

The Daily Review

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VIEW AND REVIEWS.

In the Island of Sardinia, long neglected by modern civilization, water and gas works were recently introduced in several small towns amid an enthusiastic display of flags and fireworks.

Mrs. Lucy Stone, Blackwell, accompanied by the Misses Partridge, Hindman, and others, will enter upon the canvass of Colorado in behalf of universal suffrage on the 11th inst.

According to the reports of the English Agricultural Gazette, the wheat crop in the three kingdoms is considerably below the average; but it has been a good year for graziers and dairy farmers.

The carbonic oxide given off by charcoal causes a peculiar phase of insanity among cooks in France, where charcoal is largely used in cooking. The symptoms are oppression, vertigo, hallucinations of sight and hearing, and syncope.

Such is the glut of money on the London Stock Exchange that any man in good credit can obtain the loan of almost any sum for, say a fortnight, at the rate of 1 1/2 per cent. per annum. Yet even on these terms there is scarcely any demand.

The pupils of the Japanese Academy of Fine Arts at Tokio have learned to paint in the European style, after only seven months' instruction by European professors, during which course they produced 1,500 clever works now on exhibition.

The ladies of the west end of St. Louis are organizing a social club to be composed entirely of ladies between the ages of eighteen and thirty years, who will give during the fall season a series of surprise visits, when all the members will be disguised with false noses.

Newfoundland is the only British North American colony that has persistently preserved its autonomy notwithstanding the repeated and determined efforts made by the agents of the old country and Canada to induce it to accept the terms stipulated in the scheme of confederation.

It is said that more money was spent in Newfoundland to carry it for the Dominion than has been expended collectively in securing the annexation of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and Prince Edward's Island to the Canadas.

The legal period for salmon fishing in the Columbia river has passed, and yet the fishermen remain at work and fish are scarce. The Fish Commissioners at Sacramento, Cal., have instituted prosecutions for the violation of the fish law. The season's catch in Fraser river, in British Columbia, is estimated at 200,000 cases, valued at \$1,300,000. The Victoria Colonist says that while Oregon has but one salmon-producing river, British Columbia has five, besides many bays, harbors, and river mouths where salmon abound.

Prescott, the capital of Arizona, is a thoroughly American place, while Tucson, a most ancient settlement, is a genuine Mexican town, being composed of one-story adobe buildings, and having narrow streets filled with Mexicans. In a Spanish map dated 1775 it is set down as the *Pueblo de Tucson*, and was then, as now, the principal place in the Territory. In 1867 it was designated the capital city of the Territory, and held the honor until last winter, when the Legislature transferred the title to Prescott. It is now claimed that the removal of the capital was void, on the ground that the Legislature was illegally elected through a false census, which gave to Yavapai county, of which Prescott is the county seat, a preponderance of representation. Tucson lies in the Santa Cruz valley on a stream that rises a short distance below the Sonora line, and is about 2,500 feet above the sea level. It has at present a population of 5,000, only about 1,000 of which is American.

The best represented family in the British legislature is that of the Duke of Abercorn, which contributes four members to it. The Duke has three sons in the House of Commons. The oldest sits for Donegal, a seat which he owes to territorial influence, his father being a great Irish proprietor; but the younger brothers own their seats largely to their merits, one of them having won Middlesex against the notorious Mr. Henry Labouchere, the other representing King's Lynn, for which the present Lord Derby was for years M. P. The Duke of Abercorn's family is, perhaps, altogether, although he is anything but wealthy, the most socially brilliant of its time in England. He has been twice Viceroy in Ireland, with unsurpassed popularity and success, and is conspicuous for his tact, fine person, and bearing. His wife is universally admired and respected. Of his seven daughters, famous for their beauty, six have married peers, and his sons are popular and distinguished.

HOWARD AND JOSEPH.

Wouldn't it be a good plan to start another Freedman's Bank and recall Gen. Howard from the pursuit of Chief Joseph and his Nezces tribe to assume charge of its finances? Possibly there might be another smash up but then if the Federal Government will furnish the funds there will be no individual losses. This, it strikes us, would be more economical than to keep him where he is. Recall Howard, give him another bank to break and send Chief Joseph off on a mission to Patagonia or Hottentot and the people and the country would both probably be better off for the change.

STILL BORN.

Congressman Stoughton's attempted reply to Judge Black on the Electoral Commission matter seems to have fallen still-born. But few of the leading papers at the North have paid any attention to it whatever, and the opinion we expressed a week ago to the effect that Judge Black would not deem it worthy of a reply, is likely to prove a correct one.

That gentleman will make a serious mistake if he allows himself to be drawn into a reply where there is nothing to reply to, and, on the contrary, Mr. Stoughton will doubtless be visited with the pangs of a terrible disappointment if Judge Black should decline to write him up before the public.

EFFIGY TO EXIT.

The result in California will prove disastrous to the political career of one of the fast disappearing Grantites, U. S. Senator A. A. Sargent, more commonly known as Effigy Sargent ever since that little affair when he was burned in effigy by indignant Californians. Sargent's term expires in 1879 and there is no doubt that his successor will be a Democrat and a different sort of a man, altogether. California is undoubtedly a Democratic State and would have gone for Tilden last year but for the gigantic frauds set on foot there by Senator Morton, whereby twelve thousand fraudulent votes were polled against him in San Francisco. But this will hardly occur again and California may be looked upon as having returned to her first love, there to abide for many years yet to come.

THE PENNSYLVANIA ELECTION.

The Baltimore Gazette thinks that Pennsylvania will assuredly go Democratic this fall. It states that "the Pennsylvania Republican Convention was not by any means the harmonious body it seemed to be, and the discussions which were therein developed promise to lead to an open rupture in the party that will inevitably cause its defeat at the coming election. It further adds that "instead of entering upon it with enthusiasm, the disaffected Republicans will hold aloof and allow the election to go by default. We believe that in any event the State will go Democratic this fall, but this new discord in the Republican ranks makes assurance doubly sure."

The election in Pennsylvania takes place on the 9th of November and if the State should indeed go Democratic, for the first time in more than a quarter of a century, then, all we've got to say is that somebody had best stand firm under.

A SPECIMEN BRICK.

Mr. Hayes' civil service reform is as transparent as glass—and just about as brittle. The latest, and one of the best, illustrations of its peculiar workings is found in the case of J. Russell Jones, Collector of the port of Chicago who, although his term is only partially expired, has been requested to resign so as to make room for one Smith, a friend of Secretary of the Treasury Sherman, who wants the place very badly indeed. But Mr. Jones is not willing to submit tamely and replies to Hon. John Sherman in a very spicy letter which is calculated to show up the present Administration in not exactly its best light. In his reply he tells the Secretary this:

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OF COURSE.

Maine has gone Republican, as a matter of course, and as nobody is surprised at the result so nobody in this latitude need feel sorry. As that State is one of the most bigoted in all that relates to national affairs so will it be one of the last to forsake the worship of its Radical idols; one of the last, for Rhode Island will dispute with her the dishonor of being the very last.

We learn from the Glasgow Herald that "Gov. Tilden and the Hon. J. Bigelow, who arrived in Glasgow on Saturday with the Iona from Oban, left on Monday morning for the Trossachs, the inclement weather having induced them to shorten their stay in the city. The Lord Provost, who experienced much kindness from Gov. Tilden during his recent visit to the United States, called on him on Monday morning, and we understand it is likely the Governor will again visit the city on the invitation of his Lordship."

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