

WHAT THE LEGISLATURE DID.—Both branches of the Legislature will adjourn to-day at noon, and what was done by the body during its long session, remains yet to be understood, because the greater part of the mischievous bills passed were never printed, and will only become fully understood when they go into the pages of the official volume of laws.

Every year's experience convinces us of the necessity of more closely defining the powers of the Legislative branch of the government; of restraining within certain limits, and making the Constitution as plain and comprehensive in its control and direction of legislation that we know just what a Legislature can and cannot do.

THE SCIENCE OF HEALTH for May opens with "Health against Fashion," illustrated. "The Diet and Regimen of a Nursing Mother" is important; "Seasonable Dishes" tells how to prepare and cook early vegetables, and how to make Graham biscuits or Gems, with illustrations; Teeth among Different Nations; Disease and its treatment; Popular Physiology; Flatulence and Heart-burn; Health of Mechanics; American versus Chinese Medicine. These, with the information contained in answers to correspondents, and other valuable notes, make up a good number of this excellent Magazine, which should find its way into every family.

EXPLOSIVES.—We feel sometimes inclined (says the Boston Globe) to agree with that philosopher who, seeing how the present was wiping out the fond traditions of the past, gave vent to the immortal expression: "Things are changing." These remarks are drawn forth by the curious propensity the most harmless things have lately acquired to explode. It was but a short time since that we read an explosion of a mince pie, and it was not long ago that we heard of a bottle of sweet oil going off with a bang like a pistol.

DISCHARGED FROM DEBT.—It is a common impression that if a debtor pays 50 per cent of his debt, and take from his creditor a receipt in full, the creditor cannot thereafter enforce the payment of the balance of his claim. No creditor is bound to take less than the full amount of claim in satisfaction of it, even though he promises to do so, unless the promise to release the debtor is based upon a consideration. As, for instance, if one promise to release his debtor upon his payment of a portion of his claim, the promise is without consideration and void; in other words the debtor gives nothing to the creditor for making it.

LETTER FROM FLORIDA.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA., April 5th, 1873

DEAR ADVOCATE.—I am not quite sure what kind of weather you are having up there in your latitude but of this one thing I am certain, "Old Sol" is on duty in fine earnest down here, and has been keeping the mercury well up for some days past, so well up that the writer has had no use for woollen goods of any description for a week past, and for that matter cotton and linen has been as weighty as comfort desires.

But you may be, to some extent desirous of knowing something about the price of real estate, and the character of the soil. Well as to the price of land here it ranges between 75 cts. and \$25,000 per acre. A good wide margin, say you, so it is but such is the case, but when I speak of lands worth \$25,000 per acre we mean the high priced city lots in this city, where lots are as high as \$150.00 per foot from lands worth 75 cents per acre, are so far as soil is concerned in very many instances superior to that of the high priced lands in city lots, but they lie in the interior, and are what I would call wild or uncultivated lands.

Well yesterday was Election day with us (but the subscriber didn't vote) and a more orderly Election we never witnessed any where than here. The "American Citizens of African descent" exercised their right of franchise in an orderly and intelligent manner, in a way to reflect credit upon them as citizens.

The people's ticket was elected, most of the men elected were straight republicans. The City Marshal, and three of eight Aldermen are colored. A peculiar and by no means unpleasant feature of the election was the presence of a most excellent band discoursing the best of music at intervals all day, and at the close of the polls went to their rooms playing "put me in my little bed." Our little Hotel De St. Johns is still lively, and our hostess Mrs. Hulnhall now as ever is ministering to the comfort of her guests, at the moderate rate of \$10 per week.

Yours as ever, Q in the Corner. TWENTY years ago, hemlock timber lands were considered a great nuisance—no one knew what to do with the trees; when cut down, the logs were left to rot by the road side, and it was general considered that a hemlock patch was the bane of any country where it was located. Now, however, all this is changed, and hemlock lands have suddenly become the most valuable—the price of such lands being continually on the increase. Great tanneries are now being established in the hemlock forests of this State, to which hides are sent from long distances, it being cheaper to send the hide to where the bark is found, than transport the latter to the former.—[State Journal.

An article you can always borrow—trouble. How many people put a two-cent stamp on a newspaper of ordinary weight, requiring only one cent to pay the postage. But it is all right. Carelessness ought to be taxed as a luxury.

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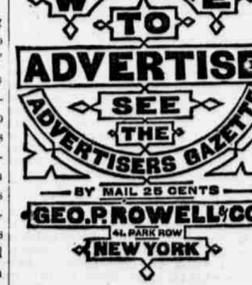
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