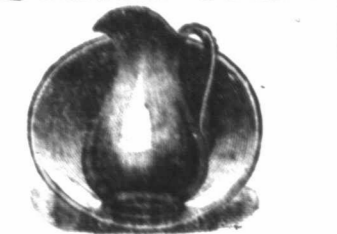


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How the Representatives of a Great and Glorious People Wound Up the Week.

Cuttings from Congress, the Committee and the Curator.

SENATE PROCEEDINGS

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INTERESTING CROP STATISTICS

Reports of Cotton and Wheat to the Department of Agriculture.

Washington, June 14.—Returns to the department of agriculture indicate an increase in the area planted in cotton of some what over 2 per cent.

As compared with the average of 1878, the increase is as follows: North Carolina, 47 counties reporting 106,000 acres; Florida, 12 counties, 12,000 acres; Alabama, 28 counties, 103,000 acres; Georgia, 29 counties, 100,000 acres; Louisiana, 18 counties, 98,000 acres; Texas, 58 counties, 107,000 acres.

The average condition is not high as last year, being 96, while in 1878 it was 99. The stand is generally good, but some two weeks late.

The June returns to the department of agriculture show the average condition of winter wheat at 90 against 95 last year.

The Pacific coast is considerably over the average, Oregon rising to 101. The south Atlantic states average 96, South Carolina reporting wheat, 94, all the states being 95, Indiana reaching 100; New England averages 94, the middle states 86, the gulf states 83, and the trans-Mississippi states 79.

The drought has been felt more or less over a large part of the country. In the south some complaints of winter killing, and from the north and west of the Hoosier Valley, grasshoppers also have been heard of beyond the Mississippi.

Of spring wheat the average sown this spring was about 4 per cent. increase over last year. On the Pacific coast, California reports 100 per cent. increase, while Oregon falls off 1 per cent. In trans-Mississippi and New England states the increase is 3 per cent. Texas retains her previous average.

Of the states north of the Ohio river, Ohio and Indiana make no report of spring wheat, and the other three states fall off 3 per cent. Minnesota increases 1 per cent., while Iowa decreases 1 per cent. The middle states fall off 10 per cent. The condition of spring wheat is about the same as winter wheat, 90, all the states being 90, the average. The crop has been subject to the same climatic influences as winter wheat. In the territories north raising has advanced westward more rapidly than statistical inquiries have been able to reach. There is a vast increase here which must be left to subsequent inquiry.

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LATEST INTELLIGENCE BY CABLE

Happenings and Doings in the Old World Yesterday.

Matters of Moment General and Some Things Interesting in Particular.

TO BE MADE INTO ORNAMENTS

London, June 14.—The old Arctic exploring ship, which formed part of Captain Austin's expedition in search of Sir John Franklin in 1850, is about to be broken up at Chatham dock yards.

Ornaments and handsome pieces of furniture are to be made from the best timber which the admiralty intend to present to the president of the United States as souvenirs of the occasion when the results were found in the American whalers, abandoned in the ice, and the government of the United States had heretofore sent a vessel to recover her to the British admiralty.

THE INTER-OCEANIC CANAL PROSPECTS

London, June 14.—On the final sitting of the International canal congress to-day, M. de Lesseps said that in order to prove the reality of the interests taken in the construction of the projected Panama ship canal, and to prevent undue advantage being taken of the project, he had ordered a boat to be built with a 15-inch slide and swinging row locks.

The Sporting Life states that the training of Hanlan and of Elliott for their great match on the Tyne on Monday, June 16, is completed, and that both men are in splendid condition.

THE ELECTRIC LIGHT

London, June 14.—The parliamentary committee's report on the electric lighting says sufficient progress has been made to encourage the electric light system as an important factor for illuminating, and even the present status of development may be advantageously used for large areas, but is not far enough advanced to compete with gas for domestic purposes.

THE UNITED STATES AND SERBIA

Belgrade, June 14.—The American government has replied very favorably to the note proposing that the United States should guarantee the principality of Serbia in the United States.

THE MASSACHUSETTS DEMOCRATIC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Boston, June 14.—At a meeting of the Democratic executive committee, Hon. Leverett Saltonstall resigned the chairmanship, and Reuben E. Noble was appointed in his stead.

THE POINT BREEZE BLAZE

Philadelphia, June 14.—The fire at Point Breeze, which broke out on Saturday night, was extinguished by the fire department.

ON ANOTHER STRIKE

More Trouble With the Longshoremen at New York.

New York, June 14.—The longshoremen who resumed work at the Anchor, Inman, National and Union lines a few days ago at reduced rates, struck again yesterday, alleging that the companies refuse to pay them the extra price agreed on for night work.

A Normal Inhabitant Convicted

Salt Lake, June 14.—Geo. R. Reynolds, a normal inhabitant, was convicted of a crime.

ON FOR LIBERIA

New York, June 14.—The bark Moravia sailed for Liberia to-day with fifty negro immigrants.

STATE NEWS

Brick is the favorite building material at Fort Worth. Fifteen brick buildings are now in course of erection at that place.

Dallas mourns the absence of Fort Hartman, a member, who has left numerous unpaid bills behind him.

Farmers throughout north Texas are complaining for rain, and if it does not come soon the corn crop especially will suffer.

Burglars and attempted assassinations are getting dangerously frequent at Houston. But the city is bankrupt and the police force has been reduced.

Harry Howe, a Houston milkman, was run away with and thrown from his wagon the other day, but escaped with having one ear nearly nipped off.

PUBLIC OPINION

Returns on the Subject of Tax Reductions and Official Duty.

SAN ANTONIO, June 14, 1879. Editor of the Daily Express.

Since my attention has been attracted, first to your publication of the report of the Grand Jury, in your issue of the 10th inst., and again to your comment upon the same, in your issue of the 11th, I feel it my duty to startle you by saying that I have not yet been half shown up; nothing has as yet been said in regard to the tax, but not only fail to pay their state and county taxes, but also their city taxes.

If the state and county have lost its tens of thousands, the city has also lost its thousands. There may be some excuse for our county officers if they fail to perform their duties, and to see that all who perform in spirituous liquors pay their proper tax, for our county is a large domain, and the number of officers is comparatively small; but there is no excuse, no palliative, for those who have for years past allowed our city to be systematically robbed of its revenue.

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A DESERTED VILLAGE

WHERE DEATH REIGNS SUPREME

A Visit to the Stricken Vermont Village—Its Terrible Sanitary Condition—Diagnosis of the Cause of the Fatal Mortality—Medical Opinions.

Newark, N. H., June 4.—Probably no more deserted village could be found in New England than the little settlement which has been lifted from its obscurity by the epidemic, and to have been caused by drinking water from a brook poisoned by decayed animal matter, and to which eight children fell victims, it stands in a double plain at the confluence of three little streams, which are feeders of the Passumpsic river. The houses are the most decayed, many of them in the last stages of decay and decomposition.

The school house, which has been the principal point of interest in the tragedy, is a low, square, unimproved building standing about fifteen feet back from the highway. The east end is so rotten that the accumulated water from rain or snow runs down from the adjoining hill, and after leaving the roof runs in a stream down the side of the building, and enters through cracks in the floor. The other three sides of the roof structure are unimproved with huge stones and the interior is filled up with earth, thus shutting off ventilation from that section. On entering the building there was a sensation of damp, oppressive and disagreeable to the senses, though and damp benches stood in rows, about a dozen feet apart, and beyond some wreaths of evergreen, no other, etc., constituted the furniture of the place.

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CARNIVAL IN TEXAS

Runaway Negroes Slaughter One of Their Number and Four Upon His Flesh.

There is in this city a Mexican by the name of Francisco Alvarez, now residing on East street, west of the San Pedro, who has frequently told a story about two runaway negroes, a man and a woman, ending up with the death of the latter.

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THE DITCH QUESTION

Third and Fourth Warders Want More Water, and Move in the Matter.

A meeting of citizens of the third and fourth wards was held yesterday at Niggle's hall, in the fourth ward, to discuss the irrigation ditch question, and to decide, if possible, some means whereby their water privileges might be improved.

The following is the report presented to the attention of the city council, which will be called at its next meeting.

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UNDER MORGAN'S HOTEL. Military Plaza. More, Better and Cheaper LIGHT.

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Weather Indications for To-Day

Waco, June 18.—Indications for the day: Falling barometer followed by rising barometer, warm southerly winds, clearing to cooler west and north, partly cloudy weather and possibly occasional rains.

LOCAL NEWS AND GOSSIP

S. Matr's. Rye and rook at Walker's. Regain health at Balthasar Springs.

Get Saloon, No. 2 Commerce street. Find your Milk Pans at Walker's. Saloon, for shaving, 7 Commerce St.

Mosquito nets cheap at A. Wolff's. New gloves of the latest fashion just received at S. Matr's.

Ladies' misses' and children's dresses at cost at A. Wolff's. Just received, another invoice of new lace at low prices, S. Matr's.

Dress goods at reduced rates at jett's-av. Out of our stock of corsets, all can suit themselves in style, quality and price.

Very large variety of fans at A. Wolff's. W. W. Herron, attorney at law and notary public, Office in the Devine building, Soledad street.

A great reduction in rates to the east via the I. & G. N. Lone Star route. They have still a handsome assortment of ladies' ready-made underwear at H. A. Wolff's.

Billie! not yesterday. Traps performance at the springs today. The building business appears to be on the wane.

Concert at Sommer's garden this afternoon commencing 7 o'clock. The turner's hall is rapidly assuming the shape of a building. A plank on the St. Mary's street bridge requires attention.

Our Present Governor and His Acts

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