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## NEWS OF THE DAY.

—Shortly after 12 o'clock last night a fire broke out in the building of the Evening News, and before it was extinguished had cost \$55,000 damage.

—Rev. J. T. Oriskany, of Pa., has been appointed Episcopal missionary bishop of China.

—The yellow fever is prevalent at Charleston, S. C.

—Mayor J. R. Edie, of the U. S. Ordnance department, is dead.

—Hon. J. M. McKim, of the U. S. Treasury, has been elected to the office of the U. S. Treasury.

—A number of persons, supposed to be connected with the lynching of the negroes, at Chattanooga, La., have been arrested.

—Further developments in the case of the burglarly trial at Washington, in to-day's despatches.

—The Turkish authorities have ordered the suppression of Christian schools in Syria.

—Cardinal Cullen and the Catholic episcopate of Ireland, in a pastoral letter, denounce Tyndall's recent address as a revival of paganism.

—The Argentine republic is in a state of siege; the Congress has voted the funds necessary to crush the insurrection.

—The Prince of Montenegro requests an investigation of the recent conflicts between Turks and Christians, in his principality.

—Kullman has been sentenced to fourteen years imprisonment, and to police surveillance for life.

—Von Arnim's trial will commence in two weeks.

—"Gloster," the racer, died at San Francisco last night.

—Fire did serious damage in the Belcher mine, Nev., yesterday afternoon; a number of the miners were in the mine when the fire commenced, but they were all rescued.

—The Europa House, at Cardiff, O., and other property, was burned yesterday.

—Six miles of forest on fire in Ohio, and villages threatened with destruction from the same cause, in Pennsylvania.

—This morning a negro named Henry murdered his father in San Francisco.

—A London dispatch says that in one town in Lancashire there are fifteen hundred people sick with typhoid fever.

—A protocol, readjusting the episcopal jurisdiction in France, in accordance with the new political boundaries, was signed by the French and German Commissioners on the 7th ult.

—The new Column Vendome, in Paris, will be ready for the Statue Napoleon by the middle of next month.

—Telegrams received in Washington to-day, concede the loss of four republican Congressmen in New York.

—The German minister to the U. S. contradicted the report that he had received inquiries from Germany as to the effect the success of the democracy would have on the question of the repudiation of U. S. bonds.

—An illicit still, with a large amount of property, has been seized in Brooklyn, New York, of which has been destroyed, the estimated cost of the whole being \$75,000.

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they had just moved. Mr. Jones had worked hard all his life, and had struggled hard to be honest and respectable, and no one could begrudge such a man his good luck, especially when \$75,000 was in Confederate money.

## AMUSEMENTS.

THE necessity for recreation or amusement, to everybody, but especially to the youthful, is generally acknowledged. The old rigid Puritanic solemnity of feeling, which would suggest the hanging of the cat on Monday for killing a mouse on Sunday, has very few representatives in modern society.

In-door and out-door games or trials of speed, strength and skill, theatres, dances, etc., are now, with some restrictions, commonly allowed to be things in which honest and proper recreation may engage, and places which may be visited, without necessarily drawing upon them, even moral or social odium, or even odium theologorum.

Minnie Sherman is said to have declined to engage in a round dance with the British Prince, because her church (Roman Catholic) forbade that kind of dance, but presently she stood with him at the head of the set for a trip through the Lancers.

Amusements and recreations of these classes are not evils in themselves. The evil is in the abuse of them. Each kind of amusement has its admirers and its advocates, some preferring one kind and some another. Some people have no taste for horse races or men races, some none for gymnastic exercises, some none for games of croquet, and some none for games of chance.

Some prefer chess to checkers, some base ball to cricket, some music to dancing, and vice versa. Some people see nothing attractive in theatrical representations. Some can perceive no beauty in the poetry of motion, but regard all dancing as perfectly ridiculous. Some have no ear for music, and cannot distinguish one "tune" from another. Old Cobbett, that master of vigorous English, said that when a man preferred music to good, solid talk or reading, he preferred sound to sense.

All these tastes are natural and legitimate, capable of producing enjoyment, and the legitimate and prudent exercise and gratification of them are not to be denied. Still much watchfulness and good judgment are necessary in the indulgence of them, and especially by the young, because the very susceptibility of influences, indicated by these tastes, is sometimes taken advantage of by the unprincipled, who are on the alert for victims, whom they can easily lead astray.

Many people are prejudiced against public theatricals, dances, masquerades, etc., and with good reason. Not that there is any inherent evil in such amusements, but because they can be, and often are, made the means of corrupting and ruining the young of both sexes. Under careful and prudent direction, any of these amusements may afford a great deal of innocent and even instructive enjoyment. But when viciousness has play, they may be the means of introducing much evil in a community, and of inflicting serious and lasting damage upon the juvenile portion of the public. Therefore such amusements cannot be either indiscriminately commended or indiscriminately condemned.

But this much may be said—They should be under good management, and when practicable the company should be select and unobjectionable. Most heads of families, by the way, unwilling to permit their families to attend dances in which mixed assemblies do congregate. In masquerades or carnivals, still more carelessness is necessary, because they are not only attended by mixed assemblies, but, because of the masks, one cannot know whom he is associating, talking, or dancing with, and it may be with persons with whom, if known, he would not so closely associate, nor would he on any account permit the younger members of his family to have anything to do with them, if he could reasonably prevent it.

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half, leaving only the last twelve months for prosecution, when the attention to prosecute must be given to the score of gallantry, and we mean it. Moses gave to the Israelites a law that a newly married man should not be required to go out to war for twelve months after taking a wife, but during that time he must be left at liberty to stay at home and comfort the wife that he had taken. Now it can hardly be presumed that the officers of this enlightened republic of the United States would be less gallant, less considerate, or more harsh and cruel than Moses and the Mosaic law. How could we concede the palm of gallantry to the lawgiver of old Israel in the "barbaric Orient" more than three thousand years ago? The American eagle would never stop screaming and flapping his wings in pure indignation if we were to do anything of the kind. Therefore we are impelled to presume that the U. S. officials would be of the kind of instituting prosecution for polygamy during the first twelve months after the marriage. What Christian or civilized officer could think of so ungallantly, rudely, and indecently dampening a poor girl's nuptial joy or disturbing her conjugal peace for the first twelve months. The thing would be preposterous, worse than heathen, little short of diabolical. All the women would cry shame on it. This consequently narrows down the margin of time for possible prosecution to twelve months, and twelve months' hazard for the sake of the wife of one's bosom is a very little thing.

## TRUTH AND JUSTICE.

"THE Post, referring to the fact that the U. S. favors the election or appointment of a public defender, says—

"Perhaps a better plan still would be to allow the man who has no lawyer of his own to go without a lawyer, and to have it understood that in such cases the public prosecutor is to act as defender as well as prosecutor; that is to say, that instead of trying to make a case against the defendant, as it is now considered his duty, he is only to try to bring out the truth."

"Now that is what we call a sensible position. Prosecuting Attorneys mistake their calling when they take it upon themselves to convict a man, whose case is in the hands of the prosecuting officer to get the facts; and an innocent man ought to feel as safe in the hands of a Prosecuting Attorney as if he were in the hands of a fee lawyer. It is the guilty only who have cause to fear the officers of justice."—Oakland, Cal., Transcript.

One principle which the early legislatures of this Territory had in view was that courts and all the officers pertaining to them, attorneys included, should have for their chief end the securing of justice, and therefore should make every endeavor to elicit the truth, the facts in the case, so that the guilty and only the guilty might be punished. The paragraphs quoted above from our California contemporaries are in harmony with the spirit which actuated the Utah legislatures in this connection, and we think with the Transcript that, in speaking of the court, or more definitely of the judge, it may not be amiss if we refer to Blackstone, who treats of "that noble declaration of the law, when rightly understood, that the judge shall be counsel for the prisoner, that is, shall see that the proceedings against him are legal, and strictly regular."

If the public, in all the judicial districts of Utah, for instance, were filled with the conviction that the judge and the prosecuting attorney were the friends, not in a corrupt sense, as to screen a criminal from justice, but the real friends of the prisoner, to see that no injustice was done him, how the judicial system of this country would be advanced in the general estimation of the Territory!

A DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTIC.—The new administration journal, the New York Republic, says that a distinguishing characteristic of the present presidential family is modesty.

HE DECLINES.—An exchange says, "Clarke, N. Potter, one of the ablest democrats in the State of New York, declines being a candidate for re-election in his district; not that he could not be returned, but personal reasons demand that he shall for the present quit of public life."

By Telegraph.

TO-DAY'S DISPATCHES.

EASTERN.

CINCINNATI, 21.—At 12:15 to-night, C. T. Dirmont's machine shop and foundry, on Front street, took fire, and were completely destroyed; loss on the building \$20,000; on the stock and machinery \$85,000; insurance \$82,000. The house next door, occupied as a residence, was flooded, and about forty persons driven from their homes.

A Letter of President Grant's, the following:

"In 1872, when it was found that Grant would be renominated, he has charge thereof, rescue of a person convicted of a capital crime when going to execution, burning a vessel of war, and corruptly casting away or destroying a vessel belonging to private owners, also aggravated military offences. Forgery is not a capital offence in the United States.

Offences against the said law of 1862, therefore, come under the two years term of limitation. If prosecutions under that law are not commenced within that lawful period, they cannot be brought at all.

On the score of gallantry, however, that term may reasonably be expected to be reduced by the first

of the Gazette had decided and had come out squarely in favor of the prosecution of the case, when they were met by the report that it would decline being a candidate for the convention, or would decline after the nomination was received last night after having my office for the day. I am not in the habit of writing letters on political subjects, and especially have I never written a letter calculated to influence a candidate before the convention, or to influence a party in favor of my promotion or that of any other man in it, who might be their choice. I do now, as I did four years ago, sincerely believe that the interests of the country demand the success of the republican party. If deemed advisable I am willing to make any sacrifice to accomplish that end, and I feel that I can make a sacrifice in giving up a high position, so highly prized by me, one created for me by an appreciative public, for which act I can never thank them sufficiently. Now if I can be of service to the party that choose me, then I shall render that