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A BLOW AT THE SUBSIDY MONGERS.

From the N. Y. Sun.

The Senate astounded the subsidy mongers on Monday by its vote of 32 to 17 against the proposed grant of a million a year to the Pacific Mail Steamship Company.

The result is encouraging, because it shows the force of ideas over blandishments, even in a scheme which can be so manipulated as to induce the co-operation of other interests which want aid in similar enterprising raids on the Treasury.

But there is always an army besieging the Treasury with a view to plunder, especially whenever it is full to overflowing, as it now is; and no sooner is one division beaten back than another, like the successive waves of the tide, comes to replace it.

The sound and statesmanlike way of lightening the labors of those who defend the Treasury is to create conditions that unnerve and weaken the attacking force.

SAVINGS NO LONGER SAFE.

From the N. Y. Tribune.

Several of the finer buildings in this city and Brooklyn erected during the past few years, or now in process of construction, are for the use of savings banks.

But the appetites of the ring will no longer be restrained. They prepared legislation to seize the unclaimed deposits, but on examination these dwindled into thin air, the largest bank reporting that not \$1000 was likely to be utterly unclaimed.

Other portions of the bill now pending are calculated to prevent respectable citizens from connecting themselves with the further management of savings banks; to cripple the judicious and pre-eminently successful system by which these banks are conducted; and, in general, to make them a part of the political machine by which this State is controlled.

and a condition of affairs ensue like that under Ottoman rule. "When things come to the worst," says the proverb, "they must mend." In this is our hope, for surely they are nearing the worst with frightful velocity.

THE TRIUMPHAL ENTRY OF THE GERMANS INTO PARIS.

From the N. Y. Herald.

The Germans have entered Paris. So far as we know at a late hour, while we write, the Parisians have not behaved so badly as some have been trying to make us believe they would.

So far this is good. But the news from Bordeaux is more important than the news from Paris. It is well known to our readers that the National Assembly appointed M. Thiers and Jules Favre to act as the representatives of France at the Prussian Court of Versailles.

The war is ended. The line is drawn between the past and the present; and a new era for Europe and the world opens itself for our consideration.

France has had her deserts, and that the Parisians, properly so called, have no cause of complaint. The French people made this a necessity even more than the foolish traditions associated with the house of Bonaparte or with the first republic.

The humiliation of France, now accepted by the National Assembly, opens up fresh questions which are full of interest to all men everywhere who take any interest in the welfare of nations and the future of mankind.

It is fair, we think, to say that as an aggressive power, in this most aggressive age, France is, to all intents and purposes, dead. It is as little unfair, we think, to say that hitherto France has been felt to be a kind of restraining power in the European system.

disposed to act the part of the prophet of evil tidings. We admit that the spirit of conquest which drove France into this war, which has made Germany somewhat cruelly exacting, which has made Italy regardless of the most sacred rights, is not highly encouraging.

THE GREAT GAME OF GRAB.

From the London Saturday Review.

We believe it was an Irishman who declared that it was impossible for a man to be in two places at once unless he was a bird. The "Fenian exiles" who arrived lately at New York ought to have been in at least three places at once, in order to satisfy the various competitors for the honor of entertaining them.

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To make the parallel complete, each political party in the Union proclaims its own honesty and the baseness of its rival.

Next day, according to the same authority, "the grand grab game was still going on," or, in other words, Tammany and the Collector were still contending for the bodies of the five Fenians.

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