SPECIAL NOTICE.

Business notices in local columns, 10 cents per line.

Notices of births, marriages and deaths free.

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TIMELY TOPICS.

DR. KALLOCH, Mayor-elect of San Francisco, has entirely recovered, and will be installed on the 1st day of January.

A VARIETY of Japanese persimmons are grown in Florida that weigh nearly a pound apiece and are delicious in flavor.

SWITZERLAND makes a handsome profit out of its mountain peaks and glaciers. Tourists put into the pockets of the Swiss an aggregate of $4,000,000 during the past season.

AN old breast plate of the style worn by the Puritans over 200 years ago was lately found among a lot of old iron in a shop at Lake Village, N. H. It weighed twenty-five pounds.

A HORSE stall costing $13,000 has just been finished in the stable of Baron Rothschild of Vienna for his favorite horse. The stable proper has marble floors, encaustic tiles painted by distinguished artists, rings, chains, and drain traps of silver, and the walls are frescoed with hunting scenes. This building cost $80,000.

NEWS IN A NUT SHELL.

EVENTS OF THE PAST WEEK FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD.

The Cream of the Two Hemispheres Carefully Condensed and Classified—An Interesting Budget of Personal and Miscellaneous Information.

Washington.

A NUMBER of Senators and Representatives are in the city in search of quarters for the Congressional term. The demand for furnished houses is far greater than ever known before, and suitable accommodations are very scarce.

General Foreign Notes.

—In Germany the winter has set in with severity and all over the northern continent. Snow is deep in Berlin.

—The snow storm in the Canton of Ticino, Switzerland, has interrupted all traffic and destroyed thousands of vines.

POPULAR SCIENCE.

THE first stone of the Cologne Cathedral was laid August 15th, 1248, and it is thought it will be completed in another year.

THE Belcher mine of the Comstock lode, Virginia City, Nevada, has now reached the great and remarkable depth of 2,920 feet.

JAPAN.

Some Interesting Facts About an Unknown Empire—The Customs of the People.

LOVE FOR NELLIE.