

Semi-Weekly Herald,

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W. C. BYRD, Editor.

Col. Elliott Shepherd, the New York editor who always heads his editorial page with a scriptural quotation should explain why one of his subordinates should have instructed the Bar Harbor correspondent of his paper to "keep Mr. Blaine sick at least until September."

It is announced that ex-Senator Warner Miller, of New York has gone to Europe to secure subscriptions to the stock of the Nicaragua Canal company. He must have come to the conclusion that the next Congress would not see the advisability of guaranteeing that hundred million dollars worth of bonds.

Many years practice has given C. A. Snow & Co., solicitors of patents at Washington, D. C., unsurpassed success in obtaining patents for all classes of inventions. They make a specialty of rejected cases, and have secured allowance of many patents that have been previously rejected. Their advertisement in another column will be of interest to inventors, patentees, manufacturers and all who have to do with patents.

The California tin mines are being developed by English capital, under English management, and yet we are told that we must willingly pay \$1.00 a box in addition to the former price for roofing tin, because we are thereby aiding an American industry. It looks to a man up a tree as if the aid was about equally divided between the English capitalist and the Welch tin-plate manufacturer, while it is all contributed by the American consumer.

It is not in the power of a positive man to please every one. He may command the respect of some of his enemies, but to expect those who widely differ with him on points of especial importance to be intimately connected in friendship, cannot be. This is the case very frequently with newspapers, an editor has something published in his paper without consulting the wishes or feelings of any one, not even his best friends, but still the editor feeling it to be his duty to protect himself or the interest of his readers and being a positive man or a man of his own head, publishes something that these friends take exceptions to, which is their privilege, but is it right to censure the paper that contains the communication unless the parties are satisfied it was done purposely to injure them without any thought of the editor of the good that might accrue to the public or his town by such publication.

For example a newspaper uses all honorable means and arguments in its power to elect an individual to office, and succeeds in doing it is it expected of the paper to uphold that man in all his actions during his term of office whether the actions suit the opinion of the paper or not. And in the event of the paper censuring an officer for what the editor deems misconduct does that prove conclusively the paper to be an enemy to the officer? And further let us ask if it is mainly in the officer to condemn the paper that has been his true friend for containing the honest expressions of its editor?

"Was it Suicide?"

Why marriage is sometimes a failure is an interesting and important question to all; and everyone, married or single, should read the absorbing story with the above title, by the poet-novelist Ella Wheeler Wilcox, written in that popular author's most forcible style, which is published in the September number of that always bright periodical Demorest's Family Magazine. It contains, besides, an abundance of other reading matter, just the sort that one enjoys at this season. There is a splendid article, fully illustrated, about "Brazil;" "A Poet at Home" tells about Ella Wheeler Wilcox and her lovely home, and with it are pictures of "the poet's corner" and portraits of her in some of her noted gowns; whether you ever enjoyed that rare sport moose-hunting or not, you will be interested in "A Stray Shot at a Moose," written by the fortunate amateur sportsman who brought down his game at the first shot, which is also finely illustrated; "A Seven Days' Tramp and What it cost" describes a "tramp" made by eight girls and a chaperon, and the chaperon tells the story. And this is only a fair sample of what one gets monthly in this ideal Family Magazine, which is published for \$2 a year, by W. JENNINGS DEMOREST, 15 East 14th St., New York City.

We published some time since, an account of the death of Harrison Haskin, caused by being thrown from a horse and dragged till life was extinct. The Editor of the Baker City Democrat says: "We were much surprised a few days ago, to see a man whose obituary we had written only a short time since, walk into our office, the liveliest corpse that we ever expected to cast our optics on."

The above is sufficient evidence to our readers that the account of his death in the manner stated is false, he is alive and well. His opinion is the one who wrote the letter to the Democrat giving an account of his death is the same whom he charges with breaking up his family six years ago.

Ignorance and vanity are the prevailing traits of the Haitian soldier, from general to private, and indeed are marked characteristics of a vast majority of the people. The average Haitian is an African savage with a French veneer. The Minister of War, in a report on the army published in 1867, placed its numerical strength at 20,000 men, of which number 13,500 were general officers, staff and regimental officers, and 6500 were private soldiers. As each revolution brings forth a fresh batch of officers and kills off a number of private soldiers, the proportion of officers to privates has not been materially changed. The nominal pay of a private is \$12 a year, but even this amount cannot always be collected from the paymaster. By an order of President Hippolyte no regiment is permitted to remain in the same post for a longer period than one month, for fear that the soldiery may conspire against the government with disaffected civilians.—Harper's Weekly.

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