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THE STATUE OF LIBERTY.

Bartholdi's statue of "Liberty Enlightening the World" is nearing completion, and arrangements are being made to provide for the pedestal, in New York harbor, upon which the colossal structure is to be erected.

The statue is built in sections of twenty-two feet, of ribs of steel and iron, and is covered with beaten copper. It will be anchored to its pedestal by steel rods, securely enough to bear against wind coming at the rate of one hundred miles to the hour.

The city of New York and some adjacent towns have already raised \$150,000. The nation at large is asked to contribute toward the remaining \$100,000. Up to the present time the bulk of the fund has been in subscriptions of from \$100 to \$5,000.

RESIGNATIONS IN THE PATENT OFFICE. The old axiom that "few die and none resign," as applied to government appointments, does not hold good in regard to certain employes of the patent office.

The Iowa Farmers' Protective association is an organization of earnest determined men whose principal object is to fight the Washburn & Moen barbed wire monopolies. The association is in good financial condition, and thus far it has been quite successful in its efforts to resist the tyranny of monopoly.

It was an unfortunate day for C. P. Huntington when he refused to settle with Mrs. Colton, preferring to let her bring suit. Had Mr. Huntington foreseen the result, he would never have allowed Mrs. Colton to go into court for a settlement of her claims.

A patent, although he asks for one, because, where he is not entitled, if a patent is granted he is simply exposed to expensive litigation. The fact is, in the opinion of some of the leading journals of New York, on the ground that irreconcilable differences of opinion existed between him and his associates with regard to the conflict of the telegraph and railroad men with their employers, has awakened curiosity in no ordinary degree.

THE house commerce committee has voted almost unanimously in favor of immediate retaliatory measures against France and Germany.

OTHER LANDS THAN OURS. The authority of the khedive in the Sudan is practically at an end. Scarcely any of the Arab tribes now remain loyal to Egypt.

The full text of the treaty between Chili and Peru has at last reached us. Its terms are such as naturally would be set by a power that won the right by conquest to impose its own conditions.

THE Duke Galvino, of Trapani, Sicily, who was recently captured and carried off by brigands, has been released after 35 days of arrest, of which the greater part was passed in a hole under the bottom of a cave.

THE conservative press of Great Britain express great hopes that there will be a dissolution of parliament before the end of the session. Liberal opinion seems likely to split up on several important points.

According to French accounts the situation in Tonquin continues favorable to the French. Admiral Courbet telegraphs to the minister of marine that piracy has very materially decreased since the capture of Sontay.

PERSONALITIES. Barnum once tried to hire Arabi Pasha. Secretary Lincoln looks careworn and thin. "Brick" Pomeroy is as bald as an egg and looks like a granger.

Barnum's Acid Phosphate. In Sarcinics. Prof. ADOLPH OTT, New York, says: "I use it for sea sickness, during an ocean passage. In most of the cases, the violent symptoms which characterize that disease yielded, and gave way to a healthful action of the functions impaired."

troops are now armed with Remington rifles. Strong earthworks and fortifications are being constructed upon the roads leading to Pekin, especially on the road from Chang Hai Kouan, which the Chinese engineers think that invasion by any other route is impossible.

The situation in Spain is ominous of trouble for Alfonso's rule. The coalition between the two factions of the liberal party under the lead of Senor Herrera, by which a working majority in the cortes was secured for the ministry, has come to an end.

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A GREAT REVIVAL. Nebraska City Wakes Up with the New Year. And Starts in With Plans for Great and Small Improvements.

Special correspondence of The Bee. NEBRASKA CITY, January 17.—Nebraska City, the famous old town on the "Big Muddy" is waking up from her kip van Winkle sleep of nearly twenty years and may be said to have started in with the new year on the top of a little boom, which, with the influx of capital and enterprise will reach enormous proportions before 1884 shall have closed.

The new year ushered in many improvements and new enterprises which reflects credit on our city and I will try and enumerate a few for the benefit of the readers of THE BEE. The "sun shines by day" but dark nights; our pathway is illuminated with gas. Our city council have entered into a six year contract with the gas company to light our principal streets.

The Morton house, our new hotel, and the finest in the state excepting the Paxton of Omaha, was opened to the traveling public last week. It is run by the prince of landlords, Joe O'Pelt, formerly of the principal hotels of Lincoln, Brownsville, Falls City and elsewhere.

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