Our Weekly News Summary.

UNITED STATES CONGRESS.

SENATE.

The bill to remove all restrictions now existing upon enlistments of colored citizens in any arm of the United States military service was recommitted with an amendment by Mr. Blaine (Rep. Me.) that hereafter colored men shall have full right to enlist in all arms of the service.

During a discussion on the Pacific Railroad bill, Mr. Booth (Rep., Cal.) said that the cost of the Pacific roads was: First mortgage bonds, $55,000,000; Government bonds, $55,000,000; Land mortgage bonds, $20,000,000; Capital stock, $30,000,000; Total, $220,000,000. The ninety million dollar capital stock did not represent any real sum invested in the roads, but, if anything, an arbitrary profit on fraudulent contracts.

Mr. Morrill (Rep., Va.) offered a resolution that a select committee be appointed to consider the propriety of taking the tenth census of the United States. Agreed to.

In the Senate Mr. Sargent (Rep. Cal.) called up the Naval Appropriation bill, and explained the action of the Senate Committee. The amendments restoring the number of ensigns to 100, cadet midshipmen to 306, and 25 cadet engineers to be appointed in 1878 were agreed to. All the other amendments of the committee were agreed to and the bill was passed.

HOUSE.

Mr. Foster (Rep., Ohio) reported a joint resolution authorizing the commission having in charge the Washington Monument to apply $36,000 to giving greater stability to the foundation. A motion to lay on the table was defeated by 51 yeas to 88 nays, and the bill then passed.

Mr. Butler (Rep., Mass.) introduced a bill to supply a convenient currency for use in the minor business transactions of the people. Referred.

The resolution that the position of Doorkeeper of the House of Representatives be and hereby is declared vacant was adopted by a vote of 139 yeas to 80 nays. The resolution was adopted to legislate Doorkeeper Polk out of office.

The Senate joint resolution providing for the safe keeping of the Electoral Commission records was passed.

—The United States House Appropriation Committee has agreed to the Post Office Appropriation bill as it was reported back to the sub-committee. It appropriates $33,190,372, which is $3,257,398 below the estimate sent in by the Post Office Department, and about $869,000 less than the amount appropriated for the present year.

—James Dornan, of Wingham, Ont., died under the influence of chloroform administered by a medical man for the purpose of performing an operation on his hand.

—The bricklayers' society of New York has ordered a strike in all cases where less than $2.50 per day wages are paid.

—Luther Redfield, late President of the First National Bank of Tarrytown, N. Y., arrived in Chicago on his way home from Iowa, where he has been sojourning for some time in the vicinity of Des Moines, and was there arrested.

—A fifty-horse power boiler in the engine room of the stamping manufactory of Messrs. Seavey & Co., Cambridge, Mass., exploded. Three men were killed, another was fatally injured and six others more or less severely wounded. The boiler was hurled through the brick wall of the engine room and the wooden walls of the building enclosing it 130 feet across the canal.

—At Prospect Park a valuable horse was driven against time, and at the end of the 70th mile it fell in its tracks.

—A large vat on the top floor of the Buffalo Grape Sugar Works, in Buffalo, containing fifty tons of wet corn, burst, carrying the corn and a part of the vat to the ground floor through the hopper, instantly killing Henry Bast, aged 25 years. Two others narrowly escaped death. The vat was being tried for the first time.

—Despatches from Europe say that the Khedive of Egypt threatens to declare his independence if Turkey makes an alliance against England.

—The steamboat Colonel A. P. Koons struck a snag at Negro Point, Red River, and sunk. Three deckhands were drowned.

—John Huth, an undertaker of Bethlehem, Pa., was arrested, the police having discovered the dead body of an infant concealed in a box in his house.

—Two barns, owned by S. P. Billings, at Ware, Mass., were burned by an incendiary, with twenty-two head of cattle, one horse, thirty tons of hay, tools, etc.

—Seven of the persons injured by the explosion caused by the collision of freight trains at Slatington, Pa., have died, namely: William Shoemaker, John Koehler, Irvin Beers, Daniel Reber, Arthur Williams, John Rohback, and Irvin Clark.

—A terribly disastrous fire occurred at Bath, N. Y., a little before one o'clock in the morning. The insane department of the Steuben County House, containing between sixty and seventy inmates, was fired by L. C. Ford, one of the inmates, from Hornellsville. Fifteen persons, five males and ten females, perished in the flames. Ford was supposed to be less insane than he really was, and was allowed considerable liberty. He fired his bedding, and thus set the building in flames. The scene was one of horror. The building was entirely destroyed.

—Lieut.-Col. Smith, Deputy Adjutant-General of Manitoba, has arrived in Ottawa. He says Sitting Bull has a large number of Indians with him and as soon as his ponies are in proper condition he is likely to swoop down on the American territory.

—Edward Baker, who was rejected as a suitor by the daughter of Geo. Hawkes of Lynn, Mass., set fire to the latter's house, in which ten persons were sleeping at the time. The flames were put out, and Baker and his accomplice arrested.

—Nitro-glycerine was successfully used in breaking up the ice in the St. Lawrence opposite Montreal.

—Wm. B. C. Teller, paying teller of the American National Bank in Detroit, has disappeared with $5,000.

—During March 2,000 insurgents surrendered in Cuba.

—The House Committee on Elections has dismissed the Oregon contested election of McDonald against Williams.

—According to the Louisville *Courier-Journal* arrangements have been perfected for a race between the California mare Mollie McCarthy and Ten Broeck, four mile heats, for $10,000 a side, to take place at Louisville on the 4th of July next.

—The complete returns of the State election in Rhode Island give: For Governor—Van Zandt (Rep.), 11,436; Laurence (Dem.), 7,531; Foster (Greenback), 583; scattering. 31. The Senate stands—26 Republicans, 8 Democrats, 2 no choice; and the House, 56 Republicans, 16 Democrats, 2 no choice.

—The United States public debt statement for March shows a decrease in the debt for the month of $2,313,614.77.

—Gen. Mott, the Jersey State Prison keeper, has been exonerated by the Legislature. Only five votes were cast in the negative.

—Gov. Van Zandt (Republican) was re-elected in Rhode Island by an increased majority over last year.

—The assassins of the late Earl of Leitrim were no doubt his tenants. The bitter relations between him and his tenantry leave no doubt of the agrarian character of the crime.

—The brutal tramp has started on his spring travels. In Passaic county, N. J., a citizen was attacked and left with a fractured skull across a railroad track in an insensible condition.

—A fire lately took place in the upper part of an English brewery. The roof fell in and burned for twenty-four hours, without communicating with the rest of the building. The floor upon which it fell was of three-inch planks, grooved together, which prevented a supply of air from below.

The Delusions of Courtship.

"I would not have her know it for anything," says a young man, speaking of something pertaining to himself, and referring to a young lady to whom he is paying attention. He fears it would change her opinion of him, and interfere with the prospect of his obtaining her hand. Such observations are of every day occurrence. Who has not heard young men make them? Yet they show an unsound condition of things—an attempt to win a heart and hand by false pretenses. To obtain goods in the same way would constitute a criminal offence!

Unfortunately, courtship, as conducted, is too often a period of probation in which each party guards most assiduously against being found out by the other, instead of being, as it should, the occasion of that thorough mutual acquaintance which should always precede a marriage.

Every young man should deal honestly with himself. He should say to himself: "If there is anything I do not wish the girl I ask to marry me should know, then it must be something wrong. Now I will correct this wrong, or I will tell her of it; for I will not be so unmanly as to deceive her into marrying me." By dealing honestly with himself in the first place, he comes to a correct understanding of the nature of the fact which he has concealed; then if he deals honestly with the girl he tells her of it.

People who love each other will marry in spite of the disclosure of many faults; but it is better that these faults should be understood before marriage rather than first discovered afterward.

We are sorry to say that concealments and deceptions during courtship are not confined to the sterner sex. They are practiced, perhaps, to quite as great an extent by young ladies. Many a false-hearted and treacherous girl has a thousand smiles during courtship to every one that illumines her face after marriage.

Whichever side may be in fault, the practical result of the delusions of courtship are the same: they lead to a miserable married life. "If I had known it beforehand I would never have married you," is the declaration which has proved the knell to the happiness of many an unmated pair. It would have been much better, in every such case, that the cause of offence, whatever it may be, should have been known before; then the marriage might never have taken place. At all events, this ground of reproach would have been removed.

Be sure that your courtship leave no delusions to be dispelled after marriage.

Habits of Ants.

Sir John Lubbock continues to give his observations on the habits of ants He confirms all that has been said of their attachment to friends and of their bitter hostility to strangers. But he does not have a very high opinion of their intelligence. He placed some honey within a narrow circle of glycerine over which he threw a bridge of paper. The ants readily crossed to feed on the honey; but when the bridge was removed the glycerine was an insuperable obstacle to them, although a few grains of earth would have made them a crossing. The commencement of ants' nests is still a mystery. Ants avoid light, and as to color they prefer red, and show a marked aversion to blue or violet. They live sometimes five years.

After Fifty Years.

Maine has had a marvel of "murder will out." Fifty years ago, Isaac Blake, of Atkinson, returning from a trip to New Brunswick, where he had been trading in cattle, stopped, with $1,500 in his possession, at a tavern in Glenburn. He was never seen afterwards, but it was strongly suspected that he had been murdered. No investigation was made, and the excitement soon died away; but a man at Milo, who has just died, at the age of seventy-five years, confessed with his latest breath that he was the drover's murderer. It is not stated that he gave any details or pointed out any confirmatory particulars; and it is possible that his confession may have been a mere freak of an impaired intellect.

A Dangerous Georgian.

There is now living in Georgia a man whose neighbors heartily wish they were well rid of him. They cannot indict him, for all the run he works is accidental; they cannot lynch him, for the probability is that the tree on which they should attempt to hang him would fall at the critical moment and crush numbers of them to death, while he would escape. Yet it is dangerous to let him live, and altogether the people of his neighborhood are in a quandary and see no way of saving themselves from impending destruction except by moving away to some other part of the country and leaving the man to exert his activities solely upon inanimate objects and the lower animals. The time perhaps may come when he will be involved in one of his own involuntary exploits—may unaccountably explode or run over himself or mistake himself for a wild turkey and shoot it—but at present he shows only a propensity to do unto others as they would do to him if only they knew how. Of men five has he slain already since the war—one with an axe which slipped from his hand, another by upsetting a boat, another by mistaking him for a barnyard fowl which he would kill, another by chopping at a tree so that it fell on him, and still another while engaged in the athletic sport of rolling logs. The law of probabilities shows us that a man whose distressing peculiarity it is to turn himself now into a ballista, now into a white squall at sea and anon into a forest-compelling tornado would not be unlikely to become a circular saw or a barrel of dynamite at any moment, and wholly without warning to the bystanders; so that it is not without reason that this unhappy person's neighbors stand in mortal terror of him, and would fain have him laid away to rest beneath the peaceful sod and under many tons of marble monument.

The Hard Times.

Colorado papers print a letter from Hon. James B. Belford on the financial question, which closes thus: "And now, in conclusion, permit me to say that the disease of this nation to-day is its vast indebtedness; its indebtedness growing out of the war; its indebtedness incurred by wild speculations and unprofitable ventures; its indebtedness born of the fever of extravagance for foreign silks, velvets, laces and gewgaws; its indebtedness incurred in constructing railroads managed adversely to the interests of those who paid for their construction; its indebtedness contracted in erecting gorgeous church temples where religion has every grace except the heart. For this disease experience can suggest but one cure—industry, economy and time. This cure disregarded, the fever and delirium will increase until universal bankruptcy overtakes us all. This cure applied, the recovery, though slow, will be absolutely certain."

An Old Story.

A not undramatic incident in Parisian pocketpicking is reported. A well-dressed gentleman, wearing a lustrous diamond ring, enters an omnibus. The lady sitting beside him thinks him impertinent, but leaves the vehicle to avoid a scandal. She subsequently feels for her purse, but it is gone, and in its place she finds the obtrusive gem. It has slipped from the thief's finger as he was securing the portemonnaie. The lady hastens to the police office to tell of her loss and the exchange, and there she finds the well-dressed gentleman arrested by a jeweler, who has lost a diamond ring. He is about to be cleared, in the presence of proofs, on the plea that the accuser has made a mistake, when the gem so strangely obtained by his second victim is produced and confounds him. The moral is that ladies should wear narrow pockets

Swore to it All.

An Irishman, examined before a Fishery Commission, seemed so inclined to avow anything, that one of the Commissioners asked if there were any whales on the west coast? "Is it whales?" said Pat. "Sure we may see'm by the dozen, spouting like wather-engines all over the place." "Are there many dog-fish?" was the next question. "Dogs, begorra! ye'd say so 'ad ye passed the night here. "Sure we can't sleep for the barkin' o' thim." "Do flying-fish abound here?" queried another gentleman. "flying-fish is it?" quoth the veracious fellow. "If we didn't put up the shutters every night, there wouldn't be a whole pane o' glass in the house for the craters batin' against thim!" When he came up for his expenses, Pat. tried to coax something extra out of the Commissioners, on the plea that he had sworn to everything their honors "axed" him.

Virtue in Whistling.

An old farmer once said he would not have a hired man on his farm who did not habitually whistle. He always hired whistlers. Said he never knew a whistling laborer to find fault with his food, his bed, or complain of any little extra work he was asked to perform. Such a man was generally kind to children and to animals in his care. He would whistle a chilled lamb into warmth and life, and would bring in his hat full of eggs from the barn without breaking one of them. He found such a man more careful about closing gates, putting up bars, and seeing that the nuts on his plow were all properly tightened before he took it into the field. He never knew a whistling hired man to beat or kick a cow, or drive her on a run into a stable. He had noticed that the sheep he fed in the yard and shed gathered around him as he whistled without fear. He never had employed a whistler who was not thoughtful and economical.

—The Duke of Sutherland, who owns over a million of acres in Scotland, has obtained leave, his heir consenting, to disentail his estates in that country. They have been in the family five or six centuries.

DOMESTIC HINTS AND HELPS.

THE USE OF SALERATUS DISCOURAGED.—The free use of saleratus so much consumed in bread is excessively injurious to the human system. It is particularly liable to produce muscular prostration or paralysis, and is sure to injure the digestive organs. Of course, it is most fatal to children whose delicate organization is more sensitive than that of grown persons.

TO SOFTEN WATER.—Hard waters are reduced very soft and pure, rivaling distilled water, by merely boiling a two-ounce phial, say in a kettleful of water. The carbonate of lime and any impurities will be found adhering to the vial. The water boils very much better at the same time.

SOFT GINGERBREAD.—Dip up, shake off lightly, six even cups of flour; put in a pan and add one tablespoonful saleratus, two of ginger, one cup butter, two cups molasses, and two of good buttermilk; let the butter be soft enough to mix easily with the other ingredients, but not melted: stir all together enough to mix, and bake immediately in two tins about 8 by 12 inches square. If the oven is right 20 minutes will bake them.

YEAST CAKES.—Boil a handful of hops; pour on Indian meal sufficient to make stiff dough; when cool enough not to spoil yeast, put in a cupful; mix well. If the weather is warm make into cakes immediately: put meal on moulding board, set in shade in airy place to dry; turn every day till dry.

TO MAKE YEAST.—Boil one handful hops in two quarts of water till strength is exhausted; in the meantime grate three good sized potatoes; pour on the hop water, boiling hot, which forms a starch; add one-third cup salt, two-thirds cup sugar, one tablespoonful of ginger; when milk-warm stir in one cup or less good yeast; set in warm place to rise. This yeast will keep longer than any other in use.

HARD LARD FOR PASTRY.—Lard for pastry may be used as hard as it can be cut with a knife, and it will make far better paste than if let stand to warm. It needs only to be cut through the flour—not rubbed.

BOSTON BAKED BEANS.—Put your beans—which must be small beans—in cold water on the back of the stove to simmer. When the skin cracks take them out of pan and pour off water. You must have a brown earthen bean pot, in which you place on the bottom a small onion; then pour your beans into the pot, putting to two quarts beans two tablespoonsful molasses, a quarter of a pound nice salt pork scored on top, with one tablespoonful salt and pepper; fill bean pot with cold water, and let it stand in the oven where it will bake very slowly. When water has evaporated if the beans are not done pour in more water. The beans should bake for seven or eight hours, and be a light brown. They can be warmed up in the pot for breakfast.

BOSTON FISH CHOWDER.—Buy part cod and part haddock; skin fish and boil head and bones in three quarts cold water and little salt; then cut fish in squares, wipe dry, and flour a little; then fry out in a pot four slices nice lean salt pork and two large onions cut up; take out pork and wipe pot dry; turn back fat and lay on one layer of fish, pepper, salt and fried sliced onions: then a layer of thick sliced potatoes with pepper and salt; then a layer of Boston hard crackers split in two; then fish again until all is finished; boil slowly, adding one good pint of milk, one quarter pound butter, pinch of thyme and one bay leaf; when fish is done, take out carefully with a large spoon, so as not to break up the fish more than is absolutely necessary. Do not stir the chowder, but turn pot around.

An Innocent Slayer.

The sequel to an almost sensational tragedy in November last, was given at Columbia, S. C., in the acquittal of Miss Sallie Pauline Wood, charged with the murder of Samuel Henry. The evidence showed that Henry had deliberately designed and attempted the seduction of Miss Wood, who is a very pretty country girl, about eighteen years of age, and that he had threatened openly to accomplish his purpose at all hazards.

On the 5th of November he accordingly visited the house at which she was living, and, after meeting with a prompt refusal of his improper proposals, attempted by violence to effect his object. A short struggle ensued, when the frenzied girl, suddenly escaping from his grasp, secured a pistol and shot her enemy dead where he stood. The jury, after a short absence, returned a verdict of not guilty. Local interest in the affair is heightened by the fact that the would-be ravisher was a married man and well connected, while the girl who slew him in defence of her honor is little more than a child and an orphan.

The Mechanic.

The Mechanic is a machine which illustrates the manner in which all persons are taught to ride horses for the circus, and also how children are made to perform difficult feats on horseback. The Mechanic consists of a large upright pole in the center of the ring, near the top of which projects a pole at right angles like the gaff of a ship's sail; at the end of this is a block through which passes a rope, and this again is fastened to a broad band around the waist of the person forced or intending to learn to ride. A horse with padded back is then brought forward and the learner hoisted upon it so that his feet just touch the horse's back. The animal then starts. The machine revolves, keeping the learner always up with the horse. The amusing part is when the rider falls off and remains suspended, gasping, kicking, and vainly striving to regain his position while revolving around after the horse.

—He who reels and staggers most in the journey of life, takes the straightest cut to the devil.

A Curious Case of Sleep Walking.

On the above subject a retired naval officer contributes the following:

One bright moonlight night I was on deck, as was frequently my wont, chatting with the lieutenant of the middle watch. It was nearly calm, the ship making little way through the water, and the moon's light nearly as bright as day. We were together leaning over the capstan, chatting away, when W—— suddenly exclaimed: "Look! H——, at that sentry," and pointing to the quarter-deck marine who was pacing slowly backward and forward on the lee-side of the deck.

"Well," I replied, after watching him somewhat attentively as he passed once or twice on his regular beat, "what of him?"

"Why, don't you see he is fast asleep? Take a good look at him when he next passes."

I did so, and found W—— was right. The man, although pacing and turning regularly at the usual distance, was fast asleep with his eyes closed.

When next the man passed, W—— stepped quickly and noiselessly to his side, and pacing with him, gently disengaged the bunch of keys which were his special charge—being the keys of the spirit-room, shell-rooms, store-rooms, etc.—from the fingers of his left hand, to which they were suspended by a small chain; he then removed the bayonet from his other hand, and laid it and the keys on the capstan head. After letting him take another turn or two W—— suddenly called "Sentry!"

"Sir?" replied the man, instantly stopping and facing round as he came to the "attention."

"Why, you were fast asleep, sentry."

"No, sir."

"But I say you were."

"No, sir; I assure you I was not."

"You were not, eh? Well, where are the keys?"

The man instantly brought up his hand to show them, as he supposed; but to his confusion the hand was empty.

"Where is your bayonet?" continued W——.

The poor fellow brought forward his other hand, but that was empty also. But the puzzled look of astonishment he put on was more than we could stand; both burst out laughing, and when the keys and bayonet were pointed out to him, lying on the capstan, the poor fellow was perfectly dumbfounded. W—— was too merry over the joke, however, to punish the man, and he escaped with a warning not to fall asleep again.

Bogus Fire Proof Safes.

MERCHANTS, BEWARE of second hand safes. It is a well-known fact that not one in ten of all what are called FIRE PROOF SAFES are of the least value or protection after they have been in use fifteen years. The reason why they are not good for anything is that the *old laster filling* has lost its strength or power of resisting heat. Still there are persons base enough to go to the large cities and buy up all the *old* safes that have been thrown away as worthless, and have them gaudily painted, and then go through the country villages and sell them for bran-new safes. Such old safes would not preserve their contents through the most ordinary fire. Again, let us say beware of such safes as you would of the midnight thief. If you want a safe that will positively save your books, papers and valuables, buy a new one, and buy direct from the maker—new safes are very cheap. It will only cost one cent to send a postal card to any old responsible safe manufacturer for a price list of reliable safes.

—Lieut. Longneckar, U. S. N., has been placed in a most embarrassing, not to say distressing, position by the return of the Wyoming, on which he was going to France. He married just before the vessel sailed, and, as he would not take his bride with him on the Wyoming, he placed her on a steamer bound for Havre the day before his vessel sailed. He expected to meet her in France on the arrival of the Wyoming, but as that unfortunate ship was compelled to return to New York, he has been unable to meet his wife at the appointed time.

—School attendance in Virginia has nearly doubled since 1871; in South Carolina it has nearly quadrupled since 1870; in Florida, Alabama, Mississippi and Texas, good progress has been made toward permanent systems of education.

MARKET NOTES.

NEW YORK MARKET.

The wholesale New York market quotations show:

Beans.—Prime $1.55a1.60; fair to good 1.35a1.45 per bushel.

Butter.—N. Y. sold at 30c. for choice in pails, and 18a20c. common to good. Western sold at 35a37c. and the common Western at 7a9c.

Cheese.—Factory fancy 13c.; do. fair 9a10c.; farm dairy, prime 10a11½c.; and do. fair 9a10c.

Eggs.—Quotations ranged from 8c. for ordinary to 13c. for New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

Flour.—Superfine New York and Western, $4.25a4.80; extra New York $4.85a$5.10.

Hay.—Shipping 60c.; clover 40a45c.; salt 40a45c.; straw 40a45c.

Hops—New York 5a14c. Eastern 8a12c.

Lard.—Prime 8½c. crude 7½c. in bulk, in barrels 9¾c. Naptha 6¾a7c. in shipping order, and 15¼a16½ in cases and 12 in barrels.

Pork—New mess $10a11.50. Family mess 11.25 extra prime 8.50, dressed hogs 4¾a5½

Wheat.—Spring No. 2. $1.25½ Milwaukee No. 1, 1.30½; Amber 1.40 White 1.41a

Rye.—State 71a71½c.

Wool.—Ohio, Pennsylvania and Virginia xxx 44a46c.; xx 42a44c.; x 42a43c; No. 1, 43a44c.; No. 2, 35a37c.; common, 33a35; New York and Western xx 36a38c.; x and No. 1, 36a38a38a42c.

PHILADELPHIA MARKET.

Flour.—State family $6.00; rye flour 3.50 Wheat. State 1.30. Amber 1.32½. Corn, yellow, 53½c.; mixed State 54c.

Petroleum.—Refined 11¾c.; crude, 9½a9¾c.

Wool.—State and Western xx 42a45c.; x 42a43c.; medium 42a44; coarse 33a34c.

CATTLE MARKETS.

BUFFALO.—Cattle, good quality, $4.90. Hogs, fair to good 3.60a3.65 best 3.90.

EAST LIBERTY, PENN.—Best cattle 4.70; medium to good 4.25a4.50; common to fair 3.00a3.50. Hogs, Yorkers. 3.40a4.10; Philadelphias 4.20a4.30. Sheep, 3.50a5.40.

WATERTOWN, MASS.—Cattle, choice 7.75 extra 7.00a7.50; first quality 6.12½a6.62½; second quality 5.12½a5.62½; third quality 4.25a5.00. Sheep and lambs—wool sheep 3.45a5.50; extra 4.50a5.50; sheared 3¼a5¼c.; spring lambs 4a5¼c.; veal calves 4½a5½c.

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—Iowa has no State debt. Its constitution forbids the contracting of one.

It has Become Famous.

The Grand Central Hotel, New York, has become famous as one of the leading hotels of the metropolis. Under its skillful management, the art of making a hotel just what it should be, is perfect. The comforts and luxuries afforded by the Grand Central for the low rates of $2.50 and $3.00 per day is simply a matter of gratified astonishment to those who have heretofore paid high prices for the same or inferior accommodations.

Mothers! Mothers!! Mothers!!! Don't fail to procure Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for all diseases incident to the period of teething in children. It relieves the child from pain, cures wind colic, regulates the bowels, and, by giving relief and health to the child, gives rest to the mother. It is an old and well-tried remedy.

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The Exhibition will doubtless cause an immense increase of European travel. Persons contemplating a visit to Europe should secure a copy of the *Excursionist*, published by this firm, which contains many valuable suggestions and much important information as to cost of travel, hotels, etc. Address, COOK, SON & JENKINS, 261 Broadway, New York.

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