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THE NEWS THIS MORNING.

FOREIGN.—The situation in Afghanistan is critical. ... DOMESTIC.—General Grant was received at Philadelphia yesterday. ...

CITY AND SUBURBAN.—Broadway property-owners discussed the proposed railroad yesterday. ... THE WEATHER.—Tribune local observations indicate cool and clear and partly cloudy weather.

That was a dramatic scene in the courts yesterday, when two alleged partners in a murder at side by side, without looking at each other, and each anxious to sacrifice the other.

The removal of a Connecticut postmaster discloses the curious fact that he has been making false returns to the Department for six years—indeed ever since his appointment.

That vindication for which the butlers of the metropolis have waited with the true dignity of their profession, has come at last. The alleged butler who forged a check in the name of his mistress proves not to have been a butler at all, but a thief who took the place with the purpose of robbery.

humiliating to learn that 7,000 soldiers had signed it; what must be our feelings on hearing Representative Weaver's declaration that the soldiers are signing this petition in Pennsylvania and some of the Western States by the hundred thousand. We can wait to see the signatures before believing in them, but the Voorhees petition has shown that such infatuation is not impossible.

The pirates in the City Hall keep the black flag flying. Yesterday another very valuable franchise was voted away in the Board of Aldermen, without any proper precaution to protect the rights of the city, without any provision for competition, and with only a shoddy requirement as to compensation, which can be easily evaded. The Spinoza steam-heating scheme was reckoned bad enough, but the Prall steam-heating scheme far overshadows it.

The reception accorded to General Grant yesterday by the city of Philadelphia, where he has always been popular, and where many of his friendships are centred, would have been enough in itself to satisfy the ambition of most men. The demonstration was most imposing in numbers and character.

WHAT SOUTH CAROLINA NEEDS. A fortnight ago a meeting which is described as large and influential was held in the Barnwell County Court House, South Carolina, for the purpose of organizing a "County Immigration Bureau and Manufacturing Association."

THE OUTRAGE IN MAINE. The crime which seems to be now ripe for avowal in Maine will make the most painful impression all over the Northern States. When THE TRIBUNE first disclosed the plot, more than a month ago, the plan for committing the crime to the Republican legislators was thought to be too monstrous for belief.

REDUCING INTEREST. While Congress is sharply debating financial questions upon which wide difference of opinion exists, there is one measure which ought to be taken up and passed without delay. No man of either party will venture to oppose a reduction in the rate of interest to be paid on \$800,000,000 of the public debt.

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ers to throw out the votes of all precincts in which the freedom of election had been disturbed by acts of violence or intimidation. It was a dangerous discretion to intrust to the Board, but the systematic attempts of the Democrats to suppress the colored vote made such a provision necessary for the freedman's protection.

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THE PUBLIC HEALTH. The Seventh Annual Meeting of the American Public Health Association was held in Nashville, Tenn., November 18. The leading subjects for discussion were the sanitary condition of cities and towns, especially those of the Southern States, and practical questions connected with the management of an actual or threatened outbreak of yellow fever.

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Of these loans, the first was authorized by the act of February 8, 1861; the second by acts of July 4, 1870, and June 20, 1871; the third by acts of July 17 and August 5, 1861, and the fourth by the act of March 3, 1863.

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