

Items of Interest.

Northern Maine is already buried under six inches of snow.

The great demonstration in favor of universal suffrage is proposed to be held in Brussels in January.

The business portion of the town of Garfield, Col., was destroyed by fire on the 31st; a number of persons were injured—one fatally—by the explosion of 600 pounds of giant powder.

A \$100 counterfeit note is said to be in circulation. Poor people will do well to be on their guard when accepting money of that denomination.

Fresno county, Cal., is making a canal 100 feet wide, from King's river, to irrigate 30,000,000 acres of dry and worthless desert.

"The fat girl," 17 years old, weighing 517 pounds, died at Baltimore a few days ago. She was married a few weeks since and was passing the honeymoon in the city in which she died. She was from Michigan.

Texas reports nine-tenths of its cotton crop picked and one-half marketed; Tennessee, one-half picked and one-third marketed; Mississippi and Louisiana, two-thirds picked and two-fifths marketed; Georgia, nine-tenths picked; Arkansas, one-fourth picked and one-fifth marketed; Alabama, 90 per cent picked and 50 per cent marketed; the acreage of the States mentioned is about the same as last year, but the yield is from 20 to 40 per cent less.

The Stewart Memorial Cathedral and St. Paul's School, at Garden City, L. I., are completed. The total cost is about \$3,000,000. The cathedral organ alone cost \$100,000. Bishop Littlejohn's residence, which is in course of erection, is to cost \$80,000.

There is a good deal of gossip in New York society over the rumored engagement of George Gould, son of Jay Gould, to Miss Carrie Astor, daughter of William B. Astor.

Massachusetts never before has been agitated as now. Politics the absorbing topic.

John Frost is noted at Albany, N. Y., for bringing the first celery to market. In this region he is familiarly known as "Jack."

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