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Our Federal and State Legislatures
are disgracefully corrupt. An attempt at legislating to stem this tide of corrept-ion has, as most of our readers will know, been recently made in Congress. Mr been recently made in Congress. Mr Sargent proposes to make it criminal for a member of Congress to solicit the President or any member of the Cabinet to appoint any person to office. It is now the custom for Congressmen to claim that it is their right to say who shall be appointed to office in their respective Districts, and it is but too generally understood that the vote goes with that right. And it will readily be seen how strong is the motive for controlling these appointments. To make

trolling these appointments. To make the officials of the District the creatures of his will is to fortify his own position and consolidate his power. Nor do the interests of the Senators run in different channels. To have his friends in fat offices is to render the calling and elec-tion of the member of the Upper Chamber sure. Thus do we see presented a complete net-work of interests all tending to corruption as surely as the sparks fly upward; and this net-work forms the basis upon which that matchless superstructure rests. We have alluded to Mr Sargent's remedy. Turn we to Mr Jenekes'. The bill proposed by Mr Jenekes is a more comprehensive and, to ear-mind, more practical and effective remmind, more practical and effective remediated. It provides that no person shall be appointed to any of the twenty-five thousand minor Federal offices—excepting some 3000 of the higher offices—ing some 3000 of the higher offices—antil he shall have passed a strict example.

mination, and been declared competent to fill it. Judge of the magnitude of the evil from the fact that in advocating this measure Mr Jenckes claimed that it would save it leset fifty millions annually to the Government! But even this measure, awening as it is would not to one mind. the Government! But even this measure, sweeping as it is, would not, to our mind, suffice to sweep out the Angeln stable of the model Republic. It is good as far as it goes; but it does not reach the root of the disease. The true remedy is to be found in the British Constitution. And we are glad to find the the member of the American Press from whom we have already quoted looking in the right direction. There is, he says, only one proper way to remedy the evils which fill our Administration with corruption, and that is to amend our Federal Constitution by providing that every minor executive officer shall held office for life, unless removed for ter, the number of eleptions will be lessened, new sheets can be imposed on partisan trickery, the corrupt ward politicians will lose their control, and there will be some reasonable hope that honesty and decency will again prevail in the Government. And, it might well be added, we shall no longer see America's best sens standing aloof, shrinking from taking any active part in the politics of their country.

Tuesday 7th THE MERCHANTLE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION OF San Francisco ewe something over \$150,000 and have hit upon a scheme to clear off the ration of the subscription.

Defects in the American Constitution.

How manifestly true is it that absolute perfection is not to be looked for in any human production. The greatest effort of the greatest minds can at best only lay claim to comparative perfection.

For almost a century have our Republican neighbors been seeking to convince the rest of the warld that they had attained perfection in human government, but only to prove that it took nearly a hundred years to discover the imperfections. None will attempt to depression the subscription.

How manifestly true is it that absolute independent of the first all, aggregating \$500,000 in gold coin of the U.S. The first gift is for \$100,000; the independent of the U.S. The first gift is for \$100,000; the second for \$50,000; third for \$25,000 and so on down to 425 gitts of \$100 each. The lottery is expected to realize \$500,000 to the Association. Its moral effect upon the San Franciscans may be imagined by the following dispatch under date of the lat inst:— Ten thousand tickets in the Mercantille Library Lottery were sold yesterday and 5000 to day, when the sale was auspended until to-morrey on account of not having more tickets printed. One house in New York to day ordered 1000, and offered to take \$10,000 worth if a sufficient discount be allowed. The worst satisfications as to its demoralizing effects on the community are more than realized. Servant girls and their employers, clerks, schoolboys, merchants and church dignitaries crowd each the nanoaralled success of the United a hundred years to discover the imperations. None will attempt to deny the inparalled success of the United States. Of them it may almost be said states. Of them it may almost be said been heard to declare that if they do not draw price they will instantly sucfor a return of united they do not draw price they will instantly sucfor a return of united they do not draw price they will instantly sucfor a return of united they do not draw price they will instantly sucfor a return of united the price of the control o

LABOUR EXCHANGE.—It is to Capt. Nagle that the country will be indebted for doing what the Executive Government has refused to do in compliance with a resolution of the Legislative Council. By reference to our advertising columns it will be seen that Capt Nagle has opened a Labor Exchange in connection with his Shipping and General Agency Office on Bastion Street. It will hardly be necessary to remark that Capt Nagle has been moved to this step more for the purpose of supplying a keenly felt want than with any view to making it remunerative—and, it, therefore, becomes the duty of all to give it their sympathy and support We are giad that the commencement, however small, is being made, and feel convinced that if conducted with that carefulness and patience—which Capt Nagle is likely to bring to the work, the institution will attain such dimensions as will be felt for good in the community and will ultimately repay the effort and attention bestowed upon it.

effort and attention bestowed upon it.

The next exhibition of the Agricultural and Horticultural Society will be held on the 28th September. The bill was published yesterday and comprises quite as many lots as the list of last year. The exhibition will extend over two days. On the evening of the first day it is proposed to held an Agricultural Dinner, and on the evening of the second day an Agricultural Ball. Visitors from the interior of the Island, the Mainland and Puget Sound are expected to attend in strong force. We learn, with considerable pleasure, that the Agricultural Associations in the several districts are already stirring and that exhibitions will be held at Sasnich, Cowichan and elsewhere previous to the day fixed for the holding of the Victoria Exhibition.

Police Court.—Thos White, the Indian

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Tue Freats Invienary.—We have on file a communication attacking in no choice terms the management of the Female Infirmary for the permanent closing of the institution as a Hospital. We decline the publication of the letter because of the personalities it contains, but we nevertheless think that the public especially that portion of the public who subsacribed towards the erection of the building—have a right to know how the building came came to be abut up and the furniture sold without a meeting of the subscribers being called to sanction the proceeding.

H. M. S. SPARROWHAWK will sail on Satur-day for San Francisco, instead of on the 13th

ed the appointment of Governor of Manitoba.
That impression is confirmed by our Canadian exchanges. Mr Archibald was member for Colchester, Nova Scotia, and enjoyed the respect of all parties.

THE election for Delegate to Congress came The election for Delegate to Congress came off in Washington Territory yesterday. There were, three candidates—Garfield and Blian, Republicans, and Mix, Democrat. Blian was run to aplit the Republican vote and thes punish Garfields for some act of political turpitude. The impression on the Sound is that Mix will be naturned.

THE funeral of the son of the Hos Mr Justice Crease will take place at 8 r x this day, at the Naval Cometery, Esquimait. We understand that this permission was granted by Admirel Farguhar, with his wonted courtesy, on very special and exceptional grounds;

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The following prescription having hen found
most efficacious is cases of ulcerated or diphetheric sore throat, in my neighborhood in
Scotland, I think I cannot do wrom in giving it to the public, dipheheria having appeared in Victoria. The mixture bould be
given immediately any deposit is observed
on the throat, and a child finds no difficulty
in awallowing it.

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Rear America.

To Chear Paint.—There is a very simple method to clean paint that has become dirty, and, if our housewives should adopt it, it would save them a great deal of trouble. Provide a plate with some of the best whiting to be had, and have ready some clean warm water and a piece of finnel, which dip into the water and squeeze nearly dry; then take as much whiting as will adhere to it, apply it to the painted surface, when a little tubbing will instantly remove any dirt or grease. After which wash the part well with clean water, rubbing it dry with a soft chamois. Paint thus cleaned looks as well as when first laid on, without any injury to the most delicate colors. Is is far better than using soap, and does not require more than half the time and labor.

BUY IT AND TRY IT.—Russell's celebrated Coffee. The best on the Coast. Warranted a pure and healthful beverage.

The Hanging Cardens of Babylon.

gardens were bigh chough to everteek the walls of the city, and occupied a square of four hundred test on one sade.

It has been a question how these gardens were supported at this great height, as it was nutil lately taken for granted that the Babylonians did not understand the principle of the arch. But it is now known that very perfect arches were built in Egyptin Assyria and in Babylonia centuries before Nebuchadnezzar's time, and so the question is simplified.

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The steamer Olympia, Capt Finett athrops sengers and live stock from Pugst and at capt the company of the devil rived last evening at 7 o'clock. Mr high, but ser, has placed us under obligation for late papers.

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Prom the Wanington, Ohio, Herald.

A colored man is at present stopping in this place, who attracts here, as he has in other places where he has been, a great deal of attention by the singular power he possesses of disarranging certain portions of his body. By some inward muscular action he seems to possess the power of changing the location of his heart at pleasure. Placeing our hand on his breast at the proper place, we could feel it heating distinctly. He then commenced a series of contortions with his abdomes, rolling it over and over several times. At the conclusion of this attiking exhibition, we placed our hand upon a lump in his side below his waist, and there was the heart thumping away as if nothing unusual was the matter. A few more contortions and the frisky organ pass—

The Hanging Cardens of Babylor.

The great Babylon king Nebuchadnezzar died B C 561), when he had completed his conquests, as he found himself in peaseesion of treasures uncounted, and captives by tem of thousand, determined also to signalize his teign by some of the triumphs of peace. He built a new palace of colossal dimensions, and surrounded it with a triple wall, the outsi one of which was some seven miles in circuit—he evelosed the city of Bebylon with a wall, which, Herodotus says, was three hundred and thirty feet high, and made the Hauging Gardens. This last work was undertaken to gratify his wife, Amyitis, a Median princess. Having passed her younger days in a mountainous region, she diliked the uniform level of the country around Babylon and pined for the woods and hills of Madie. The lefty racks and the cannot be choked. He allows any him by the throat, and use that he cannot be choked. He allows any him by the throat, and use that he cannot be choked. He allows any him by the throat, and use that he cannot be choked. He allows any him by the throat, and use the manual place and the proposite direction, the false ribs disappeared. On being asked if his mether had any more children like him, he seplied that he had a brother six feet high. Who could reduce his stature to something less than three feet. We believe him readily, after having witnessed the above perform any and hills of Madie. The lefty racks and

spacely ventured to hope that the orders of fashion were so soon to identify themselves with the diotates of common sense. But so it is. The Pall Mall Gazette makes some comments on an announcement in a German paper to the effect that a new era has dawned upon France owing to Madame Ollivier having set the fashion of wearing high evening dresses, and having caused it to be understood that the visitors to her salon were expected to follow her example. The movemezzar's time, and so the question is simplified:

The anciant Romans, when they had to carry a stone squeduct across a deep ravine, sometimes built three or four tiers of arches one above another, till the required level at which the water was to be carried was reached. In the same manner, only on a larger scale, was this mound of the gardene raised. They built one stery of arches, covering the required space; on this was placed a second atory—and thus was estory after story raised. A great mass of earth covered the top, and water was supplied from the Emphrates through pipes. Not only flewers and shrubs grew there, but cress of the largest size—some of them so large that their trabes, according to Quintus Custus, were twelve fest is dismeter. The ascent to the gardens was by steps, and on the way ap among the arches, were stately spartments, whose cooliess the hest of the timate could little effect.—From Officer Optic's Maggaine.

A Strange Story.—Boston (Masse of some own an announcement in a German paper to the effect that a new ers has dawned commenties on an announcement in a German paper to the effect that a new ers has dawned commenties on an announcement in a German paper to the effect that a new ers has dawned commenties on an announcement in a German paper to the effect that a new ers has dawned commenties on an announcement in a German paper to the effect that a new ers has dawned commenties on an announcement in a German paper to the effect that a new ers has dawned commenties on an announcement in a German paper to the effect that a new ers has dawned comment in a German paper to the effect that a new ers has dawned commenties on an announcement in a German paper to the effect that a new ers has dawned could not be upon the first of the factory prove grave pulmonary diseases by delicate girls exposing their neck and shoulders to the drughts and cutting winds of our there is a description of the drughts and cutting winds of our there is a description of the drughts and cutting winds of our there is ments, where coolness the heat of the to fact the first to fact them, would, however, see that their daughters, and then girls under their care. Magazine: the seed that their daughters, and then girls under their care, were clad with some regard to health, if it were only the correct thing, why does not some young and lovely leader of fashion set them the example?

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