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NEWS OBSERVATIONS.

The newly elected State legislature in Delaware is republican by a vote of joint ballot, and a republican will succeed United States Senator Sealbaker.

The switchmen on the New York Central and the Boston and Albany roads, at Albany, N. Y., have struck for higher wages. A freight blockade is the result.

Senor Gomes, the Portuguese Minister of Foreign Affairs, has written an interesting letter, giving the plans of Portugal for developing Mozambique.

Marriage must be a failure among the Russian peasantry. Upon a convict ship conveying women only to Sagaien, 75 per cent. of the prisoners had been convicted of killing their husbands.

The question as to the eligibility of Sheriff Grant to the office of Mayor of New York has been raised on a clause in the State Constitution. Good lawyers hold that there is nothing in the objection.

Sir John Macdonald recalled to the N. Y. Herald correspondent in Ottawa, Ont., the fact that the treaty of 1871 was negotiated by a republican President and confirmed by a republican Senate, and he was hopeful of being equally successful with President Harrison.

The smallest steam engine ever made has just been completed after two years of labor, for the Paris exhibition. It is composed of 180 pieces of metal, is a shade under three-fifths of an inch in height, and weighs less than one-eighth of an ounce. A watch maker made it.

The Sultan of Zanzibar having noticed that the Belgian consul has engaged 700 natives of Zanzibar to be employed in the Congo Free State, complains that the draining of labor from the country stimulates the slave trade and threatens the British East Africa Company's interest. The Sultan is alive to the fact, but fears to veto the immigration of the natives.

It may be possible to cure hysteria by faith, but broken armor still require spina. About a month ago a married woman named Taylor, of Bristol, a believer in the faith healing doctrine, fractured her arm, but relied on faith to effect a cure. The limb, instead of healing, became so much worse that a doctor was called in. He recommended an operation, but the husband refused to entertain the idea. The woman died.

A German living near Hutzbold, Iowa, left his six-month-old baby in the care of several young children while he went to the attending a political meeting. The child was put upon the kitchen floor by the put-takers, who then scampered off to play. A young goat came in and attacked the baby, and when the children returned had eaten off the fingers of the baby's right hand, a toe of each foot, one ear and part of another.

Brayton Ives writes in the North American Review: "It should not be considered a mark of Yankee boastfulness to predict that the next century will see New York assume the place now held by London as the financial centre of the world. All the indications point that way. The growth of our manufactures and the production of the precious metals tend constantly to turn the balance of trade in our favor. No one who is not in a position where the fact is forced on his attention can realize the change which has taken place in this respect in the last fifteen years. While we are not now entirely independent of the European money markets, the time for our complete dependence has passed."

Married in Her Father's Shoes. Portland Argus. A good story is gradually leaking out in Bath society circles at the expense of a well known Bath lady, who has very recently married. The ceremony occurred in a church, and the bride, who she might not call her slippers nor catch old, drew on a pair of her father's white hose before leaving the house. Arriving at the church, in the excitement peculiar to novices on such occasions, the bride forgot about the socks in which her feet and slippers were encased, and walked to the front of the church entirely oblivious of her forgetfulness. However, all went well until the pair knelt at the altar. Here it was that the keen eyes of the audience got in their work, and there were a few, among others, who laughingly espied those white socks in close proximity to the shiny soles of the new bride of the groom, and these thought the joke too rich to keep, and so the rosiest people of the town are quietly smiling in private over the incident.

The Emperor of China is to be married at a cost of \$2,500,000. With most men, a marriage of this sort would be a failure.—Puck.

An Iowa well-digger who was imprisoned for five days in a well says he did not suffer much for food or drink, but he was much vexed that he did not think to put a novel in his pocket when he left home that morning.—Detroit Free Press.

"I don't say marriage is a failure," said Adam candidly, as he sat down on a log just outside the garden of Eden and looked hungrily at the fruit on the other side of the wall, "but if I had remained single, this wouldn't have happened."—Chicago Tribune.

A toddler will lift 340 pounds of solid weight while growing, and a common cabbage head will burst staves thick as those used in pork barrels. This, too, while a man weighing 210 pounds is whittling a single on the grocery steps.—Detroit Free Press.

"You should bear in mind, my friend," said the kind-hearted visitor consolingly, "that your loss is his gain. 'I do—' replied the bereaved cousin addressed, as he shook his head mournfully, 'I cannot forget it. He has given his nose for \$175, the next week I'll be as secure.'—Chicago Tribune.

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COTTON.

REPORT OF THE FEDERAL DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

THE SEASON FOR PICKING—THE RESULT OF THE WET WEATHER—THE YIELD PER ACRE—OTHER NEWS.

By Telegraph to the News and Observer. WASHINGTON, Nov. 10.—The Department of Agriculture reports a good season for cotton picking during October in the southwest, and only moderately favorable whether in the Atlantic Coast States. The wet weather of September proved very injurious to quality, preventing plants and rotting bolls, causing blight and shedding and injuring the prospects of the top crop. There is much stained fibre, and the quality is much poorer than that of previous years. Picking was late commencing but there has as yet been no killing frost, rendering possible partial compensation as to length of season. Indications of the yield per acre average the same as last year at this time, though the previous condition of the plant scarcely warrants the expectation of so much late growth and harvest outcome in November and December. The States west of the Mississippi report a slightly larger yield than last year, while Georgia, Alabama and Tennessee indicate a slight reduction. The other States indicate nearly the same expectation as at this date last year.

The returns of the yield of cotton made to the Department of Agriculture indicate the yield per acre quite as large as that of 1885, and larger than any other crop since 1880. The aggregate will exceed that of any previous American cotton product, being very close to 2,000,000,000 bushels, or about 92 bushels per capita, which has been exceeded in several previous years. The corn surplus States average yields as follows: Ohio 85 3/4 bushels, Indiana 85, Illinois 86 3/4, Iowa 87, Missouri 81, Kansas 27, Nebraska 88. These seven States produce 64 per cent of the crop aggregate. The general average, will fall somewhat under 27 bushels. There is a good supply of maize in nearly all parts of the South, so that comparatively little will be required from the West. The yields of the Atlantic States are moderate, seriously reduced by frost on the northern border.

After three years of low yields, the average crop is an average of about 80 bushels per acre, or nearly the rate of yield of 1878. The averages of prominent cotton-producing States are as follows: Maine 110 bushels; New York 82; Pennsylvania 82; Ohio 80; Michigan 75; Indiana 75; Illinois 80; Iowa 90; Minnesota 95; Dakota 80; Nebraska 80. The yield has been increased in the South. It is high in the northern belt of the Territories. The total product on the basis of these averages is about 195,000,000 bushels, of 61,000,000 more than the estimated product of 1887.

The average yield of buckwheat is approximately 12 bushels per acre, and the crop is nearly 11,000,000 bushels. The average for New York is 11 bushels; Pennsylvania 14; Michigan 12 1/2; Indiana 14 1/2; Illinois 12 1/2; Wisconsin 9 1/2; Minnesota 11; Iowa 10 1/2; Missouri 10 1/2; Kansas 9 1/2; Nebraska 11 1/2.

The hay crop is slightly above the average in yield, or 1.23 tons per acre. It has been seriously injured by the drought. There is a strong tendency to an increase of area in the South, and the yield upon cultivated areas rather than natural meadows are relatively large.

THE ELECTIONS. Father Returns—Both State and National. Official: Cleveland 2,732; Harrison 1,274; Fowle 2,739; Dockery 1,268; Henderson 2,735; Ellis 1,251.

Official: Cleveland 915; Harrison 1,297; Fowle 917; Dockery 1,291; Johnston —; Ewart 1,264.

Official: Cleveland 1,589; Harrison 1,260; Fowle 1,584; Dockery 1,236; Cowles 1,589; Ward 1,190.

Official: Cleveland 1,021; Harrison 776; Fowle 996; Dockery 817; Rowland 959; Locke 751.

Official: Cleveland 2,171; Harrison 2,360; Fowle 2,171; Dockery 2,327; Henderson 2,175; Ellis 2,297.

Official: Cleveland 2,349; Harrison 776; Fowle 2,360; Dockery 766; Henderson 2,355; Ellis —.

Official: Cleveland 1,205; Harrison 929; Fowle 1,209; Dockery 901; Cowles 1,204; Ward 898.

Official: Cleveland 1,158; Harrison 1,901; Fowle 1,178; Dockery 1,878; Johnston 1,204; Ewart 1,820.

Official: Cleveland 588; Harrison 614; Fowle 598; Dockery 602; mem. Con. Republican maj. 17.

Official: Cleveland 738; Harrison 808; Fowle 742; Dockery 792; Skinner 734; White 808.

Official: Cleveland 775; Harrison 1,050; Fowle 807; Dockery 1,014; Skinner 768; White 1,067.

Official: Cleveland 472; Harrison 374; Fowle 472; Dockery 367; Skinner 483; White 370.

Official: Cleveland 2,569; Harrison 2,854; Fowle 2,598; Dockery 2,328; Skinner 2,568; White 2,356.

Official: President—Cleveland 2,720; Harrison, 1,894. Governor—Fowle, dem., 2,734; Dockery, rep., 1,897. Congress—Henderson, 2,713; Ellis, 1,819.

Official—Majorities: Cleveland 724; Fowle, 755; Brook, for the Senate, 907; Gilman, for the House, 487; McClammy, for Congress, 747. Entire county Democratic ticket elected by a large majority.

A HORRIBLE DISASTER.

NINETY MEN PERISH IN A MINE.

AN ACCIDENTAL EXPLOSION RESULTING IN APPALLING LOSS OF LIFE—A LARGE NUMBER TOMORROW ALIVE.

By Telegraph to the News and Observer. ST. LOUIS, Mo., Nov. 10.—A special to the Post-Dispatch from Pittsburg, Kan., gives the details of a disaster in shaft No. 2 of the Pittsburg, Cherokee and Santa Fe Mining Company, near that place last night. The company had more orders than they could fill, and in their attempt to keep up they have been running an unusually large force of miners. Yesterday morning 164 men were lowered into the mine. At noon the blasts were fired all right, and later the miners descended for afternoon duty, and at 5:30 they were ready to fire their blasts again. The first shot had been fired, but before the men could be hoisted a terrible rumbling was heard above and a black cloud of dirt, slate and dust shot into the air from the mouth of the shaft, tearing away the tracks upon which cages are hoisted and filling the shaft with the debris. The explosion occurred on the east side and is attributed to the inexperienced of some new men. Before the men outside could recover their senses one miner appeared in the air-shaft nearly suffocated. He was helped out and followed by others till a large number had escaped, how many is not known. There was plenty of help at hand and those at the top devoted their attention to rescuing their entombed comrades.

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SIMMONS.

Defeated by a Majority of 971—The Result Accomplished by Outrageous Bull-Dozing of Negroes.

By Telegraph to the News and Observer. NEWARK, N. C., Nov. 10.—Simmons is defeated by a majority of 971. The result was accomplished by the most outrageous bull-dozing of negroes who wished to vote for the democratic candidate in Craven.

By Telegraph to the News and Observer. BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Nov. 10.—A telegram from Lime Rock, Conn., at 9:40 a. m. and posted at the Union telegraph office says Mr. Barnum is dying and cannot possibly live until noon.

By Telegraph to the News and Observer. NEW YORK, Nov. 10.—The total visible supply of cotton for the world is 1,872,118 bales, of which 1,625,618 bales are American; against 2,556,522 and 2,070,922 bales respectively last year. Receipts at all interior towns 169,880. Receipts at the plantations 203,928. Crop in sight 2,309,969.

By Telegraph to the News and Observer. NEW YORK, Nov. 10.—Receipts for the week, \$2,172,650; loans decrease, \$436,800; \$1,735,850; \$1,460,700; legal tenders decrease, \$1,413,100; circulation decrease, \$2,884,600; circulation decrease, \$1,043,500. The banks now hold \$11,387,200 in excess of the 25 per cent rule.

By Telegraph to the News and Observer. BALTIMORE, Nov. 10.—The recent news from Zanzibar about Stanley's whereabouts and prospects in November, 1887, is the only news we have had since he left Yambunga, on the Aruwimi, in June, 1887. Arab traders report that they met him—or rather his rear-guard, in the region west of Albert Nyanza, and southeast of Sangha, on the Nile and south of the Nile. The relief expedition had encountered great difficulties from sickness and from the nature of the country traversed. It had suffered in crossing rivers and marshes to such an extent that its numbers were reduced to 250. When it left Yambunga it numbered five white men and about 350 Zanzibar porters and Egyptian soldiers. Stanley himself had been sick, but had recovered. He had incurred delays, partly from this sickness, partly from waiting for reinforcements from the Congo, and in part from having to fight hostile natives. It was Stanley's intention when the Arab traders encountered his rear-guard to turn northward to avoid the swamps and then eastward to Wadai, which place, it was thought, he would reach in January, 1888. The fact that we have not heard from Stanley is not strange, as we have not heard from Emin Pasha since early in 1888. It is quite probable that he and Emin have been operating together for months against the Mahdi's successor, with a view to improving the condition of Emin's province. A "white Pasha" is reported from Suakin to be playing havoc with armies sent from Khartoum. Stanley is probably the white Pasha.

By Telegraph to the News and Observer. WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 10.—The Treasury Department has issued a circular reciting the enactment of a law relating to the production of fruit brandy so as to include brandy distilled from apples or peaches. To carry out the provisions of the act, the Department gives notice that special bonded warehouses may