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SCIENCE AND THE EARTHQUAKE.

SOFIA, Sept. 17-A Russian agent here The public have been presented, since the Charleston earthquake, with so great a variety of scientific deliverances that Russia will not only maintain the little importance, and they were made on the subject that must tend to confusion of mind. This result is the more to the right of defending her.

be apprehended because the men of science who impart their views appear curiously reluctant to admit what is really a necessary proviso to all theories namely, the fact that no positive or definite knowledge of the cause of earthquakes is possessed by any human beindignation. ing. The temptation to dogmatize,

however, is too strong for the majority, and so we have had the by no means edifying spectacle of a number of savants each of whom has a pet theory, but none of whose pet theories accord with one another. That this disagreement should exist under the circumstances is favor. indeed in no way surprising, for the

HARTFORD, Sept. 17 .- A memorial whole matter is guesswork, and the proof of this lies in the unquestionable fact that no positive knowledge exists the soldiers and sailors of the war of the superintendent of schools against D. M. concerning any of the most vital factors rebellion, was dedicated to-day. A in the problem. In regard to some of general holiday was declared, and the these factors it is strange to find men of banks and manufacturies were science still putting forward hypotheses closed. The streets are crowded and which the latest researches discredit, as buildings gaily decorated. Several her resignation is handed in, accepted for instance the hypothesis of a liquid Grand Army posts were present. nucleus to the earth.

CHARLESTON, Sept. 17 .- Last night It has been demonstrated that a globe was quiet. Work is going on actively. having a liquid nucleus and a compara- but bricklayers and plasterers are badtively thin crust would not possess the ly needed. The sustenance committee rigidity necessary to resist tidal action. are now issuing rations to nearly It has also been shown that the pheno- 7,000 persons, a large majority of mena of procession and nutation could whom are colored. No case of disnot be what they are if the globe were tress fails to recieve prompt attention. as elastic and plastic as a lipuid interior would make it. In conformation of the

TOLANO, ILL. Sept. 16 .- A cyclone swept over this place this afternoon, views it has been still further demonstrated that in fact the earth possesses a carrying away the scaffolding around the steeple of the Catholic Church, rigidity equal to that of steel; and such rigidity is incompatible with the central which is undergoing repairs. It scatterfire hypothesis. There remain the theed fragments for one hundred rods, and men working on the scaffold had barely ory of a solid nucleus and a fluid zone interposed between it and the crust; time to decend. Portions of a new livery stable were carried an entir and the theory, which Sir William Thomson has maintained very ably of a block and hurled through the side of the solid globe. As to the thickness of tho Faraid office. At Stavoy fve milas east of here, the M. E. Church, which earth's crust the most various ideas are was just being completed, was totally held, but porhaps the greatest weight of demolished. The extent of the loss opinion to day favors a thickness of through the country must be very great, from 300 to 1,000 miles. If that be accepted the explanation of seismic action but cannot be ascertained to-night.

by any movement of the interior fluid CHICAGO, Sept. 16 .- The anti-saloon fire must be abandoned. The theory National Convention was held here toemployed to account for volcanic distur- day and was attended by two hundred bances, namely that bodies of water find delegates from seven states. Ex-Sona their way into subterranean rocesses and tor Windom of Minneast are converted into vapor by interthough obviously not generally applica- votes. It demands of the republican ble : being quite useless, for instance, in party, of which the delegates claim to such cases as that of the Caracas, where be members, to take a firm and decided stand in the suppression of the liquor

the shocks continued three years. Considering the disagreement among traffic by the submission of constitutiongeologists respecting the processes of al amendments to the people, and it mountaining-making, and the force of favors local option laws until such strange that any attempt should be join in securing these objects. A de- cents. made to dogmatize upon earthquakes. termined but unsuccessful effort was

A correspondent of the News tells us of an old Catholic mission in San Francisco that was built in 1776-110 years ago. The building is built of adobe, is very long and narrow, and the interior, while not showing the effects of time so much as the outside, nevertheless has an ancient appearance. Some changes ly noticeable to the stranger, as it never has been thoroughly dusted but once.

size, and the frame work in which they

That was a pretty neat little trick

litical tricksters are indeed very peculiar.

thoroughly renovated and overhauled the Fellows' warehouse at McMinnville, recently purchased by them and are now ready to receive grain. They will clean and store at 3 cents, and will be ready to buy and pay the highest price going, IN CASIT. Sacks kept on hand and sold to farmers at the lowest rates. This is a perfectly responsible firm, and those having grain to sell or store, or in need o. sacks, should call and see them. If

Teacher's Examination.

The teacher's public examination will be held at the court house in Lafayetie,

THEY ARE HERE .- That car load of heir enterprise, as they have the finest assortment of cooks and heaters ever seen in the city, and the prices on them are far below anything ever offered here

SHOOTING MATCH .- At W. F. Collard's shooting gallery, a good Winchester rifle, a box of cigars and a trade dollar



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It has been asserted with a curious as- made by the radical prohibition element sumption of certainty, by some scientific to kill the section providing for high men, that the Charlston earthquake was saloon taxes.

a result of displacement in the line of PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 16 .- The Nortthe Appalachian Range. So far 28 hern Pacific supplies the press with the noted the facts do not appear to bear following synopsis of the annual report out that theory. If, as alleged, the cenof the year ending June 30th: Total tre et the disturbance was in North earnings, including leased branch, \$11 Carolina, the direction of the shocks 730,F26 46; total operating expences \$6 should have been vertical there. But 156,263 74; net earnings \$5,574,263 74; we have no report of any verticle surplus over all fixed charges and exshocks, while at Summerville and at expenses, \$111,199 75.

Charleston the movement noted was Compared with last year, the earnings from southeast to northwest. The diin the freight traffic increased \$1,635,401, rection of the shocks, that is to say, was while the passenger earnings fell off oblique, and indicated that the center of \$178,663 and miscellaneous business the disturbance was under the ocean. \$6,836. Earnings on local freight in-Why there has been no earthquake creased \$1,497,797 and on through wave it is impossible to say. Had the freight decreased \$652,122. The net centre of disturbance been very distant earnings on branch roads were \$208,796, the tidal wave might arrive long after an increase of \$51,725 over last year, the earth wave, as has frequently hap-The tunnel on the cascade division pened. The occurrence of shocks over will be finished in June, 1888. The road so large an area as one million square will be completed to the mountains and miles certainly justifies belief in someconnected by a switch next spring. The thing more than a local disturbance as total cost of the seventy-five and onethe originating cause, and the almost half miles of road yet to be completed is simultaneous occurrence of shock in \$3,500,000. A number of branch roads Greece and California still further dis-ars in course of construction. The total credits the theory of displacement along length of road owned and controlled is the base line of the Appalachian moun-2,808 miles. The amount of land tains. But all speculation on the subsold during the year was 370,925 acres ject, says the Tribune, no matter by for \$1,376,844. The sales of town lots whom, is simply conjectural, and since and timber made the total recipts of the scientists have failed to make this the land department \$1,448,148. The important truth clear to the public it amount of land earned during the year seems to be desirable that it should be was 1,664,000 acres. The total acres done for them. The physics of the earned to June 30th. 44,864,000, and earth's crust are really but little known. he total sales 5,829,123 acres.

and the mode of action of the dynamic forces which have made it what it is and which continue to modify it, is disputed almost as hotly now as in the days of Leibnitz and Descartes.

The Hillsborg Independent seconds the suggestion of the TELEPHONE regarding the organization of a district agricultural society, but thinks that Hillsborn would be the best point at which to hold the fairs. We cannot quite agree on that point, Bro. Jones. McMinnville is more centrally located; has grounds ready fenced; sheds built; a mile track that next year will be the best in the honesty. state; wells sunk on the grounds, good running water forestock, the lovhest

camping ground the state affords, while government at the Djebizeit petroleun in point of agriculture, horticulture, etc., this section cannot be excelled. But four of the mutineers had to be killed there's time enough to consider these before the others could be forced again questions after an organization is formed. to submission.