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PERSONAL SKETCHES OF THE NEW CABINET.

Thomas F. Bayard, Secretary of State, although as Senator from Delaware, one of the largest figures in that body...

Daniel Manning, Secretary of the Treasury, was born in New York, born at Albany, and is in his fifty-fourth year.

William C. Endicott, Secretary of War, is an ex-judge of the Supreme Court of Massachusetts, born in New York and fifty-seven years of age.

William C. Whitney, Secretary of the Navy, is a Massachusetts man by birth, in his forty-fifth year, a graduate of Yale, and a lawyer by profession.

A PENN FOR SCHOOL TEACHERS.—The Legislature at Harrisburg has before it a bill for the pensioning of school teachers who have grown old and infirm in the harness.

WILLIAM F. VILAS, Postmaster General, was born in Vermont, and will be 45 years of age next July.

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RUSSIA AND ENGLAND.

LONDON, March 14.—The Standard says the agreement between England and Russia leaves the essence of the difficulty untouched.

The news still fears for the result of the negotiations between England and Russia, and is doubtful of a peaceful solution.

The preparations for war are many, and on a most extensive scale. An immense military transport fleet is being rapidly collected on the Thames.

The Transcontinental Railway Association announced on Monday last a special report on green fruits from the Pacific coast to Eastern points.

On last Friday night at Frank Archer was about leaving Jackson county, West Virginia, to escape the rebels.

THE announcement was made at Reading on Friday afternoon of the collapse of the Henderson Steel Syndicate.

JOHN MAUG, of Massillon, O., has begun suit against the Pennsylvania Railway Company, operated by the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne and Meadville.

Forty heads chopped off.—The first decided action of Secretary Manning in regard to the question of the treasury department was announced on Friday morning.

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NEWS AND OTHER NOTINGS.

Arthur Croyle, a young married man, was shot dead last night by John Harris, a Reading and coal iron policeman, with whom he had a dispute.

—A shooting match at Fort Worth, Texas, on Sunday last, between Penecoe, of San Antonio, and Dr. Carver, of 220, 180 birds, 30 yards, resulted: Penecoe, 72; Carver, 71. Carver claimed a tie.

—A large brick planing mill, two large brick warehouses, brick stable and frame dwelling, the property of Frederick S. Beltz, were burned at Columbia, Pa., early on Sunday morning.

—The engineers on the Brunswick division of the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia Railroad struck last Friday night.

—Mrs. Augusta J. Pratt, of Syracuse, N. Y., widow of the late ex-State Attorney General and Judge Daniel Pratt, has been found to be an undoubted heiress to the Twombly English estate.

—Dr. Copeland, Director of Lord Crawford's private observatory at Aberdeen, Scotland, has called to the Harvard College Observatory, Boston, the announcement of the discovery by Dr. Grant, St. Louis, Mo., of a suspicious celestial object.

—Ambrose Anderson, a desperate character, was shot and killed at Baltimore, Md., on Sunday last by William Gray, proprietor of saloon in that city.

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WASHINGTON LETTER. WASHINGTON, March 16, 1885. The situation in Washington is interesting, and even surprising.

Secretary Lamar has first applied his room to the stables adjoining the Interior Department. For years of Republican ascendancy carriages and hack have been kept at extravagant expense in all the departments.

There are many signs indicative of a new era. An order has been issued to all the employees of the Patent Office that there shall be no more reading or taking during office hours, and those classes that are behind with their work must work after office hours until it is brought up to date.

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The rush of office-seekers has abated, and the new administration has had more time to address itself to work.

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