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NEWS OBSERVATIONS.

According to Fred Grant, General Logan was an excellent Latin scholar, and spoke Spanish "as well as he did English."

The little Battenberg baby is causing great jealousy in the royal circles of England. The poor little thing has colic just like a poor man's child.

Illinois mourns for Logan, but her politicians are more concerned about his seat in the Senate than anything else.

The next fashionable event of the season in New York is to be a nursery ball. The ball isn't usually spelled that way, but the children will cry for it, all the same.

Congressman Hogg, of West Virginia, will be the youngest member of the next House, and Pig Iron Kelley will be the oldest member.

The New York Herald published a broadside showing how each of the 400 members of Congress passed Christmas.

Mrs. Sally Washington, relict of the late Mr. Lawrence Washington, of Westmoreland county, Va., and grandniece of Gen. Washington, died on Monday last, aged 87 years.

There's more than one way to have a merry Christmas. A New York father of a family, who felt rather poor this year, trotted out the faded tree he lighted up for his children a year ago and hung upon its branches the presents he gave them on a former Christmas.

The New York Tribune states, on authority of a prominent Catholic official, that Dr. McGlynn has been suspended by Archbishop Corrigan, and will remain suspended until the matters between him and the authorities at Rome have been adjusted.

Cincinnati is now engaged in fretting about what she lost by the strike during the year. The conservative architect's yard building was out of it at least forty per cent.

Japanese embroidery is very effective for wrappers when used as applique on plain fabrics. The designs are joined or left single at pleasure, and are fastened down under braid or embroidery.

We apprehend that few persons would have their appetites greatly sharpened for pork steak by seeing an over fat hog struggling to swim through some of the liquid measure tanks, called hog pens, that we have seen under barn stables.

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The fearful drought in the Southwest, Chicago, Dec. 30.—A Times special from Albany, Texas, says: The county judges of the drought stricken district are in session at the court house.

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Our clothing Department and Boots and Shoes will be complete.

LABOR TROUBLES.

EMPLOYEES OF PHILADELPHIA BREWERS STRIKE AGAINST A REDUCTION OF 20 PER CENT IN THEIR WAGES.

BURNING OF A STEAMER WITH LOSS OF LIFE—THE PRESIDENT AT A MEETING OF THE CABINET—NEW PRESIDENTIAL POST-OFFICES.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 30.—The threatened strike among employees of the various breweries throughout the city, including brewers, drivers, cooperers, engineers, firemen and other hands, numbering in all over 2,000 men, was inaugurated this morning against a reduction of 20 per cent in their wages.

The Bradish Johnson burned. Mobile, Ala., Dec. 30.—News was received here late last evening of the burning of the steamer Bradish Johnson, used as a steamer house at Jackson, on the Tombigbee river, eleven miles above Mobile, on Wednesday night. There is no telegraph line to that point. Several lives lost. Steamer uninsured.

Washington Notes. WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 30.—Tuskegee, Ala., and Waycross, Ga., will become presidential postoffice cities January 1st.

All of the members of the cabinet except Secretary Lamar attended a meeting today which lasted nearly two hours, during which the President occupied an easy chair.

Col. Lemont has no doubt of the President's ability to hold the usual New Year's reception, and says that it is his desire to attend Gen. Logan's funeral tomorrow if the weather is propitious and his ailment does not increase in severity.

Features at New York. New York, Dec. 30.—Greene & Co.'s circular says: Unexpectedly full inquiry today. Contrast market has been active and buoyant with rates at one time showing 112 1/2 points gain.

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We learn that Capt. Swift Galloway, who won such popularity among the people of Wake county as a soldier in the late war, has been chosen to fill the office of Mayor of Hickory and Mr. A. W. Marshall has been chosen to fill out the term.

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Mr. D. S. Parker has taken charge of the Grand Central Hotel at Wadesboro.

Mr. W. A. Withers, of the Agricultural Department, returned yesterday from Davidson College, where he has been visiting relatives.

A Suicide in Shelby.

Special Cor. of the News and Observer. SHELBY, N. C., Dec. 28, 1886.

Last Sunday morning the community was greatly shocked by the suicide of Mr. Harrison Hall, a prominent citizen of Shelby. Mr. Hall had a stroke of paralysis about a month ago and had been taking large quantities of chloral since that time.

On Sunday morning, just after he arose from bed, he asked his wife for the bottle of chloral, but she refused to give it to him, saying that he had had enough.

Mr. Hall then stated that he was going to kill himself, and walked into the next room. His wife followed him, but before she could reach him, he had pulled out a revolver and shot himself in the back of his head.

Medical assistance was hastily summoned, but the wound was fatal. Mr. Hall dying in half an hour after he had fired the shot.

Ever since his illness, a month ago, Mr. Hall had been more or less out of his mind and had threatened to kill himself several times. All the fire arms had been sent out of the house.

Mr. Hall was a native of New York city and had been living in Shelby for four or five years. He was an enthusiastic sportsman. He was 38 years of age and leaves a widow and five children.

Mr. H. T. Wilson, the clever and business like manager of Oliver D. Byron, was in the city yesterday.

Mr. Wade H. Harris has taken the position of local editor on the Charlotte Daily Chronicle. He is recognized as being a very efficient journalist.

Two trivial cases engaged the mayor's attention yesterday. One of the cases was continued to the Superior court.

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THE OBSEQUIES.

FURTHER PREPARATIONS FOR THE FUNERAL OF LOGAN.

WAGNER'S OF THE PEOPLE TO SEE THE REMAINS—THE SERVICES TO BE HELD TODAY—FRIGHTFUL DEATH OF A GIRL IN NEW YORK—FURTHER FROM THE CAPTURE OF THE IRISH ROBBERS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—A spread of fresh fallen snow covered the ground this morning and the skies were overcast and sombre. At the Logan mansion all preparations for the removal of the dead statesman had been perfected during the night.

The remains still lay in the chamber where the general died, but had been placed in the casket, an elaborate receptacle, whose hermetic inner casing of copper was concealed by its quilted lining of creamy satin, and whose plate glass top not yet in position was designed to reveal the entire length of the form within.

A square plate of silver in the middle of the cover bears the inscription, "John A. Logan, United States Senator. Born February 9th, 1826. Died December 26th, 1886." Floral pillows with funeral legends, crosses and anchors and other appropriate emblems were placed near the casket and about the room.

At 11 o'clock the undertaker and his assistants withdrew, when the immediate family were summoned, and for a brief time they were left alone with their dead.

At an early hour this morning workmen were busily engaged in draping the vast rotunda of the capitol in mourning, and in erecting the bier, upon which were to rest the remains of the dead Senator.

Upon this bier have lain in state Presidents Lincoln and Garfield, chief Justices Chase and Roger Taney, Chief Justice Chase and representative Thad Stevens. The heavy black drapery with which it is covered, however, has been previously used but on one occasion. It was found in one of the Senate crypts, with an inscription attached to it stating that it had covered the bier on which President Lincoln was laid in state, and it was thought appropriate that it should serve the same sad office for another distinguished son of Illinois.

The congressional committee took formal charge of the remains, the sergeant-at-arms superintended the closing of the casket and its slow and orderly removal from the chamber of death, down the broad stairway, between the lines of the uncovered escort and its placing in the hearse.

The files and muffled drums sounded a salute which merged itself into "Nearer my God to Thee," and the hearse, with the factor's carriage also, surrounded by platoons of Grand Army men in uniform, and followed by a long procession of carriages, moved slowly down the hill and towards the Capitol.

WASHINGTON, December 30th. As early as 10 o'clock 500 persons had assembled in the rotunda of the capitol, although it was not expected that the remains of Senator Logan would be laid in state until 12.30 p. m.

At 11 o'clock the doors were again opened, the lid of the casket had been removed. Military guards of honor fully uniformed and accoutred, stood at rest at the head and foot and on either side of the casket, while lines of Grand Army men were drawn up from door to door, between which the people passed to view the remains.

From what can be learned it is not expected of the general assembly to take any action in the way of interfering with the judgement of the courts. All that is hoped of them is to adopt some measure in effect requesting the Governor to commute the death-sentence to imprisonment for life.

Logan Uninsured. The Senator leaves his family only moderately provided for. The elegant residence where his remains now are was purchased at a reasonable figure and on long time. It is not entirely paid for. A few weeks before he was taken ill an insurance agent proposed that he take out a policy on his life. The General was then in good health and was rather amused at the idea of preparing for death. His eye was bright, his form erect, his step firm, and hair and moustache were coal black.

Unfortunately the Senator's aversion to having his life insured was not overcome by the persistent insurance agent, and in consequence his widow will receive no more than the benefits from the investment in Calumet Place and a few others, not so valuable, in the West.

St. Louis, Dec. 30.—Robert Pinkerton says all the accomplices in the robbery have been captured. Five men are under arrest and Mrs. Haight. Being asked if Fotheringham was guilty he replied: "I am not ready to say. I prepared the evidence for the grand jury and he was indicted. Draw your own conclusion."

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While the family doctor was making a visit in the house, Bertie stood at the window gazing fixedly at his horse, a very lean and sorry looking animal.

"What are you thinking of, Bertie?" asked the doctor.

A special from Kansas City states that it was the intention of the conspirators to rob the car on the night of Oct. 22, and that the first "Jim Cummings" letter was written before that time and dated on that day.

On that night, however, there was not enough money in the car to pay the robbers for their trouble, and this plan was not finally carried out until the 25th.

Should these statements be borne out by the facts in the case, Fotheringham will doubtless accompany his fellow conspirators to the penitentiary.

Montgomery, Ala., Dec. 27, 1886. We want to fulfill our promise, made some weeks ago, of writing a letter about the successful men here, who are natives of North Carolina, but since Dr. E. Walker has written so well and so eloquently about the Tar Heels and the sons and daughters of Tar Heels in the great Northwest, we have decided to "give up the job."

Not because our people here are not worthy of as high praise as any people that ever left the old State, for Dr. Gaston, the leading physician in this State, Hon. T. M. Arrington, who has just been elected judge of the city court of Montgomery by an almost unanimous vote of the state senate; Colonel J. M. Arrington, of the law firm of Arrington and Graham, and many others that we could mention are here; but because we, being only a "brevet" correspondent, do not feel equal to the task of following where the veteran Walker has, in so eloquent a vein, exhausted the vocabulary of praise.

All North Carolinians that we have met, love North Carolina. As illustrative of this Colonel Rees, of Lee county, Ala., a descendant of that David Rees, who was one of the signers of the Mecklenburg declaration, tells us of an incident that happened in Alabama, years ago.

A North Carolina horse owner who was taken very sick down here, on being informed that he was bound to die, and asked by his landlord if he could do anything for him, answered: "Nothing; except to look in my saddle bags in the left hand pocket, and take that paper of North Carolina dirt and sprinkle it in my grave when they bury me."

Rev. Sam Small ("Old St.") preached here last Sunday before the Alabama Methodist conference. For that subtle he surpassed any man we have ever heard. At his will, he made his audience of grave Methodists cry like children or laugh like men at a stroke.

We were sorry to see that Dr. Blackwell and that noble bottle of brady that George Washington gave him when he passed through Kittrell's are to vanish from the Tueler house and believe that his many friends among the traveling men of the country, will look forward with pleasure to the time when the doctor shall return to hotel life.

We might give some curious facts about the great Southern boom, but must reserve what we have to say on that subject for a future communication, only stating now that the latest sensation here is the case of a negro barber who bought, years ago, some poor land near where the city of Birmingham now stands, for a mere song, and a few mornings ago awoke to the fact that his land was worth \$400,000.

Looking to the Legislature. Day before yesterday Mr. Willie Claverius mailed to members of the General Assembly a circular from the prisoner praying them to sign a petition to the Governor to reprieve the prisoner until the two houses meet.

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Excitement in Texas. Great excitement has been caused in the vicinity of Paris, Tex., by the remarkable recovery of J. K. Corley, who was so helpless he could not turn in bed, or raise his head; everybody said he was dying of Consumption.

A trial bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery was sent him. Finding relief he bought a large bottle and a box of Dr. King's New Life Pills; by the time he had taken two boxes of Pills and two bottles of the Discovery, he was well and had gained in flesh thirty-six pounds.

FRUIT CAKES.—To arrive Tuesday, 21st inst. Fruit Cakes, two pound each, in square tins; finest almond macaroons and other cakes. Extra choice dessert raisins; Gordon & Dilworth's mince meats. Holiday supplies arriving daily.

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