

NO VOICE FOR GORE,

And Therefore the Long Drawn Out Behring Sea Dispute Will Now Be

SETTLED IN SHORT ORDER.

Blaine's Feeler Failed to Arouse Any Patriotic Enthusiasm.

RESULT OF THE CAPE MAY VISIT.

President Harrison Has Signed the Original Package Bill.

STARVATION REPORTED IN OKLAHOMA.

The Behring Sea correspondence between Secretary Blaine and Lord Salisbury was given to the public to see whether there was any warlike feeling abroad in America.

FROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.

WASHINGTON, August 8.—It is probable that a greater volume of misinformation was never sent out of Washington on any one subject than has been loaded upon the telegraph wires during the last two or three days in regard to the Cape May conference.

STATUS OF RECIPROcity.

It may be assumed that later alleged information contains no larger element of truth than the first fancies, but there is in its favor the mature reports, that they are based upon what the writers are assured is knowledge gained from face-to-face conversation with the President by gentlemen of the highest official standing.

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The President sends a message to Congress on the subject. WASHINGTON, August 8.—The President to-day sent to Congress a letter from Governor Steiwer of Oklahoma, representing that great distress prevails among the residents of the territory, and requesting that the attention of Congress be called to the fact.

AFTER THE TIN PLATE DUTY.

A Republican Senator Introduces a Feasible and Important Amendment. WASHINGTON, August 8.—Senator Spooner to-day proposed an amendment to the tariff bill the following additional provision to the tin plate paragraph:

TO MARK THE BATTLEFIELD.

Representative Bingham Secures a Favorable Report on His Gettysburg Bill. WASHINGTON, August 8.—The House Committee on Military Affairs to-day decided to report favorably Representative Bingham's bill, appropriating \$125,000 to mark the site of battle and positions of the troops of the Army of Northern Virginia on Gettysburg battlefield.

ALL IN THE FAMILY.

Another Charge Made Against Pension Commissioner Raum by Implication. WASHINGTON, August 8.—Representative Enloe of Tennessee to-day introduced a resolution in the House, which was referred to the Committee on Rules, to further extend the investigation of the charges against Commissioner of Pensions Raum, so as to inquire into the business relations existing between the Commissioner and his son, John Raum, who is engaged in the prosecution of pension and bounty claims.

THE HARVEST IS OVER.

Original Package Lager Dealers Meet Past Up the Shutter. WASHINGTON, August 8.—The day of the original package harvest are about over, and in a very short space of time the dealers will be obliged to fold their tents and steal away.

LET CONGRESS ALONE.

The Louisiana Alliance Takes No Action on the Subject. BAYON ROUGE, La., August 8.—The afternoon session of the Farmers' Alliance was taken up in the election of officers, who were installed to-night. To-morrow delegates will be elected to the National Alliance, which meets at Jacksonville, Fla., in December next.

A TRAP SET FOR HIM.

A Burglar, Feeling Around a Money Drawer, Gets Shot in the Leg. CLEVELAND, August 8.—A Wolf's Station, O., Calvin Kinney, whose store had been burglarized by burglars several times, set a trap. A gun was arranged so that it would be discharged the instant anybody touched the money drawer.

NO BELLIFERENT FEELING.

The Impresario is left that war talk ceased with the correspondence published, which was intended to test the temper of the public; that no voice for war was found anywhere; that the general conviction and expression favored a prompt, sensible, and friendly cessation of all conduct and correspondence that could provoke war about a few thousand sealion coats for ladies such

DID NOT KILL HIM.

A Lineman Taken 1,000 Volts of Electricity and Still Lives. SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. NEW YORK, August 8.—Mablon Speicher, a lineman employed by the Fire Department in Jersey City to repair fire alarm wires, was shocked nearly to death early this morning. He was repairing lines near the tower and he cut a dead wire with his nippers. He held on one end of the wire, which accidentally came in contact with a live electric light wire. Speicher was knocked down. He could not let go the wire he held. He lay withing on the roof for a few seconds, and then he began to kick involuntarily. His feet struck the wire he held and he was thrown to the ground. He was too weak to stand for several minutes. He was not unconscious while he held the wire. He finally got strength enough to climb down from the roof and go home. He did not recover from the shock all day. The Electric Light Company professes not to know how heavily charged with electricity their wires were, and it is not known how many volts Speicher received. It is said Speicher usually charged with 1,000 volts. Speicher says that all the time he held the wire he was completely blind.

BADEAU BOUNCED.

HIS NAME TAKEN OFF THE RETIRED LIST OF THE ARMY.

The Treasury Department Will Lose All of the Salary Paid Him Since 1869—A Vexatious Controversy Settled at Last—The President's Decision. WASHINGTON, August 8.—General Badeau's case has at last been settled, and he is no longer an officer of the army. The claim that because he accepted position in the diplomatic service he lost his position on the retired list, asserted by the Treasury Department officials, was disputed by the legal officers of the War Department, and the controversy thus created threatened to be quite spirited.

ARRESTED AS A TRAITOR.

A Guatemalan Minister Throws Into Prison by Barrillas.

NEW ORLEANS, August 8.—A Guatemalan special says: Martinez Sobral, the Minister of Foreign Affairs, has been thrown into prison by President Barrillas, charged with being a traitor, he having been detected in secret communication with Salvador. Many claim that he resorted to this for self-preservation, and for the downfall of the present Government. It is rumored that the Revolutionary Insurgency was killed in battle. Barrillas, who is a friend of the President, has crossed the frontier near San Benito Soconusco, with a small following. The troops have been sent to intercept his advance. Fighting is looked for any day.

GOOD IN KENTUCKY.

The Blue Grass Region Give Fine Promise for Agriculturists.

LEXINGTON, Ky., August 8.—The recent heavy rains have greatly improved the corn crop, which will average fairly well last year. Hemp, which is an important production of this section, is doing well and the crop will be good. Tobacco is doing badly and the crop gives poor promise. It will scarcely be one-half the usual average. Pasture throughout Central Kentucky is very fine; probably it has never been equalled in this section. The average of the crop is about 400 bushels per acre. The weather is reasonable, and with the exceptions noted the blue grass section of the State had better promise for the agriculturists.

A PITTSBURGER PROMINENT.

In the Race for Presidency of the Carpenters' Brotherhood.

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A Dauphin County Man Who Refused to Answer Porter's Questions.

HARRISBURG, August 8.—Simon Seller, of this county, is under arrest for refusing to answer questions put to him by a census enumerator. The excuse he had for not giving the requested information was that his father carried the flag in the Mexican war and that it was against his constitution to reply to interrogatories. Two unsuccessful efforts to have his questions answered, the enumerator had the refractory individual taken before United States Commissioner Wolfe, who heard his reasons in justification of his conduct, and held him for a further hearing, at which it is thought he will agree to comply with the census requirements.

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Astonishing Results Secured in the New Oil and Gas Region.

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Has Been Organized to Develop the Territory for All There is in It.

The Welland gas region, 11 miles from Buffalo in Canada, is being rapidly developed. The wells already completed have a combined capacity of 22,000,000 feet per day. The largest gusher is credited with a flow of 7,000,000 feet.

OTTAWA, August 8.—The big company which has secured many of the most promising parts of the Welland gas region is taking steps to develop this new production on a scale which would be impossible for private enterprise. This organization which bears the name of the Provincial Natural Gas Light and Fuel Company, limited, has exclusive drilling rights over 48,000 acres, or 75 square miles of land in the southern and eastern parts of the county of Welland.

Although operations were commenced hardly more than a year ago there are now 10 wells completed with a combined capacity of 22,000,000 feet per day. There are also two wells approaching completion and another about to be commenced. The immense extent of territory over which the company have secured a monopoly shows that they have laid their plans for a big thing.

SOME CHEAP LEASES. The system which has been followed enables them to hold their privileges over this vast area for two years practically for nothing, but after that a fee of 25 cents an acre is to be paid for the land retained. For every well drilled on this land and utilized, the owner is to be paid an annual rental of \$100. A dispatch from Mexico says: It is thought here that the Guatemalan trouble will be amicably settled. Salvador will claim the right of representatives to all foreign countries and Panama to the foreign ministers from each country be stationed in Salvador. Nothing of one for all five Republics, as now. Nothing has been heard from Minister the United States who was there last San Jose for La Libertad.

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HARRISON AND MORTON SCORED.

In a Platform Adopted by the Prohibitionists of Dauphin.

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Meeting in Pittsburg to Consider Changes in the Present System.

CONVICT LABOR STRONGLY CONDEMNED

Farmers from numerous adjoining rural districts expressed opinions before the State Road Commission in this city, yesterday, favoring changes in the present system. State aid would be acceptable, if the burden of taxes were not increased thereby. The coming road bill will embody the sentiments of the people.

Better times are not far off for the Pennsylvania farmers. Yesterday a step further was taken in the direction of improving the country roads throughout the State. Early in the morning the State Road Commission arrived in the city from Titusville. There were 13 in all. They registered at the Hotel Anderson. Following are the gentlemen who were present: Senator A. D. Harlan, of Chester county, Chairman; H. K. Sloan, of York, on behalf of the Senate; Representatives John F. Foigt, Westmoreland; W. H. McCullough, Allegheny; John E. Faulkner, Bradford; John F. Griffith, McKean, and J. L. Shillito, York, on behalf of the House.

David McCargo, of this city; Hon. Cyrus Gordon, of Clearfield; H. C. Goodwin, South Bethlehem; Jacob Bolard, Conestoga; and Daniel R. Downing, West Chester, are the appointees of the Governor. Charles F. Etta, of Philadelphia, is Secretary of the commission. Senator A. S. Mylin, of Lancaster, was unable to be present.

OPENING OF THE MEETING.

At 11 o'clock in the morning the commission met in the handsome parlor of the Anderson. Expressions of opinion were heard from practical farmers. New suggestions for the advancement of public thoroughfares were carefully considered. In the afternoon at 2 o'clock the committee held another meeting to transact further business. Mr. Chase and Mr. Hazlett, of Allegheny, and W. Craig Lee, a Cross Creek farmer of Washington county, were present. Senator Harlan presided. He said:

"We are here to hear the views of the people of this part of the State on the road question. We have with us Mr. Lee, whom I would be pleased to hear from."

Mr. Lee made the following remarks: "The present road system should be abolished. In our township there are nine districts. It takes \$247 to keep the roads in condition now, where it took only \$82 23 years ago. The roads are no better now than they were then. I am a farmer and have talked to other about this matter. One man boasted to me that he had worked out \$60 worth of tax for \$15. Somebody had to suffer for that."

WHERE ROADS ARE WORKED. "Few roads are well worked, and those are in the vicinity of well-worked farms. I think road money should be paid over to officers appointed and elected by the State. Under the present system men are elected supervisors who never own a horse, and it is not expected that they know much about making roads. In our part of the country we have limestone soil in the highways. This should be improved early in the spring. We go to the supervisor. He is generally plowing, hauling or doing something else, and we have to travel over bad roads all spring. Something must be done. Anything will be better than the present system."

ON THE CONCLUSION OF THE ABOVE STATEMENT, Hon. Cyrus Gordon asked the speaker the following question: "Are the people of your section all in favor of changing the present system?" "No," answered Mr. Lee. "Some believe it is best to go on as we are doing now."

Dr. McCullough then asked: "Under whose control do you think the roads should be placed?" "I think agents should be appointed by the State."

IN SECRET SESSION.

No other opinions being expressed, the commission decided to hold a secret session, to consider what should be done next in regard to holding meetings at other points, and continuing the work of investigation. At the end of a half hour, a sub-committee was appointed to draft the bill on the road question to be presented to the Legislature at the end of a month. The sub-committee consisted of Messrs. Harlan, Gordon, McCullough, and Downing. The sub-committee will meet at Chambersburg, Franklin county.

The sub-committee appointed to draft the road bill will be engaged on the work from now till next October. Hon. J. G. Foigt, who is Chairman of the committee, is a practical farmer and thoroughly posted as to the condition of the country roads, the present methods of road making, and the depressed condition of the agricultural interests. He hopes for the week of the coming session to be able to present a bill which will embody the views of the people, who have expressed themselves before the commission in favor of a change. The recommendations to be made to the Legislature will be prepared by the sentiments expressed throughout the farming section, demanding improved highways.

NO FEAR OF MORE TAXES.

Farmers need not be alarmed in the way of increased taxes. It is stated on reliable authority that the views of the taxpayers will not be made heavier on the shoulders of the farming community in the framing of new laws for the improvement of the country roads. When the commission met yesterday

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