Fifteen thousand im-migrants are about to leave for New York from Naples.

EFFECTS OF THE BICYCLE BOOM.

One of the most notable results of the phenomenal popularity of cycling is the marked effect of the blcycle industry on allied trades, and even upon trades that allied trades, and even upon trades that would seem, at first glance, to be wholly outside of any such influence. The nucleus of one of the large bloycle works in this country was a sewing machine factory, where wheels were made in one corner of the shop on a very small scale. Soon the making of sewing machines became secondary in importance, and Soon the making of sewing machines became secondary in importance, and was finally abandoned altogether for the more profitable bloycle business. This was only the beginning. Since the use of the wheel has become almost univer-sal many radical changes have been wrought. For instance, a large watch factory has gone extensively into the manufacture of cyclometers, and is hav-ing difficulty to keen un with the arders

assented to the action of the committee, institutions of New York, and he estiassented to the action of the committee, institutions of New York, and he esti-but entered a protest. There was a warm discussion, at the close of which Presbytery voted unanimously as indi-cated. The Presbytery has endeavored for more than a year to harmonize the imubles existing, but without perma-nent success.

by newts is impracticable, for it will, he is and, require expenditures' running up into several hundred million dollars to do the work effectively. The mavy is designed for aggressive operations. There is no doubt that the money expended for coast defenses will bring a better return in protecting our country than the same amount of money appropriated for ships. for ships.

In closing, the senator hoped that the bill providing for the bill providing for the expenditure of \$\$9,000,000 for seacoast defenses would be water supply. adopted without serious modification.

INQUIRY INTO BOND ISSUES.

Washington, April 14-It was made apparent, after a lively colloquy in the sen-ate today, that there was no disposition among the silver and Populist senators to allow the resolution for the senate inquiry into the resent bond issue to re-lapse. By unanimous consent it had been set for consideration at 2:15 today, but at that time Chandler was proceed-ing with a speech on the Dupont case. Gray was waiting to follow, and Cullom Gray was waiting to follow, and Culiom had an appropriation bill in neserve. This precipitated a clash in which Peffer, reinforced by Wolcott and Stew-art, asserted, with emphasis that the bond resolution could not be crowded out either by design or inadvertence. An agreement was finally reached to the effect that the bond resolution would come up immediately after Chandler and Grey coucluded their sneeres. ey concluded their speeches. FORTIFICATION BELL PASSED. Grey

Washington, April 14.-The house taday passed, without amendment, the forti-fications appropriation bill, carrying ap-propriations and authorizations involving propriations and authoritation. The appro-the expenditure of \$11,384,613. The appro-netations for fortificationes since the Enpriations for fortificationes since the En-dicott commission, in 1785, reported its plan for the defense of twenty-seven seaports, at an approximate cost of \$106,-000,000, have averaged something over \$2,000,000 annually. During the debate to-day there were a number of references to our foreign complications and the necessity of preparing for any possible emergency.

TALKING THROUGH HIS HAT.

Washington, April 14.-Livingstone, Democrat, of Georgia, a nember of the house appropriations committee, speak-ing of the fortifications bill in the house today said. today, said: "I congratulate the country that it is

now conceded that McKinley will be the next Republican nominee and that the A. P. A. will beat him. It is also acknowledged that Jeffersonian Democrats will control the Chicago convention. After March 4 next the country will be anfe."

Washington, April 14.—Senator Platt today introduced a bill to prohibit the transmission of reports of results or bets on prize-fights or races from one state to another, and making such transmis-sion a misdemeanor to be punished by fine or imprisonment.

BAILROAD EARNINGS.

One of the Results of the Times Which Are Not Bright,

The Hop Lee Clothing Factory and marchant tailors, at 455 Bond street, makes underclothing to order. Sutts and trousers made to fit perfectly. Every order punctually on time and satisfaction guaranteed, Good goods sold cheap. Call and be convinced.

The Spaniards were routed, according resolution tomorrow endorsing the sil to reports in Havana, with a loss of 500 killed and wounded. Prior to this en-counter there were engagements with Sounder inter were characteristics with Macco's main army west of the strong line, in which the Spaniards had the worst of it. It is stated in Havars, that the Spanish loss in the four engage-ments was over 1500 in killed and

gents under Macco in Pinar del Rio, ac-cording to recent advices received from

But not one word has been

wounded. Although the government suppresses all information about the bat-ties, the number of wounded soldiers arriving in Havana prove the truth of the rumors. One train from the west yes-terday brought in 400 men. Maceo's main army is still west of the

Trocha, but there are many insurgents in Hawana province. Lacrete, with 4,00 men, entered yesterday, and his ob-jective point is said to be Havana's

Gomes is still in Santa Clara province, moving toward Siguane valley. Monday his army entered San Juan de las Yeras. The Spanish garrison fied to the forts, and Gamez secured many arms and quantities of ammunition.

Last night the insurgents again mided Hoyos Colorado, a town 15 miles west of Havana. The troops field to the forts. After the insurgents retired the Spanlards came out of the forts, and, seein a crowd in the square, opened fire, kill-ing four women and two children and weunding others. Spaniards claim they thought firey were firing on insurgents.

FILIBUSTERS SEIZED.

Key West, Fla., April 14-After landing a cargo of arms and armaunition in Cuba, eluding a Spanish cruiser and re-turning to this city, the schooner Martha has been seized by the collector of cus-tems for violating section 4,337 of the toms for violating section 4.37 of the revised statutes of the United States, having departed from this district for foreign ports without first obtaining

certificate of register from M. Thomp-son. One of the crew sware out an affi-divit to that effect because he had not been paid.

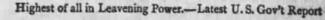
Saturday evening they were chased by Spanish cruiser, evading the Spaniard y rounding her stern. They then by rounding her stern. They then shaped their course for Key West, ar-riving here Sunday night, the 5th Inst. It is reported that the schooner Pearl, which left here Sunday night with arms for the insurgents, has been captured by a Spanish cruiser.

RED CROSS AID FOR ABYSSINIANS.

St. Petersburg. April 14.—In response ts a renewed request the government has decided to send several members of the Real Cross Society to work among the Abyssinian troops. The party will pro-ceed by the way of Massowah. The Italian government has asked for in-formation as to the number of persons whom it is proposed to send on the mission and in what capacity they will go.

THE MARKETS.

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ver leader as Missouri's candidate for the presidency. J. W. Farr, the central committeeman from Bland's county, and his closest political advisor, author the publication of the following: " 'Mr. Bland is not a candidate.

"'Mr. Bland is not a candidate, and does not ask the endorsement of this convention for the presidency. But, if the Democratic convention of Missouri should declare him to be its choice, it is a compliment that any man should feel proud of. If the free sliver element controls the Chicago convention, Mr. Bland could not decline the nomination if it were tendered him."

"PITCHFORK BEN."

Appropriately Welcomed in Denver With a Bimetallic Hay Thrower,

Denver, April 14.—Senator Tillman, who arrived in Denver this morning, was ten-dered a reception at the Braws Palmos Hotel tonight. After being welcomed hy Mayor McMurray, he was presented with a pitchfork made from gold and allver taken from the mines of Colorada H. R. Holden, who made the presentation speech, said:

Take this pitchfork back to the United States senate and dig up the record at Senator Sherman, and then dig down into the history of John G. Cartiste "

IVES' NEW RECORD.

Boston, April 14.-Ives defeated Maurice Daly, of New York, in the international billiard tournament tonight, and made a new record for a run on cushion co-roms, scoring 85 points against 77, the previous record, made by Wm, Seaton in public, and 31 by Schaeffor in private.

WORKING FOR ALLEN.

Omaha, April 14.-Nebraska Populists to the number of several hundred met in Omaha tonight and formed an organiza-tion looking to the promotion of the in-terest of Senator W. A. Allen in the proidential campaign.

SHE WAS MUCH REDDER.

A young man who considers himself a man of resource was once in the act of pressing a young lady to his manly bosom, when the young lady's sister entered the room. Of course, he de-sisted at once, but he was not embar-

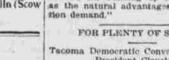
The young lady's sister said: "Ex-

The young lady's sister said: "Ex-cuse me," and turned to leave the room, when he felt that he ought to say some-thing, and say it at once. "Don't go," he said: "we've just been measuring to see which is the taller." She paused in the doorway and looked at them both intentiy. "You're both about the same height," she said, quietly, "but sister is much the redder."

Then she went out.

SELF EVIDENCE.

Springfield (Mo.) Leader-Democrat. "Mr. Moddin," said that gentleman's wife in a horrified tone, "you are drunk." "Guesh I might be," assented Moddin, cheerfully, "or else I wouldn't (hic) let you shee me in this (hic) e'ndshun."



Tacoma Democratic Convention Endorse President Cleveland.