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wagon for Cuba" invariably attracts the attention of passersby, which undoubtedly answers all the purposes of the wheelwright. It is a very primitive-looking affair, and not at all like the caissons usually found in artillery outfits, and the suggestion has been made that the wagon may be intended for other uses in Cuba than carrying ammunition for the insurgents.

There is considerable disappointment manifested in the ranks of the Illinois contingent here because the name of Otis Humphrey, Charles Hitch, and Richard Yates for federal places in southern Illinois were not among the nominations sent to the Capitol today It was understood to be the intention of the President to present them to the Senate before he started on his Southern trip, but they were held up for some reason, and there is no possibility of anything being done in the matter until the President's return a

Ben F. McKinley, uncle of the President, is to be appointed deputy postmaster at San Francisco. Uncle McKinley was a candidate for the postmastership, and sent a petition to Washington which contained 20,000 names, nicely done up in a paper box. But the President thought the appointment of his uncle would lay him open to the charge of nepotism, and decided to give the place to W. W. Montague. Mr. Montague is disposed to be magnanimous, and has announced that he will offer Mr. McKinley the deputy postmastership.

Not only has the most favorable comment been made in this country regarding the design for Chicago's new postoffice building, but it is attracting attention in Europe as well. Construction Moderne, the leading architectural publication of France, in a recent issue devoted two pages to illustra tions showing the design, together with a most flattering description.

"All the public buildings of the United States," said the French journal, " are under control of the Secretary of the Treasury. Besides directing the finances of that coun try, he exercises the same authority as our Minister of Public Works. One division of his department is under the Supervising Architect of the Treasury, who is supposed to design all custom-houses, hospitals, and postoffice buildings. For some reason or other the public buildings thus designed are rarely models that our architects care to follow in their private works. When it was decided to erect a new postoffice at Chicago its citizens had enough influence with Congress to induce the commissioning of an architect of known reputation to design what would be a monumental structure and one in keeping with the growth and prominence that city has attained."

"It is not my intention to be a candidate for renomination," said Congressman G. E. White, "for I am satisfied with two terms at Washington. There is not enough salary attached to the office of Representative to induce me to neglect my private affairs, which are worth fully five times that sum to me every year. Owing to the manly course pursued by Mr. Banning during my last campaign it is no more than fair that I should help him in his Congressional aspirations. He wants to come to Washington to see how things are about the capital, and I shall do all in my power to assist in this ambition. But no more Congressional life for me after this term is ended.

Speaker Reed is fortifying himself with quotations from the scriptures to hurl at the ungodly members of the House who in sist upon trying to make his political life miserable. He strolled into the Congressional Library and requested the Librarian to send to his office a copy of the last re-vision of the "Sacred Writings." A few minutes later while sitting in his office perusing the scriptures Speaker Reed's meditations were inter-Georgia delegation. They desired the Speak er to appoint their colleague, Mr. Bartlett to the vacancy on the Ways and Means committee occasioned by the promotion o Mr. McLaurin of South Carolina to the Senate. The Georgians proceeded to tell the Speaker of the qualifications of Mr. Bartlett for service on that committee, and also to mention the importance of having one of the South Atlantic coast States represented.

After listening to the request in behalf of Mr. Bartlett, Speaker Reed said in reply that he recognized Mr. Bartlett's ability to fill the position acceptably, but he was no prepared to announce any conclusion in that matter. From his remarks and his manner however, it was evident that he was not fa vorably inclined towards Mr. Bartlett's ap-

The delegation was about to withdraw when Representative Adamson, one of the new members, ventured to be a little face tious with the Speaker. " Are you going to appoint the committees today, Mr. Speaker?" inquired Mr. Adamson, with a charming

'I don't know what I might be tempted to do today," drawled the Speaker, "if a new eader of the minority should suddenly de velop. I have been thinking seriously of appointing the Committee on Elections, with of the minority might be eliminated.'

St. Louis is having trouble, and all about military band. Lieutenant Colonel Guy Henry, in command of the Third Cavalry ment to change the headquarters of the reg iment to Fort Ethan Allen, where part of the command now is. This would taken the regimental band away from the St. Louis people, and they began to protest, Lieutenant Colonel Henry, it is said by many, was not altogether satisfied with things social in St. Louis, and was de termined to go. Meanwhile he received his promotion to a Colonelcy which took him out of the regiment altogether. Then the St. Louis people thought they had won their fight. They didn't care about losing a troop or two of cavalry, but they wanted to sa the band, which ofttimes has inspired the Secretary Meikeljohn canceled the order for the removal of the band, much the delight of the produce and other organizations exchange which had taken a hand in the fight. But the band has telegraphed that they had bought their tickets for Ethan Allen hecked the bass drum and the heavy brasses, and that it would produce disco if their arrangements were interfered with Secretary Alger, who had returned to Wash ington in the meantime, thereupon upset his assistant's order, and the band plays on out on to Ethan Allen. The wires to the

but Alger was firm and St. Louis lost its pet As soon as Congress adjourns 750,000 volumes in the Congressional Library at the Capitol will be moved across the plaza to the new Congressional Library Building, and it is expected this transfer will occupy sixty re for upwar

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Confined to His Red Since Sunday-CIVIL SERVICE RULES FIXED TO RE-May Turn into Typhoid. STORE EX-POLICEMEN.

Commission, Council Committee, Kipley, Thornton, and Swenie All Take a Hand in Raising the Age Limit for the Old-Timers and Removing the Possibility of Tests Likely to Stump the Faithful on Examination-Kraus as Apologist for Move.

Members of the Star club are filled with oy. A way has finally been opened through PRESIDENT HARPER IS A SICK MAN.

Physicians Fear Malarial Fever

President W. R. Harper of the University of Chicago is ill. The fact of his sickness has been kept quiet, but his close confinement o his room since Sunday was explained yeserday evening when it was learned that his physicians were bending every effort to save

The malarial fever which drove the President to his bed on Sunday night has developed so alarmingly that the graver malady may follow.

Dr. Harper has a strong physique, but is a man who has always shouldered a large amount of work. His workday commences

HIS EQUINE FAVORITE, ALTA BOY, LANDS ON THE SOLAR PLEXUS.

Physician Suffers the Agony Experienced by Corbett for Several Hours After Receiving the Blow at His Stock Farm Near Palatine, and Death Finally Relieves Him of Pain-Horse's Attack Follows Administering of Punishment.

Within a sixteen-foot square box stall Dr. Alva Owen of electric belt fame was adminthe civil service law for them to get back | before 7 every morning and does not end | istering punishment to his stallion, Alta

NABS STUDENT MURPHY ON THE ROOF.

Constable Goodman Catches an Evanston Mayoralty Contest Witness Shivering in His Night Lobes.

On the tin roof of his boarding-house at Emerson street and Sherman avenue in Evanston Edward Murphy, Northwestern's 'crack" pitcher, stood last night at 11 'clock with a thin night robe wrapped about his shivering form while Constable Goodman read a subpœna by the light of a dirt-dimmed lantern. The pitcher's teeth chattered with the cold, and while the read ing was carried on only his head was visible over the top of a broad brick chimney About him stood A. E. McDougall, Chester A. Grover, and Wendal P. Kay.

The party that stood upon the roof with elenched fists and glared at the white robed figure had started out early in the evening to serve subpænas on the students who refused to await the appearance of Attorney Palmer in Justice McCallum's court early in the morning. They were among the supporters of Alderman Curry in the pros tion of students who voted illegally at the recent city election.

Murphy had fled from his bed to escape the subpœna, but had been overhauled or

"I was going to leave the city to visit with my people until Saturday," said Murphy, "and did not want to be served with a subpœna that would interfere with the trip. And I am also sick and tired of the whole

COVERS SIDEWALKS WITH LIVE WIRES

Unknown Miscreant Tampers with Switches in Electric Light Posts on North Side-Discovered in Time.

The police of Inspector Schaack's division are trying to catch a miscreant who last night attached long copper wires to the switches in electric light posts, leaving the end twitching and sweeping across the sidewalks along Chicago avenue and Superior street. Meanwhile they are walking like men treading on eggs and clearing a path before them with their clubs.

Policeman Nelson first found the work of the unknown rascal at Superior and Sedgwick streets shortly after 8 o'clock. He thought he saw a big glow worm on the walk. When he tried to kick it it twitched about like a living thing. He hit it twice with his club before he found it was a live wire he had to deal with. He traced the wire to the switch in the

electric light post and found it was attached directly to the switch and that the full force of the deadly current was pouring through it to the sidewalk.

Nelson ran to the powerhouse a block away and an electrician soon disconnected the deadly bit of copper. Within an hour the police found four other switch boxes that had been similarly tampered with, but could find no trace of the perpetrator Luckily no one came in contact with the live wires, for they carried charges enough

to burn or even kill any one stepping upon Browning Made First Assistant. Granville W. Browning was appointed First Assistant Corporation Counsel yester-

day by Mr. Thornton. Mr. Browning was defeated for a Judgeship at the last judicial BULLETIN OF

The Daily Tribune.

CHICAGO, THURSDAY, JUNE 10, 1897.

Weather for Chicago today:

Light showers; southeasterly winds. Sun rises at 4:25 a. m.; sets at 7:34 p. m. Moon sets at 0:57 a. m.

MOVEMENTS OF OCEAN STEAMSHIPS. Arrived. ENHAGEN Sicilia Catalonia....Britannic.
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Is Inclined to Veto the Special Assessment Bill.

LAWS SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR.

Springfield, Ill., June 9.—[Special.]—A little before 11 o'clock today Governor Tanner signed the Allen bill and shortly after his private secretary placed it on file in the office of the Secretary of State. The news of this action spread quickly through the Capitol and in less than five minutes the telegraph offices in the building were filled with messages carrying the news to Chicago and New York. There was a great fight for the telephone wire between Springfield and Chicago. For it seemed as if everybody wanted to know the result of the Governor's action, and it was probably heralded in New York City before the ink was dry on the sig-

Governor Tanner sat on the veranda of the Executive Mansion tonight smoking a cigar. He was taking it leisurely in a big rocking chair when THE TRIBUNE correspondent went over to see what, if anything, he had to say about the Allen bill. Governor Tanner said his action was that of a public servant and he felt a delicacy about discussing the matter. He said the deed was done now and time would tell whether he had acted for the interests of the public or not.

Tanner Discusses the Bill.

"There are," he said, "but two questions in the Allen bill I find after examining it most carefully. One gives City Councils the power of granting franchises and extensions to street railway companies not exceeding fifty years. I do not think that feature at all objectionable and believe the term is not unwarranted. The bill allows, or rather declares, that for the period of twenty years the fare shall be five cents. This is an arbitrary provision. After twenty years the Council ixes the fare. Now, some of the franchises expire in six years and others in nineteen. So that the average term of expiration is thirteen years at a five cent fare. The extension, therefore of the five cent fare period is but seven years, and I do not think this is out of the way. The bill in no sense of the word deprives the Common Council of power.

Can Refuse Extension.

"This body can extend the franchises if it wants to or it may refuse to do so. The bill is silent on the question of compensation, but everybody knows that no such ordinance as this would be granted, especially in the large cities, without proper compensation, based on the gross earnings of the corporation. The Council will fix his percentage, which may be 8 or 5 or whatever the body may dictate. I am a firm believer in the principle that corporations should pay a percentage of their gross receipts into municipal or State treasuries. This principle was recognized in Illinois when the charter of the Illinois Central railroad was granted. It has worked well in that instance and will doubtless do so corporations of the State will bear the greater part of State and municipal taxation, and this Allen bill is a step in that direction.

As to the Libel Bill.

With regard to the libel bill, Governor Tanner said there was a legal question involved which he should submit to the Attorney to understand that the bill might operate so as to bring into play the common law of England on libel and slander. sought to repeal an act or provisions of an act made by the General Assembly. He wanted to know the effect of the act as regards previous statutes before he would do anything about it. His mind was about in this condition: If the repeal bill reënacted the statute as it stood previous to the act '95 he was inclined to favor it; if the repeal bill wiped all statutes on the topic off the books he was evidently opposed to it because he intimated that any law on the question made by an Illinois Legislature was far better than the provisions of the English ommon law, which are hard and rasping. He will refer this matter to the Attorney General and announce his decision in the course of two or three days.

May Veto Osteopathy Bill. Governor Tanner talked freely about a bill

allowing disciples of the school of medicine known as "osteopathy" to come into Illinois and practice on the strength of their

'I am rather inclined to the principles of osteopathy," he said, "as I understathem. I believe it is a good thing, and would like to see it in operation here in Ill nois under the supervision of the Stat Board of Health. But the bill is a prett stout one. It allows graduates of the scho of osteopathy located in another State come into Illinois and begin practice by g ing into some obscure county and filing the certificates with the Clerk of the coun The school even is not under the supervis of the Illinois State Board of Health. bill would allow these graduates to pract medicine, give prescriptions, and perfe surgical operations without regard to Illinois State Board of Health. Its frie in the House voted down amendments culated to make these graduates confe to the rules of the board. A great m years were required to bring the Board Health to its present effective condition.

Health Board Would Resign.

"What would every member of board think of an Executive who wou prove a bill of this character, which osteopathic' doctors the right to co here as physicians and surgeons any respect for and in utter defiance State Board of Health? Why, its me would simply resign, that's all, and believe I would find enough physic Illinois to fill their places under s cumstances. I have not passed or as yet, but will do so in a day or so. Governor Tanner expects to conconsideration of the bills before time next week. After that is do probably go up to Lake Miltona sota, and stay there for a few wee the mansion is h at the Le improve



They will have to undergo an examination, of course, but an easy one. The Civil Service commission, with the aid of the Council Committee on Civil Service. Corporation ounsel Thornton, Superintendent Kipley, and Fire Marshal Swenie, fixed that yesterday. They prepared and adopted some new rules which greatly modify and expand certain features of the law.

Cause of Their Jubilation.

Here they are: 'Any police officer whose record as such officer is good, who was discharged without cause and without a trial, may reënter the police service of the city if he succeeds in passing the prescribed examination, and as o such applicants the following rules are

1. The age limit for such officer shall be 45 years, except for such as may have been in the police service of the city for ten years or more, and for such the age limit shall be

"2. Each applicant must be at least five feet eight inches in height. The chest and waist measurements described by the rule for new applicants may be waived, prowill certify that the applicant is physically competent to perform the duties of a patrol-

Given Physical Leeway.

"3. Any such applicants suffering from any injury produced or sustained while on duty as a police officer of the city shall not on that account be excluded from passing the physical examination, providing such injury is not of such nature as to entirely disqualify nim from duty, and for such applicants there shall be kept, after they pass an exam ination, a special eligible list, and they shall have the preference over all others for such positions on the force as their physical con-

dition will permit them to properly fill. "4. Police officers so restored on the eligible list shall be credited with whatever time they may have heretofore served the city the same as if they had not been severed from the service. They shall, however, all reënter the service as patrolmen, but in examinations for promotion any one who has so been restored to the service may enter such examination for the position he had heretofore held in the service or for a posi-

tion one grade higher.' Star Leaguers in Evidence.

The ante-room of the commissioners cooms was crowded with members of the Democratic Star league. Chief Kipley accepted the new rule, but expressed the opinon that it should have been still further

broadened. It will be noticed that the first requirement in the law which is overcome is the age limit In the law 35 years is fixed as the maximum for applicants, while ex-policemen having reached 45, with five years' service to their credit, or 50 with ten years' service, may not e barred out, according to the new plan, Chest measurements are also set aside on authority of two medical examiners that the applicant is physically able to perform police

Chairman Kraus of the Civil Service board explained that 826 men were discharged om the force during ex-Mayor Swift's adol being assigned, and that under the with midnight. Besides the courses which he gives in the school he is constantly in demand for addresss and speeches in different parts of the country, he is a member of sev eral executive boards, and is busily engaged in writing and editing for his publications Beside an occasional ride on his wheel or behind his horses the doctor does not take much exercise, and fear has often been ex-

pressed that he would break down. This is a particularly unfortunate time for President Harper to be laid up, as the work of the spring quarter is closing and the mer quarter needs the executive head to get the plans in order.

Lucius Waldon Conkey, an old business man among the wholesalers of the city, is dangerously ill with typhoid fever at his home, 1628 Chicago avenue, Evanston. He is 60 years old, and his age, the doctors say,

GAMING HOUSES SERVE FREE SUPPERS Rival Clark Street Resorts Cater to Two Appetites-Wide-Open Play

in South Chicago. Competition is lively between down-town gambling houses, and various schemes are being resorted to by the proprietors to catch trade. Tuesday George Hankins began serving an elaborate midnight luncheon to the patrons of his place at 148 Clark street. terday the keepers of 119 Clark street went Hankins one better and furnished two meals all patrons of the house-at 4 p. m. and

All public gambling houses were open as usual last night. Roulette and faro, ever, were barred, and the play was not so

heavy as on previous nights. "We are satisfied that everything will be all right in a few weeks," said an attaché of a down-town gambling house. "It will take a little time, but gradually faro and roulette will be worked in.'

Wide open gambling is flourishing in South where roulette, stud poker, draw poker, and craps have been played with no attempt at oncealment during all the week. The largest of these is over Owen

O'Hearn's saloon, 257 Ninety-second street, where three tables are run. It has been crowded every night. "Ben" Dix and Tom" Neeley are said to own the outfit, while the place is run by a man n Beebe. Stud poker is also played at 9137 Commercial avenue, in a place owned by John Dolan, while straight poker is played in a rear room of The Proper Place, a saloon owned by John Pachinskie

Frank J. Phillips swore out twelve warrants yesterday before Justice Strauss for the arrest of as many saloonkeepers on the South Side, charging them with keeping slot machines in their places of business Two of the saloonkeepers were arrested and gave bail. One was Nick Bauer, Harrison street and Fifth avenue, and the other Jacob Vogel, 345 State street.

GRAHAM'S WATCH CAUSES AN ARREST.

Locked Up at the Warren Ave-

nue Police Station.

Avenue Police Station. He is charged with

naving purchased the watch which was

from A. J. Graham, the West Park

issioner, when he was held up on the

fay 23. The police say they hav

George Miller, a Weir Gang Suspect, tration without any cause other than George Miller, said by the police to be a member of the Weir gang, several of whom one of them could again were sent to Joliet a few weeks since wa arrested yesterday and taken to the Warren

Boy, when the unruly thoroughbred knocked him down with the blow of a hind hoof and as a result the physician and horseman died at his home near Palatine at 12:30 o'clock yesterday morning

The hoof of the horse landed on the solar plexus, the spot where Fitzsimmons struck the fateful blow that knocked out Corbett, and the action of Dr. Owen after being felled by the stallion resembled in a remarkable degree the movements of the fallen fighter in his moments of agony upon

Dr. Owen met his death upon his stock farm, a splendid estate of 120 acres just beyond the pretty village of Palatine, in the northwest corner of this county, where he lived with his wife and little curly-haired

daughter, 21/2 years old, Louise. Loved Horses from Boyhood.

From boyhood days upon his father's farm in Warren County, O., Dr. Owen was fond of blooded horses, and of all the forty equine aristocrats on the Palatine farm Alta Boy, the distinguished head of the stud, was his favorite.

Although one of the most splendid sons of the famous Wilkes family, Alta Boy's nature had always been gentle, so lovable, in deed, Mrs. Owen, with her prattling daughter at her side on the seat of a phaeton, fre quently drove the handsome bay on the roads of the neighborhood.

Several nights ago Alta Boy plunged against the sliding door of his big box stall the center of the barn until the wheels slipped from the rail at the top and the

On Tuesday morning Alta Boy again reared and plunged against the door of his stall.

Learns a Way to Escape.

The intelligent brute had discovered just how to beat his way out of his apartment, nd he snorted and struck the door with his front hoofs until Dr. Owen appeared. He spoke to Alta Boy, and the stallion seemed ashamed of his rowdyism, but when the master walked away Alta Boy again attacked the heavy barrier.

Shortly after 9 o'clock Dr. Owen, with a carriage whip, rolled back the door and Alta Boy bore the whipping like a thorough bred for a time, and boldly faced the music, until, with a whinny, he swung around. "Look out!" yelled J. D. Williams, the

Just as Dr. Owen dodged out of the door- 22 Some Rich Men of England. glittered in the air and then crashed against the side of the stall. Dr. Owen had put away the whip when

Williams went out to jog a colt on the half-Finds the Doctor Gasping. Louis Kraft, one of the boys on the place,

heard a faint cry. "Dolly! Dolly!" were the words he heard, and when he ran to the open doorway of the barn he was startled to see Dr. Owen on his hands and knees gasping for breath.

The look of agony on his ashen face as he

tried to crawl to an upright position rightened the lad. His cry of alarm brought Mrs. Owen running through the clover from the porch of the residence 200 feet away. With the aid of the boy the wife bore her husband to the house. He was conscious but seemed to be paralyzed. Kraft was sent for a doctor in the village. One of the oroughbreds was hitched to

e boy drove like mad to Pala-