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ON the presidential nomination question the democracy is split as bad as it was in 1860, when it put Breckenridge and Douglas in the field.

HILL has apparently captured New York state but if the old saying, "He who laughs last, laughs the longest," proves true, Grover Cleveland will carry New York yet for he has called a new convention to meet May 1st.

RAILROAD earnings and bank clearings are at high figures, and show that trade continues fairly active. Money at the same time remains abundant and low. The business conditions were seldom more encouraging than they are now.

A DEMOCRATIC congress would not allow an American steamer to carry the flour and corn of generous American givers to starving Russians. But a British steamer with England's flag floating at her mast-head will leave New York this week with over a million pounds of flour and other generous gifts. It is a great card for John Bull.

WHY SHOULD THE UNITED STATES BUY CATTLE FROM A FOREIGN COUNTRY.  
The following appeared in the National Economist Almanac of 1870:

"Farmers, do you want a change? Are you satisfied with 15 cent corn, 50-wheat, and 14-cent cow?"

The 14 cent cow might be considered a reasonable and suggestive topic by way of comparison for the thoughtful farmer. In 1886 there were 72,775 head of beef cattle imported into the United States after paying a duty of \$2 per head. If Kansas beef was selling at 14 cents per pound, it is indeed a poor showing for the Kansas farmer when the Canadian farmer pays at least one-quarter of a cent per pound tariff and then beats him in the open market of the United States. In order that the American farmer may be encouraged in finding a market for his beef without foreign competition, the McKinley bill increased the tariff to \$10 per head. The average importation for the last five years has been 85,000 head per year, and the average price for the last nine months has been \$12 per head, equally annually to a million and a quarter dollars. The McKinley tariff in 1890 making it \$10 per head must certainly prove prohibitive, and the additional increase in sales to the American producer must be this vast sum of a million and a quarter dollars. Can farmers possibly fail to see the great benefit of such legislation?

THE UNITED STATES AND SOUTH AMERICA.

One of the latest fictions of the London Times' correspondent in Chile is to the effect that the influence of the United States in Central and South America has diminished materially in the past few months. This alleged condition of things, of course, he attributes to the recent Chilean difficulty with this country. The people of the United States have not taken much notice of this middle-class individual thus far, although indirectly and temporarily he has harmed us in a considerable degree. To the extent of his opportunities and influence he prejudiced Chile against us, and helped to create in that country the feeling which led to the attack on our sailors in Valparaiso and to the preceding and subsequently insults to our flag. His falsehoods in his paper about us was telegraphed back to Chile,

Through him Chile obtained an utterly false impression of the doings and designs of the United States, and England acquired erroneous views of the controversy. This mystification extended to the whole of Europe, for the Times was the only old world newspaper which was regularly represented in Chile. His blindness or bigotry, however, hurt Chile more than it has the United States, for to this is chargeable the expense and the humiliation which have come to her in the difficulty with this country.

South America ought to know by this time, and it undoubtedly does know, that it has a powerful and consistent defender in the people of the United States. We showed our friendship for that section two-thirds of a century ago, when, by the Monroe declaration, we warned Europe to stop its meddling in the domestic affairs of the nations of this continent. This proclamation was not lightly decided on and delivered. It was fraught with mighty possibilities for us in the schemes of European aggrandizement which it balked and in the European antagonism to ourselves and our institutions which it aroused. Our stand brought safety to South America. If our government had been timid or irresolute in that crisis more than one of the Spanish-American nations would have lost their independence and have gone under the sway of Spain or some other European power. The old world has been impressed by the fact that our warding against outside interference in the affairs of the countries of this continent meant something, and the countries of the hemisphere have found it a bulwark of protection to them. When France took advantage of our civil war to attempt to force on Mexico a European adventurer a word from this country compelled Louis Napoleon to desist, and Mexico was saved. The same spirit still animates the United States, and the other nations of the continent are serene in the confidence that so long as our Government endures a vigorous and resolute defender stands behind them in their day of trouble.—Globe Democrat.

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Daniel Dougherty has declined an invitation to address the United States Catholic Historical Society on Christopher Columbus, but expressed the opinion that the anniversary of the discovery of America should be observed as a Catholic affair.

Mrs. Gladstone is said to be hardly inferior to her husband in energy and industry. She has always been interested in charity and church work and in politics, and has at the same time maintained close watch upon her household affairs and her children.

The removal to Chicago from Harper's Ferry of the old engine house known as "John Brown's Fort" leads the Boston Advertiser to remark that Virginia needs two statues, one of John Smith at Jamestown and the other of John Brown at Harper's Ferry.

Mrs. Riddell, one of the most popular of English novelists, has never received over \$1,350 a year from the sale of her twenty-eight works of fiction, and it is proposed to put her on the civil pension list. Her publishers have made much money in the meantime.

The Queen of England is said to have the largest collection extant of photographs of nobilities of her time, from the portraits of kings, queens, emperors and empresses downwards. They date from the beginning of daguerrotypes down to the present photographs.

Eli Whitney Blake, nephew of Eli Whitney, of cotton-gin fame, invented the Blake ore crusher now in use all over the world. Like his uncle, he was robbed of the profits of his invention by infringements. Both inventors were born in Westboro, Mass., and both are buried in New Haven, Ct.

Housekeeper—"Why are apples so high in price?" Market man—"Cause they're scarce, mum." "But the papers said the crop was so enormous that apples were rotting on the trees all over the country." "Yes'm. That's why they're scarce. It didn't pay to pick 'em."—N. Y. Weekly.

Employment Agent—"Why do you leave a place in which you have worked so many years?" Domestic—"Well, you see, the missus died last month." "The house is lonely now, I suppose." "Tain't that; but now the missus is dead the master blames everything on me."—N. Y. Weekly.

Little Dot—"Ma, may I take the baby out in my doll's carriage?" Mamma—"Why, what for?" Little Dot—"Susie Stueckup has a new doll 'at shuts its eyes an' cries 'Wah, wah!' I'm doin' to bend the baby in a doll and let her hear him yell. Then I des she'll stop puttin' on airs."—Good News.

"I think it is too bad," said Mrs. Brownsmith, "that I have to slave all day Sunday just the same as any other day in the week, while you sit around the house and do nothing but smoke and read." "But you forget, my dear," replied Mr. B. in his blandest tones, "that the Sabbath was made for man."—Boston Transcript.

The Light That Failed—"There goes Sir Edwin Arnold," observed the hostess to her Chicago visitor. "Who's he?" inquired the visitor with innocent curiosity. "Why, don't you know him? He's a famous London editor, and he wrote the 'Light of Asia.'" "Wrote up the light of Asia, did he?" remarked the visitor with interest. "I didn't know they had bad gas there too; but I'm glad to find out that these newspaper men are some good after all."—Detroit Free Press.

Zerah Colburn was the most gifted mathematician ever known. When only 8 years old he raised the number 8 successively to the sixteenth power, and in naming the result, which consisted of fifteen figures, he was right in every one. On being asked the square root of 166,929, he answered 327 before the old grey-haired philosopher questioner had time to put it down. He was next asked how many minutes there were in forty-eight years, and instantly replied 25,228,800, and five seconds later gave the astonished savants the exact number.

Paying Literature.

A friend of mine happened to be with Marion Crawford recently in England, and during the conversation told a "club" story to the novelist.  
"I would like to work that into a short story, if you don't mind," said the novelist.

My friend told Crawford that one of the objects of his visit was to secure, if possible a short story from him.  
"Very well," said the author, "you amuse yourself with my books and I'll let you have the story. About 6,000 words you said? All right."

And within two hours' time, to my friend's astonishment, Crawford handed him the manuscript of "as perfect a little gem of a story as you ever read." And Crawford had earned \$200 between breakfast and lunch.—Nashville American.

Re-Casting.

A Hyzabad Hindoo has been restored to his caste by the following process of "purification." He lost caste eating cooked food in a railway carriage in which persons of another caste were traveling. He had to pay his own weight first in rice, the value reaching 180 tipes, and then in wheat. After being twice weighed in this way he was made to sit on a square stone, while his body was covered with manure, the face only excepted; he was then taken up by two men and thrown

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