CANADIAN.

Horse stealing is uncomfortably prevalent

in the neighborhood of Newcastle, Ont. It is announced that Hamilton is to be divided and will, after next election, have two members in the Provincial Legisla-

The transactions at the Montreal clearinghouse amounted in 1892 to \$590,043,009, as compared with \$514,607,000 for the previous year.

The President has nominated Henry M. Moore, of Washington, as U.S. consul at Three Rivers, Canada.

The Continental Union of St. George's Societies will probably hold its biennial meeting at Kingston, Ont.

Mr. John Jacob Astor, the young American millionaire, is in Montreal for the purpose of enjoying the winter sports.

The Montreal Minerve thinks that by abolishing the present system of judicial decentralization a saving of \$50,000 a year could be effected.

It is proposed to establish a relief bureau at Ottawa, with a paid official, whose business it will be to investigate all cases of distress in the city.

Two Montreal firms have effected a corner on seal oil, which is in large demand in the United States, and they expect to realize handsomely on the transaction.

A Cleveland syndicate, having leased the London and Port Stanley railroad, intend establishing a line of vessels between the port and Cleveland in the spring.

Montreal from New Brunswick, states that the winter fishing through the ice on the mend such a modification of the Consular north against a possible foe that has learned Miramichi is exceptionally successful.

Mr. O. T. Masson, superintendent of stores | bonding privilege. in the Richelieu and Ontario Navigation | A party of Finlanders were quarrelling in | The idea is not to be scoffed at. It sug-Company, died very suddenly in Montreal, a saloon at a Michigan village on Friday gests a mode of warfare that we may be Tuesday, while waiting in his lawyer's office | night, when one of the number, John Bel- | called upon to encounter, and the great | to see his legal adviser.

engaged in felling trees on the farm of Mr. Edward Henry, Winona, Ont., on Saturday afternoon, was struck by a broken limb, and received injuries from which he died on the following morning.

The fire which destroyed the residence of Mr. Frank Thomas, at Elkhorn, Man., is responsible for two deaths. Mr. Thomas' mother was burned to death at the time, and now news has been received of the death of Mr. Walter Haulding, who had sustained severe injuries.

Circulars are being sent to the newspaper proprietors of the Dominion, asking them to contribute copies of their publications to be placed in the Canadian pavilion of the World's Fair.

Mr. Hall, the Quebec Provincial Treasurer, declares that a tax on personal property would be impracticable, as it would be difficult to collect without the introduction of costly machinery.

Chief Justice Begbie, in Victoria, B. C., on Thursday, gave judgement in the case of the Crown v. The Seal schooner Oscar and Hattie, charged with killing seals in Behring Sea. He held that the seizure was perfectly legal, and ordered the schooner and cargo | denied. to be condemned.

dian Pacific railway, says that one train | rientes, where fighting is going on. each way was delayed by snowslides on the days trains have arrived at their destination very promptly, and are now running prac-

tically on schedule time. marriages were read in the Montreal Roman | terranean coast. Catholic churches Sunday. The decree forbids Catholics marrying Protestants except by special dispensation, the ceremony to be performed by a priest, and the parties binding themselves to have their children

brought up as Catholics. Ex-Premier Mercier has an article in the Courrier de Maskinonge, in which he says that the failure of the French-Canadians to succeed as they ought to is due to their fratricidal strife, and instances his own case to give point to his words. His downfall, he says, was brought about by the efforts of his own countrymen.

BRITISH.

Gossip in London connects Lord Wolseley with the Governor-Generalship of Canada. Wales has no intention of visiting the in Ireland.

World's Fair. ill with typhoid fever, and his son and heir | Austria and Hungary during the excessive

has been summoned to his bedside. Mr. Gladstone has returned to London

from the Continent. It is reported that two corn merchants o Dublin have failed, with liabilities amount-

ing to nearly £200,000. water from an abandoned mine suddenly

rushed in and thirty miners were drowned. The comet medal of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific Coast has been awarded against the Government. to Edwin Holmes, of London, Eng., for his discovery of the unexpected comet on No-

Rev. Henry S. Lunn, a Wesleyan minis-Christian reunion and a pilgrimage to Jerusalem.

A cable from London says that Manitoba wheat is highly appreciated, and that it is considered superior to the product of the in Sigmaringeu, Princess Marie of Edin when an accident occurs, and the conclus-Western States. The quantity this year is very large, but there is no falling off in the Roumania. Emperor William and a host is attended with more perils than travel

quality. was an unsuccessful candidate at the last man-of-war with Minister Thompson on without a thought of danger, while the general elections in England, is at present on trial at Bristol, charged with inciting Russia, he was carried from Smyrna to many only thoughts of peril. The arrival labourers to riot on the Friday before Constantinople in the Turkish Imperial of a thousand train loads of passengers at

Christmas day. Baroness de Roques writes from Paris contradicting the story that her daughter, Mrs. Maybrick, swallowed needles to pro- danelles. sion that she was in the final stages of consumption.

The extreme depression in the shipping industry is shown by the fact that there are 479 vessels with a tonnage of 856,000, laid up in English and Scotch ports at present.

UNITED STATES.

Three deaths from typhus fever took place on North Brother's Island, N. Y., Luesday.

Ed. R. Gimberson, an Omaha liveryman, shot his mistress, Mrs. Beach, fatally, and then committed suicide.

A Buffalo despatch says Thomas Hannigan, of St. Catharines, Ont., was killed in a saloon row there.

Egbert Judson, a bachelor aged 81, has ust died in San Francisco, leaving a fortune of several million dollars.

wall at a great fire in that city Tuesday. Two sick sailors from the Spanish steamer

Orleans are declared to have the cholera.

wrecked and the machinery damaged.

combined. Four schooners are being fitted out at Seattle for the sealing season, and they will

start out next week. No new cases of typhus fever are re-

ported in New York city, and it is believed that the epidemic is now under control.

escaped. Mass., for a debt of \$703. All the friends forces could be advanced to the borders. of his prosperous days had departed, and

he could get no bail. Harrison is determined to strike a blow at | thing as snowshoe practice is unknown. Cap-Mr. Peter Mitchell, who has returned to Canadian railways before the close of his tain Sharp proposes that this practice be Administration. He will probably recom- adopted as a means to our protection on the Sealing law as will practically abrogate the to mass its forces at a given point despite

hous, was stabbed. Erick Kanges went to thing in a nation's defense is eternal pre-A young man named Calvin Dennis, while summon Dr. Meloche, but the doctor declin- paredness in every direction from which ased to go to the saloon. Kanges immediately sault is to be feared. Moreover, the manushot Meloche, inflicting a wound from which | facture of snowshoes for army use would the victim died on Sunday. The murderer establish a new industry that might employ

> A Washington despatch says President Harrison will issue no proclamation abolishing the bonding privileges of Canadian railways, but he will transmit to Congress a message recommending legislative action in

the pay rolls of the company.

would be a poor sort of patriotism.

GENERAL.

The truth of the story of the capture of the Empress of Austria by brigands is officially

Vice-President Shaughnessy, of the Cana- Buenos Ayres to quell the uprising in Cor- abnegated his right to command and al-

Rocky mountains, but that for the past two Mexico, where there were 600 cases and 69 found itself in demands the highest skell deaths last week.

The weather throughout France remains exceedingly cold. In Marseilles there is The Episcopal decrees concerning mixed skating, which is very unusual on the Medi- ship captain. There can be no division of

The Saar miners' strike is practically over. There was a big rush of the men desiring best grasped the situation and its needs. re-employment, but only a limited number were allowed to resume work.

the French Ambassador to Great Britain, their shafts been accompanied with the same who is at present in Paris, will take with results as in the case of the City of Paris him a strong protest against British inter- and the Spree. In the case of the last two vention in Morocco.

reducing the hours of labour in factories tons of water. The water-tight bulkheads and mines, has caused a reduction of wages kept it from sinking the ship in calm throughout France, and there are many weather and in an ordinary storm such as strikes in consequence.

It is asserted in Rome that Mgr. Persisco opposes the raising of Archbishop Walsh to the Cardinalate on account of the Arch-It is officially stated that the Prince of | bishop's opposition to the former's mission |

A special cablegram from Vienna says The Earl of Londesborough is critically that the annihilation of game throughout cold of the last three days has been beyond all precedent. In the Bohemian forests it is believed that two-thirds of the game will die if the present weather continues two

The rejection of the commercial treaty with Switzerland has begun to cause heavy At the Wheal Owl mine, at Penzance, losses to manufacturers in Southern and Cornwall, while the men were at work, | Western France, with the result that many men have been discharged. A special cable despatch says the discharged employes, all of whom are Socalists, are exceedingly bitter

It is stated in Paris that M. Charles de Lesseps has consented to give the Government the fullest information regarding the Panama canal, with the object of showing ter of London, with the son of the Bishop of | that the Panama Canal Company was forced Worcester are making arrangements for a by officials and the press to choose between wholesale corruption and the threatened Taking all the circumstances into considruin of the enterprise, and also to secure for

himself more lenient treatment. Amid royal pomp and splendour, Tuesday burgh was married to the Crown Prince of | ion is inevitable that travel on land to-day of European royalities were present.

Mr. Ben. Tillott, the Labour leader who Instead of permitting the United States every day take passage on the steam cars board to pass through the Dardanelles to prospects of an ocean voyage awakens in yacht, which Russia regards as an intima- the Broad Street Station is looked upon as tion of Turkey's firm determination not to a matter of course, but the safe arrival of if she tried a month." allow Russian men-of-war into the Dar- a steamship a little overdue is regarded as

duce effusion of blood to create the impres- | France suffered one of its frequently re- | years since the City of Boston went down | George "But this is lovely." curring crises Tuesday. The Ministry, feel- at sea and left no one to tell the story of ing that the Panama canal investigation had the loss. The repetition of such a disaster, reached an acute stage, and that suspicion it is to be hoped, has been made impossible rested upon some of their members, resign- by modern skill and invention. The events ed in a body. M. Ribot, called upon by of the last two weeks, at least, strengthen President Carnot, formed a new Cabinet | the hope that a reasonable certainty of | you have been to Sunday-school. largely from the material of the old Cabinet | safety at sea has been reached. the most significent change being the omission of M. de Freycinet, who has for Artificial grass for the grounds of seaside such a long period held the portfolio of the cottages is one of the industries at Man-War Department.

A NEW DANGER TO UNCLE SAM.

The Terrible Canadians May Attack Him on Snow Shees.

The Chicago Inter-Ocean speaks seriously as follows:

A novel idea of military operations in the great lake region in winter is outlined by Captain Thomas Sharp, U.S.A. After citing the commercial importance of the water-Joseph E. Barker, a reporter for The ways between the lakes and the sea and the Boston Transcript, was killed by a falling | incalculable benefits of a proposed canal system that will let an ocean steamer loaded at Chicago discharge its freight at Liver-Murcian arrived at Hamburg from New pool, he proceeds to the serious question of who shall control the great gateway to this country, the St. Lawrence River. The dis-The fly wheel in Oliver Bros'. steel mill | cussion of the commercial question need not at Pittsburg burst instantly killing one be entered upon here, as all who have given man and injuring 12. The mill is badly the matter any thought at all know that the advantages of a direct, adequate communi-A Cincinnati despatch says all the iron cation between the great lakes and the sea candle in a more dirty-looking bottle. pipe companies of the United States have mean the saving of many millions of dollars

The vital thing in Captain Sharp's little pamphlet is the explanation of the ease with which Canada could get possession of and control this source, and its traffic in the event of war with this country. The whole secret of the advantage as set forth is the facility with which the Canadian forces could and grinning. There were several pictures A worthless fellow named Thrift murder- operate in winter by reason of their being ed a wealthy farmer in Georgia because the habituated to the use of snowshoes. Were latter would not lend him a quarter. Thrift hostilities declared when the snow lay deep of lighted junks were set close to the insane on the ground, the Canadians could move Charles H. North, who three years ago into formidable offensiveness with such was a millionaire pork packer, is now in the promptness as to be strongly intrenched in House of Correction at East Cambridge, strategic positions before the American

northern border are accustomed to snow-It is stated in Washington that President | shoes, and in the military service such a the depth of the intervening snow.

a goodly number of workmen.

The Modern Steamship.

The arrival of the steamship Umbria with

all well on board, after a voyage of nearly thirteen days, through a tempestuous sea and after mending a broken shaft while a The Pennsylvania Railway Company has fierce gale was sweeping the Atlantic, is an It has declared that all its employes must strengthen faith in the safety of the modern sever their connections with organized lab- built ship. It is a long time since the Atour bodies or their names will be erased from lantic liners have had their seaworthy qualities so thoroughly tested as during the The Buffalo Courier is opposed to any past two weeks, and the fact that they have interference with Canadian Railways. It come through it without any great disaster says if Canadian lines are getting away the is a subject for general congratulation. No business from American railways it must be loss of life has occurred, and the year will write insurance on that class of risks. Mr. because the Canadian lines give better ser- close on the ocean without any regrettable Stevenson finds the average mortality vice, and to hurt the liberty of citizens in mark on its record. It is only natural that among 1,000 liquor seilers to be 29.2, inthe conduct of Captain McKay after the breaking of the shaft of his ship. There were undoubtedly as many plans to save keepers-and shows the respective mortalithe Umbria as there were men on board, but it would have been the grossest lowed some discontented passenger to take tity. Typhus fever is raging at Zacatecas, control. Such a situation as the Umbria and the best experience, and no landsman can be expected to possess these qualities in authority on such occasions, and Captain McKay's success in bringing his ship and its passengers safely to port shows that he keeper. It is impossible, however, not to ask what might have happened to both the Noord-It is understood that M. Waddington, land and the Umbria had the breaking of steamships the shaft not only broke butit The application of the new factory law, pounded a hole in the bottom and let in the Spree encountered, but the mind does not like to dwell on the possible result of a huge steamship freighted with human life, and with a fractured shaft and a hole in its bottom, placed at the mercy of such gales as have swept the Atlantic Ocean for two

> weeks past. From the experience gained from the accidents that have happened to four large steamships within three years, some device to strengthen the shaft, and when it does break prevent its staving a hole in the bottom, will doubtless be introduced. Meanwhile, it is pleasant to note the fact that ocean traveling has become comparatively safer than land traveling. The Inter-State Commerce Commission reported that during the year ending June 30, 1891, the number of passengers and employees killed on railroads aggregated 2953, and that 33,881 persons had been injured. The number of passengers carried that year was 531,183,988, and the number of railroad employees was 784,285. What percentage the ocean travel is of the land travel in this country it is impossible to tell, but it is not probable that there has been a loss f 3000 lives by the steamships that crosso the Atlantic in the last thirty years. eration, the constant inspection of railroad tracks, the invention of life-saving appliances, the ability to receive quick help on the ocean. And yet thousands of people almost a miracle. It is nearly twenty-five

chester, Eng.

A SICKENING SIGHT INDEED.

A Chinese Corpse and a Sick Chines Lie Side by Side.

A Victoria, B. C., despatch says :- Lee Gee Tang, aged 35, was brought to the Chinese hospital two days ago, died late last night and was buried this afternoon. The rough board which did service for a bed. Jpon the same board was another sick Chinaman. Upon a separate board was an aged paralyzed Celestial. Tang died last night and the corpse lay for hours in the same room with the sick Celestial. It was all huddled in dirty, filthy quilts and left just as it had died. Several Chinese junk tapers were lighted and filled the room with repugnant fumes. No fire was in the place and light was furnished by a dirty, greasy [

This was the condition in which the city health officials found the hospital when visited last midnight. In another room was found the mad Chinaman, who had been again turned over to the tender mercies of the benevolent Chinese tyhees who support this institution. The crazy Celestial was seated on his board bed. He was laughing of Chinese demigods. An oil lamp was burning in their honor. And a large supply man. It is not known whether the junks were supposed to frighten away the insanity, but their proximity to the wretched Celestial suggested the idea. The only food found was a little boiled rice. The rice, the light Comparatively few Americans along the ed junks and the ugly looking demigods constituted the hospital.

THE EXPECTATION OF LIPE.

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Moriality Rates as Affected by the Various resolutions favoring a general strike were Occupations.

Life insurance experts, and those interested in mortality statistics generally, employ in their business a self-explanatory term known as "the expectation of life. Under this heading experience has furnished valuable tables, by means of which the four hours. A thousand men struck near duration of different lives is reduced to a practically accurate basis-a basis rendered | partial cessation of work at nightfall. doubly reliable by reason of the fact that the results are based upon many independent sets of observations obtained from widely-different sources. The similarity of left the pits, but as yet there is nothing like the statistics thus obtained is remarkable. a general strike.

Charles Stevenson, a well-known actuary of Edinburgh, has contributed to the "ex- most of the meetings to ask their comrades pectation of life" tables the most recent in- to support them by calling out all coalformation on this subject in the shape of a miners in western Germany. openly declared war on all organized labour. event in ocean travel that will naturally little paper on "The Effect of Employment on Life and Health," in which many curious ed to-day with military officials at Saarfacts are presented concerning the relation | brucck as to the best means of enforcing

of occupations to mortality rates. liquor sellers, a fact which explains the ployment. reluctance of life insurance companies to

in its relation to the mortality rate.

teachers, 27, and physicians, 24.

Women Like Praise.

Jack-"I'll tell you what's the matter, George. You don't praise your wife enough. Even if things den't go right, there's no use growling. Praise her efforts to please, whether they are successful or not. Women like praise, and lots of it.

George-" All right. I'll remember it. George (atdinner, same day)-" My dear, this pie is just lovely! It's delicious Ever so much better than those my mother used to make. She couldn't equal this pie

George's Wife-"Huh! You've made fun of every pie I ever made, and now-" George's Wife-" That came from the

baker's.'

The Bad Boy-Yes, sir. The Village Pastor-But, Johnny, your hair is wet.

Sunday-school.

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DESPERATE MINERS.

A Resort to Dynamite Bombs-Socialists

Fomenting Trouble. -A Berlin despatch says :- A dynamite bomb was exploded in Gelsenkirchen this afternoon. Two small hotels which stand on either side of the alley in which the bomb man was unattended and lay on a plain was placed were shaken so that the windows broke and plaster fell from the walls. Although several persons were passing in the street hardly twenty yards away, nobody was injured. The man who placed the bomb has not been caught. He is supposed to be an Anarchist emissary from the Saar district, who has gone to the mining region around Gelsenkirchen for the purpose of fomen tag a strike there in sympathy with the movement on the Saar.

> The miners in the district surrounding Forbach, in Lorraine, have been uneasy for some time, and the Socialists, taking advantage of their discontent, have sought to incite the men to strike. They endeavored to get the miners to hold a meeting yesterday for the purpose of organizing a strike, but the Government forbade the meeting. Notwithstanding the prohibition, the miners attempted to assemble at the place agreed upon. A large number of police were present, however, and prevented the meeting from being held. Beyond mutterings and cursing, no opposition was offered to the police. The almost inevitable failure of the strikers in other German mining districts seems to have had no effect upon the Forbach miners, but this is due entirely to the extreme Socialists, who, by their pernicious activity, seek to gain recruits to their ranks.

Numerous miners' meetings were held this afternoon in the Westphalian and Rhenish coal districts. The Socialist element was well in evidence everywhere, and several passed.

In most cases, however, the resolutions were without effect, and the men continue to work, although, were strong leaders present, the whole working forces of both districts would be brought out within twenty-Essen, and at Gelsenkirchen there was a

Reports from several other places show that a few hundred men here and there in Westphalia and the Dusseldorf district have

Men from the Saar district are present at

The Provincial Governor met and consult order, especially after the issuing of the The largest mortality rate in the indoor Government's ultimatum, when men will be occupations considered is found among rendered desperate by loss of all hope of em-

Remarkable Sheet of Water.

The French Government has just sold to

Mr. Chefneux the right to refine and exorder to swell the profits of corporations there should be a conflict of statement creasing from 12.2 between the ages of 20 port salt from Lake Assal, one of the most among the passengers of the Umbria as to and 29 to 102.8 from age 70 upward. He remarkable sheets of water in the world. divides the liquor sellers into three classes | The Lake is in the district of Obock, East -licensed grocers, hotel keepers and bar. Africa, only a few more miles from the head of the Bay of Tadjourah. The gentleman ty rates to be, from 25 years of age upward, who has purchased the concession agrees to 18.9, 26.8, and 33.4, respectively, which pay into the Colonial office the sum of \$10,-Gunboats and troops have been sent from neglect of duty for the chief officer to have shows that the life risk of the average bar- 000 a year, and if, during the fifty years keeper is an exceedingly hazardous quan- that he is to have the exchasive right to export salt from Lake Assal, the annual prod-Among 1,000 gardeners the death rate is uct exceeds 50,000 tons, he is to pay a found to be 10.6; carpenters, 12.4; shoe. tax of twenty conts for every ton in excess. makers, 13.4; stonemasons, 16.8; butchers, The Government will designate a part of 17.8, and innkeepers, 21.4. This agrees the lake where the natives may procure all such measure as a tried and proved steam. precisely with the information collected by the salt they want without tax or hindrance. Canadian life insurance companies, which All along the edge of this little lake, shows the butcher to be a hazardous risk, which comprises only sixteen square miles, second only to the innkeeper and saloon is a bed of nearly pure salt about a foot in thickness. The water of the lake is so sur-The most curious facts resulting from this charged with salt that it is impossible to investigation are those concerning the sink in it. The bottom is apparently a bed death rate among the clergy, a class which of solid salt. The heavy waters lave the the author has divided into three sections, bases of jagged and precipitous mountains namely, Church of England clergy, Noncon- which descend to the edge of the lake, makformist clergy, and Roman Catholic clergy. | ing it almost impossible to travel around it. One thousand cases investigated in each of Mr. Chefneux will probably carry on his these sections shows the death rate to be work by floating machinery on the lake and lowest in the Church of England clergy, dredging in the salt bed at its bottom, where the average is 10.2, and highest in though on the west side of the lake an the Roman Catholic clergy, where the aver- enormous quantity of salt is in sight when the age is 15.7. These figures suggest an inter- lake is at its lowest level. Very little was esting contribution to the study of celibacy | known about Lake Assal until seven years ago. The few men who had visited the lake The value of out-door exercise, with were unable to tell whence it derived its abundance of fresh air and a clear con- water supply. The lake evidently had no science, is amply set forth in a comprehen- outlet, and nobody was able to find a single sive table showing the number per 100 of stream flowing into it. The question was the various occupations that attain the age dismissed with the answer that the lake of 70 or more. Again the clergy tops the doubtless had subterranean affluents, and list, with 42 out of 100 who attain the age it was left for Mr. Henry Audon, of 70, while the farmers come next with 40, seven years ago, to solve the mystery and the other occupations in the following and prove that Lake Assal was inorder: Commercial men, (drummers,) 35; deed a very exceptional sheet of water, military men, 33; lawyers, 29; artists, 28; Mr. Audon spent several days examining the shores, clambering with the greates The apparently anomalous feature of difficulty along the rim of the lake. He these figures is that the military men, was about to give up the fruitless search whose occupation seems to be most hazar- when he heard the murmur of a little water dous from a layman's point of view, in reali- | fall, and in a few minutes he stood on the ty attain a greater longevity than their less | edge of a large brook running into the lake. warlike brothers of the sciences and arts. | Much to his surprise he found that the This favorable position of the military man, water of the brook was as salt as the ocean, considered from a life insurance standpoint, | and a little while after it was proven beyond has come to be recognized in recent years to a doubt that the ocean itself is the source such an extent that one of the largest com- of Lake Assal's water supply. The lake is panies has recently waived all restrictions about 400 feet below the level of the sea. in the matter of military risks, its experi- It is now known that three brooks from the ence tables showing the loss of but one risk | Gubbet el Karab, a little land-locked bay during the last three South American revolu- at the extreme western end of the Bay of Tadjourah, conduct the waters of the Indian Ocean inland about ten miles to this remarkable depression. The salt, which the natives have gathered, perhaps for ages, along the edge of the lake, is carried to markets hundreds of miles inland.

Charles Erskine, of Lincoln, a gold cure graduate, became suddenly insane on the street in Omaha, Neb., and stabbed himself. A policeman grappled with the young man, and after a desperate fight disarmed him. Erskine was recently returned to his home from a Keeley institute.

To the victors will most certainly belong the spoils under this coming political dispensation in the United States. As a means of booming Hon. Isaac Pusey Gray, of Indiana, for the Postmaster-Generalship, The New York Sun quotes the following words uttered by him: "The Republican party, in its long twenty-four years' lease of power, has filled the offices exclusively with The Village Pastor-Johnny, you tell me | Republicans. That was right. When the Democratic party obtains control of the Government, which will be on the fourth of March next, then we will expect the offices, as rapidly as can be done with safety to to The Bad Boy-Yes, sir, it's a Baptist proper administration of Government fairs, to be filled with Democrats."