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## THE TRIBUNE,

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### NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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Patents—J. F. Littell, Washington, D.C.  
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Flour and Feed—A. G. Brown.  
Books and Stationery—Monro's.  
New York Excursion—Van Every.  
Johnstown Flood—H. S. Goodspeed & Co.  
Civic Holiday—Silvester & Dougherty

A VERY amusing instance of the readiness with which the Toronto dailies cut one another's throats occurred this week. On Tuesday the Empire in a leading article proceeded to castigate the Globe for degrading journalism by circulating fly sheets announcing that The Saturday Globe would contain a detailed account of the execution of the five murderers at the Tombs prison New York, together with accounts of interviews with the prisoners etc etc. The Empire characterized this as "the most degrading specimen of Canadian journalism." Either the Empire was the victim of a hoax or were too ready to take a slap at the Globe, for the fly sheets were those of the Utica Globe, an American sensational paper. The Globe of course takes the utmost delight in "rubbing it into" the Empire and awaiting its "suivelling apology."

SINCE the world began to put on record its great disasters, the terrible revolt of nature against man who would master her, there have been few if any such woeful horrors as the Johnstown flood. Ten thousand or more people were drowned, and nearly three times the number were heart-broken and suddenly lost of their means of support. It is important to have such a narrative as this given to the world in a permanent record, which is accurate as well as graphic. The last book on the subject, entitled "The Johnstown Flood," published by H. S. Goodspeed & Co. of New York, is full of intense interest, and tells its story with wonderful force. The author, we are told, spent considerable time at the ruined city and gathered his facts at first hand, having made a careful personal study of the situation and all the circumstances involved in the catastrophe. To tell such a story accurately as well as dramatically involves a personal visitation and continued study of all the facts on the ground itself.

This the writer did, and as a consequence his narrative has a dramatic force and a life likeness which will thrill every reader. Enough time has elapsed since the flood to allow the genuine truth to be sifted out and settle down from the first and crude accounts of the great event, which were necessarily hurried and inaccurate. To be sure nothing could well surpass the awful reality, but much was sent and written at first, which was not strictly true, and again much has been added not at first fully known to even the most anxious investigator. The author has evidently taken much pains to do justice to his difficult task, and to give the world a strictly veracious as well as a moving story of the death and ruin so swiftly precipitated on an unsuspecting and happy community. The publishers have embodied it in an admirably-made octavo book of 522 pages, with 48 full-page illustrations, which all educated people will appreciate. Agents are wanted. H. S. Goodspeed & Co. pay the duty.

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The little town of Sudbury up on the C. P. R. was visited some weeks ago by a number of influential men connected with the Dominion Mining Co., among whom were some learned gentlemen from Scotland. They were pleased with the prospects of the

### WASHINGTON LETTER

From our regular correspondent.

Washington, August 19, 1889.

Man is a social animal at the Nation's Capital, I mean, that he is here preeminently social and gregarious, and that Washington has more clubs and social societies to the square foot than any other American city can boast. It has clubs for all sorts and conditions of men, and for some sorts and conditions of women. The number and prosperity of these social retreats result from several favoring conditions. The constant presence of a large contingent of the army and navy and of hundreds of retired officers, the sojourn here the year round, of some scores of Senators and Representatives, and the residence here of thousands of opulent people from all parts of the country, who have nothing to do but spend their money, employ their leisure and enjoy life. Hence clubs thrive here. Clubs always thrive here. The old Washington Club held its own for half a century. It made for itself a spacious and imposing club house opposite the Executive Mansion and overlooking Lafayette Square and the equestrian Jackson, prancing on hinder legs therein. Clay and Randolph were both members of it when they went up the Potomac one day and fired in the air and called it a "duel." Sickless and Phillip Barton Key were both members of it when Key started out one morning to meet a little appointment and Sickless shot him dead at the door.

That hour the Washington Club, too, was death struck. It never rallied, but speedily breathed its last hours before the war. Then the building became Seward's residence, and now it becomes Blaine's. It is an historic pile. The greatest statesmen of the land have passed within its portals. Washington Irving and Fenimore Cooper dined together there, and in the embrasure of a window that now opens upon the White House, that delightful gossip, N. P. Willis, wrote his breezy letters. At the Washington Club, too, Charles Dickens received salutation when he made his visit in 1840.

But clubs without dinners are failures in Washington. Dinners so anoint the wheels of life that they are really of primary importance alike to the statesman, politician and legislator, the lobbyist and "hanger-on." Shakespeare thought well of dinners, you remember. So did Sam Johnson, of blessed memory. So do I. Wasn't it Pompey who boldly declared that he could not fight on an empty stomach, and arranged for an armistice to last till after dessert? Wasn't it Morton, then Minister, now Vice President, who settled the great American hog question by giving a splendid dinner to the French Ministers, at which, when they were complacently full, he twitted the trans-Atlantic hog into the conversation by the tail, and so deftly manipulated it, and so slyly baited with the gravy of suavity that they gracefully came down and agreed to let our porker continue to come to France? Why, a dinner in the Palais Royal in July, 1815, timorously organized by Wellington, was enough to dissuade Blucher from blowing up the bridge of Jena. "I will blow it up!" grumbled old "Vorwarts" over his bisque soup. "I will! I will!" he repeated, as he finished his ragout. But when he got to his parfait au cafe and his third Moet and Chandon, and was lighting his meerschaum, he convulsively seized the Duke's hand and cried: "Never was there such a dinner before! I will not blow up the bridge of Jena!" And it stands there to-day. The civil war might have been prevented if the right men had been got here to dinner at the right time.

Senator Spooner was in town for a day or two last week, having come from Nantucket, where he is spending the summer. Apropos of an extra session, he said "I have not seen the President for some time, and I do not know whether or not Congress will be called in session before the first Monday in December. From what I learn it is expected here that Congress will be called to assemble November 1; but I do not think it will make much difference in results whether Congress assembles in December or at an earlier date." "There has been some talk of

a reorganization of some of the offices in the Senate this winter," ventured your correspondent. "What has reached me on that point is of the vaguest character. I will say that the Senate is officered in a way that is generally satisfactory, and no organized movement in that direction has developed to my knowledge." The Senator smiled as he made this observation, as though he would not be painfully shocked if some such reorganization as proposed should occur. "Now, how about the Republican tariff bill?" Heavens! my friend, I am going away in an hour. Wait till I come back for the winter and we'll have time to talk it over." —L.

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