

The Post.

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Many astute politicians are of the opinion that the next Presidential contest will be between Grant and Tilden. In that event, we can safely predict, it will be bad for Tilden.

On Thursday last, Hon. Zach. Chandler was unanimously nominated for United States Senator by the Republicans of the Michigan legislature, in place of Christianity, appointed Minister to Peru. Now the Democrats will howl. Zach is a terror to them.

The Soldiers' Orphan Home at Xenia, Ohio, was totally destroyed by fire a few days ago. Six hundred children were inmates of the home. No lives were lost. The origin of the fire is unknown. The loss to the State is about \$75,000, upon which there was no insurance.

Australia made a fine display at our Centennial celebration in Philadelphia. It is but fair that we should return the compliment at the International Exhibition in Sydney, New South Wales, next August. Recently the ship Clara, laden with a cargo of American agricultural implements, machinery, and Yankee notions generally, intended for that exhibition, left New York for Sydney. Another vessel will follow, with the same errand, on the 20th of March.

Sheriff Williams, of Armstrong county, who was sentenced to the penitentiary the other day for two years and one month, for violating the election laws in paying money for votes, has succeeded in having the execution of his sentence stayed by the supreme court, and he has given \$5,000 bail for his appearance. He will now have a rehearing before that body. His trial and conviction attracted considerable attention, as it was the second case under the new constitution which had been tried.

A movement is already on foot among certain Democrats to have Jefferson Davis returned to the United States Senate, now that the party will have control of both houses of congress in a short time. The first step will be to remove his disabilities—the next will be very easy. In this we have the true outcropping of Democratic sentiment, and the rebel once more in a position where he can lay the foundation for another rebellion. The odious doctrine of secession is not dead.

Another man gone wrong. Ben Butler is a strange sort of a case. Since he waddled off after strange to surprised everybody in the House on Friday, during a debate on the Southern war claims, by declaring that under certain circumstances he might be disposed to favor the pensioning of Confederate soldiers. "The time might come," said the General, "when there would be no good reason why a wounded Confederate soldier should not be placed on the pension rolls as well as a Union soldier." We are sorry that when a man commences to go down hill, there is no telling where he will land. Old Ben has simply turned demagogue.

The English Lion has been brought to bay in Africa and met a reverse quite disastrous in the war which is being waged with the savage tribe of Zulus in South Africa. Late advices from Cape Town state that a detachment of the fourteenth British regiment, a small force of artillery and 800 native auxiliaries were utterly annihilated by a large force of 20,000 Zulus on the 21st of January. The British admit the loss of 50 officers and 500 soldiers, the former including a colonel, two majors and a surgeon. The English forces were weakened by a tedious reconnoitering expedition, and were overwhelmed by superior numbers, and slaughtered in camp. Lord Chelmsford, commanding the expedition, was forced to retire, barely saving his own scalp. An urgent appeal has been sent to the home government by Governor Sir Bartle Frere for large reinforcements, which will be sent on, without delay. England will doubtless avenge this slaughter of her troops with dispatch, as is her custom in dealing with her foes.

Mr. Gowen, president of the Philadelphia and Reading railroad company, published a letter on Saturday for the purpose of showing what has been going on among the Knights of Labor in the Schuylkill region for some time past; how certain leaders were trying to precipitate a strike about this time, and that certain gangs were banded together for the purpose of burning coal breakers and doing other injury to the property of the company. He gives the names of all the prominent members of the organization, together with the names of those who are to play the part of incendiaries. The publication of this letter fell like a bombshell in the camps of these conspirators, and there was much excitement throughout the coal region when the papers containing it were circulated. It is not likely, after this exposition, that they will dare carry their schemes into operation, as the fate of about twenty Melio Maguire cases show them in the face of a solemn warning to beware. Mr. Gowen is entitled to the thanks of all honest laboring men for having so effectively quenched this disturbing element in our coal districts. He has done his duty.

Two Important States.

Among the states where important elections will occur this year to carry which desperate efforts will be made by both parties are New York and Ohio. In each of these States there will be a Governor elected and in view of the Presidential election the following year the contests this year are of double importance and significance. New York and Ohio are generally regarded as debatable ground and there has not been a contest of any importance in either of them for several years that both parties were no more or less confident of success. New York is absolutely necessary to the Democrats in the next Presidential contest. With that State and Indiana to add to the solid South the Democracy would be secure, and Democratic leaders realize the necessity of carrying New York this year if they hope for success there in the Presidential contest. This fact accounts for the determined efforts now being made to harmonize the two contending factions of the Democracy in New York. Already they are trying to bring forward a man who has not been too much mixed up with either the Tilden or anti-Tilden wing of the party. There appears to be a pretty large crowd of Democrats in New York who consider it to be their first duty to kill off Tilden. They know that if the Democrats lose the State next November the Gramercy Park statesman will have no chance in the Democratic National Convention, and if one of Tilden's friends carries New York for Governor, Tilden will be a hard man to beat for the Democratic nomination for President next year. The Republicans of the Empire State can win next November as easily as they did last year, if they preserve harmony and union, which they will certainly do.

In Ohio the Republicans are stronger and more harmonious than they have been for years, and present appearances all point to an old-time majority for Charles Foster, or some equally good man, for Governor. With these two important States giving Republican majorities this year the north will be near enough solid to teach the bull-dozers of the south a wholesome lesson.

Blind to Danger.

It is now quite certain that the Forty-fifth Congress will adjourn without having provided any new methods of ascertaining and declaring the result of elections for President. Two years ago when the country was virtually trembling on the brink of revolution in consequence of the uncertainty attending the result of the election, nobody dreamed that two sessions of Congress would pass without new safeguards and more perfect methods being provided. In two weeks the present Congress will pass out of existence, and in all probability before its successor meets the country will be almost as entered upon the excitement of a new election. Methods for regulating National elections and for ascertaining the result of such contests, ought to be entirely free from party or sectional advantage. Elections that do not express the popular will are the greatest danger that can threaten the perpetuity of the republic. Upon the Forty-fifth Congress may rest a frightful responsibility for failing to provide against a possible danger in 1880. The country was saved from a peril in 1877 by resort to a temporary expedient—the Electoral Commission.

Another close election is possible, if indeed not probable, next year. A contest similar to that of 1877 is among the possibilities, but there may not be so ready an acquiescence in an expedient like the Electoral Commission. Congress has had an abundance of time to provide fair, just and simple methods, under which a contested or disputed election would have been settled, but Congress has delayed and postponed action until there is no longer the least hope that anything will be done in the premises. The nation will have to "trust to luck" in 1880, and place reliance on the common sense and patriotism of the masses of the Northern States.

Large cargoes of American products were taken by the four steamers which sailed from New York a week ago. There is more business offering now than the agents can readily handle, and some stuff had to remain over till this week for want of room. The following are the aggregates: Grain, 70,000 bushels; 22,800 boxes of cheese, 9,500 packages butter, 5,582 boxes bacon, 2,120 barrels and 6,200 sacks flour. The Australian, of the Anchor line, had on board 140 head of cattle and 600 sheep, all of which underwent a rigid inspection by veterinary surgeons before they were put on board. All of them were consignments from the West.

Bee culture does not seem to receive much attention in England. One firm in New York, we are informed, has a contract to ship one hundred tons of honey to England this season. Heretofore Greece has been supplying the British market with this article. It is a little curious, with its mild climate and park-like grounds, England cannot produce sufficient honey for home consumption.

Last Wednesday some sixteen houses, owned by miners, in the Shenandoah, commenced sinking into the ground, and some of them have already sunk two or three feet, and are still moving. The inmates have all removed to places of safety, taking with them their furniture. The sinking is caused by the "robbing" of coal pillars in the Kohlenberg mine, directly under the houses of the town.

GENERAL NEWS ITEMS.

One million tons of ice are stored about Boston.

Memphis is to go into the hands of a receiver.

Schuyler Colfax is seriously ill at home, South Bend, Ind.

In Europe steel and iron rails are now nearly the same price.

One herder near Carson, Nevada, has nearly 3,000 Cashmere goats.

In bad weather 7,000 sweepers are employed in the streets of Paris.

Sixteen "magnificent looking widows" attended an Alabama quilting.

A circus band played at a funeral in the town of Falton, Ill.

It is thought the next census will give us sixty-six more Congressmen.

Another amputation will have to be performed for Governor Wade Hampton.

The late Princess Alice of Hesse was buried strapped in the folds of an English flag.

In South Carolina there are 30,828 whites and 235,064 blacks who cannot read.

An old lady who recently died in Maine, had stored away 102 pairs of stockings, knit by herself.

There are twenty-two counties in Kansas, each of which raises more corn than New Hampshire.

Columbia has a permanent waffler baker who makes daily rounds of the town.

New Orleans fired fifty guns in honor of the repeal of the charter of the Louisiana State lottery.

Eight hundred engineers have struck and twelve hundred more will strike at London in a few days.

Eight hundred and twenty-one persons were served with free soup one morning in Lancaster.

The Tenth regiment Pennsylvania reserves will hold a reunion at Southeret, on the 20th of June.

A clergyman named Lyttel was lately before a London police court for stealing two pairs of kid gloves.

Hard times in England, small-pox in Ireland, plague in Russia, rinderpest in Prussia and prosperity in France.

The Jacksonville (Fla.) Sun argues that the street sprinkler be more effectually used. It is warm and dusty there.

Sixteen skunks were caught near Conantville in five hours the other day. The pelts were sold for over \$10.

Nine of the twelve blast furnaces in P. St. Louis and vicinity are now in blast, producing about five thousand tons of pig iron each week.

In round numbers we have now thirty thousand poor unions, and they are increasing at the rate of about two thousand a year.

Two small boys were lately sentenced in a London Police Court to three days imprisonment for stealing an onion valued at one penny.

A train of 189 empty cars, making a length of more than a mile, was drawn by a single locomotive on the Northern Central Railroad.

The murderer who was sentenced to 99 years imprisonment in Kentucky lately, vows he will never serve out his time—he'll die first.

The water in the flooded coal mines at Plymouth, Schuylkill Co., has reached a height to be beyond the control of pumps.

Nothing has been heard from Samuel Koop, the wealthy farmer of Lancaster county who deserted his wife and ran off with his hired girl.

Joe Williams, a colored man, dropped dead Friday a week as he was about to leave the Delaware county jail, his term having expired.

A couple of weeks ago an invalid woman named Bowman insisted on being baptized by immersion, but the shock to her nervous system caused her death afterwards.

A communion service was celebrated in Bridgeport with brandy instead of wine, the druggist having made a blunder in filling the order for sherry.

Kansas papers report the farmers in various parts of that State as busy plowing and sowing spring wheat. They have been at it for the last week or two.

A horrible accident occurred at the coal shutes at Lewistown Junction recently, by which Henry Hinneman, a brakeman, was literally crushed to death and most terribly mangled.

An ice-gorge in the Missouri river at Glasgow has destroyed a span of a new bridge in course of construction for the Chicago and Alton railroad. The loss is over \$30,000.

Ice boating on the Hudson river was the exciting amusement recently, as many as thirty big, hand-some yachts being on the river daily, and on clear, smooth ice the yachts made more than a mile minute.

A jewelry store in Kansas City, Mo., was entered by a colored burglar before day light Thursday morning. The robber was stabbed to death, after a desperate struggle, by a clerk who was sleeping in the store.

A white fox was killed in Westmoreland county a short time since. The event has created quite an excitement in the neighborhood, as it is the only instance on record where royzard has sported a white coat.

G. F. Simmons, craned by the slippage of his wife, poisoned his three children and cut his own throat at his own house.

Governor Hartranft says it cost the State about one hundred thousand dollars a year during the last eight years to pay the expenses of the military, &c., to suppress labor riots, maintain the peace in the mining districts, and protect property in this State.

Live cattle are still shipped from this country to England, and will, it appears, continue to be sent despite the fact that they must be slaughtered on their arrival. Perhaps the English authorities may discover after a few thousand animals have been slaughtered that none are diseased, and what may help to open their eyes is the sharp criticism made in England of the government's hasty action. Pleuro pneumonia does not exist in the cattle of this country as an epidemic disease.

Western Stocks of Grain.—Chicago elevators contain 7,463,635 bushels of wheat, 3,040,166 bushels of corn, 599,085 bushels of oats, 320,744 bushels of rye, and 1,039,411 bushels of barley, making a total of 12,364,041 bushels against 12,248,584 bushels a week ago, and 3,119,847 bushels at this period last year. Vessels in the harbor are laden with 121,750 bushels of wheat, 539,963 bushels of corn, and 25,695 bushels of oats. Total, 690,378 bushels afloat and 12,364,041 bushels in store. Milwaukee warehouses stored with 3,535,996 bushels of wheat, 21,869 bushels of corn, 189,670 bushels of oats, 136,949 bushels of rye, and 489,159 bushels of barley.

Lewis G. Goldsmith, a Danish sailor about 40 years of age, who served in the Union army and navy in the rebellion, proposes to sail across the Atlantic from Boston to the coming summer, accompanied by his wife, in a boat 18 1/2 feet long, on a trip around the world. He will go to Copenhagen, Norway, Sweden, by the North sea to Scotland, by the Mediterranean to Alexandria, across the Suez canal to Aden, across the Indian ocean to India, through the straits of Malacca, thence northwest to Singapore, Hong Kong and Yeddo, and finally across the Pacific to San Francisco, which he expects to make in the fall of 1881. From the golden Guto he will come east to Boston by rail. The boat is now being built by W. B. Smith, at City Point. It is 18 1/2 feet long, 6 feet beam, with 3 feet depths of hold, built of oak and hard pine planking. It is so constructed as to be a boat within a boat, having nine air-tight compartments or chambers, on each side, which will float the craft, even if the boat ships a sea and is filled with water. It is sharp at both ends, has a shifting bowsprit, and, by a unique arrangement, is so constructed as to "bail" itself.—Boston Post.

It is true that under the tender-hearted decisions of our Judges it is not always exactly lawful to shoot a fellow as follows: yet if, robbing, housebreaking and other outrages continue to increase it will come to that in the end, and no jury will convict a man for doing so towards the unnumbered villains who are now roaming over the land. Let us have peace quietly if we can, forcibly if we must.

France, by her orderly change of administrations, has won the great victory for Republicanism that has been gained since the close of our Rebellion. When she demonstrates that Republicanism and order are entirely consistent, she overthrow monarchies more speedily than revolutions can.

Who can tell what a day, a woman or an investigation will bring forth? Few people now remember that the Potter Committee was originally organized by the Democrats to investigate Republicans.

The bill making an appropriation of \$20,850,000 for the payment of arrears of pensions passed the House on Monday by over a two-thirds vote.

The President has nominated Congressman Burckard, of Illinois, to be Director of the Mint.

The treaty between Russia and Turkey has been ratified by both Powers.

The PHRENOLOGICAL JOURNAL and SCIENCE OF HEALTH FOR MARCH, maintains its usual high standard of excellence. The subjects of this number, which are especially noteworthy, are Caleb Cushing, of whom a fine portrait is furnished; How Faculties Combine in Manifestation; and The Relations of the Organs to Purse, constitute the chapters in the fresh installment of Brain and Mind; Francis Murphy receives fair consideration at the hands of a contributor. A clergyman of evident experience writes of Conversion and its Effect on the Shape of the Head. Mrs. Preston contributes a story illustrating of Over-Zeal in Household System. A well illustrated sketch entitled, Two Great Cities of the East, will attract attention, and so will an extremely interesting article on Baths Among the Greeks and Romans, which shows that the ancients were by no means lacking in hydropathic learning and skill. Miss Coleman treats of Chances in her agreeable and searching style. The Notes on Science and Agriculture are as full of useful hints as ever. The Editorial Department is also well supplied. In fact all the departments of this most valuable monthly are brimming with matters of practical interest to man, woman and child, and every topic is presented in that clear style which adapts it to the reading of all classes. The price of this number is only 50 cents, or \$2.00 a year with very attractive premium offered. Published by S. E. WELLS & Co., 222 Broadway, New York.

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