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THE DOLLAR WEEKLY BULLETIN

John H. Oberly has reduced the subscription price of the WEEKLY CAIRO BULLETIN to One Dollar per annum, making it the cheapest paper published in Southern Illinoi

THE president's family go to Long Branch this week.

SENATOR FENTON of New York, was a lumberman forty years ago.

THE New York 'Herald' gives the losses by the Chicago fire at $793,500.

THE army worm has invaded Jackson county, and is marching southward.

GEORGE FRANCIS TRAIN has been declared sane by a sheriff's jury, and has embarked for Europe.

DECORATION day was generally observed in the Northern states. The orations and poems were only so-so. Many of them were common-place productions of the rosy posy kind.

A MAN and woman have been arrested, one at West Liberty, the other at Oxford, Iowa. They are believed to be the younger Bender and one of the women of that precious band.

THE Bowen-Beecher-Tilton scandal is now to be investigated by Beecher and his friends. It will be a highly interesting affair, and bad for one or two and probably for all of the Christian trio implicated.

THE new president of the French republic is said to be no talker, and his opinion on public matters in France is a sealed book to the public. It is thought, however, that he is not a very enthusiastic republican, descended as he is from an ancient family of Irish Catholics who followed the Stuarts.

CABRAL, the enemy of Baez who is the friend of President Grant, and who has been keeping San Domingo in hot water for years, is described as a "pure mulatto." He is said to be a genial companion, of frank and genial disposition, having graduated at the London University, and, as might be expected speaks English fluently.

Madame Brinkerhoff achieved a great success at the Wolfsohn Concert—Academy of Music. This great classical singer was thoroughly at home in the grand Aria of Beethoven. In Ah Perrido she was enthusiastically encored and gave a melody on three notes that exhibited her wonderful control of the organs that produce light and shade.—[Philadelphia Press.

CANNON, the new member of the house of congress from Utah, is a polygamist. He has been married several times and never has been divorced nor a widower. It has been suggested that his admission to his seat would be a disgrace to the house—that he should be sent back to the prophet. Too much married congressmen are not to be tolerated in this virtuous epoch of the history of the great republic.

NOAH WEBSTER used to spread his favorite ideas of the spelling reform by travelling about from printing office to printing office and handing printed slips containing the words "theater," "center," etc., to persuade people to spell as he did. This was before the ravenous demand of the great American people for dictionaries furnished him with a more effective propaganda than a peripatetic one.

THE war spirit is developing in Cairo. Everybody wants Mexico whipped out of its boots.—[Bulletin.

We had better settle our little affair with the Modocs before we attack the Montezumas.—[Decatur Magnet.

There is the old spirit! The democratic papers are already opposing the war. They are against the old flag. They are t-ra-tors. We warn them. They must be for the next war, or perish. The next war ought to be with Mexico, and result in the conquest of that country. Our voice is still for war, "Gods, can a Roman senate," etc.,—the 'Magnet' may finish the quotation.

WE have received from the office of the 'State Journal,' Springfield, a copy of their special edition of the Laws passed at the first session of the 28th general assembly. The volume embraces all the enactments, including the appropriation acts, and makes two hundred pages, including the index. It is handsomely and durably bound in American calf and is sold for the very low price of $1 50 per copy. As the edition is limited, those who desire to be supplied would do well to send their orders at once. All orders, accompanied by the cash will be promptly filled; or if preferred, the Journal company will send the volume by express, C. O. D.

THE correspondents at Washington assert that the radical politicians of the national capital have become alarmed by the farmers' movement in the West. There seems to be some truth in this report. The 'Washington Chronicle' the president's organ, lately contained an elaborate attack on the granges, charging that they are putting forward candidates for political offices, and accusing them of being used by the democratic leaders. The democratic leaders, are not granger-sympathisers, to any great extent, we regret say. They are as much devoted to monopolies as to the salary grabs, Credit Mobilier and other rascalities out of which they should have plucked advantage for their party and into which they went chasing the spoils with the radical rascals who are robbing the people with all the nonchalance of the thief who picked a man's pocket and then kicked him until his nose bled because he meanly objected to the robbery.

AMONG the striking features for SCRIBNER'S for June are N. P. Langford's entertaining and splendidly-illustrated account of "The Ascent of Mount Hayden;" a new picture and biography of Bret Harte; illustrated papers on Cornell University and "Our Postal-Card Service;" a curious and important paper by Gen. Walker, superintendent of the late Census, on the relative increase, by births, of the "American Irish and American Germans;" "A seance with Foster the Spiritualist;" and an article by Prof. Wise, the well-known aeronaut, in opposition to the received theory of the tides. An interesting account of a visit to the Pope is given, and there are two capital short stories, "Capt. Luce's Enemy," by James T. McKay; and "An Old-Fashioned Story," by Marian Stockton; besides the continuation of Dr. Holland's "Arthur Bonnicastle," in which the hero has a New Year's experience. Dr. Holland, in "Topics of the Time, discusses "The Atlantic Disaster and its Lessons;" and "Conscience and Courtesy in Criticism." In the "Old Cabinet" there are half a dozen sonnets: "Home and Society" and Etchings are more than usually full, and in "Culture and Progress" there are, beside the book-reviews, articles on "The William Morris Window" and other art matters. The "Great South" series will be commenced in the July number of SCRIBNER'S.

A REMARKABLE FLOWER.

A flower has been recently described by an eye-witness at Constantinople, which is so great a rarity that one is apt to treat it as a fable, and wait for the confirmation of one's eyesight. It belongs the narcissus kind of bulbs, and bears the botanic name of ophyrs mouche. There were three naked flowers on the stalk hanging on one side; the underneath one was fading, while the two others were all in their beauty. They represented a perfect humming-bird. The breast, of bright emerald green, is a complete copy of this bird, and the throat, head, back and eyes are a most perfect imitation. The hinder part of the body and the two outstretched wings are of a bright rose color, one might almost say flesh colored. On the abdomen rests the whole propagation apparatus, of a deep, dark brown tint, in the form of a two-winged gad-fly.

AN ELOQUENT PREFACE.

Freiligrath, the celebrated German poet has translated the prose works of Bret Harte into his native language. It is beautiful and pathetic. In it he says:

"Nevertheless he remains what he is—the Californian and the gold-digger. But the gold for which he has dug, and which he found, is not the gold in the bed of rivers,—not the gold in the veins of mountains; it is the gold of love, of goodness, of fidelity, of humanity, which even in rude and wild hearts,—even under the rubbish of vices and sins,—remains forever uneradicated from the human heart. That he there searched for this gold,—that he found it there and triumphantly exhibited it to the world,—that is his greatness and his merit. That it is which drew hearts to him whenever the language of Shakspear, of Milton, and Byron is spoken. And that it is which has made me, the old German poet, the translator of the young American colleague; and which has led me to-day to reach to him warmly and cordially my hand across the sea. Good luck, Bret Harte! Good luck, my gold digger!"

RATES OF POSTAGE.

The new postal law goes into operation after June, 30 inst. It abolishes the franking privilege, requires the payment of postage from subscribers to county newspapers, and upon all exchanges at the office of delivery. The rates of postage have not been changed. To all parts of the United States letter postage will be three cents per half ounce. Newspapers sent by mail must be prepaid by stamps, unless "regularly issued and sent to regular subscribers" by publishers or newsdealers, when the following rates are charged, payable quaterly in advance, either at the mailing or delivery office.

Dailies	35 cents
Six times a week	30 cents
Tri-weeklies	15 cents
Semi-weeklies	10 cents
Weeklies	5 cents
Semi-monthly, not over 4 ozs	6 cents
Monthlies, not over 4 ozs	3 cents
Quarterlies, not over 4 ozs	1 cent

Newspapers and circulars dropped into the office for local delivery must be prepaid at the rate of one cent for two ounces, and an additional rate for every additional two ounces or fraction thereof; and periodicals weighing more than two ounces are subject to two cents, prepaid at all letter-carrier offices.

The postage on regular papers, etc., must be paid in advance, either at the place of delivery, to the carrier, or at the office, otherwise they will be chargeable at transient rates.

NO FREE POSTAGE

The press of the country, in the North, South, East, and West, had been, during many years, demanding that the franking privilege should be abolished. The legislators at the national capital withstood for a long time the pressure brought to bear upon them in this way for postal reform, but at last yielded to the public demand and abolished the privilege. In this they acted wisely. The government has no right to use the public money to pay for carrying the private message of a member of the congress of the United States. He himself should pay for the service

But the legislators did not stop at this. They carried the reform to its logical result by the adoption of the following provision:

Provided, That all laws and parts of laws permitting the transmission by mail of any free matter whatever, be and the same are hereby repealed from and after June 30, 1873.

This proviso will compel subscribers to county papers to pay postage for their papers, whether received within or out of the county in which they are published and will also compel payment of postage at the office of delivery of all newspaper exchanges.

Certain newspapers are denouncing this law as a blow at the newspaper press. It may prove to be an inconvenience to many of the public journals of the country; but we maintain that it is a correct and a just law. We of the press have claimed and have insisted that it was little less than robbery in a congressman, an officer of the government in duty compelled to keep in communicotion with his constituents, to compel the government to carry his mail matter at the public expense, and yet we have the unblushing impudence to demand that the government shall take our papers from our offices and deliver them to subscribers within our respective counties and to each other, at the expense of the people! We are somewhat astonished at the position of many of our cotemporaries on this question. They thought there was much fun in goring congressional postal deadheadism, but when our own deadhead ox was gored in retaliation they raised a great outcry. THE BULLETIN does not propose to be thus unjust, and has no hesitation in saying that congress acted wisely when it abolished the entire system of postal deadheadism, and left not a wrack of the outrage behind.

SALARY GRABBING SIXTY YEARS AGO.

Nearly sixty years ago, the congress of the United States undertook to pass a law increasing the salaries of members to twelve dollars a day. The attempt created much excitement throughout the country. Editors and rhymesters and the people generally denounced it. A correspondent of the New York "Evening Post," referring to this item of history, calls the attention of the editor of that paper to a song, the words of which were originally published in the "Post" at the time the salary increase excitement was agitating the country, and says: "The late proceedings of congress have called this song to my mind, and I firmly believe the bringing out of this old song would repay all the labor and trouble it would occasion. The 'Post' reproduces the song in compliance with the suggestion of its correspondent, and says: "It will gratify Mr. Dutcher, (the correspondent), and, perhaps some other old gentlemen whose memories go back as far as his does, and it will show to the younger generation that Ben. Butler would have been an ornament to his time and station more than half a century ago." The song is as follows:

A NEW SONG.

O! wont you hear
What roaring cheer,
Was spent by Johnny Congress, O!
And how so gay
They doubled their pay,
And doubled the people's taxes, O!
There was Clay the scold,
And Johnson the bold,
Who did not shoot Tecumseh, O!
And Ormsbey and Lowndes
All as eager as hounds,
On the scent of the loaves and fishes O!

[Arrah! by my shoul, it would make your heart leap for grief to hear the poor soldiers begging for their pay, the widows for their pensions, and the officers for new loans, while all the members are drinking and singing merrily:]

Twelve dollars a day,
Twelve dollars a day,
Twelve dollars a day's the dandy, O!
There was Clay in the chair,
With his flax-colored hair,
A signing the tax bills cheerily, O!
And smiled as the rabble
So loudly did gabble,
The audience scarcely could slumber, O!
It was aye, it was no,
'Twas too high, 'twas too low—
"The ayes will rise" said the Speaker, O!
And quickly arose
Two eyes to the nose,
And the salary bill was carried, O!

[Yes! by my shoul, they all unanimously disagreed upon every question except the salary bill. "Gentlemen, order! This bill proposes to give us all a yearly salary of fifteen hundred dollars, and myself three thousand. Shall it pass? Aye! aye! aye! The ayes have it," therefore they all began to sing:]

Twelve dollars a day,
Twelve dollars a day,
Twelve dollars a day's the dandy, O!
But och! by my shoul,
They all star'd like an owl,
When the people all hiss'd their ditty, O!
Said Clay, we're all broke,
They don't relish the joke,
The devil has got in the rabble, O!
We have put on their backs,
A mountain of tax,
An army, a bank, *et cetera*, O!
Which so tamely they bore,
That we all could have swore,
They were perfectly broke to the halter, O!

[How shall we creep out of this scrape? says one. Says Clay, I will persuade the people that twelve dollars a day is too little to support myself and my wife. Says Hardin, I'll turn the thing off in a joke. Says Ormsbey, I'll beg pardon of my constituents, and promise never to do the like again. "Well done, my lads!" says Johnson, and so they all began to sing again:]

Twelve dollars a day,
Twelve dollars a day,
Twelve dollars a day's the dandy, O!

CAPTAIN JACK AND THE LAVA BEDS.

I'm Captain Jack of the Lava Beds,
I'm "cock o' the walk," and chief o' the Reds
I kin "lift the hair" and scalp the heads
Of the whole United Sta es army.
When I'm out my squaw she cries,
My squaw she cries,
My squaw she cries,
When I go out my squaw she cries—
You'd better look out for the army

[Oh, yes! Ladies and gentlemen, I'm the original Capt. Jack of the Modoc braves—big Ingin me—white man he make too much bombshell and telegraphy dispatch—but he no *savvy* de Lava Bed. White man he play "highdow," but he no catchee *die* Jack, for]—

I'm Captain Jack of the Modoc braves,
And cock o' the walk to the lava caves.
When I catches 'em out—their heads I shave
The heads of the braves of the army.
When I stand up the pickets they stare,
The pickets they stare,
The pickets they stare,
When I stand up the pickets they stare,
And then run back to the army!

[Oh, yes! Ladies and gentlemen, big medicine man Killem, he going to eat up Modoc chiefs at one square meal, but he make too much fight at San Francisco telegraph man, and shoot bomb-shell at Modoc squaw and scalp only dead Ingin, Charley. Ugh! Captain Jack, he bullee boy with glass eyes. Captain Killem he played out on dis line—all summer time.—Ex.

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