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TUESDAY MORNING, JAN. 13, 1874.
Gossip and Gleanings.

Full many a turkey is now a ghost that one short week ago was a goblin.

The best way to discipline one's hear against scandal, is to believe all stories to be false which ought not to be true.

A Boston lover committed suicide the other day before perpetrating matrimony. He

They are getting so fastidious in Alabama that an office-holder who turns thief can't expect his wife to move in first-class society any more.

The worthiest people are most injured by

A western journal, upon learning that Rhode Island is crowded, suggests that the governor of the state be authorized to hire one or two families to go West.

A man writes to editor for \$4, "because he is so infernally short," and gets in reply the heartless response, "Do as I do; stand up on a chair."

A nitro-glycerine factory has recently been established at Port Henry, N. Y., the pro-

A colored voter in Hudson, according to the Star of that city, was heard to remark recently, "It's very hard that a fellow can't sell his vote, the only thing he has to sell, and hard winter coming on."

The President made a speech at the conclusion of the reception, speaking substantially as follows: "When I put on these gloves they were white. They are almost black now."

"wouldn't it be awful if somebody should shoot our teacher?" "Yes," was the reply "but then wouldn't it be nice not to have any school."

A Michigan newsdealer recently received this order from a young lady: "Send me Novel called buffalo bill and the dais doins."

Contrary to what might be inferred, she was not from Boston.

The inventor of bricks of ice cream is now applying his massive intellect to the manufacture of bricks of milk punch, which will be so put up as to be convenient for carrying in the hat.

A benevolent Chicago man carries strips of tissue paper, of the greenback size, for the especial benefit of blind beggars, but, after six weeks's trial, he has only found one mendicant who will take them.

be presented with a gridiron but that a reporter is sent for and requested to give history of the man, his family, his dog, and an allusion to the man who made the gridiron.

A man from the country, whose wife had died and carried off the feather bed, was

A long-suffering county superintendent, driven to desperation, fired at an importunate

was done, the ball striking the book again fairly on the cheek, chipped off a piece of metal and passed on.

Eli Love, of Wayne County, climbed a tree to shake out a coon. The expectant dog, hearing something drop, jumped to the co-

Invention is surely running wild. No comes a man who claims to have perfected process by which a diver, when under water

A short, fat man, says the Detroit Free Press, rushed into a grocery house on Wood

ward avenue the other day and asked, "Is it true that Congress proposes to reestablish the tariff on tea?" "That's what the papers say," replied the grocer. "Then I believe I'll be in a stock before the rise. Give me a quarter of a pound of your dollar Japan," continued the citizen, as he drew out his wallet.

Washington Letter.
WASHINGTON, D. C. Dec. 10, 1874.
The Forty-Third Congress reassembled noon of the fifth. There were many a sentees, the vacant chairs speaking louder than language, how hard it is for some natures to separate themselves from the

pleasures of idleness, and return to the rugged and toilsome passages of work. There are workers and drones in this national beehive and it requires but little perception to distinguish them. The day for the exhibition of wonderful oratory in our legislatures has passed away forever; long winded rhetoric has no place in this progressive country, and

the man who can only talk, is soon classed among the drones, and the next election drives him out. The people demand earnest thinkers, and energetic workers and to that status our representatives are rapidly approaching, particularly those from the West. Monday is peculiarly uninteresting at the moment.

Bills and resolutions for reference are presented then, are read by the clerk, and assigned to the several committees for the future consideration; nearly the whole of the day's proceedings are occupied with the business, and but little curiosity is excited in a looker on. The States are called in regul-

order, commencing with Maine, and then the territories. At its opening the Forty-Third Congress earned for itself a name that will go down into history, a name that will be known in the record of our national legislation as the "Noisy Congress." It fairly entitled to this distinction (the happy thought of some facetious newspaper correspondent)

pondent) by the furious manner its members discussed the salary question during the three weeks preceding the "Long Recess" and the impetuous and stormy language indulged in, while defining their several positions in relation to that subject. In parliamentary terms, the hours wasted on the

nations," but from the turbulence of the hours, the emphatic sentiments employed in said "explanations" and the complimentary congratulations offered to each other on the disposition of their "back pay," the simple speculator was imbued with widely different ideas in relation to the lively sec-

before him; instead of appearing as the dignified and polite Hall of a Great Country's Legislature, the House accorded more perfect in its appearance to the congenial picture sometimes presented on the street corners, where a promiscuous crowd are gathered round the dogs that are wont to fight. The present Congress will also be known in the future

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