

THE NEW ISSUE.—A Washington letter states that the printing bureau of the Treasury Department has begun to engrave the plates for the new issue of national bank notes authorized by the last Congress.

BEHIND THE SCENES IN WASHINGTON.—We have received specimens pages of the above work from the National Publishing Company, Phila.

Reduced to plain English, the story of the Credit Mobilier is simply this: The men entrusted with the management of the Pacific Road made a bargain with themselves to build the road for a sum equal to about twice its actual cost.

On June 17, 1868, the stockholders of the Credit Mobilier received 60 per cent in cash, and 40 per cent in stock of the Union Pacific Railroad.

After offering this statement, it is hardly necessary to add that the vast property of the Pacific Road, which should have been used to meet its engagements, was soon swallowed up by the Credit Mobilier.

It is the story of the Credit Mobilier as far as the facts have been permitted to become known. We shall now see how it came to make such a noise in the world.

Mr. Ames was not the only member of the company engaged in "padding" the stock where it would benefit the corporation. Dr. Durant, the President of the Pacific Railway, was engaged in securing his friends in the same way.

The grand jury has recently been the subject of investigation by a select committee of the Illinois Senate. This committee has unanimously reported a bill to abolish grand juries, on the ground that under the present system an innocent person may be subject to arrest and imprisonment, and every accused person is entitled to have both sides of his case heard before he is deprived even temporarily of his liberty.

"Mark Twain" publishes a letter showing how the Atlantic's passengers might have been saved by a life raft. He says a number of these rafts, which would have saved 1,000 passengers, would have occupied the place of four of the Atlantic's eight boats.

In regard to the new and rising political power of the West, among the rural population, it may be stated that scarcely two years have elapsed since the first grants, or lodges of the Order of the Patrons of Husbandry was organized in the State of Iowa.

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Notice is given that the postal card will be issued on the 1st of May, after which they will be for sale at all the leading postoffices.

ROBBING THE MAIL.—For months past, the popular and reliable publishers Messrs. Hunter & Co., of Hinsdale, N. H., have been annoyed and dismayed at the immense losses of valuable letters which were daily occurring.

A circular issued by one of the prominent mercantile agencies of the country states that last year there were 4,000 failures, the aggregate liabilities being \$121,050,000.

How to reproduce pine forests.—I noticed in the Rural New-Yorker, of January 18, a timely article on the "Propagation of Forest Trees."

Our own observations on pine lands confirm this statement. No any of our readers know to the contrary?—[Ed. N. Y.]

The insurance on Horace Greeley's life, amounting to \$100,000, has just been collected. The policy was taken out three years ago by the trustee of the Tribune association for their own benefit.

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