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THE VOICELESS.

OLIVER WINDKILL HOLMES. We don't see the broken lyres that rest... When the sweet wailing singers slumber...

POLITICAL UNION.

PROF. GOLDWIN SMITH ON MR. BUTTERWORTH'S RESOLUTIONS.

Not a Stroke of Party Tactics—A Surprise to Commercial Unionists—The "Conspiracy" Theory Foundationless.

Sir,—Whatever may be the general effect of Mr. Butterworth's resolution, there is no illusion which, in any sane mind, it cannot fall to dissipate forever.

Such, I say, must be the effect produced by Mr. Butterworth's action in any sane mind. I do not presume to say what will take place in the minds of those who threaten to shoot down their fellow-citizens in their tracks...

The Commercial Union Club has been accused, directly or by palpable innuendo, not only of being a limb of a conspiracy, but of being the medium through which American money has been transmitted into this country...

To complete the evidence of want of confidence among the supposed conspirators, I cannot help greatly doubting the correctness of Mr. Wiman's opinion as to the real state of Canadian sentiment in regard to our general relations with the United States.

There is no reason to suppose that Mr. Butterworth's resolution is a stroke of party tactics, or that it has been brought forward with the concurrence of his political friends. Most likely it is merely an individual attempt to give expression to an awakened and growing sentiment.

Mr. R. C. Winlow, Toronto, writes: "Northrop & Lyman's Vegetable Dicycary is a valuable medicine to all who are troubled with indigestion."

The Very Thing.—"It looks as if the child was poisoned," remarked the doctor, gravely. "Are you positive there was nothing dangerous around the house that he could have got his hands on?"

Aggie.—"Yes, he held me, my head was on his shoulder, with one hand he caressed my flowing curls, his lips met mine, his eyes beamed love, and—"

When the architect spoke of the great nave there was to be in the new church, a pious old lady said she "knew to whom he referred."

what course they may; the position of such an organization as the Commercial Union Club remains the same. The association was formed solely for the liberation of Canadian commerce and industry from restrictions...

TOBACCO, December 25.—A dreadful explosion occurred this morning about 11 o'clock, in the ammonia tank at the works of the Toronto Ammonia Company, corner of Parliament and Front streets.

Yours, etc., GOLDWIN SMITH.

Toronto, Dec. 19.

A NEW GATEWAY.

By the completion of a new bridge across the Missouri River at Rulo, Nebraska, the Burlington Route has established, for the entire distance over its own tracks, a new direct route from St. Louis to Kansas City, St. Joseph, Atchison and Denver.

MR. BUTTERWORTH'S PROPOSAL.

There is a compliment in Mr. Butterworth's resolution, Canada—whether she accepts or declines—may fairly feel proud at being invited to join the great galaxy of States which occupy so honorable and important a position in the nations of the world.

THE DEBTS OF TWO COUNTRIES.

Our esteemed contemporary, the Toronto Empire, from whose rostrum the British flag floats higher than anywhere else in the Dominion of Canada, resents the recent proposition of annexation, but it supports its feeling upon a very unground basis.

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CHRISTMAS DAY DISASTERS.

Ammonia Explosion at Toronto

TWO STEAMBOATS BURNED.

Over One Hundred Lives Lost.

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BURNING OF THE LIEF ERIKSON.

SEATTLE, W.T., December 25.—The steamer Lief Erikson was burned at Alkali Point, five miles west of this city, at 6 o'clock yesterday afternoon. She is a total loss.

LOSS OF THE JOHN H. HANNA ON THE MISSISSIPPI.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 25.—The steamboat John H. Hanna, from the Onalaska river with a large number of passengers and a cargo of 2,500 bales of cotton on board, was burned last night at Plankenin.

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NAMES OF STATES.

Where They Came From and How They Were Made.

Maine was so called as early as 1623, from Maine in France, of which Henrietta Maria, Queen of England, was at the time proprietor.

New Hampshire was the name given to the territory conveyed by the Plymouth Company to Capt. John Mason, by patent, Nov. 7th, 1629, with reference to the patentee, who was Governor of Portsmouth, in Hampshire, England.

New Jersey was so called in 1664, in reference to the Duke of York and Albany, to whom this territory was granted by the King of England.

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Delaware was so called in 1703, from Delaware Bay, on which it lies, and which received its name from Lord De la Ware, who died in this bay.

Virginia was so called in 1581, after Elizabeth, the Virgin Queen of England. Popular name, the Old Dominion, or Mother of Presidents.

Carolina was so called by the French in 1564, in honor of King Charles IX., of France. Popular name of South Carolina, the Palmetto State; of North Carolina, the Old North or Turpentine State.

Alabama was so called in 1814, from its principal river, meaning "here we rest." Mississippi was so called in 1500, from its western boundary. Mississippi is said to denote the whole river, i.e., the river formed by the union of many.

Louisiana was so called in honor of Louis XIV., of France. Popular name, the Creole State. Tennessee was so called in 1796, from its principal river. The word Ten-ness-ee is said to signify a carved spoon. Popular name, the Big Bend State.

Kentucky was so called in 1792, from its principal river. Popular name, the State of the Dark and Bloody Ground. Illinois was so called in 1809, from its principal river. The word is said to signify "the river of men." Popular name, the Sucker or Prairie State.

Indiana was so called in 1809, from the American Indians. Popular name, the Hoosier State. Ohio was so called in 1802, from its southern boundary. Popular name, the Buckeye State. Meaning of the Indian word Ohio, beautiful.

Missouri was so called in 1821, from its principal river. Indian name, meaning "red water." Michigan was so called in 1805, from the lake on its border. Indian name meaning "a water for fish." Popular name, the Wolverine State.

Arkansas was so called in 1812, from its principal river. Indian name. Popular name, the Bear State. Florida was so called by Juan Ponce de Leon in 1572, because it was discovered on Easter Sunday. Spanish, Pasos Florida. Wisconsin was so called from its principal river. Indian name, meaning "wild, rushing river."

Iowa was so called from its principal river. Indian name, meaning "the sleepy one." Popular name, the Hawkeye State. Minnesota is also an Indian word, meaning "the whitish water."

FRANCE.

If we may believe the dispatches from Paris, France once more approaches a political crisis—not the Cabinet affair, a mere phantom of the dictionary, but a ferment of the people, whereafter they, in blood and pillage, may overturn one despotism and establish another.

The populace of France are to be viewed in two ways. To their devoted admirers they are the most wonderful and heroic of peoples. With patience beyond the meekness of other nations, the French have been terrible when they rose against tyrants.

Other nations have threatened the domination of both hemispheres. There has been no other chapter in history which so engages the imagination of the patriot as the aspirations of the Girondists.

On the other hand, has there ever lived a people which would wallow so low in despotism, retaining the active principle of liberty? Have men of other nations ever played the varying roles of Danton, Marat, and Robespierre?

Now this same people, this nation which may be lauded or execrated, is on its way to fall down before a man named Boulanger, whose glory is like a candle in a pumpkin.

GLADSTONE FIFTY YEARS AGO. The following is a description of Gladstone published in a London paper of 1838, the date of his marriage.

ENGLAND AND EGYPT. English blood and treasure have been lavished in Egypt for the benefit of the London money-lenders. The present expedition to raise the siege of Suakin meets with little favor at the hands of English journalists.

EXPERIENCE A PARTICULAR TEACHER. Uncle Pete—Manda, is yo' got dem chickens shot up in the smoke house, like I tote yo'?

NO NEED OF A DIAGRAM. "What is the age of that Post Office Department?" asked the Snake Editor.

AN UNNECESSARY OPERATION. Young House keeper (to cook)—What in the world are you doing to that fish, Mary Cook—Washing it, mum, before I bake it for our Christmas table.

ALWAYS IN AGONY. "There is always a fly in the pot of ointment," remarked the Snake Editor this morning.

Tory statesmen and papers sometimes tell the truth by accident. For instance, Mr. Balfour advocated the "merciful" doctrine of firing at Irish crowds in order to kill.

It was just thinking that as soon as the yellow fever scourge gives sign of coming to an end, Congress resumes its session.

IRISH CENTENARIANS.

Ireland has been remarkable for theevity of her children—characteristic of which a couple of examples have just come under our notice.

On the 18th of the present month, Mrs. Margaret Holland Carey, familiarly known as "Mother Gray," died at the hospital in Wheeling, West Virginia, at the age of 111.

STARTLING IRISH STATISTICS. The Registrar-General of Ireland, Dr. Grimshaw, recently delivered a most important address on the decay of Ireland.

IRISH CONGRESSMEN. The following men of Irish birth and descent have been elected to the Fifty-first Congress, according to the Irish Companion.

A GLORIOUS EPITAPH. On a gravestone in New London, Conn., appears the following inscription: The records of ancient Greece or Rome do not exhibit a nobler instance of patriotic heroism.

THE COMIC HAYTIAN WAR. That was a remarkable scene the hot sun of Hayti looked down upon December 3, 4 and 6. It was the first deliberate attempt to do something dreadful in the opera bouffe war between the hostile nations of the Black Republic.

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COURAGE.

Because I hold it sinful to despair,
And will not let the bitterness of life
Blind me with burning tears, but look beyond
Its tumult and its strife;

of the Confraternity and sharing in the advantages granted to it, in that of having their names enrolled on a special register, to be sent eventually to the chief seat of the Arch-confraternity in France.

SOME GOOD RECIPES.

In the little town of Richmond, England, is a little pastry shop widely known for its cheese cakes. It is said that the original recipe for them was furnished by a maid of Queen Elizabeth, who had a palace at Richmond.

with the brightest flame will live longest. If one goes out then its donor will die that year.

The Swedish bride tries to see the groom before he sees her, to gain the mastery. She places her foot before his during the ceremony and sits in the bridal chair first.

FRESH FEATURES IN MEN'S DRESS.

The bath wrap is an acquired state. The white silk hand-bow is a dead failure. Parisian patterns in heavy mufflers are taking.

would do well to abandon his efforts to become a speaker; for otherwise he becomes a "stuffed" orator.

HEALTH.

DAMPNESS in wall is detected, according to J. Naples, by placing against it a thin sheet of gelatin, which will curl away from the wall if damp.

ABOUT BOLES—In the first stage of boils, they can sometimes be aborted by painting them freely with the tincture of iodine; but when once matter has begun to form, they must run their course, unless interfered with.

The use of tobacco—Tobacco contains an acrid dark-brown oil, alkaloid, nicotine, and another substance called nicotianine in which exist its odorous and volatile principles.

ANOTHER HONOR FOR OUR COUNTY

On Thursday Dr. D. E. Foley passed through this town on his way to Westport to see his parents and friends.

Dr. Foley has been opening the past few years in the leading hospitals of England, Ireland, Scotland and France where he has taken special courses in diseases of the throat, women and midwife.

DOMESTIC READING.

Much wisdom often goes with fewest words. —Sophocles. She is only half a mother who does not see her own child in every child.

Five pints of stewed and strained pumpkin, two quarts of boiling milk, one and a half nutmeg, four teaspoonful of salt, five cupful of sugar, nine eggs, four tablespoonful of St. John's wort and two of rose water; gradually pour the boiling milk on the pumpkin.

Holiday suspenders are in white and colored satins, plain, for the fair dames to embroider.

The crib, considered one of the most precious relics in the city of Rome, is now kept in the magnificent basilica of Santa Maria Maggiore, also known by the titles of our Lady of Snow, and Our Lady of the Crib.

OUR SAVIOUR'S CRADLE.

The crib in which the Infant Jesus was laid was for a time preserved in Bethlehem, and it is well known that St. Jerome, St. Paula, and others had always retained the greatest devotion for His sanctuary.

One cupful of butter, two of sugar, one of milk, four of flour, three-fourths of a teaspoonful of soda, one tablespoonful of ginger; beat the butter to a cream, add the sugar gradually, and, when very light, the ginger.

Embroidery is running wild once more. It is seen up and down the side of one's trousers. Very few men have taken the style up. Glad of it.

It is an experimental observation thirty-eight boys of all classes of society, and of average health, who had been using tobacco for periods ranging from two months to two years, twenty-seven showed severe injury to constitution and inefficient growth.

MARRIAGE SUPERSTITIONS.

In the Vosges Mountains the young women who dress the bride strive as to who shall stik the first pin in the marriage robe, as the successful one will be married the same year.

FASHION POINTS.

The new long mitts, just brought out for wear with dinner gowns, have no fingers at all, but have a double row of silk embroidery around the top of the hand and the edge of the thumb.

UNPRECEDENTED ATTRACTION!

OVER A MILLION DISTRIBUTED. Louisiana State Lottery Company. Its MAMMOTH DRAWINGS take place Semi-Annually (June and December), and GRAND PRIZES OF \$1,000,000.

For Integrity of its Drawings, and Prompt Payment of Prizes, it is Attested as follows: We do hereby certify that we supervise the arrangements for all the drawings and semi-annual drawings of the Louisiana State Lottery Company.

GRAND MONTHLY DRAWING

At the Academy of Music, New Orleans, Tuesday, January 15, 1890. CAPITAL PRIZE, \$300,000. 100,000 Tickets at Twenty Dollars each.

Table listing prizes and ticket prices: 1 PRIZE OF \$300,000 is... \$300,000, 2 PRIZES OF 100,000 are... 200,000, 3 PRIZES OF 50,000 are... 150,000, etc.

WIT AND HUMOR.

Handy things to have—Gloves. A capital skylight—The moon. A cultivated ear—An ear of corn. The way of the whirlwind—The waltz.

SALESMEN

NOTICE. The Minutes, Reports and other documents of the Louisiana State Lottery Company, for the month of January, 1890, are now being prepared.

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ROYAL BAKING POWDER Absolutely Pure.

HIS SEVENTY-NINTH YEAR. Celebration of William E. Gladstone's Birth day...

The 29th of December was the seventy-ninth birthday of William Ewart Gladstone...

Although a Liberal in politics, Mr. Gladstone did not abandon political life as a Liberal.

Most of the measures which he succeeded in passing met with fierce opposition...

During his administration, after the Liberal came into power in 1868, he brought forth a more reform measure than ever he had done before.

In 1866, when leader of the House of Commons, he brought in his famous Reform Bill...

In 1868 the Conservatives again came into power but Mr. Gladstone remained, as he always has done, a leader.

No measure which Mr. Gladstone succeeded in passing evoked such determined opposition or so much bitter feeling...

Untiringly energetic as he always has been, his patience in working out his measures and overcoming obstacles...

many other things, but he has departed himself through it all, not with disdain for his petty detractors...

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is also a warm friend, having been a classmate and intimate friend of the late General Grant...

LIVESTOCK MEN IN COUNCIL. Canada's Cattle Exporters Gathered to Discuss Some Pressing Reforms.

Toronto, December 27.—The Dominion Live Stock Association held its fourth annual meeting...

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to \$5.00; old down superfine, \$4.50 to \$4.75; strong, \$3.50 to \$3.75; Ontario, extra, \$2.40 to \$2.60.

Standard oatmeal in barrels, \$4.45 to \$4.70; standard, \$4.70 to \$4.95; rolled, \$4.20 to \$4.50.

Receipts for the past week were 12,390 bushels, but there is scarcely any change in prices...

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Canadian timothy is quoted at \$2, and American at \$1.80 per bushel. Clover seed is quiet at \$5.50 per bushel.

During the past week very little business has transpired, and until after the holidays no stir need be expected.

The aggregate packing in the West for the week appears to be about equal to corresponding week of last year...

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broken for some weeks past. Lined stock is being worked off in seasonable quantities...

The market remains quiet, good to choice white medium being quoted \$1.60 to \$1.80 per bush for jobbing lots.

The market is quiet, and prices are nominally quoted at 23c to 26c.

The weather is against the sale of all kinds of frozen meats, and the demand for best quality is not so good...

There is no change in either sugar or molasses. A lot of 400 punts of second runnings of Barbados molasses is reported on hand.

The market for fish is quiet but steady. A good consumptive demand is noticed for green cod at \$4.75 for No. 1 ordinary...

In these lines no detailed report can be furnished this week, as there is really nothing to say. Prices are steady and unchanging.

British cables report trade slow and dull. Receipts were not heavy but dealers were fully supplied ahead.

We have to report a very fair business for the season. The market is quiet and the outside reports are satisfactory.

The market is quiet at 7 1/2 to 8c. Dried apples - We quote 5c to 5 1/2c.

The market is steady at \$3 to \$3.25 per box. Valencia oranges are firmer at \$4.75.

The receipts of horses for week ending December 26th, 1888, were as follows: 173 horses left over from previous week...

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CARSELEY'S COLUMN. S. Carseley has decided to clear out a line of colorful English waterproof in brown, mixed colors, navy and black.

It is astonishing to see how cheap carpet can be had at S. Carseley's. Tapestry carpet can be had from 27c per yard, and Brussels from 50c.

NEW YEAR'S GIFTS. \$2.90. \$5.50 Embroidered Shawls for \$2.90. \$5.50 Embroidered Shawls for \$2.90.

NEW YEAR'S GIFTS. \$3.50. \$5.75 Embroidered Scarfs for \$3.50. \$5.75 Embroidered Scarfs for \$3.50.

NEW YEAR'S GIFTS. \$8.10. \$12.00 Embroidered Shawls for \$8.10. \$12.00 Embroidered Shawls for \$8.10.

NEW YEAR'S GIFTS. \$11.55. \$20.00 Embroidered Shawls for \$11.55. \$20.00 Embroidered Shawls for \$11.55.

PAISLEY SHAWLS. \$5.95 PAISLEY SHAWLS FOR \$5.00. \$7.50 PAISLEY SHAWLS FOR \$6.55.

Waterproofs. \$5.00 TWEED WATERPROOFS FOR \$2.50. \$5.00 TWEED WATERPROOFS FOR \$2.50.

GENTLEMEN'S DRESSING GOWNS, \$4.75. Ladies who intend purchasing Waterproof Tweed Circuits should come direct and examine the above line.

GENTLEMEN'S DRESSING GOWNS, \$8.00. COSTUMES. NEW TAILOR-MADE COSTUMES.

REDUCED. KNITTED SHAWLS. Several lines of Knitted Shawls in Pale Blue, Sky, Pale Pink, Coral, etc., regular prices \$3 and \$3, now offered at \$1.60.

INCORRECT. It was not the makers of Corticelli Sewing Silk who circulated the report that their silk was strong enough to answer for cables...

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