

NEWS OF A WEEK. GATHERED FROM ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD. ENCLOSURES—GLEANINGS.

What does Mr. Blaine think of his reception thus far? Until he was hissed in Boston on Wednesday night we have never heard of a Presidential candidate meeting with any but the most courteous treatment on his travels. When the American people hiss a man it is because they detest him.

A special to the "News and Observer" says that last Saturday evening, while John Campbell, white, and Tom Torsett and Dan Marsden, colored, were cleaning out an old well near Pittsboro, they were suffocated by the foul gases in the well. Before they could be rescued all had died.

Last Saturday night Jeff. Jolly, of Warren, Va., while returning from Culpeper county, was stopped by a man who demanded his money. Jolly told him to advance and get it, and he did so, and he had a heavy stone hammer. It is reported that the man's "body" has been found in the woods.

The "Piedmont Press" says Mrs. S. D. Hook, of Newton, was so seriously frightened by some one making an alarm at her window Saturday night, 6th inst., in the absence of her husband, that she gradually grew worse and on the following Thursday she died.

The Mormon tabernacle at Great Salt Lake is large enough to seat 10,000, but its acoustical properties are so good that when a quiet faintest whisper can be heard in every part of it. It is due to the intelligence of the Mormon architects it exalts them above all others.

The Methodist services in Wilmington held special services in honor of the late Bishop Pierce. Resolutions were adopted and Mr. T. B. Kingsbury, the accomplished and able editor of the "Star," spoke on the life, character and work of the deceased Bishop. A more eloquent tribute to a more eloquent divine has, we think we can safely say, been paid in North Carolina in many days.

Blaine's mansion in Washington is the largest ever built in that city. It is 70x72 feet, it has 100 rooms that the British legation. It is now rented to the retired Chicago merchant, Mr. Leiter, at \$12,000 per year. Mr. Blaine is evidently a very frugal and thrifty man, for he is said to be accumulating about \$1,000,000 besides, on a salary of \$5,000 per year, and at the same time rear and educate a large family.

The Mother Hubbard dress is frightful enough to scare horses. That at least is the reason alleged in Oregon why they should not be permitted on the street.

The post-office at Contentnea, Greene county, has been discontinued, very much to the inconvenience and annoyance of the people of the neighborhood.

While Mrs. Lockwood's platform contains some contradicting points, she probably will be too gallant to accuse her of straddling any great question.

An Eastern paper says that a dozen girls from New Haven are taking a tramp through the Adirondack mountains. The tramp must be having a good time.

The "Examiner" is the queer name of a paper just started at Asheville, N. C. The editor informs the public that "Examiner" means "to strike with a brick."

Washington "Gazette": "Mr. Wm. E. Jackson has handed us a stalk of corn with 30 distinct ears on it. They grew on the end of the stalk and was quite a curiosity."

Wm. E. Grimley has rented the Foster Hotel at Summit Hill. He will also retain the use of the Freeman House and will be able to give ample accommodation to all who may apply.

Gen. Robert Tombs is credited with having said recently that the late Bishop Pierce was physically, intellectually and morally the most symmetrical man of the nineteenth century.

A news item says that the inventor of a device for fastening a necktie sold the patent for \$10,000, and received as much more in royalties. His good fortune is easily explained. The news item lies.

At the recent Wheat and Cattle Fair held at Winston, N. C., it was shown that one farmer made 47 bushels of wheat on one acre. The average of the 43 farmers who had wheat on exhibition was about 20 bushels.

A Calahan correspondent of the Mocksville "Times" says that at Poplar Springs camp ground, Davie county, on the night of the 6th inst., an infant two months old died from having been stung on the top of the head by a wasp.

The Charlotte "Observer" says Dave Vance, who is now a reporter on the "Times-Democrat," New Orleans, was insulted by a brother reporter, slapped him in the face and then challenged him to fight a duel. The hostile meeting was prevented.

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BILL ARP'S TALK.

Snake stories.—His experience in making butter.

Fire-side chat.

Cousin John Thrasher came to see us the other day and made us proud. For it is no small compliment for a man like him to show us regard. He did not stop long, but he was always in a hurry, and so just before leaving he said he wanted to go down to the spring and dip up a drink of pure water. I went down with him and kept a little ahead, I stepped down off the log that was close by the spring, and Uncle John stepped down just behind me, and he stepped into the water, and he had to swim.

And that the dyspeptic genius wrote the stories!

And that the funny man built all the jokes!

And that the printer—he worked off the editor's copy!

And that the editor who came in to help him pass away the time.

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POLITICAL POINTS.

WHAT THE POLITICIANS ARE TALKING ABOUT.

THE POLITICAL CALDRON.

The Republican victory in Maine cost the national Republican committee \$265,000.

Jno. S. Henderson, of Rowan, is the Democratic candidate for Congress in the Seventh district.

Mahone has been sadly silent for the past few months. He is almost as forgotten as R. B. Hayes.

There is a standing offer in Wilmington to be elected. Republican sporting men should make a note.

In Granville there are two Republican tickets in the field. One ignores the negro; the other ignores the white.

A correspondent assures the Winston "Republican" that in the joint discussion at Yadkinville on the 9th, Senator Vance was "over-matched" by Pat Winston. Great Caesar's ghost!

The Tarboro "Southerner" says there is not a white Radical in Edgecombe county that is not an agent for the "Wilmington Dispatch."

Stephen Grover Cleveland, a name with twenty-two letters, and a candidate who will be the twenty-second President of the United States. Also good for the twenty-two States he will carry.

Ex-Gov. Seymour's choice for Gov. of New York is a more practical candidate than has long been known.

Betting men in New York now offer \$1,000 to \$750 that Cleveland is elected, \$750 to \$500 that he will have 250,000 majority in 200,000.

Craves Democrats have nominated the following county ticket: For Senate, P. Holland Jr. For Treasurer, T. A. Green. For Register, Enoch Wadsworth. For Coroner, Dr. Frank Duffy. For Surveyor, Daniel Lane.

Speaking of York, Gov. Vance in conversing with a crowd of his friends at Hickory, remarked: "York is the biggest liar North of hell and east of the Blue Ridge, and everybody who has ever heard of York's rambling, illogical, ignorant, demagogic, lying, trades of insult and vilification, knows that the above is true—geography and all.—"Lincoln Press."

Hon. Jos. J. Davis, "Honest John," writes to the "Chronicle" that after reading the news of General Walker's coming over to us than of any change I have heard. It often occurred to me in Washington that he was one of our best, honest, high-minded and useful public servants that the country ever had.

In his speech at Shelby, Gov. Vance said he never heard of a white man joining the Republican or Liberal party and espousing its rotten doctrines, but what he felt like that old minister who, when on his way home accompanied by his children, found near his house a blooded crowd of his lying on the side of the road bleeding and dying from being torn to pieces by dogs.

Every Liberal is a Hungry Office Seeker.

MORE CORRUPTION.

A NEW CASE OF VILLIANY AGAINST MR. BLAINE.

DEFEATED HIM IN 1876.

Charles H. Berger, Esq., was in his favorite club in this city the other evening, says a Harrisburg, Pa., letter to the Warren "Ledger," discussing the political situation and surprised every one by indicating that he is not inclined to vote for Blaine. Mr. Berger is a lawyer of this city. His father was postmaster for many years, the public printer, and the editor and publisher of the Harrisburg "Evening Telegraph," the central party organ of the State. Dying a few years ago, his son succeeded to the ownership of the paper, and in 1876 was editor in chief.

Everybody wanted an explanation. "It is commonly believed," said Mr. Berger, "that Blaine was defeated because he was obnoxious to the masses. I am sure that is not the case. It begins to look very much like the traditional desertion by rats of a sinking ship."

"Gems" From Blaine's Letters.

The following are some extracts from Blaine's letters, which, of themselves, show the corruption of the man:

"Keep my name quiet."

"I note what you say about the importance of my keeping all quiet here."

"No one will ever know from me that I have disposed of a single dollar in Maine."

"I have endeavored in writing not to be indelicate."

"It will be in my power to cast an anchor to windward in your behalf."

"I can do something, I fell very sanguine, with Thomas A. Scott."

"My personal hardships to me are bitter and burning and humiliating to the last degree."

"I have suffered in this matter during the past six months, you would pity me."

"I see various channels in which I could be useful."

"I do not feel that I shall prove a deadhead in the enterprise if I once embark in it."

Verily, verily, is this the Plumed Knight!

Gen. Scales' Accident.

THE FRIGHTFUL FALL WHICH CAME NEAR BEING FATAL.

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STATE EXPOSITION.

BUILDINGS READY FOR RECEPTION OF EXHIBITS.

LIST OF SPECIAL DAYS.

Interest in the coming State Exposition increases as the time of holding it approaches.

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October 1st and 2nd—Military days.

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15 and 17th—N. C. Fisheries days.

15th—Assembly and drill of Knights Templar.

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