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There can be no reasonable doubt that the material advance of Virginia has been considerably retarded during the last decade by the exaggerated reports of her poverty, circulated by the Mahonites, for both capital and immigration naturally shun poverty stricken sections of the country, and, according to the representations of the Mahonites, Virginia is just such a section.

The republican legislatures of several of the Northern States are considering the advisability of re-establishing the whipping post and chain gang as the most effective means for the suppression of minor crimes, but the republicans of Virginia want such relic of barbarism abolished. Such a desire on the part of the Virginia republicans naturally recalls the trite lines about the opinion rogues entertain of halters.

The Northern newspapers in their discussion of the Mahone movement in Virginia, entirely overlook the fact that the property owners of the State, those upon whom the payment of the State debt falls, and whose tax bills are effected by it, are the men who have been for years and are still striving to settle the debt upon terms honorable to the State and satisfactory to the creditors, while those opposed to such a settlement and in favor of practical repudiation receive all their effective support from that class of voters to whom taxes are of no consequence whatever, inasmuch as they neither pay nor are expected to pay any.

Unless General Mahone makes haste and and comes back to the democratic party speedily, when he does return, as he must eventually, if he wishes to have any influence at home or in the nation, for a senator must belong to one of the two parties to have any really effective power, it will be thought that he has not done so of his own accord, but that he has been driven back by the republicans who would not have him, and the prevalence of such an impression will not be at all agreeable to him. Here, for instance, is what the Philadelphia American, the new controlling organ, says about him:

"The republican party cannot afford to receive General Mahone into its ranks, even on probation, if the price is to be the condonation of his great crime against public honesty. It has everything to lose and nothing to gain by the proposed alliance. It is of some consequence, of course, to have another republican vote in the Senate, but the price asked by Gen. Mahone is exhorbitante, and will not be paid, whatever bargain may be made by "the influential gentlemen" who have been so impressed by his views that they have thought it worth while to lay them before the country. Republicanism is not to be built up in the South by any such means, and if it were, it would be at the expense of republicanism in the North."

VIRGINIA NEWS.

Capt. Chas. T. Binford, a prominent citizen of Richmond, died Saturday.

Peyton S. Coles, grand master of the Masons of Virginia, is visiting the lodge at Warrenton, officially.

Several houses sold at public sale in Lynchburg, last week brought 30 per cent. over their assessed value.

Rev. W. J. Norfleet, of Norfolk, and a member of the Virginia Conference, M. E. Church South, died Friday.

It is reported that a cotton factory 300 feet long, 70 feet wide and three stories high will soon be erected near Norfolk by a party of New York capitalists.

J. H. Swatk, a Rockingham county stock raiser, sold last week 62 head of sheep for $440. The average weight of these sheep was 137 pounds, and the price $7.10 each.

The western or receiving warehouse of the Old Dominion Steamship Company, at Norfolk, was destroyed by an accidental fire Saturday morning, together with 400 bales of cotton and over $10,000 worth of general merchandise.

Representative Beale, of Virginia, filed in the House petition box Saturday a lengthy memorial from the citizens of Fredericksburg, asking for a new public building, to be used as postoffice and court house. General Beale will introduce a bill to morrow to meet the wishes of the memorialists.

A dispatch dated Fredericksburg on Saturday, says: J. E. Minor, principal of the banking house of Minor & Co., has been missing since Wednesday. He left his affairs in great confusion. The loss to depositors is considerable, but the amounts have not yet been ascertained. An attachment has been laid on his effects.

A petition is in circulation, and has already been numerously signed by the newspaper publishers and editors in the State and further South, addressed to the board of trustees of the Peabody educational fund, asking the appointment of Rev. J. William Jones, of Richmond, Virginia, as agent of the fund, in the place of Rev. Dr. Sears, deceased.

UNGALLANT CONDUCT.—Charges were preferred in New York recently by a beautiful young lady of about 20 years against a man with whom she had had some business relations in which she states that "the defendant in a dispute they had informed her that if she were a man he would kick her out, and finally caught her by both arms, raised her from the floor and shook her violently; he then carried her out of the library through the hall, and, after opening the vestibule door, he placed his knee to her back and gave her so violent a push with his knee and hands as to send her through the inner vestibule door, also through the outer door and across the stone platform at the top of the stoop; she struck upon the first step, but grasped the railing, thereby checking her fall; as she whirled around in her descent she saw defendant with his foot raised as if in the act of kicking her; she then returned to her home; the next day she was unable to leave her room. It is said that she has been unable to walk since the day following the one on which the assault was said to have been committed, and that her lower limbs are paralyzed. Her back has also become affected, causing her constant pain. It is also claimed that her injuries are of

FROM WASHINGTON.

Special Correspondence of the Alexa. Gazette

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Senator Johnston has been longer on his reply to General Mahone's manifesto than he anticipated, and probably will not have it ready for the press until Wednesday morning. It will not contain any history of the state of affairs in Virginia, but will merely report the numerous misstatements of General Mahone and do so from information obtained from the official reports of the Auditor of the State, giving page and section for reference. The Senator will prove by evidence so obtained, that General Mahone has not only understated the revenue of the State, but overstated its expenditures, and also that so far from the property of the State being subjected to a tax of three and a half per cent., the taxes do not amount to much more than half this sum, even including "federal exactions." Mr. Johnston will also show that Virginia is by no means so poverty stricken as General Mahone would have it appear, but that she is in a prosperous condition, and would be infinitely more so, but for such reports about her as General Mahone is industriously circulating.

Among the bills passed by the Senate to day was one for paying the Albemarle and Chesapeake Canal Company their claim for transportation during the war. The Senate also passed a bill authorizing the purchase of the Freedmen's Bank real estate in this city by the government for $250,000, and for the distribution of that sum among the depositors of that bank. This will give them a 50 per cent. dividend, making 60 per cent. in all, which will be all they will get unless the government makes an appropriation for their relief.

The republicans of the Senate held a caucus this morning and determined to move to lay the resolution for unseating Kellogg on the table, when it shall be called up by Mr. Saulsbury. It is reported that Mr. Conkling made a violent speech in favor of defeating the resolution at any cost, and it seems to be the understanding that if the resolution be passed it will be at the expense of an extra session.

The impression is strengthening that there will be no extra session of Congress, as the republicans are fearful of the effects of schemes to interfere with the finances and currency, and as the democrats don't want one.

The House Committee on Agriculture instructed their chairman to ask for a suspension of the rules to day in order to introduce a bill for raising the Agricultural Bureau to the dignity of an executive department.

George Faveman was appointed internal revenue gauger in the 2nd district of Virginia to day.

Census bulletin No. 50, containing the report for Virginia was issued to day. The total population of the State is 1,512,203, of whom 745,547 are males and 766,656 females; 1,497,565 are natives and 14,638 foreigners; 880,276 are white and 631,827 are colored. The population of Alexandria city and county is 17,545, of whom 8,399 are males and 9,146 females, 16,779 are natives and 766 foreigners; 9,968 are white and 7,577 colored.

The Senate to day passed a resolution charging the joint committee on the Yorktown centennial into a commission to continue the business of the committee, inasmuch as the terms of several members of the committee will expire with the present Congress.

The Senate committee on transportation routes to the seaboard opposing delegations today urged the proposed canal to connect the Chesapeake and the Delaware bays, and finally agreed to refer some point in dispute to Col. Wright, of the Engineer Department.

When the act to regulate the mode of purchasing tobacco for the Navy came up to day, the names of Richmond, Lynchburg, and Petersburg were stricken out and that of Raleigh inserted as places for advertising for the said product.

Intelligence from Texas this morning is to the effect, that Mr. Throckmorton has the best chance for the Senatorship from that State.

The resolution to unseat Kellogg was practically defeated to day. Mr. Saulsbury moved to postpone the Don Holliday claim, in order that the Kellogg case might be taken up, and his motion was defeated by a large majority, amongst those voting against it being the following democrats: Bayard, Voorhees, Groome, Lamar, Thurman, Butler, Wise and Pendleton.

Mr. Bayard will go to Richmond to night, to appear in the Alexandria & Washington railroad case, to come up in the court there to morrow.

Ex Secretary Thompson appeared before the House Interoceanic Canal committee this morning, in support of the De Lesseps scheme, and agreed to prove that such a canal did not antagonize the Monroe doctrine, though it will be remembered, he thought it did before he was made the American agent at a salary of $25,000.

The Senate Committee on Commerce have agreed to report in favor of the confirmation of B. C. Cook, as Collector of the port of Richmond, and have agreed to withhold their report in the case of Mr. Gray, who has been appointed Collector of the port of Alexandria.

FOREIGN NEWS.

It is said that the Princess Louise will return to Canada early in May.

The Tekke Turcomans have been severely defeated by Gen. Skobeleff.

The Crown Prince Frederick William condemns the anti-Jewish movement in Germany.

The moderate republicans were generally successful in the French supplementary municipal elections yesterday.

The French minister at Athens has been instructed to declare that the Berlin conference conferred no rights on Greece, and that if Greece persists in going to war she must not count on the support of France. Reports have reached two foreign embassies at Constantinople that Greece intends attacking Turkey at the end of January. The Port has addressed another note to the Powers setting forth the danger to the peace of Europe by the warlike preparations of Greece, and urging a conference to settle the dispute.

A monster anti coercion meeting will be held in Hyde Park, London, in a few days. Eleven fresh informations have been made against Tralee land leaguers. Mr. Mitchell Henry, M. P. for Galway, who has been very generous to his tenants, says they have disappointed him very much, owing to secret instructions of the land league, prohibiting them from paying rent. The report of the Duke of Richmond's commission as to Ireland recommends a government scheme of emigration, also a scheme of migration from overpeopled districts, a plan for reclamation of waste lands and a court of arbitration for fixing rents. Mr. Davitt spoke yesterday at a land league meeting in Dublin. A petition has been sent to the Queen by the Grand Lodge of Orangemen praying for the suppression of terrorism in Ireland. The Manchester police claim to have discovered a clue to the parties who caused the explosion at the Salford barracks.

COST OF IMPROVING THE POTOMAC.—Mr. S. T. Albert, engineer in charge of the improvements of the Potomac river and its tributaries, has completed and reported upon surveys for future improvements. These surveys were made after his annual report was submitted, and result as follows: Dredging a channel for light draught steamers in Nebsson creek will cost from $37,000 to $56,000; improving Pohick creek, including the cost of a short channel, $20,548; cutting channel through bar in Corrioman Bay, $8,278; dredging short channel in Nomini river, from $45,000 to $51,000. The Secretary of War forwarded these estimates to Congress Saturday, recommending that the sums asked for be appropriated.

Bishop Keane, of Richmond, Va., has been invited to lecture in Washington on the evening of February 24. The invitation is a friendship offering, as the proceeds of the lecture will be presented to the Bishop for his mission chapels scattered through the mountains of Virginia.

W. W. Archer.

We copy with pleasure from the Richmond Standard the following well merited tribute to the worth, energy and ability of W. W. Archer, esq., the Richmond correspondent of the Gazette, whose letters, over the signature of Strongbow, always attracted attention and were so generally copied by the papers throughout the State:

The daily press has already conveyed to the Richmond public the gratifying intelligence that Mr. W. W. Archer, of the local staff of the Richmond State, has drawn the third prize [$1,000] for the third best essay in advocacy of the Helper scheme for the construction of a double track longitudinal steel railway through North, Central and South America. It is hardly competent that we should enter into the details of the scheme, and therefore we do not propose to do so. The prize essays, together with the circumstances leading to their preparation, will be published in pamphlet form, and of the practicability of the Helper idea the public must judge for themselves. Of Mr. Archer it is, however, our purpose to say something. His triumph is not only a matter of congratulation for his friends, but for the Virginia press—and we go not too far in saying for the State. Under all conditions which hedged about the competition, Mr. Archer's success is the success of Virginia brain, and entitles him to a prominent position in the republic of letters. He has won in this fight "by his own might," and it is due to the public that they should know more of him than his modesty would ever disclose. W. W. Archer—or "Willie" Archer—is a self made man in literature, but in family springs from the best stock in Virginia. He is a son of Dabney W. Archer, nephew of the late Dr. Junius W. Archer, of Bellona Arsenal; nephew of W. L. Sheppard, the artist, and grandson of William P. Sheppard, for many years Chamberlain of the city. His genealogy runs back through his paternal and maternal ancestors and through intermarriage to the purest blood of which Virginia can boast. But of this in the present sketch there is little pertinent. Willie Archer was born, we think, in this city, and never had a day's schooling in his life. Owing to the vicissitudes of the war he was debarred the advantages of the "capital of early mental training," and what he acquired of education was in the family circle—such education as is usually wanting in discipline and is practically nil. But he was not of the nature to allow the disadvantages to overbalance the advantages in the fight for a living. From mere childhood he developed an ambitious spirit. His predilection was for literature, and seven years ago resulted in his seeking and obtaining a position on the Richmond Whig. Serving through the several reporterial gradations, in a very short time he became city editor of that paper and distinguished himself as much by his judgment as by his actual contributions to the local columns. During his connection with the Whig he conceived the idea of studying phonography. At that period there was no phonographic teacher in the city, and we strongly advised him against it as a waste of time and an investment for occasions which would never occur. He nevertheless persevered, was two years ago official phonographer for the House of Delegates, and is to day the most proficient hand in that art on the Virginia press. Leaving the Whig, Willie Archer became the correspondent of several State papers, and over the signature of "Strongbow" was extensively quoted for his graceful and vigorous style and his acumen and boldness in treating political affairs. He corresponded for the Alexandria Gazette, the Petersburg Post, the Petersburg News, and the Danville Post, and about two years ago became attached to the local staff of the State. As a reporterial specialist he has been a marked success in everything he has undertaken. His characteristic is thoroughness, and he has proven that his talent is varied. He is the youngest man on the city press, having barely passed twenty-seven years, yet his matter if collected would display an astonishing range of reading and study. His preparation for competition in the Helper prize struggle involved seven months of the closest application, and he carried off the third honor with the acknowledged statement that his youth militated against him. In "fight matter" he is none the less entitled to recognition. Some of his fancy sketches have already passed into the literature of the day as models of elegant composition. He is a bright example of what energy and pluck supplemented by brain and ambition can accomplish. He is a quiet, modest little gentleman, but the bushel is not made that will conceal his light; and we are satisfied that his last achievement is but the earnest of a future enviable reputation. In the early part of his journalistic career everything intervened to discourage him and make him seek some other occupation, but no obstacle seemed too great for him. He possessed in an extraordinary degree the faculty of grappling with difficulty on the threshold. He was and is thoroughly in love with his profession, and for his years has been one of the most diligent and appreciative students within the range of our acquaintance."

Headaches In Children.

At a meeting of the Clinical Society of Baltimore recently, Dr. Wm. Lee read an interesting paper, entitled "Headaches in Children." The paper was intended for general application to all cities in the country where public schools exist. The subject of the paper has been and is being brought prominently before the medical profession abroad, particularly in the city of London. Dr. Lee began by saying: "Since I have been connected with the School Board of this city my attention has been called in a special manner to headache among young children; so much so, indeed, that I feel prepared to say that such diseases in early life take a prominent position, and are, therefore, worthy of careful notice and consideration. It has been noted that convulsions and brain troubles have followed what often seemed to be simple headache. There are few among us who cannot look back in our practice and find children, especially girls, at that time of life when physiological changes are in progress, suffering from headaches, and being compelled to continue their studies while the matter is made light of. Instead of raising their voices against the present tendency to push education forward, as shown in the number of the studies and the number of hours children are required to remain in school—without regard to physical training—the acquisition of knowledge is considered of more moment than the vigorous growth of body and stability of frame. May it not be said with great truth, that those parents who are disposed to be careless in this regard incur a heavy responsibility in enforcing a course of study or a system of training that they know not only to be wrong, but which is likely to induce disorders from which they may have suffered themselves? From the resemblance a child bears to its parent, we are reasonably taught how transmissible is every peculiarity from one generation to another. This applies particularly to headaches, for they and affections of the brain and nervous system, are admitted to be more frequently hereditary than any other diseases. This is peculiarly evident in families where gout and affections of the skin exist. Admitting this, it is our duty to council prudence and make every effort to limit the excessive confinement of children when it produces nervous affections, such as take the strongest hold on their constitution in their early life. I have met, in my practice, children who have by constant study become irritable, drowsy; have lost their appetites and pass sleepless nights, thus showing that by an undue pressure upon the brain Nature is thwarted and put aside. Great care should be bestowed upon the time a child should be taught, in connection with its individual brain capacity and its temperament and bodily strength. A moderate amount of occupation of the mind is beneficial to the child if at the proper age and proper time, but excessive or premature development of the brain will only develop it at the expense of other organs.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The Sheriff separated the combatants before damage had been done.

Several Land League meetings were held yesterday in Brooklyn.

Last week there were 143 deaths and 158 births in Baltimore.

Sarah Bernhardt's receipts at Chicago for six performances amounted to $20,524. The receipts of the American season so far foots up $227,450.

Ben Hill, jr., son of the Senator, who is solicitor general of the Atlanta, Ga., circuit, had a little set to with a lawyer named Gartnell in the court room at Atlanta on Wednesday.

Senator Blaine gave a dinner party at his residence in Washington on Saturday night, and is reported to have acknowledged that he has been offered and has accepted the position of Secretary of State in General Garfield's Cabinet.

S. B. Vance, jr., a son of Judge Vance, of Kentucky, committed suicide at Mount Vernon, Indiana, on Friday, closely following the example set him by his brotherinlaw, Haydon Shouse, in Louisville, Kentucky, a few weeks ago.

The talk of an extra session of Congress is being revived, and prominent members of both Houses who have heretofore been sanguine of the disposal of all necessary business this session manifest a general despondency at not arriving at that result. This talk has extended even to those who have been most hopeful of staving off an extra session.

A Baltimore and Ohio freight train broke in two in the tunnel on the Straitsville, O., division, Saturday night, and while the crew were confined in there they were so suffocated by the smoke that they all became unconscious, in which condition they were found when the next train arrived at the tunnel. The men were taken to Newark, Ohio, and placed under treatment.

Snow is reported to have fallen almost continuously in the Wahsatoh Mountains, surrounding the mining town of Alta, Utah, and all communication with the outer world was cut off for some days. A party that cut their way out of the town reported yesterday that a number of snow slides had occured, carrying away buildings and mining works and killing many persons. Reads like the Paris romances.

The great stock stable of G. Dawson Coleman, in Lancaster county, Pa., was totally destroyed by fire on Friday night. The famous registered herd of Jersey cattle, many of them imported, 52 in number, were chained to their stalls, and when the fire was first seen it had attained such headway that not one of them could be saved. Thoroughbred dogs, goats and game chickens were also burned. Many of the cattle were highly valued, some of the bulls costing $3,000; the loss will be $30,000 or more.

Snow Slides in Utah.

A dispatch from Salt Lake City, says: Snow has fallen almost continuously in the Wahsatoh Mountains, about the heads of the Little and Big Cottonwood rivers, since Christmas. The mountains surrounding the mining town of Alta are steep, and the trees have been cut off. The tramway sheds of the Wahsatoh and Jordon Valley Railroad have been swept away in several places for five miles below Alta, rendering ingress or egress almost impossible. Two weeks ago a snow-slide carried away a man named Darby. The storm increased in fury with the opening of last week. On Wednesday night the snow fell in sheets, and the wind became a hurricane. About 10 o'clock a snow slide carried away the Flagstaff Mine ore house and four hundred feet of the railroad shed, and swept across the flat country and the creek to the opposite mountain. A little later another slide passed over the Victoria and Imperial houses, burying two men, who dug their way out in ten hours. Continuing, it swept away the Grizzly boarding house, in which were Mrs. Johnathan Hoskins and four children, Charles Symons, Robert Howath and Evan Morris. Of these, Mrs. Hoskins and her daughter Jane, Howath and Morris, were killed. Another slide smashed and buried the Toledo works and boarding house, killing Chas. Barbridge and Frank Laperto. On Thursday and Friday work was stopped at the principal mines, and many of the men left the canon for the valley. The storm continued and increased in fury, the wind blowing a gale, and piling the snow just over the crest of the hill, north of Alta, on the Alta side. The great weight started another slide, half a mile wide, on Friday night, which would have completely demolished Alta, but that it was split and partially diverted by a flat area, just above the head of Main street. It struck a large and heavily built stone store, in which five men had gathered for safety. Two of them, who were sleeping in the second story, were thrown out, but were comparatively unhurt. Three had taken refuge in the basement, and built a fire. The house was crushed in on them and fired from the stove, and they perished. Two men who remained to look after the Joab Lawrence property, with instructions to sleep in the tunnel, are missing. The avalanche swept away every building owned by the Joab Lawrence Company, together with their tramway, inflicting a loss of $20,000.

It buried the Buffalo House, but three men had retired into a tunnel, and were rescued, exhausted. Fifty people came down last night, leaving twenty, who, for various reasons, could not get away. The trip down was fearful. Leaving their homes with nothing but the clothes on their backs, the women wallowed through the snow as best they could, the men carrying the children. There remains enough mountain slope still undenuded to complete the destruction of the town, and it may slide any moment. Eight miles of the Upper Big Cottonwood are said to be one huge slide, covering everything. A big slide in Mayfield Gulch has blocked the creek for four hundred yards, and made quite a lake. While there is no loss of life yet reported from the Big Cottonwood, the miners are leaving the canyon as fast as possible. When the snow becomes deep and heavy on the steep mountain slopes, an avalanche may be started by a party wading across their face, or by a concussion. Sometimes a blast far under ground will do it.

BEHIND THE SCENES.—The Chicago News Letter draws the following scene in a newspaper office on a snowy morning: City editor to managing editor:

"Cleaned your sidewalk yet?"

"Yes."

City editor to the associate editor:

"Cleaned your sidewalk?"

"Yes, tended to it right away after breakfast."

City editor through the tube to business manager:

"Cleaned your sidewalk yet?"

"Course I have. I got up before breakfast."

"Had the office walk shoveled off?"

"No. The devil's gone to the postoffice and the office boy's out collecting."

"Better get 'em hoed off before we go to press with the first edition. I'm going to write an item giving folks —— for not cleaning their walks more promptly."

City editor writes a tearer and shovels off his own sidewalk when he goes to dinner.

A few applications of St. Jacob's Oil cured Mrs. Sue Conyers, Cor. Spring and Olive Sts., Quincy, Ill., who had been ill with rheumatism and suffered the most excruciating pain.

MARRIED.

In New York city, on the 10th instant, by Rev. Thos. S. Hastings, of the West Presbyterian Church, GEO. HUTTON, of this city, and Miss EDINA J. BEATTIE, of Taunton.

DIED.

On Saturday morning, January 15th, after a few hours' illness, REUBEN JOHNSTON, in the 72d year of his age. ☞ His funeral took place from Christ Church this afternoon, at one o'clock.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAPH NEWS

CONGRESSIONAL.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 17, 1881.

SENATE.

Mr. Wallace, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported, with sundry amendments, the Indian Appropriation bill.

Mr. Pendleton, from the Census Committee, reported with an accompanying detailed report, a bill making appropriation for completing, compiling and publishing the returns of the tenth census.

Mr. Garland presented the report of the Congressional visitors to West Point and accompanying the same a bill amending existing laws in relation to the Military Academy at West Point. Referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Bills were introduced as follows, and referred:

By Mr. Kernan, authorizing the issue of an American register to the Egyptian steamer Dessouq.

By Mr. Williams, to establish ocean mail service and making an appropriation therefor.

On motion of Mr. Bruce the bill authorizing and directing the purchase by the Secretary of the Treasury, for the public use, the property known as the Freedmen's Bank and the real estate and parcels of ground adjacent thereto, belonging to the Freedmen's Saving and Trust Co., and located on Pennsylvania Avenue, between 15th and 15½ sts., Washington, D. C., was again taken up, amended and passed. It appropriates an amount not to exceed $250,000.

On motion of Mr. Burnside, by unanimous consent the orders were suspended and the Senate took up Senate bill for the relief of Brig. Brevet Maj. Gen. E. O. C. Ord. The bill passed without debate.

On motion of Mr. Butler the Senate joint resolution creating the Yorktown, Va., centennial commission was passed.

The Calendar occupied the remainder of the morning hour.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The Speaker, as is the regular order, proceeded to call the States for bills and resolutions, under which call the following were introduced and referred:

By Mr. Dunn, of Ark., to prohibit the sending of fire arms or ammunition through the mails.

By Mr. Springer, of Ill., to amend sec. 3906 of revised statutes in regard to the prepayment of postage on second class mail matter.

By Mr. Fort, of Ill., to prohibit the exportation of diseased cattle and other domestic animals.

By Mr. Willis, of Ky., (by request) to regulate and improve the civil service of the United States. Also to establish a sub treasury at Louisville, Ky.

Mr Mr. Newberry, of Michigan, providing for a joint commission by the United States and Great Britian, to investigate the alleged false and fraudulent proof and statistics used before the Halifax fishery commission.

By Mr. Ford, of Mo.: A resolution declaring it to be the opinion of the House that every interest demands the immediate construction of telegraph lines by the Government and requesting the Committee on Postoffices and Post Roads to report a bill for the construction of such telegraph lines as may be necessary to protect the people from monopoly.

The Speaker ruled that the resolution was not in order under this call and it was not admitted.

Financial.

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—The Post's financial says the stock exchange markets started off very strong. U. S. bonds are unchanged in price. Railroad bonds are strong at a general advance. Old choice bonds are scarce in the market and rule at very full prices. The stock market excepting Reading and the telegraph stocks opened strong and higher and was alternately strong and heavy, but in the main has been strong. The stocks which have shown the most strength have sold as high as the following figures: Union Pacific 120; Kansas & Texas 47⅞; Texas & Pacific 46; Iron Mountain 62½; North Pacific 31½ and 67½; Northwest 135 and 146; Milwaukee & St Paul 134 and 132; D. L. & W. 117⅞; Ill. Cen. 130½; Rock Island 138½, and Omaha 48½ and 100. The telegraph stocks have ranged as follows: Western Union 108¾a109 and 108¾a107½; American Union 81½a89 and 81½a88; Atlantic Pacific has sold only at 41. The week opens on a 5a6 per cent money market on call loans. 4a5 per cent for time loans and 5a6½ per cent for prime mercantile paper.

Postponed.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 17.—The U. S. Circuit Court this morning, Judge McKennan, directed the postponement until next Monday of argument in the matter of the injunction of the Western Union Telegraph Company against the Pennsylvania Railroad Company restraining the latter from interfering with the business of the telegraph lines along the route of the united companies of New Jersey.

The Anti-Jewish Agitation.

LONDON, Jan. 17.—A despatch from Berlin to the Times says: The sum of 5,000 marks has already been subscribed towards the founding of an anti-Jewish newspaper, a majority of the Berlin journals being decidedly against the anti sematic movement.

A Bank President to be Sent to Jail.

READING, Pa., Jan. 17.—Judge Hagenman this morning directed the Sheriff of Berks county to deliver Jacob Huntzinger, late President of the Miners' Trust Bank of Pottsville, to the Warden of Pottsville jail for trial in the latter city.

Frozen to Death.

BRAMPTON, Ont., Jan. 17.—The body of a man frozen to death was found leaning against a stump in a field, two miles from this place, by the conductor of a passing train yesterday.

Race Postponed.

LONDON, Jan. 17.—The race between Hanlan and Laycock is to be postponed from day to day because of the drift ice in the Thames.

Mothers! Mothers!! Mothers!!!

Are you disturbed at night and broken of your rest by a sick child suffering and crying with the excruciating pain of cutting teeth? If so, go at once and get a bottle of MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately—depend upon it; there is no mistake about it. There is not a mother on earth who has ever used it who will not tell you at once that it will regulate the bowels, and give rest to the mother, and relief and health to the child, operating like magic. It is perfectly safe to use in all cases, and pleasant to the taste, and is the prescription of one of the oldest and best female physicians and nurses in the United States. Full directions for using will accompany each bottle. None genuine unless the fac-simile of CURTIS & PERKINS is on the outside wrapper. Sold by all Medicine Dealers. Twenty-five cents a bottle. Beware of imitations.

☞ OLD DOMINION COMMANDERY, No. 11, K. T.—The regular conclave of Old Dominion Commandery, No. 11, K. T., will be held at their asylum this (Monday) evening, at 7½ o'clock.

It JAS. F. ALEXANDER, Recorder.

JAMES E. CATON,

ATTORNEY AT LAW,

Room 2, Market Building.

Will practice in the Courts of Alexandria city and Alexandria and Fairfax counties. jan17-3m

OYSTERS! OYSTERS!

M. RUBEN

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MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL

VIRGINIA BONDS.—J. A. Hambleton Co.'s Baltimore Financial Circular of Saturday last says:

"Virginia bonds have recovered from the effect of the Mahone manifestos of last week, and are in demand at advancing figures. Consols sold from 73 up to 74¼, and 10 40s from 48½ up to 49¾. Virginia tax receivable coupons are bringing higher figures than they ever before have done at this time of the year. Consol coupons sold up to 92, and 10 40 coupons to 94½. Virginia deferred sold at 15, and although we think it is selling for all or more than it is worth, we would not be surprised to see a quick speculative advance in it before long. We think consols and 10 40s are both a good purchase, and expect to see them sell considerably higher."

WHOLESALE PRICES OF PRODUCE, &c.

Flour, Fine	$3 75	@	4 00
Superfine	5 00	@	0 00
Extra	5 25	@	5 75
Family	6 00	@	6 25
Fancy brands	7 00	@	7 25
Wheat, common to fair	1 00	@	1 10
Good to prime	1 10	@	1 15
Choice	1 18	@	1 20
Corn, white	0 49	@	0 50
Mixed	0 49	@	0 50
Yellow	0 50	@	0 51
Corn Meal	0 55	@	0 60
Buckwheat	2 25	@	2 50
Rye	0 90	@	0 95
Oats	0 45	@	0 48
Butter, prime	0 23	@	0 25
Common to middling	0 10	@	0 15
Eggs	0 35	@	0 36
Chickens, per doz	1 50	@	2 50
Dressed Turkies	0 9	@	0 11
Dressed Hogs	0 [illegible]	@	0 [illegible]
Potatoes per bushel	0 55	@	0 65
Sweet Potatoes per bbl	2 00	@	2 25
Onions, per bush	1 25	@	1 50
Apples	2 25	@	2 50
Dried Peaches, peeled	0 8	@	0 11
Unpeeled	0 4	@	0 5
Dried Apples	0 4	@	0 6
Dried Cherries	0 15	@	0 16
Bacon, Hams, country	0 10	@	0 11
Best sugar cured Hams	0 11	@	0 12
Butchers' Hams	0 11	@	0 12
Sides	0 8½	@	0 8¾
Shoulders	0 6½	@	0 6¾
Lard	0 9	@	0 9½
Veal Calves	0 4	@	0 5
Herring, Eastern, per bbl	4 00	@	4 50
Shad Roe per kit	2 75	@	3 00
Plaster, ground, per ton	4 50	@	5 00
Ground, in bags	5 75	@	6 00
Lump	3 00	@	0 00
Clover Seed	5 40	@	5 50
Timothy	2 90	@	3 00
Salt, G. A. (Liverpool)	0 95	@	1 00
Fine	1 50	@	1 55
Turk's Island	0 55	@	0 60
Wool, long unwashed	0 31	@	0 32
Washed	0 40	@	0 42
Merino, unwashed	0 29	@	0 31
Do. washed	0 40	@	0 42
Sumac	0 75	@	0 80
Hay	18 00	@	22 00
Wheat Bran per ton	17 50	@	18 50
Brown Middlings	18 00	@	20 00
White Middlings	22 @	@	23 00

The market opens dull and quiet. There is but little doing in Flour and quotations are nominal. Wheat is in light receipt and prices are unchanged. About 325 bushels of white Corn brought 52. No Rye or Oats reported. Butter is a shade lower. Eggs have again advanced. Other articles unchanged.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 17.—Virginia 6s old —; do deferred 15 asked; do consolid 74⅞; do 2d series 28; past due coup 91¼; new 10.40s 49⅞; 10 40s coup 94 bid to-day. Cotton dull; middling 11⅞a11¾. Flour dull, but steady; Howard st and Western super 3 50a$4; do extra 4 25a$5; do family 5 25a$6; City Mills super 3 25a$3 75; do extra 4 25a$4 75; do family 6 25a$6 50; do fancy brands $6 25; Patapsco family $7 25. Wheat—Southern dull; Western easier and depressed; Southern red 115a117; do amber 120a125; No 1 Western winter red spot and Jan 116a116¼; Feb 117½a117¾; Mar 119a119¼; April 119¾a120. Corn—Southern steady; Western lower and dull; Southern white 52; do yellow 53; Western mixed spot and Jan 53¼a52¾; Feb 52¾a54; Mar 54a54¾. Oats firm and scarce; Western white 46a47; do mixed 44a45. Rye a shade better at 102a103. Hay firm; prime to choice Penna and Maryland 21a$23 per ton. Coffee firm; Rio cargoes ordinary to fair 11a13¾. Sugar quiet; A soft 9⅝. Whiskey dull at 1 12a$1 14.

NEW YORK, January 17.—Stocks active. Money 5.6. Flour dull. Wheat heavy. Corn steady.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 17.—Cattle—sales [illegible] head; market fair; prime 6a6¼; good 5½a6; medium 4¾a5¼; common 3½a4¾. Sheep—sales 11,000; market slow; prime 5¾a6¼; good 5¼a5½; medium 4¾a5; common 4a4½. Hogs—sales 7,000 head; market slow; prime 7¼; good 7¼a7½; medium 7½a7¾; common 6¾a7.

VIRGINIA, sct.—In the Clerk's office of Fairfax Circuit Court, January 15th, 1881. Jonathan Magarity, complainant, vs. John J. Shipman, Priscilla J. Shipman, James Magarity, Joseph A. Rice, W. W. Corcoran, Anthony Hyde, John Hoover and Lewis J. Davis, defendants. In Chancery.

Memo. The object of this suit is to enforce a certain deed of trust from John J. Shipman and Priscilla J. Shipman, his wife, to James Magarity, dated 20th day of May, 1871, and recorded in liber R, No. 4, folio 106, of the land records of Fairfax county, and to subject the real estate conveyed thereby to the payment of a certain debt due complainant.

It appearing by affidavit filed that the above named defendants, Joseph A. Rice, W. W. Corcoran, Anthony Hyde, John Hoover and Lewis J. Davis, are non residents of the State of Virginia, it is ordered that they appear here within one month after due publication hereof and do what is necessary to protect their interests in this suit. Teste:

F. W. RICHARDSON, Clerk.

James M. Love, p. q. jan17-w4w

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