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MR. GLADSTONE was seventy-six years old last Tuesday.

The Chinese trouble on the Pacific coast is as perennial as the Indian troubles on the border.

GENEROUS people in Washington City gave the poor children of the place, to the number of 800, Christmas turkey and other delicacies...

AN exchange calls attention to the fact that in Kentucky, the whiskey citadel, so to speak, there are no less than 28 counties out of 117 in which the retailing of ardent spirits is prohibited by law.

AMONG those who have been charged with a desire to "smash things" at the White House is Senator Payne. An Ohio newspaper recently set forth his alleged program with considerable detail.

RUSSIA and Bulgaria have become very good friends again. The Czar has restored Prince Alexander to all his honors in the Muscovite army of which he was divested on the occasion of the peaceful accession of Roumelia to Bulgaria.

A DISPATCH from Jackson, Miss., says: "H. C. Williamson, of Corinth, one of the leading candidates for the Speakership of the House, has authoritatively stated that Senators George and Walthall will remain in Washington during the coming session of the Legislature, which will re-elect both of them by acclamation."

NOTWITHSTANDING it was thought a while back that President Grevy would not be able to serve out his second term, if re-elected, the French Senate and Chamber of Deputies, acting as a National Assembly chose him for the nominal head of their republic last Monday.

PHILADELPHIA has reached a crisis in its struggle with the air-strung telegraph wire nuisance, and we shall soon see which is master. The time set by the city authorities for putting the wires underground expired a year ago, but was extended until Thursday, to suit the convenience of the company.

THE Iowa courts have made an important decision regarding the civil rights of colored people. A negro who was refused admission to a place of amusement because of his color appealed to the law, when the Circuit Court held that it did not appear from the averments that the plaintiff had any right to enter the place of amusement.

MR. BECK, THE CURRENCY AND THE PRESIDENT.

While the recent speech of Mr. Beck in the Senate was both trenchant and elaborate, it was not without propriety to be called an assault on the President and the Secretary of the Treasury. An assault on the Government bondholders who attempt to use the Administration and the Congress in support of their selfish interests and against general public policy it undoubtedly was.

On the 18th instant Mr. Beck introduced the following preamble and resolution, a careful perusal of the terms of which is invoked for the purpose of clearly understanding the summary of Mr. Beck's able argument which we subjoin:

"Whereas the laws of the United States require that all duties on imported goods shall be paid in coin; and whereas it is provided by section 3694 of the Revised Statutes that 'The main part of duties on imported goods shall be set apart as a special fund, and shall be applied as follows: First, to the payment, in coin, of the interest on the bonds and notes of the United States; second, to the purchase or payment of 1 per cent. of the entire debt of the United States, to be made within each fiscal year, which is to be set apart as a sinking fund, and the interest of which shall in like manner be applied to the purchase or payment of the public debt, as the Secretary of the Treasury shall, from time to time, direct; third, the residue to be paid into the Treasury.'

"Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be instructed to inquire whether the laws above stated now are, or have heretofore, been obeyed; and if they have not, to report by bill, or otherwise, such measures as will secure their enforcement."

The views of Mr. Beck are elaborately presented, supported by free quotations from the official reports and bristling with running comments as well as general observations. As he says in the outset, no man will deny that the laws passed by Congress are as imperative on the highest Executive official as on the humblest citizen, whether they approve them or not. He ventures to assert that no man will contend that the laws recited in the preamble to the foregoing resolution either are now or have for many years past been obeyed. This is a startling statement. But the Senator is very high authority and he spoke with the weight of responsibility. It is also not the first time by a great deal that such a formidable charge has been made. Excuses, as Mr. Beck says, have been made, but the fact remains that the laws of the land have been disregarded, by our Executive officers and the legislative power has been subordinated to the will of men whose duty it is to submit to these laws and to execute them as they exist.

"Why should every producer and debtor have to give 20 per cent. more of the products of his labor to obtain either a new silver dollar or gold coin with which to pay his debts than he does now, when he is already paying his obligations according to the terms of his contract in a coin which will procure for its owner much more of all he needs than it would in 1870?" Again: "While no one can deny that every obligation of the United States and every contract within our own borders can be discharged honorably with the present silver dollar, we are told that our foreign obligations and relations are such that gold will be at a premium very soon, and we will be on a basis of degraded silver at once if we do not increase the weight or stop the coinage of silver; that all Europe is horrified at our stupidity of dishonesty, or both. Even England, whose gold is said to be used so freely to buy Senators and Representatives to vote for revenue tariffs against protection to monopolies called American industry, is held up now by the gold monetarists as an example worthy of all imitation; her financial policy is lauded as the perfection of human wisdom. Fortunately the official reports overthrow all the reckless assertions of the gold worshipers. The Register of the Treasury (see report for this year, page 4), shows that out of \$1,071,460,262 registered bonds of the United States outstanding only \$11,927,900, or a little over one-tenth of 1 per cent. is held abroad, and of those which can be paid before 1892, foreigners hold only \$34,150, which is less than the interest on the money now lying idle in the Treasury for one day at 3 per cent. per annum."

"These facts coupled with the fact that our export of goods exceeded our imports \$130,000,000 this year, and our imports of gold exceeded our gold exports \$18,213,804 an amount greatly exceeding all our bonds held abroad, settle the question. The falsity of the clamor about foreign complications or gold premiums is made too apparent for any sensible man to be deceived by it."

Mr. Beck is equally triumphant in disproving of the assertions in newspapers that all other nations have ceased to coin silver. The Director of the Mint in his last report shows (pages 131, 132) that for the year 1884 the world's production of gold was \$95,292,569; of silver \$115,147,878; and \$99,459,240 of gold was coined, while the coinage of silver last year amounted to \$90,039,443, of which the United States coined \$23,911,766 of gold, and \$28,534,866 of silver. Other nations,

therefore coined in 1884 \$61,504,577 of silver, showing that we are far from being alone in the coinage of that metal. England coined \$3,204,824 of silver last year and \$6,201,517 the year before to add to her stock which has been accumulating for generations; while she has coined silver for India in the last three years to the value of \$68,234,000.

The workers for wages in England today get their pay in silver coin, and the question is never mooted by them as to the comparative bullion value of the silver and gold coin of that country. Even Germany, notwithstanding she pretended to demonetize silver twenty years ago, coined in 1882 \$6,407,157 of it to add to her vast stock on hand; her laborers are paid in it now. No complaint is made anywhere here or in Europe, about silver coin except by the holders of our bonds, who seek to increase largely the purchasing power of gold, or which is the same thing, reduce the value of all our property from 25 to 50 per cent. below its present value when tested by the single standard of gold, which they claim shall be paid by us to them and to them alone. * * * Up to July 1, 1885, we had only coined 203,000,000 of silver dollars. The silver coin in the Bank of France at five francs to the dollar, amounts to \$220,529,884, or over \$17,500,000 more than our total coinage.

Near the end of his speech Mr. Beck asks, and with his question we conclude our quotations: "How is the surplus silver coin to get out of the Treasury if the Secretary refuses to pay it out for interest and refuses to call in the bonds which are now payable?" The speech is receiving, as it deserves, wide consideration.

OLD BEN'S "SHORTNESS."

It seems that while old Ben Butler had charge of the accounts of the Soldier's Home, near this city, as its treasurer, there was a shortage of over \$220,000. Gen. Rosencrans, who, as chairman of the House Military Affairs Committee of the 48th Congress, investigated the matter, says that the cash account appears to be about \$21,000 short and that there is a shortage of over \$200,000 in bonds, counting the par value of the bonds.

Old Ben writes a sharp letter, a thing which he is almost always *fas aut nefas* prepared to do, criticising the committee for allowing, before hearing from him, statements from their report to be published which reflect upon his integrity.

This is rich. Reflect upon the integrity of B. F. Butler! Gods and little fishes! Verily this is comedy. Gen. Rosencrans thinks that the present Congress will take cognizance of the apparent deficit, and that the courts will probably be resorted to finally to compel a settlement.

This is very likely. The grim beast with the oblique vision never yet gave up any of his spoils, so far as we recollect. If any part of the \$220,000 is ever recovered, it will be worth nearly that amount to the Government to secure it. The Beast does not wear his mask for nothing. He makes everybody pay. His grip is that of a thousand vices forged into one.

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

News and Gossip of the Capital.

(Staff Correspondence of the Messenger.) WASHINGTON, December 29.—It goes even without the statement of the President's private secretary, that there is no truth in the Pittsburg report that five detectives are coming on to guard the White House. There is a very imaginative liar abroad. Society circles are preparing for the New Year's receptions, especially those at the White House and residences of Members of the Cabinet. Miss Cleveland's receptions will begin on Saturday afternoon, January 9. She will be "at home" to her friends after this week on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesdays from 3 until 4 o'clock. Mrs. Bayard has so far recovered as to be able to attend the Christmas Club with Miss Cleveland.

A young Georgian named Thomas B. Harwell took an overdose of laudanum for sleeplessness, and was found dead at his lodgings at the Cutler House yesterday. It is said he had been an office-seeker and had just secured a position. There is probably no truth in the reason assigned for Mr. Bayard's opposition to the re-appointment by the Speaker of Gov. Curtin at the head of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House. The statement in an evening paper is that Mr. Bayard has not made a single diplomatic appointment that there is no truth in the Pittsburg report that five detectives are coming on to guard the White House.

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either the well known Arctic cruiser Corwin, or the new steamer Rust, will be despatched. The President has officially approved the bill for the removal of Gen. A. S. Lawton's disabilities and the bill granting a pension to Mrs. Grant.

A great many souvenirs were sent to the philanthropist Mr. W. W. Corcoran, on the celebration Sunday of his 87th birthday. Conspicuous among these were Mrs. Cleveland's bouquet of orchids and roses, the floral horseshoe of the laborers at Oakdale Cemetery and the bouquet presented by the faculty of Columbia University. Telegrams were received from various quarters of this country and England. Senators Bayard, Endicott and Postmaster General Vilas and Hon. Geo. Bancroft, the historian, and several others, ladies and gentlemen, called upon the distinguished octogenarian. He was surrounded at dinner by all of his family.

It is denied that Mr. Randall was a party to the alleged arrangement by which Senator Cameron was to secure confirmation of certain Pennsylvania appointments in consideration of which certain Republican employees were to be retained by the appointees. John T. Morton is the name of a colored man from Arkansas who has stood the examination and received the appointment to a thousand dollar place in the office of the First Assistant Postmaster General.

The term of Assistant Treasurer Acton, at New York, expires on the 31st inst. The declination of Mr. Bigelow to succeed him leaves a vacancy which cannot be filled until the Senate reassembles, as it is held at the White House that no such appointments can be made during the recess. It is understood that Treasurer Jordan will be designated to perform the duties of the office until a new appointment can be made. It is said at the White House that Mr. Bigelow's letter of declination will not be given out, as it has already been said that the only reason assigned is an unwillingness to assume the responsibilities of the office.

NORTH CAROLINA NOTES.

Col. Paul B. Means, of Concord was here yesterday. Among the visitors at the Capitol on Monday were Mr. Thomas H. Hill and Mr. and Mrs. Sol. Weil of Goldsboro. The latter were accompanied by Miss Einstein, of Kinston.

Of the Capitol appointments on the House side I only learn positively of that of Mr. Henry G. Williams among North Carolinians. But I regard Mr. Cowan and probably Col. Davidson as secure. The new postmaster at Glenn, Mitchell county, is David M. Glenn. Geo. A. Hussey is the postmaster at Killenly, Tyrrell county. Both are new offices.

DR. PASTEUR'S patients from America seem to be doing well under their inoculation for hydrophobia. The Doctor lectured one man for neglecting his condition for several weeks. A large and beautiful line of Children's Carriages just received at FUCHTLER & KERN'S. For Marine Insurance on Cotton and Merchandise to and from Goldsboro apply to W. W. SLOCUMB.

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B Schedule B.

All persons doing business as merchants, or otherwise, upon all goods bought in or out of the State, or any others liable under Schedule "B," are required by law to list the same during the first TEN days in January. Persons failing to list within the time will be placed on the delinquent list and will be charged with double tax. I will be at my office to receive the same. W. T. GARDNER, jan4-1w Register of Deeds.

MULES AND HORSES!

Parties desiring to supply themselves with good mules or horses, would do well to examine our fine line of stock. We sell for cash, or on time for good paper. J. F. SOUTHERLAND & CO., jan4-1w Walnut St. Stables.

Dissolution Notice.

The firm of Herring & Rand, machinists, doing business in Goldsboro, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. Mr. O. H. Rand has bought Mr. Herring's interest and will continue the business; he also assumes all liabilities and is authorized to collect all debts due the firm. JAS. S. HERRING, O. R. RAND, Jan. 1, 1886.

NOTICE.

All persons indebted to the late firm of Herring & Rand, either by note or account, are requested to make immediate settlement, as indulgence cannot be given. Jan. 4, '86.-St O. R. RAND, Jr.

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