

GENERAL NEWS.

Haggerty and Baulch, the alleged voucher robbers, are held to appear before the grand jury.

O'Conner consents to head the anti-Tammany delegation to the Rochester Convention. The delegation numbers twenty-one of the most reputable citizens and staunch Democrats.

Secretaries Belknap, Robeson, Delano and Creswell, are now in Washington.

One hundred and ten cases of the small pox have been reported at Lowell, Massachusetts, within ten days preceding September 30th.

Col. Nilson, who killed Gen. Clinton at Knoxville, Tennessee, surrendered himself last Monday, and gave bonds in the sum of \$25,000 to answer the charge. Judge Nilson, his father, and W. G. Brownlow are among the sureties.

A terrible conflagration occurred in Chicago last Monday afternoon. It destroyed the immense warehouse on the track of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad and contents, valued at \$850,000. One man is known to have been burned to death. Three others are missing.

A riot occurred last Monday evening at Danville, Virginia, occasioned by a mob of negroes attempting to rescue a negro from arrest. A negro was bayoneted and a policeman was shot. Great excitement. Prof. Morse, the telegraph inventor, has a street named after him in Paris.

The dreadful scourge, yellow fever, is spreading over the South.

In France there are over three hundred colleges, not one of which will admit women students.

The Texas Pacific Railway will be 1,515 miles long.

A Protestant league is in course of formation throughout Germany, the object of which is the expulsion of the Jesuits from the country.

The claims of the British subjects residing in the South during the war does not exceed \$5,000,000.

Deputy Controller, Green, has determined to distribute the printing of his department, formerly done by the New York Printing Association, among a number of printing establishments.

One case of yellow fever is reported in Brooklyn.

A terrible explosion of fire-damp occurred recently in one of the mines in Carton-Grison, Switzerland. Thirty persons were instantly killed.

The Kingdom of Bavaria is about to recall its Ambassadors to foreign States, and will in future be represented only as a portion of the German Empire.

The number of passports issued to persons going abroad this year is largely in excess of any previous one. The average has been about thirty, but is now falling off.

From England we learn that the scissor grinders, cutlers and carpenters of sheffield, Bolton and Dundee have struck work.

The strikers in Newcastle held a mass meeting to-day and passed resolutions insisting upon their demands and expressing their intention to persevere in the strike until its objects are accomplished.

From France we are told that the supporters of the empire are becoming bolder in their intrigues, and agitate openly for restoration. Clement Duvernois, editor of the new Bonapartist paper, says 'There is falling, and the country will naturally return to the Government which gave it twenty years of order. Assurances are given at Versailles that the difficulties in the way of the ratification of the customs treaty with Germany have been overcome.

Small pox is raging in Brooklyn, New York.

In the town elections in Hartford and New Haven, Connecticut, last Tuesday, the Republicans elected nearly their entire ticket.

Telegrams from North Carolina says that Bond refuses to continue the Ku Klux cases. Nine pleaded guilty yesterday.

Ex-Governor English, of Connecticut, is cursed by his party for cutting down the Democratic vote in that State by giving \$1,000 towards a new school house.

General Sherman, in passing through Binghamton the other day, was, as usual, greeted by a large crowd. He stood upon a chair, and, after receiving three cheers, said "he was satisfied if the crowd

was." And then he left for Scranton.

Loudon telegrams of Oct. 1st, contain the following: Dispatches from Great Grimsby give harrowing details of shipwrecks in full sight of the people on shore during the late great gale. The master of the American ship Bertha Thayer was swept overboard from her deck and drowned, while off Lundy Isle.

The steamer Sunderland, with seven hands, and an Italian brig with nine persons on board, both foundered off the north of the Humber, during the gale.

Emile Olliver has settled in Turin, and avows his determination of never again returning to France.

A sun fish, weighing 300 pounds, was recently captured at New Bedford, Mass.

Nebraska took the field against the Union, in the pomological exhibition at Richmond, and bore off the palm. It took the first premium for the best collection of fruits.

A Turk has appeared in New York with a wife whose strange, luxuriant beauty has created a deep sensation. She has the eyes of a houri, almond-shaped, deep and dreamy, and brilliantly white teeth that laugh when she laughs. The delicate white lace that covers her blue dress is held by little groups of real humming birds, perched on branches made of the brilliant wigsheaths of the green-beetle. They are sojourning at an up-town hotel, en route for Canada.

Thomas King, 17, of Lewiston, Me., believed that laughing at the bolts and bars might be indulged in by something else than love. He was placed in the county jail for some incorrigible offence. Before the bolts were shut an hour he had with a common pen-knife cut his way out, just in time, however, to fall into the arms of the warden. Put into another cell, in an incredible short time he had smashed through the walls and had almost escaped when discovered. Out of patience with the pertinacious break-away, the jailer put him in a third cell, securely handcuffing him to keep his busy hands still. In exactly 40 minutes the watchman reached the cell on his rounds, and the prisoner was nowhere to be seen. Two bars were cleanly cut away and the handcuffs were gone.

An explosion of fire-damp occurred last Wednesday morning at 6 o'clock in the mine in Glawrgan county, Wales. Five men were killed. Owing to the early hour the regular force had not commenced work, else the loss of life would have been frightful.

A late dispatch from New York states that the prosecution of the Tammany gang is seriously hindered by the refusal of the Board of Supervisors which is under Tweed's control, to allow the Committee of Reform the power to send for persons and papers.

Bismarck, according to a Berlin correspondent, believes he was poisoned by some unknown enemy during his recent visit to Frankfurt-on-the-Main.

SOME THINGS YOU WILL NOT BE SORRY FOR.—For hearing before judging.

For thinking before speaking.

For holding an angry tongue.

For stopping the ear to a tale-bearer.

For refusing to kick a fallen man.

For being kind to the distressed.

For being patient to all.

For doing good to all men.

For walking upright before God.

For lending to the Lord.

For laying up treasure in heaven.

For asking pardon for all wrongs.

For speaking evil of no man.

For being courteous to all.

I cannot get over the feeling that the souls of the dead do somehow connect themselves with the places of their former habitation, and that the hush and thrill of spirit which we feel in them may be owing to the overshadowing presence of the invisible. St. Paul says, "We are compassed about with a great cloud of witnesses;" but how can they be witnesses if they cannot see and be cognizant?—Harriet B. Stone.

One of the provisions of the Ohio Sunday law is exemption of arrest for debt on Sundays. And so careful has been the spirit of Ohio legislation to extend equal privileges to all that it has also provided the same exemption for Israelites on Saturday, their Sabbath.

The Prime Minister of Hungary, Count Andrassy, while in exile in London, supported himself by giving lessons on the guitar, and was often so poor that he went hungry and wandered about the streets of the Great City all night, not having money enough to pay for a lodging.

Miscellaneous Items.

One may insert a thousand excellent things in a newspaper, and never hear a word of them from his readers. But let a line or two not suited to their taste creep in by accident or otherwise, and one bears from it from every quarter.

The average age of women when they marry is 25.44 years, and of men, hundred who reach this age twenty-one will never marry. With men it fares differently; for, strange as it may seem, more women than men get married, and of one hundred of the latter who reach the marriage age of 25.5 years, twenty-two will be bachelors. Thus, about one-fifth of our people are doomed to die unwedded, whether they prefer it or not.

Peter Cooper, in speaking of his efforts in life, gives the following tribute to his wife:

"Providence did bless my efforts; and this institution is the result, never lost sight of during a business career of nearly sixty years in which I was cheered, comforted, sustained and encouraged by the grandest of human blessings—a diligent, wise, industrious, faithful, and affectionate wife."

A prominent Government official at Washington, recently wrote to a friend in New York, inquiring as to the position, financially or otherwise, of a resident of that city. "I am happy to inform you that Mr. — stands at the very top of respectability here. He owns a fast horse, a New York Judge, and intends to steal the first railroad he sees lying around loose."

Dr. Lewis declares that the present system of employing doctors, is wrong, and advises the people to make contracts with them at \$300 a year for each family, and a deduction of \$2 for each case of sickness.

A piano that is played with the feet is the latest musical invention announced in England. It has sixty-eight keys which are cubical blocks of wood, and each one strikes a chord of four notes. The inventor wears slippers when playing, and while he performs upon the piano with his feet he plays the flute with his mouth and fingers.

The other day, in a town in Vermont, two women, mother and daughter, alleged to be guilty of immoral practices, were taken from their dwelling and subjected to a coat of tar and feathers. A male offender found on the premises was ornamented with a crown of feathers, and a jug was tied to his back and a lantern hung to his neck, in which condition he was paraded through the town to his residence, and made to acknowledge to his wife his marital delinquencies. He was then notified to leave the town within twenty-four hours, or suffer the penalties of an adhesive coat and a ride on the wooden horse.

We caution parents particularly not to allow their children to be waked up in the mornings; let nature wake them up; she will not do so prematurely; but have a care that they go to bed at an early hour, so that they will wake up in the morning in full time to dress for breakfast. Being waked up early and allowed to engage in difficult or any studies late, and just before retiring, has given many a beautiful and promising child brain fever, or determined ordinary ailments to the production of water on the brain.—Dr. Holt.

According to a French statistician, taking the mean of many counts, a man fifty years of age has slept 6,000 days, worked 6,500 days, walked 500 days, amused himself 4,000 days, was eating 1,500 days, was sick 500, etc. He ate 77,000 pounds of bread, 16,000 pounds of meat, 4,000 pounds of vegetables, eggs and fish, and drank 7,000 gallons of liquid, namely: water, coffee, tea, beer, etc., all together. This would make a respectable lake of 300 square feet surface and three deep, on which a small steamer could navigate.

An exchange says: "One of the greatest nuisances of a hotel is a handsome man. He is a bore to all the ladies of good sense in the house. If we might be allowed a suggestion, we would advise every father who is threatened with a handsome son in the family, just to take a clothes powder and batter his nose to a pumice. For some cause or other, nine out of ten of the handsome men you meet are conceited jackdaws. They cultivate their hair and complexion so much that they have no time to think of their brains. By the time they reach thirty, their heads and hands are equally soft."

The oldest tree on record in Europe, is located by the cypress of Souma, in Lombardy, Italy. This tree is believed to have been in existence at the time of Julius Caesar, forty-two years before Christ, and is therefore 1911 years old. It is 106 feet in height, and 20 feet in circumference at one foot from the ground. Napoleon, when laying down his plan for the great road over the Simplon, diverged from a straight line to avoid injuring this tree.

A French chemist asserts that if tea be ground like coffee before hot water is poured upon it, it will yield nearly double the amount of its exhilarating qualities. Another writer says: "If you put a piece of lump sugar the size of a walnut into a tea pot you will make the tea infuse in half the time." Persons who have tried this last experiment say that the result is very satisfactory.

The Khedive of Egypt has the greatest private purse of any one in the world. His personal wealth is said to amount to \$300,000,000. He lives in a new palace, which cost him \$15,000,000, and spent \$25,000,000 entertaining sixty thousand European guests at the Suzee canal opening party for everything, including their washing.

Franklin said: "A newspaper and a bible in every house, and a good school in every district, are the principal supporters of virtue, morality and civil liberty."

The Steam power employed in the United States does the labor of 140,000,000 men, while that of Great Britain is equivalent to 400,000,000.

A New York dispatch of September 28th gives this: "A number of prominent Democrats from the South and West have had a meeting with leading members of the party, and have agreed, it is said, to put Chief Justice Chase forward for the Presidency. Those claiming to know declare that Chase is very anxious to be a candidate, and he has an entire understanding with influential Democrats all over the country that he shall be nominated. It is reported that he himself has prepared a platform very liberal in character, and which he thinks will be satisfactory to many discontented Republicans."

Three years ago a citizen of Boston, Mr. Z. M. Smith, undertook a tour to the Rocky Mountains in his own carriage, in company with his wife. The journey was accomplished a few days ago, and the travelers returned to their homes last week. They made with their own horse 12,000 miles, and 30,000 by steam, saddle, and in Indian canoes, visiting every mining camp and village from Montana to Mexico, at an expense of over \$25,000.

His Highness the Nawab of Nazim, of Moorsheadabad, has a family of forty-two children, of whom nineteen are unmarried princesses. Each one waiting for a royal husband, and the heart of his highness is heavy because they come not.

General Brice, the Haytien Minister to France, hunted down the ex-Emperor Souloque; has been twice hanged by the neck; twice the rope slipped; and in three sieges lived comfortably by eating the soles of his boots.

The Norwich Advertiser selects the following from "What I know about farming?" "Catch your butterflies late in August. Select deep yellow ones if you would get sweet, saleable butter."

The editor of the Times has been presented with a purse of \$50,000 by the Union League, in recognition of his services against the Tammany Hall Ring.

Morgan county, Illinois, boasts of the largest hog in the United States. Weight 1,305 pounds.

To San Francisco and back is now the fashionable bridal tour.

On the 20th of last June there were 30,045 post offices in the United States.

The female population of Great Britain exceeds the male by 718,516.

The constant increase of crime committed under the influence of liquor has led to the introduction of a new licensing law in England, with a view of restricting the sale of liquor by reducing the number of public houses, which now average one to 132 persons—to say nothing of the wholesale stores, or those where liquor is sold not to be drunk on the premises. There is quite a total abstinence party in Great Britain; but the most it has ever attempted in the way of legislation was to try to have a law passed granting to a certain majority of the tax-payers power to prohibit the sale of liquor in its limits. In the course of the debate on this licensing bill, reference was made to the plan adopted in Wurtemberg, where the Government owns all the liquor stores, placing them in charge of a Government officer. It is made the interest of this official to sell as little liquor, and as much tea and coffee as possible, since he is allowed a percentage on all sales of these milder beverages. Such a plan would hardly work well either in England or this country, but it is said to be a valuable auxiliary in promoting sobriety among the Wurtembergers.

Was the wine made by Jesus from water, at the wedding of Cana of Galilee, intoxicating? This question substantially, was discussed lately in six successive meetings of the Presbyterian Ministers' Association of Philadelphia. The body was divided on the question, at the end as in the beginning of the discussion; but all united in the resolution "that, in view of the deplorable results, temporal and eternal, which in so many cases are clearly traceable to the custom of wine drinking, especially as a part of a social entertainment; and in view also of the Divine precept that the strong bear the infirmities of the weak, not pleasing themselves; even as Christ also pleased not himself; this Association regards the entire disuse of wine, as well as other intoxicating liquors, as a beverage, by individuals or at social assemblies, as a duty which, under the Christian law of self-denial, is now due to suffering humanity."

SOLDIERS WITHOUT RUM.—The Lancet says that not a ration of spirit or rum is served out to the German soldiers in France, who are giving such a splendid account of themselves in the matter of physical energy and endurance. It recalls, also the fact that, by advice of the medical bureau, the spirit ration was discontinued in the American army without any injury to the service. The German, however, has his bottle of Rhine wine. Nothing can be considered more demonstrated than that the severities of war will be better endured without than with the use of ardent spirits.—Independent.

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