







GOSSIP OF THE DAY.

DR. LINDERMANN, Director of the United States Mint, estimates the gold and silver production of the country next year at one hundred millions of dollars.

Mrs. ABRAHAM LINCOLN, who is now staying with her sister in Springfield, Ill., takes occasional short jaunts on the streets, and is said to be gradually recovering from her mental malady.

JOHN MANNING, the well-known New York advertising agent, has failed. Among his creditors are a large number of Western newspapers. The Chicago Tribune loses \$1,170 by the failure, and the Times \$456.

The famous diamonds presented to Minnie Sherman Fitch by the Khedive of Egypt remain in the New York Custom-House. Mrs. Fitch says it would be altogether too dangerous to remove them while burglars are, no doubt, on the qui vive to capture them.

PROF. TICKE, the great weather prophet of St. Louis, had a narrow escape from death at Washington, last week. He was taken with inflammation of the lungs from exposure in saving a life in the North river, and took too large a dose of an opiate to relieve pain. The physicians at one time despaired of saving him.

HERE is a warning to hot-tempered people to place a curb on their angry passions. A Mr. Drury, of Oberlin, Ohio, got into a wrangle with a couple of mischievous boys, and during the quarrel fell down in his tracks. The coroner's jury rendered a verdict that he died from the effects of excitement and passion produced by the altercation.

GEN. JOHN MORGAN, who has been living at the Upper Cascades, in Oregon, since the war, died there in September, under the alias of John Pendleton. The latter was the name of his mother, who lived in Oregon, and thither he escaped after being wounded—not killed—in Tennessee, so long ago. This is a recent newspaper report. Believe it!

DR. BEARD, the English physician, has taken the trouble to show that brains are conducive to longevity. Intellectual force, he says, is but a form of vital force. The Doctor did not say, because it was unnecessary, that good morals are even more conducive to long life than brains; and that the people without brains frequently have a large supply of morals.

NO ONE is expected to doubt the following o'cr true tale, reported by the New York World: "A Brooklyn woman was badly frightened by a cat some months previous to the birth of her child. That child proved to be a girl, and is now 18 years of age and married. During her girlhood she gave no evidence of being affected by her mother's fright, excepting, indeed, a propensity to chafe mice and occasionally sit on the backyard fence and yowl a little on moonlight nights; but, strange to relate, since the birth of her own baby she always lifts it out of its crib by the back of its neck with her teeth."

L. D. SINE is a name familiar to newspaper readers in the West as the proprietor of a gift enterprise in Cincinnati, and as an extensive advertiser in his scheme. We read in the Cincinnati Enquirer that he has become a hopeless imbecile, and has had a guardian appointed to look after his property, which amounts to several hundred thousand dollars. Sine's history is a very remarkable one. He lost his sight through an explosion of gunpowder while a printer in the Cincinnati Gazette office. He was carefully nursed through the sufferings which followed at his boarding-house by a young lady who subsequently became his wife. After that he sold cigars and other things to printers, and, being largely patronized through fraternal sympathy, obtained a start in life which he made the most of, being to-day a wealthy man. But now to his physical blindness has been added a mental darkness that makes the old man truly an object of sympathy.

The Singer will cause many a curious revelation of domestic manners. It lifts the roof on a Harlem. Mr. Isaac M. Singer, the celebrated sewing-machine millionaire, left \$13,000,000 and twenty-six children—two having died—by five different women. He got divorced from two of them and was not married to the one whom he left the largest portion of his property, though he publicly acknowledged her as his wife. The striking thing about the will is that he acknowledged all his illegitimate children, calls them all by name, and makes provision for all of them. There is no shirking of responsibility, no mealy-mouthed subterfuge, no polite pretension, but an honest confession of relations which most men would have shrunk from acknowledging before folks. Yet this modern polygamist was not only a successful inventor and business man, but a church-goer and exemplary Christian so far as the world knew.

CHARLES READE, in one of his novels, revealed to the outside world the horror of the "separate and silent system" of treatment in vogue in many of the English prisons a few years ago. It may not be generally known that the same inhuman scenes so graphically depicted by Reade are being enacted in some of the penal establishments of this country. In the Auburn (N. Y.) Penitentiary, for instance, the dark-cell treatment is in full blast, and, judging from an account of the mode in which it is applied, which we find in an Eastern paper, it is not a whit less terrible and inhuman than that which the English novelist felt called upon to expose and denounce so vehemently in his own country. In the Auburn prison the dark cell is literally a living tomb, being a stone box three feet wide, six feet long and six feet high. The floor is formed of a single stone slab, the ceiling of a slab, and the walls of solid masonry. There are two doors, with no openings. A gill of water and four ounces of bread form the allowance for twenty-four hours. Such a horrible mode of treatment may be imagined, and we are not astonished at the statement that the reported prison show

more than one-half of the insane cases at Auburn have resulted from such punishment.

SENATOR HAMLIN, of Maine, is going to do the best he can toward escaping from the odium he has suffered ever since that amendment of his to the postal law was passed, which doubles the rates of postage upon transient newspapers. It is already announced that he will take an early opportunity in the Senate to explain his connection with the matter, and will insist that he has been greatly misrepresented. The way of it was this: The express companies were lobbying to get the laws amended so that packages weighing as much as four pounds could not longer be carried in the mails on the plea that the mails were overburdened with that class of matter, and that the government was carrying at a loss. The department showed that the former claim was not true, but could not deny that the latter objection was well founded, and so proposed to checkmate the express companies by not reducing the limit of weight, but doubling the rates of postage on such packages, and "through an inadvertence," for which Mr. Hamlin claims that he was not responsible, the change was made to apply to newspapers as well. It is announced, by the way, that the doubling of rates on packages has not decreased their number, while it has largely increased the revenue, and the postage on newspapers will probably be put back to the old figures by the next Congress.

THE NEWS CONDENSED.

THE EAST. A MEMBER of the Order of United Irishmen has been tried by a court-martial of his fellows, at New York, for betraying the secrets of the order, and sentenced to die the death of a traitor.

JOHN DOLAN, who was arrested at New York, about two weeks ago, on suspicion of murdering Mr. James H. Rice in his store last summer, has just been tried, convicted of murder in the first degree, and sentenced to life imprisonment. The evidence was purely circumstantial, but very strong.

WILLIAM THOMPSON and William Ellis, both colored, have been sentenced to death at New York for the murder of William Leitch, a well-known peddler, near that city in September last.

ASAPAS WALKER, a distinguished American political economist and former Professor of that science in Amherst College, died at Boston, last week, aged 76 years. An accident is reported from Chandler, Wis., that a party of six persons were boating on the Sigsbee river the best part, and all were precipitated into the water. One of the men, and his wife, of Worcester, N. Y., and Mr. Morehouse and his wife, of Utica, were rescued. The Godriches were on their wedding trip.

THE WINTHROP (Me.) National Bank has negotiated with the burglars who robbed the bank four months ago and recovered \$50,000 in notes on payment of \$100,000 in cash. The notes were returned to the bank, and the burglar, Longmaid, at Penobscot, N. H., has been identified as the man seen in the bushes, near the bank, the night of the robbery. There is no doubt of his guilt.

THERE are five murderers in the jail of New York city under sentence of death. A local notice holder on the Liberty Bell, which is expected near Round Brook, N. J., the other day, with frightful effect. Five persons were killed and at least twenty wounded, several of whom will probably die.

THE WEST. VIRGINIA CITY, Nev., has been visited by a most disastrous conflagration, which laid waste a large portion of the most important part of the city. The fire began at daylight on the corner of Center and Third streets, and spread rapidly, and in a very short time extended to Center street, destroying the county building, the Insular Hotel, and several other buildings. The fire was extinguished by the fire department, and the loss is estimated at \$500,000. The fire was caused by a gas stove in a saloon, which had been left burning.

that the killing was done in broad daylight. Their story, if true, stamps it as one of the most horrible murders ever committed in the West. The man who was killed was a well-known citizen, and his death has caused much excitement in the community.

NEWS has reached Lawrence, Kansas, of an uprising of the Osage Indians to resist an attempt to take the land from them. The Indians are in danger, and troops have been ordered to the Agency for their protection. The Agency is for his protection. Hon. James Otis, Mayor of San Francisco, died last week, aged 70 years. He was a prominent citizen, and his death has caused much regret in the city.

THE SOUTH. NORTH MISSISSIPPI and West Tennessee experienced a severe earthquake shock, accompanied by a rumbling noise, on the evening of Oct. 27.

FOUR men were killed in a coal mine near Richmond, Va., last week, by an explosion of fire-damp. Five persons were killed, and several severely injured, at Lomas, Ark., last week, by the explosion of the boiler of a saw mill.

A LABOR party of the business center of Sherman, Texas, has been destroyed by fire.

DEPUTY SHERIFF JAMES KINNEHAN, a man well known by the sporting fraternity throughout the South and West, was last week shot and killed by a desperado named Frank Flynn at the Springs, near Memphis, Tenn. Flynn was shot, managed to rise and put one ball into Flynn. The trouble arose out of an argument about a disputed game of cards. Flynn was a well-known sportsman, and his death has caused much regret in the sporting world.

THE SECRETARY of the Treasury has issued a call for the redemption of \$5,000,000 coupon and \$5,000,000 registered bonds—total, \$10,000,000—of the 5-20 bonds of 1864. The bonds included in this call are those issued in 1864. A delegation of local preachers called upon President Grant, the other day, and urged him to also issue a call for the redemption of the 5-20 bonds of 1864. The President informed them that he did not propose changing his Indian policy, but that he would issue a call for the redemption of the 5-20 bonds of 1864. The President also took occasion to speak at length of the condition of the country, and his regard for a much-abled man.

THE following statement shows the condition of the public debt at the close of October: Total public debt, \$1,700,375,360. Lawful money debt, \$1,400,000,000. United States notes, \$200,000,000. Certificates of deposit, \$50,000,000. Interest on public debt, \$1,000,000,000. Total interest, \$2,125,375,360. Total debt and interest, \$3,825,375,360. Total public debt, \$1,700,375,360. Total interest, \$2,125,375,360. Total debt and interest, \$3,825,375,360.

plains, says the number of cases in England for the quarter ending on the 10th of October was as follows: In Somersetshire, 83,000; in Devonshire, 70,000; in Cornwall, 60,000; in Berkshire, 44,000; in Oxfordshire, 39,000; in Warwickshire, 33,000; in Norfolk, 31,000; in Cumberland, 28,000; in Lancashire, 25,000; in Westmoreland, 22,000; in Yorkshire, 20,000; in Shropshire, 18,000; in Gloucestershire, 16,000; in Herefordshire, 14,000; in Wiltshire, 12,000; in Dorsetshire, 10,000; in Devonshire, 8,000; in Cornwall, 6,000; in Berkshire, 4,000; in Oxfordshire, 3,000; in Warwickshire, 2,000; in Lancashire, 1,000; in Westmoreland, 800; in Yorkshire, 600; in Shropshire, 400; in Gloucestershire, 300; in Herefordshire, 200; in Wiltshire, 100; in Dorsetshire, 50.

A CAIRO dispatch says the Egyptian army has entered Abyssinia, and that the Abyssinians are retreating, offering no resistance. News has been received of the British expedition to punish practical piracy in the Indian Ocean, for murdering English sailors. The entire squadron on the coast of Africa was engaged, and several of the English ships were destroyed, and a large number of natives killed. The British lost one man killed and several wounded. A force of 1,800 troops has been badly routed by insurgents in Herzegovina. A battle was recently fought between Liberian troops and a large body of native savages in Africa. In which the former were totally routed, with the loss of their artillery.

LET US GIVE THANKS. The following proclamation has been issued by the President:

In accordance with a practice at once wise and beautiful, we have been accustomed, as the year is drawing to a close, to devote a certain portion of our time to a solemn and devout thanksgiving to God for His mercies, and for His blessings upon our country, and for His assistance in our various undertakings. Amid the rich and free enjoyment of all our advantages, we should not forget the source from which they have descended, and our obligations to the Father of All Mercies. We have full reason to renew our thanks to Almighty God for His mercies, and for His assistance in our various undertakings. We have full reason to renew our thanks to Almighty God for His mercies, and for His assistance in our various undertakings.

DEATH OF URI CARRUTH. A dispatch from Vineland, N. J., says: Mr. Uri Carruth, editor of the Vineland Standard, who was shot and killed by Mr. Landis on the 19th of last March, and since carried the bullet in his head, died at 3 o'clock this morning. After the shooting Landis was arrested and taken to Bridgeton, where he was kept until the 19th of March, when he was released on \$50,000 bail. Since his release Mr. Landis and his attorney have visited Carruth in Clinton, N. J., where he had gone for his health, to try and induce him to accept of a settlement of \$25,000. Carruth refused to accept of such a settlement, and he has since returned to Vineland, N. J., where he has been residing. Carruth was a well-known citizen, and his death has caused much regret in the community.

THESE are the general complaints throughout the country of a want of currency of the denomination of one dollar. The supply of one-dollar bills is so small that it is necessary to use other denominations for small payments. The supply of one-dollar bills is so small that it is necessary to use other denominations for small payments. The supply of one-dollar bills is so small that it is necessary to use other denominations for small payments.

A HARD RIDE FROM OCEAN TO OCEAN. Wednesday night, the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy train was wrecked, and put out from the transfer for the East, as the Omaha gentlemen observed two men asleep, or rather clinging to the trucks under the dining car. The train started up and stopped at the depot in Council Bluffs, when the two "beats," supposing that the train had been halted in order to put them to rest, jumped off the train, and ran. It was not until the fact, however, that "that" was nothing. He had had six on the trucks and six on the roof at one time.

THE official vote of Ohio at the October election, as returned to the Secretary of State, shows the following results for Governor and Lieutenant-Governor: Governor—Hayes, 549,129; Allen, 292,919. Lieutenant-Governor—Young, 297,881; Allen, 292,919. Young's majority, 9,932. The official canvass of the vote of Nebraska at the recent election shows 60,000 cast in preference for United States Senator Hayes, and 48,000 for the Republican candidate, William P. Fry. The Republicans elect two District Judges and one District Attorney.

Fever Infection. Men of science speak of epidemic waves, and of scarlet fever being communicated by the few drops of milk which you pour into your tea, or the few drops of water which you add to your coffee. On a late occasion, at a fashionable dinner party in London, as many as eight or ten guests, and seven members of the household, took scarlet fever. Obviously, the infection must have been caught at the dinner party; but how was the puzzling matter of inquiry, for no one in the family of the host was known to have been affected with the disorder. Was the disease brought to the house by a waiter? Was it conveyed in the table-linen from the washwoman? Was it somehow, incorporated in the cream that had been used in the dessert? An investigation on these and other points, as we understand, was made, but not with any satisfactory result. The cream was thought to be the most likely vehicle of infection; but how could any one be certain of this? The cream was certainly fresh, and had been prepared by a lady who had just made it up. The cream was thought to be the most likely vehicle of infection; but how could any one be certain of this? The cream was certainly fresh, and had been prepared by a lady who had just made it up.

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