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### GENERAL NOTES.

The streets of Philadelphia are to be swept by convicts.

The quantity of cotton consumed in 1878 was forty-four times greater than 1778.

There are said to be at this moment more editors in this than out of prison in Russia.

The movement of grain from Michigan the present year has been exceptionally large.

It is likely that when General Joe Johnston retires from Congress he will resume the insurance business in Richmond.

The Pullman Car Company has just closed a \$25,000 black walnut lumber contract, the largest hard-wood lumber purchase ever made in Detroit.

Postmaster James, of New York, declines the honor of an appointment as Postmaster General on the retirement of Judge Key. Horace Maynard is suggested as the man now in the President's service.

The exports of grain from Russia during the months of January and February were 1,099,000 quarters below those of the corresponding period 1879—a decrease of 37 per cent.

Barnum won a glorious victory in Springfield. A clergyman who had been a missionary in South Africa tested the Zulus by addressing them in their native tongue, and found them genuine.

An agent of Massachusetts mills, while hiring hands near Montpelier, rejected one man because only men with families were taken. The man in rage assaulted the agent, who shot him, probably fatally.

Three platoons of policemen were necessary to keep the Blaine and Grant men from fighting at the County Convention in Chicago. Now, how many regiments will be necessary to keep them from killing each other at the National Convention?

During 1879 nearly a quarter of a million head of live stock were exported from the United States, aggregating in value over 11,000,000. This is not a bad showing for a branch of trade which five years ago could scarcely be said to have an existence.

A DRUNKARD died in the woods, near Nashville, Tennessee, while walking with delirium tremens, on a grave, and was found frantic by the sight, and she loudly called upon Heaven to let her die out. It happened that on her way home lightning struck and killed her.

Joseph Emery's spire in Pittsburgh will cost \$50,000. Nearly all of the seats were sold for a week of his performances at the Opera House, and the house had to be closed, the money being refunded. Persuasive efforts did not avail, and he was sent to a hospital, where he was put into condition to act during the ensuing week.

An old Episcopalian prayer-book was sold recently at auction in New York. It was published by William Bradford in 1710. It is probable that this copy is the only one of this edition now in existence. It was bought for \$30. At the time it was printed it is probable that what is now the great State of New York did not contain over 30,000 white inhabitants, and the typographic art was in its infancy.

A Savannah paper rejoices in the rapid increase of the vegetable trade of Southern Georgia and Florida. A few years ago, it says a few hundred crates were considered a large shipment, and now the exports are counted by the hundred car-loads and car-loads. One day last week ten car-loads of vegetables, nearly all cucumbers, arrived over the Savannah, Florida and Western Railway, and were shipped to New York.

Tennyson, who looks "old and exhausted," is said recently to have told a story of a drunkard who met him reeling along the road. "The fellow came up to him and said: 'Sir, I swear by God, Almighty I won't touch liquor again.' The poor drunkard said as requested, but afterward remarked drily, 'I am afraid I didn't do any good.'

Miss LILLIE WILKINSON, of Wilkinson's "Uncle Tom's Cabin" Company, east said, an old cost at a hotel in Holly, Mich., the 13th ult., and had been away from that town a week before she recalled the fact that \$20 in greenbacks was stashed into that article of apparel. When she remembered this, a member of the Company was dispatched post haste to Holly, and was lucky enough, after digging over a lot of rubbish in the hotel yard, to find the corset and cash all right.

The late wife of President Diaz, of Mexico, is deeply mourned all over that country. She was one of the purest, noblest and most amiable of women. During the past three years Mrs. Diaz has been an invalid, and has rarely entered society, but she was highly respectable and irreproachable character. Although young and beautiful, and of such high position, she preferred home to all social amusements, was a devoted wife and mother, and singularly modest and unassuming.

When the eloquent Bishop Simpson, of the Methodist Church, first entered the ministry he was, from his blemishes, almost unable to speak; but he sought to forget himself, to be simple, and to impress the truth upon his hearers. He is now in his second year. Last Sunday the tall, swarthy, white-haired man, in a sermon, said—Voltaire said he lived in the twilight of Christianity, and so he did. But it was not, as he said, that twilight deepening into darkness, but twilight opening up—a new and brighter day—and the Sun of Righteousness is shining now in supreme beauty over our world."

A POMERANIAN Lieutenant of Landwehr in cavalry and a Silesian student, both in training and bulk, stalked into Landwehr's Restaurant in Berlin, one afternoon in March, and called in stentorian tones for respective mugs of Pilsener and Munchener beer. Of the foaming contents of these vessels they promptly disposed by the so-called "cow-swallown" method. When they called for a bill, the Pomeranian Lieutenant had absorbed sixty-seven pints of Pilsener, while his Silesian fellow-soldier had only swallowed forty-five pints.

It is forty days too late to talk about Easter eggs, but still a basket of six that were prepared for an American trade-show in Paris must have been worth seeing. They were contained in a basket made up of twigs of gilt, fastened with apparent carelessness, and there were six of them. One was of ivory, another of ebony, and the rest were of boxwood, sandalwood, coral and shell, and all were carved, and each held one piece of a set of pearl and sapphire jewelry. Over the eggs lay red and yellow tulips, a knot of six birds were perched on the handle, and a red and yellow bow, about which was gathered enough Alencon for a collar and sleeves, was on the other side of the handle.

An adventurer, fishing for gudgeons, bated his hook in Chicago, last week, and signing the register of the hotel under the sign of "Lord C. Palmer Inn." Within two hours he had a bite, and had gathered members of the Chicago Club, who took over to the house in the evening and set before him a splendid dinner, without which he had not his stay been shortened by his recognition as a confidence

operator. As soon as "Lord Clinton" discovered that the hotel people knew him, he paid his bill and departed. In January last he turned up in Richmond, Va., as Lord Arundel." There he made the acquaintance of an excellent family, who introduced him into society. He obtained loans from several gentlemen, courted half a dozen young ladies, became engaged to one, and was about to marry her when his character was found out. Rather than be locked up, he left the city without his baggage, walking out of town.

CLAUDE, the famous head of the detective police of Paris, is dead. The arrested Charbeater, cashier of the Northern Railway, who was in New York under his name in families in this country. He was famous in Paris for his arrest of Tropman, Avnar, Girard de Guebouse, and other noted criminals. In 1873, after thirty years' service, he retired on a well-earned pension. He thought of writing his memoirs. He could tell tales of high and low degree. For instance, one day a Duke sent him jewels, silver, silver plate disappeared rapidly from the house. Watch was kept for six months; the thief could not be detected. No wonder. The thief was the Duchess, who stole to pay her milliner's and masonmaker's bill.

The Eureka (Nev.) Leader of April 17 relates another miner's experience, showing that earthquake shocks are not felt very far below the surface of the ground. This miner said that on the occasion of the last shake at Section Canon, he was at work in a mine on Prospect Mountain, and although the tremor was not felt above ground, he was aware of it at a depth of eighty feet, noting nothing unusual. He also said that through an experience of fifteen years under ground, he had observed one very peculiar fact—that between the hours of 12 and 2 at night, if there was a loose stone or bit of earth in the mine it was sure to fall. Said he: "About this time it seems that everything begins to stir, and immediately after 12, although the mine has been as still as the tomb before, you will hear little particles of rock and earth come tumbling down, and if there is a caving place in the mine it is sure to give way."

FREEMAN, the Adventist, who killed his child at Pocasset, Mass., about a year ago, was formally re-committed to the Dauphins (Mass.) Insane Asylum on Wednesday. During his confinement there he has gained ten pounds, and is in excellent physical health. He is generally cheerful and happy, and is inclined to talk to visitors personal to himself. He makes out that he is not insane. He makes out to her. She testified that, by the terms of a mutual agreement, she was to pay for the boy by keeping Mr. Eddie every morning for a hundred days. He called and got his kiss, on his way to work, every day for about a month. Then he grew bold, and wanted to take a hug as well as a kiss. There was no provision in the bargain for hugging, and she repulsed him, even restricting his kiss to a mere touch of his lips to her cheek. He thought he was bring the boy, and hence his conduct.

DURING a recent performance in the Teatro del Circo, at Madrid, a ruffian forced his way into the house, armed with a hatchet, and contended to climb from the auditorium upon the stage, where, brandishing his weapon furiously, he announced himself to the terrified audience as "The Avenger of Mankind." All attempts to remove him for a hundred days. He called and got his kiss, on his way to work, every day for about a month. Then he grew bold, and wanted to take a hug as well as a kiss. There was no provision in the bargain for hugging, and she repulsed him, even restricting his kiss to a mere touch of his lips to her cheek. He thought he was bring the boy, and hence his conduct.

The Grant Men Capture Things Generally SPRINGFIELD, Ill., May 29.—The Republican State Convention began its second day's session at 9 o'clock with every inch of standing room on the floor and in the galleries of the State House. The Convention was opened with the singing of the National Anthem, and the singing of the "Star-Spangled Banner" by the Illinois delegation, and Emory Storrs, of Chicago, of the Palmer House delegation.

A motion was made to adjourn until 8 o'clock in the evening, and the motion carried.

K. C. C. & I. R. Y. The Convention adjourned the case of

the Farwell Hall delegates, and Emory Storrs, of Chicago, of the Palmer House delegation, and the motion was carried.

When the hour had come for the adoption of the Farwell Hall resolution, the Convention adjourned until 8 o'clock.

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