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The question now is how much longer has Pat Hayes any use for this legislature?

The supreme court decides that Pat Hayes must adjourn at the end of the forty day session.

"Help me, cash up, or I sink" is the appeal made by the New Orleans exportation congress.

If the legislature will give us more health and less board it will confer a favor upon a very much-bored public.

Mrs. Dudley announces that she has no intention of lecturing. This ought to have considerable weight with the jury in her favor.

The Pennsylvania legislature is warring with the high license question, several bills having been introduced, and the law-makers find it difficult to agree upon any particular one.

GROVER CLEVELAND travels on a regular ticket, and the conductor punches it the same as that of any other passenger.

BOB INGERSOLL is going to Europe to remain there for five years. We suppose this determination on the part of the great infidel is due to the recent assault upon him by the Rev. Dr. Talmage.

Mr. Post, the collector of internal revenue, having analyzed the component parts of B. B.—which really means bogus beer—decides that the stuff is subject to tax the same as any other malt liquor.

CINCINNATI has a fresh cause of complaint against Chicago. Not content with having carried off Mr. William F. Pool for its public library the city by the lake is trying to secure Mr. Frank Thompson, the superintendent of the Cincinnati Zoological gardens, for its own collection of wild animals.

THE "fire fiend" this winter seems to have a voracious appetite for insane asylums and lunatics. First the asylum at Kankakee, Illinois, was partially destroyed and a number of lives were lost.

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THE TEXAS PACIFIC LAND GRANT.

The claims of the Southern Pacific through the notorious C. P. Huntington and his associates, to the unearned land grant of the Texas Pacific, have not the slightest legitimate foundation. The Southern Pacific was built and pushed ahead to cut off the Texas Pacific, and this movement was successful. The Southern Pacific schemers, having thus prevented the Texas Pacific from going ahead, secured what it called an assignment of its land grant, which was the principal object of the remarkable enterprise on the part of Huntington and his associates.

It is rather surprising, therefore, to see the senate deal so tenderly and tardily with the Texas Pacific land grant forfeiture bill, but this is easily understood among those who know that the senate is largely controlled by railway lobbyists, among whom are Huntington and his representatives. The Texas Pacific never earned the land grant and the Southern Pacific has no right to it, as the former could not very well assign a grant which it had not earned.

There is one man in the United States senate, however, who does not seem to be very tender upon the subject, and his name is Van Wyck. He introduced a resolution asking the president of the senate to explain how it was that the Texas Pacific forfeiture bill, which had been placed on the special calendar, had been snowed under among the bills on the general file, which will never be reached during the present session.

Mr. Bartlett, who was formerly the partner of Gen. O'Brien, has repeatedly requested us to state that the parties interested in the proposed rat-making scheme at Lincoln have nothing whatever to do with Gen. O'Brien; and it now appears that Gen. O'Brien, in even more emphatic terms, repudiates Mr. Bartlett, whom he knows very well, together with his associate, and wants it distinctly understood that he has nothing to do with the greedy crowd that is now engaged in the saline scheme.

In a recent paragraph in this paper we intimated that Gen. O'Brien, of this city, was interested in the scheme that was wrapped in the attempt to force the saline lands of the state into the market. We were mistaken. Gen. O'Brien is in no manner connected with the lobbyists that are now marshalled under the leadership of Messrs. Bartlett and Mason. We must confess that we were surprised when we first heard of the General's connection with this new scheme as it would be in direct opposition to his former actions in the matter of trying to fill men in the efforts to defraud the people out of these saline lands.

DULUTH, the "Zenith city of the unsalted seas," is making great strides as a wheat market. During the last year Duluth has gone ahead of Milwaukee, and now ranks next to Chicago and Toledo. Her wheat receipts for the year 1884 amounted to 14,400,000 bushels, a gain of nearly 5,000,000 bushels, in receipts and shipments in a single year. Her seven elevators have a capacity of 6,500,000 bushels, while the elevators of Milwaukee have a capacity of only 5,800,000 bushels.

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warehouse next spring. The grain rates to Buffalo, a distance of 1030 miles, have averaged 4 1/2 bushel during the year which is much less than the railroad rates from St. Paul. This shows the advantage of having water transportation as a competitor to the railroads even if it is only for a portion of the year.

Now that the question of coal weighing has been agitated it seems to us that the only true remedy against short weights is for the city council to pass an ordinance prohibiting the sale and delivery of coal, in less than carload lots, without the certificate from the city weigh-master. Of course, no one person would be able to weigh all the coal from all the yards. The proper thing, therefore, to do is to create a weigh-master with authority to appoint as many deputies as he may need, and have scales placed at convenient points in the neighborhood of the various coal yards.

The board of trade appears to be in dead earnest, and there is no doubt that some decisive and final action will be taken to-morrow in regard to the purchase of a site for the proposed chamber of commerce building. Up to the present time the board of trade has simply been an advisory board of citizens, selected promiscuously from all occupations and from no occupations. It now begins to look as if the board would be what its name implies--an association of merchants, grain and cattlemen, manufacturers, bankers and leading business men, who are desirous to make Omaha a market and place it on an equal footing with Kansas City, Minneapolis, St. Paul, Peoria, Toledo, and other places that have a quotable market.

There were in the United States and Canada during January no fewer than 223 fires, where the reported loss was from \$10,000 upwards. The aggregate loss by these fires was \$7,400,000. Estimating the loss by smaller and unrecorded fires at \$1,000,000, the total destruction for the month was \$8,500,000, or \$1,000,000 more than the average January loss for the past nine years. There were no extraordinary conflagrations during the month--a proof, according to the New York Commercial Bulletin, that the enormous increase is due to popular indifference and neglect in the matter of proper preventive measures.

A WOMAN has been engaged by the faculty of the Cincinnati law college as professor of elocution. The students have shown an unexpected favor towards the innovation and take a lively interest in the additional study.

OTHER LANDS THAN OURS. Since the bombardment of Alexandria by the British, no event has created a more profound sensation in the Old World than the fall of Khartoum and the massacre of its garrison. The Mahdi's victory is regarded not only in London but in the capitals of Europe as a terrible blow to the prestige of England and likely to shake the foundation of British rule in India.

What the intense feelings against the Mohammedans, brought about by the massacre of General Gordon and the Christian garrison and populace of Khartoum, may lead to is very difficult to forecast. The point in view among conventional politicians is, or soon will be, that England has given them a never ending cause for a general assault upon Mohammedans. Now France and Italy alone will profit by this Austria and Russia will see that there is plausible excuse for hurling Turkey, even Armenia and Persia may suddenly be armed to menace Russian supremacy in the Caspian region, and Arabia and Palestine will present new attractiveness to France.

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under the fine opportunity for pushing its antipathetic central Asia little nearer India. Word comes from Vienna that the much-talked of mission of Fehmi Pasha to England has for one of its objects the seeking of British protection against the three Emperors, whom the Sultan was, for months ago, vainly trying to join. Germany and Russia have of late been pressing their opinions and their agents upon Turkey with unbecomingly importunity. The poor Sultan has little indeed to hope for from these countries, nor from any other for that matter.

Prince Bismarck's abhorrence of a free press, "the pillard of all civil, religious and political rights," has never been so fully and so honestly expressed as it is today, therefore, as a general thing, are induced to go guarded and conservative in a manner, with a view of avoiding his ire, that, with few exceptions, they are more of a censure of the "bad news," and make no attempt at guiding or reflecting public opinion by a very careful course that are exceptions to this rule have been made to suffer from time to time by expensive libel suits and the imprisonment of their proprietors.

Italy finds that a good iron-clad is good politics. It is at least gratifying to her national pride to see that since the recent reinforcement of her navy she has been treated with much more consideration by the powers. Bismarck even sought her hand in 1870 to conclude an armistice with her. He is now seriously proposing to join her with England in conquering the Sudan. It would be a dark day for France if after losing her influence in Egypt, in order to have an opportunity to ply her imperiousness in China, Italy should take her place by the side of England. But it is not the iron-clad which has done it, so much as national unity.

Quite an excitement has also been created recently in Austria, but also in England, over the announcement that the German flag has been raised over the island of Samoa by Prussian iron-clads. The Samoan Islands, particularly, and the New Hebrides, have both become objects of intense interest. Germany, it appears, monopolizes the trade, especially in Samoa, and both France and Germany are said to be busy planning both energy and activity in the New Hebrides.

Dr. Miller in a Mail Bag. Council Bluffs Nonpareil.

Cleveland's cabinet is now so full of statements that it prevents the appearance of a hotel bureau in Philadelphia during conventional times. Dr. Miller has noted a mail sack on the rear end of the cabinet, and encased therein, with his hand sticking out at the top, resembles a jumping jack in a Christmast stocking.

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