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Upward of two millions of five per cent registered bonds have been received at the treasury department for redemption under the notice issued by Secretary Windom on the 22nd ult.

Queen Victoria is said to have a remarkable collection of autographs. She purchased, through an agent, two of the MSS. of the Diaristi novels, and got them for about \$100 apiece.

The Jewish population of Vienna is reported to have more than doubled itself, according to the recent census, within the past ten years. In 1870 it was 30,200. It is now 72,000.

From letters received in Berlin from the Transvaal it would appear that the Boers have determined to import only Dutch, German, and Austrian goods, to the exclusion of all merchandise coming from Great Britain and her colonies.

There was some doubt whether Mr Herbert Gladstone's acceptance of the office of lord of the treasury, without salary, would vacate his seat in Parliament for Leeds. The attorney-general has, however, given an opinion that the seat is vacant.

The New Orleans Democrat says that the starting national fault is gush, talk and exaggeration. It adds that Governors, having been suckled on the skim milk of sentimentality, abolish law and turn thieves, burglars and murderers loose upon the community.

Congressman Cox writes of the Norwegians: "We see no beggary, no poor houses or jails; we hear of no crimes of violence. No locks are needed upon doors. Drunkenness is rare. They love music and flowers, and are devoted to their faith and their families. They are never idle. Even the girls are knitting while attending sheep and cows."

Letters from Russia depict a sad condition of things as regards the Jews. It is no rare occurrence, especially in the south, for rich Jews to be falsely accused of some imaginary crime and their property confiscated. The victims are glad to escape with their lives, and if they venture to return they are seized as vagabonds or as bearing an assumed name, and banished to Siberia or removed to distant parts of the empire.

There is a story that the popular hymn, "The Sweet By and By," was the work of two men while drunk. Joseph P. Webster, who composed the music, died several years ago. Dr. S. F. Bennett, author of the verses, lives at Richmond, Illinois. He says that the charge of intoxication is untrue, though Webster was a free drinker. The story was written in 1874, and "The Sweet By and By" was one of the pieces jointly produced for it. The suggestion came from a chance remark by Webster, who was habitually despondent, that he would be well "by and by." Bennett at once made the rhymes, and Webster brought the music out of a fiddle, which was his customary aid in all composition. The hymn book had all its day, and is forgotten; but this tune is put into every publication of the kind, and has a sale of about 10,000 copies a year in sheet form. Dr. Bennett says that he and Webster were not orthodox Christians when the hymn was written, and that he is now even less a believer.

The 7th N. C. Infantry vs. the 21st. MR. EDITOR: Your anecdote of the 7th N. C. Infantry at Mine Run in the REVIEW of the 6th inst. recalls another told of that excellent regiment and somewhat at its expense, but one well worth relating, and a capital instance of the witticisms indulged in by Confederate soldiers to their mutual cost.

The 7th bore a conspicuous part in the battle of Newbern, and like most participants in that disastrous fight came away from the pleasant old town with "much promptness and alacrity." Transferred to the army of Northern Virginia they were ordered to join Gen. Jackson (a faint, as afterwards appeared), whose troops they met marching towards McClellan's right flank. The 7th used to put on considerable style, and were justly proud of their admirable drill and general soldierly bearing. Meeting on this march with a regiment that apparently made no attempt to preserve its formation and straggled very badly, a member of the 7th called out:

"What regiment is that?" and received for reply: "The 21st North Carolina, Colored Kiskadees"—a command that had served most gallantly with Jackson in the Valley and was much used up by that arduous campaign. The 7th man rejoined, "I am sorry to hear you are North Carolinians. Why do you close up and march like soldiers, as we do?" The 21st deigned no explanation, but

one of the number, asked in turn: "What regiment is that?" "The 7th North Carolina," was the prompt answer. "Oh, ho!" rejoined the 21st, "Oh, yes! I've heard of you before. You are learnt that march comin' away from Newbern, didn't you?" No further questions were asked.

It is now said that early rising is the cause of many nervous diseases. Our rising young men should make a note of this, and temper their aspirations accordingly.

An exchange speaks of a "rich heiress." When a young man makes up his mind to marry an heiress we advise him to select a rich one. A poor heiress is a delusion and a snare and a hollow mockery.—Ex.

"Gentlemen, a toast. Fill your glasses May the rich sparkle of the wine, the delicate flavor—" "Be continued in our necks," suggested one of the guests, and the toast was imbibed slowly.—New Haven Register.

A dear old lady: "No," said Mrs Goodington, casting her eyes over her specs to the silhouette of her lamented Daniel, "I can't say as I like to see a man too stout, but just a little inclined to petulance, you know."—Boston Transcript.

A Pittsburg Judge has just decided that insanity is not sufficient grounds for a divorce—that every man is liable to become insane after marriage. We have always been led to believe, on the contrary, that marriage was apt to bring a man to his senses.—Boston Transcript.

A whale and several sharks have appeared in New York harbor, and now all that is wanted to make that city a leading summer resort is the advent of the sea serpent. And the sea serpent would have appeared ere this if the New York editor had not resolved to maintain his reputation for veracity.—Norristown Herald.

Private Smith thus complained to his colonel: "This weather to you may seem volent; but my work being done in the heat of the zone. To me it seems simply infernal!"—Puck.

Supply: Parish clerk (at a vestry meeting on the question of organ-blowers' salary—the rector in the chair): "You see, sir, it isn't as if there were only the hymns, but there's the comin' in and goin' out and the 'sponces and the prayers and the psalms take a wonderful deal of wind."—London Punch.

Time's changes: Old Mr. and Mrs. Smiler are looking at the comet from their chamber window. "No, Mollie, no that cannot be the same comet of 1843, the appendage is so very much larger." "But, my dear Horace, the comet was younger then." They retired in silence.—Nym Crinche.

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