

# The Democrat.

According to official figures, the entire yield of wheat in Minnesota for 1889 was 45,498,205 bushels, making the average per acre 15.50 bushels.

In Cashmere 30,000 shawls are made yearly. It takes three men a year to weave a pair. It takes ten goats to furnish the material for one and a half yards square.

A clerk in one of the departments in Washington has discovered that "soldiers in the late war were killed in their first, third and fifth battles more than in any other." After a soldier is killed in three battles he ought to have experienced enough to escape death in all the subsequent engagements.

A Berlin correspondent writes that Bismarck looks with foreboding upon his death as the probable signal for preparation for war. A young emperor, says the writer, who thinks of nothing but machine guns and smokeless powder, is on the throne. The jingle of spurs and the rattle of musketry are in this young man's ears all day long and echo in his dreams at night.

Near Olden, on the Ozark mountains in southern Missouri, is one of the finest fruit farms on the continent. It consists of 2200 acres of land, owned by a syndicate formed of members of the Missouri Horticultural society, and planted to 61,000 peach, 23,000 apple and 2000 pear trees, with 40 acres in small fruits. The enterprise is a grand success. Twenty men were employed to thin the peach crop this spring, and it is estimated that not less than 11,000 bushels of fruit were thrown down to ensue the development of what remained.

There is a beautiful custom in some of the northern parts of Europe. There the white poplar, in good soil, increases a shilling in value every year. The trees are generally cut down at the age of twenty years, as they are then supposed to have attained their full growth. When a daughter is born in the family of a respectable farmer, the father, as soon as the season will permit, plants a thousand young trees, which are to constitute the dowry of the maiden, "which grow as she grows and increase in height and value as her virtues and beauty increase."

The profits in telegraphy as harvested by that huge monopoly, the Western Union Telegraph Company, are exorbitant and unfair to the public who support it. The revenue of this company last year was \$20,783,193; expenses, \$14,365,152, leaving a profit of \$6,418,042, or nearly thirty per cent, of the gross income. The number of messages sent last year is 54,108,826, costing on an average about thirty-two cents each. Twenty years ago the number of messages was 7,934,633. The stock of this company has been watered so many times that it would be difficult to ascertain its actual cash cost. It is high time that our Government assumed the telegraph business of the country as a branch of the postal service. The actual cost of a telegram would not then exceed ten cents.

People sometimes wonder why it is almost impossible to buy imported books, except in paper covers. The tariff laws account for it. There is a duty of 25 per cent. on the books and of 60 per cent. on the bindings, so that the dealers always import the books unbound. The only exceptions are valuable art-works and similar books, the price of which is so high anyway that the addition of the duty on the bindings makes little difference. Some of the dealers in French books are making a hit by binding up the new illustrated edition of Daudet in uniform handsome covers so soon as they come over. They sell them more readily in this shape, besides making a profit on the binding almost as great as that upon the book. Most American buyers had rather pay \$2 for a nicely bound book than \$1 for the same book in paper covers, although they could buy the paper book and have it bound themselves for about \$1.60.

## HOPE FOR UTAH.

The foremost men in the Mormon church appear to recognize the force of public opinion in the United States and are beginning to manifest a disposition to yield somewhat from the position held by Brigham Young in the days of his authority. Thus President Woodruff, the present leader of the Mormon church, declares that he is in favor of obeying all the laws of the government, like any other citizen of this republic, including the Edmunds Tucker act against polygamy. He also asserts that since he became the head of the church he has recognized and authorized no plural marriages. A correspondent describes President Woodruff as a plain man, frank to bluntness in speech, without any claims to revelation, as had Brigham Young, Joseph Smith, and President Taylor. He does not believe that the Mormons are disposed to break the laws against plural marriages, and he expresses a willingness to cut off from the church the officer who is responsible for the plural marriages of Hans Jespersen at the endowment house, which has been brought to light by the United States marshal at Salt Lake. With such a man at the head of the Mormon church, there is some reason to hope that the chief objection hitherto urged against the admission of Utah will shortly be removed, and the territory will then have good grounds on which to base its appeal for statehood.

The present cotton crop of this country is the largest ever made, and the attempt of some foreign speculators to get up a corner in cotton made a good market for some of it a week or two ago. It was the arrival of 17,000 bales of cotton from America that broke the market which the speculators had established. When our cotton and wheat crops begin to go abroad again, the balance of trade, which has been against us, will turn in favor of this country. The bank of England has raised its rate of discount to five per cent., the highest figure known in late years, to prevent the export of gold. It is this foreign demand for gold that has made money closer in eastern commercial centres than it would otherwise be, but this demand will only be temporary.

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