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Treated free. Positively cured with Rubber Band. DROPSY. DROPSY. DROPSY.

NEWS FROM THE CAPITOL.

NATIONAL AFFAIRS.

Items of Interest About the City of Washington.

The majority of the special committee of the house appointed to inquire into the causes of the prevailing agricultural depression, has prepared a report in which it says:

"While the value of property owned by the American farmers has decreased in thirty years from nearly one-half of the total wealth in 1860 to less than one-fourth in 1890, of which 30 per cent. is now under mortgage—taxes have steadily increased, and debts now require four times the labor to be paid off than was then required.

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To secure relief we suggest: That silver should be demonetized at the rate of 16 to 1; a bounty on exports of agricultural staples should be allowed, similar to that on fish in 1810, and for which John C. Calhoun voted that gambling in futures should be prevented by law; that a national pure food law should be enacted. A minority report is being prepared.

NEW LOTTERY LAW.

Stringent Measures Passed by Congress in its Last Hours.

The last measure signed by the president and one in which a great deal of interest has been taken was the "anti-lottery bill."

The measure is a brief one of but four sections, the most important of which is the first. This specifies that "any person who shall cause to be brought within the United States from abroad, for the purpose of disposing of the same, or deposited in or carried by the mails of the United States, or carried from one state to another in the United States, any paper, certificate, or instrument purporting to be or represent a ticket, chance, share or interest in or dependent upon the event of a lottery, so-called gift or similar enterprise, offering prizes dependent upon lot or chance or shall cause any advertisement of such lottery, so-called gift, concert, or similar enterprise offering prizes dependent upon lot or chance, to be brought into the United States, or deposited in or carried by the mails of the United States or transferred from one state to another in the same, shall be punishable in the first offense by imprisonment for not more than two years or by a fine of not more than \$1,000, or both, and in the second and after offenses by such imprisonment only.

\$40,000 FIRE.

Port of Spain, Trinidad, Nearly Destroyed.

A special cable from Port of Spain, Trinidad, says: "The city has narrowly escaped total destruction by fire. The loss will amount to nearly \$4,000,000, the chief business section having been the center of conflagration. Nearly twenty thousand people would have been homeless if it had not been for the assistance given by the United States North Atlantic squadron and H. M. S. Buzzard, in extinguishing the flames.

Mrs. Vanderbilt Divorced. Justice Barrett, of New York, issued a decree of absolute divorce in the suit of Mrs. Alva E. Vanderbilt against William K. Vanderbilt. The decree awards the custody of the children to Mrs. Vanderbilt, it being provided that they shall be educated in the United States.

It is said that the break between Mr. and Mrs. Vanderbilt came at the close of the yachting trip on board the Valiant last summer, during which, it is alleged, Mrs. Vanderbilt was subjected to indignities in the presence of their friends that made it impossible longer to defer action. It is alleged that Vanderbilt's relations with Miss Neustrotter were so openly paraded by him with the purpose of forcing his wife to take cognizance of them.

Spain's Demand. Capt.-General Calleja has demanded the recall of the American consul general at Havana. At a Spanish cabinet council it was agreed to support the demand. The consul general is Ramon O. Williams of New York.

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Just What He Needed. An old woman of a thrifty turn of mind lives in a village far away from any town. Some time ago her husband lay very ill and the doctor had said that he had not more than a week to live. The old lady had to go to town to have her husband's medicine put up, and thinking it would save her a second long journey, she took the opportunity of buying the cake and wine for the apparently inevitable funeral. On her return her dying husband interrogated her thus: "What did ye get in th' toon, 'umman?" "I got yer medicine made up." "An' what else?" inquired the invalid. "Weel," hesitatingly, "as it's so far to town I thoct I might as weel buy the cake and wine for the funeral."

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PROMINENT PEOPLE.

Queen Victoria is something of a hypochondriac.

Frank Bonaparte, for twenty-one years a slave, left \$200,000.

The Sultan of Turkey has sent a fine Diamond to Emperor William for a present.

Samuel Dan Hooper, the distinguished writer on financial topics, died, a few days since, in a hospital at Washington, D. C.

En. Scherzer was a Visited Prince Bismarck to receive only a few deputations on April 1, his birthday, and to meet the others on subsequent days.

Timothy M. de Giers, Russian Minister for Foreign Affairs, was a Lutheran, and was descended from a Swedish family settled in Poland. His public services extended over a period of fifty years.

John W. Phelps' great claim to the respect of the British people is that he has never suffered a defeat. Lord Napier, in the Abyssinian war, was defeated by the British campaign without a single reverse.

Charles A. Seligman, who was elected as a Republican to the next House of Representatives in the absence of Henry W. Blair, of New Hampshire, has come out for silver. He is the only member of the New England delegation who has yet taken that stand.

E. N. Morrill, the Governor of Kansas, is one of the few survivors of those who figured in the exciting territorial politics of the West. The late Premier of the United States, Mr. Grant, was a member of the Kansas Legislature which abolished the Leecompton constitution.

The Governor-General of Canada, Lord Aberdeen, has offered to provide for the maintenance of the late Sir John Thompson's two sons and their families. The late Premier of Canada left an estate of less than \$10,000.

Samuel Charles L. Becker, of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York, has decided to resign, as he has already contemplated doing when he reached the city of New York. He has now seventy-one years. He was appointed by President Lincoln in 1853.

Miss Monroe, sister of the Secretary of Agriculture, is the only person prominently connected with the Administration who is also a talk French to members of the Diplomatic Corps. She lost her fortune inheriting a note of another brother, and was compelled to open a girl's school in Detroit.

The Duchess of Devonshire is mistress of eight magnificent country seats and town houses in England, a chateau in France, a villa in the Riviera, and has a daughter married to a man who bears three dukedoms—Hamilton, Brandon and Chateaufort. She herself has been twice led to the altar by a Duke. Her dual record is thus quite unique.

Alfred Caparella, whose "Stephanie Gavrilov" has been played in almost every country in the world, died of angina pectoris recently in Vienna. He was born in Hungary, and began his musical career as an infant phenomenon, playing for several seasons in Southern Russia. He wrote "Aurora," and the waltz "L'Amour Français" after "Les Bais" which is still popular. Caparella was only fifty-four years old.

Dangerous Check Raising. The Union Pacific pay car, on its westward trip, was followed by a gang of expert check raisers, who brought the small checks of the workmen and raised them to large sums, cashing them in the cities along the line. The company has been defrauded to the extent of several thousand dollars. It is said that the gang has a method of erasing ink with acid which defies the best chemically prepared paper guaranteed to show the slightest presence of acid or other foreign substance. The changes made cannot be detected by means of a powerful glass.

Gas Explosion. At Anderson, Ind., a \$75,000 business block on the Court House Square was blown all over the central part of the city. In the building were the Cohen clothing store, Fraker's shoe store, Handley's drug store and a large number of business offices and halls on the upper floor. Fire followed the explosion, which was like an earthquake, and the debris began burning fiercely. The entire fire department was called out and prevented the fire from reaching the new court house.

Ship Canals and Naval Defenses. The canal planned by the Maritime Canal Company, of North America, whose incorporation was proposed by bills introduced in the last Congress, is to be a water way following the Hudson river, Lake Champlain, St. Lawrence and Niagara river route to connect the lakes. The practicability of that line is the question whether a possibly greater depth will compensate for its contiguity as compared with the direct line from the lakes to the Hudson must be determined by surveys.

Killed for a Dollar. A fatal quarrel took place at Jumbo, a mining settlement near McDonald, Pa., which resulted in murder. Frank Mosby, who lives at Jumbo, owed his cousin, Robert Mosby, who lives at Walkers Mills, \$1. It seems that Robert came to Jumbo and demanded that Frank give him his money, which Frank positively declined to do. This angered Robert that he deliberately shot his cousin through the temple, killing him almost instantly. The murderer then took to the hills and eluded capture.

John Brown's Fort. The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company, which in making its extensive improvements at Harper's Ferry, Va., took the lead upon which is the old landmark and place of historic interest, the John Brown fort, is erecting a monument to mark the spot. The monument is of native marble, and stands twenty-five feet high, on a base eight feet square. The shaft and base are rough hewn and artistic, and the base bears the inscription, "John Brown's Fort."

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Jim Nutt Bound Over. James W. Nutt, who made a murderous assault on Mrs. Jessie Fayton and Leonard Colman in Michigan three weeks ago, had his primary hearing and was bound over for trial in the district court. His bond was fixed at \$10,000 in Colman's case. Mrs. Fayton was unable to appear in court, and Nutt will have a hearing in her case as soon as she recovers sufficiently to give her testimony.

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Spring Medicine

It is so important that you should be sure to get THE BEST. Hood's Sarsaparilla has proven its unequalled merit by its thousands of remarkable cures, and the fact that it has a larger sale than any other sarsaparilla or blood purifier shows the great confidence the people have in it.

"I was all broken down in health, so weak and nervous I was hardly able to be up. I had severe pains in my side, and headache. I would often have to stop when going up-stairs on account of palpitation of the heart. I had no appetite and a distressed feeling in my stomach. I resolved to try Hood's Sarsaparilla. I took two bottles and have not had a spell of sick headache for four months, feel well, work all day and eat heartily. My friends remark how well I am looking. I think all nervous, run down people ought to take it, especially nursing mothers." Mrs. S. Anwarum, Eaton, O.

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Wanted to Use It. "John," said the man who had been abused by the newspaper, "will you be using your football suit to-morrow?" "Why, of course," replied his son. "Well, hurry up and get through with it. I'm going over to demand satisfaction of the editor, and I think maybe it'll be a good idea for me to wear it."—Exchange.

Considerate. Tenant—See here! That fat you rented to me is full of cockroaches. Agent—That's all right. We never claim anything left over by a former tenant.—New York World.

A Bank Failure.

AN INVESTIGATION DEMANDED.

A general banking business is done by the human system, because the blood deposits in its vaults whatever wealth we may gain from day to day. This wealth is laid up against "a rainy day" as a reserve fund—we're in a condition of healthy prosperity if we have laid away sufficient capital to draw upon in the hour of our greatest need.

There is danger in getting thin, because it is a sign of letting down in health. To gain in blood is nearly always to gain in wholesome flesh. The odds are in favor of the germ of consumption, grip, or pneumonia, if our liver be inactive and our blood impure, or if our flesh be reduced below a healthy standard. What is required is an increase in our germ-fighting strength. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery enriches the blood and makes it wholesome, stops the waste of tissue and at the same time builds up the strength. A medicine which will rid the blood of its poisons, cleanse and invigorate the great organs of the body, vitalize the system, thrill the whole body with new energy and make permanent work of it, is surely a remedy of great value.

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