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Feb 14-14

Soluble Pacific Guano.
We take pleasure in informing our customers and the public generally, that in view of the decline in cotton, the price of this standard Fertilizer has been reduced Ten Dollars per ton. It has also increased in value ten per cent, as that amount of moisture has been taken from the Guano which we offer this season. We now renew the offer we made at our late Fair, viz: To give One Thousand Pounds of Soluble Pacific Guano for the largest yield of cotton to one acre of ground, produced by the use of the Soluble Pacific Guano. The award to be made by a committee elected by the President of the Agricultural Society.

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I have now used the Soluble Pacific Guano two years. As a Fertilizer, I recommend it highly. This year I applied it to worn-out red land and the result is entirely satisfactory. I am also well satisfied that I can see good results from it the second year. Another recommendation is, that the quantity of earth on the hills is larger. I expect to continue using it.
W. N. ALEXANDER.

UNION COUNTY, N. C., Jan. 11, 1871.
Messrs. Burroughs & Springs, Charlotte, N. C.
As the days for small things are not either past and gone, I desire to give you the result of my experiments with Pacific Guano on my Pin Hook Farm.
Two rows, one hundred and forty yards long—Compost and Guano—4,405 lbs.; 46 lbs weight.
Two rows, same length, side by side—Compost—2,440 lbs.; 26 lbs. weight.
Two rows, same length, side by side—Guano—3,890 lbs.; 29 lbs. weight.
Two rows, same length, side by side—Saw dust and Guano—1,430 lbs.; 43 lbs. weight.
I am satisfied your Guano paid me, even at the low price of cotton.
D. M. FESPERMAN.
Feb 7-2m

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Jan 3-3m

Selected Poetry.

THE OLD MAN'S DREAM.

Oh, for one hour of youthful joy,
Give back my twentieth spring;
I'd rather laugh a bright-haired boy,
Than reign a bearded king.

One moment let my life-blood stream
From boyhood's fount of fame!
Give me one giddy, feeling dream
Of life, all love and fame.

My listening angel heard the prayer,
And, calmly smiling, said:
"If I but touch thy silver'd hair
Thy hasty wish hath sped.

"But is there nothing in thy track
To bid thee fondly stay,
While the swift seasons hurry back
To find the wished-for day?"

Al, truest soul of womankind!
Without thee what were life!
One bliss I cannot leave behind:
Thy love—my precious—write!

The angel took a sapphire pen
And wrote in rainbow dew,
"The man would be a boy again,
And be a husband too!"

"And is there nothing yet unsaid
Before the change appears?
Remember, all their gifts have fled
With those dissolving years."

Why yes: for memory would recall
My fond paternal joys,
I could not bear to leave them all—
I'll take—my—girls—and—boys!

The smiling angel dropped his pen;
"Why this will never do;
The man would be a boy again,
And be a father too!"

And so I laughed—my laugh woke
The household wife with noise—
And wrote my dream when morning broke,
To please the grey-haired boys.

Selected Story.

THE SWITCH-TENDER'S STORY.

It ran thus: "It's high on to eleven years, sir, since I came on to this road. For the first three years I was a brakeman, and if I had stuck to it I might be a conductor by this time—for my character was good, and I've always been a steady man; but you see it wasn't to be. My old woman always objected to my running on the train, it kept me away so much from home, not to speak of the danger, and so at the end of the third year, when our little boy was born, she begged me so hard to give it up that I consented, and the company put me in this place; where I've been ever since.

"It's not hard, I've only got to tend one switch and to do odd jobs about the depot; the pay is just as good as what I got before, only there is no chance of promotion; but then, I'm always at home, which makes it up. I live alone, a little ways across the bridge on the outskirts of the town, yonder on the other side of the river—a small white house with an elm tree in the yard—you can see it from the other end of the switch.

"So you think the river is very beautiful at this season of the year. Well, sir, I dare say it is—I thought so once myself, but I don't take any pleasure in looking at it now, nor have I done so for many a day. Its green banks and its clear water, with the sunshine sparkling on it, only makes it seem the cruellest to me, as if I laughed over the misery it had caused to human beings; but my opinions haven't got anything to do with what you came to ask me about, so I'll try to get to the point at once.

"It will be three years come Monday, the 13th of next month, which is May, that after eatin' my breakfast and smokin' my pipe, which latter operation I generally gits through about seven o'clock, I started across the bridge, taking with me my little boy Willie, who was at this time just rising of five years. He was awfully tickled at the idea of being allowed to go out with me, as his mother kept him mostly around the house, having, like all most men, great fear of the trains. I don't think, sir, I ever see a finer morning—the sun well high up, but not too warm, with a white cloud here and there in the blue sky, the trees and grass, green and fresh, and glistening with the dew, and underneath us the river flowing bright and clear just as you see it now, sir. My heart felt light, and having nothing on my mind—I had just finished paying for my house the week before—I began to think of comparing my troubles with my blessings; that after all, it would be hard to find a better place than this same much-abused world to live in.

"The time table was a little different then from what it is now. The freight train came down at 9:30 A. M., switched off and waited for the express to go by, which followed fifteen minutes later. I reached the switch about ten minutes ahead of time—I always do—and sitting down on the tie, I filled a fresh pipe and smoked away, while little Willie gathered pebbles, and throwing them into the water, laughed and shouted at the splashes they made.

"Finally, growing bolder, he ventured to the river's edge, and picking one of the lilies that grew there in abundance, he came with great glee and laid it at my feet. I put the flower in my pocket carefully, so as not to hurt it, intending to show it to his mother. He slipped out that pretty blue one-gow further down, and begged to go and get one of them; but as it was almost time for the train, I refused my permission, and ten or fifteen yards from the track, sat him down at the foot of a tree—the maple yonder—and bade him remain there until I called him.

"The time for the train came and passed and still no signs of it. I grew nervous and did not notice my boy. Minute after minute passed away, and at last, when I began to be certain that some accident had occurred, it hove in sight just five minutes before the express was due, which I knew could not be more than two miles behind. I saw at once the cause of the delay; the train was unusually long and heavy, and the engine number forty-two, which the fireman had christened 'Old Ricketty,' was the worst on the road.

"The switch was all ready, but the train moved so slowly that the last car had barely left the main track when I heard the whistle of the express, and the next

On Fire for a Hundred Years.

The London News says: "One of the most curious phenomena in connection with coal mining is exhibited at the Bank Colliery, near Rotherham, the property of Earl Fitzwilliam. This pit caught fire one hundred years ago, and all the efforts of the workmen at the time and subsequently have been quite ineffectual to extinguish it. A short time ago it was ascertained that the flames were approaching the bottom of the shaft, and it was then resolved, if possible, to stay their progress, so that they might not extend to other parts of the workings. At length the Superintendent of the colliery, Mr. T. Cooper, conceived the idea of building a wall to shut in the fire, and in order to ascertain the best site for this wall several of the officials crept on their hands and knees, through the dense stifling smoke, as far as possible into the workings. Their efforts were successful, and a wall is now completed nearly one thousand yards in length, and varying from nine inches to five feet in thickness. At distances varying from thirty to fifty yards, metal pipes have been inserted in this wall, which are securely plugged at the end, so that at any time, by removing the plugs, the state of the air on the side of the fire, and even the position of the fire itself, can be ascertained. So intense is the heat arising from this fire that people possessing gardens above the colliery declare that the growth of plants is materially affected, and that they are enabled to obtain two and three crops every year.

The supply of the element of water to large cities, is more important even than the modern necessity of gas, and some of the greatest works of the ancients, the ruins of which to this day strike the observer with astonishment, were those undertaken and completed for furnishing a great supply of water to great cities. It is so with the water works of Jerusalem, the Via Aqua of Rome, and other hydraulic works of former times. The city of New York is supplied with water from a source forty miles distant, and that of London derives a portion of its supplies from sources nearly as remote. But a proposition is made to supply San Francisco with water from Lake Tahoe (formerly Bigler) on the extreme eastern boundary of the State, east of the Sierra Nevada range, through which it will be necessary to construct a tunnel five miles long. The distance from the lake to San Francisco is 200 miles, yet with all these engineering difficulties, and the enormous necessary money cost of the work, a company has been formed to attempt the enterprise for \$6,000,000 to be issued in thirty year bonds, running thirty years, principal and interest to be secured by the city. It is stated that the proposals of the company have been favorably received, and that the work will be begun in May. The company agree to deliver 20,000,000 gallons of pure water daily and to have the work completed in four years. It is an immense undertaking, and if completed will be one of the wonders of this age of engineering wonders.

Cleanings.

King Coal Dethroned.

In our issue of the 18th inst., we informed our readers that, in a long series of carefully-conducted experiments in the shops of the Illinois Central Railroad, a saving of 50 per cent had been effected by the use of petroleum instead of coal for steam-generating purposes.

We now have to notice a still more important discovery or invention in which a vacuum produced by the flame of crude petroleum is the motive power. The president of one of our passenger or horse railway companies, a thorough mechanic, as well as a thoroughly scientific man, has been engaged for more than a year past, in perfecting a machine in which a vacuum produced by the flame of naphtha (one of the products of distillation of petroleum) was used as a motor. His experiments were successful in producing a four-horse-power engine, which could be run ten hours at an expense (exclusive of engine's wages) of fifty-five cents; the engine being quite simple, and much less expensive than a steam-engine of the same power. This result would have satisfied most persons, but the inventor still continued his experiments, and has availed himself of a recent invention of a person in New York, which promises to reduce the cost of running the machine almost to nothing, and an entirely disinterested practical mechanic, who has investigated the subject, even asserts that the use of this motor will actually produce a revenue!

WHEELER'S CAVALRY vs. KU KLUX.

Our old war comrade, Bill Wyatt, of the 6th Georgia Cavalry, made a ten-strike the other day. He captured three of the Ku Klux that Governor Bullock has been advertising for, carried them to Chattooga Court House, got them convicted and sentenced to the penitentiary for seven years, and come down on Bullock for the prize money, \$5,000 for the first and \$1,000 each for the balance—making \$7,000 in all! Bullock paid up "like a little man," and Wyatt went home happy. This amount of money in Chattooga County, all at one time, will create a tremendous excitement.

The beauty of the whole affair is, that these Ku Klux were common Radical thieves and were playing Ku Klux to cover their stealing operations. None of the original bona fide Ku Klux have ever been arrested yet, or ever will be. Bill Wyatt is one of them himself.

Bully for Wheeler's cavalry. They can beat the world for sharpness.

Griffin Star.

A DISGRACEFUL APPOINTMENT.—On Friday last, President Grant sent to the U. S. Senate the name of that infamous notorious East Tennessee cut throat, black-guard and thief, G. B. Burgen, as Counsel to Pernambuco. This is an insult to the people of the whole South, and especially of North Carolina, that should not be forgotten.—Robesonian.

The San Domingo correspondent of the New York Tribune speaks of the negroes who make up nine tenths of the population of the Island as an "uncommonly lazy set of vagabonds, who do not believe in wearing pantaloons, and whose work and labor are all performed by women." Yet these are the people whom General Grant wishes to annex and invest with all the rights of American citizens?

KIND.—Baz has invited General Grant to make St. Domingo his home in case the treaty is rejected and he fails of a re-election. Senator Revels urges Grant to accept.

We trust that the General will accept.

The colored population of Mississippi have a majority of seven thousand.

CLAIMS OF LOYALISTS.—The Macon (Ga.) Telegraph is laying a plan to bankrupt the Government. It says: "When Sherman and Wilson made their marches through Georgia, they cleaned out the whites of all they possessed from a child's stocking to a piano or a pocket grindstone. But we think they found only one or two white loyalists in their whole track, and the rest don't count. But the negroes—Mrs. Grundy, think of the negroes. They cleaned out the negroes just as faithfully. They stole the negroes themselves. They cleaned their pockets of pots, pans, tobacco, whisky, grid-irons, bonnets, fine-tooth combs, curling tongs, hair powder, perfumery, lily white, and shooting irons. Now the negroes were loyal—we have all the concurrent testimony of the government on that subject, and therefore, if they will come forward with their claims, backed by such affidavits as can be readily procured in "outrage cases," the negroes can easily get a thousand dollars apiece out of the Commission. Let the negroes, therefore, boldly come up and prove their losses. Let the white men who have been running them politically, now show themselves active and friendly in collecting these claims and dividing the amounts recovered."

THE ARKANSAS LEGISLATURE.—A dispatch to the Memphis Avalanche, dated March 25th, says: "The Legislature adjourned at noon to-day. The Senate will remain several days in executive session as a court of impeachment and board of equalization.

THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE HOUSE WERE OF A MOST DISGRACEFUL CHARACTER. The Clayton wing had a majority, and carried all the pet measures by the Senate regardless of rules, law and precedent.—Even the protest of the Conservatives, who, seeing all would be lost unless a quorum was defeated, left the House about 11 o'clock, in sufficient numbers to effect that purpose.

A CALL OF THE HOUSE WAS ORDERED, the doors locked, and the Sergeant-at-Arms despatched to the absentees. Then followed a scene of disorder and confusion that would have disgraced a town meeting. Whiskey flowed freely, and cigars were circulated. A dozen members were addressing the Chair at once. Several disgraceful scenes followed. The Clayton men succeeded in passing most of the measures they desired.

THE DISABILITIES OF ABOUT TWO HUNDRED persons have been removed, taxes increased, and a number of new offices created and salaries increased instead of reduced; the registration laws so amended that the Governor can carry almost any election over the will of the people, and not one measure of retrenchment or reform was adopted.

CALIFORNIA COTTON.—We understand that Messrs. Buckley and Strong are going ahead with preparations for the cultivation of a large crop of cotton in the Merced bottom the present season; 300 acres will be planted on the best bottom land, which will give the experiment a fair trial so far as this part of the State is concerned.

THESE GENTLEMEN ARE sanguine of success and we wish them a full realization of all their hopes and anticipations. We learn that Major John L. Strong is preparing to plant five hundred acres in cotton in Los Angeles county on the very best of moist soil, which will effectually try the capabilities of that section of the State for the culture of the staple. The Major is a thorough cotton planter and we hope to see him successful in his enterprise.—Los Angeles News.

FROM MR. TYERMAN'S LIFE OF THE REV. JOHN WESLEY, we learn that the total membership of Methodism in all its sections throughout the world, is 2,901,202, Sunday school, 2,401,373, while the hearers are put down at 5,800,000, being just double that of actual membership, giving a total of 12,100,000 persons under the teaching of Methodism.

THE RELATIVE STRENGTH OF THE leading denominations in North Carolina, stands thus:

M. E. Church, South,	80,000
Regular Baptists,	78,000
Presbyterians,	15,000
Lutherans,	7,000
Episcopalians,	3,300

The Baptists number in Great Britain 237,075 members; on the continent, 260,000; in Asia, 3,500; in Africa, 661; in America, 1,800,000, and in Australia, 4,321. Throughout the world there are 15,879 Baptist churches, with a membership of 2,301,503, to which we must add 3,000,000 hearers.

The Baptist denomination in this country, embracing all its shades and forms of opinion, numbers 1,563,630 communicants, over whom are placed 9553 ministers, connected with 783 associations.—The number of Baptist churches is 18,605, or nearly twice as much as that of the Baptist ministry.

The Methodist E Church, North, has a membership of 1,367,236; the Meth. E Church, South, 563,655; Colored Methodists and minor branches about 500,000; making a total of 2,430,272.

India has proved one of the most hopeful of missionary fields. There are 250,000 Protestant Christians, and 2,000 native preachers and catechists in that country. A hundred thousand boys and thirty thousand girls attend school where the Bible is specially taught. Twenty-five missionary societies converge their labors upon this point, and tracts, newspapers, magazines, and Bibles are disseminated in vast quantities.—South West Press.

There were twenty-three battles during the late Franco-Prussian war; besides these were forty-nine engagements and combats, which had almost the proportions of battles. There were twenty sieges, comprising the three immense strongholds of Strasbourg, Metz and Paris.