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Some idea may be gathered of the enormous increase of the fruit-growing industry from the fact that in 1850 the fruit crop of the United States was valued at only \$4,000,000, while in 1888 it was \$137,000,000.

The Chicago Railway Age publishes a statement showing that 606 new railroads were contemplated in this year, which will include the building of 15,436 miles of road. Of this 14,818 miles are under construction or contract, 627 miles surveyed, and the remainder simply incorporated or projected.

A curious discovery, says an English exchange, has been made at the station of the Taff Vale Railway company. A large elm tree, growing in a grassy space, was being cut up into timber when right in the very heart of a sandy measuring 8 feet long by 7 1/2 inches in diameter was discovered a small fragment of the comb of a bee. The comb was found to be of the same material as that of the wild bees of the district. It is the first time that such a discovery has been made.

A CENTURY OF PRESIDENTS.

The election of the illustrious Washington to the highest office in his native country was formally announced to him on the 14th of April, 1789. He accepted the office with great reluctance, for he was summoned by his country, which he could never hear but with veneration and love.

As his presence in New York, then the seat of government, was immediately required, he set out from Mount Vernon on the 16th, the second day after he received the notice of his appointment. His journey was a triumphal procession, such as no conqueror could boast. When he approached the several towns the people gathered to see him and greet him as he passed, and in the principal cities his presence was announced by the firing of canons, ringing of bells, and great display.

THE FIRST TWENTY YEARS OF HIS LIFE.

Oh, Joyous Youth. "Live as long as you may, the first twenty years of your life are the best half of it." This was said by one of our modern writers, and we doubt whether anything more true was ever said by any man.

Franklin Pierce was the fourteenth President of the United States. His entire administration was one of intense excitement and party feeling, high in all parts of the country. His term expired in 1857, and he was succeeded by James Buchanan. The country was in a ferment of agitation on the slavery question, which broke out into war just as his term of office ended. He was followed by Abraham Lincoln, statesman President of the United States, who was born in Kentucky, February 12, 1809. His grandfather was an emigrant from Virginia, his father a poor farmer, who in 1806 removed from Kentucky to Indiana. In the early days of his life Lincoln spent his schooling did not exceed one year, and he was employed in the severest and most menial of work.

THE SKIN WE WIND.

If you and I today should stop, and lay our heads upon our hands, and say, "I wish I were not here," what would you do? And if some other had should come and stop to find out, what would he do? It is a question worth stopping; for it should come to keep our heads upon our necks.

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NEWS IN BRIEF.

Mr. Potter goes over to France by the French line early in June, and will see the modistes manufacturer her stage the new styles, and will be completed for two years.

—Annie Lives reads all the criticisms she can find, and is particularly quick to note the good in any other light being in the sun.

The largest balometer on the continent is being made for the Georgia Geological School at Atlanta. The tube is to be 20 feet long, and the diameter of three inches. Sulfuric acid will be used in the tube.

FLORIDA HAS A crop of three million boxes of oranges more than the best season. Few realize the amount of transportation required to move such a crop. The usual cartload of oranges consists of three hundred boxes; three million boxes will make two million cartloads, and if carried by an air line of railway, it would require the service of four hundred and ten cars per day, or one hundred and ten carloads a month.

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INVESTIGATION, it is said, shows that the Anarchists in Chicago are continuing their work of organizing, and are all now working in perfect harmony. "Their Sunday schools and all their meetings are being held with great regularity. They have adopted the Russian plan of holding meetings. The members are informed by secret signs where the next meeting shall take place. For the purpose of making it more difficult for the police to watch the meetings and control their numbers, they meet in small groups at the houses of various members."

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Advertisement for "3 SHOE FOR GENTLEMEN" and "2 SHOE FOR LADIES". The advertisement describes various styles of shoes, including "Dress Shoes", "Boat Shoes", and "Casual Shoes". It also mentions "S. M. & W. SON" as the manufacturer and retailer. The text is arranged in columns, with small illustrations of shoes interspersed.

Advertisement for "D. L. BROS." and "DR. LOBB". The advertisement for D. L. Bros. mentions "The Grand Musical Feature of the Universal Exhibition at Paris" and describes various musical instruments and accessories. The advertisement for Dr. Lobb mentions "The Best of the French" and describes various medicinal products and their benefits. The text is arranged in columns, with small illustrations of bottles and boxes interspersed.