

"I AM willing to risk my reputation as a public man," wrote Edward Hine to the Liverpool Mercury, "if the worst case of small-pox can not be cured in three days, simply by the use of cream of tartar. One ounce of cream of tartar dissolved in a pint of water drank at intervals, when cold, is a certain never-failing remedy. It has cured thousands, never leaves a mark, never causes blindness, and avoids tedious lingering."

This returns recently issued for 1874 shows that 44,000 of the 536,632 persons whose deaths were registered in England in that year were stated to be one hundred years old or upwards. These centenarians comprised sixteen men and fifty-three women; and the oldest were six widows, described as being one hundred and four years old. Of the fifty-three women all but eight are registered as being widows. Among the whole sixty-nine there is only one who is styled a gentleman; one of the men is described as a pensioner, one woman as an amputee and another as a widow (one hundred years old) as a "ward in Chancery."

There is a popular belief that ivy growing upon a building renders it damp and unhealthy, which is quite unscientific. In fact, it is a tall, particularly a north wall will damp, the best treatment is to plant English ivy at its base, for not only does the dense foliage of the plant keep out the rain, but its aerial roots absorb the moisture already in the wall. The real mischief done by ivy is to old buildings of stone or brick, from whose joints the mortar has been dislodged. An ivy-shoot once lodged in one of these crevices will grow in bulk until in the course of years it has so pressed the joints apart that the masonry can be dislodged by any strong vibration of the building.

HOPE the world tourists crossing the Pacific route for Japan, on arriving at the 180th degree of longitude, drop a day from their calendar. The returning ship adds a day to its reckoning. It happened to the Rev. Dr. Field crossing this meridian on the 18th of June, when he fell on a Sunday, to enjoy two successive Sundays in mid-ocean, one of which was the Sunday of Asia, and the other that of America and Europe. The reverend chronicler sadly records the fact that many of his fellow-voyagers, in their perplexity as to which day ought to be observed, failed to keep either day, and so, instead of gaining two Sundays, lost the one which was theirs of right.

THE biggest tree in California is not in the Yosemite Valley. King's River Valley, in Fresno County, is five thousand feet above the sea, and its walls, which are about three thousand feet high, are very precipitous. In this valley a new grove of colossal redwood trees has been discovered. One of them extends all that have been discovered on the Pacific coast. Its circumference, as high as a man can reach by a tape-line around, is a few inches less than one hundred and fifty feet. This is beyond the measurement of any tree in Calaveras Grove. The height is estimated at one hundred and sixty feet, and a part of the top lying on the ground is over one hundred feet in length.

HENRY ISLIP McVicar, a native of Edinburgh, is a leader in the Serbian army. He has fought four continents in twenty years, and almost always on the side of the smallest numbers. He gained a medal in the Indian mutiny, fought under Garibaldi in 1859, under Lee in 1861, for the Mexicans after the rebellion, with a little Indian skirmishing in Texas. He was in the Greek rebellion, served in Greece against the brigands, was in the patriot army in Cuba for a while, and then had a cavalry command in Egypt. He fought in France under Faidherbe against the Germans, turned up in Paris as a Communist, went to Herzegovina as a correspondent of a London paper, and is now a leader in the Serbian irregulars.

It so happens that in every twenty-eight years the 4th of March, the day fixed for the inauguration of the President, falls on Sunday. This occurs next year for the fourth time in the history of our nation, and following the precedent established by three of his predecessors the new President will take his oath of office on Monday, the 5th of March. The first inauguration on the 5th of March was that of George Washington on entering upon his second term. The next time the 4th of March fell on Sunday was in 1821, when James Monroe was the President-elect for the second time, and he, too, was inaugurated on Monday, March 5th. The third occurrence of this kind was in 1849, when Zachary Taylor was inaugurated on Monday, the 5th of March. After next year inauguration-day will not fall on Sunday again until 1905.

The London Post publishes a paragraph in a very conspicuous place, confirming the news that Russia is about to mobilize her army. The following sentence is a striking feature of the paragraph: "It is no secret that public opinion here has viewed the Russian proposition for the occupation of Turkish Territory as a pretext for aggression, and taking our stand on the treaty of Paris, we are prepared to resist the invasion of the Turkish Territory." The paragraph continues as follows: "The question at issue, however, is not whether Russia is about to mobilize her army, but whether she is capable of being dealt with in a spirit of conciliation. We can not but hope, therefore, that an issue may be found which may avoid war." The foregoing is printed in what is usually considered semi-official form. Several announcements recently made by the Post in a similar manner have proved correct.

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AT THE LAST.

The stream is calmer when it nears the tide, And flows are sweetest at the evening. And birds most musical at close of day, And saints divinest when they pass away. Morning is holy, but a holier charm Is found when Evening's robe of balm. And weary man must ever love her best; For morning calls to toil, but night to rest. She comes from heaven, and on her wings doth bear His fragrant incense, the breath of prayer; Posture of angels follow in her train, To slant the weary eyes of day in pain. All things are hushed before her as she throes O'er earth and sky her mantle of repose; There is calmer beauty and a power That nothing knows, in the Evening hours. Until the Evening we must weep and toll— Plover like's stern farrow, dig the woody soil— Tread with his feet our rough and thorny way, And bear the heat and burden of the day. Oh! when our heart is setting, misty we glide, And leave behind us, as we pass away, Sweet, starry twilight round our sleeping clay.

BEAR-SHOOTING IN INDIA.

The papers have informed us that the Prince of Wales killed some sloth bears in the swamp jungles of the Terai. This bear is one of the most dangerous animals in India; if he succeeds in getting hold of his enemy he holds on till he thinks he has killed him, or till he is driven off. He is generally found among mountains, where he attacks not only a hunting party, but a party of soldiers. He is a very powerful animal, and is very cunning. He is very fond of honey, and will climb a tree to get it. He is very fond of fruit, and will climb a tree to get it. He is very fond of honey, and will climb a tree to get it. He is very fond of fruit, and will climb a tree to get it.

THE ORIGINATOR OF THE CENTENNIAL.

Now that the great Centennial Exhibition has closed it becomes a matter of some historic interest to ascertain who first proposed it. Its great success will give it a marked place in the industrial exhibitions of modern times, and the excellent appropriateness of the idea is admitted by every body, but not every body knows who suggested it. The honor has been claimed at various times for several different persons, among whom are the Hon. John Bigelow, now Secretary of the State of New York; General Charles B. Norton, Commissioner to the 1867 Paris Exposition; Professor John L. Campbell, of Wabash College, this State, and possibly others. But it really belongs to Mr. Steuben T. Bacon, of Boston, who was probably the first person to suggest the idea of holding a great universal industrial exhibition in the United States during the Centennial year of American independence. The earliest date accorded to any of the other persons named as fixing the origin of the suggestion is July 4, 1869, but the Boston claimant proposed it as early as April 1, 1867. This was the opening day of the Paris Exposition, and on that day Mr. Bacon, being himself the largest American exhibitor at that Exposition, made the suggestion to the American Commissioner and several fellow exhibitors that a great Centennial Exhibition should be held in the United States in 1876. After his return to this country he determined to follow up the idea, and accordingly "hired a hall" and got up a meeting, which was held in Boston on the evening of June 18, 1868. This meeting was quite numerously attended, and on that occasion Mr. Bacon offered the following preamble and resolutions, which were unanimously adopted by the audience:

WHEREAS, The one hundredth birthday of the United States of America being near at hand, we deem it desirable to commemorate the event by some grand display commensurate with the rapid growth and power and improvement of this nation in arts, science, agriculture, manufactures and commerce; therefore,

Resolved, That measures be taken at this time to memorialize the Congress of the United States, praying that honorable body to consider the propriety of inviting the States to join with us in a grand international exposition of industrial arts, to be held at Washington, commencing on the Fourth of July, 1876, and continuing during that, our jubilee year.

WHERE SITTING BULL IS WINTERING.

Considerable discussion has recently taken place in some of the newspapers concerning the present whereabouts of Sitting Bull and his band, and they have been located in many different places—sometimes on the Big Horn and very often away up in British America, in a region which rejoices in the name of Whoop-Up. But all of these surmises and statements, we learn from very good authority, military and otherwise, are incorrect. Sitting Bull and his robbers and cut-throats are now camped on the Dry Fork of the Missouri, in the paradise of buffalo, elk, deer, bear and other game, and in all probability he intends to winter there. So let the Choteau people rest content. Sitting Bull will not trouble them this winter.

A DANGEROUS ELEMENT IN OUR GOVERNMENT.

(From a Plain to the Honorable Congress.) The people of the United States are beginning to recognize the dangerous element that exists among us in the shape of bayonets that do not think the President of the United States, Commander in Chief of our Army and Navy, sends the first on the eve of an exciting and close election into a State, on the questionable request of a Governor, to close the polls and see that order is preserved. Following this comes another military move into a State, when the election is over, and when the returns are in dispute, without demand from Governors or Legislatures, again to see that order is preserved. From what source the President gets his legal authority for the use of the army to possess himself of the polls no man pretends to say. It is common, I know, for men to sneer at the Constitution. They sneer at all law which attempts to limit or control popular impulse. The gentlemen forget, however, that their day is passed. The late elections prove, let the Electoral College be what it may, that the majority of the people now favor, respect and believe in sustaining the constitutional law these gentlemen have heretofore laughed at and sneered at. The fact that made their sneers and usurpations so far from having the moral strength that comes of a support of law, and would be fierce and vindictive from the sense of wrong and indignation, has now long since passed in the violation of the Constitution, and the independent editor would no longer wax fat and rich selling the earliest accounts of a party which is in the interest of peace, and about his own office, with an objective point in the lamp-post disagreeably near. The war would not be at the South, but wherever a number of indignant citizens are gathered to a common bond, be he editor or official agent.

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The Rev. R. H. Robinson, pastor of the Orchard Street M. E. Church (colored), recently went into his pulpit at the customary hour for the purpose of delivering his regular Sunday morning sermon. A preconcerted plan for his ejection had, however, evidently been arranged, and his arrival was the occasion of great excitement. Many of his congregation rose to their feet at his entrance, and others abruptly left the church. The building will accommodate about five hundred persons, and was filled to the top. The Rev. Robinson, who was present, did his utmost to quell the tumult, which did not subside until Mr. Robinson withdrew to the interest of peace, and was subsequently escorted home by the police to effect him from the church.

ANOTHER MIDDLE.

Suppose that the election be thrown into the House of Representatives under the Twelfth Amendment of the Constitution the House would choose the President, the Senate the Vice-President.

LET THE TRUTH BE TOLD.

We are told that the Democrats only carried Mississippi by fraud and intimidation of the colored voters, and that, therefore, they should not complain of the Republicans of Louisiana and other States taking advantage of their position to count in Hayes. They also claim that the very fact of a voter being colored is evidence of his being a Republican. To low and grand the Democrats are based on false assumptions, we here reproduce the letter of Rev. Revels—the first colored man who ever occupied a seat in the United States Senate—to President Grant in relation to the election in Mississippi in 1875. He said:

The bitterness and hate created by the late civil strife, in my opinion, being obliterated in this State, except perhaps in some isolated portions, has been so completely exterminated that it is not for some unprincipled men who would keep alive the bitterness of the late civil strife, and who would divide the two races in order that they may aggrandize themselves by office and its emoluments. Such a course would be a disgrace to the people have been, as it were, enslaved in mind, by unprincipled adventurers, who, for the sake of a few dollars, have endeavored to keep the two races in a state of hostility, and to stop to anything, no matter how infamous, to secure power to themselves and perpetuate it. A great portion of the people have learned that they were being used as mere tools, and in the late election, not being able to correct the existing evil among themselves, they determined by casting their ballots against these unprincipled adventurers to overthrow them. My people were placed upon the ticket who were notoriously corrupt and dishonest, and they must vote for them; that the salvation of the party depended upon it; that the man who sacrificed the ticket was not a Republican, and that the many means these unprincipled demagogues

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