

Wednesday, January 7, 1896.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Four hundred thousand sewing machines were made in Germany last year, notwithstanding the competition of American companies, and probably many more were made this year.

A new method of bridge building has been successfully tried at Dinard, in France. The structure was built on shore and then pushed across the water. It is 184 feet long, weighs over 200 tons, and was moved into its place by a dozen powerful windlasses.

With regard to the degree of temperature in which men can work in tunneling high mountains, Professor Raymond says it is possible that work can be carried on for a short time at 60° Centigrade, if the atmosphere is dry, but not beyond 40° when the air is saturated with moisture.

It is announced that skeleton sermons can now be purchased in New York, which may be stuffed by the preacher according to taste. This, in a measure, does away with the necessity of "unconscious plagiarizing," as some of the reverend gentlemen designate their pious pulpit pilferings.

The New York Herald wants to know if it is "not time" that the word "Gentile" was made obsolete in the Mormon Territory. We answer yes, if it is also time to make the word "Mormon" obsolete in this Territory and elsewhere. If you don't say "Mormon" we won't say "Gentile."

Rev. Dr. J. P. Leavitt, xviii. 13 Newman is to start an anti-Popery newspaper soon in New York, but he decides that Dr. Leavitt is going into partnership with him. If he makes no more impression on the Catholics than he did on the Latter-day Saints, Leavitt will be a weak word to express his anti-Papal collapse.

The Republicans, in exclaiming against what they denominated the "Maine outrage," are quoting the adage: "Resistance to tyrants is obedience to God." If the "Mormons" were to make use of this motto, what a howl of "Treason!" would go up to heaven from every nook and corner of the country.

The new legal rate of interest in New York that took effect with the New Year, is 6 per cent. The National and State banks are liable to forfeiture of twice the amount of interest in case of usury, and other infractions of the law incur a penalty of \$1,000 fine or six months imprisonment, or one year of both principal and interest. Six per cent is enough in that part of the country.

A German priest in Syria lately lost his life from a wound caused by a steel pen. He had a careless habit of leaving the pen in the inkstand, with the point sticking upward, and he inadvertently struck with the point of the pen the point of a pen that was sticking upward. The hand was only slightly wounded, but the next day he felt seriously ill, and the doctor declared it a case of blood poisoning. On the third day the hand and arm were terribly swollen, as high up as the shoulder, and after suffering great pain for eight weeks he died.

It is well known that the writing ink manufactured by Brother Geo. Goddard, of this city, is an excellent and enduring article. But it is only quite recently that its power to resist the action of frost has been discovered. Other inks when frozen are entirely spoiled, the constituent parts separating and leaving a useless liquid with a muddy sediment. Goddard's ink may be thoroughly frozen, but when thawed out it is as good as ever. We have a bottle of it which has been thus treated and it is now in excellent condition. This renders this fluid very valuable in this latitude and altitude, and it is a really good and durable ink, anyhow, it should be extensively patronized.

We have received a copy of the Seed Annual, published by D. M. Ferry & Co., seed merchants, of Detroit, Michigan, who have just erected a mammoth seed store in probably the largest seed store in the United States. It extends 100 feet by 120 feet, is four stories high, besides the large basement under the whole building. This area of the combined floors is nearly five acres. This house do an immense business, growing on their own seed farms a large proportion of the seeds they sell. They are entirely reliable, and our readers would do well to send to them for their beautiful Seed Annual before purchasing their supply of vegetable or flower seeds. Their advertisement is in our columns. The book is sent free to applicants.

Dr. Hollinger, a celebrated divine, states that Mohammedanism is rapidly increasing. He says that "a Moslem university is flourishing at Sierra Leone, in which are being educated a thousand young men whose lives will be as absolutely surrendered to the cause the school represents as were the lives of the early soldiers of the crescent, who counted it joy to fall in its defense on the field of battle. In China the followers of this ancient symbol have, hitherto beyond computation, fifty thousand raiding in Tonquin alone. Among the May-layans and the Islanders of the eastern archipelago, it is reported that 18,000,000 have been won over to its support; and still one-fifth of the dwellers on the earth are enrolled in its army, of whom 50,000,000 at least are subjects of her Majesty Queen Victoria."

WANT AND DESTITUTION IN "CHRISTIAN" CITIES.

The severe weather that has prevailed during the holiday season has developed several cases of suffering which serve to show the condition of extreme want in which great numbers of people exist in the large cities of Christendom. In New York a man was arrested the day before Christmas for breaking a window and stealing a number of metal fasteners. He gave a false name, appeared very stubborn and was committed to jail, but on being let out by the officer, he utterly broke down, exclaiming in tones of agony, "Oh! my poor wife and starving boy!" The magistrate called him back, questioned him closely and elicited the fact that his wife and child were literally starving to death in a garret, and that unable to obtain food either by work or charity, he had attempted to steal the fasteners with the intention of pawing them. His statements were found to be correct, and the case being made known, benevolent people amply supplied the wants of the perishing family.

In the same great city on the 30th ult., a man was fished out of East River, who had jumped in with the intention of committing suicide. He was taken before a police magistrate, haggard and forlorn, with the rags clinging to his lean form, and wet, from the recent soaking in the ice-cold stream. When questioned as to his motive for committing the unlawful act he said, as he huddled himself in his rags:

"What else, in the name of God, can a man do when the world turns its back on you and begging 'til you earn you a curse or a blow; when you try to get into the poorhouse, the workhouse, anywhere, and they won't receive you; when you steal and get for it not a month or a week in jail, but only a kick, there is little left for a man but to end himself."

He emigrated to America in 1851 and got along very well when he could obtain work, but latterly, being unable to obtain employment and being refused help by the city authorities and charitable institutions, he tried to steal so as to get locked up and fed. But he did it in so public a manner, that the proprietor of a store from which he took some shoes, merely kicked him into the street, after recovering the property, saying that thrashing was enough for such a vagabond as he. No one would do anything for him, so he attempted self-destruction. He was committed to the care of the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction.

The New York Herald, in commenting on this case, says: "In spite of all that may be said to the contrary, there are plenty of men in New York who are about as desperate and helpless. That branch of charitable effort that is charged with getting work for people who are unable to find it for themselves is wretchedly inefficient."

In the city of Baltimore a whole family died of starvation surrounded with plenty, and the extravagance of Christmas festivities. The following from the Philadelphia Evening News, is only one out of many cases of destitution which abound at this inclement season.

"A poor woman entered the Central Station this morning and asked for the magistrate. She was decently but thinly clad, and carried a small parcel in her hand. When the magistrate was pointed out by her she placed her parcel on a chair and, drawing her faded shawl around her she timidly approached his desk.

"'Won't you please send me to the Correction, sir,' she asked. 'I am very cold and have no home. All last night I walked the streets, with no place to put my head.'

"'I am sorry for you, madam,' replied Magistrate Smith, in a kindly voice, 'but I can do nothing for you. The law does not permit me to commit people without proper cause.'

"'But surely you can send me to prison,' pleaded the wretched woman. 'If I was in there I would be safe, and I would have something to eat. I know.'

"'I can do nothing for you,' said the magistrate, 'I haven't the power, and he turned away from her head.'

"'Then heaven help me,' said she, bursting into tears, 'for I cannot help myself.'

"She turned toward the door, stooping to pick up her little bundle, which some one had thrown upon the floor. She walked wearily out of the place."

The traders of the people of Utah often treat of the poverty prevailing here, where no one need or is permitted to lack the common necessities, and where nearly all possess the ordinary comforts of life. We are thankful to say that during the holiday times just over the wants of the poor were amply supplied, and that in Utah no such case of destitution as related above has ever disgraced the Territory or is likely to occur among the Latter-day Saints community but incorrectly denominated "Mormons."

PROBLEM SOLVING.

The Philadelphia News, speaking of the fight over the Governorship of Utah, says: "What is needed is a man of nerve, and if President Hayes can only find a miniature Grant for the position, the 'Mormon' problem would soon be solved." The only need for a "man of nerve" is the pelting and backbiting to which he is sure to be subjected, from a small and disreputable clique, if he does not join them in their villainy. If he has the nerve to totally ignore them, as he would a kennel of barking canines, he can get along well enough whoever he may be. But as to solving the "Mormon" problem, nerve is not the requisite ingredient. The more nerve you apply to it by way of force, the stronger it will grow and the more difficult to handle. And the Governorship has no bearing on the matter, anyhow. People talk about that small office as though it contained power as extensive and despotic as the Obedience of all the Russias, while it is a \$2,000 position that is almost a sinecure."

The Stockton (Cal.) Independent, testing the "Evolution" which seems to trouble so many manufacturers of anti-"Mormon" nostrums, recommends that the "Mormon" system be eradicated by means more comprehensive and more potent than those hitherto employed, that shall at once and forever annihilate the system. And what is this potent and irresistible solvent to be? Here it is: "the flat of the fundamental law of the land." Gracious goodness! Is not this enough to make the insoluble "Mormon" quake in their boots!

Go on with your flats, send on your supplies of nerve power! But legislators and would-be reformers, just lay this to heart: There is no problem to solve only one of your own creation. Treat the "Mormons" as you would other citizens of the United States, and Utah, as other Territories of the Union, with equal population, and the "problem" would cease to trouble your addled brains forever, or so long as you follow the little adage, "Mind your own business."

BY TELEGRAPH.

THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH LINES.

EASTERN.

Garfield for Senator.

COLUMBIA, O., 7.—The republican senatorial caucus was held last night and Gen. James A. Garfield was nominated for United States Senator by acclamation. Major Stephen C. Clark withdrew in the name of Stanley Matthews in favor of Garfield. Benjamin Eggleston withdrew the name of Alphonso Taft and ex-Governor Denison sent a note to the caucus withdrawing his own name. Gen. Garfield is in Cleveland.

Deliberate Suicide.

INDIANAPOLIS, 7.—John M. Carr, a prominent citizen of Rockville, Ind., committed suicide last morning. He waded into a mill race to the depth of three feet and shot himself with a revolver in the right temple.

Senators' Expectations.

WASHINGTON, 7.—Secretary Schurz expects the Ute Indians to arrive at Washington Sunday night. The Secretary is inclined to believe that as a result of this visit of Ouray and his party all the Indians demanded will be surrendered.

New Railroad Scheme.

SAVANNAH, 7.—An important railroad scheme was arranged here to-day, resulting in a new through railroad line from St. Louis to New York via Savannah.

Honest Money War.

MILWAUKEE, 7.—The Honest Money League resolved last night to maintain its existence and secured resolution sustaining Secretary Sherman in his financial views and also favoring Bayard's recent financial resolution. A strong committee from the League was appointed to present the views of the organization before the finance committees of the House and Senate.

A DAY OF EXCITEMENT.

Neither Party Disposed to Back Down.

AUGUSTA, 7.—The governor did not agree with the committee who waited upon him to-day, that no preparations were needed at the Capitol for preventing disturbance. There was no indication as to what course would be pursued. Moses Harriman, of Kentucky (fusionist), announces that he will not participate in the action of the House till the legal members are seated. The caucus of fusion members of the Senate was held last evening. John D. Lawson, of Idaho, member of the last House, from Freedom, was nominated for President of the Senate, and John C. Talbot, of East Machias, nominated for Speaker of the House. A hearing was had before the Governor and Council yesterday afternoon, on a petition for the admission of 12 republican representatives from five cities. A. A. Stratton, a member of the Portland committee, and claimed that they should have had the original certificates, but all doubt had been removed by the opinion of the court in behalf of all representatives. He would waive the usual 20 days notice. He asked for the certificates that they might participate in the organization of the Legislature. The Governor informed the gentleman that it was a matter for the consideration of the Council. The matter was referred to a committee of the Council who subsequently informed Stratton they would report to-morrow morning.

In their appeal to the Governor asking the removal of the Governor from the State House they say: "Never before in our history has an armed mob been seen within the walls of this building devoted by our fathers to order, law and peace. It is a great public scandal that at the very portals of a building thus consecrated to the people should be kept all day in doors who are not obliged to go out, the lobbyists of the Augusta House, on Capitol Hill, which is the centre of interest, has been crowded all day. The republicans are in a large majority and all the leading men of the party are in the city. Those who are arranging the program have been busy enough. It is understood the arms will be removed from the State House to-night. Governor Chamberlain has called upon the superintendent of the State buildings to report to him forthwith the number of men employed as a guard in the State House, by whose order they were entered, what purpose they were out of what fund they were to be paid. They are already discharged and to-morrow the State House will be guarded only by the civilian police."

Money Being Used to Still Further Complicate Matters.

The republicans have nominated Jos. A. Locke, of Cumberland, for President of the Senate and Geo. C. Weeks, of Augusta, for Speaker of the House. The Council to-day refused to confirm the nomination of Col. A. W. Wilder as railroad commissioner. The order for issuing tickets of admission to the State House to-morrow proved extremely offensive and has been rescinded; also will be taken, however, to prevent forwarding of the business can be transacted. The contract to-morrow will be of great interest, although nothing has an outbreak in connection with the plan of operations; their effort being to conceal it. They avow they will not show their hand to the enemy.

They have held three caucuses to-day and steadily profess their ability to organize both houses to-morrow. So far as the Senate is concerned, this is an undoubted fact, but they cannot rally a quorum in the House, and it is the purpose of the republicans to hold the advantage gained by the breakage in the quorum. It is positively known that four fusionists have refused to act in the organization, viz., Voter, Spruiell, Snow and Harrison. Swann, of Maine, is said to have renewed his allegiance to the fusionists. This will leave 24 fusionists, two less than a quorum, and as the republicans will absent themselves, this will render the transaction of business impossible. It is hinted that the fusionists will disregard the requirements of a quorum and proceed to business with the number they may have, but this is not generally believed. The republicans held a caucus last night, every member elect in the city being present, whether counted in or counted out, and the absent ones will reach here to-morrow. There was great enthusiasm and entire harmony on the line of action to be pursued.

Portland, 7.—In a press dispatch, this morning a letter appeared, signed by Thomas B. Swann, of Maine, saying he would not act with the fusionists. The following affidavit, which will appear in to-morrow's issue, are therefore self-explanatory.

Augusta, Jan. 6.—I, Thomas B. Swann, of Maine, hereby on oath, the evening of the 5th of January, I was informed by a reliable person, that he had been offered \$1,000 by one of the agents of the republicans to resign his position as representative to the legislature of Maine, and not act with the greenback or democratic party. I therefore consulted with the reading members of the greenback party and informed them that I would have it hinted to said agent that my resignation could be effected with money, and if I was offered a thousand dollars I would take it and sign the papers that would request, and then expose their plan to defeat the will of the people by bribery. The party whom they endeavored to induce to resign, the 5th inst., formed said agent that I could be purchased, and 10 o'clock on the 5th was appointed for me to be at the time appointed and meet the said agent, whose name I now suppress. A trade was made, and said agent paid me \$1,000 in cash. Said agent informed me that they had got three or four men to resign, away from the House of Representatives, so we could not have a quorum present. I was required to copy in my own hand the papers which they had prepared and signed, and to sign the same. I refused to do so, and said I would have the thousand dollars in my possession, and have shown it to several parties. (Signed) THOMAS B. SWANN.

Personally appeared Thomas B. Swann, and made oath that the above affidavit by him is true, before me. (Signed) E. H. GOVE, J. F. for the State.

Augusta, Jan. 5. I, Thomas B. Swann, in the presence of Hon. E. H. Gove, State Senator, and Hon. E. H. Gove, State Representative, make this statement: I have this day been approached by an agent of the republican party to resign a representative for money. I am going to take the money to-morrow and thus show to the people the fraud and corruption of the republican party. I expect to have another party also take money for the same purpose. (Signed) THOMAS B. SWANN.

This is a true copy of the paper I now hold, and which copy was made and signed as aforesaid, on the 5th and 6th of January, 1896, in the presence of Hon. E. H. Gove, State Senator, and myself. (Signed) E. H. GOVE.

Moses Harriman also makes an affidavit identical in every point to that of Thomas Swann. Boston, 7.—Dispatches from Augusta received here last night say: Governor Garcelon has issued a general order turning over to the property of the State to Major General Chamberlain for its protection. Dispatches also say that the probability of the election of a fusionist as president of the senate who will become acting governor at the expiration of Garcelon's term of service.

Memphis, Tenn., 7.—A fire last night, at 10 o'clock, burned buildings 333, 335, 337 and 339 Main Street. The buildings were two stories high, and were destroyed, together with the stock. The origin of the fire was at 10 o'clock under control. The front walls of the building fell and buried three firemen in the ruins, killing some and seriously injuring others.

A South American Dignitary. New York, 7.—President Prado, of Peru, who has been supplanted by Gen. Piérola, now dictator, arrived in this city yesterday. In a talk with a Tribune reporter, he said he did not know of the change of the government until he reached New York. He gave no answer to the result of the change and as to the war with Chili.

Disgraceful Banquet. A banquet given in honor of the departure from Peru, differing from that furnished by the President himself. It is said in the Tribune that the banquet was a disgraceful one, and that the country to prevent his going to the treaty of the Bolivian allies is severely commented on in Lima.

Very Respectable Indeed. The Herald's Washington special says: The Ladies' Anti-Polygamy Society of Utah, an organized association of ladies desirous of the suppression of polygamy, have sent here for presentation to the House of Representatives, a memorial asking the expulsion of Dele-gate Cannon, from Utah. It gives the number of his wives at four, their names, and the number of children each has. The aggregate being about 20. A Mrs. Cook, formerly a Mormon, leads as President of the Society, and Mrs. Chislett, a former member of the church, is secretary. The remainder of the officers are mostly Gentile ladies, among them Mrs. Hollister, a sister of Senator John H. Weir. The Society is represented as a very respectable one, both by reason of its numbers and the character of its members.

Timid Answer Showing a Hint. The Sun says: Tilden was asked if he knew anything about the Maine business, and he replied: "I was never consulted directly or indirectly about the course the canvassing officers of Maine should or should not pursue. I never directly or indirectly, gave advice to them. I have been fully occupied for two months with private business and have not even read what has been said about the Maine affair. I know nothing about the Maine controversy, and have no opinion. I believe that the popular will ought always to be respected."

Brother's Answer Few Facts.

The annual sale of Plymouth Church pews took place last night, and Rev. Broderick welcomed the bidders. The amount realized was \$10,000, which is just \$100 less than the amount realized last year.

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