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A LARGE CROP of ice, eight to ten inches in thickness, has been gathered at Stanton, Va.

At Grand Rapids, Mich., Tuesday, the Peninsula Furniture Company filed mortgages on its property, amounting to \$30,000, to secure creditors.

TAMMANY is paid \$1,500,000 per year for the one item of cleaning the streets of New York City, yet, the Tribune says they have the dirtiest streets to be found on the continent.

The House committee on invalid pensions, Tuesday agreed to report favorably a bill, granting a pension of \$100 per month, to Franz Sigel, late major general of volunteers.

The U. S. senators who have to apologize for being republicans and are afraid to pass the election law, because it offends the bloviating democrats, will be apologizing to their constituents before they are re-elected to the position which they have debated.

The New York Herald, taking its cue from an article first published in the editorial columns of the Inter Ocean, has been trying hard to get "Brer Dana together." It seems to be up-hill work, and not pleasing to "The Prophet" or to "The Claimant."—Ex.

SENATOR EVARTS will be succeeded in New York by a Tammany democrat; a rotten political ring, whose chief duty is that of robbing tax payers, having securely fastened its tenacles on the body of the democratic party, is stretching out to get its hands into the national treasury.

The Atlanta Constitution says: "Calvin Brice, United States Senator from Ohio, should either go home or resign." Brice reminds one of that historic calf, which "sucked two cows, and the more he sucked the bigger he grew." Brice, however, might take notice that it only hastened the death of the calf.—Ex.

The New York Herald is thoroughly European. It wants cheap labor and cheap products. In an editorial note it says: "The New Year seems to have begun with higher prices all round. The more we see of the McKinley bill the more we don't like it." Let us have things, "more English, you know."

When General Vilas gets to be senator and Tammany and its crookedness begins to disgust honest men all over the land it will not be strange if Vilas looms up as a candidate for 1892. Democrats could go a long way and do worse. It may be that his reputation as a patriotic Union soldier will be against him.—Ex.

For a New Year's cartoon, the Chicago Herald, had a picture of Father Time, leaning disconsolately on his high tariff taxed scythe.—Waterbury American.

Yes, it was manufactured at home, said no tariff tax, as Uncle Sam can beat the world in scythe making. It was another democratic blunder.—Ex.

There is a difference of 8 cents per bushel in favor of May wheat over cash wheat in Chicago; and May wheat is 5 cents higher than July. There can be no honest reason for this, as there will be no more wheat in July than in May. It simply means that somebody will get pinched, or, in other words, a fresh crop of spring lambs must be shorn.

FINANCIER KEAN, of Chicago, is held under bonds of \$3,000 to appear before the grand jury, and explain whether he did or did not accept deposits for his defunct bank, knowing that he was going to assign, and that his bank was not solvent.

A SNOWSTORM, phenomenal in its severity prevails throughout North Germany. Reports from various sections are to the effect that the railroads are blocked on all the northern lines, and that in many instances the trains are embedded in the snow, causing considerable suffering to those who have been forced to travel during the storm; and not a train is moving or likely to be moved for weeks in Denmark.

AMERICANS in London and Paris would like to exchange weather with Illinois or Dakota. The river Seine has been frozen so solid that loaded teams are crossing it, while London has been enjoying a fog and freezing weather for the past thirty-six days. The fog has been so dense that the streets have been quite deserted at night. The temperature has been down to twenty and often lower, and there is much ice in the Thames. People stay in their houses at night, and places of amusement are comparatively deserted.—Ex.

A CORRESPONDENT asks, "What are Jerry Simpson's qualifications for United States Senator?" As far as reported he depends mainly upon his "sockless" extremities, encased in cow hide boots which never experienced the touch of the blacking brush. Jerry, however, is said to be smart at the upper end, but puts little dependence in anything but his feet for political preferment.—Ex.

It is a well known fact that the passage of a law intended to disfranchise the white vote and to establish the political supremacy of the negro will result in checking the investment of Northern capital in the South and deal a death blow to its manufactures, which are now in a most encouraging state of development. The Inter Ocean, however, pushes such an idea.—New Orleans States.

The States can not point to a word or clause of the election bill which "disfranchises the white vote" or "establishes political supremacy of the negro." It simply is a bill demanding and enforcing the legal rights of all voters. To charge that justice so administered would be "a death blow to manufactures" and the prosperity of the South is the idle vaporings of a blind partisan.—Inter Ocean.

AMERICA TO THE FRONT.

Mr. A. W. Caverly arrived in the city yesterday from a six months' trip around the world. He left New York in July of last year and crossing to San Francisco there took one of Spreckel's steamers to Sydney, Australia.

From Sydney he went by rail to Adelaide. His next stopping place was Colombo in Ceylon and from there he went via Suez to Naples. From Italy he passed into France and from there sailed for New York, and Chicago. After he had thus briefly sketched his itinerary he was asked:

"What do they say of the World's Fair where you have been, Mr. Caverly?" "In Italy and France they are enthusiastic and we can safely rely on handsome exhibits, both governmental and individual, from those countries."

"How about Australia?" "Well, there isn't any enthusiasm there to speak of. A good man could do something down there, however, for they are more than well disposed toward America. Why, American goods are driving all other goods out of the markets."

"What goes?" "All kinds. They use American wove goods—oh, everything that civilized people use and that we make. See here, this suit of clothes that I have. It was made in Sydney. Cheap English clothing, eh? Not a bit of it. It is made of American cloth, manufactured at Woonsocket, Mass. The tailors there will tell you that American cloth is better and cheaper for the money than English goods and is steadily driving the English goods out. There is an American line of steamers running now from New York direct to Melbourne, making the trip around the Cape of Good Hope in forty five days. That reminds me that all the time I was away I never saw an American flag at a mast head except on the steamer that took me to Sydney. Some of my friends say that I am a democrat; how that may be I don't know. I never voted but once, but this I do know, that I shall vote next time, and vote the Republican ticket straight. Those people in Australia are English, are cool, calculating, conservative but enterprising men; they call them the Yankees of the southern hemisphere, and their appreciation of American manufactures shown by their buying them is significant to a thinking man."

SISTER ROSE GERTRUDE'S WORK. Sister Rose Gertrude, the young woman about whose work among the lepers of Molokai so much has been written, has been induced to reply to the charges made against her for renouncing her work. Her article, the first from her pen, is to be published in the Ladies' Home Journal for February, and will contain a full explanation of what she has accomplished among the lepers, and she was obliged to forsake her work.

TIN PLATES AND STEEL RAILS.

Inter Ocean. It is not a political organ, making sweet music in praise of Reed or McKinley, but just a plain trade journal, that cares nothing for the fate of parties or of politicians, which informs us that the mills now in process of construction will be able to produce 150,000 boxes of tin plate in every week of the year, or 7,500,000 boxes in a year. This is the computation of the Manufacturers' Record. The Cobden Club's Chicago Tribune, and the regular organs of the democracy, which but a few weeks ago were assuring their readers that tin plate could not be made in America, will please take notice. They may notice also that the estimate of the Manufacturers' Record does not include the output of any works not in actual process of construction. But Chicago, Elwood, Ind., Omaha and several other towns and cities have schemes afoot which are likely, in the aggregate, to double the output estimated by the record.

When the tariff on steel rails was increased to a degree of adequate protection the free traders raised a universal howl of protest. Steel rails, they said, could never be produced so cheaply in America as in England; the poor farmer they said, would be "taxed" permanently, in the form of higher freights, to enrich a few "steel rail barons," the extension of railways they said, would be limited by "the higher prices on account of the tariff" which railway directors would have to pay for steel rails.

It is now more matter of history that whereas no steel rails were made in the United States before 1867, in which year 2,550 tons were produced, the product of 1887 was 2,373,335 tons, which is a good showing of the strength which twenty years of protection imparts to an industry. And as to prices, \$158.50 per ton was the price in 1867, and \$29.25 was the price in 1889. Free traders never should prophesy. And as to freight, "the poor farmer" paid nearly 2 1/2 cents per ton per mile on grain shipped on the New York Central in 1869, and less than 1 cent per mile in 1889. Lake reductions are noticeable in all railway freight rates.

And so it will be when, two or three years hence, we are making all our own tin plate, instead of spending \$21,000,000 a year in Europe for it, and when the retail price is far less than when the British monopolists controlled it some protectionist writer will quote the false predictions of the American free traders of 1868 and of the five years succeeding thereto concerning steel rails.

The following from an editorial in the London Telegraph is a good sample of the abuse heaped upon the secretary of state for his able and unanswerable defence of American interest in the seal fisheries:—"American statesmen are liable to excessive swagger when dealing with British rights, because America has practically no history apart from its connections or conflicts with England. Mr. Blaine's acuteness, industry, eloquence, and party craft are absolutely unrivaled, but he has not ever been suspected of having any fixed principles to guide him while in power. The chances are, therefore, that although he twists the lion's tail and flirts with free trade in order to catch the Irish and Southern vote, he will lose the presidency because the people will not confide their destinies to a mere partisan, however brilliant. There are Americans who are not Irish and with them common sense is king."

The English press need not worry over Mr. Blaine's chances for the presidency. America's leading statesman has refused that honor once, and probably would again. The trouble with the London Telegraph is that Blaine in his matchless letters to Salisbury has completely undone the English premier, so that nothing but bluff is left for the English to fall back upon; their argument has been riddled by the keen and telling thrusts of Mr. Blaine.

THE BEHRING SEA QUESTION. LONDON, JAN. 6.—The St. James Gazette today says that it accepts the official denial in regards to the Behring Sea troubles, adding however, "but why is the United States navy being massed in the Pacific unless it is to make the Behring Sea a more clausum? Officers of the American navy do not act upon rumors printed in American papers."

The Pall Mall Gazette says: "Mr. Blaine obviously means to try more 'bounce' for the sake of making political capital. We are convinced, however that the Americans will not support Mr. Blaine. It is imperative to arbitrate the matters in dispute.

The Globe says that it attributes the friction to Mr. Blaine's "bragging spread eaglesim," and it is the opinion that "in view of a possible, though unlikely American display of force in Behring Sea Great Britain ought instantly to strengthen her Pacific squadrons."

The Globe also advocates the settlement of all matters in dispute by means of arbitration.

RIOT RUNS RAMPANT.

A Mob Takes Possession of the Capitol and are Driven Out by the Militia.

LAWMAKERS ARE LAWBREAKERS.

The Capital Under Military Authority—Excitement at Fever Heat and Pandemonium Reigns Supreme Today.

From Thursday's Daily

LINCOLN Neb., Jan. 8.—[Special to the HERALD]—The legislature after the stormy conflicts of last night convened in joint session this morning with closed doors. A great crowd gathered in the Capitol and when admittance was refused they broke open the doors and took possession of the halls.

The governor invoked the aid of the militia and after a scene of intense excitement, the capitol was cleared. Pandemonium reigned supreme, and at times violence was feared. The capital is now in the possession of the militia and the police; the militia guarding the approaches to the building and the police have the possession of the inside.

The matter has been submitted to the Supreme Court, which has just decided that the vote must be canvassed, which means that Boyd and the republican state officers must be seated. The independents are wild with excitement but are firm and determined and the final result can hardly be predicted; they met at 2:30 in joint convention and were joined at 3 o'clock by the republicans and democrats to canvass the vote.

Railway Notes.

Omaha Bee. The Burlington will complete its new line to Deadwood this month, and now has an engineering force engaged in relocating the proposed railway line between Minnekahta and Hot Springs, a project that the B. & M. had in view when the Deadwood line was located last winter. The line will be an important one, both to the B. & M. and to Omaha. The engineering party is experiencing some difficulty in getting down from Bradley flats to the valley of Fall river, a difference of 800 feet in a distance of eight miles. Work on the road is to be commenced at once.

There are no new developments in the right of way cases between the Rock Island and Milwaukee companies in their efforts to get into the Omaha depot over the Union Pacific bridge. The parties interested are quietly awaiting the settlement of the case in the United States court, and at the president's meeting in New York.

A meeting of traffic managers of all the western lines will be held in New York next week.

Attorney General Stone of Iowa has brought suit against the Northwestern, Rock Island, Burlington and the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha for violating the Iowa freight rates.

Work on the Tacoma extension of the Union Pacific has been suspended for the winter.

The Missouri Pacific has under consideration the abandoning of all of the local attorneys of the company and vesting all of the legal business of the company with the attorneys at the St. Louis headquarters.

The new car shops of the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha at Hudson, Wis., will be ready for occupancy in a few days.

A Remarkable case.—Mr. Walter Wheeler, of the Washington Mills, Lawrence, Mass., for two years afflicted with yarcose veins, accompanied by a troublesome eruption, was completely cured after taking only eight bottles of Ayer's Sarsaparilla.

Judge C. Russell of Weeping Water is in the city today attending county court.

A. B. Dickson of Elmwood came in this morning to see the wheel taken another turn, and again change the composition of the county board.

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