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Washington News and Gossip.

From our Special Correspondent. WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 19, '85.

Representative Willis, of Kentucky, says the whisky men will not attempt this session to get any legislation in their interests through Congress.

A bill, introduced to-day by Senator Voorhees, to refund internal revenue taxes in certain cases, authorizes the Secretary of the Treasury to refund to the persons thereto entitled such amounts as shall be shown to the satisfaction of the commissioner of internal revenue to have been paid prior to July 1st, 1880...

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making, housekeeping, etc., are of substantial utility. With this number two new departments, i. e., Science and Agriculture, have been opened in the Arm Chair, and new subscribers are endowed with a superb steel engraving called "Sympathy" which is 17x20 1/2 inches in dimensions.

The Philadelphia Record puts it thusly and truly: The miners and other skilled laborers may strike for better wages, boycott offensive individuals, maltreat fellow workmen who do not agree with them about wages or the time to work and not to work, and spend their money in organizing secret associations and paying smooth demagogues to speak for them...

In justice to Mr. Stiles, of Packerton, we wish to say to the readers of the Advocate that the "Revised Commandments" that appeared in an edition of our paper, a few weeks ago, were not his production, did not come from him, through him, or by him, but were handed to us by a party who is not, nor ever has had any connection with the Packerton works.

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We are about to scold the Mormons for maintaining a loose matrimonial code according to our system of ethics. Yet day after day things come to light in this godly city, on which matters at Salt Lake are quite an improvement.

Wives are taken and dropped with as much impunity as a pair of old shoes, and husbands are parted without a moment's notice, and in nine cases out of ten, the woman fails to better her condition, but on the contrary, she frequently abandons home and children to follow some vagabond who eventually casts her off.

But one of the queerest arrangements turned up in our sister city of Brooklyn, which as usual, furnishes me with the bulk of my interesting items. In the city of churches and Henry Ward Beecher, lived a comfortable couple who had been married eighteen years.

As for Mr. Randall and Mr. Holman, it is not impossible nor even improbable that this defensible way prove the means of raising them to higher posts in the path of Democracy. But, whatever may happen, one thing is certain: they will remain, as they have ever been, faithful, unflinching, devoted servants of the popular welfare.

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the great bulk of the fortune. She left her wash-tubs and took possession of one of her late husband's brown stone houses—furnished it magnificently, got a seal skin sash, a camel hair shawl, a pair of diamond car rings, and a widow's veil at seven dollars a yard.

She took a front pew in a fashionable church, and a prominent position of Sunday schools and Foreign Missions, and now all the seely old bachelors and impetuous widowers are going for the rich widow. Wife number two, who was perfectly innocent of any wrong doing, and who had been a faithful wife to the dead man for over twenty years, was not left wholly destitute.

This is a perfect paradise for female swindlers; no sooner is one disposed of than another takes her place, and our best hotel keepers are generally their victims, though bankers and brokers are not beneath their attentions. It is only a few months since, a lady from the South charmed a dozen boarding house keepers and a large circle of admiring acquaintances at each place, as she sang with exquisite power and was an artist in crayon and oil of no mean ability.

With all of her talents and accomplishments, she was a swindler and a thief, and taking advantage of the confidence reposed in her, she purloined rings, breast-pins and all such trifles as were left lying about her friends rooms after working a house to its utmost capacity, she generally left. At last, a noted detective was set upon the case and the result was the arrest of the unfortunate woman, whose baggage being searched, disclosed over 200 pawn tickets for all sorts of things, which she had stolen.

Senator Logan has no intention whatever of declaring war against the Administration. He says he shall only oppose the confirmation of such men as he would oppose if nominated by a Republican President.

The Congress of the United States might be called, by any person cynically disposed, the lawyer's paradise. According to the new Congressional Directory there are two hundred and eighty-six lawyers in the present Congress.

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and with the advice and consent of the Senate shall hold for the term for which he was appointed, unless sooner removed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate or by the appointment and confirmation of a successor.

The President is authorized to suspend civil officers except United States Judges and to designate some suitable person to perform the duties of the suspended official; that within thirty days after the meeting of the Senate the President must send in the names of all recess appointments, etc.

Mr. Randall claims a majority of the Democrats in the House on his side in the fight over the rules, and says that he can be beaten only by the Republican vote. He expresses perfect confidence of being able to beat the Morrison resolution.

In the Senate this afternoon the committee's amendment to strike out the joint rule forbidding the sale of intoxicants was rejected by a vote of 30 to 30, and the rule was retained.

Time was that the Senate was full of snipers and tipplers. It is not so now. If we are to believe what Senators say it has become a brotherhood of veritable Jonadabes.

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