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The Railroad Power-A Great faire | the improvements they projected-improve Looming Up.

Coincident with our remarks ye the railroad power of the country and the conflict between the railroad companies and the Post Office Department regarding the mail service, the Postmaster General expressed similar views in an interview with our Washington correspondent. After saying that the compensation for mail service by the railroads was fixed by law, and that he could not change the rates prescribed by Congress; that all he could do now was to prepare for any emergenoy; that if the companies will not perform the service-and he had not sufficient power to control them in the matter-he must wait and do the best he can till Congress meets, and then would ask for more power. When asked what additional compensation the railroads demand he replied, "They want to force us to pay for their postal cars such extraordinary prices that we cannot employ In answer to the question if the government could compel them come to terms he remarked:-"The extent of the powers of the government over the railroads has not yet been clearly defined; but if the roads bring about an issue they will find what the power of the government is. If it comes to that Congress will probably decide that railroads, being post routes, are under the control of the government and may be compelled to afford proper facilities at such reasonable rates as may be determined by Congress, and if the railroads should refuse Congress may declare that the Postmaster General shall have power to forward the mails by his own post cars and locomotives as often and as rapidly as the public interest may require, and then the companies will be admonished to clear the tracks, and, not clearing them, the army will see that they be cleared." Then, after expressing the hope that there may be no such occasion for exercising the power of the federal government, he added:- "But these corporations, which have received their franchises from the people, certainly owe in return certain duties to the people. They not only owe the duty of transporting freight and passengers, but the still greater duty of transporting the mails with facility and despatch; and the people will see to it that their rights are enforced." His concluding words indicate what may result from

this conflict, and ought to be a warning to the

railroad companies: - "If," he says, "they

persist in this course they'll get a scorching

The minds of our public men and aspiring

from Congress next December.

politicians are as sensitive to popular sentiment and coming issues as the barometer is to the weather. Such language as we have quoted from a member of the Cabinet has no ordinary significance. It is responsive to public opinion and feeling generally that the stupendous railroad power and monopoly are becoming overbearing and dangerous. The legislatures and judiciary of the different States have been the supple instruments of this power. The people of this State remember well the control the New York Central exercised in connection with the Albany Regency, and since, at the State capital, as well as the influence of the Eric Railway magnates. The Legislature and every department of the government of Pennsylvania have been the mere tools of the Pennsylvania Central. In Illinois lately the judiciary acted so palpably in the interest of the railroads and against the people that even Mr. Washburne, who is away from his State as Minister to France, felt compelled to denounce that action and to call upon his fellow citizens of Illinois to continue their fight against the railroad monopoly. We have seen New Jersey struggling like the laocoon in the folds of serpents against the power of Tom Scott. Had it not for the press, and particularly the independent press, the Legislature of that State would have succumbed and have sold the people to the railroad monopoly. Even now we are not certain that its money and influence will not prove stronger than public opinion. Our readers are familiar with the difficulty between the New York Central and the federal government. The company has refused to pay what is due to the Internal Revenue-has, in fact, defied the government. Even when the Collector seized property for taxes the company frustrated his object. For seventeen locomotives seized the government could only get seventeen thousand dollars at auction. They were bought in by the treasurer of the company. Such are the defiant attitude and power of this corporation. Need we revert to the gigantic Pacific Railroad swindle in connection with the Crédit Mobilier, or to the number of railroad bills with enormous grants of land and extraordinary franchises, to show how the railroad power has invaded and controls Congress? These things are well known. To go through the whole catalogue of assumptions of power-of acts of cupidity, intolerance, corruption of legislatures and judges, of the imposition of burdensome rates of fares and freight to pay for watered stocks and inflated bonds, and of all the rest of the arbitrary and oppressive doings of railroad corporationswould take pages of the HERALD. The railroad power in the United States now is the most corrupting, uncontrolled and dangerous one ever developed in the history of any country. Abroad the governments exercise more or less supervision over it and protect the

people, but here it is supreme, This state of things, however, cannot continue. The people are chafing sorely under it, and the government, as we see by the language of the Postmaster General, is being provoked to resistance. In the Western States the farmers, working people and all classes are organizing for protection against the unconscionable monopoly. The Sons of Husbandry, the Granges and other societies have felt the urgent necessity of association to check it. The tide of opposition is swelling more and more every day, and neither legislators nor the judiciary can arrest its progress. Those who have sold themselves to the railroads will be overthrown. Aspiring politicians will learn to go with the popular impulse, and we shall first see the good effect upon the State Legislatures, and then upon Congress. But it is no easy task to unseat or control a power that has such vast resources and armies of employés. The matter will have to be forced upon the country and government as an important issue in our politics. We look to the West for such a movement. Indeed, it has commenced there already, as was said before.

ments that have been, no doubt, of vast benefit to the country. But if they lock up the markets, if they keep the produce of the soil rotting on the ground through imposing high freights, and take all the surplus earnings o the people through burdensome charges, in order to get interest on inflated stock, bogus capital or bonds that represent nothing, of what use are the railroads? They only destroy or prevent other means of communication without affording the needed facilities to internal commerce. We have no doubt that the capital represented by railroad bonds and stocks throughout the country is over double the actual and fair cost of construction and equipment; and it is upon this inflated capital that every passenger and every pound of freight are required to pay exorbitant charges.

It is this that keeps back the enormous pro-

ducts of the soil, particularly in the West,

from market; that paralyzes internal com-

merce and retards the progress of the country. Where are we to look for a remedy for this evil? The several States may do something when fully aroused; but we must look to a greater power and one less subject to corruption and local influences for a complete remedy. That only is in the federal government. The Postmaster General touched the key-note when he said Congress would have to give the railroad -corporations a scorehing. He has no doubt that Congress can assume the power to aid his Department under the authority to provide and regulate post routes. But Congress can take these railroads in hand by authority of the constitution to regulate commerce among the several States. The railroad lines are as much the arteries of commerce among the States as the great riversas the Ohio, the Missouri or the Mississippior, in fact, as the waters of the sea that wash the borders of the Republic. Congress can say to railroad corporations that they shall not tax the whole community to pay interest on a bogus capital, and shall not obstruct commerce by imposing unreasonable charges. There is no other way of protecting the people effectually. Though the railroad influence is great in and over Congress-for many of the members, if not a majority of them, are personally interested or can be controlled—the shock the monopoly has lately received will be apt to make Congressmen more careful to do their duty. As an evidence of this news has just come from Washington to the effect that the Senate has ordered the Committee on Transportation to inquire what the relations are between the government and the railroads, and where additional legislation is necessary. Of course this refers especially to the difficulty with the Post Office Department about carrying the mails; but it is the entering wedge, and, if we mistake not, must result in the end in some general action to regulate the railroads. This question may really become an important issue in

the coming political contests of the country. The Adjournment of the Senate.

The Senate of the United States adjourned yesterday sine die. We sincerely hope that no future session of this august body will close leaving its memory covered with the disgrace which the late session has heaped upon itself. Above all things it passes into history as the session of moral cowardice. The Senators who have just voted themselves into inactivity as legislators have, in doing so, accomplished the only praiseworthy act of which they were capable. They proved themselves repeatedly ignorant of their high trust, and when they rose to the level of understanding it, it was only to betray it. These are barsh words, but richly deserved. Certain Senators will claim exemption on the ground that they could not control the manly effort to stem the tide of corruption, or awaken the Senate to a sense of the cowardice which allowed its honored name to be fitly described in the epithet applied by the Master to the Temple as defiled by the Jewish money-changers? Why was Patterson allowed to slink into obscurity with the power still remaining to insult those who advised his expulsion on charges too well brought home? How did a member of the majority in the Senate muster shameless audacity enough to present this pious and pitiful shuffler's whining and insolent "justification," and ask and obtain a place for it on the records of the Senate? Why was Pomeroy permitted to go nawhipped? Why was not Caldwell expelled, instead of his resignation being accepted at the last moment? Not brave enough to undertake the task of self-purification, the Senate, by its cowardice, has identified itself with the most impure. It can have but one excuse—that its moral standard as a whole was so low it could not dare to condemn even those of its members whom the whole world has declared to be criminals. With such a personnel what could be expected from its acts? It was abjectly subservient to partisan dictatorship, bold only in spending and appropriating the people's money or upholding arbitrary power. With such a record the adjournment can be hailed as the only relief the Senate could give to the country.

An Advance in Gold to 116} yesterday was occasioned by the sudden raising of the Bank of England discount rate to four per cent, as against three and a half per cent, the previous minimum. The action of the Bank of Eng land is doubtless precautionary, and, perhaps, preliminary, in view of the anticipated demand upon London in connection with the active gotiation there of all sorts of loans on the eye, so to speak, of a fresh movement of money to Germany in further settlement of the French indemnity. More importance was attached to the matter because the alteration was made at a special or extra meeting of the

THE NEWS FROM MEXICO, dated in the capital of the Republic, on the 15th instant, presents no new feature of interest, but, on the contrary, reports a serious aggravation of many chronic social ills, in the way of civil war, legislative lobby financiering, Indian raids and murder.

THE JACKSON (Miss.) Clarion says the régime of the carpet-baggers in that State has been financially an utter failure. The nominal debt of the State on account of current expenditures in carrying on the government has grown to two million dollars, and is increasing. The carpet-bag rule has been successful only in the imposition of intolerable sway, because the people felt the necessity of burdens.

Emigration Commission

The action of the Board of Emigration C

missioners, at their meeting on Tuesday las will probably open the eyes of the State Legis lature to the necessity for the immediate passage of some law by which an opportunity may be afforded to the Governor to remodel and reform the Commission and to purify its present management. The mere question of the admission or non-admission of the representative of a railroad corporation to sell tickets to emigrants inside Castle Garden may seem undeserving of such consideration as has been given to the case of the Erie agent recently appointed to that position by the "reformed" Erie direction. But in this particular instance serious objections were made to the agent by some of the Commissioners, who did not regard him as a fitting person to be allowed to approach immigrants, and the facts developed certainly justified their opinion. In a Board whose first and most sacred duty should be the protection of the immigrant it would seem that this protest of at least half, if not of a majority, of the members should have been respected; but, on the contrary, a suspiciously vigorous effort was made by certain of the Commissioners, and especially by the Superintendent, to secure the agent's endorsement or admission to the Garden. To accomplish this object all sorts of tricks were resorted to. The Mayor of Brooklyn, who seldom, if ever before, took part in the proceedings of the Board, was present at several meetings, only for the purpose of supporting the admission of the agent to the depot. Special meetings were called, notoriously with the object of springing a trap upon those Commissioners who regarded it as their duty to insist upon the exclusion of the agent, and were left without a quorum as soon as it became evident that the result was doubtful. On Tuesday last the allies of the agent succeeded only by a cunning device. The necessity of proposing a resolution that the agent be excluded from the Garden was forced upon one of the Commissioners who opposed his admission, and the vote was a tie. The resolution was therefore declared to be lost, and the objectionable agent was admitted; but the fact that four of the Commissioners voted affirmatively and four negatively should of itself have insured his rejection, unless the Board regard the interests of a railroad ticket agent as more deserving of consideration than the interests and protection of the immigrants.

This is not the only reason, however, why the State Legislature should immediately pass a law by which the Governor may be empowered to reconstruct the Board. The Castle Garden Commission is the last relic of Tammany misrule. There are some good men on the Commission, no doubt, who could be retained with safety and advantage. But the Board is not at present divided in accordance with the prevalent idea of "non-partisanship," nor is it of such a composition as to invite the confidence of a republican Legislature and a republican Governor. Six out of nine Commissioners are democrats, and five out of the six are Tammany democrats. The Mayors of New York and Brooklyn are ex officio members of the Board. The four Commissioners who voted for the exclusion of the Erie agent were Messrs. Wallach, Kaufmann, Forrest and Nicholson; the four who voted for his admission were Messrs O'Gorman, Hart, Lynch and Powell, all democrats. The analysis is suggestive, and may well be studied with advantage by the republican Legislature.

The Latest Tenement House Horror. Yellow-covered literature, in which low life in large cities is photographed in its most revolting features, is generally regarded as the unhealthy offspring of a diseased imagination. But it would be difficult to find in the pages of Sue or Reynolds anything more horrible than the account of a double tragedy which comes to us from the purlieus of Scammel street. Drunkenness and murder could scarcely assume an aspect more Mightful. One wretched woman killed in a brawl and a child burned to death present a sight calculated to bring a blush to the cheeks of those who vaunt of our civilization. An officer, speaking of the house and its inmates, remarked, "It is one of the most awful dens in New York city, and its inhabitants are the lowest types of the worst classes in any civilized community. You would think they were beasts instead of human beings." The miserable woman accused of the crime of murder at the den in question lies in the Centre Street Hospital, suffering from the effects of a beating from her husband, and the child came to death from the overturning of candle, while, according to the police, its mother was was stupefied with drink. great deal of talking is indulged in and large sums of money are collected at the May anniversaries for foreign missions. Would it not be well for the parsons and the old ladies who annually unloose their purse strings for the benefit of the Ashantees, the Hottentots and the Fijis to look nearer home, and inquire whether it is always necessary to cross the seas in quest of ignorant savages? We have home missions, it is true, but they deal too gingerly with the evils they are intended to correct. Such a tale of horror as the one we have mentioned is a sad commentary on the usefulness of home missions.

CUBA LIBRE IN NEW YORK has at present considerable food for excitement. In addition to the agent of the patriots, Señor Zambrana, whose story was detailed in yesterday's HERALD, Captain Rodrigues, who took charge of the stores of the Edgar Stuart on their arrival in Cuba, presents himself for the admiration of the friends of Cuban independence. His frank account of his late successful mission will be read elsewhere with considerable interest. He was fully informed of the presence of the HERALD Commissioner, Mr. O'Kelly, in the Cuban camp before leaving the island for Jamaica. This gallant Cuban gives President Cespedes credit for the belief that the United States will shortly recognize the belligerency of the insurgents and that their cause will succeed in any event. An important piece of news is that wherein the genuineness of our late Commissioner's interview with Cespedes is vouched for. We are naturally glad of this testimony to our Commissioner's veracity, which, however, we may remark, has only been impeached from the side interested in proving Cespedes a myth and the insurrection a canard. Whether the arrival of the Cuban Vice President, Aguilera, in this city indicates an increased activity among the Cubans remains to be seen.

Our City Bailroads

some of the numerous railroad meas introduced at Albany there been a discussion as to the tax to be paid into the city treasury by some of New York companies. It appears that cises in granting franchises. Wealthy companicaescape payment of a tax commensurate with the receipts. pro rate tax would be the only just method a dealing with the question. We this means a great deal of the money expended by railross companies in procuring the bassage of bills tovorable to their interests might be saved for the depleted treasury of the metropolis, and much o loquy would be removed from the shoulders of the Albany Solons. There is no reason why a railroad company whose eccipts are more than double those of any of the kindred organizations should not be compelled to pay a higher tax in proportion. It seems that one of the east side lines, the largest in the city, has for a long period escaped any taxation. Such a case demonstrates the presence of a suspicious arrangement with the powers that be and a large amount of swindling somewhere. By the action of the Legislature imposing a pro rata tax on the railroad companies of this city all cause for complaint will be removed.

THE NEW OBLEANS Picagune characterizes Kellogg's proclamations to the people of Louisiana to pay taxes to his agents and appointees as the "usurper's weakness and game of bluff." In that game Kellogg holds all the winning cards, if none of the honors.

Now and THEN .- "Just eight years ago," remarks the Boston Advertiser, "General John B. Gordon, of Georgia, led a strong column of the Confederate army of Northern Virginia in the memorable assault on Fort Steadman, a salient point in the federal line, which then half encircled the city of Petersburg. To-day (March 25) General Gordon sits in the United States Senate." And, the Advertiser might have added, the same General Gordon not only sat in the Senate, but on the above day presided over its deliberations at the request of the regular presiding officer, Vice President Wilson, of Massachusetts, the State of all others best hated by the South. Thus is the practical work of reconstruction and reconciliation gradually going on in a silent but

THE VIENNA APPROPRIATION.—It is generally supposed that Congress appropriated only two hundred thousand dollars to enable American Commissioners to do their country honor at the Vienna Exposition. This is a mistake. Of the million six hundred thousand dollar back pay bonus a large portion of it, no doubt, will be expended by members of the late Congress in making, with their families, the tour of Europe the coming Summer, with Vienna as the central point of attraction. Five thousand dollars is a nice little sum for pocket money on such a patriotic excursion.

SECOND LIEUTENANT FREDERICK DENT GRANT has been assigned to Lieutenant General Sheridan's staff, with the ostensible rank of Lieutenant Colonel. We suppose that all the old army officers, who commanded divisions and corps during the war, will be careful in saluting the superior rank of the gallant youth who has outstripped them.

THE NEW OBLEANS Times refers to "Kellogg's opportunity." When did he ever neglect one? And now that he is the ruling power in Louisiana at this moment he is likely to "take all the chances."

PERSONAL INTELLIGENCE.

Hoar and Oliver Ames are at the Fifth Avenue

St. Nicholas Hotel.

Major J. H. Archer, of Troy, is in town, at the Congressman L. P. Poland, of Vermont, was at the

Astor House vesterday. Admiral Case, of the United States Navy, is staying at the Glenbam Hotel.

Ex-Congressman James Vilas, of Wisconsin, is registered at the St. Nicholas Hotel.

Commander H. M. Tallman, of the United States Navy, is at the Grand Central Hotel.

United States Senator S. W. Dorsey, of Arkansas has arrived at the St. Nicholas Hotel

Professor Benjamin Pierce, of the United States Coast Survey, is at the Brevoort House.

Alex. H. Stephens is sixty-one, and weighs ninety-one, but has weighed a hundred. Colonel Scruggs, of Atlanta, Ga., was yesterday rejected by the Senate as Minister to Bogota.

Ex-Governor H. H. Wells, of Virginia, yesterday reached the Fifth Avenue Hotel from Washington. The Turkish Minister, Blacque Bey, returned to Washington from the Afth Avenue Hotel yesterday

A Western paper says the Boston Peace Society is negotiating with Captain Jack to come East and deliver lectures.

The Cincinnati Gazette wants a name for the new hotel. If it wants a strong and appropriate one why not "Pig Iron?" The Duc d'Aumale will be received as a member

of the French Academy on April 11. At his request M. Thiers and M. Guizot will be his sponsors. Ex-Senator Cattell, of New Jersey, has been ap pointed financial agent of the Treasury Department to visit Europe in connection with the new

The Emperor and Empress of Germany invited themselves to dine a few days since at Lord Odd Russell's-a distinction never before conferred on a foreign diplomatist.

the \$5,000 back pay bonus are going to the Vienna Exposition, with their families, being too conscientious to spend the money at home.

The Cincinnati Commercial rather likes the idea of the Haytians making Senator Sumner an idol. making a good deal of idle talk about him lately. It is conceded by an interior paper that although this world is terribly given to lying it is equally given to the running away of defaulting county treasurers with other people's wives as well as

Captain Toseph V. Meigs, of Lowell, Mass., was at the Astor House yesterday, and left for Washington last night. Captain Meigs will sail for Europe early in April as one of the United States Commissioners to the Vienna Exposition.

The New Haven Register denies a report that Governor English may resign the nomination for Congress, and says the people intend to put Governor English in the seat now occupied by Genera Kellogg on the first Monday in April next.

ter county, Georgia, has been growing namp lately, and will vindicate the awful majest of the law during the next and the early part of the following month of May as follows:—E. F. Spann, the wife murderer, and Mrs. Eberhart, his alleged accomplice and paramour, and Lee Smith a negro murderer. Spann will be hung on the 11th of April. Lee on the 25th and Mrs. Eberhart on the

2d of May. George M. Pullman, of Chicago, arrived from Europe by the Adyssinia yesterday, and is now at the Brevoort House. Mr. Waite, one of the pro-prictors, returned home in company with Mr. Pull-

Soth gentlemen went to knrope to man attrutions, the one to put his oe cars in use there and the other to arrange

for the establishment of an American hotel in Lon-don. Both have succeeded.

The late ex-Emperor Napoleon confided to the Countess de Castiglioni some State papers which, when she was leaving Paris at the fall of the Emwith her plate, jewels, &c. Soon after some of the documents, jewelry, &c., were stolen from the Embassy. The thief has now been found in a briner servant of the Countess, who had been arrested for sending her a threatening letter to extort money. He contesses to have sold the papers to radical journals in Paris that have of late been

speaking authoritatively on certain subjects.
The matrimonial folbles of Lady Ellenborough,
who recently died in Damascus, made ner life very
eventful. She cloped from her first husband with Prince Schwarzenberg in 1842. Soon tiring of the marriages. In Athens she married Count Theo-loki. When she had dissolved this eighth bond, and white travelling from Beyrout to Damascu she was united in the Arab fashion with Sheik Abdul, a came driver, in whose nomad life she participated for a year. Finally she built a palace in Damascus and remained there until her death.

AMUSEMENTS.

Mr. Bellew at Steinway Hall.

Yesterday afternoon was as unpropitious for the assemblage of an audience as the malign weather gods could have devised. Hall, rain, slippery sidegenerally kept a great many prudent people within loors who would otherwise have sought amusement at Mr. Bellew's readings. The hall was half filled, however, with those happy mortals who have ne necessity to go afoot while the family coachman will obey orders and brave the storm from the fortress of his many-caped driving coat. The audience was hence a very select one to which the commencing with the sounding curse from Moore's 'Fire Worshippers," and ending with the "Charity Dinner," was carried out by Mr. Bellew with his customary success and to the gratification of his listeners. The second part opened with a curse listeners. The second part opened with a curse from Byron in the execution scene of Marino Faliero, and the force and dignity of that truly Byronian invective were faithfully imparted. A parody on the "Raven," by Robert Brough, which must prove wrath-stirring to the "judicious," was food fer laughter to those who heard Mr. Bellew. This iamentable travesty is called the "Vulture." The intrusive ornithological specimen is mysteriously explained by calling it a "sponge," which, however, turns out not to be a marine member of the poriferous family, but a man named Smith, who eats and drinks at other people's expense. Its closing line will give some idea of the daring desecration which it signalizes:—

Take thy beak from out my gin;

Take thy beak from out my gin; Take thy body through my door.

Take thy body through my door.

One of Leigh Hunt's pretty ballads—"The Glove and the Lions"—having, from its pointed reproof to female vanity, been well received by the male persons present, the "Charity Dinner" sent every one forth in good humor to brave the damp influences without.

On Friday evening, at the Academy of Music, Mr. Bellew will deliver a lecture on "The Life or Oliver Goldsmith," interspersed with anecdotes and readings from that poet's work.

Musical and Dramatic Notes. now opera comique, entitled "Mina," by M. abroise Thomas, is in the press. It is said the Strakosch Brothers have the sois

right to perform "Aida" in this country.

Johann Strauss' new operetta, "Le Carnaval de Rome," is said to have won a complete success

Mme. States, who has gone to Mexico, resumed her maiden name, Agatha Mandeville, after obtain

ng her divorce. The practice of hissing a dramatic performance was first introduced at the Theatre Francais on

the 14th of January, 1686.

Miss Beatrice Amore, who recently made her

debut in "La Pavorita." at Malta, is Mrs. Emeline Reed, formerly soprano in the choir of the Church

of the Holy Trinity, Brooklyn.

An aspiring dramatist writes us that he cannot get a hearing from managers, and tells us that he "bribed" one young man to hear his best play, "Contrasts and Types." At the end of the first act. which would require two hours for the perform-ance—the other four being a little shorter—the young fellow threw up his engagement. This is ter-rible. The young man should have kept his bargain, even if it killed him; and as to the managers, it is not easy to understand why they should nesitate to produce a ten-hour play.

The managers of Italian opera in England are

authors of prospectuses more remarkable even than any showman ever printed. For instance, this is the way the manager of Covent Garden speaks United States:-"In politics our American co have lately outwitted us. Let them take their dollars and be content. We can afford the deliars, but our opera cannot yet afford to part with its greatest favorite." The Athenæum suggests that the Chancellor of the Exchequer console the House of Commons with the remark-"We lost the arbitration but we won Pattl."

Mr. J. B. Polk, of Wallack's Theatre, was engaged by Mr. Augustin Daly, of the Firth Avenue, for the season of 1870-71, at a salary of \$65 per week and a benefit. On the 4th of April he was discharged, as he alleged, without cause—the reason assigned in the answerbeing reusal to play the parts for which he was cast. After his discharge Mr. Polk "went a fishing," without giving Mr. Daly notice; and when the term for which he was engaged had expired he brought suit for the salary and benefit, recovering \$688 10 as compensation and an adsum on account of the benefit. The case was brought before the Court of Common Pleas on appeal and it has been reversed by Judge Robinson. Without touching the main question whether an actor is required to play the which he may be cast, the Court decried adversely to Mr. Polk on the simple ground that an actor has not been wrongfully discharged if he goes fishing without notice to the manager.

THE HERALD AND ITS ADVERTISEMENTS.

[From the Baltimore Gazette, March 25.] The New York HERALD of Sunday last presented one of the remarkable features of the advance in American journalism. The paper referred to contained sixty-seven columns of advertisements, and was compelled by the pressure of news matter to omit eight columns, which would have made the unprecedented amount of seventy-five columns of advertising in a single number.

Count A. Von Bernstorff. His Excellency Count Arthur Von Bernstors, Ambassador of His Majesty the Emperor of Ger-many to the British Court, died in London at seven o'clock yesterday evening. He was invalid during some few months past by the effects of dropsy, and has laid at the point of death during ie six days just passed, as already reported by some six days just passed, as already reported by cable in the Herald. The Count was sixty-five years of age. He was born in Berlin in the year 1508, and educated in that city. He has been distinguished in the diplomatic profession for very many years, and represented German interests in the Dano-German Conference which was hold in London in the year 1884. He was appointed Ambassador from the Court of Prussia to England on the 17th of July, 1864, and commissioned to the same high rank by the German Empire immediately after the imperialist formation. The Count enjoyed the confidence of Emperor William to the fullest extent, and his presence in London was equally agreeable to the Queen and Cabinet of England.

Rev. Evan Nepean, Canon of Westminster, one of the most venerable clergymen of the British metropolis, has just died in London. He was seventy-two years of age, and had been for nearly fifty years attached to the parish of St. George's Hanover square, first as curate at the parish church, and then, for more than forty years, as church, and then, for more than forty years, as incumbent of Grosvenor chapel. In the course of that time there are few men who have been more beloved or more hompred. He was not disposed to take any active part in the controversies of his time, and his career, therefore, was comparatively a quiet one. His father, Sir Evan Napean, was Secretary of the English Admiralty in the time of the great wars with France, and his acquaintance with the society of London during the last fifty years was singularly extensive. He outlived many of his friends, but gained many more. His remains were interred in Westminster Andar.