

The Sun.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 1, 1880.
Announcements.
Broadway Opera House—The Strategic Nation.

French Government has been driven to concede. It may be that the cities and large towns would show themselves more radical than ever in consequence of clerical opposition, but the mass of the population is Catholic, and might return a majority pledged to moderate opinions.

The City of Glasgow Bank.

The liquidators of the City of Glasgow Bank, which failed Oct. 2, 1878, have submitted to the shareholders a report of their doings since their appointment, and it is an interesting but melancholy piece of reading. The total liabilities of the bank when the liquidators entered upon their duties, Oct. 2, 1878, were about \$64,000,000, and the assets about \$38,000,000, leaving a deficiency of about \$26,000,000.

less, he is sensible in preferring Newport to St. Petersburg; but the reason he urges—the insufficiency of the salary—is unbecomingly a plain republican.

The following remarkable pistol has reached us from an interior town of Tennessee: "Sir, I would like to have you write me a speech upon the merits of the pistol. It should be short, and I would like to have you put in a word or two in favor of the pistol. If you can get the same done, I will be glad to pay you for it."

A general gloom and not a little disgust were visible yesterday on the faces of those who proposed to make New Year's calls to-day. Hackmen and the owners of livery stables were perhaps the only people who were cheerful at the prospects suggested by yesterday's weather.

Mr. MacLear's new year doesn't open brightly. He thought that he had discovered a new mine of wealth in the iron horse, and he was telegraphed to the four winds of the earth. Fide each earthly joy! Mr. MacLear's of the British Museum pronounces Mr. MacLear's artificial diamonds a compound of sillies.

The iron horse speeds over 1,800 more miles of railroad than it did a year ago. In Kansas more new track was laid than in any other State—438 miles; Minnesota, Iowa, and Dakota are next. That the construction is largely greater than in any year since 1872 is a sign of the times.

Mr. Justice Hunt will not resign. WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Senator Edmunds has written to a friend that in view of the pressure upon him to remain in the Senate, he has concluded not to accept the seat of Mr. Justice Hunt on the bench of the Supreme Court.

The Hayden Trial for 1880. The trial of the Rev. Mr. HAYDEN, which has occupied no inconsiderable portion of the past year, will be continued in 1880, and promises to extend through several if not all of its twelve months.

A Good Man Assigns a Bad Reason. Gov. VAN ZANDEL of Rhode Island is reported to have reconsidered his acceptance of the Russian mission and to have decided to decline it on account of the insufficiency of the salary.

Before Congress adjourned for the recess, no fewer than thirty-two bills had been introduced into the House of Representatives touching the tariff. There will probably be quite as many added after the recess; and then it will be a remarkable success in legislation.

A ball, a banquet, and a bull fight are the attractions offered by Panama to M. de Lesseps, who is by this time, doubtless, at Aspinwall. But none of those amusements will help die the man.

The Rev. Dr. LORIMER, the famous victim of a fatally retentive memory, has just had his salary raised from \$5,000 to \$6,000, and has declined the advance. This offer of an extra \$1,000 is supposed to be taken in the belief of his friends that he is unable to do more than his duty.

Nearly Thirty Millions.

The Board of Estimate and Apportionment completed yesterday the financial budget for 1880. It is a massed upon to defray the cost of this year's administration of the city government is \$29,642,911.98. The revenue during the year which may be applied toward the reduction of taxation is estimated at \$1,500,000. The sum to be raised by taxation for the year's expenses is \$28,142,911.98.

Among the large appropriations for this year are \$200,000 for the Board of Education, \$252,740 for the Police Department, \$1,300,000 for the Fire Department, \$2,049,600 for the Department of Public Works, \$1,300,000 for the Department of Charities and Correction, \$25,000 for street cleaning, \$3,771,022.91 for the city's office of State taxes, and \$4,559,319.91 for interest on the city debt.

The Sugar Tariff.

Washington, Dec. 31.—Some months ago the supervising special agent of the Treasury Department discovered that discrepancies existed between the statistics furnished by the Bureau of Customs regarding the importation of sugars and the figures furnished the special agents by collectors of customs on the same subject. As the Bureau of Statistics receives its information through collectors of customs, Mr. Tingle was at a loss to know why the figures furnished by him from both sources were not alike.

Another Church War.

Why the Rev. Dr. Osborn of Marlborough is at Variance with the Red Ribbon Club. MARLBOROUGH, Dec. 31.—Another church war has broken out in Marlborough. This time the fight is between the Rev. Dr. Osborn and the "Red Ribbon Club," a local temperance organization. For a long time Marlborough has been the scene of a religious revival, and the village along the Hudson more solemnly needed such a travelling agitator from Michigan named Mabee came here, the "Red Ribbon Club" was organized, and over two-thirds of our adult population were soon earnestly engaged in a crusade against rum.

Who Can Remedy This?

Inadequate Provisions for Taking Care of Sick Seamen at the Battery. On the shipping papers of all vessels of the merchant marine there is a charge of forty cents a month for every man for hospital dues. This is for the support of the marine hospital on a building erected in the city of New York, and which is now a fine structure. The hospital at this port is in some respects sadly deficient owing to lack of money.

Notice to the Editors of the Sun.

To the Editor of the Sun.—I have read with interest the news of the election of Mr. Grant to the office of Mayor of New York. It is a great honor to be elected to the office of Mayor of New York, and it is a great honor to be elected to the office of Mayor of New York.

Answers to Correspondents.

Newark.—It is proper to tell you that your New Year cards to my friends by mail. If I recall them, I will be glad to do so. All for Grant. From town and country, land and sea, Hundreds of hark and hail, And all hearts are glad to see, Each party, hawk, and curmudgeon, New shouts for Grant. The thronged ball-room whirled kings, And in the nation's face were seen, Their cheeks glowing with the light of day, And their eyes sparkling with the fire of joy.

Founding a Great Library.

Yesterday Mr. Robert Hoe, Jr., received from the executors of the estate of the late William Niblo \$120,000, which he has placed at the disposal of the Young Men's Christian Association, Mr. Niblo's will provided that this sum should be expended in whatever manner Mr. Hoe deemed proper for the establishment of a library. During his life Mr. Niblo gave to the Young Men's Christian Association his collection of nearly 600 works on the arts, and, through Mr. Hoe, assisted the growth of the library nucleus by gifts of money. He told Mr. Hoe he intended to do something for the library, and he intended to do something for the library, and he intended to do something for the library.

Indications that Business has Revived. Work has been resumed in the large cotton mills of J. O. Peters & Co., at Lancaster, Pa. Work had been suspended for some time, but it is now going on again. The Pennsylvania Railroad Company are erecting a new water-tower at Altoona, Pa. About 200 hands will be employed on the work.

The Lehigh Valley Railroad Company is stocking its road with freight cars. The company has contracted with a firm at Williamsport, Pa., for 3,000 car loads of soft wood, which will be used for the purpose of building freight cars. The amount of lumber on Pine Creek, Potter County, Pa., is larger this year than ever before.

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Sunbeams.

—John Crozier, a Toronto Sunday school teacher, abandoned with the collection for the poor. —Bishop Chittard of Indiana deposited Father Niblo's \$120,000 in a bank for the purpose of a grand bequest to the priest and the congregation. Father Fitzpatrick has now sold the Bishop for \$25,000 dollars. —A story of a sea serpent that makes a land, whistling noise was reported from the Pacific. An American ship has been captured by the sea monster, and the crew is being held captive. —A German farmer at Meadville, Pa., was caught by his wife in a flirtation with a woman neighbor. An American ship has been captured by the sea monster, and the crew is being held captive.

—They have an amateur actress like this at Richmond, Va., "Agnes Brown" in fact, but her name is not in the list. —The Lover Po in Italy is covered with floating ice, and is expected to be frozen over as in 1878. —The Empress of Austria Josephine has been crowned in the city of Vienna. —The Star Club of Boston has been broken up by the police, and thirteen of the members held \$4 each. —The Emperor of Russia has been crowned in the city of Moscow. —The Emperor of Russia has been crowned in the city of Moscow.

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