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The English faster gives it up. He held out 21 days, but as people didn't go to see him, he stopped.

Chatting yesterday with Mr. Balla, the republican member of the legislative committee appointed to examine the books and vouchers of the state accounting department, he said he was not only not constrained, as we pat, to join with his democratic associates in commending the admirable system found in the Auditor's office and the Auditor's office, but that he did so with pleasure. We make the statement with pleasure on our part.

Magister Manning has written a letter to the New Orleans press, making a flat denial of the stories sent out from Mexico to his discredit. He says a quiet breakfast was exaggerated into an orgy, and an attack of pneumonia was falsely stated to be delirium tremens. His statements, too, are fully upheld by depositions made by citizens of Mexico, which he forwards with his letter. This vindication is none the less welcomed for being exactly what was expected by those who know of the lofty patriotism, the exalted ability and the purity Judge Manning has always shown in a long period of public service.

Mr. Powderly has issued another of those "secret" circulars, which are called secret because they are so secret as to be known only by those who are never secret at all, in which he orders the master workmen not to allow any money to be collected for the condemned anarchists at Chicago and instructs that such money as has been collected shall be returned to those who contributed it. We are glad to see the order of the Knights thus ranged again under the right banner. The principle of labor organization is recognized by all Americans and so long as the Knights of Labor keep within the bounds of conservatism and maintain devotion to law and order they will have public sympathy. When they go beyond these limits, however, in the direction of lawlessness they will not only find themselves condemned by the popular voice but deserted by many of their fellow members.

The admirable condition of the state's finances is shown by the report of the committee appointed by the legislature to examine the books and vouchers of the accounting department of the government, an abstract of which appears elsewhere in this issue. The balance on hand at the beginning of the fiscal year appears to have been \$52,521.22; the total receipts during the year \$543,047.28; the total disbursements \$1,180,018.16, leaving a balance in the treasury November 30, 1886, of \$195,550.44.

We would direct attention especially to that part of the committee's report which refers to the investment under act of the General Assembly of the surplus per cent interest funds of the state in 4 percent bonds of the State. It appears that the treasurer has purchased \$170,250.00 of these bonds, paying therefor \$247,815.98, and thus leaving to the credit of the interest fund \$68,924.22. We are not surprised to hear the committee say that in their opinion "the money thus invested has been discreetly managed by honest and prudent officials." Nor are we surprised to hear the committee express gratification "at the increased credit of the state in the money markets of the world." Such result was to be expected to flow naturally from a democratic administration, which is equivalent to saying an honest, economical administration conducted in the interest of the whole people.

VALUABLE EVIDENCE. The testimony of Hon. Wm. D. Kelley, of Pennsylvania, to the wonderful industrial development now in progress in the South, which appeared in our telegraphic columns yesterday, is exactly in line with what the News and Observer has been saying year in and year out, now, since a time whereof the memory of man runneth not to the contrary. Coming from a leading protectionist, from one who has always been so strongly in favor of continued protection for the iron manufactures of Pennsylvania that he has won for himself the nick-name of "Pig Iron" Kelley, it is all the more valuable. It can certainly not be considered interested testimony, though it is interesting and very much so.

It proves that the iron mills must come to the iron ore, the coal and the limestone. It proves that the protected iron industries of Pennsylvania are maintained by the republican tariff at the expense of the whole people. It proves that if the Pennsylvania iron works were left alone to stand on equal footing with the iron works of the South they would be compelled to emigrate to this section or be under sold out of sight in the markets of the world. It proves the iniquity of the high tariff devised by republicans in discriminating against the South in favor of the plutocratic iron-masters of the North and without ameliorating one whit, as is hypocritically pretended, the condition of the laborer. It proves the truth of the argument that the tariff tax should be so lowered, so revised, that all the iron industries of the country would be put upon the same footing to the end that natural advantages might have their due and proper weight.

were conspicuously shown at the South) during the war and they have wrought out with little aid from abroad the marvelous recuperation of this section since the exhaustion resulting from hostilities. That recuperation has never been surpassed in rapidity or in alidity in the history of the world. It has been due to the indomitable energy of the southern people which, latent perhaps in some fields before the change of our social system, has since come forth to work wonders in our own land while furnishing a never-ending surprise to our Yankee cousins, whose minds have always been engaged so constantly in penny-turning that they thought southern incapacity of doing anything but make speeches.

Mr. Kelly's observations are those of the intelligent iron master who has no interest but rather the contrary in commending southern advantages. It shows that the seat of the iron industry of this country is to be shifted to the south. The matchless resources of this region have proclaimed themselves in spite of all the efforts of the South's enemies to keep them hidden and to render them of no effect.

The question arises, if the south has accomplished such wonders under the adverse circumstances of a hostile tariff what would she not accomplish under legislation favorable to her interests?

We are sorry Mr. Kelly did not extend his trip into North Carolina. He would have found here as great natural advantages as those he found in Alabama, Georgia and Tennessee. He would have found greater advantages in many directions. And he would have found the same great recuperation from the effects of the war, the same intelligent energy, the same industry and capacity that he found further south.

It should not fail to be noted, either before leaving Mr. Kelly's article, that he found the negro laborer of the South better housed and better cared for than the laborer of the North. Mr. Blaine, when he spoke contemptuously of the southern laborer's home, simply addressed himself to a subject about which he knew nothing. We showed at the time how far he had misled his hearers. He is now confuted by one of his own way of political thinking, but who, luckily for truth's sake, is more careful in the statements he makes.

Mr. Kelly's picture is by no means overdrawn, and it is true of the whole South as well as of the few states he visited. The South is to be the seat of the iron industry in this country, as well as the seat of empire in the not very distant future. Such is its magnificent destiny, due to the magnificent endowments with which the Creator has favored it.

THE EXAMINATION OF THE BOOKS.

Elsewhere appears the report of the legislative committee appointed to examine the accounts of the state government. We spoke yesterday of the admirable system they found in the office of our worthy Treasurer. Under the Code they were also called upon to examine the vouchers in the Auditor's office, and here also, as might have been expected, they found everything as straight as a die. The straightforward, business-like methods of the Treasury audited their exact counterparts in the auditing department. As we said yesterday "Long live Don Bain as Treasurer of the State of North Carolina", so we say now, long live Gen. Roberts as Auditor! And we mean what we say, being satisfied that the people of the State could have no two more faithful officers than Treasurer Bain and Auditor Roberts.

The Question of a Water Supply.

Much stress is laid on the fact of a water supply for this city in the near future, and it is referred to as the crowning effort of our coming advances and progress. I hope it may yield the advantage claimed, and more than is claimed, I hope, may be realized. Errors, however, had best be prevented rather than be corrected after they shall have occurred.

This city needs a supply of good water rather than a good supply of water. It is far better that we should have a supply of good, pure, wholesome drinking water only than to have a sufficient supply for extinguishing fires, combined with a drinking supply which is of inferior quality, and not of the purest and best that can be obtained. It will be of advantage to the citizen to save his building from fire if the use of the same water shall prejudice his health, or shall precipitate his death.

TRAVEL IN EUROPE.

ANOTHER INTERESTING LETTER FROM BISHOP LYMAN.

Since my letter on ship-board I have been so constantly occupied that I have hardly found time for necessary correspondence. And today I take up my pen without any assurance that I shall be able to finish this letter.

We landed at the custom house in Liverpool at 8 p. m. on Saturday, November 13th. The examination of baggage was soon over, and I was then escorted to Birkenhead, opposite Liverpool, where I had been invited to spend Sunday at the family mansion of the father of an English friend, residing in New York. I was very warmly welcomed to this beautiful establishment, where I was made to feel perfectly at home, and I greatly enjoyed their generous hospitality. I found that they were to have a large, dinner party that evening, and I met a number of most cultured and agreeable people.

I propose to refer to this matter again, and to include the important question of sewerage, and which may present the further question that without this precaution of sufficient sewerage, in advance, are we prepared for a system of water-works, and without it do we need them at all?

The Spirit of the State Press.

No one in North Carolina can expect that there is the slightest possibility of an appropriation of money by the legislature in aid of any railroad anywhere. Why, then, discuss the question? The only aid that the legislature can afford the railroads is to allow them to own and we desire our just quota for "the West." We mean by this term not only Bancombe county and the bourn beyond, that great country which is so ably represented by the Asheville Citizen, but we include in the West the great mountain region in Northern Carolina and a respectable portion of the "Piedmont escarpment." It is possible that the state ought to charge the railroads more than it does for the convicts, but, at whatever price they may be let out, we demand our share. The Advance claims that, as the East furnishes the bulk of the convicts, it ought to have the bulk of them sent back to be worked in the East. Not after being sent to the state penitentiary. A state convict should be like Daniel Webster; he should not pander to sectionalism and should know no North, no South, no East, no West. We do think, though, that the legislature ought to pass a law allowing each county to keep its own convicts and, not sending them to the penitentiary, be allowed to work them upon public roads and other public works within its borders—Lenoir Toppie.

The attitude of the republicans we can understand. Apart from the fact that the party is wedded to the fall doctrine of protection, and to the idea of an overflowing treasury, so full of partisan reward and promise, there is a pleasure in thwarting the policy of an administration pledged to reform and making honest effort to effect it. Mr. Cleveland has fully demonstrated the wisdom, the justice, and the feasibility of tariff reform and the methods of reducing the surplus in the treasury. Mr. Manning, the Secretary of the Treasury, clearly pointed out the remedy for the same existing complaints. But both are powerless without the aid of congress; and that body with a powerful and strongly partisan minority of Republicans and a faction of traitorous Democrats, stands stubbornly in the way.

Mr. Randall's friends intimate that a bill he may introduce may accomplish all that Mr. Morrison proposes. That will not lessen the indignity to that gentleman in denying him a hearing, or mitigate the insult to the people for postponement of present demand for future possibility. If Mr. Randall is sincere, the admission of Mr. Morrison's proposition would not have precluded the discussion, probably the adoption, of such amendments as he might choose to offer.

But there is a vengeful feeling towards the administration which must be gratified even by the ruin of the State. The greed of those burms more fiercely than the love of party; a feeling we regret to see prevailing in this state in which republicanism has been such a scourge, but which is welcomed lack as revenge for denial of fancied share in the flesh pots of office.—Asheville Citizen.

CURRENCY.

The ladies—bless 'em! beat all! When they are young and squallers, Their hearts are set upon the dollar—When grown, upon the dollar.

His Preference.—"Somewhat or other, I don't think I'd care to be the prettiest girl in the world," he remarked. She—"Why not?" He—"Because I'd rather be next to the prettiest."—Texas Siftings.

The Happy Nine.—Professor—"What do you know about the Appennines?" Student—"Happy nine?" They are in Chicago. They got away with the pennant three successive seasons. You bet they are a happy nine. I'm glad to see you taking such an interest in base ball, Professor."—Texas Siftings.

"Pa," said Johnny, looking up from his book, "what does it mean to pile Oats on Pelion?" "There, don't bother me now," replied pa, "ask your ma; she understands all about millinery."—Boston Transcript.

"I think," said the demure Miss Waitallite, "that a Christmas present from pa and ma would be very nice, you know, but what I really would like—" "Would be a Christmas present from some one out of the family—" "And perhaps willing to do me in," she responded, quietly.—Hartford Post.

It would have been "in the gloaming," only it was winter time, and "the gloaming" don't work well when the thermometer is neighboring with zero. They two (the same two, by the way) were strolling down the walk looking at the show windows—"It looks real Christmas like and cheery, doesn't it, George?" "Yes it does, from the outside. But, inside, you know, it is an army of large figures to match a small pocket-book." And they walked on in silence, she wondering whether he intended to make her much of a Christmas present or not.—Hartford Post.

ESPECIALLY TO WOMEN.

"Sweet is revenge especially to women," said the gifted but naughty, Lord Byron. Surely he was in the humor when he wrote in a word. But there are complaints that these only women suffer, that are carrying numbers of them down to early graves. There is a hope for those who suffer, no matter how soiled, or severely, in Dr. R. V. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. Safe in its action it is a blessing, especially to women, and to men, too, for whom women suffer the house is shaken.

The Evidence of "Vintage Not Seen." From the Salem (Mass.) Gazette. "Faith in confidence in the existence of something we cannot see, my little dears," the superintendent explained to the juvenile Sunday school class. For instance, when you buy chestnuts you know there is a kernel inside the shell. Now that is faith. Do you all comprehend me?"

Class, unanimously: "Yeth thir." Superintendent: "Then what is faith?" Class, unanimously: "Chestnuts!"

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NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made at the next meeting of the General Assembly of North Carolina for amendments to the charter of the city of Raleigh. C. W. LAMRETH, City Clerk. dec 18 dtd.

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NOTICE. The regular annual meeting of the stock holders of the Citizens' Nat. and Bk. of Raleigh, N. C., will be held at their Banking House on Tuesday, 11th January, 1887, at eleven o'clock A. M. in Raleigh, N. C. J. G. BROWN, Cashier. dec 18 dtd.

NOTICE. The stockholders of the Raleigh National Bank and of the National Bank of Raleigh will meet at their Banking House in Raleigh, at 10 o'clock, on Tuesday in January, 1887. CHAS. H. BELVIN, Cashier. This P. M. 21, 1886 dtd.

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