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ANOTHER COMPULSORY EXODUS.

At last, Alaska has grown famous. This is the country for which "we" paid seven millions of the dollars of our daddies, and which we would make money on, by selling it for one year's interest on that amount, at eight per cent. per annum.

There are a few people there, in that benighted country, who respect the laws of this nation, and her treaties, pretty nearly as much as they do in Tacoma, and Texas. Ex-Gov. Hoodley of Ohio, Mr. Haven of Chicago, Bishop Warren of Colorado, have just returned from there, with an account of the expulsion of Chinese laborers from Douglas Island and Juneau City, in the mining districts of that country and of their being inhumanly set adrift, on the bosom of the mighty Pacific, in an unseaworthy schooner, and without sufficient food or clothing.

These things have occurred too often for the good of our country's fair name. We are all of the same opinion, as regards the Chinamen; no one believes that they want them here, nor that they are a desirable population.

In the telegraphic dispatches of yesterday, information is given of China's hasty announcement and war preparations, and fears that she intends to turn her attention to the United States, in retaliation for what her citizens have undergone in this country.

The reasons are manifold why the United States government owes it to herself and her citizens to give as strong protection to citizens of other countries, as she asks from other countries to her own citizens, and the above is but one reason.

LESS SLOTH AND MORE ACTIVITY.

Speaking of Cleveland's vacation, the Cincinnati Commercial moralizes thusly:—Instead of getting on the cars and going west to see the country, Cleveland betakes himself to his old hiding places in the woods.

It is now put down as a foregone conclusion that Chas. Voorhees, "the son of his father," will be renominated as delegate to congress from Washington territory, by the democratic territorial convention.

REPAIRS of the bridge across north Mill Creek, at the Capitol Mills, should have been authorized at the last meeting of the county court.

MEXICO has no navy. Then you "bet-sheerlie," we can lick 'em on the high seas. We have a navy—or at least, recently a acquisition was made for several thousand pounds of "black navy" chewing tobacco, for the sailors and marines.

THE Australians are filling a want long felt by organizing an expedition in search of the south pole. That pole has been greatly neglected.

A SOUTHERN newspaper announces that "Jefferson Davis is a patriot still." And the S. F. Alta adds:—All right. Just let him keep still.

THE STATE FAIR.

The time for holding the state fair rapidly approaches, and interest in that coming festival is growing stronger every day. And well it may, and rightly, it should.

A great many farmers have become taken up with the idea that the state fair was gotten up as a "big horse trot," and only to give persons who own "flyers" a chance to sell a few pools on a race.

Remember the date: Sept. 13, to Sept. 18th. Entries must be made by 7 o'clock p. m. on Monday the 13th.

GROUNDLESS APPREHENSIONS.

The Chicago Interior for August 12, says:—

From time to time during the last few years serious apprehensions have been felt that the prosperity of the wheat-producing sections of the United States would be seriously jeopardized by competitions in the London market, with the products of the large, and enlarging, wheat-producing sections of India and Australia.

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Mr. DANA's presidential booms are becoming immediately fatal to the victims. —[Chicago Herald. If this is intended to carry the impression that Mr. Tilden died of "Sun stroke," then the Herald ought to be frozen to death, for the perpetration of such a vile joke on the American people.

ALL the cannon foundries of Europe are overrun with orders and working day and night. While they make guns abroad we make ploughs and work to raise the food that must support the luxury of war.

BLAINE'S CHANCES.

The death of Tilden has silenced the words of a democratic boom for him for 1888, and has deprived one wing of the democracy of a candidate for the presidency and of a leader and political guide.

Blaine is stronger with the people of this country to-day than ever before. He has no Burchard now.

And why? Because Blaine is the Gladstone of America. He is the greatest living American statesman and orator.

It is highly probable that Blaine will be the republican candidate for the presidency in 1888. We have been told by Joseph Medill, the very able editor of the great Chicago Tribune, that his nomination is a certainty.

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Twenty-one presidents vetoed 166 bills in ninety-five years; President Cleveland vetoed 111 in eight months. Certainly Cleveland is the boss vetoer.

THE S. F. Alta has brought forth another and a very potent reason why a war with Mexico is inadvisable at this time. It says:—Considering this war with Mexico, it is well to remember that Americans hold largely of Mexican bonds, and that merchants in that country are heavily indebted to our manufacturers and commission men.

MR. JEFFERSON DAVIS is strongly opposed to the bill against bogus butter. He thinks he would have vetoed it, but a veto got a lick at him first.

KEEP A STIFF UPPER LIP.

The Hoppner Gazette has the following words of encouragement and cheer to the poor unfortunates of the bunchgrass country:

"That the present season is a dry one cannot be denied; that the crop is short is apparent. It is discouraging for the farmer to see the year's labor bring but poor return at the harvest time. But this should not dishearten the settlers among these bunchgrass hills. Rather let him be spurred up by the present partial failure of crop to find out how to secure at least an average yield in a dry season.

A TERRIBLE ABRAIMENT.

Tilden was a democrat. He was the brains of the party. But for him the organization would have never been in condition to gain a national victory.

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OUR SATURDAY NIGHT.

EDITOR STATESMAN:—The circus season is upon us, and the small boy in the junior knickerbocker period is in the zenith of his delight, the seventh heaven of his glory.

With our electric lights, new bridge in course of construction and many other evidences of improvement and progress, Salem had begun to put on metropolitan airs, and imagine that she was a city.

Christine Nilsson has been married to a gentleman with the corduroy name of Count De Cassa Meranda, of Spain, and she is no doubt satisfied, and the Spanish gentleman has a soft job, that of playing husband of an actress.

Before the final dissolution of the late lamented Portland Standard, its editorial page was often made up of long disquisitions on the tariff, civil service reform, and kindred subjects of about equal interest to the general public, and, almost invariably, at the conclusion of one of these articles would appear the advertisement, "Use Rose Pills."

ON A VACATION.

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THE NEW NAVY.

We have a navy now of four vessels, and even if congress cannot be induced to do anything more we shall shortly have eighteen. This, of course, is leaving the hulks of the old navy out of account.

THE COMMERCIAL STREET BRIDGE.

The matter of the petition of A. N. Gilbert, R. S. Wallace and about eighty others of the most prominent business men of this city, to the common council, praying for construction of a pile wagon bridge across Mill Creek at the north end of Commercial street, was referred to the council committee on streets and public property, on Tuesday evening, giving that committee power to act in the premises.

Commercial street being the main business thoroughfare of the city, it should, by all means, be opened out both ways.

ON A VACATION.

His "excellency," the president of this United States, is off on another vacation, and has left word behind that "no mail will be forwarded to him, nor opened by him, during his absence."

And still, less than 3000 out of the whole lot of offices in this country, have been given over to men of the democratic party. Yet even in the face of all this, Cleveland gets right up out of bed, and goes off with his tent and frying pan, for a month in the mountains, where he can't be found by any one who is office-hungry.

CAN HE CARRY NEW YORK?

A Philadelphia paper says:—The question for republicans to consider now, for it is time to be preparing for the contest, is, can James G. Blaine carry New York against Cleveland or Hill? It is certain he can carry every other necessary state except New York.

THE New York Sun wants the congressional committee on rivers and harbors abolished, and wants the committee on appropriations restored to its old powers.

MR LUD SALISBURY has made a speech to his fellow-citizens, in which he proposes bullets and bayonets for the tenant farmers of Ireland, because the Orangemen of Belfast have already killed some of them.

WHAT'S the matter with trying to whoop up a little "woolen mill fever" here?

Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher uses and gives away over three hundred Alcock's Porous Plasters every year. She writes that she has found them a "real relief" for most of the aches and pains which flesh is heir to.