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The soul of the Austin Capital is devoid of the least spark of capital. After this the Express will keep its sympathy to itself.

The chairman of the Electoral Fraud Investigation Committee has declared the Tilden cipher dispatches shall be investigated.

St. Louis Post claims to have a private cable dispatch authorizing the statement that there is a proposal to make Grant King of Bulgaria. What has Bulgaria done?

The Commercial Convention has assembled in New Orleans, and a very short time will be required to ascertain if it is the echo of the Chicago convention manipulated in the interest of Tom Scott.

The New Orleans Democrat is responsible for the statement that the Fenian cruisers lately on the lookout for the Marquis of Lorne and his princess have gone on a cruise in search of the Flying Dutchman.

The new approach of the day of resumption as defined in the act, and which will be enforced unless Congress interferes, has started Greeley's "plan" on the rounds. It is terse and to the point. "The best way to resume specie payment is to resume."

According to the Postmaster General's report, just issued, the total number of post-offices in the United States is 39,254, an increase over the number reported last year of 1,913. Of these 1,570 are listed by Presidential appointment, and 37,688 by the Postmaster General.

For a year or more the Austin Capital has been hurling column after column of instructions regarding resumption and other financial questions at its readers, and now it has the cheek to tell its deluded followers that it does not understand the subject itself. This comes pretty near adding insult to injury.

The report of the City Collector in reference to the collection of the Gross Receipts towards the opening of the Gross sales should be placed on parchment and framed. Ages hence, as well as now, it will be entitled to consideration as one of the most remarkable official documents ever connected with a municipality.

The commission interested in the erection of the Lee monument met at Richmond on the 27th ult. and decided to not award the contract at that time, owing to the insufficiency of the funds in the treasury of the association. The matter was, therefore, indefinitely postponed. But four models were presented in competition.

The Democratic cause took the proper view of the Blaine resolution. It will entail, doubtless, a vast and useless expenditure of the public money, but it was forced by the Republicans, and the Democrats could not refuse to vote for the investigation without their actions being misconstrued. The investigation proposed will doubtless include all the States, as the Republicans could not well in decency vote against the amendment to the Blaine resolution the Democrats will offer.

So many amendments to our State constitution have been proposed, and so much declared to be a necessity, that about the most satisfactory way to accomplish the ends desired would be to adopt a new instrument entirely. So much dissatisfaction has been expressed with the present instrument within the past few years that the great wonder is that it was adopted by the people. If all the amendments claimed as a necessity are to be adopted, the only thing favoring amendment instead of a new constitution throughout would be the expense attending a constitutional convention.

Tax Dallas Herald says: "Everybody ought to know by this time that Dallas is the only town in Texas where ex-professors of the University of Virginia make their living by selling apples." True, oh, king! Learning finds more recognition and encouragement in Dallas. A knowledge of Greek and Latin and the sciences will earn a man nothing there, but if a man can "deal a brace" or "joke suckers" against a bungo game, the people will justify the learned apple vendor of the sidewalk to do honor to the town as a man more after their own heart.

The Southern Pacific Railway Company may not be pushing their interest in Congress with as much pertinacity and enterprise as the Texas & Pacific company, but they are pushing the work of construction if reports be true. A dispatch dated "At the Front Southern Pacific Railway November 28th" says: "The Southern Pacific Railroad company completed their sixth mile of track from Tuna this morning. Fifteen hundred men are now in the field, and work is being pushed at the rate of two miles per day. A large amount of grading has been done as far as Gila City, 22 miles from the Colorado river. The passenger trains will run to Gila City by the middle of December."

A New York dispatch of November 28th says the Catholic Revue has received a special cablegram from Dublin saying that the Metropolitan Chapter and parish priests were assembled according to canonical usage for the selection and for the presentation to the Holy See of three priests eligible for appointment to the archiepiscopal see of Dublin, in succession to Cardinal Cullen, and have named the following: Most Rev. E. McCabe, who received forty-three votes, was declared dignis homo, or most worthy; Most Rev. Bishop Moran, who receiving seven votes was dignus, or very worthy; and Right Rev. Bartholomew Woodcock, who received one vote and ranks as dignus, or worthy. The Catholic Revue applies some interesting particulars concerning these candidates. Mr. McCabe is at present Vice-Captain or Administrator of the Diocese, appointed by the chapter. He is of Galacia in Portugal, and was auxiliary bishop to the late Cardinal, whose Vicar General he was for many years. Bishop Moran was a kinsman of the late Cardinal, and before his appointment to the See of Osnery, of which he is now bishop, was the Cardinal's secretary. He was educated at Rome, where he became Vicar Rector of the Irish college, a professor of the Propaganda, and soon great distinction as author, historian and theologian. Mr. Bartholomew Woodcock is Rector of the Catholic University, where he succeeded John Henry Newman. He was formerly priest of "All Hallows" Foreign Missionary College. He was one of the late Cardinal's Vicars General, and one of his most intimate and confidential advisers.

THE SILVER MONEY QUESTION.

The silver money question promises to prove as much importance in the deliberations of Congress, and involve as lively a contest, the present session as at the last. Some legislation is certainly needed, as a rather singular state of affairs now exist in this connection. We have trade dollars of 430 grains of silver passing current at about 90 cents. We have the legal tender dollar of 412 grains, which passes at all ordinary business transactions when it passes at all. Then we have the subsidiary coin, half and quarters, legal tender to the extent of five dollars, and which is discounted from one-half to one per cent. at all the banks when presented in sums greater than five dollars. Already two distinct propositions are before Congress: one to make the trade dollar a legal tender and as fast as the dollar of 412 grains the other to make the trade dollar legal tender for all debts, public and private, and providing for the suspension of the coinage of standard silver dollars of 412 grains, and re-coining them into trade dollars of 430 grains, and for additional coinage of trade dollars as the needs of the country demand. In the discussion of these propositions the same old questions of what should constitute the intrinsic value of the silver dollar will have to be gone over again, and the sooner Congress goes about it the sooner will there be a prospect for a settlement of the question.

In this connection it is hoped the Mexican money question will be brought before the present Congress in the shape of an inquiry as to what relief can be afforded. If the government would receive it at par less the cost of re-coining, it would maintain it at a value so near par that but little annoyance would be experienced from the discount in ordinary transactions of business. The value of coins of Great Britain, Europe and Mexico was regulated by Congress in this country for a period of sixty-five years, running from 1792 to 1857, and they were received at the United States Treasury for all dues at the value stated by law, but in 1857 the law was repealed and foreign coin ceased to be money in the United States and was made liable to any fluctuation business communities saw fit to subject it to.

In view of our peculiar commercial relations with Mexico, and the fact that silver is almost the sole money of that country, and that millions of dollars of it are now in circulation in the United States, with the sum constantly increasing, Congress should afford relief from its disastrous discount and fluctuations by fixing a value upon it, and receiving it for all dues which can be paid in our own silver money.

THE "STARVING THOUSANDS."

When the Houston Telegraph gets mad it is perfectly awful in its rage, and can only pacify itself by driving shivering thousands naked through the streets, and then charging them to death by wholesale. We have been hearing of this sort of conduct not alone on the part of the Telegraph, but scores of other papers also, for the last several months, and have had considerable curiosity as to where they bury their dead, if they do not let them fester and rot in the public highways. We would like a slight modification in the programme. The starving process has been spoken about so frequently in general terms that a great many are beginning to take sufficient interest in the matter to ask for a publication of some of the details. Give a few individual instances or incidents of starvation: the survivors may want to know if any of their friends or relatives are among the ghostly crew. We were satisfied to hear those ghastly generalities about starving thousands before the election; but now, to give those worn and threadbare statements an extra turn and place up a starvation edict without some observable foundation for it to stand upon, is not satisfactory to the people. There is doubtless much deprivation and considerable suffering in the country, but statistics prove that there is less this year than for many years before. Fewer cases of starvation have been reported this year than for the same time in many years past. We have failed to find in the reports of the charitable institutions of the country any indication of an unusual amount of suffering on the part of the poor. In fact, in many instances the contrary has been the case. Statistics prepared with a view of presenting facts, show that the laboring population of the country at large is more generally employed than at any other time since the great panic year of 1873. In some industries there has been a reduction of wages, but the hardship has not yet reached the degree that actual suffering is entailed. At least no such condition of affairs has been reported. The papers of the great cities, which publish full of appeals in behalf of the suffering poor, are this year singularly free from appeals of that kind. It is also true that the country is also full of bands of tramps, but ninety-nine out of every hundred of this class would not work if they could get it. With thousands of idle tramps in this State, shuffling about from one place to another, using communistic language and re-lavishing Kearneyisms, no planter could scarcely secure labor to gather their cotton crop, and with tramps swarming through Iowa and other northern and western States, farmers, in many instances, could not, even at \$2 a day, find help enough to plant or gather their crops. In speaking of the sufferings of the poor then, the tramp element, being undeserving, should be left out of the question. Many of our people are poor, it is true, but only a very few of them are suffering necessarily, and there is plenty to relieve all distress as soon as that distress is made known.

MR. LOFTHOUSE'S REVOLUTIONS.

Dr. Kingsbury, London Immigration agent for the Sunset Railway, has a spirited time of it among the English newspapers. Every once in a while some returned immigrant, generally some one who has come here and spent his substance in riotous living in the cities and towns, when he reaches his old home rushes to a newspaper with an article denouncing them and Mr. Kingsbury as one of the worst places and worst men to be found, the principal object of the writer undoubtedly being to find some palliating excuse for his own failure or shortcoming with which to satisfy relatives and friends. The latest reported exploit of this kind is by one John Lofthouse, of Skilton, who writes a letter to the Northern Echo warning immigrants against coming to Texas. He purports to have spent \$100,000 of his money in Texas, and that he was not located adjacent to a railroad and convenient to a good market. As to the country, the fault he found were that the heat was intolerable; that people were blasted and skinned by it. His land, seventy-five miles from San Antonio, was poor, and covered with wood, the prairie being swampy. This reported discovery of a swamp within seventy miles of San Antonio proves Mr.

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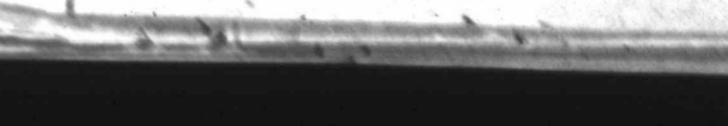
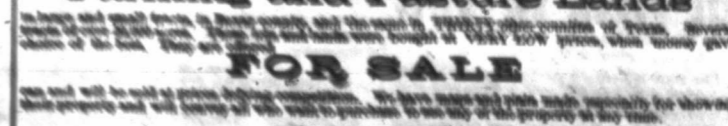
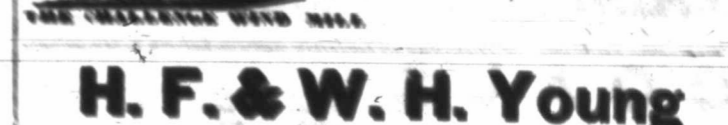
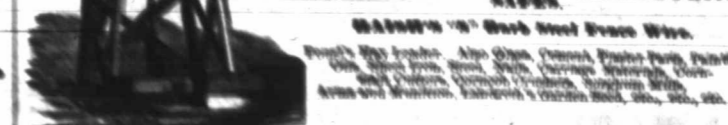
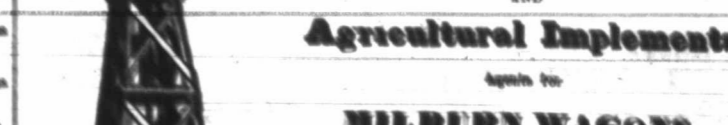
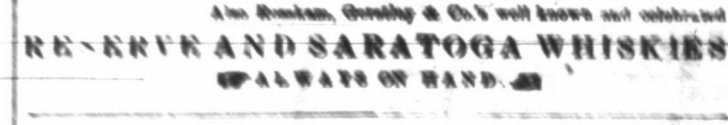
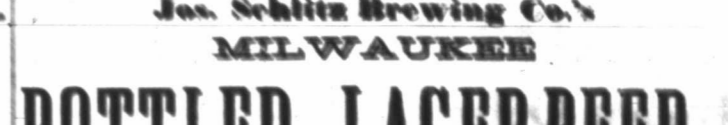
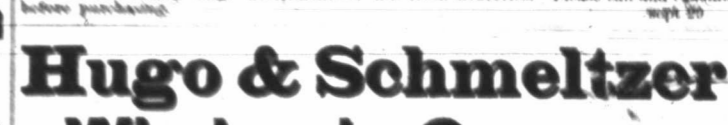
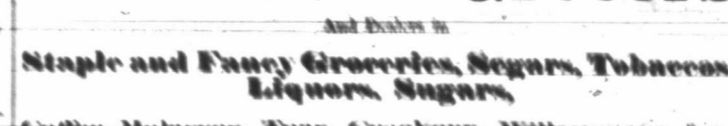
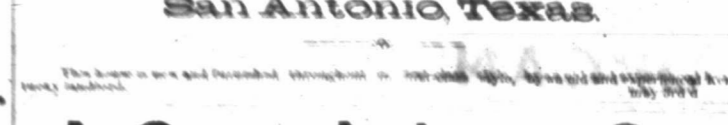
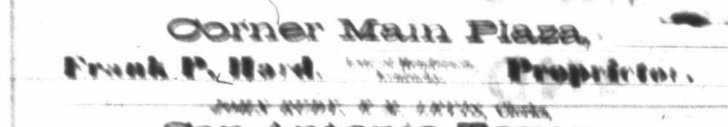
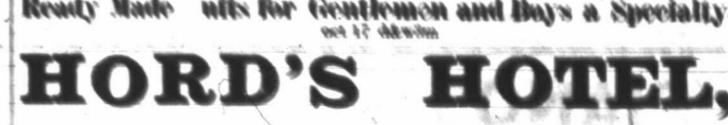
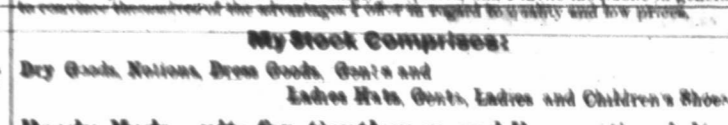
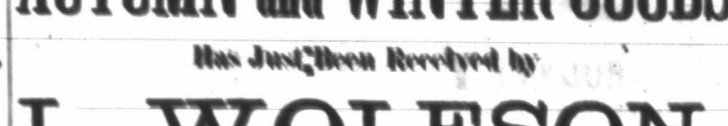
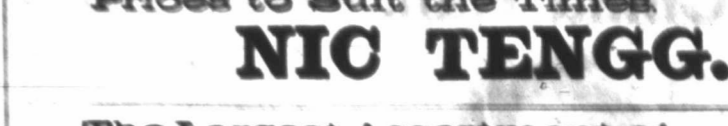
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ON THE FRONTIER
CONCHO AND ITS SUBURBS

Fort Concho, Texas, Nov. 2.
My last was dated from McKeitt, but the stage being robbed on my way...

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is situated at the junction of the north and south Concho rivers. The streams are close, over-running water. The post is built on an elevated level...

It was Sunday night when I arrived and this place is very similar to San Antonio in regard to the character of the buildings...

What covered the ground when I opened my eyes on Monday morning. It was nothing down in real northern style...

The business done at this place-meaning San Angelo and all other adjacent towns-is indeed surprising. I would almost say that more goods were sold here than at all the towns on the road from San Antonio...

It is the name of a suburb on the east side of the South Concho and from all accounts they have a lively time there once in a while...

A very pleasant party was given at the Nineteenth House, by Mr. Miller, where the youth and beauty of Concho were seen...

THE ROOMS WERE VERY COMFORTABLE and such a change of air was a real benefit to me before...

San Antonio, Texas, Nov. 2.
The Redemptorist mission fathers, of Roxbury, Mass., have as a member of their community a German count, belonging to one of the oldest families in Europe...

A Paris letter says: I have recently heard of two very extravagant purchases that were made by American ladies in Paris...

How to remedy those chronic cases of disease, an impeded circulation and an impaired digestive system...

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At the reply of Wagner & Rummel, to my circular.
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