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WEATHER.

We have had considerable weather in North Carolina lately, a sort of weather not very common to this particular section.

As a cold snap it was a success, and it does not seem to have confined itself to any particular section, but just reached out and took in the whole North American portion of the continent.

Old Boreas started out two cold waves, one from the Northwest and the other from the Southwest, which formed a junction somewhere down on the gulf.

The Northwest sent the mercury tumbling down from twenty-five to forty below zero at different points in the Northern and Western States, while the Southwest rolled in towards the gulf coast and sent the inhabitants as far South as San Antonio, Texas, to shivering and wondering what Old Boreas was about.

It was a solid, first class cold spell. It is not often that we see anything like it in this favored climate, where extremes of cold or heat are very rare.

And yet, while it was very cold, it was summer weather compared to that experienced in the far West, where the mercury fell from twenty-five to thirty, and in places to even as low as forty-five and forty-eight degrees below zero, while here it was sixteen above, and the ice on the ponds reached a thickness of only a few inches.

While in the West animals shipped on trains which became snow bound froze to death, it is somewhat remarkable, though there was necessarily much suffering among the poor, that so few deaths have been reported.

The great West, about which we hear so much, and which is painted in such attractive colors, may have its advantages, but they ought to be great to offset the sudden extreme changes of weather to which it is subjected, and the usually long winters not infrequently running into April, when the forests have begun to bud, and the fields are green in this latitude.

It is long, cold winters; short, hot summers, and hard work the whole year round for the laboring man or farmer who succeeds out there. It requires not one half the labor to live well and comfortably in North Carolina, where nature is kinder and gives man a better chance.

A correspondent of the Baltimore American writes from Staunton, Va., about an old fellow who lived in the mountains of West Virginia, who owned and still owns slaves, and hadn't heard anything about a war between the North and South until he came to Staunton, a short while ago, to sell a slave, when he was very much surprised to learn that there had been a war, and very much disgusted to learn that the slaves had been emancipated.

He didn't attach much importance to the information, however, for failing to find a purchaser as he expected, he took his darkey back home with him. This lie has not the merit of originality. It was started just after the war in Florida and told about an old Seminole Indian, then travelled around to Arkansas, and now turns up from West Virginia. All of which shows that it keeps travelling, though it moves slowly.

It is reported that Senator Sherman, of Ohio, has declined the presidency of the Northern Pacific railroad, because his retiring from the Senate would give his seat to a Democrat as his successor, and thus put the balance of power in the hands of Billy Mahone. It must have been a trying case on Mr. Sherman to decline a position paying a salary of \$50,000 a year, with perquisites.

There is a difference of opinion among Democrats on the question of the coinage of silver, some holding that it ought to continue, others that it ought to stop, there being more silver coined now than there is any use for.

Does the holding of an opinion one way or the other on this question make the holder of that opinion more or less a Democrat?

England is getting ready to send twelve thousand men into Egypt. England is proceeding to gobble up Egypt, but perhaps she is cultivating a disturbance with some of the other powers who are not uninterested in the proprietorship of that country.

Wood-pulp Miller, Conkling's successor in the United States Senate, insists that he is not a boss, as some people say he is. Miller is a modest man. He only sits behind the curtain and pulls the wires while the figures dance.

Nubar Pasha, the new Prime Minister of Egypt, is like the Khedive, simply a tool of England. Egypt is to-day practically a British province.

PRAYING FOR PAPA.

How God Answered a Little Girl "Most as Quick as the Telephone."

A few nights ago a well-known citizen of Detroit, Mich., who had been walking for some time in the downward path, came out of his home and started down town for a night of casual work with some companions he had promised to meet.

His young wife had besought him with imploring eyes to spend the evening with her, and had reminded him of the time when he had promised to go to the company where all too short. His little daughter had clung about his knees and coaxed in her pretty, willful way for "papa" to tell her some bedtime stories, but habit was stronger than love for wife and child, and he eluded their tender questioning, by the special sophistries that the father of evil advancing steps in her company were all too short.

But when he was a block from home he found that in changing his coat he had forgotten to remove his wallet, and he went back to get it. He went about without money, even though he knew that his family needed it, that his wife was economizing each day more and more in order to make up for his loss, and that his little child crept softly past the windows of the little house in order that he might steal in and obtain it, without running the gauntlet of either questions or accusations. But when he reached his feet; there was a fire in the grate within--for the night was chill--and it lit up the little parlor and brought out in startling effect the pictures on the wall. But these were as nothing to the pictures on the hearth. There, in the soft glow of the firelight, knelt his little child at her mother's feet, his small hands clasped in prayer, his fair head bowed, and his rosy lips uttered each word with childish distinction.

"Now I lay me down to sleep, I pray the Lord my soul to keep; If I should die before I wake, I pray the Lord my soul to take."

"Sweet petition! The man himself who stood there with head bowed and shut tightly together, had said that prayer once at his mother's knee. Where was that mother now? The sunset gates had long ago been unbarred to let her pass through. But the child, shut tightly together, had said that prayer once at his mother's knee. "God bless mamma, papa and my own self"--then there was a pause, and she lifted her troubled blue eyes to her mother's face.

"God bless papa," prompted the mother softly.

"God bless papa," lisped the little one.

"And please send him home sober." He could not bear the mother as she said this, but the child followed in a clear, inspired tone: "God--bless--papa--and--please send--him--home--sober. Amen."

Mother and child sprang to their feet in alarm when the door opened so suddenly, but they were not afraid when they saw with beating hearts, standing so close but that night when little Mamie was being tucked up in bed after such a romp with papa, she said, in the sleepest and most contented of voices: "Mamma, God answers most as quick as the telephone, doesn't He?"

Leads in India.

A great part of India is still uncultivated, "virgin soil." Mr. Matteson's estimate is that in the four provinces of the Punjab, Northwestern Central Oudh, and Bombay,--there is a total area of nearly three hundred and seventy thousand square miles; and he divides this as follows: Area now cultivated, 145,549 square miles. Area culturable, 87,828 square miles. Area not culturable, 136,623 square miles.

He estimates, therefore, that there are nearly eighty-eight thousand square miles of wheat land that may still be brought under cultivation, and this would represent an increase of product at twelve bushels per acre (the average of the country) of six hundred and seventy-two millions of bushels.

Mr. Matteson's conclusions are that India can produce wheat at as low cost as the most favored localities in the United States; that she can now spare (this was a conclusion based on the crop harvested in the spring of 1882) about forty million bushels annually for the European market, and can increase the supply "to an almost unlimited extent," that India will continue to be a very important factor in the grain markets of Europe; and that while America will not be greatly hurt by the competition, it is the duty of her government to continue to support the transportation down to the lowest mark, she cannot expect to get high prices for her grain hereafter, and that if by the failure of her crops or other causes, she is far more inclined to go over their wants and look where to supply them, than the man in the street who is probably thinking more of selling his own goods than of buying the necessities of life.

There is a chance for literary display. Many large business houses keep a gentleman of education and skill in literary matters to superintend this department of their business, and they select their copy from a list of names to say on what would seem to be a hackneyed subject. Indeed, the art of advertising is to be always fresh and new, yet clear and concise, to be announced when it will be read, but to be plain and direct. The nearer an advertisement harmonies with the general drift of the paper the more likely it is to be read and make an impression.

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TOTAL DEPRAVITY

As Developed in the Case of Elphonso Kell.

Washington, D.C.

A depraved and vicious looking colored boy named Elphonso Kell, about fifteen years of age, was in the dock at Judge Snell's court this morning for committing a series of atrocious deeds.

Prosecuting Attorney Moore suggested that he be examined as to the condition of his mind, as he believes that no person in his right mind could be guilty of such acts.

W. T. Benjamin, a respectable colored man, who lives in the county above, Uniontown, was called as a witness against the boy. He stated that the boy was his nephew. "His first criminal act," said Benjamin, was to build a fire, in Baltimore, just before he came to this city, and call his aunt and uncle to throw a handful of cartridges into the fire to blow her up. After he came here he began to steal, and then he set the woods on fire. On the 19th of last month he stole a wagon and ran away, and came back the next day with a lot of arsenic, and said that he was not going to burn them out, but would poison them. A week or more ago he was found by the family was afterwards found to have arsenic in it, as it made them sick. This was about Christmas. A few days afterward he went to witness his aunt and uncle's funeral, as he afterward confessed, and attempted to cut her throat, but his hand became paralyzed and he dropped the razor on the floor. He then poisoned the water with arsenic, and not having enough of this kind of poison, he put in a handful of blue headed matches to make up the deficiency. The doctor found him to be so ill that he found to be sick, and he confessed to killing a pig with arsenic and administering it to the other animals. The court called up the boy and asked him if he confessed to all of these acts, and he admitted that he had.

Kell was committed to jail to be examined by a physician as to his sanity.

Missing Mr. Delmonico.

New York, Jan. 7.--Detective Van Buskirk, employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, reported to his room and to his superior, as he noon train from Philadelphia to day brought a passenger whose description corresponded with that of missing Mr. Delmonico. He took the Cortland street boat and was lost in the crowd. A general alarm was sent out to all the precincts, warning the police of his arrival in town and to search for him as soon as possible. The idea being repugnant to him, for he had frequent lucid intervals, it is said he made up his mind to escape at the first opportunity. A gentleman sustaining close relations with Mr. Delmonico denies positively any such intentions on the part of his relatives. They say he was perfectly sane the greater part of the time, though at intervals during the last six months his mind occasionally wandered, and at the time of his disappearance a man was under employ to watch his movements.

The family of Mr. Delmonico discredit the story that he was in this city to-day. At a late hour to-night they had received no tidings from him.

Cotton Cultivation in the North.

While the South is complaining of too much cotton and the press is advising a reduction in its acreage, the great Southern staple is invading the North. The cotton country has extended greatly since the war, and States like Virginia and Missouri which knew nothing whatever of cotton twenty years ago, have lately produced large quantities of it. The plant seems to be traveling North and West, and we now hear of it under cultivation in California and Kansas. In the Sacramento Valley of the Pacific coast, whose climate is very similar to that of the Southern States, it thrives and yields well. The Kansas experiment is even more recent, and dates from the large exodus of negroes into the State.

According to the Kansas City Times the experiment has been a success. Cotton gins have been established at various points in the State and have plenty of material to work on. As for the yield per acre it is very satisfactory, and it is now considered as demonstrated that cotton cultivation can be carried on profitably in Kansas; and it is predicted that it will soon become an important industry there.

Special Attorneys' Fees.

In response to the resolution of Senator Van Wyck, the Secretary of the Treasury Thursday furnished the Senate with copies of the vouchers on account of the expenses incurred by the Department of Justice since March 1st, 1881, with names of special attorneys and detectives employed. In the star-route cases Mr. Geo. Bliss is credited on November 8, 1881, with \$2,500 for professional services, and December 31, 1881, \$5,000. Under the head of disbursements, Mr. George Bliss, for services in the star-route cases from September 9 to December 24, 1881, is credited with \$388.83. Under date of March 25, 1882, he is paid \$5,200 for services since the settlement of former account and prior to date. He is also credited with \$418.76 for expense account. From January 5 to March 14, 1882 he received \$5,700; April 5, 1882, \$1,700; November 19, \$3,200. Mr. Wm. A. Cook is credited with about \$9,000 for services as special attorney. Mr. W. W. Coker, with \$1,877 and R. T. Merrick \$47,500.

Another Report from the Celtic.

LONDON, Jan. 11.--The steamer Argosy, from New York for this port, has arrived off Lizard and reports having met the steamer Celtic and taken on several passengers whom she transferred to a tug bound for Falmouth. The four passengers who left the Argosy in the tug have been landed at Falmouth. The Argosy reports that she left the Celtic on the 9th inst., 1250 miles from Lizard.

Some say "Consumption" can't be cured. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, now proved by forty years' experience, will cure the disease when not already advanced beyond the reach of medical aid. Even then it will afford very great relief, and insure refreshing sleep.

Vanderbilt's Prodigal Son.

Brooklyn Eagle.

It was reported a few weeks ago that William K. Vanderbilt had suffered serious losses from speculating in wall street. The report was contradicted on the authority of his father, who exhibited a natural anxiety to conceal from the public the extent of William's indiscretion. The fact is no longer denied, however, that his losses were not only severe, but that they involved the bulk of his available fortune. When the true state of the case became known to William H. Vanderbilt he had an angry interview with his son, which terminated in an offer to make the latter an annual allowance of \$70,000, provided he would pledge himself never again to dabble in stock. William gave the pledge, but insisted that the sum specified was insufficient for his support, and after considerable discussion, it was increased to \$100,000. It is also known that Mr. Vanderbilt has altered his will so that, instead of having the entire control of his share of the property, William will only enjoy a life estate, his children to inherit the principal after his death. These measures have been taken with the entire concurrence of the other members of the family, who believe that the prodigal son has been treated fully as well as he deserves.

A Rescued Crew.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.--The Signal Corps Station at Hatteras, N. C., reports the three masted vessel Emma C. Ramell, Sloan master, before reported ashore on the ninth inst., was from Keri's Ferry, Va., bound to Philadelphia, laden with pine lumber. The vessel went ashore at 5:30 p. m. on the 8th inst., during a violent southeast gale near Gull Shoal, the life saving station. Nine passengers were on board. All were saved by the boats of the Gull Shoal life saving station. The vessel is still on the beach.

What a Queer Climate This Is.

First it snowed. And then it blew. And then it rained. And then it snowed. And then it rained again. With cold in head. I'm almost dead. But yet I won't complain; Pain killer saves From watery graves. And makes us wet again. Nobody ought to be without Perry Davis's Pain killer.

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