

RAILROADS POOLING.

Leaving it to the Discretion of the Commission.

The interstate commerce act prohibits pooling (a division of earnings) by railroad companies. The bill passed by the house last week authorizes pooling, provided the contract is reduced to writing, filed with the interstate commerce commission and the commission does not disapprove it. The pool goes into effect twenty days after filing contract. The commission may, after a pool goes into effect, modify the pooling arrangement or cancel it. The bill allows any company to apply to a United States circuit court to test the reasonableness of the commission's rulings and the court may approve the pool notwithstanding the commission disapproves it. The patrons of the road and communities affected by the pool are not given a like right to have the commission's rulings passed upon by a court. Pending litigation on the subject and appeals to the United States Supreme court, the commission's orders are in force.

When a railroad goes into a pooling contract it can't get out of it except upon an order from the commission or the court.

Pooling means no competition. Where there are several companies pulling for the same trade there is competition, rate cutting, etc. The present law prohibiting pooling is no doubt directly violated, but the companies will not be honest with each other and will violate their agreements, and by all manner of scheming each road will get as much traffic for itself as possible.

The pending bill compels the companies, when they agree to skin the public and divide the spoils, to stick to the agreement. While the rates fixed in the pooling contracts must be reasonable in the eyes of the commission, that body is considerable of a railroad auxiliary and will not likely consider any rates unreasonable that failed to yield interest on watered bonds and dividends on stock that is all water.—Missouri World.

NOTES AND NOVELTIES.

The records of Massachusetts are written in an official ink specially made for the purpose.

In England the tax on farming lands exceeds ten per cent of the value of crops in Egypt it is fourteen per cent.

Explorations of Northern Siberia demonstrate that that region was inhabited by tigers until within a comparatively recent date.

Haverford college has a \$10,000 gift, the income of which is to be used in securing a course of lectures each year on biblical subjects.

A Mexican professor of physics proposes to foretell earthquakes by connecting telephones to the pipes of deep artesian wells and to metal plates sunk in deep mountain crevices.

The Greek republics raised money for war by "inviting" wealthy citizens to contribute. They always contributed liberally, as on one occasion the head of a rich man in Athens was cut off for a refusal.

In Switzerland a milkmaid or man is a better wage if gifted with a good voice, because it has been discovered that a cow will yield on-fifth more milk if soothed during the process of milking by a pleasant melody.

Several curious golden objects have been unearthed from Etruscan tombs, the use of which for a long time was conjectured. It was at length ascertained that they must have been the heads of walking canes, probably belonging to the dukes of 2,500 years ago.

The individual communion cup innovation is gaining ground, but encountering some obstacles. Plymouth Congregational church at Milwaukee has adopted it, but Bishop Nicholson of the Milwaukee Episcopal diocese declares that any clergyman within his jurisdiction who uses anything but the chalice will be disciplined.

The Massachusetts board of agriculture issues an annual catalogue of abandoned farms for sale in the state. This year's catalogue shows that of the 400 farms listed in the catalogue of last year 150 have been sold. Most of them have been purchased for farming purposes. The average price was \$1.50 an acre, and they averaged 100 acres in extent.

HUMAN NATURE.

General Count von Hessler of the German army is a stern old soldier and a strict disciplinarian. He has been known to stop a subordinate in the street and make him remove his boots and stockings to see if his feet were clean.

An old-fashioned cathedral verger "lord of the aisles," saw a pious visitor to him and said in a tone of indignant excitement: "The services in this cathedral are at 10 in the morning and 4 in the afternoon, and we don't have no fancy prayers."

A minister in a small country village, who was noted for his absent-mindedness, was once observed to stop excitedly in the midst of his sermon and heard to mutter: "I knew she would—I knew she would!" After the service was over someone asked the reason. "Dear me," said he, "did I see old Mrs. Ada's garden, and this morning she was out pulling up a cabbage, and I thought to myself, 'Now, if that cabbage comes up suddenly she'll go over, and just then it came up and over she went.'"

Once when Prince Bismarck was still a count the princess was repeatedly addressed at a dinner party as "Excellency." She interrupted the speaker with "Please don't call me 'excellency.' I like best to be called 'Frau Von Bismarck.' That reminds me so of a quiet, joyful time when Otto and I, as modest country people, had time in our old Seefeldhausen on the Elbe to live for each other and other villagers. Now my husband belongs to the whole world." "Dear child," her husband smilingly said, "those times will return some day—when we are old and the world does not want us any longer."

ODDS AND ENDS.

Aluminum paper is announced. A Louisville tobacco warehouse holds 7,000 hogheads.

Scarlet is mourning color for unmarried women in Brazil.

Kansas has twenty-two newspapers which are edited by women.

Manilla paper paste loves the backs of pictures will exclude dust perfectly.

A beet weighing eight and one-half pounds was recently grown on a Nevada farm.

The first savings bank of this country was the Philadelphia Savings Fund society, organized in 1815. It is still in existence.

The Pennsylvania limited and the Empire state express, on the New York Central, are the most luxurious trains in the world.

In 1773 the Dutch lost the vessel Antionette, an Indian man and with her sank 2700 000 pounds sterling, besides jewels of great value.

The average golden eagle weighs twelve pounds, is three feet from the tip of his bill to the tip of his tail and has wings of seven feet spread.

In the Lake Superior district alone a year's yield of free copper has amounted to no less than 8,000 tons, or 17,000 000 pounds in all.

Requisition for Sidney Cooper.

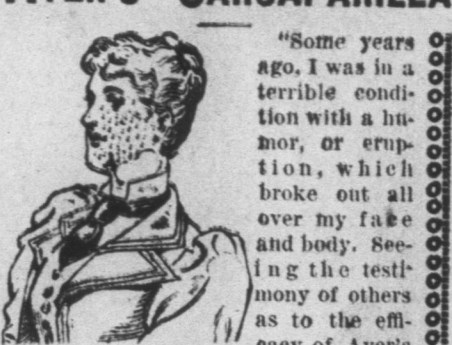
SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Jan. 22.—Gov. Altgeld today issued a requisition upon the governor of Missouri for the extradition of Sidney Cooper, wanted at Chicago for murder and under arrest at Kansas City.

Italy is Shaken Again.

Rome, Jan. 22.—Several sheets of earthquake were felt at Reggio di Calabria, Messina, and other places in that vicinity last evening. The extent of the damage done is not yet known.

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LIGHT ENTERTAINMENT.

"Was the house cool last night?" Manager—First-class. All we needed was people to fill it.

"If dar want's some charity for human defects," said Uncle Eben, "dah couldn't be much self-esteem." "Seems to me Binkers grows more narrow-minded every year." "Great Scott, no wonder! He moves into a cheaper flat every few months."

"So the doctor has ordered your wife to go South for her health?" "Yes." "Will the climate agree with her?" "Well, if it does it will be a good one."

"I want a title for my new play," said the author. "Something that will take, you know." "Something that will take?" "Yes." "Call it 'A New York Policeman.'"

Sparhawk—I thought the authorities in your city didn't allow prize-fighters to give exhibitions? Ring-ropes—They don't, but since the fighters began to kill each other the law hasn't been enforced.

"Do you think," said the passenger on the front platform of the street car, "that it hurts a horse to dock its tail?" "Yes," replied the man who handles the brakes, "but not as much as it does a driver to dock his wages."

"Running a society paper, are you, Bliggings? Well, that ought to pay. There are lots of people who like to see their names in print." "I don't mind telling you, old man, that I make the most of my name—off people who don't want to see their names in print."

Native—What, who be you? Stranger—I am one of a committee appointed to investigate this question as to why so many lynchings occur in this section. Native—What, I'll tell you, hon. It's 'cause so many strangers come here—nobody their noses into other people's business.

FACTS AND FIGURES.

South Carolina has sixty gold mines. A porpoise that weighed 500 pounds was shot in the Harlem river the other day.

Butler's health is improved and employs two physicians as bacteriologist and assistant bacteriologist.

The abolition of grade crossings at Northampton, Mass., will cost \$750,000. This will include a new union station.

Southey mentions that the first settlers in Brazil paid \$1,500 for a cat, and for kittens the weight in gold dust. An offer of \$2,500 for a Persian cat at the Sydenham cat show in 1861 was refused.

In the reign of James the Second some English inventors fitted out a vessel to search for an island which the cargo of a Spanish ship which had been lost on the coast of South America. They succeeded and brought home \$1,500,000 which had been at the bottom of the sea a forty-year.

In Harvard college there are now 1,667 in the scientific school, 308, in the graduate school, 258, in the divinity school, 150, in the law school, 501, in the medical school, 474, in the dental school, 80, in the school of veterinary medicine, 65, in the Bussey institute, 12. In the whole university the students were last year 3,153 students; this year there are 3,240. Last year there were 322 teachers; this year there are 337.

A Household Treasure.

W. D. Fuller, of Canajoharie, N. Y., says that he always keeps Dr. King's New Discovery in the house and his family has always found the very best results follow its use; that he would not be without it, if procurable. G. A. Dykeman, Druggist, Catskill, N. Y., says that Dr. King's New Discovery is undoubtedly the best cough remedy; that he has used it in his family for eight years, and it has never failed to do all that is claimed for it. Why not try a remedy so long tried and tested. Trial bottles free at F. B. Meyer's Drug Store. Regular size 50c. and \$1.00.

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The Referendum Movement. Parties who

are interested in the subject of the Initiative and Referendum, as now in operation in all the cantons of Switzerland, should read "Direct Legislation," a 25 cent pamphlet which can be had at this office. It is a subject of vital import to every one and should be carefully considered before it is condemned. It is exceedingly simple in its application to American states and should be treated with the same non-partisan spirit that was given the Australian ballot. Through it every man would be a law maker direct, with as little expense to the state as any election of officers now is.

Vox Populi is a 16-page publication, and more than half of each issue is given to pictures and striking cartoons. The statistical matter of each single number is worth more than the subscription price for an entire year (\$1.00). The circulation of Vox Populi is general throughout the United States. Every leading populist takes it. In the campaign of 1895-6 it will appeal to the eye and the intellect of more people than any other journal in the nation. Whether poor or well off, you cannot afford to do without Vox Populi. Single copies are sold at 10 cents, but any subscriber to the People's Pilot who wishes a sample copy, can get the same by stating that they are subscribers and sending 4 cents in stamps to cover postage, etc., to Vox Populi, St. Louis, Mo. Vox Populi will be clubbed with the People's Pilot, both papers for \$1.65. All Pilot subscribers who are already paid up will be supplied with Vox Populi for 65c. at the Pilot office.

The Baltimore Plan, now practically endorsed

by President Cleveland, is attracting universal attention because it is based on the evident fact that the currency and banking systems of the country must be reformed. But is the Baltimore plan a reform? It gives the associated banks the power to expand the currency and relieve the country. It also gives them the power to contract it at will and create widespread distress for their own private gain.

It puts the credit of the government behind every bank note. It donates all but half of one per cent of the profit on the note issue of the banks, and it leaves plenty of opportunities for a Napoleon of Finance to wreck a bank and leave the government to pay the notes.

It leaves the banks free to demand the highest interest that the several states will allow, and afford no relief to farmers and business men of moderate capital.

Contrast with this THE HILL BANKING SYSTEM.

In "Money Found," an exceedingly valuable and instructive book. Hon. Thomas E. Hill proposes that the government open its own bank in every large town or county seat in the United States, pay 3 per cent on long time deposits, receive deposits subject to check without interest, and loan money at the uniform rate of 4 per cent to every one offering security worth double the amount of the loan.

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It secures the government amply, which the Baltimore plan does not.

It relieves the distress of the common people, which the Baltimore plan does not.

It protects not only note holders but depositors, who are unsecured now under the Baltimore plan would be still worse off.

In a word, the Baltimore plan is in the interest of the bankers, the Hill Banking System is in the interest of the people.

Consider them both, and ask your congressman to vote for the one you believe in.

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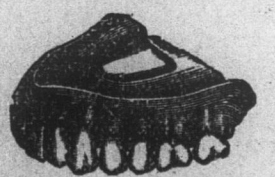
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