

ENTERED AT THE POSTOFFICE AT WILMINGTON, N. C., AS SECOND-CLASS MATTER.

The Whitehall Review, in a double-leaded article, announces in the most positive manner that, despite all statements to the contrary, the marriage of the Baroness Burdett-Coutts to Ashmead Bartlett has not been, and will not be, broken off.

The Chicago Times prays the people to cease talking about Boston as though it was the centre of a Puritan aristocracy, since, in fact, there are fewer descendants of the Pilgrims in Boston than in New York, the only city which really celebrates Forefathers' day.

No More Hard Times. If you will stop spending so much on fine clothes, rich food and style, but good, healthy food, cheaper and better clothing; get more real and substantial things of life every way, and especially stop the foolish habit of employing expensive, quack doctors or using so much of the vile humbug medicine that does you only harm, but put your trust in that simple, pure remedy, Hop Bitters; that cures always at a trifling cost, and you will see good times and have good health.—Chronicle.

The dress worn by Miss Flora Sharon when married to Sir Thomas Hesketh at San Francisco is described as follows: "It was of a new style of silk, known as the gros de tour, the skirt being one solid mass of embroidery, wrought upon white satin with beads, crystal, and pearls of the very best description, the pattern for which was copied from a painting of gallery of the Louvre, in Paris."

LAND OWNERS.

A correspondent of the Southern Enterprise gives some very interesting facts to that paper in regard to immigration which will apply just as well to North Carolina as to Georgia.

France and Switzerland are the two largest land owning nations in proportion to population. Next is the United States. Scotland reports the lowest in the scale, that is, there is only one land-holder in every eighty-four heads of families; in Ireland, one to fifty-two. Switzerland leads the van. Four-fifths of her heads of families are land-owners; in France, three-fourths, and in this country but one-third.

It is singular, seeing the ample facilities our government offers its citizens for becoming land-owners, that our people should stand third on the list of land-owners in proportion to population.

The prosperity of the South will, in a great degree, depend on the increase of landed proprietors. Small farms is the measure of prosperity. From some late statistics, I gathered the fact that in France one million heads of families owned, in the aggregate, 14,387,600—the highest being thirty acres; the lowest, one-half acre. But few men own one thousand acres in that remarkably prosperous country.

ergetic men, with small capital, on condition that they make permanent homes of these lands for themselves and families? Would it not be an excellent piece of progress, were the great railroad companies in this State to organize themselves, and the owners of large bodies of land lying along the lines, into land companies, and divide up the lands in lots of forty or fifty acres, and advertise them all over the Northern States, Germany, Italy, England and Ireland; and sell each alternate lot at a price just sufficient to cover cost? Would not the railroad companies be in a fair way to make money out of this move, were they to offer all the inducements of cheap transportation to all who desire to come and view the lands, and to those who buy and settle on them? In a few years, the local traffic along their lines would doubtless be one hundred fold what it is at present. Would not the State of Georgia largely increase its revenues, in a very few years, to very grand proportions, should she by lending her aid to this scheme, bring into her borders ten or twenty thousand good, industrious and energetic families to occupy and cultivate these lands? This is a measure that means wealth, prosperity, political influence and power in the affairs of our country. Before the South can be appreciated and respected according to her real worth, she must become wealthy. Let thoughtful and astute men think seriously of these propositions. They may have been suggested before, for aught we know, but they will never grow old and insipid by frequent repetition. Let the State Press take them up and keep a continual hammering on them till they glow with fervent heat. The remark was made by Cromwell, that "men strike when the iron was hot, but he made the iron hot by striking it." Recollect this fact. If you want a project to succeed and become popular, you must ever and anon keep hammering away at it, in the face and eyes of the public.

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WASHINGTON LETTER

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 4th, 1880. There is doubtless a strong public desire to have passed a reapportionment bill, a funding bill, and a bill to govern the electoral count. But I doubt if any of them will succeed. The truth seems to be that the House does not now feel the same interest that it did at the beginning of the session in these measures.—as then to avoid an extra session. In fact, the course and composition of the next administration are at this time held to be the subjects of prime importance in all Republican counsils. The election of Blaine as Secretary of State, now believed to be certain, cannot but occupy a larger space in the reflections of Senator Conkling and Grant men generally than on a bill or bills that may go over to another session without material injury to the country. It is believed, too, by many Republicans, that General Garfield's "policy" is uncertain on many subjects, and that the coercive presence of Congress in extra session may have a restoring influence upon him. I believe, therefore, beyond the passage of most of the appropriation bills, there will be little done between the re-assembling tomorrow and the final adjournment on March 4th. Even with a Democratic quorum of the House present, which is by no means certain, it will be possible for the Republican minority to defer or prevent action.

A great effort will be made, however, to get consideration for Reagan's Inter-State Commerce bill. Those members of Congress who see or think they see a great evil in railroad extensions uncontrolled by the Federal government, are increasing in numbers. Those who are at this moment experiencing personal inconvenience from delay caused by quarrels between rival lines from the East to this city, will take up the fight with earnestness when the session begins. But this measure, too, will probably go over.

Denial by authority was made here yesterday of the report that President-elect Garfield had any influence over Mr. Hayes in the matter of recent anti-Conkling Federal appointments in New York. The denial was hardly necessary. Mr. Hayes has an infinite genius for party mischief, and was capable unaided of committing such folly as this. The only horrible effect of which must be the strengthening of his enemy.

Within a week the story alluded to in a previous letter, that Blaine would be Secretary of State in the next administration is in a measure confirmed. What forces General Garfield will use to soothe Grant and Conkling's feelings of disgust at the selection is not known. If Senator B. is really to take a place in the Cabinet he will doubtless retire early from the Senate.

The principle Avenue of the city is to-day the scene of a sleighing carnival. Everybody is out to participate or to see. Valuable prizes are offered for the best turnouts and the most ludicrous masks and disguises.

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Greedy grocer (to farmer's wife who is supplying him with butter): "This pun' o' butter is owerlicht, gudewife." Gudewife: "Blama yersel, then, I weighed it wi' the pun' o' sugar I gat frae ye yestreen."

It takes Worth a whole week of hard work to design a costume for the French actress Judie, but Lydia Thompson can design a costume for herself in half an hour and make nothing of it.—Philadelphia Chronicle.

"I feel a poem in my heart to-night" breaks out a sweet rhymist of thought. That's nothing; we can feel fifty poems in our waste basket, and it wasn't a good day for feeling when we threw them there.—New Haven Register.

I hate the winter with its snow. It is the base of wedded life. I've drunk the very draught of woe, or Marv Ann is now my wife; And so it'er so cold and drear, Each morn, at 6 o'clock or prior, My darling whispers in my ear: "It's time, my love, to light the fire!"

Bernhardt has a wonderful picture called "The Young Girl and Death." There are two figures in it, and you can take your choice of the two as to which is Bernhardt and which is the young girl.—New Orleans Picayune.

Who is to take charge of Mrs. Langtry in Philadelphia, now that it is again a settled fact that she will come to America?—Progress. Well, if she's as good looking as they say she is, we wouldn't object to doing it.—Boston Post.

Before marriage, With wondrous care, She seeks the mirror, And bangs her hair, A'ter marriage, With a very glare, She grabs her slipper, And bangs her heels.

"Darling," she whispered, as he bent "won't you please go buy some of that elegant lace in Mr. Matthews' window for me?" "Yes, my ownest," he murmured. He went by it all, and never stopped—the unfeeling wretch!

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