

Did The Election Do It?

As an illustration of the gigantic strides with which the steel rail manufacturing industry has advanced under the policy of Protection in the United States during the past twenty years, the following figures will be of great interest: In 1867 the United States had but one steel rail rolling mill. In 1887 we had thirty-eight. The product had increased from 2,277 tons in 1867 to 2,101,904 tons in 1887—the mileage of railroads increasing during the same time to 150,000 miles.

James Mann, the axe manufacturer, at Lewistown, Pa., has given his employees notice of a 10 per cent. advance of wages, to take effect on December 1.

The Henderson Steel Works, at Birmingham, Ala., started up recently. It furnishes employment to a large number of men.

Fires were lighted in the Charlotta Iron Works blast-furnace in Rochester, N. Y., last week, after being out for five months.

The fire has been lighted in the new furnace of the Oregon Iron and Steel Company at Oswego, Ore. Work was also begun in the company's iron pipe foundry.

The capacity of the Athens Foundry and Machine Works, of Athens, Ga., will be doubled. This is hailed with much satisfaction by the industrial inhabitants of that city.

W. C. Cronmeyer, chairman of the United States Iron and Tin Plate Company, Limited, of Demmer Station, Pa., recently said to a reporter of the Pittsburgh Dispatch: "If the Senate [Tariff] bill should be passed, amended so as to bring tin and terno plates under the same clause with galvanized iron, we would within six weeks of the time of the passage begin the manufacture of the tin plates, and we would make additions to our works, filling the five acres of vacant ground, and inside of two years we would have one thousand men in our employ instead of two hundred."

The Pittsburgh Post goes into spasms of delicious joy over its discovery that Cleveland had 80,000 more votes at the late election than Harrison. Granting that this statement is true, and it is an exceedingly liberal grant, considering the source of the statement, it is very easy to explain it. In the Northern States where every man votes and no voter is disqualified by force and prevented from casting his ballot, General Harrison's vote far outtops that of Cleveland, but in the Southern States, where the regularly qualified voters are prevented by numerous ways that are dark from casting their votes for the Republican ticket, the Cleveland vote far outnumbers that of Harrison. With a fair election all over the Union that 80,000 excess of Democratic votes would dwindle down to nothing. The man with a black skin far outnumbers the white voter in many of the Southern districts, but he doesn't vote, simply through fear of the shot gun. Oh, it is very easy to account for that 80,000. Give us a fair election and fair count in the South, and no shot guns and tissue ballots.—Harrisburg Telegraph.

ONE of the most horrible riots in many years occurred in Birmingham, Alabama, on Sunday night last. Richard R. Hayes had been arrested and placed in jail, charged with the murder of his wife and child. A mob of 3,000 people gathered about the jail, which was guarded by the Sheriff and his posse, and who warned the rioters to desist. The infuriated crowd paid no heed to the warning, and the officers opened fire with several Winchester rifles and a Gatling gun, causing terrible havoc among the multitude. Nine men were killed outright, and 14 wounded more or less seriously, among them Postmaster Throckmorton, who was attempting to induce the crowd to give up the attempt to lynch the murderer. The Sheriff has been placed under arrest and the populace is in a frenzy of excitement over the terrible affair.

THE latest figures on the next House of Representatives make the result very close. W. Michaels, clerk of the Senate Printing Committee, in making up the new Congressional Directory has obtained all the information possible, and his figures give the Republicans the House by a majority of five, standing 155 Republicans to 150 Democrats. This gives the Republicans two members from West Virginia and the Third Tennessee District.

THE new Pension appropriation bill appropriates \$31,767,500 to the Union pensioners. That's right. Too much cannot be done for these people.

SOME of the murderous women-beating White Caps of Indiana have been arrested and are found to be well known, respectable citizens. Respectable citizens should respect the law, or be made to feel its pains and penalties if they don't.

CHARLES E. VOORHEES, Resident Clerk of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives, has completed the corrected list of the Senate and House of Representatives for 1889-1890. It shows the Senate to consist of 34 Republicans and 16 Democrats, and the House 144 Republicans and 60 Democrats. On joint ballot there are 178 Republicans and 76 Democrats, a Republican majority of 102.

Appropriate Presents. Amongst the holiday gifts, photographs might be exchanged. Relatives and intimate friends often desire each other's pictures, but postpone the matter, and there is a feeling that there is a certain egotism about sending one's "counterfeit presentment" unless it is asked for.

A photograph in a handsome case ought to be as pretty and acceptable a token of remembrance as many of the inconsequential things that are exchanged at holiday time, and certainly a picture of one's self is apt to keep in mind longer than any other article.

Kinspeople who like one another ought at all events to have family pictures. When death supervenes nothing can supply the place of a likeness of the one who is gone. That is an ever eloquent historian, keeping the memory of the departed vivid and abiding. Let this consideration then have its share when you are planning for the coming Christmas festival.

Teachers' Institute.

The Forest County Annual Institute will be held in the Court House, in Tionesta, commencing Monday, December 24, at 2:30 P. M., and continuing until Friday at 12 M.

Prof. A. J. Davis of the Clarion State Normal School, and Supt. Geo. B. Lord of Venango county, will be with us the entire week, and will be assisted by our leading teachers and local talent in giving instructions in the different branches.

Mr. F. A. Wheeler of West Hickory, will have charge of the music during the day sessions, and will sing at each evening session.

Jabu Dewitt Miller will lecture on Monday evening; subject, "Uses of Ugliness," and on Tuesday evening on "Love, Courtship and Marriage."

The lectures by Mr. Miller on "The Uses of Ugliness," and on "Love, Courtship and Marriage," were most heartily received by our Chautauqua audience, probably as fastidious and critical as any in the land.—Chautauqua Daily Assembly Herald.

Miss Vandelia Varnum of Franklinsville, N. Y., will lecture Wednesday evening, on Scientific Temperance.

Rev. George Thomas Dowling will lecture Thursday evening, subject, "The Good Old Times."

The New York Sun of August 18, 1888, says of him: "He is a most eloquent man."

The New York World of August 20, 1888: "Dr. Dowling is a most brilliant orator; immensely popular, and the author of a philosophical novel entitled 'The Wreckers.'"

Every teacher in the county is expected to be present during the entire session, and Directors and other friends of education are cordially invited to be present and take part in the exercises. Special session for Directors on Thursday afternoon.

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