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overcome in nine days. And what would they say to the telegraph? The most important projected plan, and promising perhaps greater results for the welfare and material prosperity of the United States, is the Russo-American telegraph, rapidly pushed forward on this Continent by Mr. P. McD. Collins toward Behring Strait, and by the last a head of Edward Everett, which is admirable in expression, and full of toward the east, and the line proposed former by the East India Telegraph Company, from Pekin, the capital city

Canton, and north and eastward, to Irkutsk and Kyachta, and the mouth of the Amoor river, which latter two connecting lines are proposed to be built by the Russian Government. The British Government, always anxious to maintain their power in the East, intend and have, we believe, entered into preliminary arrangements to extend their line of telegraph from Calcutta East to Hong Kong, and thus when all these several lines shall have been completed—and we can assure our readers that they will be completed in less than half the time it took the At-

of China, along the Chinese coast to

lantic Cable to get into working order then the United States may justly claim the proud position of being the commercial centre of the habitable globe, for from New York to Europe, from San Francisco to Asia, will radiate the entire also have been passed by in this statue commerce of the world. When the late Thomas H. Benton

was still a young lawyer and local politician at St. Louis, he edited a small sheet called the St. Louis Inquirer. This was in 1819-20. In a series of articles in that journal, neither ocean steamers, railroads nor telegraphs being then in use, he advocated most strenuously the speedy construction of a national wagon road to the Rocky Mountains, and, with a proper treaty with Spain, through California to some point on the Pacific suitable for a great harbor. He fortified his proposal with irrefutable arguments. Hissagacious and discerning mind called attention to the fact that every country which, throughout history, succeeded in obtaining a fair share of the trade with the beehives of peoples in the East, grew prosperous and wealthy. He referred to the Phœnicians and Egyptians in ancient times, the Portugese, the Dutch, the Hanseatic League and the English more recently, And he hoped that by opening communication for convenient travel from the Mississippi to the Pacific, the people of the United States might share in a like result.

"Old Bullion's" far-seeing ideas are now about to be realized, and that in a manner which not even he, at the time of his death, could have courage enough to hope. The telegraph to San Franwas completed long since, and oregon into Washington territory, and the British possessions. The National Wagon Road proposed by him forty-six Wagon Road proposed by nim forty-six years ago, is being rapidly pushed forward, supported by the bounty of our Government, but it is to be of iron, and "swift propelling steam" the motive power. San Francisco, "the most suitable place on the coast for a harbor," seems selected by nature herself for the great destiny that awaits it. Communication across the Pacific to Shanghae, connecting there by coast steamers with all the most important commercial cities down to Hong Kong, Macao and Canton, is provided for also by the bounty of our Government, which has come to down to Hong Kong, Macao and Canton, is provided for also by the bounty of our Government, which has come to the succor of private enterprise in this great national undertaking. Thus all the preliminary steps to secure for us a feir character that immense and highly fair share of the immense and highly fluerative trade of the Eastern Continent have been completed. One thing re-mains yet to be done. We must have telegraphic connection directly from there, and not over England and Europe, with all the trade centres of Eastern -sia. Then, and then only, will our whole system of intercontinental commerce be truly American and wholly

This the East India Telegraph Com-

pany, a thoroughly responsible corpora-tion, propose to do. Enough has been published regarding the Russo-American Telegraph, now constructing and fast nearing its completion, and the reading public is so well informed of the general nature and character of the work. that for the present, we need say no more about it. But the projected East India Telegraph is less known, yet it is not only equally important with the Collins Russian line, but we take it, im-measurably more so. While the Collins line gives us independent communication with Europe, through Siberia and European Russia, the East India Telegraph brings us daily and hourly into the very heart of the Chinese Empire and to the very doors of British India. A few statistical references will show the nature and scope of the enterprise. In the first place, it is proper to mention that by the exertions of our Minister at Pekin, Hon. Anson Burlingame, who, we must in justice add, was earnestly supported by the representatives of the other Powers having treaties of commerce and friendship with China, this Company was granted, by the Chinese Government, the right to lay cables connecting the seaport cities from Canton to Shanghai, and to construct an inland line from the latter place, by way of Nankin to Pekin. The Russian Go-Nankin to Pekin. The Russian Government, by treaty, has secured the privilege of building two lines from Pekin—one to the Amoor, the other to Irkutsk. The fact that along the coast the telegraph will be submerged is security against its destruction by land pirates or rebels. Canton, the starting point, has a population of 1,000,000 souls, and is the great commercial metropolis of the Chinese Empire. Macao, the next station, is also a very important trading post-Hong Kong, the third, has a population

of 200,000; Amoy, the fourth, of 250,000, and Foochow, the fifth, 1,200,000; Ning-

po. the sixth station, has 300,000 sonls,

and Shanghai, the next, nearly two

millions. Thence the telegraph connects with Nankin, 400,000, and Pekin, 2,000,-000 inhabitants. From this last place,

the connection will be completed with

the Russo-American Telegraph. The

entire length of cables will be 835 miles.

the wire is 850 miles.—N. Y. Times.

American Sculptors in Florence. [From the Corres-ondence of the Boston Post,

The three prominent American artists now here are, as usual, laboriously at work. By an odd coincidence each is at present devoting his energies to a female figure. Mr. Powers is laboring upon a form of which he does not yet three months, a distance which our At-lantic steamers have more than once (there being nothing else yet visible) I conjecture that it is to be called Atlanta. Mr. Hart has a statue well advanced, and really very creditable to his abilities, which he styles The Triumph of Beauty." Mr. Ball is developing an Eve, which, though yet in a very rudicharacter. It represents him at the age toward the east, and the line proposed in which he was most widely and former by the East India Telegraph familiarly known; in the full maturity of his powers, when he had only begun to descend towards the close of life, when his form had become more portly than before, and his bearing more dignified; when deeper lines of thought and wrinkles of care had appeared and blended with the harmony and refinement of his youthful lineaments. It is a great success, and excites the regret of every one who sees it that an artist who has done so well and conferred so much honor upon his native city should not have also enjoyed the opportunity of linking his name with that of her great orator in the more prominent and distinguished shape of a full length figure. This he would doubtless have done in a manner that would have been an equal credit to Boston and himself, and it is, I think, to be regretted that after having failed to obtain the privilegeof modeling for our city either Franklin or Webster, he should of the last of our great men to which he had so large a claim.

Mr. Powers has also a figure of Everett in plaster, for which he has as yet re-ceived no order. It is hardly creditable either to the subject or himself, and the sight of it makes one shudder at the thought that such a statue might possi-bly have been erected in Boston in addition to the unnatural monstrosity which the same artist sent to our city, and dig-nified with the name of Webster, and which still continues to desecrate the ground in front of the State House. This figure of Everett only seems to show more conspicuously than ever the author's entire ignorance of the anatomy of the human form and his want of taste in drapery and costume. In the modeling of busts, in seizing the happiest and most characteristic expression of these who sit to him; in lending grace of outline and sweetness to the face of woman, he has surpassing abilities, and few approach or equal him. That is his inborn talent, but neither years nor study have done anything to make up for those deficiencies, also innate, which prevent him from appreciating the other and quite as noble qualities of an artist which manifest themselves in the human figure, its attitude and the drapery that adorn it. Mr. Powers has now oeen thirty years in Florence and is almost a patriarch among the artists in that city. His studio is the most popular of all and is the especial resort of Americans. As I was looking over the books in which all visitors are requested to enter their names, I could not help noticing how many of them were well known and distinguished. In fact, three volumes have, in the course of years, become quite valuable as a collection of autographs, if for no other purpose. The sculptor has always been a genuine patriot, and when in a few cases persons have been uncivil enough to write C. S. A. after their names he has carefully erased them. A number

THE BUREAU OF PUBLIC PRINTING.—It appears from the report of the Superintendent of Public Printing, that the cost for printing, binding and lithographing, and engraving ordered by the two Houses of Congress for the year ending September 30th, 1866, was \$1,018,000, and for the Executive and Judicial Departments, \$623,000 for the same period. The value of the stock on hand is nearly \$90,000.

Powers told me that each of them

stopped before the bust of John C. Cal-

boun, and said in almost the same words,

"There's John C. Calhoun—I'm one of

that man's disciples." This coincidence is somewhat remarkable, and taken in

connection with our late troubles, has a

world of meaning. On this occasion Saunders did not hesitate to acknow-

ledge his connection with the St. Albans

raid and other nefarious plots to plunder and burn our frontier, and not only that,

but he expressed his satisfaction and

even pride that he had done his best to help them on. When Mr. Powers said to him, "Sir, I desire you to know that

and detest the efforts you have made to ruin our country," he replied with un-abashed coolness and effrontery, "Oh,

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