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EDITORIAL NOTES.

Peace propositions are still being discussed in England.

The Governor of Maine is opposed to the passage of the silver bill.

Another attempt will be made to tow Cleopatra's Needle, now at Ferol, Spain to England.

On Thursday the snow storm extended to Corsicana, Shreveport, Vicksburg and Little Rock.

A BUREAU dispatch says there has been a suspension of hostilities for the present at least.

More business failures are reported in Cincinnati, New York, Chicago, San Francisco, Indianapolis and New Orleans.

GEN. DEAST BUTLER is inquisitive. He wants to know if a woman has not as good a right to practice law as a man.

The Four Counties at Richmond has been revived by J. E. Kinch. It is a neat six column paper printed at home.

COL. HATCH telegraphs from El Paso that peace and confidence are being restored. Many who fled are returning home.

OSMAN PARRA will be conveyed to the town of Rea-con, one hundred miles southeast of Moscow, where he will pass his captivity.

THE FORT WORTH Standard has been changed to a morning paper and now takes associated press dispatches, giving it quite a city appearance.

COL. GIDDINGS was called on by a number of the citizens of Galveston on Friday last. He was on change in that city during the day.

SOME snakes, bull dogs and an elephant, are held at the New York custom-house, awaiting Secretary Sherman's decision as to their tariff.

SENOR ZAMACONA, the accredited representative of Mexico, is said to have been guilty of a violation of diplomatic etiquette in going before the congressional committee.

THE Washington Star says Senator Patterson contemplates resigning on account of ill health. Should he do so, and a Democrat succeeds him, the Senate will be evenly balanced.

The trial of Samuel P. Noland charged with the murder of Joseph Shannon, at Houston, some time last spring, was commenced at that city on Thursday. A motion for a new trial was overruled.

INDICTMENTS have been found against a number of the principal officers of the defunct Charter Oak Life Insurance Company of Hartford, Ct., for conspiracy to defraud the policy holders of the company.

WHILE a car was being loaded with nitro glycerine at Negunne, Mich., the mass exploded, instantly killing seven men and demolishing the car. The engine was thrown fifty feet and broken to pieces.

SENATOR PATTERSON, as soon as able to travel, is going to Pennsylvania for health. He is quoted as saying that he doesn't propose to pair with any Democratic Senator, which is so much the better for the Democrats.

Gov. Rice, of Massachusetts, in his message to the Legislature says the contract to pay the national debt should be unobscuringly fulfilled. He thinks that the bonds should be paid in gold, and fully endorses President Hayes' financial policy.

GEN. CANALES, of the Mexican army, gave a new year's ball at Matamoros. A large number of United States army and navy officers were present. The two nationalities harmonized as if no border questions had ever existed.

The Russians continue concentrating on the plains of Erzeroum. The army which was to cross the Shipka Pass can do nothing on account of the weather.

All the King Bees of the Republican hive are as busy as bees writing letters giving the lie to Chandler's statements. Chandler seems to have raised a hornet's nest.

The Waco Examiner thinks if farmers would make up their minds to keep a regular set of books during the year, that they would be able to look back upon the year's transactions with pleasure and profit.

The Tennessee legislature passed but one bill during the two extra sessions, and that was for the pro diem end mileage of its members. Legislators as a general thing, know how to take care of number one.

The Army Register for 1878 will show that there are 2286 officers of all grades, or about one officer to every eight privates. The pay of the officers amounts to more than that of all the privates.

The merchants, bankers and others, at the Board of Trade rooms in New York, held a meeting and passed resolutions antagonistic to the silver bill and the repeal of the Resumption act.

The Board of Aldermen of New York have adopted a resolution declaring that a greater benefit could be gained by the city by the discharge of Wm. M. Tweed from imprisonment than by his longer imprisonment; the city to secure such property as he now possesses.

The Secretary of War will not make public the names of the San Eliazario commission; neither will he announce the time of its meeting for the reason that he intends to have the investigation conducted solely for the information of the government.

CONGRESSMAN SCHLEICHER will have his part of the report on the border question, consisting of documentary evidence and testimony which has already been taken, ready by the next meeting of the House Committee on Foreign Affairs. A number of persons will be present to testify.

COL. S. B. SPENCER, a Georgia school master, has been in Texas and returned home disgraced. Col. S. was interviewed by the Atlanta Constitution with the avowed intention of making such a showing as would prevent emigration from Georgia to Texas. The Dallas Herald very ably defends this State.

SENOR SEAMACONA, special representative of the Diaz government, has been before Conkling's Mexican committee. He has been endeavoring to convince them that Diaz is fully able to protect international interests. He is not so particular about immediate recognition, as he is about securing some kind of commercial relations between Mexico and the United States.

A SILVER money meeting was held at Bloomington, Ill., the home of Senator Davis, who was not present, but authorized a friend to say that he was heartily for the recoinization of silver, and remained away from the meeting, lest his presence and words might influence its action. Representative Titton was present and strongly advocated recoinization, as did all the other speakers.

Gov. CARROLL, in his message to the Maryland Legislature, says the policy of the administration towards the Southern States, has been such as to inspire confidence and revive prosperity, and that the same wisdom brought to bear on the financial question would bring forth capital, renew enterprise and give employment to the dormant industry of the country. Political platforms can be of no use to the working man or furnish him with work.

WOMAN'S WORK.

It is really of less importance to woman and to the world that her sphere be enlarged than that the work she now does should be justly appreciated. The ordinary domestic labor of women is underrated by most men, both as regards its importance and as to the demand made by it upon the laborers.

It is more exacting upon mind and heart and body than any masculine work, and as regards its importance, that will be admitted when other common, universal, essential blessings, such as air and water and sunshine are intelligently recognized and enjoyed. That time will come, and speedily, too.

As to the educating influence of women, certainly too much cannot be said in their behalf. "Faith in all things high" comes easy to the children of a noble mother; and men, as brothers, husbands and actors in the world, are essentially indebted to sisters to wives and to the queens of society for their success in their various walks of life.

There is a perceptible difference between the male and female mind, and the results of feminine mental action are as largely and as truly represented in human progress as are those of the masculine intelligence. Any number of men, separated from female influence, would degenerate as much in mind and morals as in manners. Woman is rather an inspirer of action than an actor, so far as the great field of the world is concerned. All that is attributed to man in literature, in art, in science and in industry is as much indebted to womanly influence as the seed from which it grows.

Comparing society to a beautiful temple, the Bible compares woman to the polished cornerstone. This figure suggests the mistake that men often make regarding their own work, whether of mind or heart, as more important than that of the gentler sex—supposing her work to be incidental and theirs alone essential. This is a great error; woman's work is less obtrusive but no less essential than that of men, and when women secure, as worker and as center of influence, a wide and purer respect and sympathy from men, very great advantages will accrue to individuals, to the family and to society.

Col. SCHLEICHER.—A Washington special to the Galveston News says Col. Schleicher reports on Mexican affairs will be the most exhaustive document on the subject ever submitted to Congress. Mr. Schleicher will deal mostly with the causes of these troubles and the means necessary for their removal. The protection of American citizens who go to Mexico for the purpose of engaging in trade will be strongly urged.

SECRETARY EVARTS has been retained by the receiver of the bankrupt Erie Railway as attorney against the English bond holders, for which he gets a fee of \$25,000. It is not considered to be just the thing for a leading cabinet officer to engage as counsel against the citizens of a friendly power. Mr. Everts should have resigned before engaging in an undertaking that does not comport with his high official position. If he were a private citizen his action would not be subject to criticism.

The Marshall Herald publishes Gov. Hubbard's letter to the editor of the Palestine Advocate in his own defense of the charge of bribery. It says: "It reads to us, as a frank, straight-forward statement, and taken in connection with his high character and unblemished reputation, as conclusive. The charge seemed to us so unwarrantable that we paid but little attention to the matter."

The Mid-Day Revelers extend a cordial invitation to their friends in the interior of the State to visit Galveston and attend the approaching Mardi Gras festivities.

PROMISING.

A Galveston News reporter has been out sounding a number of prominent and wealthy Galvestonians on the subject of the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe railway. The conclusion arrived at is that the \$200,000 necessary to commence the work can readily be raised. One gentleman has figured out that at least \$350,000 could be subscribed by gentlemen abundantly able to take that amount in bonds. Col. Flournoy thinks that if the road was put under contract at once, the value of real estate in Galveston would immediately be increased fully twenty-five per cent. The News, in summing up, says: "The problem, as defined by these witnesses, is a question of will—not can."

At this end of the line, we are waiting to see what "will" be done—we have been told what "can" be done. In Tennessee, a jury is said once, to have played a game of old sledge, to determine whether or not the man on trial should be hanged. The game had progressed until it stood six and six; the deal was with the party favoring acquittal; the dealer "flipped a jack," thus winning the game and saving the man's life. The other day at Shawneetown, Illinois, a jury drew straws to determine a man's guilt; they pulled and the man was acquitted. The secret of the jury room leaked out and a new trial was granted.

A CORRESPONDENT of the Denison News, writing from Fort Clark, Dec. 25, says he has just returned from a trip through Chihuahua and Sonora. The Diaz government is solid. Trevino is on the Rio Grande from Matamoros to Piedras Negras with 7000 men, and is doing all he can to suppress lawlessness on the border. There are twenty-seven companies of U. S. troops at Fort Clark doing nothing. From all of which it appears that different men see things in different lights.

According to the statement of Wells, Fargo & Co., there was brought into San Francisco from the States and territories west of the Mississippi and from the western coast of Mexico and British Columbia, precious metals to the amount of \$98,500,000, of which about one half was silver. Of the silver \$19,000,000 was shipped to China and India. It is regarded as extremely unlikely that the people of this country will have more silver than they can manage for a long time to come.

A plentiful use of cold water is needed by negroes in the South if they do not wish their race to become extinct.—Galveston Visitor.

There are large quantities of whiskey brought to Texas which is technically known to the trade as "nigger" whiskey. A fluid ounce of it would kill a large sized stump tailed yellow dog, yet the average darkey can drink it in unlimited quantities. Perhaps if they were to use a little more water and a little less whiskey they would live longer.

An old Canadian Frenchman residing in the American Bottom, some eight miles from St. Louis, owns about one hundred acres of swamp land which he turned into a muskrat farm, bringing the muskrats to stock it from the northern part of the bottom. His crop of rats this year will be about 20,000 worth 10 cents a rat for their skins.

Mr. A. R. McCOLLUM, for some time past editor of the Waco Examiner, leaves that paper to take an interest in the Waco Daily Telephone. He is an able newspaper man and has the best wishes of the BANNER for the success of his new undertaking, though it has very grave doubts as to the ability of Waco to support two daily papers.

The Selden Irwin Combination filled an engagement at the Opera House, Jefferson, on the 5d inst.

STATE NEWS.

The Dallas Herald jokes fun at that map of the Texas net indebtedness.

A nine inch snow fall on Thursday, were out in full force. Sleigh riding and snow were the amusement of the Fort Worth Standard says over 200,000 buffalo hides are received annually at that place, which is headquarters for fitting out hunting parties.

The Denison Daily News has been enlarged to a six column paper and is much improved in appearance. This speaks well for Denison and we congratulate the News on its onward progress.

A MAN was brought up before the mayor of Denison, on the charge of vagrancy. He proved that he was case keeper in a bar bank and this, in the estimation of the jury, constituted a legitimate employment. They acquitted the bankers assistant.

A Victoria county farmer has just received a fine lot of young Durham cattle from Kentucky. Improved breeds of cattle are being brought to various portions of the State and in a few years more the old fashioned Texas longhorns will soon be out of style.

Two negro men, well known in Houston, named Gil Smith and Jim Edwards, left that city three weeks ago to go hunting in Fort Bend county. The other day their dead bodies were found near a deserted house on the Brazos. Foul play is suspected.

The Colorado Citizen has been presented with a bottle of Mustang wine, prepared from the Mustang grape, which grows abundantly in this section of the State. The Citizen ventures the opinion that this wine in preference to the best Port when properly made.

The Jefferson Jimp very complacently bills of a Brazoria county merchant coming all the way to that town to buy goods because he could get them cheaper than in Galveston, notwithstanding the difference in freights between the two points. There is nothing in the world like blowing ones own trumpet.

Mining prospects in Llano county are beginning to brighten up. Capt. Stephens, of Dallas has bought the Owens mine with 640 acres of land and is to pay \$90,000 in cash for it. A gentleman who owns a mine and ten acres of land near the town of Llano has refused an offer of \$25,000 for it. Lands are selling briskly.

There was some little excitement in Dallas over a supposed mad horse. He had bitten several large pieces of flesh out of his chest and was constantly snapping at everything in reach. Seven horse doctors were called, who decided the horse was not mad. The city Marshal ordered the owners of the horse to take him outside of the city limits.

Giddings Lone Star.—Pork is dull sale at four cents. No drunks or fights during the holidays. Mr Jesse Egger, just down from San Saba, reports the wheat crop as very promising. Dick Sanders and Alex Thompson, in the custody of Sheriff Brown and Constable McClellan arrived on Sunday from Girard, La. The prisoners now languish in the county jug.

The Galveston News says a planter in good standing, who was in that city closing up his year's business, made an application to his commission merchant for an advance. The merchant inquired what kind of supplies he wanted, and was told that the money was wanted to buy bread and meat. The merchant declined, saying his firm would make any reasonable advance for the purpose of purchasing stock or implement, but would not extend accommodations to planters who were too short sighted or indolent to produce their own provisions.

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