

The strike at Fall River last year cost \$6,000,000... The safety of Dr. Livingston is officially announced... The Delaware peach crop prospects very good... In the year 1950, the United States will contain 175,000,000 population... Bismark was 65 years of age on the 31st inst... Seamanless life gloves are coming into favor again... Fashionable garters are of blue felt or plaid... Opal and amethyst shades are the favorite tints for evening... The proposition of the Seranton miners to admit women is declined... Coolie labor, it is said, will be tried at a coal mine in Shelbyville, Ohio... One of McKinley's daughters is wife of Leslie Stephens, editor of the Herald... Dr Challen is going to visit the Krakens of Potosi and other Neru marks... The Hastings and Dakota (Minn.) Railroad will commence grading at once... The calculated sugar crop loss by the Bonnet Creek crosses is more than 50,000 bushels... The bed and banks of the Pamunkey for twenty miles prove to consist of true Jersey marl... The iron works of Pembroke, Maine, are for some weeks past, want of coal, are supplied and work... The New York Legislature has had its session on legal matters terminated by its meeting of the New York Bar... The Stockholders of the Morris Canal have voted in favor of the lease to the Lehigh Valley Railroad... The tax on property of Georgia in 1870 was \$210,000,000; an increase of \$42,000,000 in one year... North Bridgewater, Mass., shipped 10,000 cases of shoes for the year ending April 25... A couple of American Indians and one white man lately made a stage journey of 7000 miles from Florida to St. Petersburg, Fla., in the United States... J. M. Rath, business manager of the Lawrence (Kansas) Tribune, was found dead in bed Wednesday morning... At a printer's dinner, the other day, the following toast was given: "Woman who is always in favor of a well-conducted press... President Caffery, of Lafayette College, has received the Fulbright medal in South America with a silver commendation... In Minnesota all the crops look well and are coming in thick... Captain Hall and Dr. Walker, the doctor stationed at the Fort... Knapp, the famous revivalist, is preaching at Manchester, N.H., and is advertised "free passes to play... Among the directors of the Kansas Pacific Railroad, J. B. Stetson, A. M. Abbott and M. E. B. McMane, of Pittsburg, and J. McMane, of Reading... The economic city of Springfield, Mass., is making an exhibition in which a collection of 1500 specimens of the crops of highway robbers and burglars... M. M. Kennedy, a farmer, 65 years old, of Uniontown, Ohio, was killed by a railroad engine at the age of 18... The Methodist have photographed the old life of John Wesley... In Ulster county, N.Y., more than 4,000,000 cords of hemlock bark were gathered last winter and sold for \$200,000, the largest in the country's history... There are 25,000 head of cattle in two towns of Wisconsin from 7000 to 8000... The Cedar Rapids stockholders of the Burlington, C. & N. W. Railroad have purchased the end between Cedar Rapids and Burlington for \$200,000, now owned by them... The Ohio River Railroad, filed its articles, April 25, at Indianapolis, to build the right bank Ohio River, from Lawrenceburg to New Albany, 110 miles. Capital \$2,500,000, with a 5 per cent increase... The United States of Columbia, having exported 200,000,000 lbs of cocoa last year, are planting more trees. They have just organized a cocoa plantation in the district of Columbia... About 70,000,000 feet of logs have come down Black River, Wisconsin, into Lake Michigan... The Archduchess of Austria, who is visiting the United States, is the daughter of Ferdinand II of Naples and Sicily, born in 1848, and married in 1871... The Iowa and Minnesota Railroad will complete grading from Fort Dodge to Garner in December. A railroad is projected from Manchester, Conn., to New Britain... Vermont has three members of Congress, but her sons are there to the number of twelve from other States. Only Tennessee, New York, Massachusetts, Virginia, and Ohio are more numerously represented in Congress... Green Bay, Wisconsin, is to build a railway across the State to the Mississippi, and has completed arrangements to lay 10 miles of track to New London, on Wolf River. An agent has gone to England to buy rails to complete the work... The Colburn at Detroit, from Silver Island, Superior, brought \$250,000 worth of rail, to be smelted at Wisconsin. It is mixed with granite, and will carry 100 tons of iron and fifty tons of coal, and will cost \$1,000,000... An apparatus for generating heat from train oil with super-heated steam, it is to be practically tried on Captain Hall's trip as a pilot engine... The annual cotton seed products near New Orleans are 750,000 tons, yielding 30,000,000 gallons of oil, and 100,000,000 lbs of meal, besides 300,000 tons of cake, worth \$9,000,000. The worth of the cotton seed of the valley, if manufactured, would be \$10,000,000... Cumberland, Md., feels its railway importance. The Baltimore and Ohio, the Potomac and Pennsylvania roads concentrate there, giving access to all points and the Cumberlandians participate great things in a near future... Kansas is still filling up with immigrants. At Quincy 500 emigrant wagons bound there cross the river daily. The State expects 25 per cent increase in 1871. The next census will show a population of 1,000,000. The total white emigrant crossing at Quincy for all points is 47,000 souls... The last instance of modesty in the arrangement of ladies' hair this spring-sounding in the Occident occur... Towards progress, poult de soie, and very light green grains will be the favorite colors materials this year... The favorite bonnets are modifications of the pique form; they either match the toilet exactly or are in straw... The ladies have adopted the new fashion of dispensing with the bonnet, and fastening the chemise with a fine ribbon instead... Yellow linen and serge dresses are to be trimmed this season with the yellow chimney cloth, which is a very beautiful effect... A new style of ear-rings is in the fashion of a diamond ring, the ends of which are slightly arched at the top, and which are frequently a very movement of the wearer's head.

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Towanda, Thursday, May 11, 1871.
THE LEGISLATURE.—The proceedings of the Legislature are, for the most part, very uninteresting. Among the bills of local interest which have passed recently are: An act to change the venue in the case of the Commonwealth vs. Henry Wisner, of this place, charged with the murder of Wesley E. Swanwick; Messrs. Orrington and Wynn advocated the bill, and Mr. Beck opposed it. An act to change the names of certain streets in this borough. The bill providing for the election of female school directors, passed by the Senate some time since, has been killed in the House. A bill appropriating \$50,000 toward paying the expenses of delegates from the different States to the centennial celebration, has been reported affirmatively by the committee of Ways and Means in the House. The members have also voted themselves \$7 per day extra pay, from the 27th of April until they adjourn. The bill was rushed through without recording the yeas and nays. We have no doubt, however, that our members voted against the bill. In the Senate, a bill securing to married women their separate earnings, has passed. Mr. Mann, from Committee on Constitutional Reform, reported Senate joint resolution proposing an amendment to the State Constitution, by making the State Treasurer elective, so amended in committee as to provide in addition, that in 1873 and every four years thereafter, 130 Representatives shall be apportioned throughout the State on this basis: each county to have one, that balance to be divided among the several counties in proportion to the number of taxable males. Every city containing a sufficient number of taxable to divide it to two members, shall be divided into separate districts. No city or county shall be joined in Representative districts. No city or county shall elect more than four Senators. Mr. Strauss, from the Committee of Ways and Means, reported favorably Senate border claim bill, amended so as to provide for revision and reported to the General Government. The Governor of Pennsylvania, by the State not to be liable for any amount beyond what is appropriated by the United States. No amount is to be paid by the Commonwealth on her own responsibility. The five hundred thousand dollars already paid by this State to citizens of the border are to be demanded from the General Government. I. O. O. F.—The fifty-second anniversary of the Independent Order of Odd-Fellows was generally celebrated throughout the United States on the 29th of April. This popular order was started in 1819, in Baltimore. It severed its connection with the Manchester Unity (the English organization) in 1842, and adopted the present ritual in 1845, and established the Degree of Rebekah for ladies in 1851. The progress of the order was for some years slow and difficult, and at first the meetings were the scenes of carousals, but in 1825 all refreshments save cold water were legislated out of the lodge-rooms. The anti-Masonic excitement of 1827 injured and retarded the progress of the order until about 1844, when there were less than 20,000 members. On the first of July, 1870, there were 208,000, in 3,754 lodges and 1,659 encampments, constituting 41 grand lodges and 81 grand encampments, in North America, besides members in the Pacific Islands, Australia, where it was established in 1869, and now (1871) it has been established in Europe. During the year ending June 30, 1870, there was expended for the relief of 28,843 brothers, \$654,390; of 4,071 widowed families, \$126,822; for the burial of brothers and wives, \$139,092, and in educating the orphans, \$19,582; besides other large expenditures in aid out of the order by lodges, and Rebekah associations, making a total of \$1,000,000. From 1840 to 1870 there was expended for relief of members, support of widows, education of orphans, burial of dead and general charity, \$12,715,032.

There is no country so happy and prosperous as that in which labor is fostered by judicious protection against unfair competition; but essential to understanding and properly applying such aid to his personal benefit, the laborer must understand how to take care of himself, how to harvest his earnings, and how to escape the exaction of middlemen. Where there is a lack of steady habits, men become thriftless and shiftless, in which condition all the people of the world would be incapable of improving their welfare. A little more personal culture, with less gratification of personal appetite, is what a great many men, laborers and capitalists, want, to improve their condition. Will the Democratic press and speakers tell their followers that from the 13th day of May, last Monday week, the United States imposes no taxes whatever except on incomes, stamps, spirits and tobacco? All other taxes which did not cease the first of last October expired at that date. We venture to say that the demagogues will continue to howl as lustily at the oppressive burdens of the General Government as though not a single one of the various taxes had ceased.

THE PRESIDENT'S PROCLAMATION. The President has issued a most admirable proclamation based on the provisions and requirements of the law to enforce the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments to the Constitution. The language of the President is mild, conciliatory, and wise, yet it is firm and unmistakable in terms. It is plain that the Ku Klux are now face to face with their master, and that outrages henceforth committed will not be passed over with impunity. All hail the power of reason and law.

RIOT AT SEBASTON! The riot at Sebaston, Va., on the 1st inst., was a very serious one, and resulted in the death of several persons and the destruction of property. The riot was caused by the refusal of the colored people to pay taxes, and the result was a general assault on the whites. The riot was suppressed by the military, and the result was a general feeling of bitterness and hatred between the two races.

THE JOINT COMMITTEE OF CONGRESS, appointed to visit the Southern States to investigate the condition of affairs, propose to assemble in Washington, May 17, and proceed thence on their tour in the South. The committee will divide into parties of three, assigning to each division a State or States to be visited. In this way the work will be done with greater rapidity and equal thoroughness. This official investigation ordered and conducted jointly by Republican and Democratic Congressmen, will be free from the suspicion of partisanship, and its report, beyond doubt, will confirm the account of the Ku Klux outrages, and justify the Republican policy for their suppression.

THE ELECTION FRANCHISE IN CONNECTICUT. Hartford, May 7.—The official return from the Fourth Ward of New Haven, gave Jewell 579 votes for Governor. The count of votes on Friday by the Legislative Committee showed only 479 ballots in the box. On Saturday the signatures of 620 Republicans in that Ward were obtained to a declaration that they would not vote for Jewell, and further signatures to the declaration will be obtained.

THE REAL ISSUE.—Our Northern Democracy will be held to a strict account by their Southern brethren. They will not be allowed to conceal their "bloody intent" by smooth words. The Mobile Register, one of the leading "Conservative" Democratic organs, of the Ku Klux branch, says: "The thirteenth amendment is a legitimate corollary of the war, because it was made by the States, and it is the duty of the Democratic party, and no State and very few individuals would resist it. But reconstruction amendments and laws stand upon a different footing. And what does the Democratic party do? Nothing more than the national Democracy has already done; it has not even attempted to do anything more, in its platform, it declared these reconstruction measures 'unconstitutional, null and void'."

A State Temperance Convention is to be held in Concert Hall, Philadelphia, on Thursday and Friday, the 18th and 19th of May. It will be composed of representatives from the various county, city and local temperance organizations, churches and other religious bodies. The call is signed by the members of the State Executive Committee, and other prominent friends of the cause in various parts of the State. General Dow, of Maine, is among the distinguished visitors from abroad who will be in attendance and address the convention.

THE calling and hearing of negroes as witnesses in the courts of the South is no longer obstructed as heretofore. Gradually but slowly the people of the South are accommodating themselves to the new order of affairs. They will learn before long that it is hard to resist progress when that is made in the interests of civilization and justice.

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