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PITTSBURGH, SUNDAY, FEB. 23, 1890.

AN ADEQUATE CELEBRATION. It is many years since Pittsburgh has had such a celebration of the birthday of Washington as that of yesterday. The general rule has been to confine the observance of the day to the patriotic bankers and brokers.

THE GAIN FROM LOW RATES. The gain that comes from the intelligent reduction of rates for passenger travel is illustrated by the remarkable increase in traffic since the cable lines reduced their rates through rates to five cents.

RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE EVIL. The unquestionable proof that Graham, the Chicago court official, who jumped his bail in order to escape trial, had been engaged in the regular business of fixing up juries in the interest of parties, for a consideration, moves the Chicago Inter Ocean to the subject.

PEOPLE OF PROMINENCE. MR. GLADSTONE is in bed with a bad cold, but anxious friends are assured he will be all right in a few days.

EDUCATIONAL LAWLESSNESS. The college youth is especially busy at this present time, in the task of demonstrating himself to be an ass.

SENSE ABOUT THE NEGRO. A Boston man proposes to solve the negro question in the South by moving all the negroes to the West, permitting them to found two States and show what they can do in the line of self government.

THE TOPICAL TALKER. No Florida, the Topical Talker and the Probable Reason Why—A Reminiscence About Mr. Studley—The Newsboy's Idea of a Big Men—What of That.

THE CHURCHES. The churches are generally closed for the day, and the only services being held are those of the Episcopal Church.

THE FORTUNES OF THE ASTORS. The death, yesterday, of John Jacob Astor, grandson and namesake of the original John Jacob, the founder of the Astor family, brings to mind the marvellous rapid development of the United States.

THE REPUBLICAN GAITIES IN THE NATIONAL HOUSE. The Republican gaities in the National House of Representatives are adopted with glee by the Democratic majority in the West Virginia Legislature.

THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF A CITY COTTON. The announcement of a city cotton, which has begun at one of the East End churches, leaves the reader in a painful doubt as to whether the cause race is being advanced or whether it is being retarded.

THE MAN WHO TAKES DYNAMIC HOME. The man who takes dynamic home and dries it on the stove makes his appearance regularly in the newspapers.

THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF A NEW BUILDING. The announcement of a new building is to be put up on the site of the Willey building makes it pertinent to express the hope that the new structure will be built more carefully than the old one.

AN AIRRAIL FOR CABLE RAILS. An airrail for cable rails would be an improvement for the benefit of the public. The completion of such an invention by the Westinghouse Company will earn the public approbation.

THE J. O. U. A. M. left nothing to be desired, and nothing to be criticized, in the magnitude of the complete arrangements of the Washington. They can only outshine themselves when it comes to the unveiling of the monument.

THE NEWBORN LACK OF REVERENCE. The newborn lack of reverence reminds me of a story told about that queer old character, Joe Shriver, who kept the hotel in Economy.

THE FRENCH CANTONER. The French Cantoner mildly shows the young Duke to the door and dismisses him with a hint that he need not call again until he is invited.

SOME ONE CLAIMS TO HAVE DETECTED MARK TWAIN IN PLAGIARISM. Considering that Mark Twain has not written anything for some years, he must have plagiarized from the vast quantities of people past ages who presented eminent examples of doing nothing at all.

MR. GLADSTONE'S BED. MR. GLADSTONE is in bed with a bad cold, but anxious friends are assured he will be all right in a few days.

MR. TALBOT, the father of the English House of Commons, was wealthy as well as old and eccentric. He bequeathed \$2,000,000 to one daughter, \$1,000,000 to another, \$500,000 to a third, and \$1,000,000 to a grandson.

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ONE OF BISMARCK'S GOOD DEEDS. One of Bismarck's good deeds, as mentioned in the Chicago Herald, is that he has been in all local religious institutions, and had been an elder in the Presbyterian Church for 40 years.

OUR FLAGSHIP QUARANTINED. The Chicago Detached at Morocco on Account of Cholera.

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