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THURSDAY ...... FEBRUARY 20, 1879

#### England's Wheat Raising.

It is announced that wheat cannot be raised in England at prices to compete with that grown in other countries, where land is less valuable. This has been pretty well understood for a long time past; because the use of land pays Pacific the cry of "rebels want to better in England for the cultivation of cattle, sheep, and green crops. England contains so large a population, that its area of land does not suffice to feed its people. Our own wheat growers can undersell them in their own home market. According to estimates made by eminent judges, the English farmers cannot produce wheat and live by the operation, at less than two pounds eight shillings per quarter. Less than that will not cover their expenses. But the average price during the past four months has not been above two pounds. Here is shown a loss of eight shillings, or two dollars per quarter. It is said that if our American growers can raise wheat, and pay costs, including transportation, and can sell in the English markets for one dollar and twenty-five cents per bushel, the time and money expended in raising wheat in Great Britain are wasted. If this be so, the government and people of the Kingdom must find some other remunerative employment or emigrate. I looks now as if the people of England were being reduced to the necessity which caused the emigration of the Irish by the tens of thousands. Turn about is fair play in more sense than one.

### The Senate Debates.

By mail yesterday we received the debates in the Senate on the Chinese passenger bill. The debate opened with senators Sargent and Booth of California, Grover of Oregon, and Morgan of Alabama, in support of the bill. Stanley Mathews led the opposition. Mathews' principal argument was that negotiations are pending to accomplish the same purpose. It is a little singular that negotiations should commence just as there is some prospect of action by congress, but, of course, it is possible. However, the senate voted on the bill on its merits, without any consideration of any unofficial communication from the white house. The bill was ably advocated by the Pacific coast senators without distinction of party.

### Southern Claims

In this claims business, says the Columbus, Ga., Enquirer, January 28th, southern representatives bave brought disfavor upon themselves by upholding the ends of the southern levalists, when they were aware there was no each class. Numbers have had proffered debt passed by the Washington court and paid by the government who helped their sons and relatives while in the confederaterauks - furnishedguns, horses, equipments and money, - and southern congressmen pushed forward their purposes and aided Chinese ports, and it cannot be Tomake arrangements to oprose the license them. All the means obtained by amiss for the board, in conjunction these open enemies of our country, and really of the government, counted as kaving gene south, and the republicans swell upon the commanders of incoming LEE LET. and howl. It is about time this More business was stepped. money was obtained by the un- prepared for it, should it ever put constitutional tax on cotton than in an appearance.

will pay every demand of the south for improvements of her riversthe grand inland seas of commerce. The cereals of the north go free, while the tobacco of the south is taxed. The middle and New England states require heavy duties to enable their manufacturers to live, and sell the agricultural districts at a price far above that which could be obtained from Europe were the duties removed. The north is benefitted every way at the expense of all the rest, and when the south asks for anything. we hear from the Atlantic to the rob the treasury."

-Sensibly and truthfully the Jacksonville Times remarks: "The editor of the Oregonian is gaining fame as a disconsolate dispeptic. Seems to be never happy unless he is abusing some one. With every newspaper he has a crow to pick and can claim none as his friend. Whenever a journal sees fit to differ with him he makes himself ridiculous in an attempt to belittle it,-because it should deign to have an opinion. In this free country everyone has a right to his own views and is entitled to express them. This assumption on the part of Scott to frown down all, in his contemptible style, and rear himself up thereby, is impudent and unbecoming one professing to be a journalist."

### The Dread Pestilence.

San Francisco Davly Call.

The march of the dread pestilence in Russia, with the appre-Europe, is creating an ill-concealed alarm. Whole towns and villages are being destroyed by fire in the These precautions are timely, and in California. if non-intercourse is entirely cut off, may serve to confine the scourge history of its spread, however, in NOTICE.—Notice is hereby given that the within circumscribed limits. The the early centuries, gives but slight hope for this restriction. It is doubtful whether in this age of century, when it is estimated that its victims numbered more than 80,000,000. No systematized measures were adopted at that time against it. The people fled before it in communities, and by this indiscreet conduct, in their abject destitution invited the fearful visitation which might have been measurably avoided by a more prudest course. An advanced civilization is prepared to meet the contagion with more approved methods. The present contagion, like all the plagues preceding it, comes from China, where it was preceded by famine-one of the conditions most favorable to its existence. We are in direct intercourse with that community, and if populous eastern cities are becoming aroused to the necessity of establishing a strict quarantine against vessels coming from infected regions abroad, would it not be just as well to give some attention to the matter here on the Pacific coast? The plague is a remorseless fee to mankind, sparing when it once dition, nor sex. Whole cities and districts are decimated by it in detf brief periods of time, and there is no escape from it, as from other epidemics, by fleeing into healthier neighborhoods. Something has been said in the board of supervisors about applying quarantine regulations to vessels coming from amiss for the board of health, to establish some judicious policy, which lish some judicious policy, which serve as a protection to this city, while it is not needlessly severe ships. As a general thing, we have but little fear of pestilence, yet it is the part of wisdom to be CHINESE MERCHANDISE.

### The Most Wonderful Thing.

Chief Joseph of the Nez Perces Indians, who is now in Washington, was asked the other day what of all the works of civilization seen in this his first trip to the east had impressed him the most. It was expected that he would name the Capitol, but he replied, without a moments hesitation, that the most wonderful thing he had ever seen or dreamed of was the bridge over the Mississippi river at St. Louis. He could build a mountain of stone like the capitol, he said, but he could not build a spider's web that would stand alone in the air. He was afraid to cross it, but he saw that the pale faces were not afraid, so he wrapped his blanket around him and trembled as the train went over. Apropos to this is something more wonderful to the pale faces of northern Idaho, eastern Oregon, etc., and that is this: Why is it that that fellow, who murdered so many, is lionized in Washington, while white savages like Cook, at The Dalles, for instance, are strung up by the neck?

-The Sandwich Islanders, it seems, are not pleased with the Chinese. Should these people be permitted to emigrate to these islands without hindrance, it would be but a few years before the government of the islands would fall into their hands. Of this there can scarcely be a doubt, when we should have a small sample of a Chinese government at a half-way stopping place.

-Mr. Beecher don't like the anti-Chinese bill. It is a way with Mr. Beecher to be always talking on subjects of public interest, Cerner Chenamus and Cass Streets, whether he understands it or not, and to utter sentiments which are more popular inside of Plymouth hension that it may spread all over Church than elsewhere. He does not, however, propose to try the experiment himself. It is possible attempt to arrest its progress, and that the opinions of Mr. Beecher a cordon of armies on the frontiers are not as weighty as they once of several neighboring states to were, and that they have been in-Russia has been employed to fluenced to some extent by adverse enforce quarantine regulations, criticisms encountered from men

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