

This year's potato crop is estimated at 160,000,000 bushels, or 45,000,000 bushels more than last year.

The Republican press are "fixing-up" a slate for Gov. Bogole, but we guess the "old woman" will keep house to suit herself.

ARTHUR is "firing out" some of the thieves gang that "put him in." When thieves fall out honest men get their dues.

SINCE the November elections two Congressmen elect have died, and a third, (Orin, of Indiana), is believed to be fatally ill.—(Salem Democrat.)

And he ought to follow suit, because he never held an honest trump.

HUBBELL says that Ferry is a demagogue on the Republican party of Michigan. He might truthfully add that the Republican party is a demagogue to the industrial classes of the whole country, speaking from a "voluntary assessment" point of the political programme.

THE ways and means committee of the house, and the finance committee of the senate, are getting very generous. They propose to let us traffic in glue and beeswax without affixing a revenue stamp to the surface thereof. Cause—Complexion of recent election.

PENDLETON has opened his civil service reform battery on that hydra-headed Republican "god and morality thing" called "the administration," and when the first shot strikes the target he will find Secor Robeson & Co. securely entrenched behind twenty-years' stealings, with the most expensive (paper) navy in the world to back them.

ALMOST all of the largest and most prominent tobacco manufacturers in the country are either shut down entirely or running on half time on account of the proposed reduction in the tax. What the manufacturers seem to want is to let the tax alone as the retail dealers will not buy to any extent. Tobacco is a luxury, and those who use it are the ones who pay the revenue. There are hundreds of other things that are taxed unjustly, among which are the actual necessities of life, and it is about time that congress turned its attention to reducing the tax on these and leave that of tobacco alone.

ACCORDING to the report of Indian Commissioner Price there are, all told, 262,336 Indians in the United States, of whom 77,808 reside within the limits of the Indian territory. The five civilized tribes—the Cherokees, Creeks, Chickasaws, Choctaws and Seminoles—constitute about one-fourth of the Indian population. The commissioner strongly recommends the return of the Nez Percés, who are dying off rapidly in the Indian country, to their home in Idaho territory.

MR. PERRY BELMONT tells the New York Herald that, in his opinion, legitimate trade and enterprise are greatly oppressed by taxati-on, and therefore his sympathies are with the anti-monopolists. In this connection he points to the fact that the democrats of New York, since 1874, have constantly attempted to suppress corporations to the rigid scrutiny of State authorities. He thinks that such a tariff as the genuine protectionists demand is clearly outside the constitution.

IN the United States Senate, on the 9th inst, Dan, Voorhees, of Indiana, said: "The power of money and corporations was manifest in many ways, and was now throwing itself against the ballot-box; and no evil of the present time was so menacing to the liberties of the people as the amount of money raised to influence the recent election. It was admitted that, during the Garfield campaign, that \$400,000 were expended by the Republicans in Indiana."

THE democratic party to-day presents a front unbent by internal bickerings or jealousies. For twenty years, with but a single exception, and upon that occasion it was wronged of the prize it had fairly won, it has suffered defeat after defeat, until it seemed as though victory had forever taken its departure; but it has passed through the trying ordeal, and comes forth with renewed vigor, to battle for the rights of the people, and it has shaken off the men who, by their personal dishonesty, have cast odium upon it.

THE following States are shown, by the census bulletin, to have over \$100,000,000 invested in manufacturing industries: New York, \$514,000,000; Pennsylvania, \$474,000,000; Massachusetts, \$308,000,000; Ohio, \$188,000,000; Illinois, \$140,000,000; Connecticut, \$120,000,000; and New Jersey, \$106,000,000. The total amount invested in manufacturing industry in the United States is \$2,790,227,706; the value of the product, \$5,369,237,706; the wages paid, \$947,918,674, or, as shown in a recent number of the Farmers' Review, less than twenty per cent. of the total value of the product.

THE conflict between Jay Gould (many supposed to be the richest man in the world) and Bennett, (owner of the New York Herald), will surely be most ruinous to one or the other—perhaps to both. Gould buys newspapers, but these are impotent when arrayed against the ubiquitous Herald and its countless allies. It is a contest rather between brute force (money) and moral power. The press of the country, to the extent that is not bought up by Gould, will adhere, it seems, to Bennett.—(American Register.)

Let not the Register borrow trouble. Gould is too wealthy and too shrewd to lose any more than he can afford. James Gordon Bennett is too brainy and too well entrenched to be injured an iota by Jay Gould, who is not worth money enough to even worry Bennett. The New York Herald is too absolutely independent of any influence or power that Jay Gould can bring to warrant the information that there can be any possible danger to him. Bennett is backed by

moral strength and public sentiment, and he has a fortune and brains equal to the emergency in a contest with Jay Gould. We rather admire the brilliancy and keenness of Gould, but he never can cope with Mr. Bennett, whom we regard as a man of superior character, broad views, large heart, and possessing a spirit of public enterprise and loyalty to the people that makes him, to-day, a leading man in the nation. He has wealth to back him and knows how to utilize it.—(Adrian Press.)

SWINDLERS ABROAD.—If any one has represented that we are in any way interested in any bogus bitters or stuff, with the word "hope" in the name, cheating honest folks, or that we will pay any of their debts, they are frauds and swindlers, and the victims should punish them. We deal in and pay only the bills for the famous Hop Bitters, the most and best medicine on earth. Hop Bitters MANUFACTURING CO.

As she cometh down the aisle,
Now the maid will wear a smile

Knowing well her new fair tulle
Is way up in point of style,
And will raise the others' baile

A degree.

"BOYON ON RATS."—The thing desired found at last. Ask Druggists for "Rough on Rats." It clears out rats, mice, roaches, flies, bed-bugs, 15c boxes.

Temperance lesson: Last week a gentleman, viewing the St. Patrick's procession in New York, overheard a footman say: "Be dad! the whisky sellers ride the horses, but the whisky drinkers goes a-fut."

A NEW DISCOVERY.—Dr. Deming Pile Ointment, the discovery of a physician of wide reputation, who has achieved the greatest success in the treatment of dyspepsia, indigestion, and the highest honors in his profession, is a sure cure for Blind, Bleeding, Itching and Ulcerated Piles. A single box has been known to cure the most obstinate cases, and thousands who have used this great remedy attest its efficacy. For sale by Eberbach & Son.

There was an old man who said, "I

Am inventing an iron-clad pie,

To be sold by Druggists.

At a rate very cheap, oh,

I shall really be rich, by-and-by."

WHAT THE MINISTER SAYS.—Mr. A. Kiefer—My dear sir: I have been afflicted for the last four years with derangement of the liver, causing dyspepsia, headache, nausea, and general derangement of the whole system. I have tried a great many preparations, but found no relief until I tried one bottle of your

Exquisite which has recently cured me. I also found it to be good for the

stomach, and I commend it to all who suffer with derangement of the liver. Very

truly yours, Rev. Thomas WHITLOCK.

For sale by Eberbach & Son.

A Chicago man who was sleeping with

a brace of revolvers under his pillow was

robbed the other night. He has thrown

his revolvers down a well and married a

woman who snores.

SKINNY MEN.—Wells' Health Renewer.

Absolute cure for nervous debility and

weakness of the generative functions. \$1.

at druggists. Mich. Depot, JAMES E.

DAVIS & Co., Detroit, Mich.

There are two ways of being happy—

we may either diminish our wants or

augment our means. The result is the

same; and it is for each man to decide

for himself, and to do that which may

happen to be the easiest.

BUCKLEY'S AFRICA SALVE.—The best

salve in the world for cuts, bruises, scalds,

ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetters,

chapped hands, chilblains, corns and

all kinds of skin eruptions. This salve is

guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction

in every case, and is sold in all drug

stores. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by

Eberbach & Son, Ann Arbor, Mich.

Literary prosperity: The Chicago people

say, talk as you may of culture, the

product of their "pens" amounts to more

than the income of all the authors of

New England. Pig thing.

GRIGG'S Glycerine SALVE.—The best

on which can truly be said of Grigg's Glycerine

Salve, which is a sure cure for cuts,

scalds, bruises, scalds, burns, wounds, and

all other sores. Will positively cure

piles, tetters, and all skin eruptions. Satisfaction

guaranteed or money refunded. 25c.

For sale by Eberbach & Son.

In the excavations at Herculaneum,

grain has been found charred at the time

the city was destroyed—1,800 years ago—

yet so perfectly preserved that the different

kinds are easily distinguished.

Persons recovering from wasting

diseases, such as malaria, fever, etc., will

be greatly benefited by the use of Brown's

Iron Bitters, a true tonic.

A couple have married after a court-

ship of twelve years, during which time

the bride's father put seven sets of hinges

on the front gate.

In countries where malaria is prevalent,

or where the climate is subject to sudden

changes, should be found in every house

Brown's Iron Bitters.

General Springer is fishing down in

Florida with eminent success. He just

baited with his signature, and the fish that

can distinguish it from the wriggles of

a worm has to be an expert of many

years standing.

Gen. Ryan, when hope are \$1.25 per

pound, and now, an acre will yield \$1,000

profit, and yet the best family medicine

on earth (Hop Bitters) contains the same

quantity of hops, and are sold at the same

price, fixed years ago, although hops

are twenty times more to be left, than

those who take Dr. Jones' Red Clover

Tonic never have dyspepsia, costiveness,

bad breath, piles, pimples, acne and mu-

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FOUND DROWNED.

She searches, searches everywhere,
As one who treasures up her life,
On Susan, with her glowing eyes,
And long-bewildered mind.

All up and down the shining sands,
With eager step she goes,
And speaks with hesitating voice,
Not knowing friends from foes.

"Oh, have you seen my pretty boy,
My little baby brother?
He left him to me when she died,
And made me his mother."

"Our mother, she drowns out of heaven
On me, as once she smiled;
So I go searching night and day
Until I find her child."

"It's a few weeks ago"—(alas,
She has lost count of years,
"I laid him on the soft warm sand
Asleep, and had no fears."

"Only went a little way,
And sat behind that stone,
Waiting for William Bovey,
That is to India gone."

"He will come back and marry me,
He says, in two years more;
I shall not be waiting long,
And he scarce twenty-four."

"But can he marry me?" she shrieks—
"He that was hanged? I mean
They would have hanged me, but perhaps
Somebody told him my name."

"And she said—what, I do not know;
I think I slept or died,
And woke up in a world of dreams
Most horrible and wide."

"I did not kill the boy," she moans;
"I only left him to the tide flow in
And ebb out on my one hearth."

"Not guilty! oh, my lord, my lord,
Not guilty!" sobbing wild;
"I could not find him, I could not find
And drown—my mother's child!"

"And so my mother made them shut
On me the prison door,
Till was dead; yet now, it seems,
I am alive once more."

"I walk along the shining sands,
I hear his shout of joy;
I know I'll find him very soon,
My little darling boy."

So she goes with cautious tread,
And eager eyes and wild;
But never, never will she find
The little drowned child.

—DEAN MITCHELL CLARK.

IN THE MABERY MINE.

"John Wallace!" called the mine superintendent through the speaking pipe, "some visitors are coming down in the cage. You will be kind enough to show them through the tunnels."

"Visitors?" After this I had no more to say, but I must be a lazier, too, as well as a drudge. It is only another straw to the load I am carrying. If it breaks my back so much the better. I shall be done with it."

The world has little respect for those whose code of honor leads them aside from the broad highway of commonplace.

When, at my father's death finding his estate heavily encumbered, I had deemed it my duty to place it at the disposal of his creditors, I found myself, especially speaking, in ice-water. Those who had known me in my happier days knew me no longer, and the guests were now as impenetrable as the owner's ignorance of my existence.

I could have borne this well enough had only one home remained open to me—the home of my father's death. I had been in the days when her wealthy father looked with favor upon the intercourse of his daughter with the landowner's son, I had some high hopes about her. She was a beautiful girl, young and, as I had believed, full of sympathy. I had believed, too, that I had seen glimpses of something in her face that proved my hopes not to be so wild as they seemed.

But that, too, was over. A polite note from her father informed me that his daughter could henceforth dispense with my attentions; and, as I received no intimation to the contrary from her herself, I concluded she, too, had declared my estrangement. After this I lost hope and made no attempt to better my worldly condition.

I left the village, and after two years of wandering, often in destitution, I stranded myself on the Maberly coalmine as a graving-master in the pits.

Our mine had a doubtful reputation, having been the scene of several distressing accidents. Consequently, we were seldom troubled by visitors from the upper earth.

This was a Godsend to me. I could manage to endure the life I was leading only on condition of not being too frequently reminded of the life from which I had been exiled. I had known in better times was a constant terror to me.

It may be imagined, therefore, with what feelings I awaited the descent of the visitors who had been signaled from above.

As the cage stopped upon the level where I stood with my lamp in my hand and the passengers alighted, I recognized them with feelings of downright misery. I saw four men, two of whom I had known in the Maberly mine, and I had least met—Eve Guion and her father.

Had they heard of my whereabouts and come to witness my degradation? As I could tell myself I believed I was to be, I could not imagine her capable of such mean malice.

Who could identify the name gang-master John Wallace with Wallace Grover, ex-convict, and besides, I remembered that Mr. Guion was a shareholder in the Maberly mine. It was merely a slight-seeing tour, after all.

Two years of hardship and the growth of a heavy beard had changed my appearance so that I was sure neither father nor daughter could possibly recognize me.

With strict control of myself, I could show them through the mine and families, none the less, I felt that they had come, too, I was glad of the opportunity of seeing the woman I had loved—still loved once more.

I stepped confidently forward, therefore, and introduced myself to the three. John Wallace. Eve looked at me curiously, but, I thought, only with an expression of curiosity as to the looks of a man whose life was spent under ground.

My head bowed and my heart beat thick and loud as I stood before her—more beautiful because more serious and womanly than when we had been intimate two years before.

I noticed that I faced a little paler, and there was a look of sadness in it that was new to me.

The season I had spent in wretchedness, then, had not been wholly free from sorrow for her. Not, of course, on my account; such a notion never entered my head.

"Have you been here many years?" she asked, as we were preparing to ascend into the galleries. "You are here to see the mine. Be kind enough to follow me."

"My father will have more than enough to do to guide his own steps," said Eve, coming to my side and whispering to me. "I shall be before you in a moment."

"I must trust to your guidance, Mr. Wallace."

I made no reply, but wondering if, woman as she was, she had not far away hint of the cause of that silent hammer beating of my heart under her room.

We remained in the galleries two hours—more than twice as long as was necessary to their thorough inspection. The old man, with a groaning in his throat, seemed to have an unaccountable fascination for Eve Guion.

She loitered, on one pretext and another, until I began to fear I must have betrayed my identity to her quick eye. Her face had grown strangely sad and anxious. I saw, too, that when she thought herself unobserved she watched my face intently. Had she detected me, and was she accordingly known without betraying me to her father?

I determined that she should not accomplish her design. I knew very well that, should I lose my self-control, and make her discovery known without betraying me to her father?

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FOOD FOR THOUGHT.

He who knows most, grieves most for wasted time.

Small cheer and great welcome make a merry feast.

Fortune does not change men; it only unmasks them.

Whilst you seek new friendships, cultivate the old.

An idle man is like stagnant water; he corrupts himself.

Every man desires to live long, but no man would be old.

The milestone of to-morrow leads to the town of "never."

True worth is summed up in the faithful discharge of duty.

Avoid extravagant promises. State facts, and act up to them.

Those whose courses are different can not lay plans for another.

Detestation of the high is the involuntary homage of the low.

The greater our dread for crosses the more necessary they are for us.

Part of an undigested umbrella killed a cow of Middletown, Conn.

A contemplative man can always employ the quietest of criminals.

When a man is wrong, and won't admit it, he always gets angry.

Success leads to success. One point gained will continue to accomplish.

Joy, and temperance, and repose, slam the door on the doctor's nose.

What matter if it has not gold in his purse, is he a hero in his heart?

What sculpture is to a block of marble education is to the human soul.

Hypocrisy is the cloak that little souls wear to conceal their meanness.

Even a fool, when he is pulling it out, is not ashamed of the progress he makes.

To select well among old things is almost equal to inventing new ones.

There cannot be a greater treachery than to raise a confidence and then deceive it.

Save something of what you earn. Youth and strength are not always our privileges.

Be not over hasty in making a bargain. Study first both the advantages and disadvantages.

Make yourself an honest man and you may be sure there is one less rascal in the world.

We attract retain by the qualities we display; we retain them by the qualities we possess.

A poor man travels so slowly that even poverty overtakes him at the first turn of the road.

Reason from well-grounded precedents, and be not too confident of a preconceived opinion.

It is enough for a man to understand his own business, and not to interfere with other people's.

The endeavor to work upon the vulgar with fine senses is like attempting to hew blocks with a razor.

Watch for opportunities of usefulness. Every day brings them, and once gone they are gone forever.

Self-denial is the most exalted pleasure, and the conquest of evil habits is the most glorious triumph.

In all true work there is something of divineness. Labor, wide as the earth, has its summit in heaven.

A calm, quiet, orderly demeanor accomplishes more than a blistering tongue and an arrogant attitude.

That kind of religion is likely to be most popular which does not seriously interfere with what you intend to do.

Life is not so short but that there is always time to be kind to others. Self-command is the main elegance.

How many people would be mute if they were forbidden to speak well of themselves and evil of others.

A Platonic love is like a march out in time of peace; there is much music and a good deal of dust, but no danger.

A fool in high station is like a man in a high station who is not a fool to him, and he appears little to everybody.

It is easy enough to make sacrifices for those we love; but for our enemy we have to struggle and overcome self.

Life is a struggle from the cradle to the grave. He is the better prepared for it who continually considers it in this light.

The mind profits by the wreck of every passion, and we may measure our road to wisdom by the sorrows we have undergone.

The son of an emir had red hair, of which he was vain, and wished to have his father's hair cut off. He told his son; better so that fathers shall wish their sons had red hair."

A Bad Boy at Breakfast.

"Yes," said the boy, with a vacant look, "I do not intend to do the pleasure of the chase any more, though I did have a little quiet fun this morning at the breakfast table. You see Pa is the contrary man ever was. If I complain of anything he says it is all right. This morning I took the syrup pitcher and emptied out the white syrup and put in some cold-liver oil that ma is taking for her cough. I put some on my pancakes, and he said to take it off it and told Pa the syrup was sour, and not fit to eat. Pa was mad in a second, and he poured out some on his pancakes and said I was getting too confounded particular. He said I was taking too much for him, and he sopped his pancakes in it and fired some down his neck. He is a gaudy dandy hypocrite—that's what he is. I could see by his face that the cold-liver oil was near killing him. The principal character in the play are some inoffensive bloodhounds and a very savage donkey. The donkey chases a colored lady across a river full of ice and water, but she succeeds in getting across. He is making the fierce-pursuing animal quite subservient. The ice is not real, but the bloodhounds and colored lady are very life-like. Uncle Tom is a nice old colored man, but a very good actor. He is in a state of intoxication. The heroine is a very dainty little girl named Eva, who becomes too fly for her years, and goes up in the flies in the third act and a state of felicity. It is said that the managers were playing this drama double rent, because everybody cries so much that the carpets are ruined. It is a very elevating drama and somewhat cheerful in some parts, especially in the first act. Although they have played the part so often that they die very naturally. Some critics say that the saddest part of the play is the thought that the actors are not real. He was born in Ballynashan, County Kerry, and is therefore a German, but he has the dialect down fine and keeps up his end."

THE BELLS OF SANTA MARIA MAGGIORE.

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