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Arrangements have been made in Paris by Russia for a loan of 200,000,000 rubles.

There are being built two Cunard steamers—the Umbria and Etruria—to cost \$1,200,000.

The prime minister of Norway has been impeached. He loses his position and has to pay a fine of \$5,000.

Major Burke, of the New Orleans Times-Democrat, and Gen. James Eustis, a rich man with personal traditions of plantation aristocracy, are opponents of Senator Jonas in his contest for re-election. The legislature that will select the successor of Mr. Jonas is to be chosen in April.

Montreal has a far better right to the title of "City of Churches" than Brooklyn. It not only supports sixty French Catholic churches, but the French Cathedral situated there is the largest church building on this continent. It is built of limestone and 15,000 people have often been assembled under its roof.

Two statements in regard to the steamer Great Eastern are going the rounds of the press. One is to the effect that she is to be carried to Antwerp during the international exhibition there in 1885, and used as a floating hotel. Another story is to the effect that the British government has purchased her for use as a coal hulk at Gibraltar.

The R. E. Lee camp fair to be held in Richmond, Va., to raise a fund for the disabled and indigent ex-confederate soldiers, has been postponed to May 1. The local papers say that the enterprise is assuming such large proportions that it was thought best to wait two months and make it a grand affair. Donations are coming in very fast.

Engineer Phillips, late of the Northern Pacific railroad, says that not less than 20,000 elk, antelope and mule deer are slaughtered every winter in Minnesota, Montana and Wyoming alone. He thinks it will not be many years before the race of three of the noblest game animals on the American continent will be entirely extinct.

The city court of Atlanta has decided that certain nude pictures, copies of well-known works of great artists, including a "Temptation of St. Anthony," are not obscene, as charged by the mayor of the city. Hon. Emory Speer and Dr. Wharton, ex-minister to Germany, gave testimony for the defense, the testimony being overwhelmingly in favor of high art. The pictures in question were proven to be copies of grand works, which could be seen in nearly all the art galleries in Europe.

Georgia has 543,415 sheep, worth \$1.50 a head, as against 7,956,276 head in Texas, worth \$2.24 each. Tennessee, West Virginia and Kentucky also outrank us. There are no dog statistics in the pamphlet. We have 1,582,116 hogs, worth \$3.67 cents each. Texas, Tennessee and Kentucky again lead us. The average value of hogs in Massachusetts is \$13.90, in Ohio \$6.20. We ought to have more and better hogs. During the past year there was a handsome increase throughout the country of stock, cattle, sheep and swine. The movement of cattle of Georgia, Alabama and Mississippi to Texas has, it is thought, caused a slight reduction in the number of cattle in the three states. This is offset, however, in these states by the unusual interest taken in stock improvement.—Atlanta Journal.

OUR EXEMPTION LAW.

If any good was ever contemplated by the passage of our exemption laws as they now stand it must have been the protection of the poor man's family against the consequences of his own vice and extravagance. Yet its practical operation has always been injurious to the best interests of the poor, and the rich man's dishonesty has profited by its action more often than a poor man's necessity. In town or city, a half acre with the buildings thereon, however valuable, is exempt; in the case of the farmer forty acres with the buildings, provided these do not exceed in value one thousand dollars, or one hundred and sixty acres of land. We have known of at least one instance where a half acre in town worth fifty thousand dollars had been exempted, and the party laughed at threats to collect even his board bill. But the iniquity extends further. The man of small means is practically thrown out of work and business monopolized by the rich. For the poor man's good name and credit is his only stock in trade, and of the benefits of this, he is deprived by the exemption law. For every man's honesty is suspicious where such premium is offered to bad faith, and if he gets credit at all, it must be at the expense of giving a mortgage with all its disagreeable features. A poor man is deprived of his good name and credit, constituting his only stock in trade, by the operation of a law, which he is made to believe was enacted for his especial benefit, and politicians who know the injury it works dare not speak, for their opponents would immediately raise a hue and cry for protection to the farmer and mechanic.

We object to the exemption laws because they do not really protect the poor man; they give opportunity for fraud; they injure the poor man's credit, they injure our commercial standing in the eyes of the financial world, and drive off capital seeking investment in our business centers. Let them be repealed as fully as may be judged safe, at the earliest possible moment, and let our silly "separate acknowledgment" statute follow it to the limbo of oblivion.

OUR MOSQUITOES.

A recent writer in a Texas paper under the title of "Medicus" asserts that mosquitoes and bed bugs contain a large quantity of animal quinine, and that when they sting they inject into the system an antidote for malaria and fever. This writer declares that he has captured quite a number of these insects, and after macerating them in a mortar with alcohol, has actually precipitated the sulphate of quinine of the drug stores to the amount of seventy per cent to the mass.

THE NEWS is prepared to accept and credit this Texas story, and trusts that this industry may assume some definite shape, and that great factories may be projected for the milling of mosquitoes and the manufacture of the drug on this newly discovered scientific principle. When we come to estimate the annual expense to be saved, alone, in the matter of bars and barriers against the agile and testy mosquito we are prepared to regard this Texas doctor as a substantial benefactor and friend to humanity. Here in Palatka, for example, we might raise a half dozen of the largest sized mills and never suffer for lack of the raw material. No city of our left in the broad universe can size up to us in the vigor of our insects. When the night falls he is early on deck, a restless, thirsty trooper, with a song like a search warrant, and a body filled, we doubt not, with fat dividends.

As a rule, our Florida mosquito is a liberal in faith and a heathen in practice. It makes no sort of difference to him what kind of meat he feeds upon. The old and the young, the tough and the tender, the Hamite and the Caucasian are all on the tax list of his visitation. Education and wealth offer nothing in the way of flavor and he had as soon raise a slice off a tramp as to suck the blue blood of an alderman. Let his race and generation be compassed about. Let this new industrial road to quinine be surveyed and its feasibility reported.

In spite of the bitterness of Bismark and his party towards Sargent and the United States, the tide of German emigration to this country will continue. Really the biggest source of the bitterness in question is the fact to which we have called attention.

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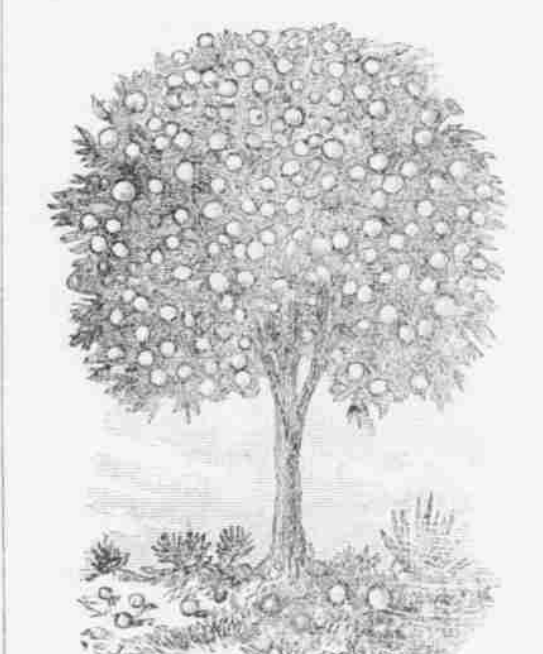
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