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THE VICE PRESIDENT.

The death of the Vice President of the United States, Garrett Augustus Hobart, shrouds the country in mourning and flags are flying at half-mast. The sad event has been for some time unticipated. Although the deceased was but fifty-five years of age, disease had made such inroads upon his system that his demise has been expected for some time. There is sorrow now throughout the land.

There are numerous opinions and inquiries concerning the succession to the Vice Presidency. According to law if the President and Vice President should both die, the Secretary of State would succeed to the Presidency. But there is no such provision, as commonly supposed, in the case of the death of the Nice President while the President is living. The Vice Presidency is, therefore, now vacant.

At the opening of the next session of Congress, the Senate will proceed to elect a President of that body. He will simply perform the functions of that office, which belong to the Vice President of the United States when there is one able to act, but he will not be Vice President of the United States, and there will not be any such officer during the present term of the Presidency. The President of the Senate will hold his office until the next Vice President of the United States is elected.

CENSUS WORKERS.

It is strange that there should not be more applications for the position of Census Enumerators than appear to have been made up to date. According to the announcement made by Chlef Enumerator Arthur Pratt in Monday

of the Art Institute as a factor in the upbuilding, improvement and adornment of our growing State, which is bound to excel in all things that conduce to the welfare of mankind, Beauty as well as utility is essential to that perfection which is the aim of the leading spirits of the State and of the Nation.

RELIGION AND POLITICS.

The New York Journal makes daily boasts of the number of pastors of all denominations, and members of religlous organizations, which are joining in the attempt to overawe Congress and dictate what that body shall do in reference to one of its members who has been duly elected by the people of a sovereign State. All these preachers and these people, acting in a religious capacity, are intruding into the domain of national politics.

The Journal will probably deny this, notwithstanding the patent character of the movement, but Miss Helen Miller Gould, who has been induced through an evident misunderstanding of the facts in the case, to use her influence and spend her money in the cause, frankly admits its political character. In a letter addressed to General William C. Liller, Washington, D. C., asking him to take an interest in the Roberts matter, she makes this remark:

"I have never before taken any acpart in any political ques-but this movement is for protection of the home tive tion, the protection of the home and the women throughout the country, and I am glad to use my little influence for what I believe to be a righteous cause."

How those promoters of this crusade, with the editor of the New York Journal and others engaged in deceiving the American public, must laugh in their sleeves at the absurd notion that the seating or the unseating of the member of Congress from Utah, would have any effect in the protection of the home and of women throughout the country! The plea which they have invented is very taking in sound, but how much of sense is there in it? What home in New York or other pure and moral city in this Union will be invaded through the occupancy of a seat in Congress by a

Representative from Utah, where the sanctity of home is held in the highest reverence? How many women throughout the country will be in danger, if the gentleman is permitted to perform his congressional duty? Women and home stand in need of protection from the real dangers that menace them within a few yards from the Journal office, and from the dwellings of the preachers, who overlook them while snuffing imaginary dangers from distant Utah.

The mingling of religion with politics and the attempted influence of the Church upon affairs of State, is one of the real dangers of the times. The great outery that used to be raised that the "Mormons" were trying to unite Church and State is now applicable to their chief accusers. It is in order for the "Mormons" now to demand that the preachers and church members of the various sects keep their fingers out of the political ple and take their

Indian stronghold. But it cannot be said too often, or too emphatically, that cleanliness, fresh air, wholesome food, pure water and moral and temporal life are the best preventatives of all ills to which human beings are subjected. Those agencies, rather than drugs and poison, have reduced the mortality and lengthened human life in our age, as compared to former ages.

THE DEWEY HOME.

There seems to be wide-spread dissutisfaction on account of the transfer made by Admiral Dewey of his new home to his wife, and many guesses are ventured as to the motive. The subscribers. It is pointed out, intended to buy a home for the admiral, and not for his charming wife, although to the ordinary mind this distinction seems to appear less clear.

The comments made upon the reported transfer are not always in good taste, either. Occasion is taken to point out that a couple of New York papers subscribed a thousand dollars each; that a Chicago paper gave \$500 and the Milwaukee brewers \$1,000, and so on, and that these donors did not intend to furhish a home to a lady, who already owns real estate from which she receives an annual rental of \$5,500; and the feeling is intensified by the fact that the son of the admiral is practically disinherited by the transfer. All of which seems to prove that the donors to the Dewey home fund, or some of them,

seem to think that they did not only purchase a house for the man who previous to his marriage was the idol of the nation; but also a right to regulate his private affairs for ever afterwards. The admiral neglected to consult the yellow journals as to the propriety of launching upon the sea of a bride. And there seems to be no way the property to the generous donors. Admiral Dewey has and many surprises in store for his friends .. It is not

impossible that he may feel tempted to spring another, which would not be the least interesting in the series.

IN SOUTH AFRICA,

The South African situation seems practically unchanged. The Boers have, as far as known, falled to capture Ladysmith. Over 25,000 British soldiers have already been landed on African soil, and they will undoubtedly be hurried to the front without delay. The work of transportation and concentration will take some time, but there is every reason to believe that the tide of Boer success has turned, and that in a short time the news of important engagements and British victories will he received. The forces that have failed to drive the British soldiers away from Ladyamith can hardly stand the onslaught of the reinforcements.

Still, it is possible that the Boers will develop their best fighting qualities when driven to take the defensive in behalf of their own country. It is stated that they have already made preparations to transfer the seat of their govrnment to the mountains in the northeast, and there they believe they can defend themselves for a long time. There is every indication of a long and costly war, in which Spartan courage may be displayed on both sides, but

miral's: as the title now is, it is not the home of the hero of Manila at all. So much for meddlesome grumbling.

The Deseret News continues to receive congratulations on its success as a family newspaper, and encouragement in its daily labor of defending the cause of Zion against the attacks of its enemies. We do not publish the eulogies so frequently received, but we take pleasure in briefly acknowledging their reception, and our appreciation of the kindly sentiments and generous support of our friends and subscribers, whose number is steadily increasing. Please accept our thanks, good friends, and sur assurance that we shall endeavor to continue to merit your approbation and words of commendation.

For years medical science has been endeavoring to find a remedy for consumption, and from time to time announcements have been made that have seemed to warrant the expectation that the efforts had been crowned with success. The latest in this line is from a French savant who says that the injection into the tracheal duct of essential oils is a sure cure. The discoverer, Dr. Mendal, offers his discovery free to the world. It is claimed that the patients who have tried the new treatment have derived great benefit from it.

Gov. Gen. Leary, of Guam, is reported as making many radical changes in the island, some of them marked improvements, no doubt. Among the orders said to have been issued by him is one that each citizen shall keep a dozen hens and a sow, and shall bring eggs and chickens regularly to the governor's house. An order to the hens to lay so many eggs, and to see that a certain proportion are matrimony, and also as to the choice of | fertile in hatching time, would be quite in line with the purported gubernaout of this dilemma but the return of torial command. The remark of the dispatch that Governor Leary is a picturesque character might be supplemented by the suggestion that such persons often get ridiculous.

> The grand entertainment for the bane. fit of the Orphans' Home and Day Nursery, to be given next Friday evening, ought to be patronized by the benevo. lent people of this city. The ball at Christensen's hall and the supper to accompany it will be on a splendid scale, and will doubtless attract many brilliant leading lights in . Salt' Lake society. It should be attended by every one who desires to support this most excellent charity and ald the generous-hearted ladies who have devoted so much time and labor for the benefit of juvenile humanity. It is not a sectarian institution which they have conducted, but one that appeals to the best feelings of men and women of all classes, parties and creeds. The entertainment will be successful, there is no doubt, but it should be made a bountiful help to the good cause which its promoters are endeavoring to extend. If you can't go, buy a ticket anyhow.

> > AFTFR AGUINALDO. San Francisco Chronicle



evening's "News," between four and five hundred enumerators will be needed in this State, and only about 100 applications have been made. Here is an opportunity for some ladies who desire occupation and to make fair wages. The terms are quite liberal, and partisan politics will not be considered in the qualifications of applicants, While the work will not commence until the beginning of next June, applications should be made at once in order to secure employment. The questions to be answered by the applicant have already been published and blank forms can be obtained from the Chief Enumerator for Utah. Address Arthur Pratt, Salt Lake City. No bonds are required, but accuracy in writing and figures and readiness with the pen are necessary qualifications. Selections will be made of competent persons to work in the locality where they reside. People will probably be somewhat suspicious of strangers who call and ask for information, because of the attempts at esplonage which have been renewed in recent times. Therefore, it is a wise step on the part of the Chief Enumerator to employ persons, ladies and gentlemen, with whom the people are likely to be somewhat acquainted, We believe that if a general understanding is had in relation to this employment, there will be no trouble in obtaining men and women of ability to perform this work, so that the Census of 1900 in Utah will be ac vritely and effic eatly made and will thus be of untold benefit to the whole State of Utah.

TO ENCOURAGE ART.

The Utah Art Institute is a State establishment for the encouragement of the fine arts. Its headquarters are in Salt Lake City, and it is managed by a board appointed by the Governor, which consists at present of H. L. A. Culmer, president; J. B. Fairbanks, vice president; J. H. Paul, secretary; Mrs. E. McCune, treasurer; J. T. Harwood, Miss Louise Richards, and W. E. Ware. The institute is required to give an annual art exhibit, a course of public lectures. on art in the State institutions of learning, and maintain a State art collection consisting of painting, sculpture and fine wares, acquired by donation or putchase.

The first annual art exhibit by the institute will be held in this city during the month of December of this year. This will give an opportunity for professional and amateur artists, manufacturers and other skilled artisans who desire to exhibit their work, to attract the public eye. They should communicate at once with the institute. The president's address is No. 4 Culmer Block. The secretary's, 510 Templeton building. The institute desires the cooperation of all lovers of the fine arts. and invites them to become members. Utah is favored with the presence of many artists in various departments of combine for the promotion of art in this State. This will be not only for their personal interest but for the public benefit. The refining influence of art upon the character of the people, is recognized by all students of sucial edence, and indeed by every one why takes notice of the progress and development of the human race,

hands from the throat of the national legislature. That they cease their endeavors to coerce Congressmen into an act that would be a violation of the rules of Congress and of the rights of a duly elected and accredited member of the House of Representatives. Let the pastors and pietists of the United States confine themselves to their legitimate sphere, and leave politics to the politicians and State affairs to those who have been lawfully chosen to that department of the national govern-

NO NEED OF PANIC,

ment.

Small pox cases are reported from various parts of the United States at this time and Utah has not entirely escaped, but there is, notwithstanding this, no need of general alarm. The disease is bad enough, but a panie would only make matters worse. In the opinion of competent authority small pox is no more dangerous than scarlet fever. It is not any more contagious or more fatal than some diseases the presence of which in a community is hardly noticed. With proper medical care, it can be controlled, and patients can be restored to health without the disfiguration for life, which

formerly was so much dreaded. No doubt vaccination will become popular, and the advice is timely that those who contemplate submitting to the operation should trust themselves and their children only to responsible and well known physicians. The risk of vaccination is now thought to be hardly less than the risk of the disease It is intended to prevent. If newspaper reports are reliable, it is sometimes dangerous. We find for instance the following in a recent number of the

Troy Press: "According to the Poughkeepsle En-terprise, a bright and promising boy, son of Morris Decker, of Amity, Orange County, is the intest vaccine victim in this State. The boy was vac-cinated a month ago. He got along very well until Thursday of last week, when he complained of a stiff neck. Then he caught cold, was unable to open his jaws, and suffered terrible pain until he died. Up to date, the fol-lowing children in this State have died from vaccine poisoning: Amile Ackels from vaccine poisoning: Annie Ackels of Brewster, from lockjaw; John Burns of Geneva, from blood polsoning: of Geneva, from blood polsoning: Decker boy of Amity, Orange County, presumably from lockjaw.

If this is true-and similar cases are reported in other parts of the countryit follows that the utmost care should be exercised both in the selection of the virus and its application, and also that the patients must be closely watched by responsible physicians unil all danger is passed. Wholesale vaccination by anybody who may happen to be appointed to do the job, cannot commend itself to those who have given the

question some thought. It is often difficult to trace the path of this disease, as of all epidemics. It has been thought that it was brought from the tropics by returning soldiers, but can that be probable in view of skill and culture. They certainly should the fact that they were all varcinated and re-vaccinated? It seems clear that epidemics have their parlods of accurrence, although the laws and rules by which they are governed are less under. stood than some other natural laws. It is also evident that science sometimes is not equal to the task of stemming the tide. The black plague today is at

the final outcome of the struggle cannot be doubtful. The Russian czar is said to be in need of money. He has lots of reputable company.

The oll trust is in eight again with another advance in the price of the illuminating fluid.

The Illihois farmers seem to be drifting into a bygone civilization. A crowd of the grangers tried last night to lynch a couple of horse thieves.

A Manila dispatch says that a body of American troops at Imus "retired under fire." That is a confession of defeat, which is an unusual experience there, for usually a charge of Americans is sufficient to put the insurgent Filipinos to flight.

It would not do for Gen, Funston to get into politics. He is too tender of having his reputation besmirched by irresponsible or malicious persons. His challenge to San Francisco journalists. however, is a sufficiently interesting episode to be followed to a finish.

Those reported big battles between Boers and British at Ladysmith appear to be the work of imaginative reporters to whose efforts the censorship might be applied with benefit to the public, which is weary of fake announcements.

One important, though not commendable, use of revolutions in South America is to reduce the population. In the battles reported from there, the number stated as killed is enormous compared to that given for the recent wars

of the more civilized nations. Gen. Wheeler says it is the sacred duty of Congress to tell the Filipinos

that this country means to retain sovereignty over the Philippine archipetago. There is no doubt as to where the soldier-congressman stands on the question of national expansion.

The officers at Covington, Ga., prevented a lynching last night, the deputy shoriffs firing into the mob. Now, if the stand thus taken is maintained by Seorgia officials, and the culprits who are the objects of the mob's fury get just punishment for their crimes, it will State.

The charge made against Gen. Met. calf of Kansas is serious, and the denials by the accused man and by Gen. Funston are emphatic. But the circum. stances of the alleged offense, shooting an unarmed Filipino prisoner, are given with such detail that the facts should be proved easily, and if the accusation he not true, those who make it can be punished. The matter should not be

allowed to rest where it is, Mrs. Dewey has done the most natural thing for a highminded. Independent woman to do under the criticism of her husband having made a present to her of the Dewey home in Washington.

the very doors of Europe, although the ears, she gave it to Dewey jr. As his The Deseret News desires the success enemy has been fought bravely in its wife's home, it was also the great ad- demonstrated to an absolute certainty.

Our troops are pressing Aguinaldo so closely that his private secretary has already fallen into their hands. Besides, a number of equally distin-guished insurgents have been made prisoners, among them the son of Gen-eral Lianeras, the commander of the main body of Aguinaldo's army, and the general himself is said to have narrowly escaped capture also. The The harrowly escaped capture also. The demoralization which usually precedes dissolution has likewise taken posses-sion of the rank and file of the insur-gents, and they have lately lacked the stamina to make a stand anywhere, no matter how strongly intreached, when

the American forces have in sight. Kansas City Star.

The dispatches from Manila begin to take on a brighter color. They contain the frequently recurring word advance. General MacArthur advances; General Lawton pushes forward; General Young, leaving his transportation be-hind, moves out and scatters the enemy wherever he comes up with them. Wes-sells, with a squadron of the Third cayalry, captures commissary stores--hun dreds of thousands of pounds of rice, flour and sail, besides a great amount of clothing, and picks up Filipino, Spanish and American prisoners. The Americans break into a new country. There are new names to be spelled in the dispatches. Heretofore it has been taken for granted that Aguinaldo would escape to the mountains. Now it is sug-gested that he may be surrounded and aptured and at least a portion of his army.

Los Angeles Express.

There must be no sentiment in the conduct of the Philippines from this time forward. Aguinaldo la a standing menace to the peace and quiet of the islands, and when captured must be put where he cannot do any harm. He and the other leaders of the rebellion should be treated exactly like these ome Indians in this country. When they are caught send them to the United States, where they can be con-fined to some fort and kept under constant surveillance. That is the only safe and sure plan.

Chicago Times-Herald.

There is no resistance in any direction that is worthy the name, but the American troops necessarily feel some ex-haustion from the rapidity and energy of their own movements. As General Otis says, "They have suffered great hardships and have performed severe service." because they have been continually on the go. The commander adds, however, that they are in "ex-cellent condition and spirits," and this seems to be the idea of Aguinaldo's artful dodgers, who are making for woods and mountains at full speed.

Boston Herald.

Though the three-legged pincers failed in their scheme to get the elusive insurgent chief between their closing jaws, our armies have established the fact-which, for that matter, was made just punishment for their crimes, it will sufficiently plain during the spring cam-be short work to check lynching in the paign-that an American force of respectable size can push into the interr of Luzon at its pleasure, so far m the opposition of the insurgents counts, The roads, which are still in a horrible condition, may related its marching; the swamps and jungles, and in some districts the mountains, may seriously ob-struct its operations; but the enemy the little brown men, who take to their beels when closely pressed, can do nothing to any purpose against any consid-erable number of our formidable soldiers.



It has been demonstrated within the last ten days that the forces of Aguin-aldo neither can nor will make a fight deserving the name where an American force of any magnitude, infantry, cavalry or artillery, advances. Whether in the open field, in the jungle, in of the Dewey home in Washington. Irenches, or in fortified towns, the Fill-When the adverse criticism reached her pino is alike unable to resist the American soldler and saller. This has been true from the first, and now has been

