

NEWS AND NOTES.

Prohibition is billed to plow a wide furrow in the solid south in '88.

Details of the Campbell divorce trial which have been about as refreshing as a walk through a sewer are nearly ended. Truly the Campbell affair compelled the sewer snipes to "grab their nasal knobs."

If Mr. Morrison would go off the stage with flying colors and carry into his retirement the prestige of victory, let him bring in a little bill, it need n't be more than one line in length; repealing all imposts on sugar. He can get enough republican votes to pass it no matter how the "other wing" may "flap."

Sir Alexander Galt is going to make another effort next year to break down the Chinese wall policy of the Canadian government which prohibits the building of railroads within twenty miles of the international boundary except with the consent of the Canadian Pacific railway company. Galt wants to extend his coal road which now runs from the CP line in Alberta to the Lethbridge mines so as to secure a terminus in Montana. If he fails in this it is reported that he will build in British Columbia up to the Kootenai valley to a connection with the NP at Sand point, Idaho. The British Columbia government never gave its assent to the CP monopoly arrangement.

Too many of the foreign agitators who come here are striving to excite discontent because the masons do not earn more than \$3 per day. In Paris there are 40,000 workers in stone. There are no bricklayers in that city, because brick is never used in building, and of the 40,000 not more than 10,000 can obtain steady employment. This is saddening. The condition is equally bad in Berlin and London. The truth is, says a Milwaukee paper, if the laborer in the United States did not squander his money on whiskey, beer and tobacco, he would soon be able to lay up a reserve for old age or hard times. It is stated that the stock yards at Chicago, where 25,000 men are employed, the consumption of beer and whiskey amounts to \$1,000,000 a month. These articles are certainly not necessities, and the men who thus squander their wage-money are howling the loudest against the so-called oppressions of capital.

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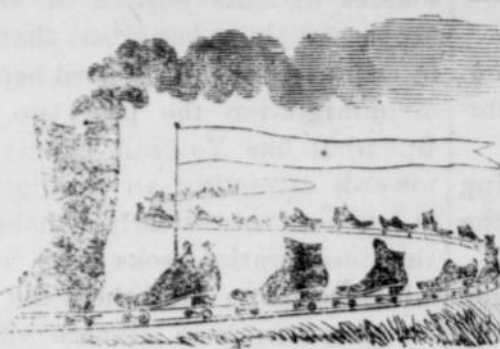
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