

A BIG SPECULATION.

The purchase some time ago by a Philadelphia company of four millions of acres of land in the State of Florida, at the rate of twenty-five cents an acre, was one of the largest land speculations we have heard of for some time, and is panning out nicely for the parties interested. They have since sold to an English company two millions of acres for as much money as they paid for the whole tract and now have two millions left to operate on for profit. The programme of the English purchasers is to construct railroads through their territory and then establish colonies, and as they are men of large capital it is likely they will pursue operations on a grand scale and make a handsome thing out of it.

The Philadelphians in addition to these four million acres purchased have negotiated for another vast territory large enough to make two or three fair sized states which they propose to drain and improve, giving the State one-fourth of the property improved. To carry out this scheme they propose to organize a stock company with \$10 shares, and as an inducement to take stock they present every one who subscribes for ten shares with a fee simple deed to forty acres of such land as he may select.

They have gone into this in a business-like way, and are now sending their circulars containing their propositions and plan of operation broadcast over the country, and the probabilities are that they will be as successful in working up this scheme as they were in the management of the first purchase. They are business men, of unlimited capital, and know what they are doing. With the money derived from sales of stock they propose to dig canals, build railroads and do such other work as will develop the property and fit it for agricultural purposes, to which much of it cannot now be devoted on account of inaccessibility and extent of swamps. But with the swamps drained, which it is said can be done at a comparatively trifling cost, they will have the most fertile lands in the world, on which may be grown sugar, cotton, coffee, tobacco, tropical fruits, in fact almost anything which it is desirable to cultivate.

We call attention to these speculations to ask the question if private individuals could go into the State of Florida and disgorge in these swamp lands such a field for profitable operation why could not the State of Florida have done something of the same sort herself? It is somewhat remarkable that she never made any effort to turn to account that vast region until a few Northern capitalists came along, made an insignificant bid for it, which bid was accepted without much ado, and these few men became the purchasers of one of the most princely domains under the sun, and from which they will in time derive millions of wealth. It is true Florida will be benefited thereby, too, and largely benefited, for every acre redeemed and peopled, and every mile of water-way or railway which may be constructed will add to her sources of income and wealth. But for this she has, practically speaking, given away a territory larger than two or three of our smaller States, simply because she did not know the value of the land she parted with or would incur the expense of developing and utilizing it.

In Louisiana, Mississippi, and other Southern States, and here in our own State, are extensive tracts of land, known as swamp lands, which are exceedingly rich, but now valueless because a portion of the year subject to overflow, and yet many of these are so situated that they might be reclaimed and become magnificent farming sites. We hear of no single instance where the State in which these lands are situated is making an effort to reclaim them, each waiting probably till some shrewd capitalist comes along, offers a nominal price and has his bid accepted, then dig some ditches, opens up some water courses, and makes millions. This business and shows shrewdness on the part of the men who go into it, but not much on the part of the States which pursue this short-sighted, give-away policy. The States *oza* and should develop all such property themselves; if they cannot, then perhaps it is well enough to give it to some one who can, but it is no credit to a State to confess that she can't do what a few level-headed individuals can do, and it is still less creditable to her to never have tried it.

Galveston News: The census returns show the necessity for more school houses and compulsory education. The facts are developed that the illiterate class produces, on the average, thirty times as many paupers and ten times as many criminals, according to their number, as the class having a reasonable common school education. The only way to communicate these facts to the illiterate is through the school house.

A statistician who has been giving the subject his attention puts the number of dogs in the country at 21,000,000, and estimates that each dog consumes \$8.00 worth of food annually, not counting what they consume in the way of captured sheep, &c.

Mr. Edmunds wants to destroy Mormonism by dividing the Territory and parceling it out to adjoining States and Territories. That's a roundabout way of disfranchising the Mormons.

So prosperous is the State of Pennsylvania that it is proposed to repeal all laws imposing taxes on manufacturing enterprises. During the past year the State's income largely exceeded its expenses.

The Northern Pacific Railroad is reported as completed to the scene of the Custer massacre which amounts for Sitting Bull's inconsolable discouragement.

THE OLD YEAR.

The old year of grace 1881 is gone with its many predecessors to make up the history of the past. It is said that the future can only be measured by the past, because we have no means of knowing what is ahead of us. With the exception of the unprecedented drought which fell to our lot last summer, the country has been reasonably prosperous, and the indications now are that with ordinary seasons in future we are approaching a period of extraordinary prosperity at the South. Commenting on this subject the Baltimore Sun says: "Everywhere and in all States of the Union is heard the hum of labor in furnaces, forges, mills, factories and workshops, with steady employment and good wages to all who have the will to work, and with opportunities for saving to those who are frugal and thrifty. Never were our material prospects more assuring than now. The country is being covered with a perfect network of railroads, and the millions to be expended on them must necessarily carry with them a vivifying influence through all the multitudinous channels in which trade and labor flows. The opening up of the South, with its splendid visible and latent resources, is like the opening up of a new world. Its mountains and valleys and plains are now being linked together in bonds of iron and steel, while in the current year, and still more in the years to come, it is destined to receive steady accessions of population from without, until ultimately its material prosperity will compensate it in manifold ways for the sufferings it has undergone and the losses it has sustained in the past."

We are no longer interested in the past except as a matter of history, and where the events of that past serve to furnish guide boards to direct our course in future. In the South this means a great deal at this time. Catching the inspiration of the hour our course is to be marked by a system of political economy such as has not been seen in the past. The development of our country, long delayed, will soon become an accomplished fact, and in the near future we hope to see our old State more than ever cut up into railroad tracks, our mines developed, our education advanced, our agriculture improved, our manufactures touched into new life, our commerce extended, and in fact a new life dawning upon and brightening up everything and everybody.

But aside from these things there is a moral aspect that religiously belongs to the beginning of the new year. Each individual is a member of the body politic, and he must needs first regulate his own conduct. "Every first of January that we arrive at," wrote Chas. Lamb, "is an imaginary milestone on the track of human life, at once a resting place for thought and meditation, and a starting point for fresh exertion in the performance of our journey. The man that does not propose to himself to be better this year than he was last, must be either very good or very bad indeed. Only to propose to be better is something; if nothing more than an acknowledgment of our need to be so, which is the first step toward amendment."

The telegraphic dispatches of last night inform us that Guiteau held a new year's reception in the jail yesterday, and that about two hundred people called on him, a large proportion of them being ladies, which adds another strange chapter to this strange man's strange history. Whether these people went there to see and talk to the representative assassin of the age, actuated by mere caprice, or to pay him a tribute of respect we are not told, but it presents itself to us none the less as a remarkable incident in the career of this remarkable individual. A few short months ago the land was in mourning from one end to the other over the remains of his victim, and the belief was prevalent that nothing but thick walls and ever-wakeful guards could protect him from the swift bullet of the avenger, but he has since from day to day gone into court and there in the presence of hundreds of people sat more like a prosecutor than a man who was on trial for his life, while these same people, composed of we are told of the select of Washington social circles, seem to be entirely oblivious of the fact that he was the slayer of the man over whom they had shed their tears, and joined in the mirth that his insane ravings or smart remarks provoked.

Athens honored her illustrious citizens and sometimes getting tired of honoring them ostracized them. The Athenians were fickle; but the Athenians have their counterpart in the sovereigns of America, who a few months ago would have gibbeted Guiteau on sight, and now not only have forgotten the enormity of his crime, but actually do him the honor to make a New Year's call on him.

No wonder the man believes that the "Deity," as he phrases it, is taking care of him.

The "Disciples" congregation, of which the late President Garfield was a member, will begin the erection of a church in Washington next spring, for which purpose a subscription of \$30,000 had been raised previous to the President's death.

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ARTHUR GUARDED CONSTANTLY.

Detectives Dog His Every Step, Ready to Catch the Crank.

Washington Dispatch in the St. Louis Republican. The president and his private secretary left for New York on the morning train, accompanied, it is said, but without General Arthur's knowledge, by three detectives, who had been sent over from New York at the instance of friends of the president, to guard him from the attack of any crank. It is not generally known, but detectives have watched General Arthur to a greater or less extent ever since he was inaugurated as the president. On the day that he was driven to the senate to take the oath of office in the vice-president's room, the two most skilful detective officers in Washington accompanied his coupe and guarded the door and approaches to it until he was safely lodged in the Gray House.

It is known that the presence of the officers to the extent that General Arthur has known of it has not been pleasant to him. They have been detailed to accompany him at the call of his friends, some of whom have thought that at least until the Guiteau trial is ended it would be well to be prudent. President Arthur, however, rides about Washington freely without a retinue, and is known to have said that nothing that he could do or that any man can do can save a life from assassination. There is no reason to think, however, that there is anyone who wishes to do personal harm to President Arthur, and the presence of these detectives is due only to the officious zeal of certain friends.

The Plymouth Riot Eased.

Raleigh News and Observer, 1st. The promptness and extent of the measures taken for the repression of this riot showed good result at first, but the news from the "scene of the conflict" which showed that the troubles were virtually at an end. Yesterday evening a telegram was received from Governor Jarvis, at Plymouth, N. C., that the riot had arrived there at 4 o'clock Friday afternoon; that in Saturday's fights and rioting four men were wounded, one of whom has since died. The posse of Sheriff Spruill had made the arrests before the riot broke out. The telegram further states that everything is now orderly and quiet, and that the troops will at once return.

It was thought here that the bulk of the negro rioters would take to the swamps around Plymouth. One of these, Peacock Swamp, is within a mile of the town, and is said to be well nigh impenetrable. It was also thought that the rioters would be dispersed. Quite a number of Raleigh people know Plymouth well. They are old soldiers and they were down there in the year of grace 1864 when the famous Confederate train, Alabama, made their lively run. There was hard fighting in and around the town, and an old campaigner yesterday remarked that he had seen more dead men lying around the court house there than were apt to be killed in a dozen later campaigns.

The Norfolk papers give but little news of the affair, drawing upon us for most of their information. Many of the rioters were disarmed. The five ring leaders were arrested. One of them, Mack Butler, the wounded man who died, had his skull crushed with a club. The rioters made threats of burning the town and of taking the lives of prominent citizens.

The following is a copy of the telegram calling on the Washington Light Infantry, of Washington, Captain D. N. Bogart, commanding: "Take your company to Plymouth at once and report to the sheriff or mayor. Use such force in restoring peace and law in aid of the civil authorities as may be necessary." THOS. J. JARVIS, Commander-in-Chief.

Financial Status of New York City. NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—The old board of aldermen from which ten members retired, met at 11 o'clock and after finishing up their business, adjourned *sine die*. At noon the new board was called to order and organized by the election of Alderman Cooper (Tammany) as president, with the cooperation of all but two of the Republican members, the leader of the Democratic faction, Tammany County Democracy, or Irving Hall, or Republicans, having a majority. Mayor Grace sent in his annual report in which he considers the financial condition of the city, showing that the net funded debt of the city including the annexed district amounted on Dec. 31st, 1881, to \$98,392,854 18, final estimate for the support of the city government for 1882, is \$27,412,851 68, which will make the tax rate materially less than during any year for the past 10 years. The mayor also reviews various matters of interest to the city.

Weather. WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—For the Middle Atlantic States, fair weather, north-west to south-west winds, higher barometer, stationary or slight rise in temperature. For the South Atlantic States, slightly warmer, fair weather, north-west winds shifting to northeast and south-east, slight rise followed by falling barometer. For the Gulf States, slightly warmer, easterly to southerly winds, stationary or slowly falling barometer, partly cloudy weather, followed by light rains on the coast. For the Tennessee and Ohio Valley, partly cloudy weather, and areas of light snow or rain, winds slightly to east and south, rising temperature and slight rise followed by falling barometer. The Mississippi will fall slowly at stations above Vicksburg and rise at stations below.

Fatal Encounter in Alabama. SELMA, Ala., Jan. 2.—Last night Babe Burns and Geo. E. Keipp became involved in a quarrel. Burns, proprietor of the Southern Hotel, while attempting to act as peace-maker nearly lost his life and was compelled to kill Burns in self-defense. Burns fired at Keipp but missed him and the ball passed through a window and struck Burns then fired at Adams and missed him. Adams fired three shots in quick succession, each ball striking Burns, who died instantly.

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Liquor Traffic and Legislation.

Washington Correspondence Baltimore Sun.

The House select committee on the alcoholic liquor traffic is composed of nine members, of whom seven are regarded to be in favor of prohibitory measures. The National Temperance Society has been endeavoring for years to secure restrictive legislation from Congress on this subject. Two or three times bills with this object in view have passed the Senate, but have not met with a favorable reception in the House. In all the votes and debates in the two Houses it has been seen that the republicans were almost solidly in favor of restrictive legislation and the democrats almost solidly opposed to it. The democrats being in the majority in the House accounts, therefore, for the failure to act on the Senate bills sent to that body or on bills introduced by individual members of the House with the same object in view. Now that the republicans have full control of the House and practical control of the Senate, those interested are expecting that the House committee will be directed to will soon report a bill to provide for a commission to investigate the whole subject of the liquor traffic, with the ultimate object in view of adopting such legislation as will, so far as possible for the National Legislature to do it, tend to suppress or reduce the traffic, and as the two houses are now constituted there is thought to be a strong probability of the passage of such a bill. Whether Congress can really enact any legislation effectual enough to abate intemperance and reduce the enormous traffic in alcoholic liquors admits of much doubt, judging from the experience of local legislation. The Congress would find the sources to supply the enormous revenue received from distilled and fermented spirits, amounting for the last fiscal year to \$80,000,000, is problematical, although, as contended by the advocates of suppression of the traffic, it may cost the people of the country many times that amount in industry, in health, in length of life, in taxes, in the maintenance of the law, in provision for poor-houses, penitentiaries and hospitals.

New Year's Calls on the President, and Guiteau Holds a Reception. WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—The weather to-day was everything that could be desired, clear, cold and bracing, and the custom of New Year's calling was very generally observed. The fact that it was President Arthur's first New Year reception attracted a full attendance at the White House. All the foreign delegations were represented and the usual programme was carried out. The decorations of the White House were less profuse than in former years, because of the recent death of President Garfield, only plants and flowers being used and these in moderation.

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An Indian Tragedy. NEW ORLEANS, La., Jan. 2.—A dispatch from Little Rock gives further news of the killing of Thompson McKenny, chief clerk of the Choctaw Council, Indian Territory, by an Indian named Lucas. A feud had long existed between the two men, and at a store, McKenny started toward him, but Lucas layd and brutally murdered him. The tragedy causes great excitement in the Choctaw nation.

Anglo-French Tariff Questions. LONDON, Jan. 2.—A dispatch to the Standard, from Paris says of a meeting of the Anglo-French commercial treaty commission the concessions made by the French commission in regard to cotton and woolen goods, did not reach the minimum fixed by the English commissioners and were finally declined. The English commissioners will therefore return on Monday.

Three Men Buried in a Snow Slide. DENVER, Col., Jan. 2.—The Republican's Silverton Special says Edward F. Ryder, Michael Ryan, and Richard Adkins, employed on Paradise Tunnel, in the mountains above Vicksburg, were buried in a snow slide on Monday. Galveston this morning to recover the bodies.

One Less Circus Man. NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 2.—At Labadie night, Assumption Parish, Saturday night, Dennis Dunlap, of Syracuse, N. Y., a member of a circus company, was shot by Justice of the Peace Bentley, from the effects of which he died yesterday. Bentley has not been arrested.

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COMMISSIONER'S SALE. 1,200 Acres. VALUABLE LANDS. BY VIRTUE of a decree of the Superior Court of the county of Mecklenburg, we will sell at public auction, at the court house door, in the city of Charlotte, on Monday, 16th Day of January, 1882, the lands which were owned by the late Mary M. Wallace. THE HOME PLACE, 4 miles from the city of Charlotte, on the Lawyers' road, contains 408 acres, with a large Brick Dwelling House, good barns and other improvements. THE ALLEN PLACE, contains 267 acres, is 4 miles from the city, adjoins the Home Place, and lies between the Lawyers' road and the Monroe road. THE WYNNES PLACE, on the Potter road, contains 138 acres, adjoins the Home Place, and is about the same distance from the city. THE WILSON PLACE, on the Lawyers' road, 6 miles from Charlotte, contains 322 acres. THE BRUMLEY PLACE, on Beedy Creek, 7 miles from Charlotte, contains 974 acres. We will also sell a valuable Gold Mine, in Union county, near Matthews, known as the Henry Miller Mine. THE HOME tract, the Allen tract, and the Wilson tract, each, will first be offered in lots and then as a whole. This sale is made subject to the ratification and approval of the Court. Terms: One tenth cash; balance in two equal installments on one and two years, with security and interest from date. Deeds and Plans can be seen at the law office of Osborne & Maxwell, Charlotte, N. C. Parties desiring to examine the property will apply to H. YARBROW, at the Brick House place. JOHN R. MORRIS, W. C. MAXWELL, Commissioners. December 1, 1881. wds:ad:st

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