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By Wm. H. HOFFMAN

Many a friend and comrade left me,  
Sleeping with the dead,  
On far southern fields, who, long for  
Freedom toiled, and bled;  
From the wooded heights commanding—  
Fair Potomac's waves,  
To the summer-land eternal,  
Lie their holy graves.

Did they leave their loved homes vainly?  
Our dear comrades true—  
Must their mourning wives and children  
Deeper their less rue?  
Shall their aged-sires and mothers,  
Tottering to their graves,  
Weep with broken hearts lamenting,  
That they vainly gave?

No, it shall not be all vainly  
That they bled and died,  
And that thousands who still linger,  
Tremble graves beside!  
Rich the harvest Death still reapeth;  
Open is the tomb;  
And our shattered comrades daily  
Enter its deep gloom!

But though shattered, spent and dying,  
God will use us still,  
In the hour when Satan urges  
Man to do his will;  
When, in blindness—mad with passion,  
Man shall dare destroy  
The grand pillars of our nation—  
The world's hope and joy,  
Nerved by all we hold most sacred,  
We'll, victorious,  
March beneath the shredded banners  
We made glorious;

By the memories that cluster  
Round each tattered flag  
WE WILL DARE, ALL THINGS TO SUFFER  
FOR OUR SACRED FLAG!

Smite, O God, with Thy avenging  
Hand, the murderous crew,  
Who'd for paltry wealth and power,  
War's dread scenes renew;  
Strengthen Thou those hearts that nobly  
Dare for RIGHT to stand,  
That they faint not, though the shadows  
Deepen o'er our land!

NEW YORK, Jan. 17  
THE RUSSIAN MAY ABSURDITY.

Young James Gordon Bennett is an ass of the highest order, and young May is another, with a decided trace of the bally added. Bennett owns the *New York Herald*, and has an income of something like a million of dollars per annum, which ass as he is, makes him sought for by all the managing mammas who have daughters to marry off. Miss Caroline May got him hooked fast and she was engaged to marry the *Herald* man, but all of a sudden the match was declared off. Last Monday night a brother of Mi-~~ss~~ May assaulted Bennett in front of the Union League Club, and gave him a most satisfactory horse-whipping, which resulted in a duel fought in Delaware, in which young May was slightly wounded. May goes to his friends in Baltimore, and Bennett sailed for Europe, to get away from the talk the succession of events has produced. Bennett says he broke the match because he was satisfied that he was not fit for marital life, while the Mays on the other hand, claim that they broke it because Bennett displayed too much of the blackguard to be trusted with a wife. It is told of his going to the house of his affianced in a state of beastly intoxication; of his getting the ladies at his house perched upon a billiard table and turning loose a half-dozen fighting cocks, and not allowing them to get down for an hour. Innumerable stories are told of his escapades, all of which are brutal and semicivilized. The elder Bennett was just an eccentric as this one, but he was shrewder than Satan himself. He commenced the publication of the *Herald* in a cellar in Ann Street, and made it the property it is by courses which if followed now, would consign an editor to the penitentiary. He was a notorious blackmailer, and made it a business to be constantly involved in quarrels and difficulties. Nothing pleased him so much as to provoke a man to cowhids or kick him. He would take his punishment meekly, and without resistance, and rush to his office and write a long account of it in which his assailant would be more scandalously abused than ever. A KICKING WAS a delight to him, and he absolutely revelled in libel suits. Tom Hamlin, the actor, once forced his jaws open and split down his throat, and James Watson Webb cowhided him a dozen times. Almost every respectable man in New York thrashed Bennett, but he thrived wonderfully for all that. Those affairs attracted attention to him, and he did make the *Herald* the best newspaper the country ever had, and it is now. His business was to collect news, and in the doing of it he displayed wonderful energy and amazing shrewdness; he established penny express before the days of railroads; he had fast sailing boats to intercept vessels, and he was the first to realize the power of the telegraph. And so, while the *Herald* never indulged an opinion; while it is conducted upon the principle of denying to-day what it said yesterday, everybody reads it; and it is the best newspaper property in the country. Young

Bennett knows nothing about journalism, but the system established by his father remains, and the men trained by his father still carry it out in all its details. Were he allowed to manage it he would wreck it in a year. But fortunately, he is so absorbed in polo, in walking matches, in yachting and kindred amusements, that he can give no thought to his paper, and so it gets on as well as ever.

**THE BEAUTIFUL SNOW.**

Snow is all very well when you have logs to haul, or when you want to sleigh-ride. But in the narrow streets of New York, it is a nuisance, pure and simple. The street-cars are running only half the number of cars at the very time when the capacity for carrying ought to be doubled, and the streets are so blockaded as to make trucks superfluous. The consequence is a terrible interruption of trade. The terminal facilities of New York are wretched at best, and a very heavy proportion of the produce consigned to this market has to be handled by trucks. Now that trucking is an impossibility, it is all going to Baltimore. The merchants are indignant at the authorities for not removing the snow. Cargoes intended for New York are going to Baltimore to save the fearful cost of handling in the city. It is estimated that the snow, thus far, has cost the city a round million, and a general suspension of business is feared, if measures cannot be taken to remove it.

**YANDERBILT**

Is dead at last, and his heirs are quarreling over his estate, as might have been expected. He left eighty-five millions, the most of it is to his favorite son William H., who has the virtuous control of the whole of it. His other son Cornelious, is not the best man in the world and the great ambition of the dead financier was to have his colossal fortune kept together. William will do it, and will add to it. He is as good a man of business as his father, and has been carefully trained to take his place when death should exact the first mortgage he holds on all of us. The other heirs squirm at his having control of the estate, but it won't make any difference. The Vanderbilts never let go anything they got their claws on, and William has to good a thing. The lawyers will have a soft time of it, for the old man left them all enough to make a very pretty fight with. There will be no change in the management of the great roads, for William has been virtually the manager for several years. Within a very few months the four richest men in the country have gone to their long home—Aster, Vanderbilt, and Stewart, of New York, and Hemenway, of Boston. They didn't take anything with them.

POOR ANNY FAWLETT.

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is dead, and died of starvation. Amy Fawcett was an English actress, who was, at one time, the pet of London, and bid fair to become a favorite in New York. But the woman who could earn her thousands a week did not save cent— they all seem to think that their popularity will last for ever—and when she was taken sick she was forgotten. Her little money went, then her clothes, until finally she had not as much as a pair of stockings, and died in this great city for want of food and medicine. Two years ago thousands of girls, as they saw this beautiful woman clad in velvet and loaded with jewels, envied her. There isn't a shop girl in the city who has not led a more happy life, and very few but who will do a better death. It is not all gold that glitters.

## SOCIETY AND AMUSEMENTS

Despite the snow, and despite the hard times, the fashionable end of New York has outdone itself this winter. Balls and receptions have been more common than ever before, and more money than ever has been spent upon dress and adornment of house and person. The fact is there are a few hundred families who are so rich that cutting off half their income makes no difference whatever, and they feel a sort of pride in being able to throw away money when everybody else is short of it. "What odds is it," said one young fellow in commenting on a party just given, the wife of the giver having supported \$50,000 worth of diamonds, "whether they have half a million a year or a million." But the amusements that draw their support from the merely comfortable classes, are suffering. The theatres are drawing no money, the actors are not getting their pay, and bankruptcy is staring the profession in the face. The newspapers are running very close to shore, and, in short, everything that can be cut off is cut off. Only the very rich can afford to be jolly, and they are making the season unusually gay, for very spite it would seem.

### THE WEATHER

Is abominable. The January thaw is on us and the lower part of the city is one lake of slush. Cellars are full of water, and the streets are impassable. The fall of snow was immense and, as none of it has been removed it makes the streets fearfully disagreeable.

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## Our Washington Letter.

*Thompson and Watterson as leaders—Mr. Hewitt's misfortunes—The disposition of Mr. Barnes' and Mr. Orton's peril—The Oregon investigation—The plan for counting—the electoral vote—Investigation of Murtagh—Theaters and hotels—Society and the oyster trade.*

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 16, 1877.

Mr. Thompson, Sergeant-at-Arms of the House, and Mr. Waterson, promoted from his position as editor of the Louisville *Courier-Journal* to represent a Kentucky constituency in the House, as a reward for his arduous labors in Mr. Tilden's behalf before the St. Louis convention—and prior thereto, have "jumped" many Democratic veterans and find themselves much talked about as "leaders." There is no visible cause for this sudden popularity other than their exceptional devotion to the cause of political purification as personated by Mr. Tilden. It was currently reported and generally believed last week that their zeal had carried them so far as to quarrel with Mr. Hewitt, because that gentleman opposed the proposition to summon a Democratic mob to meet in this city on the 12th proximo, to frighten members of Congress believing Gov. Hayes to have been legally elected to succeed President Grant, into an abandonment of their honest convictions in the premises, and to so far intimidate as to deter them from making any opposition to the usurpation of the Presidential chair by Mr. Tilden. According to the same authority—common report—Hewitt found himself in a hopeless minority when the matter was submitted to those representatives of his party here who are recognized as its lawgivers. He fled from the reproaches showered upon him, to New York, only to meet the frowning face of his inexorable chief. He was in his seat yesterday with a back-load of Democratic petitions from Vermont; but no opportunity was offered for reading them; and whether the report of his frigid reception is true or false has not yet transpired. Many suppose that he returned thus burdened with party desires and aspirations, as a penance for presuming to question the policy and patriotism of the proposed invasion, and the apparent result of the quarrel is accepted as showing that the "Tilden or blood" element has an overshadowing influence in the party councils.

Mr. Barnes has been disciplined after a manner peculiarly gratifying to statesmen after the order of Mr. Proctor Knott. When last arraigned, and standing in the immediate and awful presence of the Speaker, he was constrained to promise compliance with Morrison's demands, provided he could lay his hands on the offending telegrams. Such an unreasonable reservation was regarded as trifling with the dignity of the august tribunal, and as only aggravating the original offense; and he was hurried away to a dark dungeon with all modern improvements. When all the circumstances are considered, the conviction becomes very persistent that Mr. Barnes' punishment was predetermined from the first moment that he dared question the propriety of parading before the committee private despatches of which he was the custodian, to gratify partisan malice. Mr. Orton, in his rejoinder to the charge of contempt, said that the condition of his health forbade the journey he was ordered to make to New Orleans; that he did not have the required telegrams in his possession, and that he did not designedly place himself in contempt of the privileges of the House. His case was referred back to the Judiciary Committee, and he remanded to the parental surveillance of the Sergeant-at-Arms. The plea of ill health and of not being in possession of the required papers will probably be regarded as wholly irrelevant and too preposterous as to deserve much consideration; and it is agreed that he is doomed to expiate his obstinacy in company with his subordinate Barnes.

every development in the investigation of the Oregon conspiracy seems to prove that both Cronin and Grover were only "jumping-jacks" moved by wires in New York which were held in a hand invisible to the public; but the trick was so characteristic that all who express themselves are of one mind as to its author. Cronin's princely fee, considering the time consumed and the expense incurred, proved the desperation underlying the whole movement. Mr. Potter, conductor of the Bureau of Political Information, has been satisfactorily (to Republicans) connected with the sending of several thousand dollars to Oregon. The funds have also been shown to have been obtained of an officer of a bank of which Tilden is a director. Further revelations, totally incompatible with the pretensions of "honesty and reform" will surprise no one here.

The plan proposed by the Senate Committee for counting and declaring the electoral vote attracts a good deal of attention of course; but no one is qualified to predict, understandingly, as to the measure of support it is likely to receive in Congress. The ordinary proceedings of Congress are so monotonous and devoid of interest as to invite but few spectators, save on very odd days, when the warm galleries are much more attractive to the hundreds of loafers around town, than out door lounging. As hereafter stated there is a disposition to defer

as much as possible the weightier matters of legislation till a solution of the threatening Presidential problem shall have been had. The investigation of Mr. Murtagh's alleged attempts to influence the report of Mr. Whitthorn's committee last summer, is progressing quietly before Mr. LeMoyn's committee. No startling revelations up to date. Meanwhile the gunning dens remain closed.

President Grant's action in the Louisiana case is gratifying to every one, opposed to allowing the White Leaguers of that State to profit by their shocking barbarities during the late campaign; and the President's determination, expressed when Nicholls first set up his bogus government, to await a thorough understanding of every point in dispute before interfering, is generally approved and its wisdom acknowledged. Had Nicholls succeeded in his usurpation, organized Republicanism, if it succeeded here, would have disappeared from that State.

The theatres and hotels have thus far had a very discouraging season. Very few strangers are here. The Centennial and the general business prostration accounts for this falling off in the number of visitors. Almost every one who could raise the money "by hook or crook" went to Philadelphia; hence they have no money to come here now. The absence of our usual winter visitors has also contributed to the almost apathetic dullness prevailing in "Society" circles. The contrast between the present and past seasons is almost startling. However, as we get nearer the 1st of March we are likely to be reinforced by a crowd of office-seekers and place-hunters, whoever may be declared President.

Notwithstanding two severe rains and several days of soft weather, a long line of snow borders every sidewalk, the obstinate remnants of the great storm of the 1st inst., which covered far-off Texas, even, with a white mantle. The continued ice blockade of the Potomac has brought with our other afflictions, an oyster famine.

LOGAN.

## Rural Topics.

[Written for the *South Jersey Republican* by one of the most experienced farmers, gardeners and fruit-growers in the United States.]

SHEEP.

In corroboration of what I recently said, about farmers holding on to their sheep, in these times of depressed prices of wool, I annex the opinion of an Ohio farmer: "Ohio is one of the most prosperous wool States in the Union. But we have seen the sheep and wool interest quite as much depressed more than twenty years ago. Establishments were set up to save pelts and tallow of sheep. An immense number were subjected to this wasteful process. But the sheep and wool interest revived, and many regretted that they had decimated their flocks. The depression in this State will be temporary. There is virtue in holding on. The sheep men have made a great deal of money. They will make more after awhile. It may be well enough to thin out some poor flocks, but a general decimation for pelts and tallow is not desirable. It is a good year for pasture and most of the flocks will be carried over without much trouble, except where the owners are heavily in debt. It is not of tenor than about once in twenty years that such a depression in the wool interest is known."

## MUCK ON SANDY SOILS.

A light, sandy soil can be much improved by drawing upon it from two to four inches in depth of swamp muck; but then comes the question, will it pay? I am not disposed to give advice and rules for doing anything which is not profitable in a pecuniary point of view. No man can read an agricultural paper long without seeing systems and ways of doing things that may be all right in theory; but when we come down to practice these theories we find the expense more than the benefit; and yet such papers are valuable if one can sift out the wheat from the chaff. Now, suppose that you cart a hundred loads of muck half a mile and spread it on an acre of land. About eight loads is a day could probably be drawn, taking twelve days at least to draw the one hundred loads. This time with a hired man, would be worth anywhere \$24, and in some places much more; so a farmer must be his own judge as to whether he had better try to improve a sandy soil with swamp muck, when he has such muck upon his farm. An advocate of applying muck to such land says: "About one-third of an acre of light sandy soil, as light as to be considered waste land, was mucked from three to four inches deep, and this was thoroughly worked into the soil. This was done year before last. Last year it bore a good crop of potatoes with common manuring. This year it is bearing the heaviest and best corn on the farm, with no more manure than the other fields. This proves, to my satisfaction, that for many crops it is better to improve the surface soil of natural drained land rather than knock the bottom out of a water-soaked clay soil, which can never be made so warm and dry in the spring, or so easy to cultivate, as a sandy soil well dressed with a retentive substance, such as muck, clay or decaying vegetable matter."

## DAIRYING A BENEFIT TO LAND.

In most sections of the country farms are much improved by dairying. Those that are run down can be made fertile by a dairy of as many cows as can be kept upon them. For instance, take the fine dairy district of central New York, as Herkimer county, where the plow is but little used on many dairy farms, after becoming in good condition, their owners depending entirely on their butter and cheese to support their families. The great quantity of manure made on these farms enables their proprietors to heavily fertilise any field that they desire to plow up, on which they grow one or two crops, and re seed it; and in a few years they have their entire farms in splendid condition, and worth double or treble what they were when the dairy business was commenced upon them. My advice to farmers everywhere is to keep all the cows you can profitably. Not to buy many at first; but to obtain a few very choice ones, and raise your own dairy by degrees. Don't begrudge the original extra expense that superior stock may cost. It may make you feel that you have made a mistake in paying from \$70 to \$100 a head for a few cows that give twenty quarts of milk a day; but with the right bull you will soon have all your money coming back to you in the splendid young stock that you will soon have.

### PRICES OF BLOODED STOCK

The stock breeders of the United States and England have managed to sell short-horns and other cattle at enormous prices. A few years ago a short-horn cow sold for \$40,000; and recently one brought at auction \$27,000! This is no test of their real value, as the purchasers could not, to think, be said to be compos mentis. The intrinsic value of a first-rate short-horn cow or bull is not over \$100. They are fine for beef, and occasionally a cow of this breed gives from 20 to 25 quarts of milk a day; but generally they are not first-class milkers. The prices of blooded bucks are also beyond reason; even poultry is selling in some cases for ten times their value. At some of the poultry fairs last season trios of certain breeds sold for \$40 to \$80 two pullets and a cock. Farmers should merely look on and see the fools part with their money for stock at the above rates; and then look around and find grade animals at a fair price and more valuable.

### LICE ON FOWLS.

Lice are the great pest of the poultry house, and the primary cause of sickness and loss where they infest fowls in large numbers unless speedily destroyed. It is not possible to have hens profitable when they are covered with vermin, and no man should attempt to keep poultry, especially in large numbers, unless he sufficiently understands the business to keep them free from lice. It is not enough to take measures to destroy these vermin when fowls and their roosting houses are infested by them; but means should be used to prevent their breeding on the premises. Lice generate in the cracks and crevices of poultry houses; then they infest the perches, and from the perches they find their way to the hens; and nothing short of thorough extermination will remove the evil. The remedies are: first, don't crowd one hundred fowls into a roosting-place only large enough for fifty; give them ample space and good ventilation; and when they are first put into the building see that they are free from lice. Mix half a pound of sulphur and kerosene oil together to the consistency of a soft paste, and rub a little under the fowls' wings, and also on the tops of their heads. Then dust them all over among their feathers with dry flour of sulphur. This should be done for several days till all the lice disappear. To exterminate the lice in a fowl-house when badly infested, close the house as tightly as possible, then take an iron kettle, in which burn a few pounds of resin and sulphur. Or you may sponge the rooms with kerosene oil; whitewash every part of the house, and sprinkle flour of sulphur in the cracks connected with the perches; also the hay or straw in their nests. Provide an ample dusting box under cover, in which place two bushels of ashes mixed with two pounds of flour of sulphur, and if these rules be thoroughly acted on you will not be troubled with many lice on your fowls.

### PENDING POLICY ISSUES.

Feeding bees should never be delayed in this latitude later than October. Some families of bees, from causes not necessary to state here, must be fed or they will perish during the winter. It is presumed that my bee-keeping readers know how to feed them; the full details would be too long for an article on the subject here. If you have no movable comb hives, you can transfer combs from families that have more honey than they need, to those that have not enough. From 20 to 25 lbs. ought to be stored up for winter by every populous family of bees, to carry them safely through the winter; and when they lack this quantity they should be supplied with the deficiency. Sugar made into a syrup, is a good to feed bees on—honey—four pounds of good white sugar to a quart of water, heated to the boiling point, and skimmed. Not a day longer should bee-keepers delay feeding their bees, if necessary, if the weather be mild.



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## NEWS ITEMS.

### What is Doing in the Old World and the New.

The Ohio Legislature adopted a resolution calling on the railroad commission for information as to whether or not the company had been in violation of the law in the case of the explosion in the tunnel at Athens, Mich., exploded, causing the death of three men, and the injury of many others. The cause of the explosion is unknown. The commission has been asked to report on the cause of the explosion and to recommend measures to prevent such accidents in the future. The commission has been asked to report on the cause of the explosion and to recommend measures to prevent such accidents in the future.

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How a Merchant was Done For.  
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