

will share. The failure of the Freedman's Savings Bank was most disastrous in every way. It was a deliberate, cold-blooded, and premeditated robbery of a dependent, poor, and struggling race—a robbery under the guise of morality and religion.

Mr. Douglas must know them, because he speaks of their houses and coaches. Let him give us their names, that they may be taken up by the cars in fostering infamy!"

REGARD FOR THE CONSTITUTION.—The Oakland (Cal.) Transcript says—

"Judge Nye requires every person applying for naturalization to swear to the Constitution of the United States, and of this State, before he will grant the papers. The Judge's head is very level on that point. A man ought to know what he is swearing to—but half of the swearers do not. There will be a demand for constitutions hereafter in this country."

There is something amiable in this request. A man who becomes naturalized ought to have an idea of the nature of the constitution of the country of which he wishes to become a citizen. It is a good sign, too, in these degenerate days, to find a judge holding forth so prominently the necessity of becoming acquainted with the Constitution. We have had judges in this Territory who have not been so anxious by any means to have candidates for naturalization, or indeed any of the people, come to an understanding of the Constitution. But said judges have been wonderfully anxious to pry into the domestic situation, politics, views, and belief of such candidates, and have even gone so far as to establish rigid religious tests, failure in passing which has been held to be sufficient ground for refusing admission into the pale of American citizenship, which the Constitution does not authorize, nor permit, but, on the contrary, expressly prohibits.

MUSCLE AND MATERNITY.—President Grant's daughter, Nelly, has been doing well in the maternal line, as per dispatch in the News of July 12.

The President's son-in-law Sartoris is reported to be strong on the muscle, though an exchange says he did not do so very well in that line in his last essay, which was an encounter with gloves with a young stock-broker, named Golcoria, in Tom Murphy's barn, at Long Branch, July 5. Golcoria had the advantage in strength and activity, and Sartoris in "science." Both showed "magnificent muscle," and were in good fighting condition.

After a number of plucky rounds, Sartoris' friends persuaded him that he stood no chance of success, and the contest ended, the son-in-law having received a good pounding therein.

THE FLOODS IN FRANCE.—The recent destructive floods in the valley of the Garonne, France, were the result of from thirty-six to fifty hours heavy rain, besides the melting of the snows on the Pyrenees and the Cevennes. "The water poured in sheets" and torrents, and came down suddenly. Heavy rains fell in all parts of France and few escaped without damage. That country has had no other such floods for 50 years past, when the valley of the Seine was similarly afflicted, and the Emperor Napoleon, like McMahon now, personally went to the relief of the people.

IRON BRIDGE FOR DALE CREEK.—The Omaha Herald says concerning the iron bridge over Dale Creek on the U. T. R. R.—

Chief Engineer Sickels authority for the statement that it has been decided to build an iron bridge over Dale Creek as a substitute for the present wooden bridge, which is sound and strong. The inability to its destruction by fire is the main motive to the change, since if that bridge should burn as it would do great damage by the interruption of business.

THE EXECUTION OF THE TRAVELING EDITORS TO THE GREAT SALT LAKE.

SALT LAKE CITY, July 14th, 1875.

Editor Deseret News:

In yesterday's communication (which was very hastily written) I promised to give you an abstract of the remarks or speeches made during the excursion, while the steamer General Garfield was returning from the trip on the lake.

The excursion was commenced by the leader or superintendent of the party, Hon. H. T. Williams, of New York, agricultural editor of the Independent, who, in very courteous language, thanked the citizens of Salt Lake City, who had received them with so much kindness, and extended to them such a generous and cordial hospitality.

Mr. Williams concluded his speech by giving the following toast—

"May their kind words and good deeds follow them from the rivers below to the stars above."

Mr. Williams then introduced Moses Sargent, of the Massachusetts Sunday School Union, Boston, Mass. Mr. Sargent is a very pleasant and accomplished speaker, and very much resembles, in countenance and general appearance, his celebrated brother, the U. S. Senator from California.

I did not hear any of his speech, but was told by one of the company that he was very happy and contented, and who also told me (confidentially) that Mr. S. was considered the best speaker in their company. What I did hear of Mr. Sargent's speech was that he may yet equal it, if he does not exceed it, the well-established eloquence of his distinguished brother, the U. S. Senator.

Prof. S. C. Harrington, of Connecticut, was the next speaker. In pleasant and cordial tones, he addressed the citizens of Salt Lake City for their generous hospitality, and in return they would invite them to participate of the hospitality of the citizens of Salt Lake City.

He then introduced the "Wooden Nutmeg" State, but none the less hospitable for being so named.

Hon. J. T. Edge, of the Pennsylvania, was the last speaker, and in behalf of his own State, invited all to participate of the hospitality thereof, and to visit Philadelphia during the coming year.

He would not only invite all the citizens of Salt Lake City to the "Centennial," but would also extend a cordial invitation to all

the rest of mankind throughout the world. Mr. Edge is a very pleasant speaker, and like Mr. Sargent, of Boston, is also a very agreeable and sociable man.

Mr. Williams said he was from Boston, otherwise known as the "Hub of the Universe." He said that he had seen the city, and that he was very much interested in it, and that he was