

WILMINGTON, N. C., AS SECOND-CLASS MATTER.

Mr. Charles Ross, a member of the Corn and Flour Exchange of Baltimore, who suspended business in 1879, with liabilities of about \$30,000, and compromised with his creditors for fifty cents in the dollar, has sent a check to each of his creditors paying in full, with six per cent. interest, the deficit at the time of his suspension.

The ice men of Maine had good luck last season and sold a million tons of their product, bringing in at least a million and a half of dollars. They are making preparations now for housing an enormous crop of ice, and the prospect is that 2,000,000 tons will be cut and stored the present winter on the Kennebec and Penobscot. It is not easy to see how the ice dealers will be able to keep up famine prices next summer, especially as an ice crop will be gathered as far South as Virginia.

The San Francisco Alta has been making a computation of what Kearneyism has cost California. There has been a decrease of \$33,000,000 in banking capital, the improvements of property have been checked, the number of depositors in the savings banks has fallen off, the loans of the banks have been less this year than the repayment by borrowers, there is no new railroad building in the State, and the home capitalists are transferring their business to New York. California is the only State that is not sharing in the general prosperity of the country.

The last of the State debt of Illinois, \$281,000, has been called in and is being paid as rapidly as possible at the Exchange Bank, New York. In addition to this payment the Illinois State treasury has a surplus of \$1,100,000 on hand. This is the work done by the Illinois Central Railroad. The lands to build this road were given by the United States, and the profits of the road have been derived from the products chiefly of other States transported over it. Even a less fertile State than Illinois might find it easy to grow rich with such vicarious sources of income.

A law reducing the fine for public intoxication to one dollar for each offence has been in force a year in Massachusetts, and is an acknowledged failure. The idea was that the lightness of the penalty would cause it to be inflicted in every case, and thus drunkenness would be reduced. The period of imprisonment was lengthened to thirty days or more, with a view of incarcerating habitual drunkards. The Springfield Republican says: "The State has lost about \$250,000 fine and costs which would otherwise have been paid by the drunkards. This would have been no loss, perhaps, if the offenders had been put in the way of restraint, but, as it is, little remedial influence has been derived from the law."

Over ten thousand lives have been lost on British ships within the last seven years. That Mr. Plimssoll's complaints about grain and coal laden vessels have been well founded, is shown by the statistics in which ships carrying these kinds of cargoes head the list, and account for the loss of over 500 lives. The whole number of English vessels lost between January, 1873, and May, 1880, was 1,995, with a tonnage of 729,194, and, if Mr. Plimssoll is to be believed, a very large proportion of them were lost through gross neglect or carelessness that would not have been permitted if ships and cargoes had not been heavily insured. Bad as the record still is, it is very much worse before Mr. Plimssoll began his earnest labors in behalf of seamen.

THE FUNDING BILL.

A very important amendment to the funding bill was adopted yesterday by the House in Committee of the Whole, the vote standing 128 to 2. It is as follows: That all existing powers of the law authorizing the refunding of the national debt shall apply to any bonds of the United States bearing a higher rate of interest than 4 1/2 per cent. per annum, which may hereafter become redeemable, provided, that in lieu of bonds authorized to be issued by the act of July 14, 1870, the Secretary of State is hereby authorized to issue bonds in an amount not exceeding \$400,000,000, which shall be on interest at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum, redeemable at the pleasure of the United States after five years, and payable ten years from the date of issue, and also certificates in the amount of not exceeding \$300,000,000, bearing 3 per cent. interest per annum, returnable at the pleasure of the United States,

after one year, and payable in ten years from the date of issue. The bonds and certificates shall be in all other respects of like character and subject to the same provisions as the bonds authorized to be issued by the act of July 14th, 1870; provided that nothing in this act shall be so construed as to authorize an increase of the public debt; and provided further that before any of the bonds or certificates authorized by this act are issued it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Treasury to pay on the bonds accruing during the year 1881, all the silver dollars of 41 2/3 grains and all gold over and above \$50,000,000 in the Treasury for redemption purposes, and provided, further, that interest on the 6 per cent. bonds hereby authorized to be refunded shall cease at the expiration of thirty days' notice that the same have been designated by the Secretary of the Treasury for redemption.

We do not doubt the ease and facility with which this debt will be refunded, even at the very low rate of interest mentioned in the bill. How low this interest really is can best be estimated by the fact that the legal rate of interest is in no State in the Union less than 6 per cent., while in North Carolina it is 7 and 8 per cent.—The interest account, however, even at 3 per cent., in an issue of \$400,000,000 in bonds, counts up. It is \$12,000,000 a year, or \$120,000,000 in ten years.

We presume that this will be a satisfactory adjustment of the debt—satisfactory to all, perhaps, except those who surrender five and six per cents. and take three. There will be no difficulty, we presume, in maintaining the new bonds at par. The four per cents, issued a comparatively short time ago, are now at 113, and a large part of the British debt, be it remembered, is funded in three per cents. Surely our American threes should prove, at this time, equally desirable for investment as the British threes.

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MOONSHINE.

Samson brought down the house, but nobody called for an encore. The sign "Beware of Dogs" is stuck up that he who reads may run.

February is the supreme month for the succulent bivalve. Two "r's" in it.—Andrews' Queen.

When a married woman buys a pug dog for a low price she gets a bargain and her husband gets something to boot.

Of a miserly man somebody wrote: "His head gave way, but his hand never did. His brain softened, but his heart couldn't."

A bookbinder had a book brought him to the Academy and handed it over to the committee? Porter—"Yes, and it pleased 'em mightily. It would have done you good to see 'em laugh."

A man at Whitestown, Ga., believes that the air is pure at the height of 100 feet, and he has obtained permission to run a pipe to the top of a village church steeple in order to pump a supply into his house.

The editor of the Leeds Mercury, an influential liberal paper, has been knighted. How imposing it will be to hear the printer's devil come in and say, "sir 'Amillon, ve wants more copy."

In ancient cosmography Atlas was represented as supporting the world upon his shoulders. We could never imagine what supported Atlas, though, unless he was rich.—Lowell (Mass.) Citizen.

A Galveston man who had a mule for sale, hearing that a friend in Houston wanted to buy a mule, telegraphed him: "Dear Friend: If you are looking for an A No. 1 mule don't forget me."—Galveston News.

"How do you know that the men born 100 years hence will die?" "All the men who have lived in the past are dead, and therefore—" [Here he sat down amid general applause.]—College Humor.

NEWS AND VIEWS.

New York city last year imported \$344,000,000 worth of goods. All other ports only \$217,000,000.

Thornton's circus has come to grief in New Orleans, and 120 performers and employees are left in destitute circumstances.

Eastport, Me., exported 65,000 cases of sardines last year, worth \$650,000, against 25,000 in 1870. Seven new factories were erected, making 13 now in operation.

The Western Union Telegraph Company has for six weeks successfully used, between New York and Boston, an invention by which five messages are simultaneously sent from each end of a wire.

What the ex-Secretary of the Navy likes about the Isthmus Canal is that it won't have any water in it until he is dead. That is the kind of a sailor the Secretary of the Navy usually is.

The St. Louis gamblers are about to establish a keno boat, which during excursions on the river will enable their passengers to fight the tiger without interference from State or city officials.

A lady buried near Versailles has the following included in the epitaph on her tomb: "Except in 1859, during which for several weeks she took lessons on the piano, her life was without stain." The Hundred Wives' Combination

Company have had their properties seized at New Orleans at the suit of a Memphis manager, who claims \$1,500 damages for failing to fill an engagement at his theatre.

The remains of James Hamilton, who died at Greensboro, Green county, Pa., are to be incinerated at the Washington Crematory in a few days. The deceased was a gallant soldier, and served during the war as lieutenant of a cavalry company.

The heaviest snow storm of the season occurred throughout New England Monday and on Sunday night. Railroads are effectively blocked, and communication with remote districts is almost entirely suspended. The latest reports say that rain was falling and that travel will soon be resumed.

A man who exhibited "the largest ox in the world" in Toronto without a license, was arrested under a by-law requiring license for the exhibition of "unnatural curiosities." The wise magistrate discharged him, ruling that his big ox did not come under that head.

Two and a half million tons of ice have been harvested in the up Hudson stores-houses. The last of the gathering was \$2,000,000. The ice is ten to eighteen inches thick, of the best quality, and 6,000 men and boys and 1,800 horses were employed in cutting and hauling it.

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