

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

There are more evictions for non-payment of rents in New York and Brooklyn in one year, says a judge of the latter city, than in Ireland in two years.

The Philadelphia Record suggests a fruitful subject for speculation in an article in which it gives the names and addresses of more than 200 women of Philadelphia, most of them young, who mysteriously disappeared last year.

The Brazilian government has failed to obtain recognition by Germany, Spain, Austria and Russia. At St. Petersburg the czar has announced that nothing would induce him to recognize the republic during the lifetime of Dom Pedro.

DUBLIN continues very frequently in Italy. During the last twelve months 3,750 ducks were fought and fifty of the combatants were killed. Some of the ducks were wounded several times in the same conflict, for 3,901 wounds were inflicted and over one thousand of these were serious.

It is believed that thirty strangers per week arrive in New York to purchase counterfeit money of sharpers, and while each and every one of them is swindled, it is only about one out of every hundred who makes a complaint. His own guilt forbids, and he goes home a swindled and wiser man.

According to statistics recently sent out from Washington, the internal revenue receipts have increased nearly 75 percent over those of the previous fiscal year. The annual increase in population is about 2 1/2 percent. Inasmuch as the internal revenue is largely derived from spirits and liquors the exhibit gives a very fair indication of the progress of the national thirst.

In all probability, the most enviable community in the world is that in the village of Klingenberg, on the Main, in Germany. Instead of paying taxes as ordinary mortals, the citizens of Klingenberg received each \$50 marks from the income of several factors owned by the town. The division was made after the expenses of administration had been paid by money from the same source.

SMALLPOX has practically disappeared from the British Isles, only one death having been registered from this disease in England and Wales for the three months ending with September last. During the same period 85 deaths from smallpox were recorded in Venice; 53 in St. Petersburg; 18 in Paris; 11 in Vienna; 10 in Brussels; 7 in Turin; 6 in Prague; and a large number in Madrid.

VICE-PRESIDENT MORTON'S country-home at Rhinecliff, N. Y., is provided with two hundred and fifty incandescent lamps. An interesting feature is the wiring of the house in such a manner that should any window or door be tampered with by burglars, a special automatic switching device will throw into circuit a number of lights, thus giving the nocturnal intruder a bright and warm welcome.

THE YOUNG Women's Christian Temperance Unions of the larger cities will give special attention this year to "College Settlements," a plan by which refined and well-to-do women take up their residence for a time in the most undesirable quarters of the city, there to give an object-lesson in cleanly, healthful home-life. Such "settlements" in New York and Chicago are telling visibly upon the "slums" by which they are surrounded.

THAT precious relic of the old world, the Egyptian obelisk, in Central Park, absolutely refuses to be naturalized, says the New York Mail and Express. The spirit of serfdom was doubtless so ingrained into it that at this late day it simply could not be reformed. This is why the Board of Aldermen voted \$2,800 to get it a new coat of wax. The old coat has worn away, and the prospect of eastern storms threatened the old veteran's life. What a pity this antique party isn't put under cover!

SUPERINTENDENTS of factories would do well to regard attentively the regime which exists in a wool-spinning mill in Norway. All the unmarried hands, both male and female, are engaged for a fixed yearly salary and get board and lodging at the works. There is a large kitchen and a large dining room; where the employer and employed dine together. The superintendent oversees the spinning, the cooking, the bedrooms and the other apartments are roomy and well ventilated, the women sleep in one end of the building and the men in the other. They all look healthy and fresh, and very unlike ordinary factory hands.

ACCORDING to a functionary of the Czar in New York city, it is a mistake to suppose that His Majesty is not aware of the attacks made in foreign countries upon his policy. He says: "There is no government in Europe that hears the voice of mankind more attentively than I. The Czar recently thanked the American Minister in St. Petersburg for expressing approval of his tolerant disposition. He has prohibited the flogging of women on account of the foreign outcry against it. There is no doubt that he has been made angry by the English and American remonstrances against his treatment of the Jews, and that he has decided to prevent him from changing his anti-Semitic policy. He hears some foreign protests and disregards others, but he knows of them all, as can be found out by anybody who reads the Official Messenger."

A PEASANT physician named Rieger, of Glogau, in Silesia, announces a cure for diphtheria which an agent of the Emperor has examined and reported very favorably upon. It is thought to be a mixture of extracts from two or three common weeds and an oil. The salve resulting from the mixture is liquefied, and applied with a brush to the interior of the throat. The remedy was discovered by Rieger's father, a shepherd. It was applied by him only to external wounds. Once, when young Rieger's whole herd was dying of diphtheria, he, in despair of all other means, began treating their throats with the salve. The favorable effect was apparent almost immediately, and in a few days every head of cattle was well again. Shortly afterward diphtheria became epidemic in the village. Rieger was invariably called to give his remedy in the most severe cases, and almost without exception it was followed by recovery. Gradually its fame spread, till to-day he is receiving calls to cure persons of diphtheria all over Germany. The cures that he has contributed most to his reputation were effected a few weeks ago in the family of the Freiherr von Falkenhausen, in Bielea.

AS experiment for the solution of the tramp question was begun in Germany by a benevolent clergyman in 1882. It was to give relief to those vagrants in exchange for work. He established stations called labor colonies, and last year twenty-one of them admitted 6,281 persons. If a tramp refuses the work pro-

vided for him at a colony, he is turned over to the civil authorities and disposed of according to law. The system has already reduced vagrancy and mendicancy in the empire, it is reported, and has diminished the mendicant population. The work supplied is largely farming, reclamation of wastes, forestry or trades. The stations are supported solely by private subscriptions. After fourteen days the tramp is paid moderate wages, and from them is deducted the cost of clothing and other articles he may use. Besides the colonies there are a thousand "stations" where wanderers have temporary relief always in return for work.

Twenty-seven locomotives are in course of construction at the Baldwin Locomotive Works, Philadelphia, which, when finished, will be shipped to New South Wales, Australia. This is one of the largest foreign orders ever filled by the Baldwin Works, and coming from an Australian province under the dominion of Great Britain, is very significant. These twenty-seven locomotives will be taken on a railroad owned and operated by the Commonwealth of England. The English government roads were mainly supplied with English-made locomotives. The contract for the iron monsters was made about two months ago. Ten of them are passenger locomotives, built on the ordinary American plan, and are especially designed for runs on heavy "stations" where wanderers have temporary relief always in return for work. The English locomotive is not so well adapted for mountain-climbing and curve-turning as are the ones made at the Baldwin Works. These ten passenger engines will each weigh about thirty tons, exclusive of the tender, which, loaded, will tip the beam at the same figure.

THE Lutheran is a church of many languages. The latest statistics show that of its baptized membership throughout the world 32,000,000 speak German, 5,300,000 Swedish, 2,500,000 Norwegian, 2,300,000 Danish, 2,048,000 Finnish, 1,250,000 English, 1,113,000 Hungarian, 824,000 Livonian, 480,000 Couronian, 372,000 Estonian, 70,000 Icelandic, 48,000 Bohemian, and that in every other civilized tongue she is well represented, numbering in the world 28,000 educated ministers, 28,381 church edifices, and 50,051,380 baptized members. This church, though taking its origin in Germany, seems to know no other fatherland or mother tongue. She is at home everywhere. In the United States, though among the last to come to general public recognition, she is doing Christian work in twelve different languages, and has 4,092 ministers, 7,948 churches, and 1,100,000 communicant members, 24 theological seminaries, 25 colleges, 48 seminaries and academies, 57 orphan homes and hospitals, and 140 church papers, of which 48 are English, 51 German, 16 Swedish, 15 Norwegian, 4 Danish, 3 Finnish, 2 Icelandic and 2 French.

Valuable Real Estate.

Some idea of the enormous value of real estate in New York can be gathered from the fact that a single plat of ground on the northeast corner of Thirty-first St. and Broadway is the subject of sharp bidding for nearly two years on the basis of \$600,000. This is a building on the premises, but as it is a somewhat antique structure it does not enter into the negotiations for the sale of the land. It is said that \$650,000 was refused last week for this lot. The enormous value of property along upper Broadway is the subject of some what dilapidated and ragged appearance of the buildings on that thoroughfare. Many of the tumble down three-story brick buildings pay their owners \$7,000 and \$8,000 a year in rents. It is more profitable to keep them in their present condition than it would be to pull them down and put up more pretentious structures. The wedge-shaped lot at the junction of Fifth Avenue, Broadway and Twenty-third street, which is covered by a rambling lot of two-story buildings, has been the subject of exhaustive figuring by every builder and real estate speculator of consequence in New York. None of them can figure out higher returns on the capital invested than the ramshackle little buildings now pay. If the owner were to take them down and put up a ten-story building his loss in the way of interest on the capital invested in the new building and the net loss on rents during the construction of the building would be equivalent to a good-sized fortune; hence one of the most important bits of ground in America is held under the head of unimproved real estate.—[New Orleans Picayune.

Artificial Rubies.

About three years ago, two French chemists succeeded in producing rubies artificially. The crystals obtained, however, were small and since then the inventors have been occupied with the problem of increasing the size of the rubies obtained. To this end considerable changes have been made in their methods of operating. Instead of using pure alumina, as formerly, alumina alkalinized by potassium carbonate is employed. This addition of an alkali does not detract from the purity of the crystals obtained, while it facilitates their regular formation. In the original experiments the operation was completed in twenty-four hours, but the reaction is now extended over several months, with the result of obtaining much larger crystals. As much as seven pound weight of rubies is said to have been obtained at a single operation. Although the crystals are still relatively small, they are sufficiently large to mount, which was not the case in the first essays of the inventors.

Salt for Stock.

It is scarcely necessary, at this late day, to question the advisability of giving salt to farm stock. It is true that they may live a long time without, but what deprivations our animals may endure is not the way we should look at the subject. In European countries, where they have not only the salt but the phosphorus, but have conducted their experiments with greater care than has ever been attempted in this country, salt is generally considered as essential to the health and comfort of all herbivorous animals. In France, an ox is allowed about two-thirds of an ounce of salt per day or every two hundred pounds of his weight, while a slightly larger amount is given to pigs and sheep. The Germans have a proverb that "one pound of salt makes ten pounds of meat."

Neutralizing Lightning Pains.

due to lightning is the application alternately to the head, trunk and limbs of a large horseshoe magnet. In case of a quick stroke the clothing should be unfastened, the patient laid with the head high and quietness and fresh air should be secured. If consciousness does not return the head should be exposed to a stream of cold water.

SNOW TWO MILES DEEP.

N. B. Lazard's Experience While Prospecting in Alaska.

"Yes, I have been in a country where the snow is two miles deep," said N. B. Lazard, a mining expert from Tombstone, Ariz., at the Palmer House recently. Mr. Lazard was in the East during the recent snowstorm, and was talking about what the people in Pennsylvania called a blizzard.

Ericsson's Exactness.

John Ericsson, the inventor, had not only genius but the immense capacity for taking pains" which sometimes accompanies it. All his work was so exact that he could demand from workmen the most rigid observance of details in the drawings furnished for their guidance, without fear that they might go astray.

A Noted Safe-Blower.

Cincinnati detectives have just arrested the most noted safe-blower outside of prison walls in the country. He is William Coleman, alias Connelly, alias Rodgers. It was owing to Coleman's ingenuity that the use of nitro-glycerine is due in the bursting open of safes—a discovery which renders unsafe even the wonderful time lock which is generally considered proof against "gophers" or safe-blowers. In Cincinnati, a few years ago, he advertised over the initials E. C. for a small vat of nitro-glycerine, which he got by paying \$1,000, the sum offered. Soon after, with several others, he burst open the safe of the treasurer at the east of London county, Tenn., and stole \$15,000. One of the gang was soon after captured in Atlanta, with \$10,000 of the stolen money in his pockets. Those captured and placed in the London prison were released by force soon after by Coleman and a number of the gang. After robbing a bank in Auburn, N. Y., the gang went abroad. All of them that came back have either been killed or sent to prison, and now Coleman is in custody.—[New Orleans Times-Democrat.

A Hairless Horse.

Now and then a very curious specimen is found among the desert horses of Australia. The oddest of these that I ever saw was a huge, ungainly beast without a hair upon it. It was cut out of a wild herd and roped in by a station hand, who sold it for a drink and a plug of tobacco to some man riding along the road past the homestead. The latter tamed the hairless horse, taught it a few common tricks and showed it all over the colonies. He was said to have taken \$100,000, though he spent it as fast as he got it. I saw the animal many times. It was rather well shaped when it first out, and having no mane but a high neck and crest, it had something of the appearance of horses in antique sculptures or bronzes. Its skin was perfectly smooth and shiny and a dark mottled brown in color, and the poor thing seemed very intelligent and docile.

Cause of Rheumatism
An acid which exists in sour milk and cider, called lactic acid, is believed by physicians to be the cause of rheumatism. Accumulating in the blood, it attacks the fibrous tissues in the joints, and causes swelling and pain. What is needed is a remedy to neutralize the acid, and so to purify the blood and liver that all waste will be carried off. We can honestly recommend Hood's Sarsaparilla for these purposes. It has cured others of rheumatism and it will cure you.
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The American Language.
"One col," he brusquely announced as he entered a "gents" furnishing store on upper Broadway.

Intoxication by Ether.
Intoxication by ether is quite an old ailment which is still prevalent. The practice came into use in England in 1841, and was at first a kind of reaction against the temperance movement which has been inaugurated by Father Mathew. The drinker first washed out his mouth with a draught of cold water, and after that tossed off a wine-glassful of ether "nat," as it was said, drinking it quickly, almost at a gulp. Both men and women took part in this indulgence, and were speedily brought into a state of intoxication, but in the least moment.

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THE ARIZONA KICKER.
We extract the following interesting items from the last issue of the Arizona Kicker:
ONE LESS.—We know of one Indian who won't gambol along the flowery war-path any more to speak of. We refer to Lay-Dove-And-Roll-Over-On-The-Grass, otherwise known as Big Jim. He was helping himself to a mule from Thompson's corral the other night, when one of the herdsmen killed him so dead that he didn't have time to pull in his tongue. As usual, most of the funeral expenses had to come out of our pocket, although he was not our meat.

GETTING MONOTONOUS.—Some one in Omaha is selling off land in this neighborhood for gardens and pasture, and every day a tented caravan shows up to take possession. He finds the land to be long to the Government, and to be composed as follows:
Cattle..... 15
Sage brush..... 10
Sage..... 10

WE APOLOGIZE.—The editor, owner, publisher and proprietor of the thing called *Coleman's* was driven frantic with jealousy because he was unable to order and pay for three bundles of paper at once. We happened to meet him in Bonny's hardware store Tuesday afternoon, where he was dicking for a grindstone to use as a balance wheel on his "only steam press," and he holed over and called us a liar. We were to be patched up, sewed together and saved from the grave, though the latest reports are discouraging. We didn't mean to, if he will only get well he may abuse us the rest of his natural life and we won't say a word.

ANNOUNCEMENT.—We hereby announce ourselves as a candidate for Mayor at the election in April. It is a little early, but no man ever secured an office by being a little late. We don't propose to let any sense of false modesty stand in the way of getting there. We can read and write and cipher. We represent the intelligence and manners of this community. We are the top-sheaf of society and can borrow a hundred dollars at the bank any day. In brief, we are the best candidate who can be put up for this office, and we are doing the public a favor by consenting to run. We shall have something further to say on this subject later on. We don't want the office, but the office wants us. At least we think she does.

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A Portland (Ore.) Chinaman died recently and left property worth \$200,000.

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In reading over the literary items of the week, I found not much to interest me, until my eye caught sight of an article headed "Jenks' Druggery." I imagine my surprise if it did not end up with a recommendation to use Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. Nevertheless, being a great sufferer from sick headache, I determined to try them, and, to my great joy, I found prompt relief, and by their protracted use, a complete immunity from such attacks. Pierce's Pellets often cure sick headache in an hour. They are gently laxative or actively cathartic, according to size of dose. As a pleasant, laxative, take one each night on retiring. For adults, four act as an active, yet painless, cathartic. Cause no gripping or sickness. Best Liver Pill ever made. Smallest, Cheapest, Easiest to take. For Constipation, Indigestion and Bilious Attacks, they have no equal.

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