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The Freedmen and the Right to Own Land.

It is reported on good authority that some of the Legislatures of the lately insurgent States have passed laws to prevent the freed blacks from holding real estate.

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Poenage in Mexico.

In the diplomatic correspondence which Mr. Seward has furnished, in obedience to a resolution of Congress inquiring into the system of slavery decreed by Maximilian.

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The present spirit of our institutions cannot, we are officially assured, tolerate penance here or there; and Mr. Seward has done well in advising the Government of France.

ment is a policy which the United States may hereafter be expected to cultivate with candor and assiduity.

As a politician for the Presidency, Mr. Seward will be either a competitor with Chief Justice Chase for the nomination of the Republican party, or a competitor with President Johnson for the support of the whole country.

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The Independence of Canada.

The old colonial system of England has been greatly modified in later times.

So great has been the change in the mind of the revolution, that some of the world's most liberal-minded English statesmen begin to regard them as nurseries of future independent States.

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Secretary Seward's Southern Voyage.

Although Mr. Seward is in no high sense a statesman, he is a politician of consummate cunning.

men, not addicted to refined artifice. But persons who reflect on Mr. Seward's political relations will easily discover that his health is the handmaid of his hopes.

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Mr. Seward understood perfectly well that a voyage in which he would skirt along the Mexican coast, and probably have an interview at St. Thomas with Santa Anna, would occasion a great deal of vague speculation respecting his possible connection with the empire of Maximilian.

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