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NEWS OF THE DAY.

The Empress of Germany will shortly visit the Empress of India.

The postmaster at Sandusky, Ohio, has just been added to the list of official thieves.

The Governor of Massachusetts vetoed the bill recently introduced by that State to legalize the marriage of James Parrot with the daughter of his late wife—"Fanny Fern."

The Count von Arnim is to be impeached for high treason.

Two thousand soldiers have just left Spain for Cuba.

A meeting of influential persons who favor arbitration for the settlement of international disputes was held at Vienna on Wednesday last.

The crew of the Dutch ship *Egidia* and *Pauline* was rescued at sea in an exhausted condition.

Three fatal stabbing cases in New York city, last night.

Bathing houses washed away by high tides at Coney Island.

Mr. S. Hirsch, a wealthy Hebrew lawyer, drowned in New York.

Bellap's trial was resumed in the U. S. Senate this afternoon.

Clymer's committee have begun the investigation of the large amount of money spent in connection with the *Mary Merritt*.

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EDITORIAL NOTES.

Tarsus, Saul's place, is reported to have lost, by fire, \$5,000,000 of property, ruining 8,000 persons. Rats nibbled a package of fiction matches. Hence the fire.

The presbytery of Peoria, Ill., don't want him, that is, Rev. Glen-deneing. They decline by a large majority. The gentleman can go back to Jersey Heights.

It is said that negotiations are in progress for the transfer of the entire fire insurance capital, about \$30,000,000, of New York City to the State of New Jersey, and that some of the largest life insurance companies originating in New York already have New Jersey charters.

The New York *Herald* takes a cheerful view of the business outlook—"We think that as far as we can read the columns of the *Herald*, the business prospects of the city are better now than many have anticipated. The fact that the owners of real estate in the city prefer to hold their investments, to selling them at panic prices is a good sign. Altogether, we may feel that we are to have a better year than we had for some years past."

The Washington *Star* of April 22 says, "In view of the repeatedly expressed desire of Dom Pedro to travel through the United States as a private gentleman, and his aversion to all public display in his behalf, the House committee on foreign affairs have resolved to report adversely to the arrangements for a public reception at Washington, contemplated by the resolution adopted a few days since."

This is the irreverent way in which the Carson (Nev.) *Appeal* talks of the recent legislative session of that State—"And so the great tent is folded, the lights extinguished and the show closed for the season. And next year we suppose the time-honored *spectacles* will be repeated, and probably the often-begaled public will be quite ready to be beguiled again. Let the ringmaster again crack his whip, and the posturing baboon renew his grimaces. Whoop la! great is the power of humbug."

The same paper says—"The few garden seeds on hand in the Department of Agriculture will be reserved for those residing in the northern sections of the Union who have not as yet had any. The demand for them this year has been unprecedented, and in consequence of the increased labor and small clerical force, thousands of letters applying for them have been unanswered. Where parties have failed to receive the seeds or answers to their letters, this must serve as an explanation. The distribution is equalized as near as possible."

THE BRIBERY IN CHRISTIANOV'S BILL.

HAIRY IDEAS struck the Hon. Senator Christiany that his bill to "regulate" elections and the suffrage in Utah is practically a big piece of bribery, bribery of the basest kind! If it has not so appeared to him, it so appears to us, and we can see how he can fail to appear to all candid and intelligent people, as we will immediately proceed to show, for the benefit of those unfortunate who cannot see, and those malignant who will not see, for after all, peradventure they may conclude to profit thereby more or less. At all events, we may give them the chance to do so.

The senator's bill prohibits from voting or holding office every citizen who is "living and cohabiting contemporaneously with more than one woman, recognizing or claiming them as his wives," and has entered into that relationship since 1862.

Everybody knows on might know, and if Senator Christiany does not know, then he is more ignorant upon a visual inspection than any senator, or any citizen of ordinary intelligence even, ought to be, that the doctrine and the practice here outlawed is a matter of religion, and consequently of conscience, to

most of the inhabitants of the Territory, to nearly all the people to whom the bill applies.

Therefore, it follows naturally and uncontroversibly, we think, that this provision in Christiany's bill is of the character of a direct bribe to every Latter-day Saint, or "Mormon," whose domestic relations may subject him to the prohibition; that is, to disfranchise and disability to hold office.

The bribe is, the right to vote, and to be put into office. This is the consideration offered, a consideration which there is no constitutional right to take away on the grounds in question. Still

Christany's bill does so, the question of constitutionality not appearing to be regarded by some people as of any weight when pro-

priation of the "Mormons" is discussed.

The baseness of the bribe is of a two-fold character—it is an attempt to cause people to renounce their religion, and to do violence to their conscientious convictions of truth and duty; and it holds out great inducements to persons who have married more than one wife, to desert and disown them and their children, presents the right of suffrage and to hold office as the inducement for a man to forsake his wives and hold them up to the world as prostitutes and their children as illegitimates. This is a nice kind of business for an honorable Senator, a member of a Christian Legislature to be engaged in, isn't it? What can really honorable persons think of a man who is guilty of perpetrating such an enormity, and of seeking the sanction of Congress for it?

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