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The navy department spent \$5,000,000 in preparing for war with Chile.

The Democrats will hold their State convention at Harrisburg on Wednesday, April 13th, and the Republicans one week later at the same place.

MINISTER SMITH reports that 14,000 is a moderate estimate of the sufferers from famine in Russia who require aid, as they are without other means of support.

A RESOLUTION was introduced in the House and Senate at Washington on Tuesday authorizing the President to return to Mexico twenty battle flags captured by United States troops during the war with that country.

The President on Tuesday issued a proclamation in regard to reciprocal trade relations with Germany, and making public the modifications of the tariff of the German Empire to be certain products of the United States.

The brother and two sisters of John W. Ruggin, the sailor of the Baltimore who was one of those killed by the mob in Valparaiso, and whose home was in Philadelphia, has sent to Washington a formal claim against the Government for indemnity.

The Indianapolis News (Ind. Rep.) which helped to carry Indiana for Harrison in 1888: "We do not believe any Republican candidate can carry Indiana against Cleveland. With him for the Democratic candidate we think Indiana is as safely Democratic as New Jersey."

"A prominent Democrat" is cited by the Washington correspondent of the Louisville Courier Journal to the effect that in 1893 there will be a Democratic President, a Democratic House of Representatives and a Democratic Senate. There is certainly every indication at present that such will be the case.

JUDGE FUST, of Bellefonte, has concluded that he will not grant naturalization papers to any foreigners who have not read the Constitution of the United States. On Monday he refused to give papers to a young German, who has lived in this country over ten years. Ex-Governor Curtin says the decision is illegal.

That man proposes and Previdence disposes was beautifully exemplified in the case of Hiram DeWalt, who died in the hospital at Leadville, Colorado, on Monday. Letters were found in his trunk showing that he had proposed and was engaged to marry 12 girls in different parts of the United States. He had a picture of each one.

The delegates from the four remaining territories of Oklahoma, Arizona, Utah and New Mexico are loudly knocking at the Statehood door for admission. They feel confident that the Democratic House will pass the necessary bill for their admission, but the Republican Senate will likely obstruct the legislation, since three of the four Territories are Democratic.

In the case of the Commonwealth vs. J. A. Mellon and W. H. Porter, of the Beaver Star, convicted a short time ago of libeling Senator Quay, Judge Wickham at Beaver, Pa., on Monday sentenced the defendants to pay each a fine of \$600 and undergo an imprisonment in the county jail for a term of six months. The punishment is looked upon as being oppositely severe and unjust.

An important decision was rendered at Wilkesbarre, on Monday by Judge Rice, in which the question was whether banks are rendered exempt from local taxation on securities upon the payment of the six mill state tax. The issue was raised by the Wilkesbarre deposit and savings bank, and the court decides that the act of 1889 does not exempt banks from the payment of the local state tax. The case will probably be taken to the Supreme Court.

The National Educator, of Allentown, Pa., claims to have settled beyond doubt the question as to who is the oldest and youngest school teacher in the United States. Both honors belong to Pennsylvania. Samuel Campbell, principal of the Fort Royal, Juniata county schools is the oldest. He is 75 years of age and has been teaching for 57 years. The youngest is Miss Clara Greenaway, of Greenwich township, Berks county. She is teaching her second term and is 15 years of age.

The United States Supreme Court on Monday upheld the constitutionality on the Anti-Lottery Act of the last Congress, affirming the decision in the test case of the publishers of the New Orleans States and Mobile Register, who were indicted on charges of sending through the mails newspapers containing lottery advertisements. There is no abridgment of the freedom of the press, for the reason that the Government does not prohibit communications by other means, but simply through the Government agencies, which it controls.

In some parts of the state farmers are adopting the system of planting trees along the road side, the kind selected being the cherry, walnut, plum, mulberry and chestnut. The rural highways of continental Europe are lined with fruit trees, the custom having been in vogue there for centuries and has always been regarded as a religious duty for the benefit of the multitude. It could be adopted in the United States, especially as a benefit for animals as well as men in shade during the heat of summer when heavy hauling is done on the highways.

HON. CHARLES H. GIBSON was last Wednesday elected United States Senator in joint convention of the General Assembly of Maryland, to fill the unexpired term of about five years in place of the late Hon. E. K. Wilson.

Washington Letter.

NEW YORK, says the Harrisburg Patriot, must not be made doubtful. It Senator Hill cannot carry a practically unanimous party with him, of course he cannot and would not insist upon being the party nominee. And if Mr. Cleveland's nomination should be made with a strong faction in his own state supporting him the fight would be begun with fury and end in defeat.

When Mr. Cleveland was first nominated he was even more literally opposed in New York than Senator Hill now is. No public man was ever so virulently assailed at a national convention by party leaders from his own state as was Cleveland at Chicago in 1884. Not content with simply attacking his political methods as in the case of Hill, these party opponents assaulted his private character. They thundered their protest and denunciation in every public place in the city of Chicago for two days prior to the assembling of the convention. They recognized the demands of this Government as just, and that was obtained for them by his message to Congress, in order that he might claim the credit for having frightened Chile into apologizing. Mr. Blaine resents this stealing of his thunder, and is created with having said that it would cost Mr. Hill the Presidential nomination of his party.

Whether this story be true or not, it is highly creditable to the Democrats in Congress that they accepted the President's message in perfect good faith and were prepared to support the demands of the administration even to the point of a declaration of war, when the situation was cleared by Chile's apology. They recognized the demands of this Government as just, and that was enough for them, as good citizens and patriotic Americans.

Secretary Tilden has returned from his vacation in hot, but he does not seem proud of what he accomplished. He told one gentleman that he hoped never to hear of another filibuster.

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