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American Union

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THURSDAY MORNING, JAN. 15 1885

THE Baltimore *Day* has again gone by the board. Mr. Cruikshank has made a good paper, but over-trading in newspapers, as in everything else, must inevitably bring one to Starvation Bay at last.

NOTICE has been given in both Houses of the Legislature of a proposed amendment to the constitution prohibiting the manufacture and sale of spirituous, vinous or malt liquors in the State of Michigan.

SUICIDE the past year has been on the increase as well as murder. In different parts of the Union, 1,879 persons ended their earthly existence by poisoning, drowning, fire, gas, the pistol, razor, rope, etc. In 1883 there were 910 cases of suicide.

GENERAL GRANT'S letter declining the gift which some warm personal friends were about to offer him will add to the admiration with which his fellow-countrymen already regard him; and if in any heart or mind there has been of late an inclination to criticise some of his recent acts, this note will remove it.

THE Congregational statistics for the past year show a net gain of 5,340 members, the total now being 401,549. The increase is between 13 and 14 per cent. on the total of 1883. One-fourth of the churches, however, are marked as "not supplied," while less than a fourth are reported as having pastors.

IN these times, when thousands of dollars' worth of goods are sold at prices which barely pay for handling (a store in Hartford, Conn., sold $11.000 worth in a day last week just in this way) it is obvious that our unnecessary state tax often hinders trade, taking away all profits or else inducing the merchant to lie idle and wait for better times.

WITHIN about four weeks fifteen United States Senators are to be elected. Of these nine will be Republicans, five Democrats and Illinois doubtful. The States which elect are Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Kansas, Illinois, Indiana, Missouri, Nevada, New York, North Carolina, Oregon, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin.

THE Secretary of War has snubbed the garrulous and feeble-minded Hazen again by refusing to order a court-martial for Lieutenant Garlington. If this sitting down upon the head of the weather bureau is continued it will be necessary before long to label him, in order that strangers may not mistake him for a pancake or a Washington newspaper.—*Baltimore Herald.*

DEMOCRATS in Washington still continueto express themselves as highly satisfied with the outlook for spoils. In their opinion every Republican place-holder is an "offensive partisan," and Mr. Cleveland has declared his intention of removing all such. They especially count on a clean sweep throughout the South; for no one can deny that Republican office-holders there are regarded as offensive in every sense of the word.

THE latest and most ingenious deception was contrived by a woman in Paris who stole a valuable clock and concealed it by fastening it to her wire bustle. When accused by the hotel-keeper, in the most indignant manner, she invited him to examine her boxes—which was done without discovering the missing piece. The lady then protested that she would "have the law" of her traducer, when suddenly from the nether part of her costume, the purloined clock proclaimed its presence by striking the hour of eleven.

IF the managers of the New Orleans Exposition had taken less interest in politics and more in the success of their enterprise and the prosperity of the city, perhaps they would not now be so anxiously looking for money with which to keep the Exposition alive. The impression that a large amount of the money collected for the Exposition was in some more or less indirect way diverted to political nses has done much harm to the enterprise, and if incorrect, ought to be met by a prompt and explicit denial. Possibly its acceptance is due in part to the difficulty of understanding what has become of the money, or why the expenditures have so far exceeded the estimates unless there has been a political leak.

A PROPOSITION comes from Chicago to pay $50,000.000 to the Mormons as an inducement for them to leave this country. It is said that when Buchanan was President such a proposition was made and that Brigham Young agreed to take $5,000,000 and leave the country. John Taylor has a better eye for business. With a valley that is worth many millions more and a population of the most industrious and devoted people that can be found anywhere, he would be a very great fool were he to even consider the proposition. In the first place, he could not accept the money if he were so disposed, as his people would be opposed to it; and secondly, he could not subscribe to the provision making the compact binding, as the people of the territory have become deeply attached to their homes and would rather fight than turn them over to strangers.

Happiness—Harmony.

Happiness is the result of harmony between our wants as creatures and the world without; peace is the harmony between us as spiritual beings and the Father of our spirits. The one is as changeable as the objects or circ[illegible]nces on which it for the mome[illegible] oth-er is as unchange[illegible] on whom it eternally

Prices 20 Per Cent. Below 1860.

About the 13th of December the markets for products probably touched the lowest level of prices ever reached in this country since records of prices began. The range of prices was a little lower at that time than it was earlier in the month, and since Saturday, December 13, there has been an advance of more than 7 cts. in wheat, 3 cents in oats, and some advance in corn, eggs, hay, potatoes, beef, poultry, pork and cotton—all products of considerable relative importance. The detailed comparison of prices each week, with computation of the relative importance of the articles compared, shows that there has been a recovery amounting to about 2 per cent of the general cost of all products. Thus far, therefore, December 13, 1884, must be regarded as the period of lowest prices yet reached in this country.

It was thought in August, after the crops had been fairly secured, and the dullness which usually accompanies an exciting Presidential campaign had begun, that prices had gone about as low as they were likely to go. In several important branches of trade, a recovery appeared about September 1, but it did not last. After each little advance, for many months, the markets have sought and found "in the lowest depths a deeper still," until we have in December the lowest recorded average of prices. Since August, the decline has averaged about ½ per cent on all classes of articles, exclusive of securities and real estate.

In making comparisons of prices at different dates, allowance must be made for the relative importance of the articles considered, which may be done with either of two distinct points of view: the quantities of products entering into the commerce and trade of the country may be considered, without regard to the actual consumption of the people, or the quantities consumed within the country may be considered, without regard to exports. For example, the quantity of wheat, of cotton, or of oil which goes into commerce is more than double the quantity which goes into consumption. Considering for the present only the quantities consumed in this country, it is found that the range of prices is now below that of October, 1878, which was then the lowest reached for many years. The difference is such that $100 would have bought, December 13, about as much as $104 61 in August, last, and about as much as $105 in October 1878. At the latter date, the country was preparing for the resumption of specie payments; for eighteen years the value of commodities had not been measured in gold. When the depreciation of paper currency vanished, it was found that prices were more than 15 per cent. below the specie level of 1860, the last preceding year in which prices have been made in gold. But now, comparing the prices of December 13 with those of the last of August, 1860, which was nearly the lowest point in that year, we find that $100 in December would buy as much as $125 04 would have bought of the same products in August, 1860.

It may be interesting to note the proportion of decline in different classes of products, or different branches of the cost of living. With a fall in the aggregate of 20 per cent. since 1860, the decline in the cost of breadstuffs was almost 30 per cent.; in sugar, tea and coffee, 25 per cent; in clothing, 25 per cent; in metals, 41 per cent; in coal and oil, 45 per cent; in lumber, only 6 per cent; and in miscellaneous articles, including building materials, glass, paints, drugs, paper, soap and chemicals, 28 per cent. On the other hand, still comparing the lowest prices of December, 1884, with those of August, 1860, there appears an increase in liquor and tobacco at wholesale of more than 50 per cent, on account of the taxes; an increase of 1 per cent in meats; and of 7 per cent in dairy and garden products. Manufactured articles generally, it will be observed, have declined in price more than the average of all products.

These are wholesale prices, and are not accurately reflected, of course, in the retail prices which consumers pay. But there is no reason to doubt that the cost of living has materially diminished since 1860, if the consumption be supposed not to have increased. The fact is that the people are able to consume and do consume much more than they did twenty-four years ago, and their yearly earnings are much larger.

Jealousy Aroused.

Thomas Howard and George Harrigan, two young men, attended a promenade in Baltimore city on Tuesday night, and, both being smitten with the charms of the same beautiful damsel, the green-eyed monster soon began to show itself in a very unpleasant way. During the evening Howard discovered his girl sitting in his rival's lap, evidently enjoying the situation and apparently oblivious to Howard's existence. At this spectacle his wrath at once arose beyond control, and, feeling still more the indignity put upon him when the girl calmly snubbed him, he found no trouble in raising a quarrel then and there. Howard eventually drew a knife and stabbed Harrigan in the left shoulder, the right arm and the neck. Howard was arrested.

A Religious Maniac.

Near Chehalis, Wyoming Territory, on the line of the Northern Pacific Railroad, Wm. Pearson, a well-to-do farmer, who is a strong believer in Spiritualism, imagined that he received an order from a higher power to kill his infant child. This he did with a hammer. When he had finished he showed what he had done to his wife, who is also a Spiritualist. He then said that if she would cut her throat he would do the same. Both were found the next morning half frozen, with their throats cut, but not yet dead. Pearson revived sufficiently to state what is above related. Both will probably die.

The Joker of the Choptank.

The tedious monotony of steamboat travel is relieved when there happens to be aboard a good story-teller or an ingenuous joker. The role of the latter was filled on Friday's trip of the Ida down the Choptank by an accomplished buffoon. He came aboard with long and distinguished whiskers, and with a jumbo envelope protruding from his breast pocket. The part of the stranger's face not hidden by his flowing beard was pale and apparently so bloodless that the wonder of his fellow-passengers was the tremendous growth of hair on soil so lifeless. The wearer of the long and distinguished whiskers moved about the boat with evident authority and importance to the most casual observer, even if the jumbo envelope had not revealed his identity. Everybody could see printed on one corner of the jumbo envelope the insignia of his office. It read: "Inspector of Steam Engines and Boilers." To the engineer the wearer of the long and distinguished whiskers soon revealed himself no less a personage, approaching the engine-room with the corner of the envelope in full view. Thereupon he began to question the engineer, examine the working of the machinery, cast inquiring and impatient glances at the steam-guage, and took occasion to find no little fault with things in general about him. Then the long and distinguished whiskers pushed through the small door of the room and departed, having the occupant feeling a little uneasy to say the least. The watchful engineer was perplexed, and he resolved, as soon as relieved by his assistant, the inspector should tell him what had gone wrong in the engine-room. That important official had taken himself to the barber shop, and was laughing so violently his whiskers fell off. Just then the engineer appeared on the scene and before him stood Charlie Willoughby, a practical joker of the lower end of Caroline county, minus his long and distinguished whiskers, which were lying at his feet. The joker put the barber chair between himself and the engineer when the latter had begun to see the joke and get mad. The joker and his victim were old friends and the coolness between them cannot last long.—*Cambridge Chronicle.*

Down the Fire Ladders.

THRILLING SCENES WHILE FORTY FAMILIES WERE ESCAPING FROM A FIRE.

There were some stirring scenes in the tenement house on Main street, Cincinnati, over the Rhine, on Sunday morning. About 40 families were in the building, and a fire began and had made much headway before some of them were out of bed. Most of them lost their all, and none of them saved everything.

Greats crowds assembled in the street and watched the fireman rescuing people in danger. There was a fire-escape on the building, and the scenes on it were most thrilling. One woman fainted as she emerged from a fourth-story window on to the fire-escape ladder. As she stepped out on the narrow platform she reeled as if about to topple over. A hurrah arose to the lips of many as two firemen seized her in the nick of time and brought her with care and difficulty, safely down.

It was a touching picture, too, when there appeared upon the narrow landing of the zigzag ladder the fragile form of a Jewish mother with a babe in her arms. She clasped the infant to her breast with her left arm, and, laying hold of the slender iron rod with her right hand, began to search with her feet for the rungs of the nearly perpendicular ladder. It was a trying moment even for the vast crowd that looked on. The brave little woman, step by step, worked her way down to the ground. Many a word of encouragement went up to her and to her husband, who with another child, came down the ladder after her.

Influx of Thieves.

The Baltimore papers say there has been an influx of thieves from the North into Baltimore this winter, and nearly a dozen of them have been arrested by Capt. Lennan and his men in the last few weeks and placed in jail awaiting trial or sent to the House of Correction. Deputy Marshal Frey says that there will be an unusual number of thieves in the city from now until after the presidential inauguration, as gangs of professionals are moving to the North from New Orleans, working the places through which they pass. Already a number of "mobs," as the gangs are called, have passed through the city on their way to the New Orleans Exposition, and have committed robberies in Baltimore and Washington. There will be a great influx of pickpockets, hotel thieves and sneak thieves towards the 4th of March, when there will be a host of professional criminals gathered at Washington, and who will follow their line of business as they move along. After March 4 a great many will go on from Washington towards New Orleans to operate among the crowds attracted to the latter city by the exposition.

A Pretense.

We often meet people who try to conceal their own excellent qualities. A man of benevolent impulses will seem to be ashamed of them and assume a hard tone and a cold manner when his heart is warm and loving. He will perform kind and generous actions in so rough and harsh a manner as to strip them of all their grace and close up the founts of gratitude. He will grant requests in so austere a manner and do favors so morosely that we almost wish he had refused the one and withheld the other. It is a pity that this kind of insincerity is so often successful. There seems strange perversity in it, however, for the very success does not please, but rather vexes and imbitters him who practices it.

THE vaccine physicians during 1884 vaccinated 20,000 persons.

Robbed and Tortured.

John Varek, a track-walker on the Lehigh Valley railroad, while making one of his usual trips on Monday night, was attacked by three tramps at Epsy Run. They robbed him of his money, watch and chain; then stripped him naked and divided his clothing. They then threw him on the ground, tied his hands and inflicted injuries that may yet cause his death. As they were again about to use the knife, an express train came in sight, which frightened the tramps. After lying for half an hour where he had been left, another train appeared around a curve. Varek succeeded in crawling toward the track and signaling the engineer to stop. He was taken to Fairview in an exhausted condition.

Knowledge.

Knowledge is valuable as a lever to lift men and women to a higher plane of being; but it is not in itself the be-all and the end-all of existence. The passion for knowledge is superior to the knowledge itself, but both together are not sufficient to insure the welfare of a nation. There must also be the desire, the effort, and the wisdom so to use the knowledge as to improve and exalt the character and so to cultivate the whole nature of those we teach as to make them not only better scholars but better and nobler men and women.

Leadership and Dominancy.

Leadership is one thing and dominancy another. It is well, if we have not the qualities of leadership, to be willing to be led; but to have our minds dominated and controlled is another and entirely different thing. The important lesson to impart to children is that of sound, independent thought. And, if it lead to strong mindedness—that is, tenacity of opinion—it will be well, provided opinions be carefully and thoughtfully formed.

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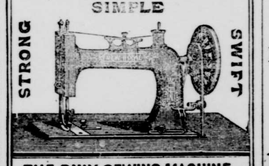
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