

EDITORIAL NOTES. THE TOTAL VALUE OF EXPORTS OF DOMESTIC PRODUCTS FROM THE UNITED STATES DURING THE YEAR 1880 WAS \$263,295,257 06, AGAINST \$239,201,899 00 IN 1879.

According to the Morning Post, Mrs. Victoria C. Woodhull will shortly be married to the son of a noble house. The ceremony will take place in London.

Associate Justice Swain of the Supreme Court of the United States, will, it is reported, retire from the bench on the 24th instant, the nineteenth anniversary of his appointment.

Senator Allen Craig, member of the State Senate for this district, has been appointed a member of the following Standing Committees: Local Judiciary, Canals and Inland Navigation, Library, and Insurance.

Two ineffectual ballots for U. S. Senator were had in joint convention of the State Legislature Wednesday. Each stood: Oliver, 95; Wallace, 93; Grow, 56; scattering, 4. After the second ballot, the convention adjourned until Thursday.

The Bellefonte Watchman says that the seat in the Legislature of the late J. C. C. Woods of Lock Haven, lies between S. Woods Caldwell and W. W. Rankin. The former is a greenbacker and the latter a staunch Democrat.

The Daniborough (Ct.) Transcript doesn't care for expenses where "principles" are involved. Its wants a State Temperance Agent appointed at \$2000 a year, to see that total abstinence is regularly taught in the public schools.

The Grand Jury of Essex county, New Jersey, made a presentment one day last week, recommending the re-establishment of the whipping post for wife-beaters. The number of these offenders is increasing, fines and imprisonment having no effect.

The verdict of the jury in the case of Anton Kloefer, does not give general satisfaction among our exchanges, many of them claiming that he should have been punished for his foolishness, in order to deter all others from committing like foolish acts; viz: using guns or pistols without due precaution as to whether they are loaded or not.

Under the new census Allegheny county will probably gain two members to the Legislature; Delaware, Clearfield, Dauphin, Fayette, McKean, Philadelphia and Westmoreland counties will each gain one member; while Berks, Bucks, Carbon, Crawford, Erie, Franklin, Northumberland, Schuylkill and Venango each will lose one member.

Miss Kittrell, "a pale, petite young lady," has been sworn in as Clerk of the Nevada Legislature, and Judge Hawley made her swear to support the Constitution and laws, not to bear arms against her country, and adjured her that she was ineligible if she had taken part in a duel. Should she "bare arms" part night trouble her, if she has plump, dimpled ones.

"Clara Belle" who had the New York charity ball that "good night kisses were generally granted by even the most decorous unmarried women. At least, I suppose so, for it has grown into a popular custom when a girl parts with her escort at her mamma's door to submit her cheek—not her lips—for a single chaste smack. Let's move to New York.

We have received from Messrs. J. C. Ayer & Co., of Lowell, Mass., a bound volume containing specimens of the various issues of Ayer's Almanac for 1881. We find in the book ample Almanac complete, including the bright yellow cover so familiar to everybody in this country, in each of the following languages, viz: English, French, German, Spanish, Holland Dutch, Norwegian, Portuguese, Swedish and Bohemian; also a page or two of Chinese, with specimens of the firm's advertisements in Greek, Arabic, Armenian and Bulgarian, the whole forming a book of about four hundred and fifty pages. The work is really a literary curiosity in itself, and when we consider the fact that the various editions of Ayer's Almanac aggregate ten million copies per annum we can but wonder at the gigantic proportions of a business which employs this number of Almanacs, gratuitously distributed in such vast numbers, as one only, of the many methods of bringing to public notice the merits of the medicines compounded by this firm.

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In the Senate, Friday, Mr. Hoar introduced a bill to provide for "retired and retired Presidents of the United States." Mr. Johnson, of Virginia, from the Committee on Agriculture, reported several bills on the subject of pleuro-pneumonia among cattle, and placed on the calendar. The same gentleman, from the Select Committee on Yorktown, reported a bill for the relief of the House joint resolution inviting the participation of France in the celebration. The Army and West Point appropriation bills, were passed in the Senate.

In the House, Messrs. Anderson, of Kansas, and Townsend, of Illinois, obtained leave to have printed certain amendments to the Funding bill. Pending consideration of the private calendar, the House adjourned.

The Senate was not in session on Saturday. The House was occupied almost exclusively with the consideration of the Funding bill, which was not disposed of.

In the Senate, Monday, the Indian Appropriation bill was reported with amendments. Mr. Pendleton, from the Committee on the Census, reported the bill appropriating \$50,000 for completing and publishing the returns. The bill for the relief of General Ord and the relief resolution in reference to the Yorktown celebration were referred to the Yorktown celebration committee. The Holiday bill came up in regular order, and Mr. Salisbury moved to lay it on the table and to bring up the Kellogg case. The motion was lost, yeas 29, nays 34; Messrs. Bayard, Butler, Davis of Illinois, Groves, Lamar, Pendleton, Thurman, Van Hook and Williams voting with the Republicans in the negative.

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The promotion of Mr. Conger to the Senate, and in case Mr. Blair should be elected to the Cabinet position, resulting in the probable transfer of Mr. Frye to a Senatorial position, gives a new aspect to the speculations regarding who shall be Speaker of the House of Representatives. Hon. Mr. Keifer, of Ohio, is spoken of, but in the event of Governor Foster going to France to fill the place now occupied by General Noyes, as it is reported that President-elect Garfield is not on very friendly terms with the last named individual, Mr. Keifer is to be the next Governor of Ohio. Mr. Burrows, of Michigan, is a candidate for the speakership, and it is reported that Speaker Randall is very friendly to his aspirations. Mr. Keiser, of Iowa, is said to possess free trade convictions, and has long strength on that account. Mr. Hancock, of New York, is also spoken of, and may slip in the manner in which dark horses are wont to immortalize themselves.

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Charles Ulrich who has been for ten years in the employ of Mrs. A. C. Neve, living near Westport, Clinton county, attempted to assassinate his lady several days ago. He was drunk at the time and was arrested. The malefactor now waits at Erie, where he has been enlarged to accommodate increasing business.

The old Oil Exchange at Titusville is to be dissolved and its effects sold, the proceeds to go toward the Drake monument.

Five months ago the Effie's