

A war between England and Russia would cause a business boom in the United States. Let it come.

The solid South gets three Cabinet positions for her 153 electoral votes. Mr. Cleveland pays his debts liberally—at the public expense.

Commenting on President Cleveland's cabinet the New York Tribune says it is "purely English in sympathy and southern in election."

If Abraham Lincoln had received the treatment and encouragement from Democrats that Cleveland is now receiving from Republicans, the unfounded hatred that culminated in his cowardly assassination might have been averted.

Twenty-five hundred of the female employees of the carpet mills in Yonkers, New York, struck recently, but when interviewed by a newspaper reporter not one could be found who could tell what they had struck for, or what their grievances were, if any. "The Union ordered us to strike and we did so, and that's all we know about it," was all the explanation the reporter could get. The girls were having a jolly time, and seemed to think it great fun to go out on a strike "like the men do."

The Weather in Southern California.

Rev. Stephen Powers, a preacher of the M. E. church who was at one time stationed at Bedford, is editing a newspaper in Ventura, Cal., and in the last edition of his paper has this to say of the weather:

We receive frequent inquiries from the east concerning this section of the country, but our time is so occupied that we find it impossible to answer each inquiry separately.

The cold weather has been

so severe east of the Rocky Mountains that it has caused many to turn their thoughts to this climate.

To such as have inquired of us in relation to our weather and climate we will say that it is generally con-

ceded that more lovely weather could not be desired than that which has characterized our winter months.

We can not now call to mind a single disagreeable day.

Flowers bloom continuously and birds remain with us in all seasons.

You can have strawberries and

nearly all kinds of vegetables any

day in the year. Something over

eight inches of rain has fallen this

season. It is now becoming some-

what dry and if no more rain

should fall crops would be right.

But we expect the "later rain" next

month and that will bring on the

crop of wheat, barley, corn, beans,

etc. Our days are never sultry,

and our nights are always cool,

and induce refreshing sleep.

If you want to know what the writer

would add to this climate to make

it more complete, we answer that

we have nothing to add.

The climate is all we can ask and desire in this life. To us it is agreeable

in every respect. It is no paradise

but next to it. Yet we have heard

people grumble and complain even

here. If it rains, they say we will

have a flood; if it does not rain

frequently, they say we will have a

drought; if the mercury gets down

to fifty degrees above zero they

complain of the cold; if it gets up

to seventy-five degrees they com-

plain of the heat, and the great sur-

prise is that the Maker permits

them to live in as fine climate.

The man who is not satisfied with

the climate of Southern California

will not be pleased with any cli-

mate on this earth. But come and

try it for yourselves.

—After a man gets elected to a great office, and the chances of his being a success or a failure therein confront him, it is noticed that he tones down his partisan zeal considerably, and bestows some thought to the general welfare. —Cleveland's inaugural address is especially aug-
mentive of this point. His reference to polygamy in the Territories is much more out spoken and emphatic than any utterance of his on that question during the campaign. Likewise his declaration about the civil service is in advance of anything he said while a candidate. The people of all parties can cheerfully subscribe to the following from his address, if there shall be any pretense of observing it on the part of the new administration:

"Our citizens have the right to protection from the incompetency of public employees who hold their places solely as the reward of partisan service, and from the corruption and influence of those who promise and the vicious methods of those who expect such rewards, and those who worthily seek public employment have the right to insist that merit and competency shall be recognized, instead of party subserviency or the surrender of honest political judgment."

—Miss Cleveland, the sister of the President, who is installed as "Mistress of the White House," is somewhat of a character. She is a woman of ideas; a teacher and a lecturer, and belongs to the class called strong minded. She is thirty-eight years old, and wears her hair short; is bright and well educated, and is said to be smarter than her brother, the President. We presume this is the first time in the history of the country that the President has been a bachelor and the chief lady of his household an "old maid." The White House is a veritable bachelor's hall indeed.

—The New Age enters a protest against smoking in public meetings, lodges, etc., where non-smokers are annoyed or compelled to absent themselves. It is surprising that men who have a proper regard for their fellowmen will deliberately smoke in stages, or steamers, in court rooms and other places where those whom it makes sick cannot escape them. It is ungracious, although persons who make pretensions to being gentlemen are guilty of this conduct.

—Columbus Republican: The large Democratic majority in Brown county is made to do good service in the late gerrymander of the State. Bartholomew, Brown and Monroe constitute a senatorial district, the Republican majority in Monroe being nullified by the arrangement; Brown Morgan and Johnson form another and the Republican majority in Morgan being wiped out. Then it is tacked to Monroe in that county is again crushed. Thus the vote of the five counties of Bartholomew, Johnson, Morgan, Monroe and Brown are controlled by the latter. With a Republican vote in the five counties of 9,415 they cannot possibly elect more than one representative while the Democrats with a vote only a little larger, will elect two senators and three representatives. This is the way it has been managed all over the State and is the means by which they expect to elect 110 members of the Legislature out of a total of 150. Yet this is a reform Legislature and we have the gall to declare that this is a fair apportionment.

—Ind. Journal: Isaac P. Gray is Governor of Indiana; Isaac P. Gray's son, Pierre, is private secretary of the Governor of Indiana; Bayard Gray, the brother of Isaac P. Gray's private secretary, is to have the postmastership of Portland. If there are any other members of the Governor's family who want places, it is to be hoped they may be provided for before the dreadful cry of nepotism is raised.

—On and after July 1 next a 2-cent stamp will carry a letter of one ounce weight, instead of a half ounce, as at present. In other words, people may write letters of double the length and weight that they now do.

Kew Orleans and the Exposition.

The following, from the Green-
caste Banner, gives a pretty fair statement, it is said, of affairs at the Crescent City:

—T. Williamson arrived here Sunday on his way to Kansas from the New Orleans Exposition, having left there on Friday. He and his party came back thoroughly disgusted with New Orleans and the South. He says that they act like a herd of hogs grubbing for everything in sight. The so-called first-class hotels were particular marked by their bad service and bad management. One country in Kansas he means affords more of the means of living and enjoyment than he saw all the way from the Ohio River to New Orleans. There are evidences of decay everywhere and they are behind the times on everything. The southern fever which had affected Mr. Williamson for some time was entirely cured. He learned from prominent Democrat of New Orleans that the condition of that city is far worse than it was when he was there last year. The people are being constantly robbed by the officials. City orders are worth only 60 cents on the dollar, and only those in the ring can draw the cushion from the city authorities for them. The condition of the streets is horrible and they are now praying for Butler's return. The Exposition is very fine, but it is mostly furnished and partitioned by the North, and the people are being constantly robbed by the officials. City orders are worth only 60 cents on the dollar, and only those in the ring can draw the cushion from the city authorities for them. The condition of the streets is horrible and they are now praying for Butler's return. The Exposition is very fine, but it is mostly furnished and partitioned by the North, and the people are being constantly

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