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ENGLISH PRINTING PRESSES, IN AMERICA.

In the early days of newspaper printing in this country the machinery came chiefly from England; but when the Yankees began to invent, the importation ceased, and for many years the United States supplied no presses to British and continental publishers. But English ingenuity appears to have taken a new start, and has produced printing machines of such superior capacity that New York newspaper owners are now buying fast presses in London.

We lately witnessed the practical working of two of the celebrated Walter presses, at the New York Times establishment in this city, and must confess to an agreeable surprise at their perfection and extraordinary performances. They were built in London by Mr. Walter, the inventor, and set up here, under the immediate supervision of Mr. Gilbert Jones, of the Times.

They are known as perfecting presses, that is, both sides of the sheet are printed in passing once through the press. In ordinary presses, the sheets are introduced separately, printed on one side, then passed through again, and printed upon the other side. This involves much handling, the employment of cuberesome machines, and many attendants.

In the Walter press, the paper to be printed is arranged in the form of a roll, like the goods in a calico printing machine. This roll of paper, 3 feet in diameter, weighing one fourth of a ton, and containing paper enough for say six thousand copies of the Times, is placed at one end of the machine; the web passes thence between the printing types, which, in the form of curved stereotype plates, are secured upon the exterior of a pair of geared cylinders. Rollers carrying ink press against the types, and the rotation of the type cylinders draws the paper along between them and the impression cylinders, thus printing the web on both sides; the web then passes between rotating cylinders, which divide the paper into separate sheets; and these, guided by a beautiful and ingenious arrangement of delivering tapes, are discharged in two separate piles, at the end of the machine opposite to where the white paper enters. The paper travels through the press with a velocity of ten or eleven miles per hour, and delivers at its highest speed some sixteen thousand printed copies of the Times, which, as all our readers know, is a large quarto paper—one of the largest in the country. A single number of the Times contains an amount of type matter equal to 147 ordinary octavo book pages. Perhaps we cannot better illustrate the astonishing rapidity of this machine than by saying that the printed matter it delivers in one hour would cover more than two hundred and thirty-five thousand book pages, or nearly four hundred volumes of six hundred pages each.

These remarkable printing presses are built with steel at all of the operating parts, are the perfection of mechanism, and run with the steadiness of time pieces. One machine, attended by two men and two boys, is capable of a duty nearly equal to that of two of the old style, separate-sheet, ten-cylinder presses, operated by twenty-five men. One of these old time monsters now stands idle in the Times press room. It is twenty feet high and forty feet long, and full of complications. The new and simple new comer, by which it is replaced, occupies hardly a third the room of the other.

We have not space here to describe the various other mechanical appliances employed in printing the Times, such as double engines, boilers, blowers, steam ink pumps, folding machines, stereotype apparatus, etc., all of which are of admirable character, and have cost the proprietors over one hundred and twenty thousand dollars. This peculiar machinery, taken in connection with the enormous editions of the Times, exemplifies to a certain extent the wonderful progress which the world is constantly making in knowledge and the mechanic arts.

DON'T BE INQUISITIVE.—"Here's yer nice roast chicken," cried an aged colored man as the cars stopped at a North Carolina railway station.

"Here's yer nice roast chick'n 'n taters, all nice and hot;" holding up his plate and walking the platform.

"Where did you get that chicken, uncle?" asked a passenger.

Uncle looks at the intruder sharply, and then turns away, crying:

"Here's yer nice roast chick'n gentleman, all hot; needn't go in the house for dat."

"Where did you get that chicken?" repeated the inquisitive passenger.

"Look-a-yer," says uncle, speaking privately, "is you from der Norf?"

"Yes."

"Is you a friend of the celled man?"

"I hope I am."

"Den don't you neber ask me whar I got dat chick'n again. Here's yer nice roast chick'n, all hot."

METHODIST SINGING.—The Pittsburg Adocate laments, as we all do, the decadence of Methodist congregational singing. It says:

The singing of Methodism used to be grand—glorious and a power. It is not any more. Ichabod is written on it. Some Delilah has had it in her lap. That Delilah is the modern choir. It has done a miserable work—it has well nigh destroyed congregational singing. It has given us a substitute. And what a substitute it is! Solos, duets, quartettes, and a ceaseless succession of new tunes many of them after the most approved operative styles. The congregation sits by and silently witnesses the performance. That might do well enough for an opera-house, but it certainly is not the God's sanctuary.

DEFERRED ARTICLES.

Consecration of Bishop Lyman.

On yesterday Rev. T. B. Lyman, B. D. of California, was consecrated Assistant Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of N. C. This solemn and imposing service took place in Christ's Church, in this city in the presence of a large and highly interested audience. This was the first service of the kind ever performed in this Church or in the State. Although the ceremony was to begin at 11 o'clock, the congregation began to assemble at nine. At that early hour we observed the giga of St. Mary's school in a long procession passing through the Capitol grounds. Before ten, the Church was well crowded. At eleven the clergy entered the West door of the Church in procession while the choir sang the 76th psalm. There were three Bishops in attendance to wit: Bishop Whittingham of Maryland, Bishop Lay of the Diocese of Easton and Bishop Atkinson of this Diocese.

The Right Rev. the Bishop of Easton, preached from 17th chap. St. John's Gospel, 11th verse. "And now I am no more in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to thee, Holy Father. Keep through thine own name those whom thou hast given me, that they may be one, as we are."

After some interesting remarks addressed to the Right Reverend fathers in God, the clergy and congregation, he then entered upon the discussion of his subject to wit: "The Necessity of a Visible Union among Professing Christians." He referred to the evils of division, and the longings and yearnings for unity in the body of Christ, which is so characteristic of the Anglican Communion—of its willing recognition of whatever is good in the various bodies of professing Christians in the world. He alluded to a divided Christendom longing for unity. He paid a beautiful tribute to the men of learning, zeal, eloquence and saintliness of the various bodies of professing Christians. He spoke of the changes that have taken place in the Episcopate of the South since 1853.

He spoke of Bishop Ravenscroft as the rugged, indomitable fearless old man. He spoke of Bishop Polk as the enthusiastic champion of sound learning; of Bishop Otey, Elliot and Cobb, referring to their bright examples, and lovely christian characters.

His tribute to Bishop Cobb was surpassingly beautiful. He spoke of him as one whom he remembered with the fondest affection. As the sermon will soon be published, we will not mar it by any attempt to report it. We content ourselves with the simple remark that it was able, eloquent and impressive, and exhibited the temper and spirit of a large hearted christian charity, while it was an able defence of the tenets of his church.—Raleigh Sentinel.

FROM WASHINGTON.

NEWS FROM SPAIN VIA WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—A number of colored persons have arrived to attend the National Civil Rights Convention, which convenes on Tuesday. It is programmed that Pinchback shall preside. The delegation from Louisiana, sixteen in number, includes Col. James Lewis, General A. Barber, State Senator and Hon. David Young.

The protocol signed by Admiral Polo with Secretary Fish on 29th of November, was with the full approbation of his government after mature consideration of all its consequences, and since that time it has expressed no intimation whatever for a change of its terms.

The excitement in the Island of Cuba and the alleged threat concerning the Virginias gave a reasonable foundation for a fear on the part of many persons that the vessel and surviving passengers and crew would not be promptly delivered to the United States authorities, according to the terms of the agreement. But such apprehensions have not been shared by the Executive branch of our government, for it can be positively stated that there is nothing to diminish its confidence in the sincerity of the purpose of the Spanish government, or its ability to execute its engagements. The delay of the transaction has been unavoidable, and only recently the arrangement for the consummation of the terms has been completed.

Whatever may have been suggested heretofore as to the programme, it can now be asserted that the Virginias will be delivered to one of our naval vessels within the next ten days at a Cuban port in open day, and the surviving passengers and crew be transferred to a United States ship at Santiago De Cuba in an equally open manner. The vessel to perform these services will soon be, if they have not already been, designated by the Secretary of the Navy. This is the condition of affairs to-night, which has served to inspire a hope of continued peace with Spain, in order that the United States may continue to give their support to the Castellan Government in its efforts to establish a Republic. Admiral Polo has lately received a communication from Captain General Jeweller, in which there is no reference to the subject of his alleged resignation.

Who says the Chinese are not civilized? Wooden nutmegs cannot beat the following, which is well authenticated: Adulteration of tea has become so common in China that out of 183,000,000 pounds which passed through the British custom-house in 1872, during the month of July alone, "sanitary commission found 10,000,000 pounds utterly unfit for human consumption. In a single chest a magnet brought out forty-three per cent. of the whole in bits of iron colored green."

A Bashful Hoosier.

Which reminds us of a private letter, received from a former citizen of N. C. now living in Bradley Co. Arkansas (and who once occupied the position of Lieut. Gen. of Arkansas) and shows that even in that down trodden and over run State, Radicalism, is fast meeting its reward.

"By an amendment to our State Constitution, raised in March last, we are all enfranchised, and hope, at the next election, for members of the General Assembly to elect a Body which will order a Convention to make a new Constitution. The one we now live under is an abomination. By it, the State is so divided into districts, as to give the counties where negroes are most numerous, the controlling power, in making the laws, to the exclusion of intelligence. But under a merciful Providence, the Radicals made a mistake at the last election, and put an honest man in the office of Governor, who is doing all he can to restore the government to the people, and the intelligence of the State, and the Radicals are abusing him, while the Conservatives are applauding and encouraging him. We hope he will continue firm, and triumph over the ring of corruption.

Strange things come to the surface in the earthquake in South America. Churches, castles and graves give up their dead without waiting for the "witness hour." The scenes are horrible, and then their pictorial illustrations are enough to make the blood run cold. The dead do not rest in their graves, and a curious example of this was furnished by the German bark Mathias Meyer, which arrived from Ancon, Peru, at San Francisco. She had on board two hundred and fifty tons of sand as ballast. When she commenced discharging it, preparatory to taking a cargo of wheat for Liverpool, the vessel was found to be a skull—one with long black hair that of a woman—leg bones, thigh bones, the all the disjecta membra of the human body. The Captain stated that Ancon is situated on a sandy waste, and that vessels now secure ballast from the suburbs of the town which was occupied centuries ago as a graveyard. Bodies of men, women and children, obliterated by earthquakes, are now bleaching in the sun, and may be counted by the hundreds within ten minutes' walk from the heart of the town. Corn in the cob is dug out of the pits in large quantities, also pieces of pottery, images, and symbolic letters to the spirit world, made of knotted twine and cord.

The philosophy in Shakespeare's women lies in themselves and their own characters more than in what they say. They contain philosophy as their actions, their behavior, their whole course of conduct, are philosophy rather than their words. They do not make philosophic speeches, enunciate aphorisms, or declaim set phrases and sentences of morality, but their own several individualities are so many immortal studies in moral wisdom and moral beauty.

Nobody believes in William Tell now-a-days, says the San Francisco Call. His arrow feat is regarded as a myth. But there is no occasion to doubt the feats which Mr. Stevens of the City Gardens, can perform with a rifle. He yesterday, at thirty paces blew a half-dollar piece into dust, held aloft by the hand of a fourthly man. He repeated the feat, and is apparently qualified to continue it.

Parties in Kansas are divided into Republican, Democrat, Independent Democrat, Independent Republican, Republican Reformers, Farmers, Anti-Monopolists, Anti-Corruptionists, and General-Principle lists. The evidences are, however, that outside of the regular Radical organization all the rest will gradually settle down upon the old Democratic hard pan.

SENSIBLE.—A gentleman of great wealth in New York, but who has never cared to mingle much in fashionable society, recently settled \$15,000 a year on a daughter who had married to his satisfaction. In speaking on the subject to a friend the other day, he remarked he was willing to do the same by his other daughters, on one condition—that they married respectable upright and industrious young men. He did not care how poor they were, if they were only of this description, and their characters would bear investigation.

They want retrenchment. Eleven hundred dollars per annum for repairing a set of harness used by one of the Treasury officials seems to be an insignificant item to be complaining about, but as a type of the prevailing looseness in the keeping of accounts it is most suggestive.

Confederate General Joseph E. Johnston's "Narrative of Military Operations Directed by Him During the Late War Between the States" is in press at Appleton's. It is said to be written in terse, incisive and vivid style, and will be sold by subscription.

TO TELL A HORSE'S AGE.—The following is said to be a sure test of a horse's age: After a horse is nine years old a wrinkle comes over the eyelid, and every year thereafter he has one well defined wrinkle for each year of his age over nine. If, for instance, a horse has three wrinkles he is twelve years old. Add the number of wrinkles to nine and you will always obtain his exact age.

Refined homes are the end of civilization. All the work of the world, the railroading, the navigation, digging, manufacturing, inventing, teaching, writing, fighting, are done, first of all, to secure each family in the possession of its own hearth; and secondly, to surround as many hearths as possible with grace and culture and beauty. The work of all ages for five thousand years is represented in the difference between a wigwam and a lady's parlor. It has no better result to show.

From the Concord Sun.

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Several parties of Mormon converts who emigrated from the old country last summer, have within the last few weeks returned disappointed and disgusted. Some twelve or fifteen in a company go back in a day or two; others are prepared to go.

South Baltimore negroes are excited over the arrest of two re-entrants who were gobbled by the police and found to have in their possession the body of a negro woman 105 years of age. Sunday four masked men went to the house of John Duran, near Baltimore, and forced him to give up all the currency he had, under the pretense that they were revenue officers looking for counterfeit money.

The latest spiritual medium is Mrs. Clapp, of London.

MEASURING LIGHTNING.—The length of a flash of lightning is generally greatly underestimated. The longest known was measured by M. F. Peit, at Toulouse. This flash was 100 miles long, and a half mile long in series, which averaged from seven to eight miles in length. The longest interval ever remarked between a flash and the report was seventy-two seconds, which would correspond with a distance of fourteen miles. Direct researches have shown that a storm is seldom heard at a greater distance than from seven to ten miles, while the average are barely heard over four or five miles off.—This fact is the more interesting, as it is distinctly heard double or triple that distance and in special cases much better.

ANDREW JACKSON was once making a stump speech in a country village out West. Just as he was concluding Andrew Lee, a small, who sat beside him, whispered, "Gim' was a little Lute. General, they won't be satisfied without it." The "hero of New Orleans" instantly thought of a few phrases he knew, and, in a voice of thunder, wound up his speech by exclaiming: "E pluribus unum. Sine qua non. In parvo." The effect was tremendous, and the shouts could be heard for miles.

THE ELECTRIC MOUNTAIN.—The experimenter on the electric mountain (a high and much exposed range separating San Luis Park from West Mountain valley, in Colorado) was most amusing. They could scarcely handle their instruments, sparks being struck at every touch; the rifles, too, snapped under the electric influence, and were in continual danger of going off, while, when caught in a thunder storm, their hair literally stood on end. The whole party experienced shocks more or less severe, but none were injured.

Continuance of the Revolt Assured. The positive success of the opposition to Radical principles and candidates everywhere have settled a point frequently mooted. The revolting Republicans, whose votes added to those of the Democratic party practically wiped out from the map of Radicalism the whole North-west, will not be satisfied with the possession of the county treasury, the legislature, or the State government. Already they are looking towards a renewal of the engagement in the Congressional districts. The Senatorial elections, the State elections—some instances are already anticipated, victory in the Presidential race three years hence. This means that no Republican convention can decide who shall be returned to Congress and the State government, and that wherever in the West Democrats are not returned men will be returned who are all essentials—on the tariff question, on all matters of monopoly—are devoted to Democratic principles.—N. Y. World.

The Hickory Press says: One of the shrewdest financiers in Catawba county prophesied the present financial difficulties two years ago, and has guarded against personal disaster ever since by investing every cent he could raise in whiskey as they drink the whiskey. He is pro-against bank failures now.

Sometimes we come across a few words that do the business up completely. Here, for instance, is an example: "The might as well try to shampoo an elephant with a thumbful of soap suds as to do business and ignore advertising."

To Wash Woollens.—Wash in clean hot soap suds; rinse out in clear hot water, and shake out the wet without passing through the wringer. Worsted and goods should never be wrung when washed.

GOOD.—Gen. O. O. Howard, of Freedmen's Bureau notoriety, has been ousted from the Presidency of the Colored University at Washington, and a negro, (Langston) has been given his place. This is in accordance with the "eternal fitness of things," for assuredly a negro College should have a negro President. But old How-ard the mighty fallen!—Jb.