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THE President threatens an extra session proclamation right in the heat of the Presidential campaign.

CANADIAN dock laborers would consider their life a failure, if they could not get up a lively little riot once a week.

TO-MORROW the country will hold its breath while the political giants wrestle, in the arena at Springfield.

The agile Apache and the fiery untamed Ute are once more prancing over the prairie and howling for the white man's gore.

Too much confidence should not be reposed in the Hanlan-Courtney boat race. The sporting events of the season seem to wind up in fizzes.

WITH a boat-race in Washington and a State Convention in Illinois the minds of the American people will be driven to the ragged edge of distraction to-morrow.

PROFESSOR NORDENSKJOLD announces that the brilliant crown of light suspended over the North Pole is not so much to illuminate the Polar region as apparently to arouse the curiosity of other planets. Let Howgate go ahead and look into this matter.

UNCLE SAM'S revenue raiders have had their attention called to an organization of moonshiners among the caves of Crawford County, Ind. Three dollars and a bushel of corn admits a man to membership, and the products of their stills are brought away in jugs.

MEMPHIS apparently did not mend matters by forfeiting her charter. The Supreme Court decides that the "Taxing District of Memphis" is the successor of the City of Memphis, and as such is liable for all the latter's contracts.

It is pretty well settled that when both sides are anxious to participate in a duel or a prize fight, it is easy enough to secure a location. Those ferocious pugilists, who seemed so dead set to fight on Canadian soil, where every fence-corner bristled with bayonets, could have found a nice quiet spot much nearer home, if they were really eager for the fray.

LEGISLATING FOR MONOPOLIES.

There is only one animal that is commonly known to have the habit of going ahead backwards, and though unique in his motions, the crab is not a graceful "bird" or one worthy of imitation. There are hallucinations or fits of folly that sometimes attack the intellects of "statesmen"—heaven save the mark—and set them drifting backward, and finally bring them up stranded on a lee shore. Of such is a bill introduced into Congress quite recently by Mr. Hurd, the Democratic member from Toledo. The bill, as originally drawn, prohibited the transportation of any grain, goods, wares, merchandise or other freight from any point in the United States to any other point in the United States where such transportation was for any part of the distance through Canada.

This bill was referred to a sub-committee of Ways and Means, of which Fernando Wood was made Chairman. Wood immediately made a written report adding to the bill a prohibition of the transportation of imported goods from the Atlantic cities to the West in sealed cars, or in bond through Canada. By this bill the Canadian trunk lines, the Great Western, the Canadian Southern, and the Grand Trunk are virtually prohibited from doing business in the United States, and all the Northwestern States are deprived of the benefit of a healthy competition between these roads and the trunk lines doing business south of the Great Lakes.

It is, in fact, calling for a surrender of the whole business interests of the country into the hands of the railway nabobs of the country. It makes combinations not only possible—which they are not while this competition is active—but certain, between the Wall-street gamblers in railroad stocks. The last safeguard against extirpation and the ruin of the millions of toilers in the fields and workshops of the Northwest is removed.

There is a shallow pretext of retaliation given for this measure. Canada has some time since established regulations for the transportation of cattle and hogs through the Dominion from the United States. The shipment of any such

that may be diseased is prohibited. This is nothing more than is now done between the different States. Both Canada and the United States have established quarantine regulations for the inspection of all imported cattle, sheep and hogs, and that is all there is about this pretext for retaliatory measures.

But is there any logical necessity why the American people should be deprived of the advantages of the rates and competing interests because the people of Canada refuse to allow diseased live stock to pass through their territory? Congress is simply asked by this infamous measure to surrender the most vital interests of fifteen million people into the hands of a monopoly that has always proved itself to be merciless, unprincipled and grasping. That such a measure should have emanated from a Western man, or from a man who had even the remotest conception of statesmanship as separated from stock jobbing, seems incredible. The country expects nothing better from the representatives of those overgrown corporations of the East whose managers are, by means of the courts and legislatures, gradually swallowing up all the minor enterprises of the country and paving the way to a domination and power more obnoxious than that of an hereditary monarchy.

OUR MAY FESTIVAL.

Mr. W. Hamilton is now in the lighting-rod business, and reports doing a thriving trade.

Quite a number of arrests during last Saturday night and Sunday, but no arrests yesterday.

Mr. Albert Renshing, who died last Saturday, was buried yesterday afternoon. The funeral sermon was preached by Rev. Fiery.

A frame house was destroyed by fire beyond the toll gate on Clifton Pike, belonging to William H. Houck. Loss, \$1,000; no insurance.

The picnic of St. Bernard's Roman Catholic congregation, yesterday, was well attended, and all present enjoyed themselves to the fullest extent.

"It is thronged, it is true, with their faces but our merchants and manufacturers are busy from morning till night with packing and dispatching the various commodities, wares, and fabrics that they likewise find time to buy. Our hotels are crowded with these gathered thousands, our railroad trains overflow with the hosts demanding transportation.

Apart, therefore, from all considerations of aesthetic culture of musical fame for our city or pride in so great a festival, this feast of music is a source of vast commercial advantage to the city, both in the immediate profit in dollars and cents to our merchants and manufacturers, but it makes thousands of lasting friends for the city who would return to her bazaars and caravansaries again, and yet again, were these rare musical festivals with its harmonies all forgotten.

A pebble dropped into a pool will ripple its surface with its wavelike to the shore, and such an event as this delightful festival of May, will stir the whole current of our city's material interest to its edge. In the veriest "Gradgrind" and materialistic view that can be taken, the May Festival is worth untold thousands of dollars to the city of Cincinnati. In its aesthetic influence upon our people, who shall measure it, or by what rule or plummet calculate its forces?

Editorial Spinners.

Bull pups are more dogmatic than any other class of animals.

Presidents—except Presidents of the Senate—have no small slices.

When lovely woman turns barber she may easily razor condition.

Folks are coming home from Florida generally with a mosquito in their ears.

The railroad frogs are singing a pleasant tune along down the Southern Road.

The telephone is working its way out West, and will bello the poor Indian shortly.

A young mathematician writes to inquire how many feet it takes to make a door yard.

If anybody has found a gold mine lying around loose, he will please bring it home or he will be pretending soon it is his'n.

A Spanish Zarguela troupe will be over here next year. We presume that carbolic acid will be found an efficacious antidote.

When the Queen of Prussia snores the ladies in waiting remark to each other that Her Royal Highness is performing on the catar. h.

The wicked Delaware mule that kicked over a bee-hive the other day died next day from the pricking of an aroused but hitherto slumbering conscience.

An Eastern editor speaks of the "magnificent spectacle of the moon last night." If the moon would wear green goggles it would be much magnificent.

SPIRIT OF THE PRESS.

The English Papers of This Morning.

The Enquirer says: In the middle of the May-time the ripe fruits of the musical culture of Cincinnati are garnered. It is fit that in the heart of this continent the art of the heart, the emotional art, the art that is luscious, sensuous, thrilling, should rest as in the hollow of a great and tender hand, as crystal wares repose in the valleys. And so, in the fitness of things, Cincinnati, this week, is to hold the great musical event of the year in this country. We are told that beauty draws us by a single hair; and the hope of melody and harmony has already drawn hundreds of people from the cultivated shore of one ocean to the heart of the country, and the unheard notes of beauty in sound have made Cincinnati this week the musical Mecca of the West.—Mr. Tilden is liberal with his promises; but out of his promissuous promises states the fact that he has abandoned Mr. Payne and made Mr. Randall the heir-apparent.

The Gazette says: The Southern Railroad has declared war. Passenger rates to and from all stations on the road were reduced yesterday one-half, and freight rates

are likely to follow soon. The Louisville & Nashville combination is at an end. Henceforth the Cincinnati Southern will ask no favors and give none. The Newcomb combination has acted selfishly and treacherously. It may be able to stand a protracted fight, and it may not. Cincinnati certainly can.—The credit of Cincinnati must be good when its 5 per cent bonds sell for nearly 3 per cent premium.—While we pay this great honor to the great performance of the music of high foreign art, let us not despise the native and National music. For this music of negro minstrelsy is our National music. It is native to the soil, and it is the popular music. If all those who have a keener enjoyment of the music of negro minstrelsy than of the pieces of the great masters, even though performed by so great an organization, were to drop out of the audience, it is likely that the present certainty of paying expenses would be sadly changed. Let us not condemn this, but bless the fortunate circumstances which not only give us high musical culture, but permit us intervals of respite from its high straining to enjoy the strains of our National music.—Our Minister Resident in Colombia has returned, and has given an account of his luck in a very queer journey to the President of the State of Colombia. He went to warn him of the danger of the Lesseps canal scheme, and to tell him it would fetch in hordes of French and English, who would subvert the institutions, sovereignty, and language of the country. But this did not scare President Damazo Cervera, nor satisfy him as to our trespass on his country. He declined to overlook present invasion of his jurisdiction to look at the remote and chimerical. So our Simple Simon of a Minister came away with a large flea in his ear. How our Government is going to explain to the Government of Colombia this invasion of its jurisdiction has not yet been explained to the American public. Perhaps Secretary Everts has some very long sentences in his magazine, which would puzzle a South American diplomat, and these could hardly obscure the plain fact that we have invaded Colombia, and that we have no reason for it save the chimera of Lesseps' canal scheme.

The Commercial says of the statement renewed lately in the San Francisco Bulletin that the Cincinnati Commercial, Chicago Tribune, Springfield Republican and Louisville Courier-Journal selected Horace Greeley, of the New York Tribune, as their candidate for the Presidency in 1872, and forced his nomination upon the Cincinnati Convention: This faction turns up in some form several times a year. There never was anything in common between the four papers mentioned, beyond the personal friendliness of the editors—White, Bowles, Watterson and Halstead—and not one of the four favored the nomination of Horace Greeley for the Presidency. Mr. Watterson was then, as now, a Democrat, who was not disposed to draw the party lines strictly about himself, but remained within them. Mr. White's candidate for the Presidency was Senator Trumbull, but he preferred Adams to Greeley. Bowles and Halstead were for Charles Francis Adams.—Mr. Tilden seems to be going on comfortably. Within a few days he has been conspicuous in public places. At least five strong men of the Democratic party are convinced in their own minds that Tilden will not be a candidate, and that his strength is to be given to his particular friend, and each of the five thinks himself the happy man. There is something solemn in this slyness.—It is Mr. Wm. H. English, the shrewd Democratic politician, of Indiana, who says, "If Grant is nominated, there seems to be a fair show of carrying Ohio against him." But nobody has been heard to remark that if John Sherman, Washburne or any one of half a dozen other statesmen who have been named in connection with the Presidency, was nominated, there would "be a fair show of carrying Ohio against him."

The German Papers. The Volksfreund says: Judge Field has also got a boom now for the Presidential candidacy on the Democratic side.—That Sherman is one of our ablest men who has never been in the Senate, is admitted by many Republicans.

The Volksblatt says: It is not yet certain that Congress will adjourn on the 31st of May.—We do not need the canal in the center of the city. It breeds but fever and other sickness.—Only sixteen days until the Republican National Convention; and still the result of the same is shrouded in a mantle of uncertainty.

The Freie Presse says: Sherman wants the nomination for President or nothing at all. Every combination that brings his name in connection with the Vice Presidency is without his sanction.—The Grant people still act after the maxim: "Claim everything, and claim it boldly." They still assert that Grant will be nominated at Chicago.

Brief Bulletins.

- A \$17,000 fire at Bridgeport, Ky. All quiet at the Silver Creek Mines. Elizabeth Hite, pioneer, died at Gore, O. Nothing new yesterday in the Whittaker case. Cal. Rautz drowned near North Manchester, O. Maria Bishop, pioneer, died at Greenville, O. Peter Caldwell, old citizen, died at Plain City, O. Dr. N. W. Bishop's house burglarized at Loveland, O. Shanklin & Co.'s chair factory burned at Anderson, Ind. Great Council L. O. R. M. of Ohio in session at Circleville. Jacob Sull dropped dead while plowing near Carrington, O. Elias Bernard fatally hurt in a runaway at New California, O. John Dye's house, Harrisonville, O., damaged \$2,000 by fire. Pat McClosky perhaps fatally shot himself at West Jefferson, O. Bill Bell, ex-convict, tried to assassinate Harry Telle near Bedford, Ind. Wm. Rosa, conductor on the Marietta R. R., dropped dead at Chillicothe, O. Mrs. Jennie Reynolds, Ambia, Ind., dying from hydrophobia from the bite of a cat. Edwin Hunter, insane, from Organ Springs, Ind., died in prison at Denison, Texas. George and Anna Lytle mangled by a supposed mad dog near Afton, Clermont County, O. Mrs. Garrett Gordon arrested near Kokomo, Ind., on suspicion of having murdered her husband. Henry Pleher, wealthy citizen of Stark County, O., supposed to have been murdered for his money. B. Cummins shot at Hersh Hallett at Carlisle, Ind., but missed the latter and seriously shot Hallett's mother. Mr. Wm. Hartman, Madison, Wisconsin, writes: Hamburg Drops have gained a wide spread reputation in this Western country. Many persons of our city have been cured of different diseases by the use of this excellent remedy.

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Festival Notes—Names of the Chorus—The Intermissions—Ushers—Rules, etc., etc.

TOGETHER WITH MANY SIDE ISSUES THAT PERTAIN TO THE GREAT OCCASION.

We have heretofore observed, and the same we repeat, "Providence always smiles on Cincinnati's great undertakings." No finer weather could have been desired for the opening of our May Festival than that which we are now enjoying, and everything seems conspiring to make the Festival of 1880 the greatest success that has yet been achieved.

The Committee of nine gentlemen who have had the business side of the affair in charge in behalf of the Musical Festival Association, have been untiring in their efforts, and have shown a capacity and energy just suited to the requirements of such a work. Mr. Theodore Thomas has been zealous in the cause, and has earnestly looked after the most minute detail of the great task he has before him.

The chorus has been regular in attendance, earnest and attentive to the labor of learning the music and every one of the ladies and gentlemen connected with it is as much interested in the success of the Festival as Mr. Thomas himself.

THE DECORATIONS.

The city, always attractive and beautiful to the eyes of our own people, is made especially so to all who look upon it to day by beautiful decorations of evergreens, banners, streamers, portraits and unique designs that grace every public building private residences of all the principal thoroughfare business establishments and many courtyards.

Our merchants, too, add to the general effect by placing their most attractive goods conspicuously in view and making the store fronts dazzle with the beauty and brilliancy of the treasures within. Altogether Cincinnati is to-day, and will be this week, seen to good advantage. She has no poor side to show, it is true, but the brightest gem will wear the highest polish and the most beautiful lady is seen at her best when clothed in the most elaborate costume.

THE CROWDS OF STRANGERS.

Every regular train brings crowds of excursionists to the Festival, and special trains are arriving to-day on every road running into Cincinnati. In addition to this there are numbers of excursions by river here and coming, and thousands of people who have been in the city some days ready for all the great concert. The streets, hotels and all places of resort are thronged with strangers, and it is doubtful if the city was ever so well filled on any previous occasion.

In addition to the Festival visitors there are many drawn here in attendance on the Methodist Episcopal General Conference, and others preparing for the Millers' Exposition, which commences the last of this month.

THE USHERS.

Mr. D. W. Clifton has been appointed as chief usher at the concert. He will have a corps of twenty-five assistants, divided off so as to seat persons in all parts of the house promptly. Mr. Clifton has had great experience as chief usher, having had charge of the Highland House T.omas Concerts last year, in charge of the Symphony Concerts at Music Hall during the past two seasons, in charge of the Grand Opera-house the past winter, in charge of several political conventions, and was chief usher at the May Festival last year. He has selected gentlemen as his assistants, and there is no reason to believe otherwise than that the audiences will be well taken care of by Mr. Clifton.

THE INTERMISSIONS.

At all of our festivals the "intermissions" have proved a very attractive feature, and this year they will be continued. The intermission at each concert will last from half an hour to an hour. This will give the audience an opportunity to rest, in chatting with friends and promenading. A saloon for ices, creams and light refreshments will be opened in Floral Hall, south of the Music Hall, under the charge of Mr. Charles Selves, the popular and well-known caterer.

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THE CONCERT-TONIGHT.

The programme for to-night's concert has many attractions, as many as any of the concerts of the week, and those who remain away will miss a rare and great musical treat. The programme is as follows:

- Contra—"A Stronghold Sure".....Each (Adapted for performance by Theodore Thomas.) Organ prelude, composed for this occasion by George E. Whiting. Miss Annie R. Norton, Miss Annie Louise Cary, Signor Ido Campanini, Mr. Myron W. Whitney, Mr. George E. Whiting, Organist. Chorus, Orchestra, Organ. Symphony, C major (Kochel 561).....Mozart 1. Allegro vivace. 2. Andante cantabile. 3. Minuetto (Allegretto). 4. Finale (Allegro molto). Intermission. Jubilate.....Handel (Adapted for performance by Robert Frazer.) Miss Annie Louise Cary. Mr. Fred Harvey, Mr. Myron W. Whitney. Chorus, Orchestra, Organ.

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