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CHOLERA MUST BE EXCLUDED. THE DISPATCH strongly advocated the suppression of immigration when the danger of importing cholera first became evident.

WHAT WILL TURN UP. The first day's proceedings of Congress indicate a waiting game on both sides. An attitude of expectancy is not unusual at the assembling of this body.

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press is secured by taking in legislators and newspapers as sharers of the booty, does not that argument for the justification of corporate methods here have a decidedly reactionary effect?

The Panama Canal frauds prove the necessity of the world over for bringing corporate operations within the restrictions of honesty and law.

Few stories of more thrilling character are told either in real life or in fiction than the one just related to the world of the voyage of the 700 souls on board the steamer Spree for a thousand miles, with the doubt hanging over them whether the next half hour might not be their last.

WHAT A different world this will be when people devote half the time to the correction of their own faults that they now spend in carping at those of others, and when charity is half as conspicuous as self-righteousness is to-day!

A REGULAR DISCLAIMER. The officers of the new organization of wire manufacturing interests formed the other day took special pains to deny that it was a trust or combination in the sense of controlling all or nearly all the production and being able to exact extravagant prices.

NOT ENOUGH RAIN FOR THE COST. The last rain-making experiment of General Dryden's corps in Texas permits a claim of a minimum of results for a maximum of noise.

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and honesty that the German army attained that wonderful effectiveness that enabled it to win the victories of five years which raised Prussia from a second-class kingdom to a first-class empire.

Does this exposure signify that the influences have changed and that greed and dishonesty are already sapping the qualities which form the foundations of German greatness? Let us hope for the sake of human progress.

CONGRESS is once again to make more or less attempt to manage the business of the country. Yesterday it confined itself to a mere ratification of a measure.

THE will of the late J. D. Bernd is remarkable for its author's recognition of the good done by societies widely separated from that of which he was a member.

It is reported that a new disease has broken out among the pork packers in Cincinnati. Its symptoms are a red, swollen face, and its cause is supposed to be due to some acid used in curing the meat.

THANKSGIVING is over, so that a shortage in cranberries can be met with comparative equality. But the Christmas turkey will feel terribly lonesome without the usual plump trimmings.

THE world professes to exorcise the systems by which Jay Gould accumulated his colossal wealth. Yet the world must hold him a successful man according to its own standard of success.

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A GREAT many inquiries have reached THE DISPATCH as to the popular plurality for President at the recent election. The official returns at the present time do not yet have been received, and even if they were at hand the figuring out of the plurality in the entire country is a difficult task for several reasons.

On this point each calculator must be a law unto himself. Some authorities take the heads of the tickets and reach the plurality in that way. Others average the votes cast for the candidates on each ticket, and still others take the electoral nominee of each party and average the votes cast for that nominee.

THERE are a number of complications this year, too, which did not exist in 1888. In the State of Kansas the Weaver electors received, in round numbers, 162,000 votes. The Harrison electors secured 127,000 votes, and as there was no Democratic ticket in the field, not one vote was cast for Cleveland electors.

ALABAMA causes another complication which is even more troublesome than the electoral ticket placed in the field by the Kolb convention was not formally pledged to any Presidential candidate.

ON the basis outlined the official returns received and estimates on the States which have not yet reported indicate a plurality for Cleveland, but at the same time they have reduced Cleveland's total plurality by perhaps 150,000.

THOSE ostentatious or supposedly ostentatious New York Democrats who forget the danger of playing with edged tools. There is a sharpness which at times cuts home.

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A Railroad Company Barely Knocked Out in the Supreme Court. WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—The United States Supreme Court has affirmed the judgment of the Circuit Court in the well-known Chicago lake front case.

Justice Field delivered the opinion of the court. The Chief Justice, having been of counsel in the case below, and Justice Harlan being a stockholder in the Illinois Central Company, did not take any part in the consideration or decision of these cases.

Philadelphia Wholesale Grocers Market and Here There Double Prices. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 5.—[Special.]—Some apprehension is felt among the retail grocers of the city, the hotels, restaurants and housekeepers, because of the growing scarcity of cranberries.

ONE WAY FOR FREE SILVER. Senator Vance Proposes a New Plan Based on Reciprocity. WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—[Special.]—A poll of the United States to-day shows that nearly all the Senators expect little if any practical good to come from the Brussels monetary conference.

DEATHS HERE AND ELSEWHERE. Captain E. H. Virgil. Captain E. H. Virgil, who established the National Express, died Sunday morning at his home in New York.

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A graceful Woman Suggests the Proper Way to Talk—Opening of a Sabbath School Institute—Old Scholars Meet Around the Banquet Booth. A DISTINCTLY fashionable event in the 18th reception of the Art Society in the Pittsburgh Club building.

Incandescent Lamps are ridiculously cheapened in price of those with all voltages up to 125 being about 20 cents. Herodotus gives an account of a priestess at Minerva, whose chin regularly budded with a large beard whenever any great public calamity impended.

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Sweden has increased her army. Great Britain coal mines will last 900 years. In Nevada potatoes are sold by the pound.

South Australia has had 40 administrators in 38 years. The best performance of Wagner's opera at Bayreuth next year. It is reported in London that another daily newspaper on the American model is to be started.

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