

XXXIth Congress—First Session.

CLOSE OF YESTERDAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

SENATE.—Mr. Howard called up the proposed amendment to the Constitution...

HOUSE.—The bill establishing an educational department at Washington, being under discussion...

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In low water, the surface of the river is below the level of the lowest point of the delta, and the drainage is from the swamps...

It is estimated that about sixteen million acres of the most fertile and productive lands of the States of Missouri, Arkansas, Louisiana and Louisiana are subject to overflow...

In 1850, a corps of engineers was organized under Captain, now General A. A. Humphrey, which made a thorough survey of the delta with special reference to the discovery of some system of works...

The constant increase of the volume of the flood repeated by each successive rise, is ascribed by the engineers to the fact that the annual devastation by the waters has been gradually drained to the river, the construction of cut-offs, the shortening of the channel, and more rapidly conveying the water to the points below...

The early settlers, who selected the more elevated and fertile lands on the banks of the river, found little difficulty in protecting their crops from the floods...

Before the war, therefore, the Father of Waters had become unmanageable in the hands of those who sought to control his floods. During the war, when labor had been forced to the task day and night...

An attempt was made during last winter to rebuild these broken embankments. Under the combined efforts of the State authorities of Louisiana and the War Department at Washington, a large number of laborers were employed...

It is a grave question for the consideration of the country whether Congress should not undertake the protection of the whole delta of the Mississippi against overflow. The present system, or rather want of system, seems to be a failure...

From California. SAN FRANCISCO, May 31.—Pirates in Chinese waters still continue. Six hundred and fifty Chinese emigrants on the ship Napoleon, mutilated and set the ship on fire...

They were driven off. A ship from Hong Kong was attacked a few days previous, and one of the crew and six of the pirates were killed.

Major E. L. Pope, Assistant Engineer of the Russian American Telegraph, has reported to Colonel Buckley, Engineer in Chief, that he has surveyed the country from Lake Tula to the headwaters of the Steeping river, in British Columbia...

THE COUNTRY NORTH OF STEEPING RIVER IS BELIEVED TO BE OF A SIMILAR CHARACTER. After traveling five hundred miles on snow shoes Major Pope reached the ocean, snow hundred miles north of Victoria...

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REAL ESTATE FOR RENT.

The New Bulletin Building, No. 607 Chestnut Street. WILL BE COMPLETED IN A FEW DAYS.

THE PROPRIETORS are prepared to receive proposals for renting much room as they are not so numerous. THE SECOND STORY FRONT ROOM, THE WHOLE OF THE NORTHERN HALF OF THE BUILDING.

TO RENT OR FOR SALE. THE LARGE WAREHOUSE SITUATE ON THE NORTH SIDE OF MARKET STREET east of N. 12th Street, with 200,000 feet of floor space.

CAPE MAY COTTAGES AND STORES TO RENT.—I have two cottages, in the immediate vicinity of the beach, with a view of the ocean, and a large store.

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AUCTION SALES.

M. THOMAS & SONS, AUCTIONEERS. No. 15 and 16 South 2d Street. ALL THE GOODS EVERY DAY AT 10 O'CLOCK.

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