The Pittsburgh Gazette.

EPHEMERIS.

—The Czar has signed the pledge.

—Victoria is fifty years old to-day.

—Vieuxtemps, the violinist, is writing an opera.

—*Punch* calls pearl powder the flower of loveliness.

—Key West is plagued, already, with yellow fever.

—Can Porter be found at the Aurora Borie ale house?

—Two dollars a dozen is the price of eggs in Arizona.

—Report says J. Russell Young is to become a broker.

—The spirit of the South—the cotton gin.—*Lowell Courier.*

—Velocipedes are to be used in some of the bull fights in Madrid.

—Kentucky is again shipping tobacco down the Mississippi river.

—The first through passenger, by rail, from California is C. F. Jenkins.

—*Punch* calls the smoke of the Thames steamboats an in-funnel nuisance.

—Miss Rye is to bring a new colony of one hundred servant girls to Canada.

—Brick Pomeroy's New York paper costs him enormously and doesn't pay.

—The House of Refuge in Philadelphia was slightly damaged by fire last Thursday.

—Sangalli, the danseuse, took to singing ballads recently and it said she sang gaily.

—New York talks of importing English glow-worms to beautify the Central Park.

—Five million baskets is the expected yield of the Maryland and Delaware peach regions.

—Verdi is to write a grand opera for the first performance in the new Opera House in Paris.

—Hay is so dear in some parts of northern Vermont that the cattle are said to be starving.

—As the Alabama has gone to the bottom of the sea it is natural that Fish should settle the claims on her.

—The sword presented to Gen. Washington by Frederick the Great, together with many other relics of his country's Father, are for sale in New York.

—Eleven hundred persons in England pay the tax levied on all who keep more than ten male servants in their houses.

—The suicide mania is alarmingly on the increase, and it really seems to be a crime, to stop which, nothing can be done.

—A journeyman baker in San Francisco blew his brains out to secure a holliday which his employer refused to grant him.

—The free-traders are said to be disappointed because the English contributions to the Free-trade League are but about $1,000.

—A female gymnast in London fell from a rope fifty feet high, and was caught by a party of gentlemen, without sustaining any injury.

—Recent excavations, made at Madrid, have unearthed heaps of the *debris* of the conflagrations of many an *auto da fe* of the Inquisition.

—Punch says Reverdy Johnson as the representative of America, has gotten all of the dinners and now Motley is coming after her desserts.

—The police of New York are going to erect a statue of a "Metropolitan" in the Cypress Hill Cemetery, where dead policemen are buried.

—Mr. Howard, U. S. Minister to China, having received his instructions, will go to his post by way of Europe, in order to consult with Mr. Burlingame.

—A sycamore tree in Belmont, Mo., measures forty feet two inches in circumference. The trunk is hollow, and will comfortably contain twenty men.

—The veil is now taken in France on a lease, so to speak, terminated at the end of each year. Three nuns of Paris have just laid it aside for orange blossoms.

—General Dyer now being vindicated, the New York *World* wants General Fitz John Porter's case reviewed, so that he may be vindicated by court martial.

—Pitman, the inventor of the phonographic system which bears his name, has published, at Bath, England, a complete edition of the Bible in phonohraphic characters.

—A Newburyport farmer, who has ten acres of onions, has estimated that he will walk one thousand miles in hoeing them. We wonder how many "tears, silent tears," will be shed in peeling them.

—In Paris, persons, wishing to see Nillson perform, must secure their seats two weeks in advance. While for Patti, whose popularity is a little on the wane, only a week or ten days is necessary.

—Men of advanced fashion in Paris now wear silk coats. If they are becoming we can't see why they should not be worn again as they are no more expensive than some of the imported cloths now worn.

—An M. C. recently in debate shouted "Amicus Plato, amicus Socrates, sed major Veritas." The reporter next morning made his speech read, "I may cuss Plato, I may cuss Socrates, said Major Veritas."

—The London Jockey Club has blackballed the Duke of Hamilton, who, in revenge, proposes to sell all his horses and quit the turf. If the late Marquis of Hastings had been black-balled perhaps his life and fortune might have been saved.

—The Englishmen who oppose the proposition to legalize marriage with a deceased wife's sister, urge that such a license would result in most horrible jealousy, and that wives would never allow their sisters to visit them when their husbands were at home.

—A one hundred thousand dollar diamond has been found at the Cape of Good Hope and added to the list of the leading gems of the world. The native who found it was aware that it was very valuable, and succeeded in selling it for five hundred sheep, ten oxen and a horse.

—A Boston paper says: The statistics of our city show that marriages among the native population are decreasing. The single and simple reason of this is the cost of married life. Young men are not afraid of the blooming institution, but they can't stand the depleting expense.

—The Young Men's Christian Association of Milwaukee has voted, by a majority of two hundred and sixteen in a vote of nine hundred, to keep their library open on Sunday. We believe they were right, although, in many places, a vote on the question taken among a similar class of men would have resulted differently.

—All of those other men who have pet schemes concerning the management of the National Treasury are howling about Mr. Boutwell because he has one too, and besides has the opportunity to carry it out. Put any other man with a pet scheme into Mr. Boutwell's place and the howl would be just as loud.

—On Wednesday last, a woman in Camden, while standing outside, upon the sill of a window which she was washing, in the second story of a house, fell and was seriously injured. A similar accident, it will be remembered, occurred in Allegheny a few weeks ago. Housekeepers should take warning by these dreadful occurrences, and positively prohibit their maids from needlessly risking their lives by this method of washing the windows, particularly as, we understand, it is quite as easy to attain the same degree of cleanliness and brilliancy for the sash and glass without any risk whatever.

Fashionable Costumes and Barbaric Displays.

I said a good deal in my last about opera patrons and patronesses. Since then there has been an amusing attack upon the fancy costumes decreed to be necessary for the more expensive parts of the house. The gentleman, it is said, must wear boots which are not even shower-proof, and in which he cannot walk for five minutes without inconvenience. "He must put on a coat, waistcoat and trousers of ridiculous make and material, in which he cannot possibly appear in the day time, except in a provincial town of Russia. He must wear a white cravat, which never looks quite creditable after it has once been used; gloves which are destroyed by the mere process of putting on and off, and a hat which would give intense delight to the street boys in his neighborhood if he ventured to go forth into the sun or rain with it. As for the paraphernalia of ladies upon such occasions, no earthly pen but that of the Countess Asterisk who writes descriptions of the fashions for milliners could atempt to describe it. Their very bangles and black hair are enough to consume a captain's pay and allowances for forty-five years and a half at least. Some of the ladies have now taken to wear profusely decorated helmets, of a red or golden color, and which are understood to be worth literally more than their weight of the most precious metal. It has come to be a fact, universally asserted and widely believed, that the scantier a lady's dress may be the larger is the amount of money which must be paid for it. The rage for ornaments is so great that the price of diamonds and other ornamental glitter is rising yearly, and a lady of determined views may very easily spend a Captain's whole property on gloves alone. British travellers used to be a great deal too ready to laugh at the demure female barbarians who were wont, but a few years ago, to stand in the street of Moscow, at fair-time, in the hope of attracting admiration by the pecuniary value of their clothing. The custom which these peripatetic philosophers so often rebuked has been, for some time past, adopted into our national manners. The price of an English lady at a play-house or a ball may be estimated, at a moderate average, as about three thousand pounds sterling, of course, exclusive of the inestimable value of the dame herself."—*London Correspondence Chicago Tribune.*

The Telegraph from Europe to India.

The new line runs from Thorn over the Prussian frontier to Odessa and Nicolajaw; through the Crimea to Taman; then through the Caucasus to Schuba on the Black Sea, which it crosses, the breadth at that place being 170 versts. Emerging at Cape Adler, it is continued by way of Tiflis and Erivan to Teheran. The passage of the Black Sea at its greatest width has been avoided, partly because soundings both in the Black Sea and the Caspian have shown that the bottom of the sea descends precipitously opposite the high mountains, and partly on account of the boring snail, which is a dangerous enemy to the cable and manages to penetrate through the surrounding wire into the interior, where it remains and devours everything of vegetable origin, even the gutta-percha itself. The shortest crossings have, therefore, been chosen, and the cable is protected by a wrapping of copper-wire, which, besides its durability, is poisonous to these creatures. The new line joins the one existing to India at Teheran, and will be finished in the present year.

Hoping for a "Collapse on the Other Side of the Atlantic."

American stocks and shares suffered considerably, because they are evidently viewed with distrust, and though they may be taken on continental account, English holders, if they are determined to sell what they posses, will be enabled to escape the apprehended sacrifice, if any serious discussion should arise in relation to the Alabama claims. A partial collapse on the other side of the Atlantic would perhaps be a salutary lesson for those who are encouraging the war movement against this country.—*London Herald, May 8.*

CLIPPINGS.

WORK has been resumed in several leading coal mines of the Wyoming region. This may be the precursor of resumption along the whole line.

IN Indianapolis, a few days ago, a child was born which balanced sixteen pounds avoirdupois on the scales. It has been called the "Welcome Stranger," after the great Australian gold nugget.

THE Eighth Congressional District of New York is the wealthiest in the United States. It returns to the Revenue Department this year forty-five incomes over $100,000, and more than one thousand which are over $10,000. The largest is that of A. T. Stewart, $3,010,218.

BARNEY BRIERTON, on a wager of thirty dollars, carried two bushels of wheat on his back and three bushels in a wheelbarrow from Mapleton to Oconomowoc, Wis., seven and a half miles, within five hours, and without stopping to put down his load for a moment.

JACKSON KIRKWOOD, the murderer of A. Knowles, at Wampum Furnace, Pennsylvania, about one month since, was arrested south of Fort Wayne, Ind., and taken to Newcastle, Pennsylvania, where his trial will be held. He was accompanied by his wife. Kirkwood killed Knowles with a shovel, over which they were quarrelling.

BISMARCK said, recently, to a prominent member of the North-German Parliament, that he knew both Napoleon III and Francis Joseph were in favor of peace, but the leading ladies of their courts (meaning the Empress Eugenie and the old Arch-duchess Sophia), were constantly trying to bring about a war with Prussia.

FASHIONABLE preachers in Paris now raise the wind for benevolent or church purposes by arranging lotteries of a very peculiar description. The prizes drawn are no other than themselves—that is to say, the winners have the right to claim their services as preachers, &c., for three or five days. The idea has, in several cases, been a very successful one.

A SUBSTANTIAL citizen of New Orleans got his portrait cheaply the other day. He paid a trifle at auction for a full length portrait of President Pierce, represented sitting at a table piled with public documents, and holding the scroll of the Constitution in his hand; then sent for an omnibus painter and had the face altered into his own likeness.

DISGRACEFUL proceedings took place recently at Falmouth, England, where a young woman was buried with extreme ritualistic ceremony, headed by a twelve foot cross. Incense was used in the church, the rector meantime kneeling at the coffin. The service was interrupted by groans from a large mob, mingled with hisses and laughter. A scuffle followed, in which the rector's surplice was torn.

THE New York *Sun* of the 17th asserts that Mr. Greeley is the author of John Russell Young's exposure. It says Young's letters were submitted to Mr. Greeley, and examined by him, four days before they were printed in the *Sun*, and then asseverates that they were published in the *Sun* because Mr. Greeley took no steps to punish or remove Young, concluding: "Mr. Young has himself to thank for the commission of the offense, and Mr. Greeley for its exposure."

IN the Paranagat District, in the southeastern part of the State of Nevada, distant from Austin perhaps 180 miles, is a remarkable mountain of salt about 70 miles south of the mines. It is reported to be about five miles in length and 600 feet in height. The body of salt is of unknown depth. It is chemically pure and crystaline, and does not deliquesce on exposure to atmosphere. Like rock, it requires blasting from the mine, whence it is taken in large blocks, and is as transparent as glass.

THE Portland, (Maine) *Transcript* says that Mrs. Caroline E. Brown, of Waterford, mother of the late Chas. E. Brown, "Artemus Ward," after waiting long, by the advice of friends, for the public to erect a monument over the grave of her son, has determined to put up a gravestone at her own expense. In furtherance of this object the editor of the *Transcript* has sent to her the sum of $31.50, principal and interest, placed in his hands as contributions towards the erection of a monument. Mrs. Brown has never received a cent from the property of her son.

A MAN in San Joaquin, California, has in his possession a surveyor's instrument, on the front lens of which is plainly seen a beautiful landscape, with all the varied hues of nature. Some fifteen years ago, according to the owner's account, the instrument had been in use, and was left standing for a time, on the plain, in a scorching midday's sun, fronting a woodland. When again brought into use, a correct picture of the fronting woodland, with all the various colors of the landscape, was photographed on the lens, and has remained unchanged to the present time.

BEN. WADE has been visited at his home in the "rustic village" of Jefferson by a newspaper correspondent. The "old war horse" received the correspondent graciously, and made no secret of his views upon men and things. He thinks the reason why Grant dislikes him is owing mainly to his being "down" on West Point, and a disparaging way in which he spoke of it; which Grant did not like; that there should be no difficulty in determining which is the true Republican party in Virginia, by noting which one the late rebels support; that Grant's policy will be a vigorous one, both in regard to the Ku Klux and the Alabama claims; that the logic of Sumner's speech is irresistible; and that a labor party would prove a failure.

A CORRESPONDENT of the Boston *Advertiser*, writing from New Orleans, says that "at the South the prevailing dislike for our section will crop out in unpleasant fashion. Three such ugly chances have happened to your correspondent within two weeks. One was on the Mississippi, where a brutal Texan amused himself by lounging in the neighborhood of those whom he imagined to be Northerners, and making disagreeable remarks about the d——d Yankees. Again, while taking an uneasy nap on a railroad train one stormy night, I was waked by the loud invectives of a burly planter who was saying to a friend, over their freshly opened whiskey bottle, that 'Damn the Yankees, the whole crew of them; he never saw any of 'em without wanting to blow the tops of their heads off,' and so on. The third was at the Troup House, in Selma, where the landlord devoted all his spare time—and he seemed to have a deal of it—to describing his exploits in offering gratuitous insults to carpet-baggers and scalawags. These instances might be offset by a dozen cases of personal kindness."

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