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The art loan, conducted under the auspices of the good ladies of the M. E. Church of this city, has opened up auspiciously. The display is wonderful and the arrangement of wares, in the Rockwood hall, is perfect, we predict a successful fair for these ladies.

JUDGE FOLGER has so far recovered his health, as to be able to resume the discharge of his duties as head of the treasury department. Of this fact, the country has ample grounds for self congratulation. Judge Folger is a man of unquestioned patriotism and ability, and so long as he remains in charge of the treasury portfolio, the country can breathe easy.

The story going the rounds that Germany, Austria and Russia had or have formed an alliance against France is attracting considerable attention. THE HERALD believes that France is today the best governed nation among those named, and the most prosperous and peaceable. Perhaps it is her prosperity and the capabilities she has developed for a republican form of government that is making these despotisms tremble. Apparently a small thing disturbs the equilibrium of Europe.

The Chicago Herald's special says the week just closed puts a much more favorable aspect on the condition of the winter wheat crop. It is now conceded that the yield will be much better than that figured upon during the past ten days or more. In the south the shortage crop will not exceed fifteen or twenty per cent, and perhaps not so much as that. In California and the Pacific slope a yield of eighty per cent, is estimated by close observers. Throughout the northern wheat belt the crop will be fair. This is encouraging, to say the least of it.

The dynamite and gunpowder fellows are in bad luck. The London police Saturday arrested a man named Kirton for complicity in the nitro-glycerine plot. He claims to have but recently come from the United States. Bernard Gallagher, a brother of another prisoner, was arrested in Glasgow on suspicion, and he also claims to be a recent arrival from America. Experiments with the materials seized demonstrated their explosiveness, and in the lodgings of one of the prisoners a contrivance for filtering sulphuric acid into chloride of potash was seized. —Inter Ocean.

We notice the Omaha and Lincoln people are beginning to speak of other projected roads, which are need-d by those cities; and we hope Plattsmouth will not become apathetic upon this question, as her spring trade opens up and her merchant and speculator become immersed in trade. It would make Plattsmouth one of the first cities of Nebraska if she could secure the crossing of an independent line of road traversing diagonally northern Iowa and southern Nebraska, to the lakes. This line of road will be built and the absolute necessity of this flourishing point securing it ought to be apparent to any and everybody.

JUDGE GERSHAM, of Indiana, assumes the post office portfolio at once; and is said to be a man of strong common sense, and practical ideas. It is said that upon one occasion, the great and exceedingly conscientious Hayes, when president, sent Judge Gersham word to dis-possess of some criminal without letting the matter come to trial, as he, (the president) was interested in the man some way; and that Judge Gersham replied, he was the judge of that court, and so long as he presided there, business would be conducted strictly under the forms and customs prescribed in that court, without partiality to anyone. We guess he will run the P. O. department.

MR. JAY GOULD and his well heeled associates, apprise the country through Mr. Gould's great telegraph lines, that Mr. Gould, has launched his new yacht with eclat; that she slid into the water handsomely, and that Mr. Gould's daughter, Nellie, broke the customary bottle of "Mums Extra Dry" and christened the yacht "Atlanta;" that several wealthy nabobs were present, and several more were unavoidably detained by one of Mr. Gould's railroad trains being behind time; and that the said yacht was furnished and finished in a manner as rich and costly as Mr. Gould's gold can accomplish. All that such notices accomplish is to advertise American funkyness. Some of these days Mr. Vanderbilt will buy a new neck tie, or perhaps a night shirt that will out swell and out frill the king-ly Tabor's of Colorado, and then the whetly will be treated to another report of such news(?)

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An alarming condition of affairs exists today in Europe; and fully as remarkable as alarming. There seems to be a well organized, systematic plan formed by the revolutionists of all despotic forms of government in the old world, to bring about a revolution in governmental affairs by means of the knife and mine. To the philosophic mind, this is the remarkable feature of the revolt against those governments. It is hard to imagine what arguments are used to induce men possessing intelligence and manhood to engage in the mad work of the assassin. One can imagine a state of affairs so bad, as to drive brave, desperate men, to waylay and assassinate a tyrant whose only motive in ruling, is to oppress and destroy; but it requires a different stretch of imagination to understand any state of affairs, so bad, as to bind together any considerable number of brave men in a compact so horrible—especially in this day and age—as to warrant them in engaging in assassinations of the innocent and helpless, in order to intimidate and coerce their rulers; and this seems to be the size and proportions of the conspiracies now being laid bare in England, France, the German States and Russia. The world in all ages has a martyr, the patriot, who dreads to lead in revolution, for the overthrow of the tyrant, and the disenfranchisement of oppressed humanity; on the contrary, it has only condemnation for the conspirator whose acts are known only to the midnight plotters, and whose argument appeals to the knife and drug, instead of the enlightened judgment and noble impulses of mankind.

The worst feature of this nihilistic organization, is, it seems to have a headquarters in free America, and just complaints may soon be made that this country by furnishing an asylum has become the harborer and encourager of these fiends. If the conspiracy is as wide spread as the authorities of England seem to have proof of, and with its headquarters established in this country, one can very easily understand how a state of affairs may arise at any moment which might compromise the good faith of our country, with the very strongest powers of Europe. When mines are being exploded in the capitals of England, France and Germany, by individuals claiming the protection of the American flag, it is getting—to say the least of it—to be a serious matter.

When Herr Most, a refugee from the old world, is permitted to stand up in our public places and congratulate his fellow conspirators that the work of assassination has "fairly commenced in Europe, and that it is destined yet to spread over the United States!" it is about time this country which professes to spell its name with a large "N" would take steps to take care of such dangerous characters.

That free America sympathizes with Ireland, is an undisputed fact, and it is right that our sympathies should go out to every misgoverned people—that we cannot have any sympathy for the conspiracy which is attempting to right wrongs by the commission of crimes, the enormity of which, make the wrong sought to be righted respectable; is also a fact.

It is a serious state of affairs, and if the half be true, that is now claimed, the peace of Europe is certainly jeopardized.

Gov. DAWES calls attention to the liberal premiums offered by our state board of agriculture for the greatest number of trees planted during the month of April, 1883, by any one person, and also for the greatest number of trees planted during the entire year 1883; also he calls attention to the special "arbor day" premium, i. e. for the greatest number of trees planted upon arbor day by any one person. Arbor day, as our readers will notice by the governor's proclamation, is fixed for April 18th, and THE HERALD thanks our people could not do better than to devote this day to the careful planting of choice trees. Nebraska is no longer the "treeless state," but all over her beautiful landscape the eye is rejoiced with beautiful groves of timber. The offering of these premiums by our state board is a sensible and practical feature of the sensible and practical manner in which the sensible and practical gentlemen who compose that board do business.

Typographical errors upon our editorial page yesterday makes us say, in speaking of the old democratic party for which we feel much sympathy solicitude, "a hungry robber" where it should read "rabble"; also where we speak of the party containing too many "impracticables" we are made to use the word "impracticabilities."

The saloon keepers of Lincoln are "kicking over the ordinance" which compels them to close their saloons at ten o'clock and thirty minutes every night. They claim, it seems, that the hefty imbibing is done in that flourishing city after their hour of closing, and that the other saloons—the drug stores—are catching all that custom, which rightfully belongs to the men who pay the thousand dollar license. In consequence of this police regulation these saloons threaten to not take out any license this year. Any ordinary fellow ought to be able to get his "night cap" squarely aboard before half past ten o'clock, and instead of giving these gentlemen an opportunity to run all night, THE HERALD would suggest to the authorities of Lincoln that the city government proceed to regulate the drug stores as a remedy instead of removing the healthy restrictions of the half past ten ordinance.

Our readers will notice by the following from the State Journal that the old reliable C. B. & Q., have at last effected arrangements so that freights can be taken without change through to and from Salt Lake, Utah; this is simply the precursor of better days to southern Nebraska. It means that this country is now practically open to the coal, the mineral, the products of the mountains and valleys of that rich country upon the Pacific slope, which hitherto, came to us through the good grace and loud duties of a Union Pacific monopoly.

The Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad will now, and henceforth, take freights through to Salt Lake without change. It is evident that the combination between this line and the Denver & Rio Grande is a fixed fact, and that competition for Utah business will be brisk.

The present financial condition of the government of the dominion of Canada seems to indicate a degree of prosperity which is highly flattering to the present management. The estimates for the fiscal year are more satisfactory than any that have ever before been presented. The taxation has been reduced a million and a half dollars, while the indebtedness of the dominion government has been promptly paid without resorting to a loan. There is a surplus of ten millions in the treasury. And the fact that the deposits in the saving banks of the country have been largely increased during the year must be taken as another evidence of the general prosperity of the Canadian people.—C. B. Nonpareil.

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