

COMMERCIAL MATTERS, Etc.

The San Francisco Journal of Commerce estimates the wheat crop of California at a value of \$26,000,000, and, what will surprise many people, the gold and silver crop at a million less.

A resolution has lately been offered in the United States Senate proposing to make the United States dollar one-fifth of the English pound sterling.

It is estimated that the California wool clip of next year will be 50,000,000 pounds, and that with good seasons in two years it will amount to 60,000,000 pounds annually, and in five years to 75,000,000.

The trial of the mowing and reaping machines at the Centennial will require fifty acres of grass and standing grain, and the Agricultural Bureau of the Commission has put the land in the best possible condition.

Although the mills at Grand Rapids, Mich., have a sawing capacity of over 80,000,000 per season, but little over 50,000,000 was cut by them in 1875. The amount of lumber on hand exceeds 34,000,000 feet, not including small stocks in private yards not connected with mills at this place.

Berjamin T. Babitt, the millionaire soap manufacturer, says he was recently robbed by one of his clerks of \$300,000, was defendant in a case in the Circuit Court, Brooklyn, on Monday, before Judge Pratt, where Nathaniel Burns sued to recover \$450 for damage sustained to a wagon by being run into by a truck belonging to the defendant.

No ice as yet to supply the demand for next summer. A single pound has been cut on the Hudson. The companies think there is no reason to be apprehensive as yet, as a week of continuous frost, with two weeks more of sufficiently cold weather to prevent the ice thus formed from melting, will enable them to procure a sufficient supply to answer every demand at reasonable rates.

The P. proposed widening of the Suez Canal. It is said that the object of the British Government in sending Col. Stokes, the eminent military engineer, to survey the Suez Canal, is that they may have authentic information as to the probable cost of widening the canal, in order that ships may conveniently pass each other in transit, and thus do away with the frequent and long delays which are unavoidable under the present conditions of conveying opposite lines of ships through a narrow waterway.

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Eight Doctors Called.

Babcock has engaged no less than eight lawyers. This would seem to show a poor sinner in as bad a condition morally as the patient, physically, for whom as many doctors are called.

DEAR! DEAR!—The Philadelphia Herald says: "From all parts of the North there come indications of the effect of the debate on amnesty in the House of Representatives. Editorials and communications show that the 'passions of the late war' are being rapidly rekindled among the people, and even the provincial poet has come forward with his contributions. That 'rebel yell' of Hill is doing its work."

Here's "sectional discord and repression" with a vengeance. Let the Centennial grab be increased by three millions of dollars, and let the bill be passed at once.—Savannah News.

A revolt of Southern Republicans against the administration is a lively item for the opening canvass. Our Charleston correspondent telegraphs us that a convention to be composed of such recalcitrant Republicans will be shortly called, and that the effort will be made to wash their hands free of the misgovernment which has proceeded from Washington in the South during the past eight years, and which has taken eight Republican States out of ten into the Democratic fold.

Some attribute it to Mr. Blaine's ambition to fill off Grant in his Southern stronghold; but we scarcely expect to see the ex-Speaker take so bold a step as to father it.—N. Y. Herald.

And who is bottled up now? No! Benjamin F. Butler, but Ulysses S. Grant. Bottled up, too, by his own glib-compelling Secretary of State, by the deep and diplomatic Minister to Spain, and by the astute American consul to the Spanish Government, who is pronounced by Mr. Charles O'Conor to be unequalled in the fertility of his resources. At all events they have been too much for the President.

This is the six Gen. Grant is in. His hands are tied for two months; after that they will be paralyzed.—N. Y. Sun.

Is not the Radical press a little unreasonable in asking why the Democrats do not get down to their work of retrenchment? As the Radicals were unable to do anything in that line during ten years, how can they expect the Democrats to do everything in ten weeks? The Radicals do nothing to oppose them, if they had chosen to make the attempt; but the Democrats find the Radicals opposed to them in every step they try to take. Will our Radical friends please pluck the beam?—St. Louis Times.

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Centennial—Mrs. Dr. Fawcett, Mrs. Th. P. Waterman and Mrs. Rev. Guthrie. Crescent—Mrs. Thomas Gilmore, Mrs. Ph. F. Herwig, Mrs. John Henderson, Mrs. Springbett, Mrs. Dr. Berthelot and Miss Henderson.

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Answer to A Card. NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 18, 1876. Referring to a card of John M. G. Parker, President, of last inst. those interested will observe that while the letter of Supervisor Inspector Mr. Rogers is quoted, President Parker does not yet state whether Salamander Felting contains Asbestos or not.

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