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THE POPE PAINTS. London, Jan. 24.—A Roman dispatch from Rome says the Pope had a fainting spell Sunday and yesterday.

DISCHARGE OF McNEILLY'S COMPANY. As will be seen by the following general order issued by Adjutant General Steele, Capt. McNelly's company will be mustered out of service to-day, and a company of 24 men, under command of Lt. Hall, is to take its place. The change will occur at Galveston.

CHICAGO'S NEW WATER SUPPLY. The city of Chicago has just completed its second lake tunnel and waterworks. The experience of 1871, when the great fire destroyed the first set of pumping works, and left the city practically without water to fight the flames, reminded the citizens that it was not safe to depend upon a single set of engines, or even a single supply, and they set about duplicating their works.

THE FARMER. (From the Billster, (Miss.) Messenger.) When a farmer can so manage his farm as to make "both ends of the year meet," even if it be with the most rigid economy, he should be contented with his lot.

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THURSDAY MORNING, Jan. 25, 1877. It is the opinion of a New York lawyer...

Those who are fond of figuring out prospective relationships through intermarriage...

SILVANI got married, and made up his mind to let no more...

The cold spell has killed hundreds of thousands of cabbage plants in Virginia...

AMERICAN citizens have been dragged into the interior of Mexico and maltreated...

The excellence of the material used in the manufacture of cigarettes in the United States...

On Monday, the 8th day of January, a day sacred in the sight of Louisianaans...

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Let us sound the reasons which provoke this scramble, and see whether there is sufficient bottom to it to support the faction which might assume the offensive...

NEW ORLEANS CORRESPONDENCE. NEW ORLEANS, January 19, 1877. Editor San Antonio Express:

During my brief stay in San Antonio last fall I learned with pleasure that the interest which the Texans took in their unfortunate brethren of poor target-battered Louisiana was of more than passing import.

On Monday, the 8th day of January, a day sacred in the sight of Louisianaans, and grafted into their memories by the flood of freemen, Governor F. T. Nicholls was inaugurated as the twelfth Chief Executive of the State.

At the same hour, in the State House, which was filled with sinner militia, S. E. Packard, a citizen of Maine and ex-United States Marshal, played the role in a farce by pretending to be sworn in as Governor of Louisiana.

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THE WILLS OF VANDERBILT, ASTOR, STEWART, GARNER.

(From the Cincinnati Gazette.) New York, January 12.—The will of the late Commodore has been read more widely, probably than any other feature in his history. This reminds one that the most remarkable series of important wills ever put on record in America has appeared within the last thirteen months. These are the wills of Wm. B. Astor, A. T. Stewart, Thomas Garner and Cornelius Vanderbilt, in which property to the amount of \$225,000,000 has been disposed of, and in which the cause of benevolence was hardly mentioned. True, Vanderbilt has given a million to the Nashville College, and Stewart had planned a lodging-house, but these are small exceptions to the general omission of the claims of humanity. All of these wills are noticeable for their brevity. A long-est will on record in this city is that of old John Jacob Astor, which, in addition to the original instrument, had fourteen codicils. The old man spent a large part of his old age in making this will, and his codicils annulled and altered previous bequests agreeable to the freaks and whims of senility. This reminds one of Johnson's sad picture, where "Growing hoary scarce a wreath gathering about his temples, still his last offense, The daughter's paterfamilias, the son's expense, Improve his heavy reign with treacherous skill, And mold his passions while they make his will."

Three of the above mentioned left widows, the richest trio of widows ever known in America. Mrs. A. T. Stewart, who is now nearly three score and ten, has the Fifth avenue palace, and two or three millions of property. This is her surplus after having sold to Judge Hilton \$10,000,000 or \$15,000,000 of real and personal estate for the \$1,000,000 bequeathed to him in Stewart's will. Mrs. Garner is heir of \$10,000,000 or more, which is, however, to be eventually the property of the children. Garner, it may be observed, was the most niggardly of the quartet above mentioned, in the feature of benevolence. He left nothing for the amelioration of suffering humanity. Mrs. Vanderbilt has \$700,000 in her own right. Now, considering that she has served the old Commodore faithfully for eight years, here is a nearly \$100,000 for each year, which certainly is hand some compensation. How many girls would be willing to marry under such circumstances? She is now a well preserved woman of fifty-five, and with \$700,000 can marry to suit herself. There are many fine looking young men who would be willing to accept her as a bride, since matrimony in such a case would be a self supporting institution. There is now a possibility that Cornelius (the second son) may try to break the will, on the ground of undue influence. He has \$200,000, but it is under a trust, and he only gets the interest, while the principal will go to his children. Contrast this with \$600,000,000, or more to William and his children. Certainly it has a very unfair appearance. Cornelius could make out a good case before a Court, for William has had control of the late Commodore for the last two years.

WHERE BURIED. Staten Island contains the remains of Garner and Vanderbilt, while Astor is in the family tomb in a far up town cemetery. Stewart, however, rests in the vault of St. Mark's in the very center of the city and within an eighth of a mile of his former place of business. As soon as the memorial church at Garden City shall be finished, he will be moved thither, as a place of final sepulture. Of all these places of burial the Moravian Church-yard is the most beautiful in point of prospect, and the most interesting in its mortuary literature. Indeed, I know not of any spot so near this city that recalls the ideas presented in Gray's Elegy:

"The name, the years, the spot by the neglected mass, The place of fame and elegy supply; And many a holy text around the dews That teach the rustic Squire, to die." Close to the Moravian Church is the paragon—a low-roofed old-fashioned cottage where the pastor, Mr. Volger, lives in humble, old-fashioned style. Among the pictures on the walls is a small one of the Commodore taken many years ago, and strongly imbued with the money-making, grasping, insatiable character of the man. Mr. Volger should have had a legacy, but he was overlooked, and of course is neglected.

WEALTH AND PIETY. Concerning the quartet of capitalists of whom mention has just been made, it may be said that they made no claims to a religious character, and it is doubtful if they had any. Wm. B. Astor was an attendant of St. Bartholomew's Church (Episcopal), but never attended its communion. A. T. Stewart died, during the best part of his life, an attendant of St. Mark's Church, which he formerly occasionally attended, but he had got into another worship of more important character—that of Mammon. Garner was not

a religious person, and though not addicted to evil courses, was what is called a man of the world. Vanderbilt has been canonized by Obsequy Deign, who, no doubt, desired to earn his legacy of \$20,000. Those who know the man will discern the emptiness of his plaudits. Vanderbilt, indeed, never hit at the preacher, and the latter was weak enough to repeat it: "Doctor, you never crowded religion upon me." True enough!

PORTRAITS BY TELEGRAPH.

WHAT SCIENCE IS DOING WITH THE SUBTLE ELECTRIC CURRENT. It has often been said that the science of telegraphy is as yet only in its infancy. What it will be when it reaches the age of maturity it would be difficult to say with certainty, but some idea may be formed from the extraordinary telegraphic discovery just made in Paris. It appears that some inventor has found out the means of sending portraits by telegraph. The modus operandi has not yet been disclosed, but experiments have been made, and if we are to believe the papers with complete success. The trial was made by the police authorities of Paris and Lyons. The portrait of a Lyons official was forwarded from Paris by the new telegraphic apparatus, and at once recognized. In return the Lyons police telegraph to Paris the portrait accompanied by the usual description of a clerk who had just absconded with his master's money, and the Paris police, thanks to the telegraphic portrait, were enabled to arrest the thief on his alighting from the train at the Lyons railroad station. These facts are published on the best authority, and incredible as they may seem, are no doubt authentic. So far the ingenious discovery is only being employed for the detection of criminals, but it is evident that the police authorities will not be able to monopolize it, and that it will be turned to account by society at large under the various trying circumstances of life, and more especially in the cases of deserted wives and husbands, missing heirs, disconsolate lovers, and similar interesting beings.

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