

At present there are 26,000 members of the Mormon church in this country.

King John of Abyssinia, who, report says, was recently killed in battle, is described as having been a cruel ruler who would rather kill a man than go to a circus.

The estate of the late John Bright is valued at \$3,750,000 which, by the terms of his will, is divided among a large number of persons, even his distant relatives being remembered.

The Brooklyn Eagle heads an article with the question, "Is there a personal devil?" in every well regulated printing office, yes. Other trades may answer for themselves.

A Londoner with more leisure than brains has counted the number of vehicles which daily pass a certain point on the Strand, and he finds they average over 12,000 daily.

When Mr. Harrison was told that the four cities, Chicago, St. Louis, Leavenworth and Cincinnati, had all gone democratic, he remarked that he was not surprised; all the leading republicans were in Washington after office.

It is asserted that President Harrison has engaged for the White House the English servants which Lord Sackville left behind him upon his departure from Washington. These servants were all brought from England by the British Minister.

Connecticut makes a neat profit out of her dogs. There are a little more than 29,000 registered dogs in the state, of which 1670 are females, and the tax received from them last year amounted to \$39,043. From this sum is to be subtracted nearly \$10,000, which has been paid to owners of sheep which had been hounded to death by unruly dogs during the year, and a clear balance of \$30,000 remains.

California vineyardists this year will dry their grapes, instead of selling them at low rates to winemakers. Last season dried grapes brought a good price, as they are largely used by bakers instead of raisins. It is believed that a good market for them may be made in London, and an experimental cargo of ten tons will soon be shipped to Bordeaux.

In a large portion of Europe, from one-half to two-thirds of the population is crowded into cities. In the United States, the older States exhibit similar conditions. Leaving out the towns of less than 4000 inhabitants, the ratio for Massachusetts is sixty six per cent., Connecticut and New York fifty four per cent., New Jersey fifty two per cent., and Pennsylvania thirty-nine per cent. constitute the urban population.

More cases of genteel smuggling have been discovered in New York, and some of the papers are asking where this sort of thing is to end. It will end in tariff reform, let us hope. The moral philosopher finds it hard to assign any reason why it is morally wrong to bring valuable things into the country without paying tribute on them, and as long as there are unreasonable tariffs there will be smuggling.

It is estimated that Niagara Falls will recede two miles and then remain stationary, their height at that point being eighty feet, instead of 164, as at present. The supposition is supported by an argument which appears reasonable. The present site is a limestone formation some eighty or ninety feet thick, with a shaly foundation. As the shale is washed away, the limestone breaks off, and the falls take a step backward. But the end of the shaly deposit will be reached two miles from the present falls, and then the rushing water will have more than it can do to wear away the solid precipice over which it will be projected.

The English Government proposes to lay a submarine cable from Halifax to the Bermudas, a distance of over 700 miles. This cable line has an economic importance to the coast states of this country as it will give warning of storms that often take rise on or near the Bermuda Islands and sweep over the coast states. To give warning of storms is quite as necessary for the mariner as is the lighthouse at the entrance of a port. The foreknowledge of storms is also highly important to agricultural interests, but in the Eastern states the advantage from such knowledge is limited by inability to know what is occurring on the Atlantic. Cable communication with the Bermudas will help to remedy this.

There is enormous profit made in school books. In most of the Northern states schooling is practically free to the scholars, property owners, in one way or another, maintaining the schools. This gives the school book publishers their great advantage. Scholars are charged two, three or four times the fair cost of books, and publishers pocket the profit. There are only a few firms engaged in publishing school books, and these by their wealth have great influence with school boards, and are thus able to prevent competition. The territory is mapped out among the various corporations, and each respects the claims of the other. In New York state a movement has been started to fight this trust by a law requiring that the copyright of all school books used be vested in the state.

If you have any job work to do call on G. W. Smith who is prepared to do it with neatness and dispatch and as cheap as anyone.

The Raleigh Tavern at Williamsburg, Va., was the cradle of liberty in Virginia, as Faneuil Hall was in Massachusetts. It was there the patriots of the Virginia House of Burgesses met when Gov. Dunmore dissolved that house in 1774, and there they appointed delegates to the first Continental Congress.

Nevada had but few inhabitants until the discovery of silver in the Washoe district in the Summer of 1859, when settlers began to pour in. Virginia City sprang up like magic, and in 1864, five years after the silver discovery, had attained to the distinction of being the second city west of the Rocky Mountains.

The West Virginia convict who refuses a pardon, granted on the ground that he lacks sufficient intelligence to discriminate between right and wrong, shows that he has intelligence enough to appreciate an insult, even when disguised as a pardon by the governor.

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Keep a full line of meats of all kinds, in a cool place, completely protected; and always fresh.  
Also have constantly on hand salmon and other fish.

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Cash paid for all kinds of fat stock.

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ALSO ONION SETS, AT BEDROCK PRICES.  
Discounts to Gardeners,  
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**FRESH Grass and Garden SEEDS**

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Fashionable and Stylish Suits, Business Suits, Light weight Summer Suits. Boys, youth's and child en's suits.

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Fine line of light weight underwear—balbriggan and woolen; hosiery, shirts, neckwear, fine wire suspenders, guaranteed for two years, in all the latest novelties.

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P. McKINNEY.  
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