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THURSDAY, APRIL 1, 1869. WE PRINT on the inside pages of this morning's GAZETTE—Second page: Poetry, Epigrams, Miscellaneous.

ALEXANDER H. STEVENS, Vice President of the late Confederacy, is on his death bed at Mason, Georgia.

THE PHILADELPHIA Press complains that too much water is used, rather wasted, for cleaning the pavements in that city.

THE PARAGUAYAN question under investigation by a Congressional Committee. All the participants in the WARREN imbroglio are to be examined.

THE APPROXIMATING track-layers of the Pacific Railway are expected to meet by the 15th of May—six weeks hence.

PRESIDENT JOHNSON, it will be remembered, appointed a number of officers just as his term was expiring, and had them rushed through and confirmed by the Senate.

IT DOES NOT surprise us to hear that the Pacific roads have failed to pay the regular accruing amounts of interest, on the bonds issued to them from the Treasury.

from citizenship. On the other hand, Rhode Island hesitates to ratify the same article because, among other objections, she doubts the surviving power to withhold her suffrage from any nativity whatever.

THE MEETING of the Oil Producers' Association, at Titusville, yesterday, resulted in an earnest expression in favor of the passage of a free pipe-law through the Legislature.

THE INTEREST of this election turns especially upon the issue, made under the XVth Article, of equal suffrage.

THE OFFICE-TENURE QUESTION was considered by the Conference Committee yesterday, but, at this writing, no result is reported.

THE PROBABLE defeat of the arrangement for the lease of the Cincinnati and Dayton Railway to the Erie Road will have the effect, it is thought, to bring about the construction of a new line between these points, for the purpose of perfecting the Erie connection with Cincinnati.

WE HAVE heretofore ventured to express the opinion that the decisions of the Supreme Court, in the Oregon case and in that of Bronson vs. Rhodes, were shaped expressly with the view, on the part of that tribunal, of preparing the country for an ultimate judgment affirming the constitutionality of the Legal Tender Act.

WE FIND a forcible illustration of the wisdom of the President's decision, to avoid unnecessary and premature interference with Republican office-holders, in the situation of affairs in Massachusetts.

NEVADA ratified the XVth article, because the omission of the word "nativity," from the original draft, left intact the right of the State to exclude the Chinese.

of the case of Georgia cannot be over-looked; the Reconstruction Committee have agreed on a bill which covers its ground, and which is likely to secure the support of the Senate.

THIS BILL is thorough enough, since it abolishes the present Legislature, and places unlimited power in the hands of Governor BULLOCK. It also reassembles the original Legislature, imposes the test oath qualification, and declares the expulsion of the colored members void.

HE HOLDS her election on Monday next, choosing a Governor, with other State officers, a Legislature and four members of Congress.

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the interest paid. These are substantially the reasons upon which a high financial authority regards "our foreign indebtedness as being less of an evil than many suppose."

THERE is much solid good sense in the following law recently passed by the Legislature of Michigan. Such an enactment for Pennsylvania would save many a precious life, and in a large measure do away with the countless accidents which the unjoined act is intended to prevent.

OUR LOUISVILLE exchanges learn from Tennessee that there is much uncertainty about the future movements of Ex-President JOHNSON, says the Courier-Journal.

THE NASHVILLE Press announces the arrival of "six or eight well-to-do families from Pennsylvania."

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BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

Gen. Sickles has declined the mission to Mexico. At New York all vessels from southern ports will be rigidly inspected after to-day at Quarantine.

The Citizens' Convention, at St. Louis, nominated James S. Thomas, present incumbent, for Mayor, and Henry Overstreet for Comptroller.

The Cincinnati Board of Trade had a meeting last night, at which a report was read urging immediate action of the Legislature in submitting to the people the question of amending the Constitution, so as to allow the city to loan her credit to build Southern railroads.

At Milwaukee, Wis., on Tuesday afternoon, while a party of workmen were tearing away the old gas building, preparatory to the erection of a new one, a fall, during the contractor, Carl Busch, and a workman named John Settigash.

At Chicago, a young married man named Edward Best, book-keeper in the piano warehouse of Higgins, committed suicide Tuesday morning, by taking an overdose of morphia.

A breach of promise case is on trial in New York, the plaintiff in which alleges that one night, at her mother's house, the defendant found a drop pill bone, and proposed that they should pull it. The central part fell upon the floor. This, the plaintiff holds, was interpreted by the defendant as a sign that they should marry soon.

A rope is in course of manufacture in England, which, it is asserted, is larger than any one heretofore made. It is a round wire rope, 9 1/2 inches in circumference, 11,000 yards long, and weighing upwards of sixty tons.

Prof. R. T. Brown estimates that the coal and iron fields in Indiana cover an area of about eight thousand square miles, and that the greater portion of it is accessible without the expense of shafting or pumping in its mining.

The Columbus Family.

It is a curious fact that there are no known descendants of Christopher Columbus left on earth. He had two sons, one of whom, Don Diego, rose to distinction as an Admiral, and the other, Fernando, as a scholar.

The New York Express thinks that nine-tenths of our people eat too much flesh. It is a positive injury instead of a benefit, when eaten twice a day, even to the hard physical worker.

Progress of Pacific Railroads.—Obstruction on the Central. (By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.) OMAHA, Neb., March 31.—Two miles of track were laid yesterday on the Union Pacific Railroad, reaching a point more than twenty miles west of Ogden, and about fifty-five miles east of Monticello.

Large Fire at Chicago. (By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.) CHICAGO, March 31.—About half-past seven o'clock, this evening, a fire broke out in the feed store of Stein & Brothers, 322 Randolph street. It was completely destroyed, with contents. Loss about \$2,000.

A SIGNIFICANT LETTER. LOUISVILLE, March 29, 1869.—Find enclosed P. O. order for \$100, which you will please place to my credit, and send immediately half a gross of Blood Searcher, and a full supply of circulars.

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