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MORNING EDITION.

Representative Morrison thinks the Democrats will elect the next United States Senator from Illinois, and announces himself as a candidate.

Write it 1885. Vance, Vest and Voorhees will all be their own successors.

Capt. John Williams, who murdered the educated German, Otto Mayer, has been caught.

This is the time for new diaries and new resolutions. Make it your business to keep all of them well.

Some scandal attempted to blow up with dynamite the woolen factory at Hinsdale, Mass. Considerable damage was done.

Nicholas Longworth practiced as a lawyer for thirty-five years, made a large fortune, and then lost \$500,000 in his own making experiment.

After all of the speculation as to the new Cabinet that is to be the midwives know but little more than they did a month ago about it.

The New Orleans Exposition will not be ready and complete under a month. So do not be in a hurry to visit it or you may miss seeing a great deal.

Mr. Randall attributes the great depression in business to "exhaustive taxation." Put a pin there. Now consider where the taxation lies—what articles are covered.

The series of earthquakes in Spain are remarkable for their number. More than 2,000 persons are known to have been killed. The scenes in the ruined towns are said to be most heart-rending.

The cry has been, wipe out the internal tax in order to get rid of the Young, Motz and the whole "red-legged grasshopper" gang. But Cleveland will wipe them out, and they will wipe out the tax? Do you see?

It is understood that the Legislature will be asked to pass a law forbidding legislators and judges to receive free passes on railroads, steamboats, &c. If newspaper men were to be included it might give more than was solicited.

The New York Star, John Kelly's organ, has been sold to a son of Isaac W. England, the publisher of the New York Sun. What its politics are to be we are not informed.

We have seen as yet no Democratic endorsement or independent endorsement of Mr. Randall's views as to the abolition of the tax on whiskey and tobacco. Even the New York World, that so much admires and praises him, says:

"Mr. Randall wants the 'internal system' swept away. We decidedly differ from him on that point, and so, we believe, will the Southern people he addresses. They will probably see in the abolition of the large whiskey tax, which is not a burden on them, the certainty of the retention of their duties which increase the cost of living and weigh heavily upon them."

Among the distinguished dead of 1884 we may note the poet Charles Fenno Hoffman, Charles O'Connor, Gov. John Fletcher, Wendell Phillips, Robert H. Bishop, B. B. Smith, Charles J. Folger, Chevalier Wilcox, Senator Henry B. Anthony, Gen. James Watson Webb, and Thomas Kininella. The three last named were editors. Among Southern men were Judah P. Benjamin, Paul Morphy, and Bishop George F. Pierce. We will extend the list hereafter.

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WHOLE NO. 5707

The year 1884 was full of disaster to business. There were in the United States 11,600 failures, an excess over 1883 of 1,300 and 1,100 more than in 1878.

A peculiarly discreditable feature of the year's showing of business disasters is the unusually large number of bank failures. One hundred and twenty-one of these institutions suspended during the year.

A rascal tried to rob two handsome women of the town while they were walking one of the streets in Chicago. They turned upon him, and after a sharp and short conflict so punished him that he called for quarter lustily.

Prof. J. C. Baker, according to the Charlotte Observer, thus prophesied for January 1st—cloudy and cool. Yes, it was very "cool" in January to send the mercury up to 75 degrees, only one short of summer heat, on the first day of the year.

Spirits Turpentine.—It is not known when Gov. Seales will be inaugurated as Governor. The Constitution does not fix the day and the Legislature does not meet until the 7th of January.

Gov. Jarvis has ordered that an election be held January 15, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Gen. Seales from Congress.

It is reported that three Mormon elders are preaching in Rutherford county, near the South Carolina line. They have settled on the farm of Jas. S. Russell, who has joined them.

Meetings are being held and a church is to be built. The accession from the Baptists have been so large that New Pleasant Baptist church is almost without members.

New Berne Journal: The master of the schooner M. L. Wedmore, recently arrived at Washington, N. C., from the West Indies, reports that the whistling buoy off Heaps had drifted about fifteen miles to the northward from its mooring.

Asheville Advance: On Thursday evening last Rev. E. Ovis, a prominent minister of the Christian Church, at Kingston, N. C., arrived here on his way from Pennsylvania, where he had been on a visit to his former home.

On entering the car he took a seat near the stove. It was soon observed that the old gentleman (who was about 80 years old) had sunk from the seat to the floor of the car, and he was raised up and placed in a comfortable position.

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MYSTERIOUS SUICIDE.

The Dead Body of a Stranger Found with Its Throat Cut Across the River.

Yesterday afternoon some sportsmen who were gunning on the opposite side of the river from this city found the dead body of a man lying about three hundred yards from a ferry, at the foot of a large tree at which the Wilmington Light Infantry used to practice target-firing.

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OUR DOMESTIC.

Business for the Year 1884—Receipts and Exports of Cotton and Naval Stores—Arrivals, Tonnage, &c.

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