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—The recent storm proves to have been very general throughout the country. In some parts of the West it was followed by extremely cold weather. It is narrated that on Wednesday last the janitor of a school-house in Dayton, Ohio, when going out to build his fire, and while they were debating whether it was best to call a coroner, a noise came forth from beneath the blanket that covered the body. After a time animation was restored and the man gave an account of himself. He said he had been to a dance the night previous, and after taking home his lady, was returning home himself, when suddenly he fell asleep as he thought in his own bed. He felt very comfortable, and knew nothing more until awakened by the fire.

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—The Chinese Congressional Commission, which spent several weeks in San Francisco and examined two hundred witnesses, may like to make a note of this prophecy in the latest file of The Geographical Magazine. "The immigration of the Chinese into California has been accompanied by the gravest complications. The working classes of San Francisco have, in many walks of life, found their occupation gone. They have been elbowed out of the field by a colony of hard-working, abstemious, and economical Chinese, for whom the cockpit of the country has no charms, and who are able to live on a native's wage to pay. What has happened to California may happen in any other country whether the Chinese may emigrate; so that there is a possibility of our even regretting the energy with which we have striven to rouse the dormant nation into life. The prophecy of Wou-siang may some day be realized to our cost, and the Western world be almost overrun by the black-haired race."

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Annual Report of the Comptroller of Maryland.

Colonel Lewis Woodford, comptroller of the treasury of the state of Maryland, has submitted his annual report for the year ending September 30, 1876. The total receipts in the treasury for the year ending September 30, 1876, were \$2,040,137. The balance in the treasury on the 1st of September, 1875, was \$1,038,111. Making the aggregate amount in the treasury during the year \$3,078,248. If the amount received \$1,038,111 from the sale of the Maryland hospital, and \$609,211 from the sale of the United States of a portion of the war claim of ordinary sources to be \$1,838,158.53. This considerably less than the estimates of receipts for the year made in the previous year ending in 1876. The failure of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, and the payment of the stock of the Washington branch, the postponement of the payment of the gross receipts by railroad companies, and the falling off of the revenue from licenses to foreign insurance companies under the act of 1876, chapter 248.

The total disbursements during the year were \$2,076,810.66. Of this, \$388,504.22 was expended in the redemption of the sterling bonds of the company, which have been due in London since 1865; and have been due in the defense loan, issued under the act of 1861, chapter 15; and a portion of the debt issued for the Susquehanna canal company; \$34,460.08 was expended for the completion of the state normal school; \$20,156.62 for rebuilding state tobacco warehouses destroyed by fire, \$135,193.30. Maryland bonded for the year, \$15,000 for a national Exposition, and \$100,000 for sundry operations; leaving the total expended for ordinary purposes \$1,038,111. The balance of the appropriation for the Maryland hospital for the year 1876 was not drawn from the treasury until since the close of the fiscal year, exclusive of the amounts to the credit of the free school fund, and the sinking fund, amounting to \$404,329.29. The balance to the credit of the free school fund, \$23,905.47, and the balance to the credit of the sinking fund was \$28,495.77, making a total cash balance of \$52,401.24. The probable receipts into the treasury during the current fiscal year are estimated at \$2,164,483.15, which if realized and added to the balance at the end of the year just closed, will make the total amount in the treasury at the end of the year 1877 to be \$4,108,407.33.

The aggregate of the free school fund during the year was \$91,544.22, and expenditures \$67,548.75. Receipts from dividends on stocks held by the state were \$72,262.69. Receipts from the other fund amounted to \$50,769.78. Expenditures, \$48,308. Amount standing in the treasury, \$2,482.26. The productive fund, \$29,105.89, and unproductive investments, \$29,257,041.76. There is also due to state from the Baltimore and Ohio railroad company and others, \$2,000.00. The total amount of the public debt at the close of the year \$10,302,525.46, of which \$5,015,333.33 is a debt on which the state is not liable, and \$5,287,192.13 is a debt on which the state is liable. The debt payable in coin in the treasury, \$1,838,158.53. The public debt has been increased by \$135,000 on account of the Maryland hospital for the insane. The state has unquestionable assets amounting to \$4,929,105.89. The amount thereof on which interest must be raised by taxation in some form is \$5,801,419.37. The tax levy for all purposes for 1876 was \$10,218.87, of which \$4,312.11 was for public schools, and \$5,906.76 for other purposes. The only items which a levy is now made for state tax is \$429,112.418, which, it is expected, the new assessment will largely increase.

The tax levy for public schools yielded \$65,512 11, which was distributed to write schools, \$152,387 11; colored schools, \$37,000; state normal school, \$13,355. There was also expended from the levy for the colored normal school, \$2,000; \$2,925 were expended for state receipts, and \$36,040 for pensions. The receipts at tobacco warehouses were \$39,354 38, the net amount over expenses being \$7,620 27. Of the receipts during the year, the state live stock scales, Baltimore, \$2,296 15, state wharfage, \$425 63 and the weight of grain, \$7,071 10. The state concludes with the fact that the state taxes have been materially reduced, and notwithstanding the universal depression in the business of the country the credit of the state is at the highest point and her securities are eagerly sought after in the market at the highest rates.

—The London Times published recently an extract of an account of the population of the world annually prepared by Drs. Behm and Wagner, and published by Pethes, from which it appears that the population in 1876 may be taken at 1,428,917,000, of whom nearly one-third, 309,178,000, reside in Europe and probably 400,000,000, or less than one-third, belong to the European civilization. Four-sevenths of the world's people, or 824,000,000, reside in Asia, and half of these are Chinese. The population of America, natives included, in both divisions of the continent, is only 85,000,000, of which we imagine about half are of pure European descent. In Europe and probably in Africa, according to, of course, by more or less careful guessing, is set down at 199,000,000, of whom scarcely one per centum can be fairly set down as civilized men, and little more than ten per centum as semi-civilized. The Turkish Empire is estimated at 46,000,000, including 20,000,000 in Egypt and its dependencies, with Tunis and Tripoli; but the population in Europe is at least 8,000,000, and in Asia 13,500,000. If the European population of Turkey is at least 1,500,000, and if we add the Greeks and Slav's we shall find that the dominant caste does not exceed one-fourth of the whole, to whom the other three-fourths are sacrificed.

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—The arms and ammunition industries in Birmingham, England, are reported dull—a circumstance explained by America's activity in this direction. Moreover, American machinery has been largely adopted on the continent; notably in Russia, where it is asserted that three million rifles have been produced by machinery brought from the Colt Rifle Company by Gen. Gorloff. An American company is reported to have sold 100,000 pistols to Russia in the past year. Gen. Gorloff at the same time perfected in America what is known now as the Russian cartridge. American firms have also been doing a very large arms trade with Turkey and Egypt, but there is stated to have lately been a bull in these transactions on account of a statement that the makers have overdrawn their accounts with the Turks.

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Soon after the first Chinese train was opened last summer, a lunatic threw himself in front of a locomotive, and was run over and killed. It was perfectly evident that the corporation was in no way responsible. The engine driver had stopped the train; the crazy soldier had stepped aside; and when the engine was again in motion, he resumed his position upon the track. The engine driver was prosecuted in the courts on a criminal charge and promptly acquitted. The corporation was enjoined from running any more trains, and, according to the British Legation at Peking, the shareholders will have to pay heavy damages to the family of the lunatic. China is not a promising field for railway enterprises. The company is allowed the privilege of operating the road for a single year, after which it will become the property of the Chinese Government. It does not pay expenses, and railroad probably be torn up, and the Empire will be the loser. One of the articles of the agreement limits the traffic to the transportation of passengers.

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