

## NATIONAL JOTTINGS.

### SENATOR RIDDLEBERGER TENDERS HIS RESIGNATION.

The Frantic Scramble for Office—Springer the Recipient of a Leather Medal—The Republican Majority in the House.

No wine was served at the inaugural ball.

The proceeds of the inaugural ball were about \$60,000.

Whitlaw Reid will, it is said, be appointed minister to England.

Ex-Governor Porter, of Indiana, will be appointed minister to Rome.

Senator Ingalls was elected president pro tem of the senate Thursday.

The Republicans have a majority of three in the House of Representatives.

Attorney-General Garland will locate in New York and resume the practice of law.

Justice Stanley Matthews, of the supreme court, is reported to be dangerously ill.

Judge Gresham will be appointed to the supreme bench to fill the first vacancy.

A delegation is in Washington for the purpose of an early change in Arizona's executive.

The new British minister, Sir Julian Pauncefote, will arrive in Washington this week.

The colored man appears to be quite numerous around Washington since the inauguration.

Ex-Representative Wren, of Nevada, is being urged for commissioner of the general land office.

It is asserted that Mr. Kasson will represent the United States at Berlin in the Samoan conference.

Congressman Springer has been presented with an elaborate leather medal by admiring Dakotans.

The supreme court has continued the case of Chae Chang Ping from the 11th to the 25th of this month.

Postmaster-General Wannamaker has purchased the Frelinghuysen mansion in Washington for \$80,000.

A resolution has been introduced in the senate for the purchase of \$4,000,000 worth of silver bullion a month.

James H. Beatty, of the Wood river mining district, is in Washington a candidate for the Idaho governorship.

The scramble for office by the hungry horde has compelled the President to restrict the hours of miscellaneous callers.

Charles E. Con, of New York, will be appointed assistant secretary of the treasury, to succeed Governor Thompson.

A new chief of the railway mail service will be appointed, and the general reorganization of the service entered upon.

Dr. C. C. O'Donnell, of San Francisco, is in Washington with the view of enlightening the capitol on the evil of Chinese.

Representatives from thirteen states were in attendance at the national greenback conference held in Washington last week.

Ex-Secretary Whitney, with others, has purchased a controlling interest in the New York Loan and Improvement company.

The Government has recovered \$1000 penalty from Joseph and John Lees of Philadelphia for importing contract labor at their mills.

The new senators sworn in are, Barbour of Virginia, Higgins of Delaware, McMillan of Michigan and Marston of New Hampshire.

Vice-President Morton has bought the Bell residence in Washington and gave his check for \$95,000 in payment for the property. He will spend about \$10,000 more in repairs.

The Pennsylvania troops at the inauguration ceremonies "fought nobly," that is they vanquished the police and demolished all the free lunches in town.

Last Monday President Harrison entered upon his official duties in earnest. Heafter less time will be accorded to hand-shakers and chronic office-seekers.

The name "Grover Cleveland" in big gold letters, appears on the window at 45 William street, New York, with the names of Bangs, Stetson, Tracy and McVeagh.

One of the most interesting incidents of the inauguration day celebration at Washington was the initiation into the Grand Army of the Republic of ex-Speaker Samuel J. Randall.

The navy department has postponed from March 15th to April 3d the time for receiving proposals for the construction of an armored coast defense vessel. The order was Secretary Tracy's first official act.

Senator Riddleberger was forcibly ejected from the Senate Sunday by order of President Ingalls. The Virginia Senator was in an intoxicated condition and could not be prevailed upon to keep quiet.

The conduct of the Pennsylvania militia attending the inaugural ceremonies was marked all along by disgraceful scenes. Their rowdyish acts and drunken debaucheries culminated in almost a riot.

John H. Walsh, ex-Superintendent of the United States Treasury, was arrested at Washington Sunday for passing a worthless check for \$141 on Manager Downs of the Morton House in payment of his hotel bill.

General Sherman has made an urgent personal request of the President that General Joseph E. Johnston be retained in the office of railroad commissioner. Johnston surrendered to Sherman twenty-four years ago.

At the conference of the state railroad commissioners with the interstate commerce commission, held in Washington Thursday, a resolution was adopted recommending the adoption of automatic signals for the protection of life on all railroads.

## HOME AND ABROAD.

### THE TRIUMPH OF BOULANGER A MENACE TO EUROPE.

A Niece of Chief Justice Chase Arrested in New York—The Tragic Sequel to an Illinois Elopement—A Remedy for Rabbits.

King Milan has abdicated.

Patrick Egan is in New York.

A black man is the champion wrestler of France.

Nevada saloons will hereafter close at midnight.

There is a probability of an Eastern railroad war.

Fifty colored men are studying for the priesthood in Rome.

The Maine Senate has vetoed against the Australian Ballot bill.

Prince Kraptchin has settled in London for the rest of his life.

The Arizona council is making itself conspicuous by its ignorance.

The woman suffrage bill has been defeated in the Maine legislature.

A marked increase in hostility to foreigners is noticeable in China.

An epidemic of rabies has appeared in Wetzlar county, West Virginia.

Damascus has 150,000 inhabitants and is soon to have gas and street cars.

The German Emperor now has his Berlin palace lighted by electricity.

Zurich capitalists are to utilize the falls of the Rhine for electrical purposes.

Crown Prince Alexander was proclaimed King of Serbia Thursday.

Twelve killed and twenty-eight injured is the result of the late Ontario bridge disaster.

The capital stock of the Pullman Car company has been increased to \$25,000,000.

Stanhope, the British secretary of war, believes that a great European war is imminent.

Silver ore yielding from \$5000 to \$12,000 a ton has been discovered at Maroon, Colorado.

By the falling of a wall at Milwaukee Wednesday twelve firemen were crushed to death.

The consolidation of the Northern Pacific and the Wisconsin Central railroads is announced.

The consolidation of the branch lines of the Union Pacific centering at Ogden, is announced.

Nathan A. Wilson, secretary of the Cleveland Stove company, committed suicide Wednesday.

Floquet, the French Premier, at one time got a small salary for getting up stuff in a newspaper office.

Trouble is feared between Northern Pacific and Union Pacific workmen in Jefferson canyon, Montana.

The Nevada legislature has passed a bill to refund the money paid by drummers to sell goods in the state.

The three leading breweries of Rochester, N. Y., have been purchased by an English syndicate for \$3,500,000.

It has been discovered that the juice of the pluco or magic plant on the Athmus is a certain remedy for hydrophobia.

The bodies of three murdered women were recovered from the bed of the Rio Grande river at El Paso, Wednesday.

W. P. Mays and J. C. Leisure, of Oregon, are in Washington, both candidates for United States attorney for Oregon.

Two Chinamen were arrested at Milwaukee Thursday for enticing young girls into their dens for immoral purposes.

In London the windows of private houses are washed by a limited liability company at the rate of 8 cents a window.

General George B. Williams, of Indiana, has been decorated by the Emperor of Japan with the order of the Rising Sun.

General Adam Badeau is again before the public in a lawsuit, in connection with his work, "The Life of General Grant."

An elopement culminated in Earlville, Ill., Wednesday, by the man killing the girl, 13 years old, and then committing suicide.

Mrs. Sarah C. Leland, niece of the late Chief Justice Chase, was arrested in New York Monday for stealing a pair of diamond earrings.

The governor of Montana has been petitioned to commute the death sentence of Godas, the half-breed murderer, to imprisonment for life.

Wm. Cronleigh, of Lisburn, Pa., saw his best girl at church with another man, and immediately retired and put a bullet through his own brain.

Mrs. Ann Driscoll decapitated her sleeping husband and attempted to murder her son in a fit of insanity, near Delafield, Wis., Wednesday.

The government has forbidden large deputations to visit General Boulanger's house, and have ordered the officers not to salute or recognize him.

A score of petitions from fruit growers of the Niagara district have been presented to the Dominion Parliament asking for the reposition of duty on American small fruits.

It is said that American bootlers in Canada are subscribing liberally to secure the defeat of the bill introduced in the Canadian parliament extraditing people of their kind.

Governor Luce of Michigan declares that the senate of that state is not legally constituted, and refuses to sign bills passed by the legislature.

The Empress of Russia has sent upward of \$50,000 to the St. Petersburg Hospital as a thank offering for her miraculous escape from death in the recent railroad accident to the royal train.

Mrs. Con Murphy, of Helena, Montana, threw a lighted lamp at Joe Anderson, her lover, Wednesday. The lamp struck him over the ear, breaking and saturating his clothing with oil, which took fire. His ear was nearly burned off and his right arm roasted to a crisp.

## THE PACIFIC COAST.

### SAN DIEGO'S CHIEF OF POLICE ARRESTED FOR THEFT.

A Mysterious Yacht Engaged in Smuggling Chinamen—Reported Uprising of the Flatheads—California Vigilantes.

Astoria has a Curfew ordinance.

Jack Dempsey will not go to California.

Walla Walla is to have a street railway.

Victoria protests against a duty on flour.

A strong earthquake was felt at Guaymas Saturday morning.

Mr. Moody's meetings in Los Angeles were a success—financially.

Two wild camels are occasionally seen near Cottonwood, A. T.

Richard Gird proposes to erect a beet sugar factory at Chino, Cal.

Washington's constitutional convention will be held in Washington.

Work on the Spokane Falls and Northern railroad commenced last week.

Mrs. Upham, aged nineteen years, hanged herself at Riverside last week.

Mayor Bryson, of Los Angeles, refuses to surrender the office to his successor.

Tokay grapes, fresh from the vine, were on exhibition at Fresno last week.

A heavy snow fall is reported on the Bitter root and Salmon river mountains.

Pugilistic brutes, yclept sporting gentlemen, have taken possession of San Francisco.

Trains loaded with gold seekers, bound for north California, leave Los Angeles daily.

A vicious horse with a kick killed W. J. Handy, an old resident, at Los Angeles Saturday.

The San Francisco "eXaminer" appears to have the sinche on the Associated Press.

Vigilantes assisted a young man named Patten out of Arroyo Grande on a rail, last week.

Northern Pacific men have acquired complete ownership of the Tacoma street-car system.

Ex-Senator James H. Slater, who has been dangerously ill at home at LaGrande, is recovering.

The San Francisco walking kind, like all other hobnobbers of the kind, was a miserable farce.

The Canadian government is contemplating defenses of a strong character on the Pacific Coast.

A mysterious yacht is engaged in smuggling Chinamen from Victoria into the United States.

Large numbers of prospectors have left San Diego for the new mining district in Lower California.

Governor Watterson is being bitterly denounced for his action in vetoing the disincorporation bill.

Perry Bennett, 72 years old, crushed his wife's skull with a hatchet at Rushville, Cal., Tuesday.

Lee Chuck, convicted of murder at San Francisco, has been granted a new trial by the supreme court.

The California legislature has made the best record for astuteness of an body of the kind on the earth.

Miss Lillian Bowers, at Garvanza, Los Angeles, has been sustained by the courts for flogging a boy scholar.

The San Francisco customs authorities seized \$4000 worth of opium on the steam collier Empire Wednesday.

The mangled remains of a little girl were discovered in an unfinished building at Tacoma Thursday.

William Dixon, a farmer, hanged himself at Hollister, Cal., last week.

The saloon men have organized an association in Sacramento for the purpose of fighting the high license law.

Goodall & Perkins propose to build a railroad from Watsonville to Moss Landing, and ask only the right-of-way.

Henry L. Goettan, charged with robbing the Sonoma, Cal., stage last December, has been held in \$10,000 bail.

Chief Avery and two members of the San Diego Fire department have been arrested for stealing shoes at a fire.

The California state board of trade will send three Pullman cars filled with California products through to Great Britain.

Alejandro Sabine, sent to jail last week at Los Angeles for contempt of court, has appealed to President Diaz for his interference.

The Flathead Indians in Montana are again in a dangerous mood, over the death of the Indian recently shot by a white man.

Charles Nolman, while practicing with a parlor rifle at San Francisco, Thursday, shot and killed a man on the opposite side of the target.

A desperate attempt to escape was made by the prisoners in the Fort Towns and jail Thursday. One prisoner was shot in the arm by the jailer.

Mrs. Nelson, of San Francisco, fell from a second story landing to the ground Sunday. She laid in a soaking rain for an hour and was picked up dead.

Charles Hamilton, the hackman who figured in the mysterious murder in Carle Bradley's bagnio in Portland six years ago, was seen in San Francisco last week.

On account of a scandalous article published in a Los Angeles newspaper, Col. W. A. Ray has resigned the presidency of the San Gabriel Valley bank of Pasadena.

Goodall, Perkins & Company have decided to give all carpenter work, repairing, etc., on their vessels to private firms, and in consequence have discharged all their workmen.

Flores, for attempting to bribe whom the Tia Juana King is in jail at Los Angeles, is likely to be taken over the border by the Mexicans and shot, unless Judge Ross interferes.

## FARM GLEANINGS.

### THE RELATIVE VALUE OF FROSTED SEED ASCERTAINED.

The Normal Condition of a Short Horn Cow—An Increase of One Hundred Per Cent in Production on Well Fertilized Land.

Blackleg has appeared among the cattle in Modoc county, Cal.

The farmers of Illinois are organizing county societies for the extermination of insects.

Wood-moss laid on the earth around plants is beneficial, by retaining moisture and giving the pot a neater appearance.

Owing to the great use of the twine-binder in harvesting, the consumption of hemp and various fibres has increased 25 per cent during the past year.

An irrigation system is to be adopted for the land of the Fruto Improvement Company in Colusa county. The main ditch will be seven miles in length.

A farmer of Hartford, N. Y., has been indicted by the Grand Jury for neglecting to remove and destroy some diseased peach trees that were in his orchard.

The production of seed is more exhausting to soil than the growth of vine, and for that reason a green manure crop does not require to be matured. It takes nearly as much from the air through its leaves and the assistance of rains as it takes from the soil.

Two excellent results of life on the farm compared with life on the street, are the humanity and economy evidenced in young people who help to feed the many dependents on the farm, and who find no other way of gathering needed pennies but by that of slow earnings and careful savings.

The third report of the Experimental Agricultural Station at Auburn, Ala., has just been published. The profit from ten acres of corn, fertilized, was \$5.56 per acre, while from unfertilized it was \$2.40 per acre. Other experiments with sweet potatoes, ground peas, turnips and grapes were uniformly successful.

The value of all dogs in the state of New York is \$1,000,000, says a current newspaper paragraph. Yes, and if it wasn't for this \$1,000,000 worth of useless dog meat the value of the sheep of the state of New York would be several millions more than it is, and the Commonwealth that much richer.

Geese do not receive as much attention as they should on farms especially adapted to rearing water fowls. Besides yielding a regular income of feathers, they are one of the most profitable fowls for the market. Much easier reared than turkeys, they sell as readily in most seasons at as good profits.

Germany claims the honor of having the oldest rose bush in the world. It is said that in 1079 Bishop Heplio caused a trellis to be erected to support the bush now climbing over the old church at Hildersheim. The only certain thing is that the main branch of this rose bush is now larger than a man's body.

Farming business generally is conducted on a loose and slovenly basis, with an absence of economical methods that surprises every man that comes to this country fully posted as to the methods adopted elsewhere, where men have to pay an annual rent for the land and much higher titles and taxes than we.

Professor Storrs says a ration of thirty pounds of pumpkin per cow daily will increase the flow and improve the quality of milk. More than this quantity should not be given. Pumpkins are very cheap food, as a couple of tons can be grown to the acre with the corn crop. The seeds of the pumpkin ought to be removed before feeding.

The change from an out-door run to the limit of a henery is not at all agreeable to the nature of fowls. There they live and grow like house plants—pale and delicate. The longer they are hived together the more sickly they will be and the less number the breeder will have to show or sell in a presentable condition to his customers.

Raising flowers for the manufacture of perfumery is becoming a new industry in Florida under the encouragement of Northern capital. The two varieties of roses grown are the musk and damask, and other flowers that are used for distillation, such as the jessamine, violets, lilies and jonquils, are hardy and yield rich harvests under cultivation.

"It's no trouble to winter sheep," said an old flock-master to us, once, "but the rub is in springing 'em." That was because he did not winter them well. The steady cold of winter keeps the system keyed up, and the poorest feed is eaten with some relish and benefit; but unless the sheep has been kept on a high level of the warm, debilitating breath of spring will let it down fatally.

There is much difference in the milk of different animals and breeds, and much depends upon the food and condition of the cow. It is very unusual to find less than 2.5 or more than 8 per cent of fat, less than 5 or more than 30 per cent of the volume of the milk, of cream, less than 10.5 or more than 17 per cent of solids, or less than 83 or more than 89.50 per cent of water in pure milk.

Professor Green, of the Minnesota State Agricultural college, has completed his experiments to ascertain the relative value of frosted grain for seed. His report shows that from 40 to 90 per cent of the total amount planted will sprout and grow. He says that the experiments may be relied upon, and hereafter farmers may plant frosted grain with the assurance that it will grow, rather than run in debt for other seed. The Dalrymples of Dakota will give frosted seed a thorough test.

Short-horn breeders in several western states are discussing the future of the breed, and comments indicate the various stages of education of different breeders. Some would arbitrarily cull herds and condemn certain strains. Some would feed heavier, others would avoid milking and others still, would encourage milking. Many have yet to learn that the normal condition of a Short-horn cow is the milking condition and not the butcher condition; that the Short-horns should be tested as milk cows for milk and as steers for beef, but that breeding cows should only be kept in breeding condition and not in condition for the butcher. Overfeeding for fatness will not only destroy milking characteristics, but it will also destroy breeding.

## PORTLAND MARKET.

### THE LOCAL MARKET ALL THAT COULD BE DESIRED.

Sugars Exhibit Great Firmness—A Brisk Demand for Fresh Meats—Dried Fruit a Drug in the Market—Drop in Cured Meats.

The chief event of importance during the past week has been the strike among the employees of the river division of the O. R. & N. company, which has caused a temporary cessation of trade with Astoria. The dull state of the wheat market, however, renders the situation less serious than it would have been otherwise. In all other respects business is active. In provisions the market is weak, prices, however, remaining steady. Sugars have advanced another step, with the prospect of another raise. The demand for fruits and vegetables has been good. Receipts in dried fruits have been meagre, on account of an overstocked market. The importation from California has had the effect of reducing the price of butter. Wool is a drug, with very little prospect for the future. Wheat is quiet and steady.

GRAIN.

Sugars, Golden C 5 1/2c, extra C 5 7/8c, cube, crushed and powdered 7c. Coffee, Java 25c, Rio 21 1/2c, Arabica's roasted 24 1/2c.

PROVISIONS.

Oregon ham 12 1/2c@13c, breakfast bacon 13c, sides 11c, shoulders 10 1/2c@11c, Eastern ham 12 1/2c@13c, Sinclair's 13c@13 1/2c, breakfast bacon 12 1/2c@13c, sides 11c, shoulders 10 1/2c@11c.

FRUITS.

Navel oranges \$4.85@5.00, Riverside \$5.25@5.50, apples \$1.16, lemons \$5.50 per box.

VEGETABLES.

Potatoes 30c@35c, onions 70c@75c.

DRIED FRUITS.

Apples 50c@60c, sliced 60c, apricots 13c@14c, peaches 80c@10c, pears 8c, Oregon prunes, Italian, 8c, silver 8c, German 8 1/2c@9c, plums 50c@7c. Raisins \$2 per box, California figs 8c, Syria 15c.

DAIRY PRODUCTS.

Butter, Oregon fancy 25c, medium 20c, Eastern 15c, California 22c.

EGGS.

Eggs 13c@14c.

POULTRY.

Chickens \$5.50@6, ducks \$8.25 per doz., geese \$10@12, turkeys 17c per lb.

WOOL.

Valley 18c, Eastern Oregon 8@15c.

HOPS.

Hops 8@15c.

GRAIN.

Wheat, Valley \$1.35, Eastern \$1.30. Oats 33c.

FLOUR.

Standard \$4.50, other brands \$4@4.10.

FEED.

Hay \$13@15 per ton, bran \$17, shorts \$18, barley chop \$23@24, mill chop \$18.

FRESH MEATS.

Beef, live, 4c, dressed 8c, mutton, live, 4c, dressed 8c, lamb \$2.50 each, hogs 6c, dressed 7@7 1/2c, veal 6@8c.

The Minnesota legislature decided Friday not to submit an amendment to the people in favor of prohibition.

The crazy idiots who fled to Lower California on the strength of an irresponsible land syndicate, who spread the report of fabulous gold fields, are returning. They all got soup as usual.

The Tacoma "Leger" is just beginning to get mad. Although the war closed nearly a quarter of a century ago the editor has just been apprised of the fact. He is evidently red hot and the Southern Confederacy had better be careful.