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THEY had an earthquake in Oakland, California, last week. We don't expect one here till next April.

THEY propose to go to the Chicago council meeting this week with ropes in their hands to haul out and hang aldermen who vote to give the city's franchises to Charles T. Yerkes. That is what is called the "rope argument."

It is our impression that the people of Illinois are not proud of the fact that its governor has been indicted for malfeasance in office. But then Governor Grout of Vermont is out in a two column card, nonpariel, explaining why he wasted several thousand dollars of the state's money on junkets etc. Strange times these.

A couple went from Massachusetts up into Vernon, Vt., last week to be married. State Senator Hitt, an old bachelor, was called in as a justice of the peace. He took a young attorney Bacon, along to act as his "clerk." Squire Hitt did not know just how to proceed, but this is what he did. Standing before the anxious couple he said "Mabel, do you swear to take this man for your husband?" She did. Then turning to the young man he said: "George, do you swear to take Mabel to be your wife?" George swore. Then Judge and Sen

ator Hitt said solemnly "I swear you are man and wife," and ordered Clerk Bacon to kiss the bride, and the young groom objected, but his honor told him that was necessary to make the marriage legal, and he suffered it to be done.

A Daughter of the Revolution died in Boston, Thursday, who was born in Norwich, Vt., April 12, 1805. Her father enlisted early and served through the Revolution, subsequently married and settled in Norwich and gave the town a lot for a cemetery, where his daughter, Miss Harriet Sawyer, was buried. Such daughters are not very numerous!

EDITOR Stearns of the Waukegan Sun has fired a ponderous editorial at President McKinley on his 100,000 men standing army, and now William must take care, for brother Stearns don't fire blank cartridges or small shot just to scare the enemy. He fires to kill as witness the slain on the west side of North Genessee street.

BISHOP Lawrence, the successor of the lamented Brooks, of the diocese of Massachusetts has hit a happy way of expressing a great truth. He said recently that "God can blow into men a pure enthusiasm for righteousness." And we can think of several men into whom we would like to have some of this divine enthusiasm blown. Then there are some, of whom, as Sidney Smith said of Scotchmen, we may say it would require a surgical operation to get any righteousness into them.

SOME people are morbidly sensitive about their names appearing in the paper. If every one was like them a newspaper would be wonderfully entertaining, would it not. Not a person's name mentioned in any of its columns. Of course their own personal and private matters however much the gossips might relish them, no sensible editor would publish. But people buy the news, when they subscribe to a paper and are therefore entitled to the news and the editor is in duty bound to furnish the news. That is his business, with wisdom and discretion, and if

Miss McFlarrety don't want her wedding described, she should not get married.

SPEAKING IN ITALICS.

It used to be said of Gladstone that he was one of the Englishmen who could talk in italics. The Park has one property owner and tax payer who is like Gladstone, or he was the other day when he opened up on our city aldermhn, or a portion of them. He scored them right and left in as vigorous language as the army was said to have used in Flanders. The burden of his scathing rhetoric was the way the electric road and the paving of St Johns had been managed. We had not supposed he cared a copper about the whole affair, he had never said a word or evinced any interest, but like a slumbering volcano he burst forth. If he is a fair representative of the people today, some local politicians need to look carefully after their political fences, for there is mischief brewing and no mistake.

Why Not Spend Christmas and New Years At Home.

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