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The Philadelphia Press reports that the sentiment in the United States Senate is rapidly growing in favor of a regulation by Congress of the charges for railroad carriage. It appears to have made such inquiry among the senators as warrants it in saying that a number of them, who have heretofore been opposed to such legislation, have changed their views and that others are in a fair way to do so.

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there has never been any further progress made in these suits. Why not? And the present surcharge by the auditors of the board now in office is the second of its kind. Is any authority intent upon testing the validity of these surcharges? To little purpose do the auditors investigate if their surcharges are to thus come to naught. They simply "resolve and re-resolve and die the same." By the way, an examination of this report fails to disclose any cognizance of the remarkable case brought to the auditors notice, in which it was shown that an individual was paid \$5 a day for services in dismantling fish-pots, when at the same time he was drawing \$3 a day as tipstaff in the courts. Why not?

Inhospitality Rebuked. The folly of Mr. Watterson's giving a political significance to Mr. Randall's Southern visit, which it could not otherwise have gained, without a display of bad taste on the part of Mr. Randall's own friends, must now be very apparent to his opponents. It will be remembered that Mr. Randall and those who sympathized with him entered very heartily into the plan of giving Mr. Carlisle a reception at the rooms of the Commonwealth club, Philadelphia, soon after he had defeated Mr. Randall for speaker. In view of this the Wattersonian appeal to the people of the South to not be misled by any "spurious notions of hospitality" into giving their Christmas visitor a fit reception is in execrable taste and temper. The natural result was the action of the Louisville board of trade in sitting down on Watterson, now followed by the very emphatic resolutions of the Nashville Democrats who cordially welcome Mr. Randall to Tennessee.

POINTED-TOED boots are now out of fashion; it will be laid to the heart of the swain who has incurred the wrath of his best girl's father.

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STAND AND RELIABLE. From the York Age. The stand and reliable Democratic daily has just put on a new dress, a new dress, a new dress, making improvements in its make-up, which gives it a very fresh and crisp appearance. THE INTELLIGENCER is a good paper, and we rejoice in its prosperity.

PROUD OF IT. From the Hazard Plain Speaker. The style of that journal has also been changed, making it more convenient on the old custom. The readers of the INTELLIGENCER have good reason to be proud of their daily newspaper.

From our Local Contemporaries. Lancaster Examiner. The INTELLIGENCER has always been prosperous, because it has been honest, able and fearless, however wrong it may have been in political notions or party opinions, expressing them. We are glad to chronicle this further evidence of our contemporaries' progress, and wish it a still wider field in the Democratic ranks in its influence to either work or play.

Lancaster Inquirer. The INTELLIGENCER on Wednesday evening laid good-bye to the style make-up, defiance to hard times, and a merry Christmas to its readers. It put off the old and on the new just before Father Time garnered another year into his barn.

Lintz Express. The Lancaster Intelligencer adopts the modern make-up, with new type, and looks bright and interesting.

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