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Under the ballot law as recently amended the name of a candidate must not appear more than once on one ballot by certificate of nomination or by nomination papers.

The Dingley Bill and the Farmer.

One of the arguments which has been freely employed in the past by the Democrats to alienate the agricultural vote from the Republican party—an argument, in fact, which entered largely into last fall's campaign—was that no matter how much protection was given by the Republican party to the manufacturer, it could be depended upon to leave the farmer out in the cold.

Table with 3 columns: Item, Wilson Law, Dingley Law. Includes items like Cattle, Hogs, Sheep, etc.

As the Troy Record says, "it needs only a glance at these schedules to convince one that the farmers are well cared for by the new law. The increased protection will not guarantee them prosperity but it will do much to lessen the ruinous foreign competition which has added so much to their burdens under the 'tariff reform' regime.

What has become of that promised new light of Nikola Tesla, which at a fraction of the present cost of incandescent electrical illumination was to yield ten times as powerful results?

The Principle at Issue.

The fact that 24 out of 37 professors in the faculty of Brown university—one less than a two-thirds majority—have signed a letter protesting against the action of the trustees in seeking to discipline President Andrews for independent thinking should give pause to those who imagine that this episode is of little consequence.

On the one hand we have the practical or imaginary addition of a certain number of dollars. On the other hand we have, throughout the whole intellectual life of the university, the deadening influence of known or suspected repression. Our students will know or suspect that on certain subjects the silence of their president has been purchased or imposed.

A college president may not express his convictions on an economic problem unless the suit the men who make donations to the college treasury it follows naturally that he should teach no truth not first approved by those men.

On the same principle could the pulp be fettered so that preaching of the Ten Commandments would be waived out of deference to the shortcomings of the leading pew-holders. The moment it becomes noised abroad that gag laws rule the university and the church we might as well give up the attempt to maintain a free government, for its chief pillars will have been shaken at their foundation.

If the present owners of the Scranton base ball club should close up the club's affairs and retire, leaving Scranton without representation in a base ball circuit, it would perhaps be just as well.

Is There Sufficient Business to Support the Nicaragua Canal?

Joseph Nimmo, Jr., the tariff expert, once chief of the United States bureau of statistics, contributes to the Washington Post certain facts bearing upon the question of the construction of the Nicaragua canal which open interesting possibilities of argument.

He asserts that the commerce between Asia and Europe will never desert the Suez for either the Panama or the Nicaragua canal, and offers as his reasons for so believing that the passage via the Suez canal is the shorter route, with coaling stations at convenient intervals and with sea level all the way.

Turning next to the question as to the possible commerce between Asia and the United States, Mr. Nimmo notes that the distance from New York to Calcutta is 4,850 miles less by the Suez route than by the way of Nicaragua or Panama.

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The action of the Brown trustees becomes absurd when carried further. If with Asia is relatively quite small, it is only about one-tenth that of our commerce with Europe.

The general fact governing this whole American isthmian canal question is that the need of such a canal, if it ever existed, has been entirely met by the construction of the Suez canal and the trans-continental railroads of the United States.

THE NICARAGUA CANAL.

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The question of the height of the Dingley tariff, now much discussed, is a good bit like the question of the President's tariff, which President Lincoln said should measure the distance from the body to the ground.

Sir Charles Dilke has joined the British publicists who fear a war between Great Britain and the United States.

Americans Abroad Must be Protected

The action of Ambassador White at Berlin in endeavoring to secure the release of Alfred Wessling, son of a naturalized American citizen who was drafted into the German army, is likely to lead to correspondence regarding several other such cases in which the German petty officials have acted in violation of German treaties with the United States.

Secretary Blaine pushed a case against the Bavarians finally permitted the young man to desert under their eyes, and declared that this ended the correspondence.

WHO OWN THE RAILROADS?

Who own the railroads of this country? The statement is often made that the transportation lines are the property of the millionaires.

TOLD BY THE STARS.

Daily Horoscope Drawn by Ajacchus, The Tribune Astrologer. Astrological cast: 3.30 a. m., for Wednesday, Aug. 4, 1897.

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hit left Germany soon after surrendering his office on June 20, and the sequel to the prosecution of Schaefer has only recently come to him.

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When the proposition to finish the Nicaragua canal under the auspices of the United States was under discussion during the last administration, a letter appeared in the London Times on the subject, which, doubtless, presents the English view of the Nicaragua canal question.

AMERICAN CITIZENS IN THE NICARAGUA CANAL

The Foreign Relations committee of the senate will investigate the status of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty, and the intimation is made that the committee will report in favor of its abrogation.

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