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PRESIDENTIAL.

We hope to see this question definitely settled, even in the eyes of a reformer, on the 14th of next month. The question, however, properly speaking, was settled on the 7th of last November to the satisfaction of all who are not reformers, and confirmed by the representatives of the people on the first Wednesday of last December, when they voted in the various State electoral colleges by a majority of one that Gov. Hayes should be the next President. But the newly fledged style of Tilden reformers want it settled over again in the hope that they will do better the next time. Their doctors of law, and doctors of no law, their lawyers of presumption and assumption, their men of sense, and of no sense, have all given their opinions on this vexed question and settled it according to the wish, desire and grand aim of the reformers. Their opinions are very variable, but all reaching the same conclusion, namely: That the reformers ought to have a sweet feast on the spoils of office. Any opinion reaching that, to them, most desirable conclusion is not only good law and good sense, but is eminently patriotic and just. Therefore stealing an elector from Oregon is of no great offence against law and morals, provided said elector don't cost more than \$8,000, and provided further that Tilden, Hewett and their Col. Pelton pay off said bill without any further assessments on their camp followers. But the reformers will not use their stolen property from Oregon provided they can bull-doze Florida or Louisiana, Congress or the country sufficiently to get the electoral vote from just one of these States. They don't care a fig as to which State confers this boon upon them. They desire to be very reasonable and moderate in their demands. They only desire just enough. They don't want to do any outlandish cheating. Hence they would be sorely grieved if they should be compelled to make use of their Cronin plunder. For they are reformers, and laboring for grand results, and are not willing to cheat any more than just enough to succeed in reforming the whole country. Unselfish, generous souls! how they long to do their country good? But how ungrateful is that country, which will have none of their reform. Just think of it? Why it deserves to be ruled over by Governor Hays for four years! And it will be.

A COLD WINTER.

This winter strongly reminds us of that of 1874-5, which was the coldest, snowiest and icest we have had for a long number of years. The first snow of consequence came in that year on the 20th of December when we had a snow fall of ten inches on an icy foundation, which remained until the last of March following. The number of snow falls was unprecedented, the number being stated as high as one hundred, aggregating fully eight feet of snow. Good sleighing lasted until the 30th of March, making over a hundred days of sleighing. The winter set in on a protracted drouth, the streams and wells were seldom, if ever, known to be lower. Many of the wells in town were dry from May to February following, when a snow thaw succeeded in filling most of them. Sunday, January 31 of that year was noted as the coldest day for years, the mercury averaging for the 24 hours about 6 degrees above zero. January 12th of the same year three thermometers in town marked 26 degrees below zero, and on the morning following it was 20 degrees below. March of that year was noted for the remarkable ice gorges at Port Jervis and at the Delaware Water Gap. By way of reminder as to what we had just passed through, we had a snow fall on the 14th of April of 12 inches deep. The winter of 1873-4 was very irregular, we having alternately cold and warm weather, snow and then rain. The snow fall was light and sleighing amounted to scarcely anything. We had several summer days in mid-winter. Everybody will remember that last winter was very open, we having but little snow or sleighing. But how soon we forget the character of the seasons. We would not have been able to pen this article had we not kept notes. If precedents may be regarded as a guide, while we may hope that this winter may not be as severe as that of 1874-5, it would be safer to prepare for such a one, for the signs as they present themselves to our mind strongly indicate a winter somewhat similar.

The Republican members of the House Committee sent to investigate election matters in Florida say that they are well satisfied that the vote of the State was rightly given to Hayes and Wheeler. The Democrats on the committee will doubtless report the other way, for that is what they went for, but the hope of the Tildenites that they would be able to overturn the electoral vote has evidently failed. The latest victim is the Monroe Democrat. It has also got an attack of that miserable fraud "The Ulster County Gazette" printed in 1890, and giving an account of the death and burial of Washington. The Democrat promises to give extracts "next week." This is the worst bite yet.—Honesdale Herald.

Anthracite Coal and the Great Companies.

Of the nineteen collieries in the vicinity of Wilkesbarre only nine are running. This is caused mainly by the fact that there are no combination prices. The other ten have been idle for nearly a year, principally because there has been no profit in running them. The nineteen collieries when running employ about 8,000 men, but now not more than one half that number are employed. The nine active collieries are running on three-quarters time. In the Lehigh region there are ten collieries running, all on three-fourths time, employing about 5,000 men. The anthracite coal mining business in this State is almost all in the hands of five great companies, viz: The Pennsylvania Coal Company, at Pittston; Delaware, Lackawanna and Western, at Scranton; Delaware and Hudson, at Scranton, Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Company, at Pottsville, and the Lehigh and Wilkesbarre Company, at Wilkesbarre. When these companies are united in their action they can control the supply and send the price of coal up or down at will, but divided, the companies can do nothing at the present ruinous rates. The companies are now endeavoring to effect a combination, but as yet nothing definite has been effected, and so long as this state of things exists there will be no profit in coal mining. The great companies long ago drove out of the field the small or individual operators, and now they appear to be in a fair way to drive each other out, unless they take the hint from their miners, and like them, cooperate. These companies have for some time been endeavoring to effect a combination, by which the prices and the quantity of coal mined and sold by each company shall be fixed at a certain rate. But they all appear to be afraid of each other, and all others especially are afraid of Packer, who it is alleged violated the last combination and caused it to be broken up.

The Legislature of this State has been in session for several days, and very little business transacted up to this date. Among the bills introduced in the Senate is one absolutely prohibiting any waiver of the \$300 exemption law by debtors, except when formally acknowledged before a Justice or other qualified officer. This is an act which seems likely to pass.

A bill is now pending in the Legislature conferring jurisdiction on the separate Orphans' Courts of this State to try issue of fact before a jury on disputed or contested wills and cognate branches. The measure provides, inter alia, that in all cases where a contest arises on the facts as to the making of a will, the competency of the testator and kindred matters, the parties shall have the right of trial by jury. Upon such demand the clerk of the court shall prepare a list of forty-eight citizens, and furnish the same to the counsel, who shall thereupon have the right to challenge alternately thirty-six of the number so named, the remaining twelve to be summoned on a precept issued by the court. Of these twelve each party is to have the right of peremptory challenge for cause, the vacancy thus created to be supplied by the issuing of a further precept or venire. It is also provided that the judge may himself strike off such person or persons as he may think unfitness or disqualified by reason of infirmity, relationship, &c.

On Saturday, 13th inst., the Hamilton Cornet Band started from Scotia with a number of sleighs, plenty of bells, flags, etc., to pay a friendly visit to the Bangor Band, Bangor, Northampton county. On their arrival they were most hospitably received by the Bangor Band and citizens generally, their every want and desire being anticipated and provided for. The day was pleasantly spent with appropriate music and social intercourse, ample justice having been done to the wants of the inner man, which "mine host" of the Broadway House understands to perfection. Late on Saturday evening the band returned to their homes all entertaining the highest opinion of the Bangor Band and citizens generally.

At a meeting of the band upon its return home it was unanimously resolved, That the thanks of the Hamilton Cornet Band are hereby tendered to the Bangor Band and citizens generally, for their generous hospitality and kind considerations on Saturday, January 13th, 1877.

Resolved, That an invitation is hereby cordially given to the Bangor Band to pay us a visit that we may, in part, at least, reciprocate their kindness and hospitality.

By order of the Hamilton Cornet Band. SILAS FRANTZ, Sec'y.

We have received the January number of Leisure Hours, a handsome mammoth 16 page (64 columns) family paper, filled with the choicest literature—serial and short stories, sketches, poetry, wit, humor, &c., &c. It is entertaining, amusing and instructive, and is one of the cheapest papers—the amount and quality of matter considered—that we have seen. The price is \$1.20 per year, including as premium a genuine fine-line steel engraving, called "The Mithersless Bairn," printed on 22x28 plate paper, which the publishers claim in superior point of merit and attractiveness to any premium ever offered by any other paper in this country, and is alone worth the money asked for both. The publishers, J. L. Patten & Co., 162 William street, New York, authorize us to say, that in order to introduce the paper in this vicinity they make a special offer to every one of our readers to send them the paper—"trial trip" of four months, post-paid, commencing with the January number for 25 cents.

TURKEY'S military strength is stated to be 644,512 men. GRAPE-VINE pruning is in season.

PULL down that snow bank. LAST Monday was mid winter. KEEP your pavements free from ice and snow.

FIFTY-FOUR prisoners are confined in the Easton jail.

RIOTS in the anthracite coal regions cost the State \$85,231 last year.

HENRY WARD BEECHER lectured at Hackettstown, N. J., on the 10th inst.

E. W. HAMLIN has been elected President of the Wayne County Agricultural Society.

TREE'S Ointment for Frozen Feet, at Hollishead's Drug Store. [11-1m].

BERKS county farmers are loaning money to their County Commissioners at five per cent.

A LARGE number of sparrows have taken up quarters among the chickens in our hen-house.

SIXTY sleds were counted at one time recently between Clarion and Elk City loaded with lumber.

OUR thanks are due A. K. McClure and A. Wilson Norris for a copy of "The Times Almanac" for 1877.

MR. OLIS B. GORDON will open a subscription school at the Ann Street School House on Tuesday, March 20th.

The sign must be "down" remarked a young lady the other evening as she fell on the icy pavement in front of Dreher Bros. drug store.

OUR ice dealers have their houses filled with fine ice, and the boys are in hopes that they will get a chance to skate elsewhere than on the sidewalks.

JUDGE DREHER has appointed Charles B. Staples, Esq., to examine the accounts of the Prothonotary and Register for the past year. A good appointment.

ON the first of April next, Mr. John Carmer of this place will take the store stand now occupied by Jacob McNeal, at Bossardsville, and engage in the mercantile business.

THE summer residence of Madam Ponisi, at Milford, together with its entire contents, was destroyed by fire on Sunday. It is insured in the Fire Association, of Philadelphia.

BARNUM'S "ex-lighting calculator," W. S. Hutehins by name, is now Baptist preacher. Another prominent arithmetic man, Lerah Culburn, has become a Methodist minister.

C. S. PALMER has been awarded the contract for rebuilding Bell's bridge and the bridge in this borough over McMichael's creek. His patent bridge has been adopted in both cases.

TWO of the fire-plugs in this borough were frozen up on Friday evening last. On Saturday the management succeeded in getting them open again.

MR. W. J. THOMPSON has rented the splendid store room of Ex-Sheriff Marsh on Main street, in this borough, and purposes on the first of April next, to stock the same with carpets, dry goods, etc.

THE joint of the water-pipe at the corner of Main and Franklin streets, in this borough, one day last week sprung a leak which caused quite a flow of water for a short time. The defect was speedily remedied by Dr. Cloud.

ON Saturday last, P. S. Posten, of this borough, favored quite a number of children with a sleigh ride of an hour through the principal streets of this borough. The little ones were highly delighted with the ride. Right, "Shanty," do so again.

THE auditors of this County are still actively engaged with the County accounts and expect to finish this week. Messrs. Silas L. Drake, Esq., of Stroud township, John E. Snyder, of this Borough, and Adam A. Singer, of Jackson township, compose the board of auditors.

ON Friday last a party consisting of Sim. Flory, Fred. Ruff, George Barnett, Dr. Shull, John White, S. G. Dreher and West Deal caught 70 suckers and one pickerel on Brodhead's creek, near Fisher's crossing. The suckers were very fine ones, one measuring 16 inches in length. The pickerel weighed 1 1/2 pounds. Lucky fishermen.

A SWINDLER.—The public are turned against a barefaced scoundrel who came up first in one part of the country and then in another, representing himself as our agent for an illustrated newspaper called Home and Fireside, which is published by George Stinson & Co., Portland, Maine. He gives receipts purporting to come from the publishers, but he had them printed himself, and signs to them first one name and then another. To most of his dupes he promises framed chromos or framed oil paintings. He changes his name and locality almost daily. The names he has last been operating under are Lewis Sykes, Charles Lewis, and Lewis Clark. This fellow has a hundred and one names and dodges; he is a young man and a smooth talker. Let the public beware of him, and let them look with suspicion on the canvasser for any publication who offers it for less than the published price, and who offers to throw in framed pictures and other goods not offered in the paper. In leaving a place, the scoundrel always forgets to pay his board bill. He is using a receipt now with George Stinson & Son printed across the end. The price of the paper is \$2.50 per year for the weekly edition, and \$1 per year for the monthly, but he will promise to send the weekly for one year for twenty-five cents if he can't get anymore.

DONATIONS.—A donation will be given on the 25th inst. at the Presbyterian Parsonage, at Shawnee, for the benefit of the pastor, Rev. J. L. Jenkins. The public are cordially invited.

A Donation will be given Rev. M. Harris, at the Parsonage, near the Brick Church, Middle Smithfield, on Tuesday, afternoon and evening, January 23d, 1877.

The day heretofore named having been stormy and roads almost impassable, it has been decided that a donation will be given the Rev. G. Roth, at the parsonage, Hamilton Square, on Monday, January 29th, 1877, afternoon and evening. Should the day be stormy the donation will be held the first fair day thereafter. All are cordially invited to attend. On the same day at 1 o'clock, p. m., a meeting of the Church Councils, comprising the Hamilton Charge, will be held at the Hamilton Church.

PERSONAL.—On Wednesday last, Jacob L. Houser, of Solomon Rapids, Mitchell county, Kansas, a former resident of this county, called on us, and we were glad to see him. This is Mr. H.'s first visit since he moved west, 27 years ago last April. He will remain among us for some time.

Mr. Frank Coulbarger, of Hoboken, N. J., was enjoying a brief respite from the arduous duties of general dispatcher of the D. L. & W. R. R., by visiting friends in this place on Monday last.

Miss Molly Heckenberry, of Hackettstown, N. J., who has been spending several days with the family of J. L. Wyckoff, of this place, left for her home on Monday last.

Mr. Jacob L. Wyckoff and lady, started for Brooklyn, N. Y., on a visit, to friends and will be absent for ten or fifteen days.

Mrs. LEONORA BROADHEAD, wife of L. W. Broadhead, esq., proprietor of the well known Water Gap House, died on Thursday morning last, after a lingering illness, aged about 49 years. Her funeral took place on Monday last, on which occasion the Rev. Mr. Knipe delivered an able and impressive sermon to a large concourse of relatives and friends. Rev. Van Allen, of Middle Smithfield, and Rev. J. L. Jenkins, of Shawnee, were also present and took part in the exercises. A large number of citizens from this place attended the funeral.

THIS being the year of the triennial assessment, assessors are required under the law of 1874 to assess all property exempt from taxation—such as bridges, churches, school houses, etc., in order that the County Commissioners can make their report to the Secretary of Internal Affairs.

It is stated in the New York papers that the Reading Coal and Iron Company has mortgaged all its property, wherever situated, to raise money to meet interest and other pressing obligations. It is also reported that the indebtedness of the corporation has increased \$2,000,000 during last year. The bonds of the company were recently quoted at 65 per cent.

DANIEL SMITH, the torpedo man, who was blown into atoms at Petrolia, a few days since, carried a \$400 gold watch. The main spring is all that has been found. Not a splinter of the wagon has been discovered. Only about fifteen pounds of the remains of Smith and his partner Humphreys could be found on which to hold an inquest.

Governor Hayes receives letters almost every day threatening him with the fate of Lincoln if he does not get out of the way, and many of them bear evident marks of sincerity. Thus it seems that "bull-dozing" Democrats do not confine their operations to Louisiana.

AN argument was made before Governor Hartranft and Attorney General Lear, on Friday last, upon the question of granting a requisition on the Governor of California for the return to Harrisburg of John A. Bigler, late vice-president of the defunct City Bank. Decision was reserved.

MARTH MEYERS, aged sixty years, froze to death on the sidewalk, at Easton, on Friday night last. The deceased was a bone-picker, and is supposed to have fallen from the window of a stable where he usually slept, in front of which he was found.

IN the United States Court, at Chicago Monday last, John I. Blair, the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad and other persons and corporations filed a bill for the foreclosure of a mortgage of three million dollars on the Chicago and Pacific Railroad.

GRAND HOG ROAST.—By an accident on the Marietta & Cincinnati Railroad at Vienna, Ohio, January 3d, a westward bound freight train was run into and the cars fired. Three hundred live hogs were roasted.

Twenty-nine foreign nations have presented their Centennial exhibits to the United States. President Grant thinks they ought to be collected in a permanent exhibition.

THE Hon. William A. Wheeler is in Washington, D. C., having just arrived from Ohio, where he has been on a visit to Governor Hayes.

THE funeral of Lucille Western and her niece, who died two weeks ago, took place on Monday, at Boston.

A GOOD many people in Stroudsburg are discontinuing the use of gas.

TWENTY-SIX millions in fractional currency are yet outstanding.

HARISBURG gas has been reduced to \$2 per thousand feet.

AN exchange remarks that slip-ups are still prevalent.

PHILADELPHIA has 13,474 delinquent tax-payers.

BALTIMORE's debt is fourteen and a half millions.

Fire at Belvidere, N. J.

On Wednesday morning last, the old Drug store, Hotel and Bakery, on Water street, Belvidere, N. J., were destroyed by fire. The fire broke out at 6 o'clock. The fire was put out by steamers from Phillipsburg, N. J., and Easton, Pa.

THE ICE IN THE OHIO RIVER.

THE BREAK-UP—ONE OF THE MOST DISASTROUS ON RECORD—THE ESTIMATED LOSSES—SEVERAL STEAMERS AND BARGES DESTROYED—PERILOUS VOYAGES ON FLOATING ICE.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 15.—The present break-up of the ice in the river has been one of the most disastrous on record, not only at this place, but at every point between here and Pittsburg. The lowest estimate of the damage done here is \$250,000, and the highest estimate is placed at \$400,000. The heaviest losses seem at this writing to be with coaldealers. There were 70 loaded and 150 empty barges sunk or carried away from their landings at this place. The most of those not actually sunk have been left in such a condition that nothing can be done for them, and they will be eventually lost. It is not certainly known whether there was any loss of life attending the break-up at this point, though a number of barges that were swept away had men aboard who have not since heard from. Two of the boats—half barge and half cottage—which were used as family habitations, were carried away. A father and son on one of them escaped to the shore on the ice, and the rest were eventually rescued at points below the city. When the wrecked steamer Calumet was swept away, Capt. Dagan and the mate were aboard, but made their escape by jumping on the Gordon City when the wreck reached that steamer. The small propeller, Mocking Bird, and the steamer Naomi, were sunk last evening. The steamer Alex Kendall, which was sunk below the city, had a cargo of merchandise from Cincinnati, valued at \$10,000, which will prove a total loss. The Cincinnati and Maysville packet, Handy, was also sunk; she was valued at \$1,000, and owned by Capt. Penmyist. The following are the estimated damages suffered by coal-dealers through the movement of the ice during Saturday night and Sunday: At Walter's Landing, \$60,000; at Stewart's Landing, \$5,000; at Crail & Wells' Landing, \$22,000; at Walmer's Landing, \$3,000; at Cochenower's Landing, \$2,500; at Pickleheimer's Landing, \$5,000; at Samuel Brown's Landing, \$14,000; at the Queen City Elevator, \$20,000; at Collier & Budd's Landing, \$3,000; at Zimmerman's Landing, \$6,000; at Salt Barges Landing, \$8,000; at Licking River, \$7,000; two produce boats, \$3,000. The river here and at points above, is reported full of floating ice. No gorge remains in this vicinity.

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CONFLAGRATION IN THE CENTRE OF SCRANTON. SCRANTON, Jan. 14.—A fire started at four o'clock yesterday morning in the book store of Pryor & Thompson, on Lackawanna avenue, in the centre of the city, and three valuable stores and a number of law offices, comprising what is known as Exchange block, were consumed. The fire extended with marvelous rapidity, and at one time it was feared the entire business centre of the city would be burned. The loss is estimated at \$100,000, and includes the buildings owned by Messrs. Hand, Blair, & Spencer, valued at \$60,000; the library of the Young Men's Christian Association, valued at \$3,000; the library of Hand & Post, attorneys, valued at \$10,000; the library of A. Chamberlain, attorney, valued at \$10,000; the library of Attorney Sturges, valued at \$2,000; the library of Attorney Archibald, valued at \$1,500; the office of the Mosaic Powder Company; the store of Pryor & Thompson; the grocery of Courson & Co., and the millinery establishment of Mrs. Cushman. The buildings and stock are fully insured.

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Lawyers' Fees.

We have had our attention called to a curious, though probably quite incorrect estimate of the comparative amount of money paid to the lawyers of Easton and Allentown by the clients whose trouble give work and lucre to the attorneys and counsellors. Lawyers, as a rule, do not tell the amounts of their incomes, and the guess of an outsider, however shrewd, is not entitled to acceptance on the part of those who have any good reasons for holding different opinions. The estimate of incomes enjoyed by leading members of the legal profession in the two principal counties of the Valley is, however, interesting, and we take advantage of a permission to publish it, notwithstanding its figures are only the result of such conjecture as any one may make. Of the members of the Northampton Bar, Henry Green's annual professional income is put down at \$20,000; Fackenthal, \$13,000; Fox, \$8,000; Kirkpatrick, \$8,000; Schuyler, \$6,000; Duster, \$5,000; Altes, \$4,000; Scott, \$4,000; the younger Jones, \$7,000; and various other lawyers ranging their income from \$5,000 to \$3,500. It is claimed in the paper to which we refer that the total amount of fees paid to lawyers in Northampton county is estimated at \$120,000 per annum, which strikes us as being a high figure. The annual aggregate incomes of Lehigh county lawyers for professional services are made to foot up to only a little more than half the sum total allowed the lawyers of the other county, \$65,000. The specifications lead off with Albright at \$10,000; Stiles, \$10,000; Runk & Baldwin, \$9,000; Harvey, \$7,000; Wright & Son, \$7,000; Butz & Swartz, \$6,000; Wyckoff, \$4,000; and other lawyers from \$1,000 to \$3,000 each. Lehigh is not so populous as Northampton, we know; yet it is a matter of gratification that one pretending to judge with approximate correctness should put our people down as only a little more than half as litigious as those of Northampton, which is certainly better for the community if it is less profitable for lawyers.—Allentown Bulletin.

A Storm Incident.

The Worcester (Mass.) Spy relates the following incident of the late storm in that city: "A lady and gentleman were caught by a whirlwind near Webster square, and the former narrowly escaped perishing. They were riding home early in the evening and were suddenly alarmed by a distant roaring. A tremendous gust of wind, carrying with it clouds of the light snow struck them in another instant. The horse was thrown down and the sleigh tipped over, the occupants being half buried in a snow drift. The gentleman wrapped the lady up in the buffalo robes and succeeded in placing her under the sleigh. The violence of the whirlwind continued for several minutes. When it had sufficiently subsided he succeeded in getting his sleigh righted, placed the lady in it and drove to his house which was close by. When they arrived the lady was thoroughly numbed and unconscious from the cold. She was with difficulty restored to consciousness, having barely escaped perishing with the cold within sight of her own dwelling. On the highways there has been no such trouble for twenty years. The Highway Commissioner has a force of 200 men at work, but is unable to keep the roads open for travel. The snow blows in much faster than it can be removed.

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The Worcester (Mass.) Spy relates the following incident of the late storm in that city: "A lady and gentleman were caught by a whirlwind near Webster square, and the former narrowly escaped perishing. They were riding home early in the evening and were suddenly alarmed by a distant roaring. A tremendous gust of wind, carrying with it clouds of the light snow struck them in another instant. The horse was thrown down and the sleigh tipped over, the occupants being half buried in a snow drift. The gentleman wrapped the lady up in the buffalo robes and succeeded in placing her under the sleigh. The violence of the whirlwind continued for several minutes. When it had sufficiently subsided he succeeded in getting his sleigh righted, placed the lady in it and drove to his house which was close by. When they arrived the lady was thoroughly numbed and unconscious from the cold. She was with difficulty restored to consciousness, having barely escaped perishing with the cold within sight of her own dwelling. On the highways there has been no such trouble for twenty years. The Highway Commissioner has a force of 200 men at work, but is unable to keep the roads open for travel. The snow blows in much faster than it can be removed.

THE BLOOMSBURY COLUMBIAN SAYS: JOHN SOYBERT IS AT PRESENT IN JAIL HERE CHARGED WITH STEALING HORSES, MULES, HOGS AND OTHER PROPERTY, AND ALSO WITH KILLING THE ABOVE MENTIONED ANIMALS. IT IS REPORTED THAT NO LESS THAN FIFTEEN TAILS OF HORSES WERE FOUND UNDER SOYBERT'S BARN. HE IS ALSO ACCUSED OF SELLING THE FLESH OF THESE BUTCHERED HORSES AND MULES UNDER THE NAMES OF VENISON AND DRIED BEEF. PLEASANT FOR LOVERS OF BEEF AND DEER.

OUTSTANDING NATIONAL BANK NOTES: CURRENCY, \$319,218,205; gold notes, \$2,097,390. The receipts of national bank notes last week for redemption were \$5,065,000. The Treasury now holds \$337,993,700 in bonds to secure national bank circulation, and \$19,062,000 to secure public deposits.