

SETTLED BY A WEDDING

A BEAUTIFUL FLEET AT SECRETARY BLAINE'S RECEPTION. She's Married Now and May Appear on the Eve of the Coronation...

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METHODISM MOVES

Progress Shown by the Vote on the Proposed Districts. New York, Jan. 9.—Returns from 368 districts of the Methodist Episcopal church...

EMMA ABBOTT'S FUNERAL

Farwell Tributes to the Distinguished Singer—The Remains Rest at Graceland.

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GRASSKRA'S INSURANCE

THREE MEN CLAIMING THE GOVERNOR'S CHAIR.

The Republican Refuses to Vacate. The Alliance Man Holds the Legislature. The Transacting Executive Business.

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MUSIC AND DRAMA.

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THE TRADE REVIEW

Favorable Reports from Nearly All Departments—Increase in the Number of Arrivals.

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THE LAST EVENING.

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THE NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

It seems that Gen. Shaffer the new state legislator is a backslider. He is a farmer who enjoys the luxury of a mortgage on his farm, at least that is the sort of a man he is pictured by his political opponents and upon this basis he is being treated as a backslider.

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