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REPUBLICAN STATE TICKET. Congressmen-at-Large. SALUSHA A. GROW, of Susquehanna.

Senator Quay concedes McKinley 479 votes on the first ballot, "unless others swing into line."

The Disbarment of Mr. Smith. We venture to assume that everybody concerned regrets most keenly the necessity which yesterday impelled the disbarment of Cornelius Smith, esq.

Whether the rule of disbarment can be carried up on appeal or not we do not know. In any event, the dignity of this court stands none too soon protected from intolerable assault.

Watters Among the Enemy. That must have been a ringing speech which Henry Watters, impetuous, determined, frankly journalistic Henry, delivered Saturday evening in London.

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The Coming of the Booths. The local engagement arranged for Commander Ballington Booth next Thursday lends interest to some remarks which were made by him in West Philadelphia on Sunday.

"I confess," said Colonel Watters—and Bayard himself sat alongside—"that I am a jingo, but from England I learned the lesson and got the cry. It goes without saying and should need no self-seeking flunkey, eager for social recognition, no resonant lip service, delighted to have an audience, and rejoicing at the sound of its own voice, to impress the intelligent Englishman with the truth that no intelligent American desires anything but the most cordial relation of friendship."

"Whoever certainly be a dreadful alternative, but there are yet greater evils that may overwhelm mankind than war, the obliteration of which from the human experience makes the emancipation of the human species simply a question of time. It was the heroic spirit of the Anglo-Saxon race that placed England where it is today. Her warriors are no more forgotten in her history than are her sages. To the same martial spirit the American Union owes all that it is today, and upon this idea the United States must rely to maintain her position among the nations of the world. It is certainly true that these two great nations together occupy a position strong enough to rule the destinies of the human race, but they are not likely to agree upon terms until Englishmen find as much to thrill them with a feeling of glory and pride at the tomb of Washington at Mount Vernon as the Americans find to thrill them with a similar feeling at the shrine of Shakespeare at Stratford-on-Avon."

It is nice to have peace, but the history of England shows very plainly that we are not likely to promote our

chances of preserving peace with that country by making a sentimental practice of scouting the thought and arts of war.

Consternation reigns in Harrisburg, 'tis said, and all because of Hon. Amos Mylin, "Farmer" Mylin that once was General Mylin, having been rustic born, has acquired, it seems, a habit of performing his matutinal salutations contemporaneously with the lark; and when destiny transferred him to the service of the state, he found himself unable to do so gracefully until the conditions of late rising, long dining and early quitting that had become engrained among the traditions of the auditor general's department.

He tried his best to accustom himself to the new order of things, and especially to the spectacle of his clerks beginning work at 9 o'clock, subtracting two hours for lunch, diverting two more hours to the reading of newspapers and bidding good bye to official cares at 4 p. m. But at last his farmer's instinct revolted, and the edict has just gone forth that clerks who expect pay from the commonwealth must give in return an equivalent in actual work.

The promulgation of such an order will no doubt make General Mylin momentarily unpopular among the clerical "soldiers" on the hill, but it will not hurt him among the people.

Change the Representation. Now that the question of a nominee has been answered in advance, thus leaving the field free for the fair consideration of other party interests, we heartily concur in the proposition of National Committeeman Scott, of West Virginia, that the St. Louis convention ought to take time to remodel its present system of representation.

We also view with favor his suggestion that representation of the various congressional districts in future conventions be based upon the Republican vote polled therein, one delegate being allotted to each district for each 7,000 votes, with an additional delegate for a fraction exceeding half thereof, each district to have at least one delegate.

This is the basis of representation which obtains with reference to the legislative districts in a majority of the Republican conventions of the various states, notably Pennsylvania, and it has the obvious advantage of placing among Republican vote-casters the controlling say in Republican party councils.

Upon this basis the membership of the convention of 1896 would be 129 larger than it is, the increase of delegates numbering 199 and the decrease 79. The following table shows the change that would be made in the several state delegations by the adoption of the proposed rule:

Table with 3 columns: State, Present Delegation, Proposed Delegation. Includes Alabama, Arkansas, California, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming.

By study of the foregoing table it will be seen that the increases would fall in states that are hopeful fighting ground and the decreases chiefly in states that offer little or no encouragement to Republican expectation of victory.

Losses in the representation of states like Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, the Carolinas, Tennessee and Texas could be viewed by the party at large with the greater equanimity since in not one of those states, with the possible exception of Tennessee, is there a remote prospect of securing a single Republican electoral vote.

Inasmuch as future presidential campaigns are likely to be more evenly contested than the one upon which we are about to enter, the present would seem to be an exceptionally opportune time for putting the party organization into the best possible trim for future victory.

The need for a curtailment of the mischievous possibilities of carpet-bag representation is indisputable; and now is the incomparable time.

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"Mrs. Booth and myself," said he, "twelve weeks ago had intended to retire into private life for a much needed rest, but backed by assurances of good will from all over the country we started the movement of today. It has been asserted that the Volunteers have but five posts, and that two of those posts intend to go back to the Salvation Army. On the contrary, the posts at Naperville, Ill., and Cedar Rapids, Mich., are stronger than ever. We have sixty-eight officers, organized posts and a number more waiting for staff officers in order to organize. In our war office forty-eight officers are employed, and we have a paper with a paid circulation of 16,000 per week."

Concerning the reason of his departure from the parental order, he said: "I was driven from the old movement for expressing an opinion as to its government in this country, I have come to the conclusion that any organization that is to benefit this nation must be separated from the jurisdiction of a

foreign government. I should have been in the Salvation Army today if the Salvation Army were American. We must have rules and organizations framed by those who recognize the laws and institutions of our country." Commander Booth then referred to the large field this country offers for religious work, and continued: "We shall not relax for a moment our labors for the lowly, but shall also go into a higher strata. We want to reach the workmen belonging to the atheistical, indifferent class—the men who say that everything came from chance. But you must bring a higher intelligence to this work. What we need is that rare thing—consecrated intelligence."

These brief excerpts are replete to a proper realization of the Booths in Scranton. They indicate in advance the aims and the goal of the Volunteer movement. Although, as was to have been expected, there has been a deal of bluster from the English organization because of the starting of the new American enterprise, which, in a certain inevitable degree, portends rivalry, the fact has, we think, been clearly established that Ballington Booth was not only justified in the course he took, but that the taking of any other course would have forfeited for him the respect and esteem which past good conduct for good ends had won. When the elder Booth, in a paroxysm of uncalculated rage, ground the American flag under his heel and declared that the Salvation Army in America should not again honor that emblem, he brought to an abrupt end the usefulness in this country of any institution over which he is clothed with absolute power.

The question of Mr. Wanamaker's ploy having been interjected into the senatorial canvass in Huntington county, it would seem to be timely to remark that that is a good topic to keep out of the political arena. Whether Mr. Wanamaker is pious or not, the duties of the United States senatorship are eminently secular and terrestrial, and have only the remotest relationship to piety or any other phase of the religious instinct. The state ought, of course, to have as its next senator a man of clean character and upright ways, but we must protest against any effort to make a political stock in trade of issues foreign to the subject in hand.

Whitelaw Reid says the ideal candidate for vice-president is his big namesake, adding: "He is not the kind of man to say that he is too big to take a place which Thomas Jefferson could take. Besides, good citizenship requires that when a man holds himself out as desirous of public service, he should also hold himself bound to serve the public where they want him, if he can." That surrounds the whole fact.

The interesting information comes from Madrid that "an understanding exists between Spain and the United States to end the Cuban war by conceding autonomy to the island, the United States to guarantee Cuba's pacification." When the United States goes into the business of pulling Spain's chestnuts out of the fire, kindly let us know it.

Harry Garfield, a son of the ex-president, thinks Mark Hanna would make an admirable secretary of the treasury. No doubt; but Mr. Hanna, we predict, will have the propriety to realize that "there are others."

If congress is willing, after voting for the recognition of Cuba, to let Mr. Cleveland execute a war-dance on its dignity, all right. But congress need not expect to escape from hearing from the people.

These is some talk of Cleveland calling an extra session of congress; but the chances are he will be glad enough to get rid of this one.

"McKinley," says Quay, "has a level head, with no swelling in it." But it is Quay that has the laconic tongue.

The Courier-Journal now says Kentucky will go Republican. We could have told it that, months ago.

ELIOT ON PATRIOTISM. President Eliot has prepared an answer to the question "What is True Patriotism?" It is a notable because of the misfortune of its author in getting himself upon the list of men of public issues, that make their appeal to patriotism. "All nations," he says, "personify country as a robust and beautiful woman, and a man's love for a woman, patriotism may be true or false, ennobling or degrading, salutary or ruinous, according as the object loved be worthy or unworthy, or the conduct which her real or idealized self inspires be righteous or unrighteous. True patriotism is the clear-sighted, self-forgetting love of a country which cherishes and pursues noble ideals. The ideals of different nations are various, but true American patriotism is based upon what the national ideals are. The American ideal is:

"Freedom for individual from all oppression, whether by magistrates or majorities—freedom of thought and speech for every humblest citizen, freedom of religious belief, freedom of action in both church and state. Public justice, the equality of all citizens before the law and no privileged classes, military or civilian, religious or lay, hereditary or non-hereditary. Universal elementary education. Social mobility, to facilitate the rise of the competent and meritorious through all the social grades within a single lifetime. Peace and good will among nations, and, therefore, consideration and respect toward other nations. Deliverance from war and the dread of war, and hence a small army, a smaller fleet and a complete exemption from the burdens and wastes of competitive armaments. Hospitality to the poor and oppressed of all kindred nations. The greatest good of the greatest number as the object of governmental and social organization. Not equality of conditions, or uniformity of quality, but unity of community, as the goal of social justice. The spread of free institutions over the world, but through the any other aggression, and the maintenance of the independence of private happiness and public property under American institutions. Whoever fails to further these ideals by personal labor and sacrifice is a true American patriot."

From the Times-Herald. A patriot is a woman of high intellectual gifts, of varied accomplishments, Kate Field was so richly endowed that she might have attained distinction in any of the arts. A virtuoso in music, at one time on the stage, an authentic and charming character in literature, her versatility, like an excess of riches, injured her from one domain into another so that, leaving proof in many of individual genius, she may have done herself more harm by not adopting a single profession and dedicating her life to it. Of journalism, Miss Field's greatest work was on the lecture platform. To her, more than to any other woman, is due the abolition of polygamy in the United States.

COUNTING THE COST. From a Moscow Dispatch. Nicholas II has been duly crowned emperor of all the Russias, amid pomp probably never surpassed since the days of Babylonian sensuality and magnificence. The amount that will have been expended by the court and the country outside of Moscow ere the imperial trains take their majestic northward and the guests in every direction, will not fall much short of 70,000,000 rubles. This is exclusive of the huge sums spent by the special embassies, by France, whose account is nearly one and a half millions, and by Austria-Hungary, with a vast grant in addition from the noble house of Liechtenstein, one of whose members is the Austro-Hungarian ambassador to Russia. Some of the oriental potentates, notably the Chinese and Japanese emperors, and the Sultan of Turkey, have empowered their delegates to shower gold in every direction. The Muscovites have literally coined money.

SUGGESTIONS FROM READERS. [Under this head The Tribune will be pleased to print from time to time any suggestions that may be given by readers as to the best method of conducting the same. As the Tribune is a daily paper, and the editor of The Tribune only, they will be published over a week or two, but none will be published unless accompanied by an evidence of good faith, though not for publication.]

Plea for the Wheel. Editor of The Tribune. Sir:—I think in this season of grief among the wheelmen of our city that a writer who has written so often and so well for your paper would be appreciated. The majority of these dreaded creatures are harmless, a great deal more so than the human beings, who deliberately stand on our street crossings and broadly grin with every direction, will not fall much short of a dodging out of his way. Evidences of this can be seen on our streets every day—two blocks to accommodate the street cars and vehicles which thronged the street at the time. Give us a word in season. I admire your paper, because I understand you have no woman editors on your staff. A Woman.

TOLD BY THE STARS. Daily Horoscope Drawn by Ajacchus, The Tribune Astrologer. Astrolabe cast: 2:18 a. m., for Tuesday, June 2, 1896.

A child born on this day will notice that the voice which he hears but cranneth a husky accent when speaking of the home club.

One of the elements always to be dreaded in connection with a Scranton-Wilkes-Barre ball game is the revival of stories concerning the triumphs of Dan O'Leary. It looks as though several very large-sized tacks had been placed in the path of some of the pneumatic-tired applications for municipal honors.

It is apparent that Wade Finn's political flying machine is still several wings short. It is useless to be "agin" the government at any other period than election time.

Ajacchus' Advice. Do not imagine that silver has no intrinsic value when about to purchase your wife or best girl a belt buckle. You'll become reckless. Manager McDermott should secure a rabbit's foot at once and carry it in his left vest pocket.

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