

GOV. HARTRANFT VINDICATED.

It is interesting to watch how the enemies of General Hartranft are forced to acknowledge that there are some good traits in the character of the man whom they so bitterly denounced last fall.

"Fright the souls of fearful adversaries." The pencil of the artist of Leslie's Illustrated newspaper was prostituted to the issuing of a campaign number of that journal; and thousands of copies of this number were freely distributed in Pennsylvania on the day of the October election.

"In view of these attempts to lie, slander and malign a man out of office, we read with pleasure the following extract from the National organ of the National Democratic party:

"General Hartranft is winning golden praise from the papers of both parties for his stern and fearless retort of improper legislation, particularly that of the 'special' order.

The Philadelphia Press, which claimed to be Republican in heart, and professed to oppose the State ticket on account of the sinfulness of the candidates on it, is also candid enough to admit that "the Governor is entitled to great credit for the course which he has pursued."

General Hartranft, during the seven years in which he was Auditor General, had a practical acquaintance with the workings of the finances of this State, and the demands, necessities, rights, limits and aggressions of corporations which could be had nowhere else.

Indeed if the veto power is exercised by him as wisely and unparagonably in future, as in the past, the greater part of the labor devolving on the Constitutional Convention will be accomplished without any effort on its part.

Dr. Dunwiddie is informed that he was never charged by the JOURNAL, with having violated instructions. On the other hand the good Republicans of Warriors-mark township thought the Doctor was strictly politically honest, and that he would carry out their wishes; and that the Doctor, we have no doubt, assured them that instructions were unnecessary.

Those who responded so promptly to our request for material aid will please accept our heartfelt thanks, and the many kind words of encouragement which they have been pleased to bestow upon us give us heart and hope for the future.

VOTING BY TELEGRAPH.

Among the reforms and improvements proposed to be introduced into the working machinery of the Forty-third Congress, is that of the system of instantaneous voting by telegraph, in place of the tedious process of calling the names.

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Our equitable quota was only about \$900,000. Simply to have raised this promptly would have been doing well. But we did not stop even at one million, and to-day Pennsylvania leads the way with the magnificent subscription, in a round sum, of two million nine hundred thousand dollars.

It may be asked, why should the people of Pennsylvania assume any further financial responsibility in the matter? The answer is, that having guaranteed the success of the undertaking, having put their shoulder to the wheel in the beginning, they should have a reasonable share in the profits.

Nine million nine hundred thousand people visited the Paris Exposition of 1867; it is probable the coming display will attract quite as great a multitude; they will come from every quarter of the habitable globe, and from the East in greater numbers than we anticipate.

But this is not all: Attached to the reading clerk's desk is a neat, narrow extension, perforated with rows of small holes. Over this, corresponding in size and in the number and position of the holes, is a board, half an inch thick and attached by hinges at one end to the table.

After the experience of the closing days of the Forty-second Congress, in which many votes were taken on very important matters, without calling the ayes and noes, a very general feeling has been manifested by prominent Senators and members of the House, and also in the Executive and other official circles, to secure, in future, a final vote by "yeas" and "noes," with the names recorded, on all questions of public interest.

News and Notes from Washington.

The Postal Car Stopped—Back Pay—The War Secretary's Southern Tour—Restoration of Land—The Government and the Pacific Railroad—Agriculture—Delaware Public Buildings—Federal Land.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 1, 1873. THE RAILROAD POST OFFICE.

The initiation given to the Postmaster General, by the Railroad companies, that the postal cars would be withdrawn if the remuneration was not increased to more than double the present rates, has led to a high appreciation on the part of the public of that branch of the postal service.

The Postmaster General had no authority to comply with the demand, and so informed the representatives of the different railroad companies. He was then told that the cars would be withdrawn on and after the 1st of April (to-day).

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THE AMERICAN AND BRITISH CLAIMS.

This Commission, now sitting in Washington, has the honor to settle 259 cases, leaving 218 on the docket, a larger part of which are ready for a hearing.

The decrease of the public debt. The decrease of the public debt for March was \$1,644,055.97. Two unusual items made the aggregate of the drafts upon the Treasury somewhat heavier than usual for March.

PERSONAL MOVEMENTS. The President, with Mrs. and Miss Grant and Gen. Babcock, left Washington at 1 o'clock to-day for New York. The visit is on private business. They will stop at the New York Avenue Hotel, and return on Monday.

A TERRIBLE DISASTER. Particulars of the Wreck of the Steam-er Atlantic. HALIFAX, April 2.—The following is the captain's statement: We sailed from Liverpool on March 20, and during the first part of the passage had favorable weather and easterly wind.

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RESTORATION OF LANDS SEIZED FOR TAXES.

On the authority of an act of the last session of Congress, the land seized for taxes, are all about to be restored upon payment of taxes, costs and interest.

Under authority of a recent act of Congress instructions have been issued at the Treasury Department to withhold the whole amount of earnings of the Union Pacific and Central Pacific railroads for mail transportation service for the Government. This step is necessary to compel

these companies to fulfill their obligations to and contracts with the Government. The American and British Claims Commission, now sitting in Washington, has the honor to settle 259 cases, leaving 218 on the docket, a larger part of which are ready for a hearing.

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TO BOOK CANVASSERS. A NEW WAY OF RUNNING A SUBSCRIPTION BOOK. Can sell Thousands!

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