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NO SENATOR has yet been elected by the legislature, and the chances for the election of any of the candidates named are as remote as ever. On Saturday no quorum was present though the formality of a vote was regularly gone through with.

## County Newspapers.

The following is what the Cincinnati "Trade List" thinks of those characters who complain of their county papers and thus help to injure them:

"A gentleman writes us that his county paper is so poor that he has stopped it; therefor sends us three dollars for the Trade List. We repeat that we don't want subscribers on these terms. A man's county paper is worth as much as any in the world, or if it is not it is his fault. If the county paper is properly encouraged, it may be relied upon for information of more value to the people in whose interests it is issued than can be found in all the city papers in the United States. No man can afford to be without the paper that furnishes the advertisements of his county, the public sales, markets, court news and other local intelligence. If the paper is poor the people are more at fault than the publishers for not giving it a liberal patronage. However poor the county paper may be, it is always worth more than it costs to those interested in the affairs of the county."

## Serious Railroad Accident.

An accident on the Sunbury and Lewistown railroad, near Middleburg, on Saturday morning a week, was caused by a broken rail, by which the train was run off the track. The mail train left Lewistown at 7 a. m. It consisted of two passenger cars and an engine.—When the rail broke the hind car jumped the track dragging the front car with it, when both cars jumped the track, turned over on their sides and took fire. The passengers were taken out with considerable difficulty, and only after the doors and windows had been broken in. Fifteen persons in all were injured, five of them seriously—the latter being Andrew Wolfkill, conductor; W. H. Hans, of Lewistown, mail agent; Samuel Bowen, of Middleburg, Mrs. Margaret Griener, of Selinsgrove, and John Stahlnacker, of Middleburg. Bowen was pulled from under the stove. Hans was for some time believed to be dead, but was resuscitated.—There were only twenty-five persons on the train.

## The Western Floods.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 2.—The flood in the Sacramento river culminated this morning at Sacramento, the water being within a foot and a half of the top of the levees of that city. The levee below the town broke and the country was overflowed. The town of Washington, Yolos county, opposite Sacramento, is inundated. The damage in both cases reaches an enormous sum. The entire Sacramento valley presents the appearance of an inland sea. Numberless houses have been swept away, but fortunately the loss of life so far as reported is very small. The hills and high grounds in the overflowed district are covered with cattle and there is a demand for boats to save the cattle, sheep, etc., remaining, as a great number have been drowned. It is raining in the Sierra Nevada from Plumas to Calaveras counties, and there is an immense deposit of snow. If the rain should extend high up the mountain another flood is probable. Should it come on top of the already immense body of water in the Sacramento and San Joaquin valleys there is no telling where the inundation would end or the destruction of property stop, as the water covers places that were never overflowed before.

## How Pure Rum is Made.

It is much more rare nowadays to see old shoes in the gutter than it was formerly. They are eagerly picked up by refuse collectors, and the New York Evening Post says that they are put up,

the best parts used for patching and the worthless bits, the soles and cracked "uppers," are converted into Jamaica rum by a process known only to the manufacturers. It is said that they are boiled in pure spirits and allowed to stand for a few weeks, the product far surpassing the Jamaica rum made with essences, burnt sugar and spirits. A gentleman who doubted the truth of this story stopped recently at a low grog shop in the neighborhood of the factory spoken of, and inquired if they had any rum from old shoes. "No," said the barkeeper, "we don't keep it much now; the druggists, who want a pure article, all sell it, and the price has gone up. But we have had it, and we can get you some if you want it."

## A Newsboy's Adventure.

Louis Stern, a newsboy, aged fourteen, was brought before Justice Wallace, of Chicago, to answer to a charge of leaving a baby on the steps of Mercer Hospital. The News tells the rest:

The boy, who was evidently much frightened, told his story through the medium of an interpreter, as he was unable to speak English. He said that he was on State street at about eight o'clock, when he was halted, about half a block south of the Palmer House, by the driver of a carriage. Coming up to the carriage door, he saw a richly dressed lady, who told him to get in and come along with her to Twenty-sixth street. He got into the carriage, where he saw a big girl with a baby in her arms, and a basket placed on the seat beside the lady. They drove southward rapidly and in silence, the boy wondering at the diamond drops in the lady's ears, and staring at the big girl, who had rosy cheeks, and dandled the baby in her arms.

After driving south for some distance, the carriage turned suddenly to the left and stopped. At the lady's request the boy got out. He noticed that he was on Twenty-sixth street. Pointing to the white stone steps of a large building on Calumet avenue, she placed the basket containing the baby in his arms, told him to ring the bell of that building, and leave the baby on the steps. As soon as he came back she was to give him one dollar.

The boy took the baby, mounted the steps, rang the bell, placed the basket near the door, and proceeded to the street. Just as he reached the bottom of the steps, he saw the driver whip up the horses and drive rapidly away. A Sister came and detained the boy until a gentleman came up, when he was turned over to an officer.

"How old is the babe?" asked the Justice.

"Five or six days, your Honor."

"The Mercy Hospital is not a foundling asylum. The baby must have belonged to some one who did not know what they were doing."

The baby, a little girl, which attracted the attention of even the hardened officials of the court, was wrapped in a white worsted shawl, and her underclothing embroidered with lace.

"Now, boy," said Justice Wallace, "I'll confer an honor upon you which many men of twice your age do not possess. This baby must have a name before she can be sent to the Foundlings' Home. She has been deserted by her natural protectors. We'll give her your name, boy, and remember to bear yourself with dignity. And we'll call her Mary. Mr. Clerk, make out a commitment to the Foundlings' Home for Mary Stern. Boy, you can go."

## Got What He Didn't Want.

Solomon Weinhandler opened the front door of his millinery store at 381 1/2 Grand street on the morning of the 14th ult. and saw on the floor a letter that had been thrust under the door. The writer informed Mr. Weinhandler that he was aware of Mr. Weinhandler's visits to the writer's house, in his absence, to see his wife, and that, if Mr. Weinhandler did not enclose the "lilil amount" of \$2,500 in a "leter," and send it through Post Office Station B, addressed to "Capt. C. I. Isleton, New York city," before the following Thursday, the writer would call upon Mrs. Weinhandler.

Mr. Weinhandler was aghast. He carried the note to Mrs. Weinhandler.—She contrived a decoy letter, and Mr. Weinhandler had it registered at Station B.

Detective O'Connor stood behind the registry desk in the station on the following Thursday. A tall, country-looking man called for the letter, and, after he had signed the receipt for the letter, Detective O'Connor arrested him. He gave the name of C. I. Isleton, of Grand and Norfolk streets. He was indicted under the new law, passed last spring, to meet cases like the persecution of the Rev. Dr. Dix by "Gentleman Joe." His conviction yesterday in the General Sessions of an attempt to extort money was the first had under the law. Judge Cowing sentenced him to the penitentiary for one year, and a

fine of \$250—the extreme penalty.—*New York Sun.*

## The Right to Open, Not the Right to Count.

The Senate has passed Mr. Morgan's resolution denying the right of the President of the Senate to count the electoral votes. Mr. Edmunds made another argument in opposition to it.—but he did not convince even his own side of the House. Mr. Hoar (Rep., Mass.) moved an amendment, adding to the resolution the words, "and that it is the duty of Congress, without delay, to institute measures to execute the due and orderly performance of said duty in future." Adopted on a viva voce vote.

Mr. Morgan's resolution thus amended was then agreed to—yeas 42, with one vote (Mr. Whyte) in the negative. The following Republicans voted for the resolution: Messrs. Allison, Blair, Booth, Conkling, Davis (Ill.), Hoar, and Jones (Nev.).

## A Baby's Suspicious Death.

BOYERTOWN, January 31.—The infant child of Jacob B. Oberholzer, near here, died suddenly last night, under such circumstances that it is to be investigated. The child being unwell, a physician was called in, who administered certain remedies. After taking some of them the child was seized with terrible spasms, and died in a few hours after in great agony. The veins in the head and other parts of the body became enlarged to treble their natural size. Some of the neighbors who partook of the medicine complained of similar symptoms. The community is much agitated over the circumstances.

## Winter in Various Places.

BARNET, Vt., Feb. 1.—The first train over the Portland and Ogdensburg railroad since last Thursday, reached St. Johnsbury last night. High winds prevailed to-day, and in all probability there will not be another train over the road for several days.

CHICAGO, Ill., February 1.—The snow storm which has prevailed in this vicinity since noon yesterday has caused serious delay and a partial blockade of railway travel on the roads centering here.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., Feb. 1.—A heavy north wind is blowing here and the cold increasing. The mercury stood to-night at zero and is still falling. All the trains are running behind time. The men harvesting ice have been compelled to cease work, about thirty of them having been frost bitten.

PITTSBURG, Feb. 2.—To-day was the coldest of the season, the thermometer registering eight degrees below zero in the city, and from fifteen to twenty-six below in the suburbs. All the trains were more or less delayed by the snow and cold.

WHITE HALL, N. Y., Feb. 2.—The thermometer at this place at 6 o'clock this morning stood 35 degrees below zero, and at 9 o'clock 20 degrees below.

PORT JEFFERSON, L. I., Feb. 3.—There have been no trains nor mails here for two days. The morning express train for this place is buried twelve feet in snow drifts at Woodbury station.

The Talbot boys who were on trial in Nodaway county, Mo., for killing their father, Dr. Talbot, were found guilty and sentenced to be hung on the 25th of March.

## Miscellaneous News Items.

TOLEDO, Ohio, February 1.—Ex-Governor R. K. Scott, who shot and killed Warren Drury at Napoleon, Ohio, in December last, has been indicted for murder in the second degree.

A man named Sterling was hanged in Youngstown, Ohio, in 1877, for the murder of a young girl. He was convicted on the evidence of a huckster, who a few days ago on his death-bed confessed that he was the murderer.

In the case of the United States vs. J. B. Colthoun, for trespassing upon public land by boxing trees for turpentine, the jury at Mobile, Ala., returned a verdict for the government for \$3708 on Tuesday.—This is the first verdict ever returned for the government in these cases.

Charles F. Kingsley of Rochester, N. Y., was last week appointed receiver of the Urbana Wine Company, of Hammondsport, N. Y., on application of the Attorney-General, before Judge Macomber, to dissolve the corporation. Within the past few weeks judgments to the amount of \$42,093.47 were filed against the company.

A bachelor clergyman near Kingston, New York was caught kissing the wife of a member of his congregation, in whose family he boarded. Although he pleaded guilty, and explained that "it was a holy kiss, and merely brotherly love for the sister prompted him to do it," the people of his church are greatly scandalized at his imprudence.

NORFOLK, February 1.—Information was received here to-day that Plymouth,

Washington county, N. C., was almost entirely destroyed by fire last night, the freight warehouse of the steamer Chowan and one store being the only houses left standing. The fire originated from a kerosene explosion. Four hundred bales of cotton were burned. The loss foots up \$127,500. Thirty-three buildings were destroyed, among which were the court house, Grace Episcopal church, and twenty-three stores, 250 bales of cotton, besides quantities of shingles, lumber, etc., were also destroyed. The losses on stores and goods were heavy. Only two of the parties burned out held any insurance.

The town of Malons, New York, is agitated over a case of supposed poisoning which has recently occurred there. A young woman named Miss Davis has been arrested charged with poisoning a Miss Manning the niece of an old gentleman aged 84, for whom Miss Davis kept house, his niece, the victim alluded to, being one of the family.

ROCHESTER, January 31.—An appalling accident occurred at Freedom to-day that cost the lives of two little boys. Thomas Rogers and William Blatt, 9 years old, were coasting this morning and were on the railway track when a train passed, cutting them in such a horrible manner as to cause their death in an hour. The accident was deemed unavoidable on the engineer's part.

MILWAUKEE, January 31.—The propeller St. Albans belonging to the Ludington line Northern Transportation Company, was wrecked sixteen miles out on the lake. The passengers who have been out in small boats since yesterday, are being picked up by tugs. At 8 o'clock this morning George W. Amey of this city, who resides near the lake shore, saw far out on the lake to the northeast four black specks that attracted his attention. He looked carefully, and through the snow that was driving from the northeast, thought he could discern boats with people in them. Help was sent out as above stated and all were saved.

SIoux CITY, Iowa, February 2.—Smallpox is raging in Jefferson, Union county, Dakota. Every place is quarantined against it and there has been no communication with the place for a month—the railroad company even forbidding trains to stop there. The settlement consists principally of French and Canadians, and they not knowing the contagious nature of the disease allowed public burials which were more or less attended by the whole population. There have been over ninety cases—thirty-two have died and at present there are sixty cases under treatment but it is thought many of them will recover.

A Philadelphia anecdote, forty years old, but possibly new to cold type, is told by a correspondent of the Boston Commonwealth. The subject was the venerable Cromwell Barnard, a member of the Society of Friends, and skipper of the sloop Union of Nantucket, then lying at a Philadelphia wharf. Barnard was promeneading the quarterdeck when a schooner, hauling out of the dock, fell foul of the Union, the schooner's captain began to swear vociferously. Of course it didn't do any good, and as Barnard took no notice of it the captain yelled in a perfectly audible voice that he was an old shadbelly, "preferring a participle that is usually considered to be eminently profane. Mr. Barnard couldn't stand this, so he called down the main hatchway to the mate, "Zimri! Zimri! come on deck and talk some of thy language to this man alongside."

## OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

WASHINGTON, D. C., February 2, 1881.

There seems to be a serious misunderstanding between President Hayes and his party in the Senate, and it is thought that no action will be taken upon the numerous nominations made, until after the fourth of March. President Hayes seems determined to fill every possible vacancy which may occur before the expiration of his term, and that too with men not supported or recommended by the representatives from the States, wherein service is to be rendered, so the Senators if they can not prevent the nominations, will not confirm them, at least not until they are in harmony with the party.

The warring elements in Congress have at last decided upon an electoral count resolution, which will, for the present, settle all difficulties, but which leaves unsettled, the principal point of difference, namely, the right to count, or throw out the votes of disputed States. The resolution provides that on the day fixed by law, (this year Feb. 9th,) the two Houses shall meet in joint convention in the Senate Chamber, the House to appoint two tellers, and the Senate one, whose duty it shall be to count and tabulate the electoral vote, handing the result to the Vice President who shall then, according to the Constitution announce the result and declare the persons receiving a majority elected. This action settles the disputed questions for the present, but the same trouble will arise four years from now, without Congress in the meantime pass some permanent law.

The public debt statement for the month of January shows a reduction of \$7,382,167.71, during the month. The total public debt, less cash in the Treasury amounts to \$1,891,799,568.28.

Among the many worthless promissory bills which are being pressed for action, none can be more unjust or calculated to do injury to a class of citizens the country is now indebted to,

that the sixty Surgeon Pension bill now being engineered through Congress by Commissioner of Pensions Bentley. This bill is thought by Bentley to be the best, easiest and safest means of delaying and if possible, destroying many of the meritorious pension claims now before his Bureau. Under its operations it will take more years than are usually allotted to man for a soldier to get his claim passed upon. The bill is in harmony with many other acts of injustice towards the soldiers he has been guilty of; he has let slip no opportunity to render difficult the transaction of business before his office, and has surrounded the prosecution of pension claims with so many intricate rules, that none but experienced jurists can successfully conform to them. In fact, Bentley's whole course, since made Commissioner of Pensions, has been inspired by a feeling of malice toward the men whose sufferings it is his duty to do all he can within the law to abate. The reason for this strange animosity can only be explained by the fact that while these men were fighting the battles of their country and receiving the injuries for which they now ask pension, this man Bentley was hiding in Canada to escape the draft. Let us hope Gen. Garfield will make it one of his early duties to retire this skulker.

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## A NEW WRINKLE.

Wheat grists exchanged on sight or ground in a few hours. We have no low water now since tapping the Pennsylvania canal. We have the only Smith purifier in the county, and allow no one to make better flour. We pay five cents advance on market rates for Mediterranean or Lancaster wheat. We also sell Pillsbury's XXXX flour on commission, which is the best in the world.

MILTON B. ESHLEMAN,  
Newport, Pa.

Dry goods, carpets and oilcloths at cost, before taking inventory February 15th, at M. DUKES & Co's.

# A WOMAN,

Or a MAN either, who wants BARGAINS, will do well to look over some of the

## Job Lots Closing Out

by the subscriber in order to make room for Spring Goods.

We have some Jobs that are worthy of your attention. Besides these Job lots it will pay you

TO CALL AND

## See Our Assortment of

Toys, Books, Albums, Fancy Note Paper, Jewelry, Glass Sets, China Ornaments, Perfumery in fancy bottles, Choice Soaps, Looking Glasses, Desks, Work Boxes, &c.

IF YOU WANT

### Fancy Goods for Ladies,

Look at our assortment of Lace Ties, Silk Ties, Collars, Silk Handkerchiefs, Pocket Books, Bags, Zephyr Goods, Fancy Buttons, Skirts, Under Vests, Ribbons, etc., etc.,

IF YOU WANT

### Blankets for Beds or Horses,

Look at our assortment. We can offer you Colored Bed Blankets for \$2 per pair and up. White Blankets for \$2.75 per pair, and up, and Horse Blankets from \$1.50 up.

IF YOU WANT

### Gloves for Men or Boys,

Come and look at what we can offer you and note prices. We can please you.

IF YOU WANT

### Trunks, Valises or Satchels,

You should call and see what we have. It will probably save you money.

IF YOU WANT

### Fine Groceries,

Such as Citron, Seedless Raisins, Choice Layer Raisins, New Orleans Molasses, Mince Meat, Pure Spices, prepared Cocoa Nut, Canned Corn, Canned Peas, Canned Beef, Oat Meal, and any other goods in the grocery line, come and see us; we have what you want.

IF YOU WANT

### Hardware,

You will find that we have Sleigh Bells, Skates, Table and Pocket Cutlery, Pistols, Cartridges, Hatchets, Axes, Augurs, Chisels, Saws, Iron, Steel, Nails, and a general assortment of such goods as are kept by a first class hardware store.

## F. MORTIMER,

New Bloomfield.