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LATEST NEWS SUMMARY.

BY TELEGRAPH TO DATE.

A World's Washington correspondent says official society is now being much exercised over the fact that while the new British minister, Hon. Lionel Sackville West, is a bachelor, he has a family of children, two of whom he wishes to live with him. The World heads the item "Ought we to visit him," and concludes as follows: "It must be admitted that it cannot fail to be awkward for heads of families to explain to their families how a foreign minister can be at once a bachelor and head of a family."

The Times' Washington special has a new lot of cabinet rumors. Following are the latest: Ex-Senator Boutwell, it has been reported, has been offered the navy portfolio, but is not inclined to accept. Boutwell is believed to desire an appointment as U. S. circuit judge, and is urging the appointment of Judge Lowell of the Massachusetts circuit to a vacancy on the supreme bench caused by the death of Associate Justice Clifford, with the expectation of succeeding Judge Lowell. Wm. E. Chandler is mentioned as likely to succeed to the navy department should Boutwell decline that place. The interior department is said to stand between ex-Senators Chaffee and Sargent. The report is current to-night that Sargent has been telegraphed to come at once to Washington.

Governor Foster, of Ohio, whom political wise-ones claim is on the Blaine ticket for the campaign of 1884, held an impromptu levee in the corridor of the Fifth Avenue hotel this morning. "Are the knowing ones right this time in regard to your reported alliance with Mr. Blaine, governor," inquired a reporter. "There is not a word of truth in it," replied the distinguished man. "As far as Mr. Blaine is concerned, I believe he is not a presidential candidate. At least I judge so from the fact when I last saw him in Cleveland, he said he was discharged cured, or, in other words, was satisfied with his experience."

"It is said you were highly pleased over your recent friendly reception by President Arthur, and that you believe his administration will redound to the good of the country and to the republican party."

"Yes," replied the governor, "I was much gratified over my interview with the president, and regard him as an able and honest man. I firmly believe his administration will not be characterized by any act that will antagonize the republican party."

In Washington on the 20th, the house decided to postpone further consideration of the Utah case until after the holidays, Tuesday, January 10, being fixed. Campbell had expected the case already to be settled and had believed both Cannon and himself would have been sent to the committee, and Cannon not allowed a seat. The case is certain to attract a great deal of attention. The retention of this question already an voluminous and important legal and constitutional questions are to be answered. The indications are that democratic leaders will espouse the right of the Mormon apostle to his seat as a prima facie case, and that a majority of republicans will also adopt this view. A republican who has gained considerable reputation in the house already as a lawyer, who has courage to express his opinions, said today he was much opposed to polygamy as anybody, but did not think the polygamy of Utah could be destroyed by seating a man who had not been elected, when his opponent was elected and had a regular certificate to that effect. Mr. Cox of New York, it is understood, intends to be the champion of apostle Cannon's case in this congress, as Clarkson N. Potter was in the forty-fourth. The incident may have had no significance, but when Hill of New Jersey desired to have printed in the Record a protest from a large number of citizens against polygamy in Utah, Blunt of Georgia objected, on the ground that he did not wish to enumber the Record with such material.

The senate judiciary committee unanimously agreed to report back the nomination of Benj. H. Brewster, attorney-general, with recommendation that he be confirmed.

The senate committee on naval affairs, decided to postpone action on the nomination of Pay Director Walcott to be postmaster-general, and other contested navy nominations until after the holidays.

The bill introduced by Representative McMillan, relative to the income tax, provides for the assessment and collection of a three per cent. tax from each person, corporation, banking association, telegraph company, railroad company, or other incorporated companies or firms doing business in the United States and territories, on all net incomes above \$3000.

The bill introduced by Representative Pettibone, relative to the retirement of army officers, provides that all general officers and officers of the different staff corps shall be retired from active service when they have served forty-five years in the army, and all officers of the line be retired when they have reached the age of sixty. The bill further provides that when general staff officers who have not served forty-five years and line officers who have not reached sixty are unable to properly perform their duties they shall be reported by the general of the army to the president, who will convene a board of officers to report the facts of the case, with recommendations; and should the board report disability as the result of services performed in the line of duty, the officer may be placed on the retired list, otherwise he may be retired with one year's pay.

SQUIRE SPECKLE'S CONSENT.

"Laws, Ben'jin, do hush!" said Ann Peggy, looking up mildly from her nest; "leastways find somethin' sensible to talk about."

But Ben Hunter was not the man to be easily stopped in a story he had set his mind on telling, and his good dame's gentle protest only seemed to whet the curiosity of the merry group who had met to spend their Christmas eve with the worthy old couple.

"Go on 'n' tell us," came from every side; and Uncle Ben, you may be sure, waited for no second invitation.

It was thus his story ran:

"When Peggy there was Peggy White, and turned of eighteen, there was 'n' her man for good looks 'thin, a range o' twenty mile 'n' back, 'n' she was 'n' bring her up, 'n' when he died left her all he had."

"It warn't that, let me say, as made me take a notion to Peggy. I've just told you how handsome she was; but even if that had been her money I was after, I'd precious little chance of ever gettin' it, for by her uncle's will, she married 'thout the consent of Josh'way Speckle, her guardian, she lost all; and there was about as much prospect of Josh'way Speckle consentin' to her marryin' me as there was of his doin' any other good-natur'd thing."

"Peggy 'n' me talk'd the thing over 'n' come to an understandin' that as soon as I'd scraped together enough for a start, we'd hitch some squatter on wuss, 'thout axin' Mr. Speckle's leave, let me thank you where it mout."

"One day I had to take a trip to a neighborin' settlement. The country was new 'n' wild then, 'n' the weather was hot 'n' my walk to be a long one, I didn't keer to carry more weight 'n' necessary, 'n' so left my rifle at home."

"Arter trudin' a spell I got into a deep thicket, 'n' a poaty soon I hear loud hollerin' as of somebody 'lin' for help."

"I made for the sound, 'n' ore long come to the edge of a deep gulch 'th' steep sides, 'n' I see a man 'n' a woman 'n' a ragin' stream dashin' along at the bottom."

"On 't'other side, up in the crotch of a tree sat a man, shuntin' 'n' murder, 'n' as he could screech; 'n' on the ground below, a big bear, 'n' a dog, 'n' a hantahoes, was lookin' up 'n' 'lokin' his lips mighty wistful like."

"'Hello, says I—'what's the matter?'"

"The man turned his head, 'n' lo'n behold, who should it be but Josh'way Speckle!"

"'Good mornin', Squire,' says I—'Josh'way, you see, 'd been lately lected Justice o' the Peace, 'n' 'liken bein' called by his no title."

"'You see, 'n' Ben'jamin,' says he, 'I've over time much glad to see you.'—'An' for the first time in his life he looked 's of he 'daly was."

"'You seem to be in a poaty tight o' place, Squire,' says I."

"'This mornin', 'n' I went out huntin' this mornin', 'n' all of a sudden that devourin' monster you see there come rushin' after me at full spilt out 'o' the bushes. I ups 'n' blazes away, 'n' he beves no time for a stiddy aim, 'n' makes a clean miss, 'n' the savage critter come tearin' on madder 'n' affre. Of course I had to run fo't, 'n' arter a sharp race barely succeeded in scramblin' up here."

"'I must confess I felt considerable much like remainin' neutral. However, says I, 'at last, 'n' I'm here.'"

"'What kin I do for you, Squire? You see I've a gun.'"

"'There's a young tree over there, 'n' says he, 'leanin' over the gulch from your side. You kin climb into it, 'n' 'n' a trap over here. My gun's but a little ways back yonder, 'n' I kin throw you my powder-horn 'n' bullet-pouch, 'n' you kin load up 'n' shoot the bear with no trouble at all.'"

"'An' 's'ars he, 'n' bear be doin' all the while,' says I. 'He's a lookin' at me from the tail of his eye this munit, 'n' I'm afraid of I drap over there it'll be plump into his jaws. There's only one thing to do,' says I, 'n' that's to go 'n' fetch my rifle 'n' shoot the varment from over here.'"

"'I guess that's so,' says he; 'but don't be gone long. The deap'rit brute has made two or three attempts to shin up here 'n' ready, 'n' there's no knowin' how soon he may succeed.'"

"'There's one thing I'd like to mention arter goin', Squire,' says I. 'I've had it on my mind for some time.'"

"'What's that?' says he."

"'Your ward, Peggy White.'"

"'Well,' says he, cockin' up one ear. 'I want your consent to her 'n' me gittin' married,' says I, speakin' squar' out."

"'He give a look at me, 'n' then one at the bear. It was more 'n' a minnit afore he spoke. I see that was a powerful in'd' strangle goin' on. Everybody know'd Josh'way Speckle'd sot his heart on marryin' Peggy to a nephew of his, 'n' so to keep her money in the family; 'n' I've no doubt he was debatin', just then, whether to tell me to go to the Old Scratch, takin' his own chances of truin' out the bear's patience, or to buy help with fair promises. Now, Josh'way was a prudent man, 'n' a strict believer in the doctrine of self-preservation. So 'last, says he, 'I've long had my eye on you as a suitable match for Peggy.'"

"'I'd more 'n' wunst hear Josh'way Speckle pronounced by good judges to be the shiest liar in the territory, but that whooper fairly took away all my breath."

GRANDMA'S CHRISTMAS TREE.

BY AUNT ADDIE.

Bertha and Ella, two little girls seven and nine years old, with their big brothers, Frank and Jimmy, left their home in the city one snowy December day, and started for the country where their papa had bought a farm, which was very near their grandpa's house.

When the cars stopped at the depot, they all went out on the platform, and there, waiting for them stood their own dear grandpa with their three little cousins, Lily, Mame and George, and their big cousin Lou and Bertie.

After a great deal of hugging and kissing and such a lot of questions, only little boys and girls know how to ask, they all climbed a queerest carriage the ever saw, and started for their grandpa's home, where they were going to stay until their own was ready for them.

For the next two days the little people were very busy. Mame, Lily and George had such treasures to display as made their little cousins' eyes sparkle with delight. First they all went to the barn-yard to look at the cattle, and very wonderful did the great old cow look down on Ella, while the flock of sheep were Bertha's great delight, and she decided that who would like to have one for her very own, and she would take care of it, so her grandpa said she might have her choice of any sheep she saw.

To the great amusement of the family Bertha closed the oldest and quietest sheep in the yard, a great fat, lazy fellow with dirty brown wool, sprinkled all over with black spots. The whole lot of faces was black as op' the very tips of his nose and one eye-brow, which would have been white if it had not been so very dirty.

"Why, Bertha," said cousin Lily, "why don't you take that sheep? I'll be sure to see one standing over there by its mother?"

"No, indeed," said Bertha, "do you think I could take that little old fellow? I'll be sure mamma, besides it is such a pretty little thing everybody will be good to it; but my old spotty one so she had named her sheep is so old and ugly that no one will like him or be good to him, and I am just going to put a red ribbon round his neck, and wash his face, and get brother Jimmy to make him a nice house, and then I guess he will be glad."

Grandpa thought Bertha was a very tender-hearted little girl, and then he told Ella she might take her choice of any animal on the farm for her pet.

After looking all over for some time she saw a flock of geese, and she thought she would like to have one for a pet; her grandpa told her she could have a pair of them.

Ella thanked her grandpa, and started toward the two who had been waiting for her. Mr. Gander and Mrs. Goose thought they ought to be consulted in the matter a little, and prepared to let them know what they thought of it.

Mr. Gander spread his wings and rushed toward Ella, while Mrs. Goose followed, dipping in her wings and making a great noise; cousin Bertha ran to the geese, and Ella came back to grandpa, saying:

"'Nasty, ugly things! I guess I won't have a goose for a pet; I'll be sure to take some other little chicken,' and so it was finally decided that Bertha should have a sheep and Ella a rooster, and cousin Lou a pig, and grandpa a pronouncement of their pets.

The next day it snowed part of the time, and the rest, but Bertha and Ella were so determined to visit the school in which their cousin Lou was teaching, and so, taking grandpa in unbelief, they started out, followed by Frank and Jimmy, who were going over to visit their home.

The wind had blown the snow into the corners of the rail fences and made little drifts, which the children thought fine fun to walk through, and so laughing, running and some shouting, they came to the top of a small hill, when Ella, very kindly, offered to spread the umbrella behind them and let the wind blow against it and so help them along.

The plan succeeded very well, and they were about half way down the hill, when an over hard gust of wind took them right off of the ground, and they fell through the snow, hitting noses down, and then they got up, and the umbrella up over them, making a nice little house.

As soon as Bertha and Ella could get out of their house and get the snow out of their eyes and ears they decided that any further help in getting down the hill was not needed.

After a few more tumbles, the children reached the school house, where Cousin Lou met them at the door, she thought by the shouting and laughing that a tribe of Indians had come to visit her.

The next day was the one before Christmas, and all the children were busy getting their Christmas presents ready.

Grandma had a secret all her own, and not till after supper did any one find it out; then the large folding doors between the sitting room and parlor were opened and there, in the center of the room, stood a large Christmas tree, beautifully trimmed from top to bottom with lovely, white, popper, cones and cranberries, strung on strings and looped over the dark green boughs of the tree. There were horns of plenty, made of white paper, and filled with hickory nuts, butternuts, beechnuts and apples.

On the lower limbs of the tree hung five bright, new sleds, marked with the names of Bertha, Ella, Mame, Lily, George, while on the topmost branches of the tree hung four dolls, beautifully dressed, and three dolls, the fingers of cousin Lou; there were skates for Bertha, Jimmy, Frank and George, besides presents for every member of the family, until it really seemed as if the tree could not hold any other thing.

But at last, amid exclamations of delight from the children, the crowning glory of the Christmas tree was discovered—grandma's oratorio, which were out into all sorts of fanciful shapes. One was a very ugly looking school-room, with a table and a chair, and another all declared should be given to cousin Lou; there were dolls, cats, and little boys and girls, and when grandpa brought to light the ugliest sheep that ever was seen, with ears and tail so long that it looked almost as much like a mule as a sheep, the laugh that arose almost took the roof off of Ella, and the sheep must be given to Bertha.

But grandma was not through yet, and with a comical twinkle in her bright blue eyes, she took down a wire, on one end of which was strung a flock of geese, with their necks stretched out, and their wings wide spread, while on the other end of the wire was a little girl who looked as though she was running for dear life; this was more than the boys could stand, and so they all gave three rousing cheers for grandma and her Christmas tree.

Young Folks Rural

Eating Before Sleeping.

Man is the only animal that can be taught to sleep quietly on an empty stomach. The brute creation resent all efforts to coax them to such a violation of the laws of nature. The lion roars in the forest until he has found his prey, and when he has devoured it he sleeps over until he needs another meal. The horse will paw all night in the stable, and the pig will squeal in the pen, refusing all rest or sleep until they are fed. The animals which chew the cud have their own provision for a late meal just before dropping off to their nightly slumbers.

Man can train himself to the habit of sleeping without a preceding meal, but only after long years of practice. As he comes into the world nature is too strong for him, and he must be fed before he will sleep. A child's stomach is small, and when perfectly filled, if no sickness disturbs sleep follows naturally and inevitably. As digestion goes on the stomach begins to empty. A single fold in it will make the little sleeper restless; two will wake it; and if it is pushed again to repose back, leaving a goodly dimple volume behind his brow that three folds put an end to the slumber. Paregoric or other narcotic may close its eyes again, but without either food or some stupefying drug it will not sleep, no matter how healthy it may be. Not only so, but the child who has been fed a minstrely in a celestial choir can sing a baby to sleep on an empty stomach.

We used the oft-quoted illustration, "sleeping as sweetly as an infant," because this slumber of a child follows immediately after its stomach is completely filled with wholesome food. The sleep which comes to adults long after partaking of food and when the stomach is nearly or quite empty, is not after the type of infantile repose, if there is all fulfillment in the world between the sleep of refreshment and the sleep of exhaustion.

To sleep well the blood that swells the veins in the head during our busy days must be reposed back, leaving a goodly dimple volume behind his brow that lately throbbled with such violence. To digest well, this blood is needed at the stomach, and nearer the fountains of life. It is a fact established beyond the possibility of contradiction that sleep aids digestion, and that the process of digestion is conducive to refreshing sleep. It needs no argument to convince us of this mutual relation. The drowsiness which always follows the well-ordering of a feast is a testimony of nature to this interdependence.—New York Journal of Commerce.

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THE GUTTEAU CASE still continues without any present indication of the precise date of its termination. Expert witnesses are still being examined and cross-examined. The tendency of the testimony appears to be prejudicial to the prisoner. The prisoner himself insists that he is not insane now but was insane when he fired the shot on July 24, claiming that he acted under an irresistible impulse. He is now settling down to quiet, shrewd conduct, merely attacking witnesses whenever the testimony seems to be against him.

GUTTEAU'S SOLACE IN JAIL.—The man who takes his meals to him puts them down and, after locking the cell gives a significant drawing of the right hand across his throat and throwing his right hand upward with the thumb standing, indicating that he will be hanged. At the same time he gives a significant bronchial utterance like a woman when she orders a horse to "get up." One of the jailers tells that Gutteau asked him the other day what he thought they would do with him. The jailer replied: "They will give you to me for about twenty minutes." "Well," said Gutteau, "what will you do to me?" The jailer answered: "I'll punch you all full of holes and let you linger three or four months, but inflict a mortal wound." The jailer is an Italian, stalwart, fierce and brigand-like-looking. He asked the other jailer, at another time, what he supposed would happen to him. The jailer took him out into the corridor, where he could see the scaffold, and told him the names of the different men who had quietly departed this life from that devoted spot. "Why," said the jailer, it is a pleasure to be hanged on that scaffold. It has been arranged so that those ropes you see there will be covered by the boxes you see, and we intend to have it painted nicely and have everything nicely fixed, so that the surroundings will not be unpleasant to you. If there is any color of paint you desire, or if you want different colors of paint in different parts of the scaffold, we can fix that for you, but you won't have any trouble; you can advance to the scaffold and go off easy. We will be obliged to hang you in order to save your life, because if we turn you loose the mob will not let you live. If we send you to an insane asylum they would put you in a mad ward, and the disgusted lunatics would kill you, sure as hades."

DELEGATE BRENTS has introduced, as he did at the opening of the last Congress, many bills, among which are these: One for the admission of Washington Territory as a State into the Union; and others to create two new land districts, to increase mileage of jurors and witnesses in Territories, to erect custom house and bonded warehouse at Port Townsend, to construct a wagon road across the Cascade Mountains from Renton to Ellensburg, validating acts of the Washington Legislature concerning school lands, to repeal the law which prohibits retired army officers from holding civil offices in the Territories, and for the appointment of a commission by the Secretary of the Navy to select a site on the Pacific coast north of the 42d parallel for a navy yard.

INTERNATIONAL GATHERING.—It is rumored in diplomatic circles in Washington that our Government has sent instructions to its representatives in Central and South America to submit to the Governments to which they are accredited a proposition for a revival of the much talked of Congress of Panama, for the better union of American nations. If this idea meets the approval of a majority of the different American Governments, it will probably be issued, asking each nation on the Western Continent to send delegates to meet in Washington in the fall of 1882. Whether the new administration will carry this new idea into effect remains to be seen.

IT'S A FITTY about Tom Hughes' Rugby colony, down in Tennessee. The regulations were such that its promoters had no hesitation whatever in saying that no one who joined this Arcadia could escape happiness and prosperity. Drought and sickness and a prevailing disposition on the part of the colonists to sit still and clamor for happiness and prosperity and turn up their noses at "possums, persimmons and other Southern delicacies are making the managers' lives very hard. Native observers incline to the opinion that Rugby has too much elegant leisure for a new country.

WASACS have been very numerous this year. The number reported by the English Lloyd from January 1st to November 1st was 883, about three hundred more than at the same time last year. The estimated loss to commerce is \$650,000,000.

LEGAL NOTICES.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO PURCHASE TIMBER LAND.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT LAND OFFICE, Olympia, Washington Territory. Notice is hereby given that, in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress approved June 3, 1878, entitled "An Act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington Territory," CHARLES E. EATON, of Whatcom County, Washington Territory, has this day filed in this office his application to purchase the SW 1/4 of Section No. 11, in Township No. 33 north, Range No. 4 east of the Willamette Meridian. Any and all persons claiming adversely the said described land, or any portion thereof, are hereby required to file their claims in this office within sixty days from date hereof. Given under my hand, at my office in Olympia, W. T., this 15th day of December, A. D. 1881. J. T. BROWN, Register of the Land Office.

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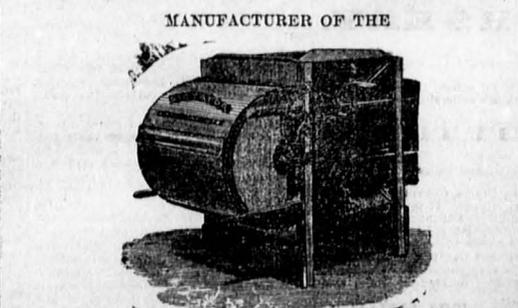
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LOCAL NEWS AND COMMENTS.

THE MAIL AND CHRONICLE.

THE MAIL, has entered into arrangements with the San Francisco Chronicle...

"HAPPY NEW-YEAR TO ALL." Now is the time to take a retrospective view of the past and shape our course for the future.

CONSIDERABLE BUSINESS, competition, and improvement is noticeable around town, not the least of which may be mentioned a new store of general merchandise.

WE HAVE REASON TO BELIEVE that the Steamer Welcome will, ere long, extend her trips to the mouth of the Nooksack River twice a week...

THE GRAIN CROP of this section is about all disposed of, buyers having made special efforts during the past week to get hold of the remaining surplus on hand.

THE OLYMPIA COURIER thinks that a large majority of the "late" Legislature was a very small potato, so to speak.

HON. EDWARD EVANS, able statesman and champion of the rights of man, woman and child, likewise the friend of Hovey, &c., in the late legislature, is now catching it from the ladies especially...

REMEMBER THE New-year's Ball at the La Conner town hall on Monday evening. It will be under the direction of Mr. M. B. Cook & others.

MARRIED.—At Alden Academy, on the evening of Dec. 27, 1881, by Rev. E. O. Tade, Miss M. E. Hagadorn, of Fidalgo Island, to Mr. Paul C. Eubank, of Mount Vernon.

Ten thousand hop poles wanted. Inquire of ISAAC CHILBERG, Pleasant Ridge, La Conner.

The Port Townsend Argus has overstepped the bounds of propriety in its criticism of those who in the recent Legislature opposed the enactment of a pilot law, and particularly in its reference to Councilman Calloun of this (Whatcom) County.

THE REVENUE LAW has been amended in several important particulars. The assessment of Western Washington are required to make the assessment between the first Monday in February and May by personally visiting the taxpayer, and no assessment can be raised by the Board County Commissioners without giving two days' notice to the taxpayer affected.

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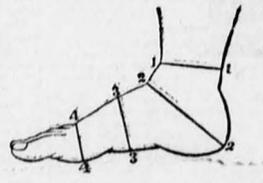
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TWO CHILDREN.

BY LILLIE S. BARR.

Wearied after a weary day, The mother sat with drooping head; Although some quiet rest was away...

Then rose her little daughter's plaint; The child was cross and weary too; With the long, sultry play hours faint...

Oh, what a sad and bitter wrong! The baby sobbed and wailed and cried; Then rose a sorrow swift and strong...

And soon with soft regretful tears, She stood beside her child again; And that low sighing she heard...

A MAN AS WAS WRONGED.

A CALIFORNIA STORY.

If it had been a pleasant day, and if we hadn't all been out of sorts with our luck, we should have had a word of welcome for the stranger...

So we were cross-grained and out of sorts, and it was lucky for the stranger that he gave us no excuse to pick a quarrel...

Now we were mad, and in the excitement of the first discovery we came near having a free fight among ourselves...

Five or six shrewd fellows almost as one, and the fugitive tumbled forward on the rocks. Three bullets entered his back...

old, and the judge read aloud in a trembling voice: "Our Harry—died April 4, 1857."

That was not all. On a card were locks of their hair. There was a gold ring once worn by the wife, a faded ribbon which her fingers had touched...

And we were looking down upon these things and feeling our hearts swelling up and our eyes growing misty...

His Stomach. A Detroit surgeon whose reputation is first-class was seated in his office the other day when in walked a stranger...

Not long since, while overhauling a file of old papers, my eye chanced to fall upon an account of the death of Monsieur Stambke...

Some time ago Messrs. Dodge, Davis & Co. of this city, Messrs. Hodge, Davis & Co. of Portland, Oregon, and the Oregon Kidney Tea...

The Duke of Holstein attended the conference in his old wig; and upon his promise that he would make no noise about the affair of the new wig he was allowed to have the matter pretty much after his own desire.

A new use for Electricity.—Electricity is now employed in the rectification of inferior alcohol. This work is generally accomplished by passing a current, generated by a voltaic battery and dynamo-electric machine, through it.

A romantic young girl and a tenor singer are harmless when apart, but they make a terrible combination, remarks an exchange, and we feel compelled to rise to explain that it is something about the same way with a tin can and a bridle gup.

SAN FRANCISCO MARKETS.

Receipts—Wheat—119,500 bushels, including 126,000 aboard ship; flour, 8000 qrs; oats, 3500 cists; potatoes, 1000 tons...

Wanted to See the Show. A low moan caused the city editor to look up from his work of writing a notice of Col. Bumpor, who had merely called to announce his arrival...

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