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Reader, if you wish to know what is going on in the business world, just read our advertising columns, the Special column in particular.

BECOMING LUSTY.—It is announced that Congressman Alexander H. Stevens is in better health than he has been for three years past. He now weighs ninety-four pounds, while at one time he barely tipped the beam at seventy-three.

LEAD BUSINESS.—Judge Lynch has three cases last week. One in Texas, a second in Minnesota, and a third at Athens, Ohio. The latter was hung to a stringer of a bridge over the Hocking river. Evidently no trees grow around there.

THEY KNOW.—The Newark (Ohio) Advocate gives it in this way: "Mr. Astor, of New York, although, to speak horizontally, a rich, blooming adler, was not the flower for the people. They preferred Mr. Flower in the end, and so they tipped the adler in the hat."

Wander how much stock Senator Wallace has in the Pittsburgh office. It is said that it is not his own business, why you go about it in the right way? Address a letter to either or both of the parties indicated, and you will no doubt learn something to your advantage.

NOTHING SECRETARY QUAY.—The editor of the Wilkes Barre Record, a boss organ, don't like the Quay-Grow affair. Hear him: "Colonel Quay may be honestly in favor of the nomination of Mr. Grow now, but his experience teaches him that many proper influences may change his mind before the time of the Convention arrives."

"TIMID SOUL."—The editor of the Buffalo (N. Y.) Express, a Radical organ, in alluding to his party in this State, says:

The Pennsylvania Republicans who sympathized with Wolfe had not voted for him, are trying to organize an independent movement to reform the party from within. There are one good man in it, but they are timid souls. He evidently knows something about his party friends in this State.

From the first election in March to those of the 24th of November, there has not only been a break in the Republican column but we have captured Virginia.—Allan Journal.

The Journal is a rank Radical organ, and we are glad to note its assumption. "We have captured Virginia." All the decent Radical organs deny the job and credit the cause as that of the "Confederate Brigades"—Mahone—with whom they will not associate.

THE BOSS MACHINE.—The editor of the Greensburg Tribune, who is a clerk in Secretary Quay's office at Harrisburg, blows away at this fashion:

Wolfe, although backed by all the political forces and one-third of the Pennsylvania Legislature, editor-in-chief of the Philadelphia Times, and the Pittsburgh Dispatch, and all graced with the courtesy of Noble's staff, failed miserably in his attempt to destroy the Republican party in this State. It is the duty of all the powers of hell and all other enemies to be engaged in the work—were not able to do it and they are disgraced.

WALLACE.—The Clinton Democrat of last week gave ex-Senator Wallace an excellent send-off for Governor. The editor seems to think that with Wallace at the head of the ticket the party would march on to victory next Fall. We, of course, second the motion of the gentleman from Clinton. The article in question appears elsewhere in this issue.

CONGRESS.—This body meets at Washington next Monday. This fact will cause the vulgar crowd to divide, which has been flocking to the Court House, listening to the shameful details of the Gaitens trial. The personal department of the Court, lawyers, jurors and spectators, is too disgraceful to be kept in the vicinity of Dead Wood, much less at the Federal Capitol, where ordinary decency should prevail.

DOUBLE TROUBLE.

Those three colored cadets milled through West Point came not to the Government money and trouble that Gaitens will if his trial runs for two months. The first one was expelled for bad conduct and poor bookkeeping. The second one clipped his ears and his nose and his shins, and then charged the white cadets with doing it. The court made this proved that he did it himself. The back door of the institution was left open and Whittaker slipped out and has not been heard of since. The third—Flippin—finally was crowded through, after Hayes removed three of the best teachers at West Point who refused to sign his certificate, knowing that he was not qualified to receive a commission. Finally, after new teachers came to the front, and Gen. Schofield, the Superintendent, was traded off for that Negro Burren and Freedman's Bank robber—O. O. Howard—Flippin graduated and was commissioned as First Lieutenant and sent to a military post in Texas, where it seems he has spent a good deal of Government cash that did not belong to him, and "cabined" with too many colored ladies. Charges were preferred and a court-martial composed of five commissioned officers have been sitting on his case for three months. The "irregularities" (that's what a robbery is termed) under the "grand moral official" dispensation, when a Government official or a bank Cashier is detected robbing the Government, or the stockholders in Flippin's case to date on cash account are not to his credit. More! He has had too much servant girl around him. He would be all right in Utah.

TURNED INTO ALIENS.—The new Constitution is hard on electors officers who perpetrate frauds at the polls. We notice that the Judge and Inspector of the eighteenth division of the thirty-fourth ward in Philadelphia, who were arrested soon after the last February election for having returned but thirty votes for Mayor King, when it was proven in court that forty persons had voted for him. After a trial of nearly two days, one of the Inspectors—McKane—was convicted. The rest of the board were aware that a fraud had been committed, Judge Lindlow asked McKane if he had anything to say as to the persons who induced him to commit the offense, to which McKane replied that no one induced him to do anything. The prisoner was then sentenced to an imprisonment of nine months and to pay a fine of \$100 and disabled for seven years from holding any position of honor, trust and profit in the Commonwealth, and from voting at any general or special election. The seconded is therefore an alien to the Commonwealth for seven years. Rather severe for a freeman! But right.

FUROR.—A select squad of anti-Cameronite radicals met at the Girard House, in Philadelphia, one day last week, for the purpose of reforming the Radical party in this State from the inside; and in doing so they assume that they will capture the next Radical State Convention, and throw the bosses overboard. Parties do not usually grow in honesty. They grow in dishonesty. Misfortune is the only healthy remedy for their corruptions. "Reform within the party" is not a possibility. It is like an inflammation in the stomach. If the inflammation spreads it kills its victim; if reform succeeds the party disappears. The squad indicated did not openly endorse Wolfe and his 50,000 followers, but they indicated they had gone too far outside of the party and might, with propriety, be called rebels, and eventually hung for treason. Wolfe has given the Reds trouble anyhow, and if he lives he will be on top eventually.

DEM IS FENCING.—The Boston correspondent of the Hartford Courant, Senator Joe Hawley's paper, sees the finger of Joe Butler in the political movement of Massachusetts recently: "Mr. Butler is plainly getting ready for the canvass of 1882, when he is to appear as a candidate for Governor, and his first step toward it is in the nomination of one of his men for Mayor of Boston. This was accomplished in the Democratic Committee without a dissenting vote. The municipal election of this city, which occurs on the 13th of December, is to awaken far more interest than did that of that year. It has just leaked out that, during the years of 1873-4-5-6 and '77, the City Treasury was defrauded out of about a million of dollars annually by the Clerks in the Tax Receiver's office. The case is undergoing investigation. The next is an elevated railroad the whole length of Market street and along the Delaware river up to Kensington and Down to the Old Navy Yard, making about 12 miles of road. Of course all the street-car railroad men are fighting this movement. But the road will be built nevertheless.

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A RUCKYEE'S OPINION.

The editor of the Newark (Ohio) Advocate enjoys a large personal acquaintance in the northwestern portion of our State, and having taken a decided interest in the election of Mr. Noble as State Treasurer, he seems likely at the result, and expresses his views in this manner: "William L. Scott, of Erie, Pa., who is the member of the Democratic National Committee from that State, disgraced his position at the late election by opposing the nomination of the party for State Treasurer. The sooner such men are expelled from high places of trust in the Democratic party, the better it will be for the party, for the country and for the people. It was well understood at the opening of the last Presidential campaign that General Hancock desired Senator Wallace, of Pennsylvania, to be placed on the National Committee, and made its Chairman instead of pig-headed Barnum. But pig-headed Scott refused to retire and the pig heads and fossils were enabled to keep brains out of the Committee. There is a wide-spread opinion among the Western Democracy that had Senator Wallace been at the head of the National Committee the result would have been different and General Hancock would have been elected. It would be some satisfaction to have stupidity and unscrupulous rascals, and the grand moral official" dispensation, when a Government official or a bank Cashier is detected robbing the Government, or the stockholders in Flippin's case to date on cash account are not to his credit. More! He has had too much servant girl around him. He would be all right in Utah.

THE PITTSBURGH BOARD OF TRADE is fairly on end over the fact, that an actual survey of the Allegheny river from that city to Olean, N. Y., demonstrated that a minimum stage of six feet of water can be kept up all the way to Olean, and from that place a ship canal is to be opened to Lake Erie. This project looks entirely feasible at this distance and we hope it will not be treated slightly. A public meeting was held by a large number of business firms in Pittsburgh and Allegheny city, and convened at the Board of Trade rooms, in the former city, on Tuesday, Nov. 29th, 1881, for the purpose of taking steps to put the movement into practical shape. The reclamation of this magnificent river would be a great blessing to Western Pennsylvania and Eastern Ohio, and the rest of the Union generally. We hope that those who have charge of the scheme will not let it drop.

THE NEWMAN OF CONGRESSMEN.—A telegram announces that General Francis A. Walker, ex-Superintendent of the Census Bureau, has submitted a statement to the Secretary of the Interior containing some interesting facts concerning the representation in the next House of Representatives. Upon this basis the following changes in representation would ensue in the Forty-eighth Congress: Arkansas, California, Michigan, Mississippi, South Carolina and Washington would gain one each; Minnesota and Nebraska gain two each; Alabama, Illinois, Maine, Maryland, New Hampshire, Ohio, Tennessee and Vermont would lose one each; Pennsylvania two and New York three. The other States would show no change.

A HORRIBLE DISCOVERY.—The Elmira Advertiser says: "For a number of weeks past there has been a large sized box in store at the Central depot, marked J. W. Carter, Elmira. When it came from cold last night it was ascertained. Yesterday evening a number of employes out to see what was in the box. They were surprised to find that it contained a human skeleton. The flesh was all off from the bones, but by the long hair it was evident that it was the remains of a woman. The skeleton was placed in a box and the lid was quickly placed back on the box. A rigid and thorough examination was made as to how the body came to the depot, who were the senders and consignee. At present there is no clue as to the identity of the finding of the remains, which were in a large, square box, packed in hay."

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LET EVERY GUILTY MAN ESCAPE.

In 1874, when the whiskey ring revelations broke out in Chicago and St. Louis, Grant hastened to telegraph the District Attorneys at those places, saying "Let no guilty man escape." They all got away. The editors of the St. Louis Republican, in the above caption, evidently adopted "the Government," while aiming to more recent events. Hear him: "It is impossible to misinterpret the plain signification of the prosecution of the Star route frauds at Washington has centered. It means that the prosecution is a failure, and that it has been intended all along that it should be a failure. The revolution, excuses, explanations, palliations and promises that follow the first defeat of the Government are nothing more than part of the game. The public is disappointed in the course of the Government, and it is steadily showing. Heretofore it has been the custom to wait the action of the Republican Conventions, before the party which is to be nominated is decided. It is a suicidal as well as an absurd, because it gives the opposition the advantage of the field and the canvass; and because the Democrats in self-defense, without any right from the platform of negation, whereas first in the field, they can make the campaign one of persistent aggression. To this end no time should be lost in preparing for holding the Convention next year as soon as Congress shall have adjourned. There is no doubt that the trial of the Star route thieves and the investigations of the Treasury Department will have the effect of opening the eyes of the party and of the people to the fact that the Democrats in Congress will carry the party to that point where success is secured by the vigorous action of the party. This is the only way in which an indomitable leader like Wm. A. Wallace, whose trenchant blade has often brought victory to the Democratic host; whose magnetic influence has drawn to his side the best of the low and wise hand at the helm of the last Presidential campaign, it is no generally admitted, would have piloted the old Democratic ship into the harbor of success. He has his enemies of course, but who great mind has not. With him as Chairman of the Democratic State Committee there would be no such word as failure. There is not the shadow of a doubt that the party will be helplessly rent by intestine feuds next year; that the Cameron and anti-Cameron factions will battle each other to the death. Wisely and boldly led, the Democratic party can win, without such a leader as Wallace, who in no sense a boss, the contest will be futile. So much will be involved in the contest next year—the Executive, the Legislature, Congressmen—that it is not to enter into the details of the contest. There is no Democrat in the State whose genius as a political general is so great as that which distinguishes William A. Wallace. If he were to accept of the honor of a nomination he would be the man if he will not the party needs him as manager of the campaign of 1882."

THE GREENBACK VOTE.—There is always a certain lapse of time after an election before we can learn the vote of the Greenback party. The Greenback friends generally charge that the justice of the vote is not ascertained by the Associated Press managers. But the truth is, it is of no account in getting at the general result and it is considerable expense to those getting the vote. The Greenback party is not so far wrong as they get the credit. A little figuring will easily fix the vote for next year on the present sliding scale. After the polls close they need not worry about returns, but just put down the vote at about \$300 and \$400, and you will be within the estimate not far wrong.—Exchange.

UNDER THE AXE.—The Philadelphia Telegraph remarks: "The Garfield Republican plamen of Ohio are making a headlong rush to get ready to make something not happened, and Senator Sherman has apparently kindly undertaken to act a protector-in-chief for his imperiled friends. Unhappy lies the head of any outspoken Republican, who is in a minority, and it will be interesting to watch the flash of the axe up, and down the Ohio wilderness. And who will dare say that Mr. Sherman will not be one of the first men to apply the cutting work of destruction. He is now only kicking up the dust to hide his retreat."

A NICE REDUCTION.—Postmaster Haidelocker, of Philadelphia, in his annual report to the Federal authorities, says that he has reduced the cost of mail service in 1880 the gas bills were \$9,535, during the same period this year they were \$2,762.50, the reduction in this particular having been accomplished through the introduction of the electric light at an estimated annual cost of \$5,000. It is believed that the saving to the department in a year will reach \$60,000. An establishment that can save \$300 per month on light is worth looking after, especially when the light is better than gas or oil.

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WALLACE FOR GOVERNOR.

The editor of the Pittsburgh Globe, like the Wolfen, takes the field early, after alluding to the fact that the Pittsburgh Globe had called on ex-Senator Wallace for Governor, the editor in question continues as follows: "Without knowing anything of the views, intentions or opinions of Mr. Wallace we do not hesitate to say that his leadership is absolutely required in the Democratic movement in this State to be hoped for. Since he left the State Committee the party has had no leadership that was even respectable. Whether that leadership be as Chairman of the State Committee or as the candidate of the Democratic party for Governor, is probably unimportant and the 'eternal fitness of things' would seem to point to him as the candidate in either position he could and would do most effective service, and his leadership would portend success. He is an able, vigorous, energetic, brave, aggressive fighter, and the party which nominates him will be in a position to have no place for laggards or reformers, but all must become involved in the battle. "It is a matter of common observation to the older and cooler politicians, men of reflection, close observation and experience, that the Democratic party hold the balance of power, could not a combination be effected between them and the Democrats to organize the House?" was asked. "That would be like a union between the armies of sin and righteousness," quickly replied the State's Missouri Greenbacker. "We do not want anything to do with the Democrats any more than they want anything to do with the Republicans. We are fighting for truth and will not be satisfied with a truce. 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