

The Massachusetts Legislature having passed through both branches the Prohibition Amendment...

We may well ask what this world is coming to, when we read that Dr. Mary Walker, of Washington D. C., has applied for a patent on an improved suspender.

CABLE dispatches from Berlin and London indicate that the Samoan conference will not be opened until a special commissioner from Washington can reach Berlin.

The mineral product of the United States for the year 1888, reached \$550,000,000, or more than ever before.

In the Indiana House of Representatives a bill was ordered engrossed repealing the statute which makes it a criminal offense to intimidate men from working or to interfere with the running of trains.

The trial of "Red-Lizard Mike," the notorious murderer of Luzerne county, was concluded on Monday last by the jury bringing in a verdict of murder in the first degree, after being out just one hour.

ADJUTANT GENERAL HASTINGS reports to the United States Senate that Pennsylvania's entire military force aggregates 6,454, which includes 147 general and staff officers.

The bill for the election of assessors for three years passed both Houses at Harrisburg. The assessors elected at the coming election, on Tuesday next, will therefore be elected for three years and good and competent men should be selected.

The black gowns worn by our State Supreme Judges says the B-Heforte Watchman have had as yet no perceptible effect in bringing that tribunal up to the standard of the Gibsons and Blacks of the past.

The President has approved the act to enlarge the powers and duties of the department of agriculture and to create an executive department, to be known as the department of agriculture.

An Act approved July 23, 1888, provides that all soldiers who enlisted as volunteers for three years in the war of the rebellion, before July 22, 1861, and were actually mustered into the United States service, and honorably discharged, shall be entitled to a bounty of \$100, without regard to date of muster, or length of service, or cause of discharge.

The Supreme Court of Pennsylvania has reversed the decision of the District Court in the case of the commonwealth against the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company and a half dozen other corporations in an appeal from the payment of State tax.

ENGLAND is agitated over the sad fact that Prince Albert Victor has no sufficient pocket money. His father, the Prince of Wales, who has never possessed a large enough income for his tastes, is sorry for the boy.

A BILL introduced in the Senate provides that Boards of Inspectors of county jails shall be appointed, that each Board shall elect a warden, who instead of the sheriff, shall take care of the prisoners, and that all the prisoners shall be given work to do.

THE ground hog's reputation as a weather prophet is being gradually sustained. Having seen his shadow on Wednesday day, which calls for six weeks more of winter, the weather in sympathy with his prognostications has got down to business and is giving us winter in real earnest.

THE President on Monday sent to the Senate the nomination of Adlai E. Stevenson, of Illinois, to be Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, vice William M. Merrick deceased.

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It is not Democratic but Republican authority says the New York World, which describes President-elect Harrison as overruled by a horde of office-seekers...

As if this were not enough, the "great American office-seeker" has selected Mrs. Harrison as a person likely to have "influence," and that estimable woman is deluged with letters asking her intercession.

If these things happen in the green tree of abeyance, what will occur when Mr. Harrison shall have been inaugurated?

THE reports from Washington indicate that the New York Times that the new administration is to be woefully lacking in sense of correct proportion.

THE NEW YORK Sun gives the following opinion on the lengthening of the Presidential term: No change is needed. Four years is a long enough term for a corrupt or inefficient Administration.

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Taxing Corporations. The joint stock companies engaged in manufacturing and trading in Pennsylvania are making a desperate effort to defeat the provisions of the new Revenue bill...

The Auditor General treats as an absurdity the pretense that a three mill tax upon the shares of joint stock companies would drive manufacturers from the State...

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A Pointed Admonition. The peculiar epidemic that recently appeared among the pupils of the Soldiers' Orphan School at McAlesterville, Junata county, is another of the many pointed admonitions of the Legislature...

It is idle to speculate as to special causes of the epidemic of this school, but it is remembered that in every phase of violent mental and physical derangement from insanity to hysteria, the grave and far-reaching cause of the malady may be appreciated.

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NEWS AND OTHER NOTICES. During the year 1887 the Russian tobacco factories turned out 2,202,750,833 cigarettes.

A young lady in Maine had 16 teeth extracted as one of her preparations for marriage.

Thomas Doyle, miner, fell fifty feet down the W. at Newton station on Friday and was instantly killed.

A rich man in Portland, O., got drunk the other night and went to bed for himself, leaving only about ten more in stock in the town.

The clothing of Mrs. Elizabeth Dopley, of Little Washington, caught fire from an open gas Saturday and she was probably fatally burned.

A dying wife at Covington owned up that she had gone through her husband's pockets regularly for 27 years, and that she had purloined about \$500 from him to use as pin money.

Miss Amelia Wadsworth, of Springfield, Ill., having publicly declared her marriage as a failure, a newspaper man went to work and proved that she had been engaged and eloped three times.

At Carbondale, Pa., Monday night, George Dornick was killed by his little son. The family was re-arranging a drama and the revolver by the son was loaded with ball instead of blanks.

There is a young woman living in Newark, N. J., who bears the name of Henrietta Louisa Caroline Amelia Ad-Lade Theresa Whitehead Thorpe Wilkinson Kinsey Poole.

At Whiteapolis two burglars tried to get into A. M. Crittenden's house when only the girl ran upstairs. The girl ran upstairs, took a revolver, leaned out of a window and shot one of the men.

The Allegheny river, at Pittsburg, does not always have sufficient water for navigation purposes. To remedy this it is proposed to cut a canal to Niagara and bring a supply from the lakes, which can be done at a cost of \$12,000,000.

Sir Charles Drake was recently asked his opinion of the new party, and replied: "I can only repeat what I said in my last issue in 1887. It is a clown, a charlatan, or the coming Caesar."

At a hugging bee for the benefit of the church along the upper Hudson a few weeks ago, a man who had huffed his wife for several months without knowing who he was hugging, when he did find out he wanted his 15 cents back.

While William Jackson, a Chicago roofer, was sliding down a roof a distance of about three feet and had the money in his hand to pay them. Then he reacted the eaves and went to his death on the frozen earth.

It is against the law in Mexico for anyone to read a newspaper aloud; but no one there for that, as the people want to read them anyhow. You can get more news in Mexico by sitting down half an hour at a popular cafe than you could get by reading a Mexican paper for a month.

Twenty-five years ago a couple were married in Brockton, Mass., and lived together for five years. Then they separated and for 25 years have not lived together, but they have not been divorced. The odd thing about it is that every Sunday night he calls on his wife and spends the evening with her.

William Leedy, a shoemaker of Harrisburg, got into a quarrel with a man named John Smith, who was a drunkard and a thief. He was found about 10 o'clock, his body in a horrible condition. Deceased was married and had a family.

Two pretty and well-educated young women, Rosa Short and Arizona Williams, broke the plate-glass window in a show store at Springfield, Mo., on Monday night.

There is a water wheel in use at Bowdoinham, Me., which is probably the only one of its kind in existence. It is twenty feet in diameter and has a foot of its rim out of water at high tide; the spokes are wood and set diagonally, like the vanes of a windmill.

Eldorado Roberts, while chopping a plank at his sawmill at Vira Rosa, Ga., was run over by a log and his right arm was crushed. He was taken to the hospital and died there.

United States detectives ran to earth and succeeded in capturing a gang of counterfeiters at Branchton, Butler county, on Friday.

The disappearance and rescue of Captain Pruden in Montana, who was lost from camp recently, in company with a Government mule, was an exciting and peculiar adventure.

John B. Taylor, of New Brighton, aged about twenty-one, shot himself at 10 o'clock Monday morning at the residence of Cameron K. Key in Beaver Falls, to whose sister Stella he has been for some time paying attention.

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