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his brow, but to no avail, for he flew up and landed with a crash. At this point, a tall man in a well-worn suit of black, adorned with a red flower at the button hole, came on the stage. He announced to the audience that the Wonder was a fraud, and to the reporters that he was Dr. Forrest. He said she couldn't move him with the chair. When he held it before him, she placed her hands on it, and it instantly began to vibrate. With the first motion the chair flew into the Wonder's face. It would have jammed her lip badly only she happened to have her mouth open. It struck an upper tooth, and she dropped the chair. Mr. Hurst at once walked forward and said that the Doctor did not hold the chair, but purposely allowed it to move out of his hands, and that such unfair treatment should not be submitted to. The Doctor said Mr. Hurst was trying to conceal a fraud.

Miss Hurst again advanced to the footlights. The round-headed, thick-necked man, who had his head out with the umbrella at the opening of the show was holding a chair in his arms waiting for her. She turned him so that the audience could see the chair plainly. Then, in the view of all, she laid the palm of her right hand on the front of the middle slat in the back of the chair. Her fingers were held clear of the slat. Her left hand was placed in a similar manner on the top of the cane seat. With a hysterical laugh, she drew the man forward, shoved him back and threw him from side to side in spite of his utmost exertions. Her hands slid about on the smooth wood but did not leave it for some time. When they did the motions ceased. Like results followed the attempts of several other muscular men, including Harry Hill. While Miss Hurst stood bent over, with her feet together, and the men were braced with their feet well apart, it was noticed that the strongest men were thrown about less than the others. Those who tried holding the chair when the Wonder placed her hands over theirs said that she did not press their hands when the motions were strongest.

The most peculiar feature of each test was the jerky character of the motions. At times there was a slow, even movement, but it was generally otherwise. Several men, including the thick-necked man, made speeches, saying that they did their best to conquer her, but they were convinced that the power was not that of muscle.

Then the Wonder emptied men from a chair by placing her open palms against the sides of the chair back. One young man faced her sitting astride of the chair. She raised the chair clear of the floor the moment her hands touched it, and the young man hopped off the stage in a way that made the audience laugh and cheer for five minutes.

Dr. Taylor of Bellevue Hospital sat in the chair with his feet on the rounds, and was lifted up and tilted out as easily as the others had been. He said to the audience: "I weigh 250 pounds. I don't think many men in this audience can lift me." After the entertainment a private exhibition was given to a small party of ladies and gentlemen. The gentlemen exerted themselves to their own satisfaction in holding a chair while the Wonder placed her hand loosely on the slats or on their hand, but in each case they were thrown violently across the room. They panted and tugged, but the Wonder did not draw an extra breath, nor did her pulse quicken.

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AN UNEARNED DIVIDEND.

It is announced that the Canada Pacific Railway Company will pay a dividend of five per cent. on its capital stock. The Capital Stock of the Company is \$100,000,000, of which over \$60,000,000 has been issued, a large portion of it having been given to Directors and others at 25 per cent., and some of it really given away for nothing. Upon all of this issue it is now proposed to pay a 5 per cent. dividend. The selling price of the stock in the market averages 42 per cent., so that the proposed dividend is nearly 12 per cent. upon what the stock can be bought for, twenty per cent. upon what the Directors and the original members of the Company are said to have paid for the stock, and an out and out bonus to those who got their stock through the medium of the Construction Company. To pretend that this dividend has been earned would be to insult public intelligence. The dividend is nothing more nor less than a division among the Stock-

holders of \$3,000,000 of the money given by the people of Canada to build the road.

As a business transaction it looks like a profound blunder. What would be said of a man who would offer his note, bearing 5 per cent. interest, for sale at 40 cents on the dollar? A business man would consider it an admission of insolvency and would not touch the paper. This is what the C. P. R. is doing on an enormous scale. Such a transaction gives additional color to the rumors which are revived to the effect that the Company proposes to unload the railway on to the shoulders of the government. It may perhaps be answered that the Directors promised, when the stock was put in the market, that they would pay dividends of five per cent. during construction; but this is only another indication of an intention to get rid of the road when all the money, which could be made, had been made out of construction.

The Company pays 5 per cent., the government 3 per cent., making a total of 8 per cent. on the stock. On the stock sold to the Directors and the original members of the Company, this is equivalent to 32 per cent., upon that which is purchased in the open market at current rates, it is nearly 20 per cent. These are the alleged profits upon a line of railway—a large part of which is uncompleted, and hundreds of miles of which pass through an unsettled region.

This is a great country.

HOW IT WAS RECEIVED.

The nomination of Cleveland has been well received by Democrats everywhere. The threatened Tammany bolt does not seem likely to occur. High officials of the Association state that it will support Cleveland, but will not attempt to influence the vote of the labor organizations; but much will depend upon the strength developed by the Independent movement. If this is strong enough to put Cleveland's election beyond a doubt, Tammany will do its level best for him. The nomination does not entirely suit the old party managers, of whom the New York Sun may be taken as spokesman; but the Sun will give the ticket a loyal support. The New York Tribune, which is the principal Blaine organ, pretends to be delighted over the result, and says Cleveland will not receive the support of his party. It can scarcely be that the Tribune knows more about the Democratic party than the members of that party do themselves. Other republican papers take the same position. On the other hand the Springfield Republican says the Democrats have an even chance of winning, the Boston Transcript, Republican, says the nomination shows courage and sagacity, the Commercial Advertiser of New York, also Republican, thinks he is the strongest man who could be selected, and has no opinion to express as to the result. The Independent papers, such as the Boston Herald and New York Telegram cordially approve of the nomination.

Among the bolting Republicans the nomination meets with great favor. George William Curtis and one or two others, who may be called the leaders of the Independent party, while expressing their belief that Cleveland is the best man the Democrats could have chosen, would not pledge their support to him, pending the action of a convention of Independent to be held in a few days. The rank and file of the bolters are loud in the promises of support to the Democratic nominee.

Some enthusiastic Democrats anticipate a general stampede to Cleveland's support from all parts of the country, which will completely extinguish the Republican party. One hopeful Independent, speaking of the movement with which he is identified, says, "it means a revolution, which will result in a complete readjustment of political affairs."

It is claimed that Hendricks' name on the ticket will give Indiana to the Democrats, and the Democrats of Boston talk about carrying Massachusetts. Something will depend upon Butler's course. If he persists in running as the nominee of the Greenbackers and Anti-minopolists he may split the party in the Bay State. If he does not, as Cleveland will receive a large part of the vote which elected Governor Robinson over Butler, Massachusetts may probably leave the Democratic ranks.

The platform of which Cleveland is the representative promises reform in the administration of affairs, the reduction of the tariff so as to do away with needless taxation, and its general rearrangement

so as to favor all industries alike—a revenue tariff, with incidental protection, is that favored by the Democrats.

The rival tickets are:
Blaine and Logan.
Cleveland and Hendricks.

THE CENTRAL RAILWAY.

One of the Directors of the Central Railway writes to the GLEANER to correct a statement in a recent issue to the effect that the Company intend to build from the I. C. R. to the coal fields and stop there; and he says, "I beg to say that no such intention was ever entertained by the Company that I am aware of. The survey from Little River to Gibson will be resumed at an early day if extraordinary obstacles do not prevent the prosecution of the work." We are glad to receive this assurance, because our information that the Company did not contemplate constructing the whole road as a complete line alarmed us somewhat. We felt that such a plan would be likely to defeat the project altogether.

We sincerely trust that no obstacles, extraordinary or otherwise, will prevent the early beginning of the work of construction and its rapid completion. There does not seem to be any good reason why the various interests connected with the enterprise should not work harmoniously, and if they do it will not be long before the Central will be in full running order.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Reynold's Newspaper, an English publication, says that Canada stands in England in the same relation as a conquered country. It says that the Dominion can only be retained as a part of the Empire "by granting her a wider home rule than she enjoys at present."

The article on "Faith Cures" in a late issue of the tri-weekly Gleaner has attracted very much attention, and demands are constantly received for copies of the paper. These we have been unable to supply as our edition was exhausted on the day of publication. The article will be reproduced in our weekly edition, which will be issued to-morrow, and all orders received for the tri-weekly will be filled with copies of the weekly. Persons wishing copies of the weekly edition should leave in their orders early.

John B. Gough, who has lectured 5400 times, says his knees still tremble when he first addresses an audience. "One of the oldest, ablest and, some say, coolest lawyers in the Province says that he never rises in court without a struggle to overcome his nervous agitation. Many prominent actors, the best of them, are excessively nervous about going on the stage. There is one class of people who are never nervous—the self-sufficient nobodies—it is the audience which is nervous in their case."

The Ottawa Free Press accepts the GLEANER's view of the future of Canada, saying in response to the remarks of a critic: "It is not Canadian Independence but Separation that the Free Press opposes. There is a great difference between them." Our contemporary is right; and it would be also right if it said that without independence separation from the Mother Country is sure to come. With the independence of the colonies only is a complete and lasting Union of the component parts of the British Empire possible.

A report comes from San Francisco to the effect that the Chinese in the United States have been called upon to contribute money in aid of the Pekin government in a war against France, and that \$500,000 has already been sent forward for the purpose and another half million is to follow. It is further stated on the authority of the President of the China Merchants' Steam Navigation Company that "a secret treaty was made in December, 1883, between Germany and China, whereby the former will support the latter in a war with France. In return, Germany is to recognize a sovereignty over the island of Formosa, and to construct naval and military stations at different points for the Chinese government. China will refuse the payment of \$250,000,000 indemnity to France."

A Dozen Laughter Paragraphs.

A girl has been arrested in Brooklyn while disguised as an old woman. The old woman disguised as a girl is still at large.

A fashion paper gives us the pleasing information that bathing dresses to be worn at Newport and Saratoga the coming season will be made of figured Swiss muslin. Last summer they were not made out of anything in particular.

An old lady of Chicago, ninety-four years of age, boasts that she used to sit in George Washington's lap. This refutes the historical slander that the Father of his Country was so bow-legged that when he was "keeping company" he had to put a shingle across his knees for Martha to sit on.

He—"In what respect does billiards change my usual disposition?" She (naively)—"Does it change your disposition?" He—"Yes, in billiards I never 'kiss' when I can help it, whereas ordinarily—" She—"You never kiss if anybody else can help it."

"Have You Heard from the Valley of Babylon?" is the title of Ella Wheeler's latest poem. Certainly we have; Ella; and the Valley is full with howls, soothing sobs and patient baby-spankers. Yes, we have been there, Ella.

Old subscriber—Yes, dear, we have received your letter advising us how to run a newspaper, but have failed to find the amount of your subscription for the past two years. Perhaps you forgot to slip it in the envelope.

"Heigh-ho," said Mrs. Spriggins. "I see that poor old Mr. Wilkins has died intestate. I always said high living would ruin his inards."

Who was the most successful financier mentioned in the Old Testament? Noah, because he successfully floated a limited company when all the rest of the world was in a liquidation.

A man was killed by a circular saw, and in his obituary notice it was stated that he "was a good citizen, and an upright Christian, an ardent patriot, but of limited information with regard to circular saws."

No girl is successful with a hammock until she can get in and out of the blooming thing without everybody finding out whether the stripes on her stockings run 'round and 'round, or up and down.

A humorist he was by trade, and excitable jokes he made. Until at length an outraged community rose as one man and swore that this sort of thing couldn't go on any longer with impunity.

Enterprising druggist—"Did that barrel of whiskey come to-day John?"

John—"Yes, sir."

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