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FETICIDE AMONG THE NEGRO RACE.

A CORRESPONDENT of the Cincinnati Commercial has had a conversation with an intelligent delegate to the Colored Convention, which held a session not long since in Washington city. The conversation differs but little, except on one point, from those which have been held, and published so frequently of late, with other "intelligent freedmen." That point, however, is an important one, as, if this colored man's statement be true, the negro race in this country is doomed to speedy extinction.

The correspondent remarked, in the ful. course of conversation to the delegate, "You have a right then, to anticipate a

## bright future for your race?"

The question made the delegate pause nity. a moment, and he then said sadly:

"No Sir; I have no bright anticipations. In a few generations the colored races of America will have disappeared. We have taken the vices with the virtues of the tronger race, and they are fatal to us."

This remark the correspondent did not clearly understand, and the delegate added:

Well Sir, it is generally believed that the black race is a hardy race. This is not so. The average duration of life, under the The Speaker pr whip on the iplantations, was only ten years. The supply was kept up by the muster's care in breeding-it being his in-terest. Now this is not the case, and while the unortality continues through dissipation, the increase through population has fallen off painfully. On plantations, and in neighborhoods where, before the war, children swarmed almost, you scarcely find one now."

Upon being asked how he accounted for that, and also what became of the children, he answered:

"The mothers have learned from New England how to kill them. You know, Sir, that New England is dying out from a lack of Yankees, and the poor colored people whites receive a fresh supply from emigra- mittee on the Revision of the rules. tion, the colored race has none."

If this statement be true, and it certainly wears an appearance of probability, it is easy to perceive what the destiny of the negro will be; but is it popular social system of the country bill, with an amendment, pending in transmitted the 15th Amendment, which Bagshaw G not a frightful commentary on the when the probable future extinction of the Judiciary Committee he moved the the negro race can be ascribed, by an reference of this bill. Edmunds and strongly urged the ratification of the Ball JS influence of the crimes which flourish est Constitutional powers. Williams unchecked in the midst of the most took the same view. He said the bill vaunted civilization of the Republic? had passed the House under a previous liere is a field in which the most exalted philanthropy can find room for the expressed their views on the subject exercise of all its powers. New Eng- and the bill was finally referred, 34 land orators have used their eloquence to 25. with powerful effect in the denunciation of slavery and its innumerable wrongs; of slavery and its innumerable wrongs; ing recess, to examine and report upon here is a new theme on which they can the expediency of reorganizing the civil dilate at great length. The negro, whose freedom has been chiefly gained through their tireless exertions, knows no better how to use his newly found belirty than to imitate their vices!

life with a courage, constancy and elasticity that insure to them the victory.

Disease may prostrate the body and derange the mind of virtuous, upright men and women, and while in that condition they may commit suicide; but those are exceptional cases. No sane

man of pure morals, who entertained correct views of and confidence in divine Providence, ever committed selfmurder. It is incomprehensible that he should do so. Strong in the consciousness of his own rectitude, and with unshaken confidence that, however difficult and adverse his circumstances may be, God will overrule them for good, he is full of courage and hope. He can pleture to himself a thousand circumstances in which he might be placed that would be incomparably millions. worse than those by which he is surrounded, and he is contented and cheer-

The epidemic of suicide can only rage where crime flourishes; its contagion could not spread in any other commu-



## SENATE.

The House joint resolution for the appointment of a Retrenchment Com-

The Speaker presented the House bill to repeal the Tenure of Office Act. On motion of Thayer it was tabled til the expiration of the morning hour. Summer presented a petition from the Republican State Council of Va., stating that the Commanding General does not pay proper attention to the applications of colored men for office; the petition asks that they may have a due share of the State offices; referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Bayard introduced a bill for the relief of the daughter of Gen. C. F. Smith deceased; referred.

Morton offered a resolution to amend the twenty-fifth rule of the Senate, so as to allow the introduction of bills on have not been slow to learn. But while the one day's notice; referred to the Com-

Edmands offered a resolution, direct adopted.

Thayer called up a bill to repeal the Tenure of Office act. Trumbull favored

Washington. — Judge Hoar arrived last night, and had an interview with the President. CO-OPERATION IN THE 17th WARD .- We have received a communication from

The Republican Senators have held a caucus with the view to decide the or-der of business, but adjourned without reaching any conclusion.

have a reception to-morrow.

old Board holds over, and is nearly the tages of mutual co-operation. same as the new. General Grant has reappointed John Black, of New York, and Jesse Wil-liams, of Pennsylvania,Government directors for the Pacific Railroad; and has appointed, as new directors, Price, late

member of Congress from Iowa, Harris, of Springfield, Mass., and Webster, of Illinois, late aide on Grant's staff. Washington,-Secretary Bovie has

commenced his duties. Vice Admiral Porter has been with him most of the day. Secretary Cox, Postmaster Genl., and Cresswell are at their respective departments; they have received a large number of visitors. The State Depart-ment was literally besieged with visitors to-day.

Memphis.-The Arkansas has Senate assed a bill granting ten millions to aid

this evening and organized. H. M. Steel, nephew of the late Bar-ton Key, committed suicide to-day. Chicago .- The Tribune's special says that Washburne has prepared his resig-nation of office. The Times and Republican's specials say his resignation is already in the hands of the President. Hoare has qualified as Attorney Gen'l. which renders Boutwell's appointment as Secretary of the Treasury, doubtful, though Speaker Blain is reported to ing the Secretary of War to communi-cate information relative to the military that Boutwell's nomination would be sent to the Senate to-day. It is general-ly conceded that Washburne will have the French mission.

was read in both Houses yesterday. He

H. Felt, Esq., of the 17th Ward of this city, in which he says, "The inhabitants of the 17th Ward, determined not to be behind their neighbors in any good work, have

Baltimore. -- Andrew Johnson will entered zealously upon the co-operative movement; having held their preliminary New York.—The ship James Foster, from Liverpool, has arrived in the low-er Bay; during the voyage she lost four of her passengers and twelve of her crew. Nineteen of the remaining pas-sengers are sick of fever, and have been sent to Ward's Island Hospital. A T Stowart has hown the constitution of the passengers are sick of fever, and have been sent to Ward's Island Hospital.

A. T. Stewart has begun the erection in sailing order, prepared to receive cargo A. T. Stewart has begun the erection of an immense hotel, with a front of two hundred feet on Fourth Avenue, extending between 32d and 33d streets. The property is to be managed in the interest of working women, to whom board will be furnished as cheap as pos-sible, and with excellent accommodasible, and with excellent accommoda-tions. The building will cost over two the full amount of a share at once, it was tions. The building will cost over two millions. The election of the Union Pacific Directors has been stopped by an in-junction issued by Judge Barnard, at the instance of James Fisk, Jr. The votes were cast before the injunction was served, which simply precludes their being opened and counted. The old Board holds over, and is nearly the

Died:

At Hebron, Washington Co., on the 14th ult., Mary, wife of Elder Levi H. Callaway. Sister Callaway was in the enjoyment of her usual health and attending to the performance

usual health and attending to the performance of her domestic duties up to within an hour or two of her death. She leaves a husband and seven children to mourn her untimely depar-ture. Deceased was the daughter of Chauncey G. Van Baren, who died during the exodus from Nauvoo. She was a native of the State of New York; she passed through the persecutions the Church was called to pass through in its early days. She was married at Garden Grove in 1850, and emigrated to Utah in 1852. At the time of her death she was in the 37th year of her age.-GOM.

At Nephi, Nov. 16th, 1868, Brother James Shaw. He was born Nov. 19th, 1801. He was in Nauvoo with the Saints and came to these vai-leys in 1850, and ever remained true to the cause of truth.

in certain railroads. New York.—The officers of the army and navy, department of the Gulf, met this evening and organized. H. M. Steel, nephew of the late Bar-ton Key, committed suicide to-day.

-COM. LIST OF LETTERS Remaining in the Office at Salt Lake City, Utah Territory, on the 11th day of March, 1869; which if not called for with-in one month, will be sent to the Dead Letter Office. GENTLEMEN'S LIST. Kartott H P Aaron E Alexander H Keeler S J Kepner H M Kocuer G Andersen J J Augletree M



SUICIDE AS AN EPIDEMIC.

THE number of suicides in California of late has been unusually great. We have scarcely taken up a San Francisco or Sacramento paper without having our attention attracted to the ghastly details of self-murder. The San Francisco Times has had its attention drawn to the subject, and it contains an able article headed "Suicide as an Epidemic." It says that the number of suicides of late has been unusually large, and the rapidity with which examples of particular types of self-destruction have been fol-lowed, justifies the fear that San Fran-ciaco is suffering from an epidemic of those terrible crimes. It gives a num-ber of instances where suicide has seember of instances where suicide has seemed to become a mania, in other lands; among others citing the case of Florence. The mania for self-destruction, ence. The mania for self-destruction, by precipitation from bridges, became so strong there a few years ago that it was found necessary, in order to sup-press it to place sentinels day and night on the most fashionable resorts of the pointed. Hamilton Fish and General spinner are named for Secretary of the Treasury. press it, to place sentinels day and night

We cannot integine that it would be

possible for the mania for suicide to prevail among a people of correct moral habits. One of the most fruitful causes of suicide is immorality. It may be sometimes the case that chaste men or the company to use every available women will commit suicide; but is means to grade and lay down the track nearly every instance of that kind the near Salt Lake; the management of the company is severely criticized by the cause is insanity. Where the young are taught correct views of life, the value of this existence which is given love stories and other balderdash that are published in the columns of sensa-tional illustrated papers with which the eastern press teems, and by which a sickly condition of the passengers were only saved the driver and one passenger. The lives of the passengers were only saved by the horses attached to the stage run-ning away just before attacking the stage. The same band of Indians murto them, and to refrain from reading the

intelligent member of that race, to the Howard thought the Senate should not hastily divest itself of one of its great-

Sherman offered a resolution for Joint Committee, with leave to sit durservice; laid over. Adjourned.

Corbett introduced a bill to establish dditional National Banks, secured by United States bonds to ensure the redemption of their circulation in coin; referred to the Committee on Finance. McDonald introduced a bill guaran-

teeing to pay the interest on the bonds of the Memphis, St. Louis, and St. Louis and Iron Mountain Railroad to the amount of \$25,000 per mile, to aid in the construction of a Railroad whose bed shall form a continuous levee along the Mississippi river to Helena.

Wilson introduced a bill for the appointment of a Commission to examine the claims of loyal Southerners for supplies furnished the armies.

Abbott introduced a bill for the examination of the general claims of loyal eitizens in the Southern States. The Senate Republican caucus has determined to confine legislation to claims of Loyal Southerners, a bill for increasing the judges of the Supreme court and the Georgia bill.

Risley, the Deputy Commissioner of

## GENERAL.

San Francisco, 10.-It is asserted here that the delay of the mails on the Union Pacific Railroad has been occasioned, not so much by snows as by the desire of newspapers. Arizona advices say the Indians at

tacked the stage between La Paz and Wickenburg, February 20th, and woundeastern press teems, and by which a stage. The same californian. A party of indians were all armed with Pes-sickly condition of mind is engendered, and taught also to be chaste and pute. The same californian. A party of indians were all armed with Pes-indians broke into the powder maga-zine at William's Fork and seized twelve body rifles. They had several pieces of field artillery.

Ballard M W Amendment as the best means to secure Barker A A Barron E II full recognition, as a State, and to final-ly set at rest the feeling of insecurity Barton W Beital A R and uncertainty which disturbs and ex-cites the people. The Amendment was made a special order in the House to-day, and in the Senate on Friday. loal C T loyes II

New York .- A man named Cunningham, imprisoned for bigamy, has confessed that he wasone of the Nineteenth street gang, and that James Logan killed Rogers in revenge for testifying against him in a burglary case. Cun-Carter J Carter S ningham's brother was with Logan when the murder was committed. Petersburg.—In the afternoon session

of the Convention, yesterday, there couley S M was more excitement. A colored Ser- Cowley W M geant-at-arms was appointed, at whom a member levelled his pistol. Dean W While attempting to make his arrest Derr W on the latter charge by the police, a motion, requesting the Mayor to with-draw the police was defeated, but he finally withdrew the police force from the hall. H. H. Wells was nominated Dastin Dutton J for Governor, and Dr. Harris, colored, for Lieut. Governor. Resolutions in favor of the early restoration of Vir-ginia under the new Constitution without amendment, for an early elec-tion and expressing confidence in Grant, was H E were passed.

Washington 11 .- The President sent the following nominations to the Senate to-day, all of which were confirmed: Hamilton Fish, Secretary of State; Gurley C N Boutwell, Secretary of the Treesury; General Rawlings, Secretary of War; E. B. Washburn, Minister to France; also Frank Moore, for Assistant Secre-tary of the French Legation; A. K. Smith, for Marshal in the District of Columbia; Curtin, Russian Minister. A report prepails that Schofield will be A report prepails that Schoheid will be assigned to the command of the Pacific Coast in place of Halleck. Binckley at-tempted to assault Rollins, late Com-missioner of Revenue, in the street this morning, but the latter escaped. Binck-ley soon after assaulted Mr. Harland, knocking him down and beating him, but the common down and beating him,

Montreal.—A heavy snow storm has Davidson L been raging all day; no mails to-day. The mails for the United States were despatched from St. Johns in sleighs. Dispatches from all points in the East G describe this storm as the severest of the season.

## FOREIGN.

Havana, 10 .- The cholera has entirey disappeared from the neighborhood of Santiago.

The insurgents are burning plantations and scattering general destruc- are required in the vicinity of Mansanillo and Santa Cruz.

London.-The Spanish Government has telegraphed Dulce to suspend the execution of Cuban insurgents.

New York .- A steamer from Jacksonville, Fla., has succeeded in landing a hundred Cubans and a large assort-ment of war material near Magari, where Cospedos was waiting to recive them. The Cubans were all armed with Pea-

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