

The two houses of Congress meet to count the electoral votes on the second Wednesday in February—the 14th. Heretofore the vote has been counted in a few hours, but on this occasion it is among the possibilities, unless some definite system is adopted in advance, that the counting may absorb days, and even weeks.

ANECDOTE OF THAD. STEVENS.—Many years ago, when Thaddeus Stevens was practicing law in Lancaster, he was employed to defend two bank officers who had been indicted for conspiracy, they having used the funds of the bank in speculation.

TURKEY ADVISED AND WARNED.—The London Times, in a leading editorial, says the plenipotentiaries have concluded the most difficult part of their task by agreeing that some kind of occupation is necessary.

THE INDIAN POLICY.—The Tribune's Washington special of 19th inst. says, the President, in conversation to-day said that the progress of population and occupation of the Territories is so rapid it is necessary to adopt a different policy so far as geographical location of tribes is concerned.

THE CASCADES SURVEYING PARTY.—The party engaged on the survey for the Cascade canal are progressing well; the principal lines, both with transit and level on the cross sections are now being run.

J. Durham, in the Country Gentleman, recommends linseed oil for sore teats, and says that any dairymen troubled with cows having sore teats should use plenty of linseed oil before and after milking.

CENTENNIAL GIFTS.—Says the Philadelphia Ledger: The gifts to Philadelphia, by which she will remember her visitors from abroad, are becoming numerous.

The manufacture of linen began in England in 1255, the manufacture of paper from cotton rags 100 years earlier; the insurance of ships and merchandise commenced about forty years after the birth of Christ.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Offices established: Lucky Queen, Josephine Co., David H. Sexton P. M.; Midway, Umbrella Co., James P. Casen, P. M.

MRS. DR. CRAIG is now prepared to receive patients in her office, in Salem. During the past year she has had extensive practice at Dr. Adams' popular Medical Institute at Portland.

F. A. Smith, Artist, Salem, Oregon, dealer in Stereoscopes and Stereoscopic Views, and Scenes of Salem and the surrounding country.

A NORMAN HORSE.—The Boise Statesman of Dec. 9th says: Mr. W. P. Bruce of Wallburg, Washington Territory, passed through here Wednesday Evening on his way home from the States.

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The following is the programme for the Week of Prayer, commencing January 1, 1877, adopted by the British branch of the Evangelical Alliance, and commended to Christians of other countries:

Sunday, Jan. 7.—Sermons: Christian Fellowship, 1 John 1:7.

Monday, Jan. 8.—Thanksgiving and confession—in the review of the past year.

Tuesday, Jan. 9.—Prayer: For the Holy Spirit on the Universal Church.

Wednesday, Jan. 10.—Prayer for families—for the uncovered; for sons and daughters at school and college, and for those abroad; for any in sickness, trouble, or temptation; and for those who have been recently "added to the Church."

Thursday, Jan. 11.—Prayer for nations—for rulers, magistrates, and statesmen; for philanthropic and benevolent institutions; for a pure literature, and the spread of sound education among the people, and the maintenance of peace.

Friday, Jan. 12.—Prayer for Christian missions to the Jews and Gentiles, Luke xxiv. 47; for Sunday schools and for the conversion of the world to Christ.

Saturday, Jan. 13.—Prayer for the observance of the Christian Sabbath; for the promotion of temperance, and for the safety of those "who go down to the sea in ships, that do business in great waters."

Sunday, Jan. 14.—Sermons: One Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all. Ephes. iv. 5, 6.

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Notice of Final Settlement. NOTICE is hereby given that Wm. P. Push, Administrator of the estate of Jas. E. Hall, late of Marion county, deceased, has this day filed his final account, and Saturday the 9th day of December, 1876, at 10 o'clock a. m. of said day has been set for hearing the same.

Final Settlement. NOTICE is hereby given that G. C. Lyon, Administrator of the Estate of Alexander McCorkle, deceased, has filed in the County Court of Marion county, his account as Administrator of said Estate, and a petition for final settlement thereof, and the Court has set Saturday the 9th day of Dec. 1876, at 11 o'clock a. m. or hearing objections thereto, if any exist.

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