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A bill, by the provisions of which the terms of all county officers are to be made for four years, the present term to close Jan. 1st, 1894, has been introduced into the legislature. This would result in cutting off about eight months' time for a number of Democratic county officers who have been recently elected. As a result it is said that Tom Taggart has been sending out circular letters to the present incumbents and that they went to Indianapolis in force last week to lobby against the passage of this measure. It is such bills as this that give some legislators an opportunity to earn an honest dollar outside their salary, occasionally.

It is singular how successful some bold robbers are. In Denver a couple of years ago Mr. Moffat, the President of the First National Bank, was held up and \$21,000 in cash procured. The robbery was most daring, being done by one man, who entered the bank shortly after noon and presenting a bottle which he contained nitro-glycerine threatened to blow Moffat and the bank to atoms if the money was not forthcoming. Mr. Moffat gave up the money, and the robber has never been captured. The terrible bottle was afterward found, and when tested the liquid proved to be castor oil.

FARE OF THE AVERAGE PETITION.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 29.—If those who get up petitions to Congress could see what disposition is made of their documents they would be less eager to go to so much trouble. Before Congress passed the act to close the Columbian Exposition on Sundays, tens of thousands of petitions and memorials in favor of Sunday closing were received. They had to be briefed by clerks, and were mentioned in the Record. They were shipped by the car load to the committee's rooms, where they laid stacked up, forgotten, until want of room caused them to be removed to swell the mass of waste paper that is daily taken from the capitol to the paper mills. Since then there has been inundation of memorials asking the repeal of the law, the latter out-numbering the proclining petitions eight to one. These meet with the same fate. Nobody reads them, and hardly anybody looks at the titles except the clerks. Probably the only petitions that receive any attention from those to whom they are directed are such as furnish evidence in support of some pending measure. All the remainder are treated as so much waste paper. Congressmen have no time to read them, and as they take up valuable space they are not kept.

Said Col. Jones to a Progress reporter: "Did you ever see a woman steaming her face? She does it for her complexion, you know. She gets a heavy towel, places the back of her head against the middle of it, then gathers the ends so as to make a funnel, and holds them around the spout of the teakettle. The steam is thus imprisoned and plays against her face. Many women parboil the skin, taking this extraordinary complexion bath, which is said to remove blackheads and tone up the cuticle. I can tell women how to get the same result with less trouble and without hanging over the stove for a half hour. My barber uses the same principle; he saturates the towel with boiling hot water and applies to my face two or three times, with a cooling and pleasant effect. Now why can't a woman have several cloths and a basin of steaming water at hand and cover her face with them, one after the other? This will open the pores and start a healthy enough action to banish those detestable beauty blemishes known as blackheads."

THE DEAD OF JANUARY.—The first month of this year will be remembered principally for its extraordinary death record. Six times has this session of Congress been called upon in the courtesies of parliamentary proceedings to adjourn on account of eminent deaths, the least conspicuous of the six being members of the Senate. The men of special mark whose demise called for respectful recognition were President Hayes, General Butler, Justice Lamar and Mr. Blaine, each a man of international as well as National fame. The name of Bishop Brooks should be included in this necrological list, for in his own chosen way the great preacher was as pre-eminent as any of the others mentioned, Mr. Blaine alone excepted.

Charles Fleming, of Anderson, Ind., was sentenced last week to one year in the penitentiary. Several months ago Fleming went to the Pan-Handle depot and asked for a ticket to Chicago. He gave a confederate \$50 bill in payment, which by the dim light deceived the ticket seller, who supposed it was a good bill. The mistake was not discovered until next day, but Fleming had his ticket with \$45 in change. He was arrested and his trial occurred with the result as stated above.

A REMARKABLE LITERARY ANNOUNCEMENT.

I have 40 acres of land in Benton township, a mile this side of Unionville, which I am authorized to trade to some one who wants a bargain. It is described as neq neq sec 21 to 16. Come and see me.

S. E. CARMICHAEL.

Get a bottle of South American Nervine at Faris Bros. Drug Store. It is a powerful tonic, and may be just the thing you need.

Faris Bros. are the importers' agents for this country.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR LICENSE.

The undersigned, a male person over 18 years of age, and a citizen of the County of Monroe and State of Indiana, hereby gives notice to the citizens of the City of Bloomington, Indiana, and of the First Ward of said City of Bloomington, and of Bloomington township, in said county, that he will at the March Term, 1893, be in the business of selling the County of Monroe, State of Indiana, applying to said Board for a license to sell intoxicating liquors to-wit: Spirituous, vinous and malt liquors in less quantity than a quart at a time, for the period of one year, with the privilege of allowing the same to be drunk on the premises, the same to be upon which the desirer to sell said spirituous, vinous and malt liquors, being situated in the First Ward of said City of Bloomington, township of Bloomington, county of Monroe and State of Indiana, and described as follows:

A part of lot [130] one hundred and thirty, in the city of Bloomington, in Bloomington township, Monroe county, State of Indiana, which part of said lot is described and bounded as follows: Beginning [50] fifty feet due south of the northwest corner of said lot, thence running south [22] twenty-two feet, east [50] fifty feet, west [22] twenty-two feet, thence running north [22] fifty feet to the place of beginning.

If there is any person who has an organ which they are not using and which they would be willing to lend us, we would be very thankful for the loan.

All interested please call on or address Carrie Colvin, Catherine Hodger or Ida Ramsey.

—Prof. Dixon, the English Scientist, has been experimenting upon the manner in which the germs of tuberculosis are spread abroad by ladies' dresses. He had a dress dragged over the ground two or three times, and on a glass slide was able to show no fewer than seven tubercle bacilli, obtained, of course, from the dust and dirt swept up by the dress. The practical lesson taught by this fact seems to be that of showing how, when trailing skirts are brushed in our houses, the germs of disease or their spores get dissipated in the air, and thus placed in a position to infect those who are well. This is another and powerful argument against trailing skirts.

THE SITUATION STILL OPEN.

Here is a lively "wanted" advertisement from a Tacoma paper:

A woman to take charge of a house and do work for a small family; one who has no hangers-on, has passed the frivolity of youth, but is not decrepit with age, can prepare a palatable meal and not waste more in cooking than the family will consume; who will not need calling more than sixteen times in the morning; who has the dignity to preside at the table, but will not go into hysterics if one of the children should deviate from her idea of etiquette; who is willing to look after the clothing of two boys; who possesses natural affection enough to make a child love her; with sufficient sunshine in her nature to aid in making an invalid feel cheerful, but not overflowing with gush; who has Christian fortitude enough not to swear about green firewood; whose religion will prevent the handkerchiefs, towels, napkins, tablecloths, spoons, cutlery, etc., from mysteriously disappearing, but not so full of innate goodness that the church and sociable will take precedence over the needs of the family, and one who does not use tobacco or dip snuff, and, in short, one who has good horse sense and motherly love, and can keep two boys, with a voracious appetite, supplied with pie and doughnuts, can be relied on in any emergency and can furnish references and is willing to occupy the position for a reasonable compensation, can find a good home and not very much hard work by addressing box —, Post Office, Tacoma, Wash.

—The monthly survey of foreign affairs in the February Review of Reviews will be found exceedingly interesting, and the portrait illustrations are in keeping with the general timeliness and variety of the pictures which add so much to the acceptability of the Review of Reviews. The great timeliness of the magazine is shown at a number of points from beginning to end. Thus, in the article on American millionaires and their public gifts one finds mention of benefactions which were not publicly known until about January 20, and the fact that a large and fine portrait of ex-President Hayes forms the frontispiece of the number, the engraving evidently having been made after the death of Mr. Hayes, is sufficient indication of the close record the Review keeps of current events and the marvelous quickness with which its enormous edition is printed and distributed throughout the whole continent of North America.

—Agents wanted on salary or commission. Address Standard Portrait Co., Columbia Theater Building, Frankfort, Ind.

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