Few people have an idea of the magnitude of the cattle industry of the United States. Hon. Norman J. Colman, United States Commissioner of Agriculture, says a column of cattle twelve deep, with one end resting on New York City and extending to San Francisco and back again to Boston, would contain about the number of cattle there are in the United States. The value of this vast herd is $1,200,000,000. The annual products of these animals exceeds in value four time yearly the earnings of all the railroads of the country. The annual production is 7,000,000 head; export trade 122,000 head. Annual product of swine industry 29,000,000 head; value of product which goes into inter-State commerce $243,000,000.

No wonder poor McCullough died. An autopsy has been held, and his brain carefully examined. The official report reads: "The physicians assembled find that there was disease of the blood vessels of the brain due to blood poison and that the basilear artery and middle cerebral arteries were the ones mainly affected; that the pia mater was opaque over the large part of the convexity of the brain and was adherent especially in the front parietal region, near brocas convolution, and fissure rolando, in various places, on attempting to strip the pia mater, it was found that small fragments of cortical tissue came away with the membrane. Neither tumor nor abscesses were discovered."

The Atlanta prohibitionists offered to pay the taxes of any colored men who desired to vote the temperance tiket at the election next week, and the liquor men hearing of this blue ribboned 200 anti-prohibition negroes, sent them early next morning ts the temperance headquarters, and had 200 votes qualified, at a cost to the prohibitionists of nearly $1,000.

An examination at Vienna of the of the papyir of the Archduke Rainer has led to the finding of a valuable fragment of Homer's Odyssey. This copy dates from the second century. Another still more interesting discovery is that of a strip of Arabian paper dating from the tenth century, and containing a woodcut with ornaments and initials This relic shows that the art of woodcutting was propable of of Arabian origin, or that it was at all event known to the arabs at an early day.

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The American people know manliness when they meet on the way to the polls, and though they are devoted to independence they know the necessity of that leadership which is a necessity of all organization —*San Francisco Alta-Californian, Dem.*

It is real fun to see Roscoe Conkling catch it from the Blaine-Davenport organs again. But then Mr. Conkling has caught it so often that he doesn't mind the Blaine organs a bit more than other people do.—*Philadelphia Times, Ind.*

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