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The public lands of the country are slipping away very rapidly. Excluding Alaska, about three-fifths of the public domain has passed out of the ownership of the government and the remaining two-fifths are to a very great extent desert and mountain land unfitted for habitation.

The President continues to impress all who meet him as an unusually strong man. His few months of administration have been remarkable in many respects, and the new year opens upon a condition of public affairs quite unlike anything the country has seen in a long time.

The regular quarterly reports of Bradstreet's of stocks of grain and of flour throughout the United States and Canada east of the Rocky mountains shows that the apparent exaggeration of the previously heavy visible supplies of wheat is apparent only.

A careful count of the securities left in Vanderbilt's strong box shows that the fortune of that plutocrat amounted to \$305,000,000, which is \$105,000,000 more than the estimate generally made by the press.

All the recent appointments it is reported are to go before the Senate. The President does not propose to withhold any of them. His views are to the effect that his appointments were made in good faith, upon the best recommendations and endorsements, and if, since they were made, charges have been filed against any of the appointees, it is the province of the Senate to examine into them and reject all who are not proper persons.

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This week the legislatures of Maryland, Mississippi, New York, Ohio, Connecticut, Massachusetts and New Mexico meet. Mississippi has to elect two Senators and Maryland one.

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THE SCHOOL TAX CASE. We print this morning the opinion of chief justice Smith in the Sampson county school case.

In plain words, the constitution says there is a limit to taxation; and then the constitution enjoins it as a duty on the county commissioners to maintain the public schools four months.

The supreme court has determined that this is not one of the cases in which the limit of taxation fixed in the constitution can be lawfully ignored, and that the duty enjoined on the county commissioners is performed when they utilize all the means which the constitution has placed at their disposal.

As far as practicable the duty to maintain the public schools for four months is to be performed by the commissioners, but in order to do it, they cannot disregard the limit of taxation prescribed by the constitution.

The Charleston News and Courier prints a carefully prepared statement of the progress South Carolina has made since the people of the State have had undisturbed control of the government of their own State. The record must be gratifying to South Carolinians as it is surprising to those who have failed to observe the spirit and energy with which our neighbors have addressed themselves to the work of improvement and development every line of progress, and it is encouraging to all Southern communities.

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Under the former practice, if an action was brought on a joint contract, and the plaintiff took judgment against a part only of those liable thereon, there could be no recovery in a subsequent suit against those omitted; but it was different, where, as in torts, the liability was several.

Where a judgment was obtained against two members of a firm, and more than three years after the cause of action accrued, but within three years after obtaining such judgment, the creditor issued a notice, under section 223 of the Code, to another member of the firm who was not served in the action in which the judgment was obtained, to show cause why he should not be bound by the judgment, to which the statute of limitation was pleaded, it was held, that issuing such notice is the beginning of a new suit; that the action is open to every defence which could have been set up if there had been no previous recovery against the other partners, and is barred by the statute.

Where the evidence is conflicting, the judge should leave the question to the jury, with proper instructions on both aspects of the case. It is not negligence if a conductor requires a fireman, who is competent for that purpose, to work the engine while shifting cars at a depot, in the absence of the engineer.

The provisions of section 1,256 of the Code, which provides that the deed must be proven and acknowledged as to both husband and wife, before it can operate to convey the wife's land, is not in conflict with the constitutional provision which secures to the wife her entire estate, notwithstanding her coverture.

Registration is not merely for the purpose of dispensing with proof of the execution of the instrument, but, like every of seisin at common law, is a fundamental condition in the operation of the conveyances, and is an inseparable incident to the efficiency of the deed.

A deed for a feme covert's land, admitted to registration upon an improper and invalid probate, does not create an equitable estate in the grantee, for it is not in law the contract of the feme in any respect until properly acknowledged and the private examination properly taken.

What is a Cold?

It is startling to discover how little we know about the common forms of disease. For example, a "cold"—what is it? How is it produced, and in what does it consist? It is easy to say a cold is a chill. A chill of what part of the organism? We know by daily experience that the body as a whole, or any of its parts, may be reduced to a considerably lower temperature than will suffice to give a man a cold if the so-called chill be inflicted upon the surface suddenly. Is it, then, the suddenness of a reduction of temperature that causes the cold? It would be stranger if it were so, because few of the most susceptible of mortals would take cold from simply handling a piece of cold metal, or accidental contact with ice. The truth would seem to be that what we call cold-taking is the result of a sufficient impression of cold to reduce the vital energy of nerve-centers presiding over the functions in special organs.

It is easy to see why nature has provided the stimulus of a strong fit of sneezing to rouse the dormant centers and enable them at once to resume work and avoid evil consequences. This explains why the worst effects of colds do not, as a rule, follow up a "chill" which excites much sneezing. Shivering is a less effective convulsion to restore the paralyzed nervous energy, but, in a lower degree, it may answer the same purpose. The shivering that results from the effect of a poison of the nervous centers is a totally different matter. We speak only of the quick muscular agitation and teeth-chattering which occur whenever the body is exposed to cold and evil results do not ensue. It follows, from what we have said, that that natural indication to ward off the effects of a chill is to restore the vital energy of the nerve-centers, and there is no more potent influence by which to attain this object than a strong and sustained effort of the will. The man who resolves not to take a cold seldom does.

An exchange says: There are more judgments made on Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup than are paid for by the owners. A good thing deserves the notice of the press.

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Thursday Night, Dec. 31, 1885. New York Financial Chronicle. Although a holiday week is under review it has not been without incidents of importance to the mercantile community. A call for the redemption of Federal bonds to the amount of \$10,000,000, and a decline in sterling exchange sufficient to check the export of gold, have quieted apprehensions of dearer money. From these causes and from the improved prospects of trade there is a disposition to hold property with more firmness, speculation for the rise developing some strength.

Lard on the spot was active and advancing. Pork, though quiet, is rather dearer and closes firm. Tallow closes quiet at 5c. Butter is dull. Coffee has been firm but quieter. Rio coffee has been dull on the spot and prices closed unsettled. Raw sugars have been generally quiet, but at times there was more doing, and the close is steady. Tea has been quiet.

During the early part of the week the speculation in cotton for future delivery at this market was quite depressed in tone, and Tuesday values had receded to about the lowest figures of the season; but it was then reported that notices for delivery on January contracts had been general. A quick advance took place, on a heavy demand to cover contracts, and the bull party showed rather more confidence in buying; but the demand was not sustained. Today there was a slight advance, which was well supported to the close.

The wheat market has been doing better for both spots and futures. The regular trade, whether for export or home consumption, was dull. Our telegraphic reports from the South-to-night show that there has been but little rain during the week and nothing to interfere with the free marketing of the crop. The wheat market has been doing better for both spots and futures. The regular trade, whether for export or home consumption, was dull.

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