

Three tramps were badly injured by the ditching of a freight train in Indiana, near Hoffman.

A New York paper alleges that Secretary Lamar has put four months work on his oration to be delivered at the Calhoun monument.

News comes to us that Senator Maxey, of Texas, joins his colleague, Senator Reagan, in refusing to sanction the attempt to array the Democratic party of the State against the prohibition movement.

The New York World says that 2,100 lbs of ink were consumed in printing its last Sunday's edition. From our knowledge of the printing business, we believe this to be a gross exaggeration—to say the least of it.

To-day the Calhoun statue is to be unveiled. Secretary Lamar accompanied by Secretary Fairchild, Senators Vest and Voorhees, Hon. W. W. Corcoran and Mr. Dawson, Commissioner of Education will be present. Secretary Lamar is to be orator of the day on the occasion, and will deliver an elaborate address on the life and character of the South Carolina statesman.

A great hubbub was aroused in the minds of the partisans on account of a St. Louis dispatch to the effect that Grover Cleveland had said he was not to be a candidate for re-election. They rushed to the White House, heard Secretary Lamont say that the President could not be seen, but that he was quite sure that he would or would not accept a renomination, that question is not now concerning him and I know of no occasion for its decision at this time.

Correspondence from the Grand Manan says that on the 12th instant the Canadian fishing cruiser Vigilant carried away her foretopmast while pursuing the American schooner Hattie Maud. The cruiser fired a shot or two after the Hattie Maud to induce her to heave to, but she paid no attention to the signal, and continued on to Eastport. The letter does not state whether blank or solid shot were fired. A great many fishing vessels were about the mouth of the bay of Fundy, looking for bait, and the commander of the cruiser has his hands full in watching them.

An elaborate statement made by F. N. Barrett, editor of the New York Grocer, is given, which sets forth, among other things, that the present average expenditure in the country per annum for malt and spirituous liquors and beer is \$700,000,000. The drinking population is estimated at (in 1886) 14,925,417, making an average expenditure per capita of \$47.90. Mr. Barrett shows by tables, covering five years, from 1833 to 1885 inclusive, that the consumption of spirits is decreasing, while that of beer is increasing and that there is a reduced use of wine as a beverage.

The Democracy of Sam Randall's own district seem to be after him with a long pole. A few days ago the Young Democratic Battalion of Philadelphia held a meeting at which Samuel J. Randall was held up to the country as the direct cause of the party's decadence in that city. That these young men should condemn his obstructive course in Congress thus boldly is not only significant in itself but it is gratifying to the Democrats of the country who have seen it

plainly for years that his policy has been injuring the party and bringing its pledges into disrepute. Mr. Randall is a selfish politician and adopts Democratic methods of action only when they serve his purpose.

FRANCE AND GERMANY.

The condition of affairs between these two countries seems alarming. It has been evident enough that there was really no friendship between the two countries since the war Louis Napoleon waged against Germany in 1871, and when his army was defeated and he was taken prisoner and compelled to submit to the enemy's terms. The French provinces of Alsace and Lorraine were ceded away by Napoleon, France was overrun by German troops, which made him so unpopular that his empress, Eugenia, was compelled to leave France at an hour's notice and he feared to return to France but made his way to England so soon as he was discharged as a prisoner of war, where he died.

Ever since, France has been a Republic, and the people of that country have been nursing their wrath against Germany, and manifested a disposition to be quite willing to again resort to arms, on occasion, for the recovery of Alsace and Lorraine.

The seizure of M. Schnaebels, a Frenchman, has made a tremendous sensation in all Europe. The French government seems to be taking the matter calmly, and doing everything it can to allay excitement, but war may come from the action of Bismarck, who seems to be anything but peaceable.

A war between the two countries will prove a terrible disaster to both, and perhaps to all Europe, for we know not how many of the empires and kingdoms of Europe may become involved.

The Lemaitre, a Paris newspaper, says that the Secretary of the German Legation there has informed M. Flourens, Minister of Foreign Affairs, that M. Schaeenables was arrested for tempting German recruits to desert, and that the offence was committed on German territory. The Secretary assured M. Flourens that ample reparation would be made if it was proven that the French soil had been violated.

A Singular Coincidence.

A little fellow recently arrived on this earthly scene, a veritable victim of circumstances over which he had no control, to a most forlorn situation. With no friends to greet him after his perilous journey, his mother coldly estranged from him by no faults of his own, his father absent and anonymous, he was sent to that genial foster-father, Hiram S. Shurtleff, who, when their fathers and mothers forsake children, takes them up at the State House. The matron administering the affairs of the comrades in desolation assigned a name to the nameless one from her list of names waiting to be called for, giving the little stranger the appellation Albert Johnson. Later his genealogy was traced, when the queer coincidence transpired that the boy had received the identical name of his, till then unknown father. Fate has seen fit that the son should bear the name of his unworthy sire, rather than that of his mother, which the law would have conferred had it previously possessed her identity. The small chap scored one at the outset. May he always be as successful in getting his own!—Boston Transcript.

It is said that a letter from Rudolph Schnaubelt, the much-looked-for anarchist and the alleged thrower of the Haymarket bomb, has been received in Chicago, dated "Christina, Norway, March, 1887." The fugitive denies throwing the bomb, but intimates that he is sorry he did not do it, and he only left because he knew it was not safe for him in Chicago.

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