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ONE of the administration's wise collectors of customs at Ogdensburg recently charged an old soldier coming from Canada \$15 for his cork.

FOR a great leader, Grover Cleveland is doing less leading than any politician on top of ground. Nobody is following him outside of a comparatively few office holders.

THE object in several States in nominating a Democratic ticket seems to be to find out whether there is a Democratic party left. It is a kind of political census for future reference.

THE deficit for July in the National Treasury, the first month in the new fiscal year, is \$2,250,000, and the national debt was increased during the same period \$31,000,000.

WHILE the Democrats are chucking with glee over "the split in the Republican party" in this State, a shrewd observer suggests that the Democratic party is not large enough to split.

THE United States under Cleveland's administration has stopped paying its bonded debt and increased the debt \$200,000,000, and the administration will not end until March 4, 1897.

IN 1890 the horses of the United States were valued at \$75,000,000. In 1880, though the number had increased over 1,000,000, the value was only \$75,000,000. Horses were struck by "the good old Democratic times."

WE heard last year a good deal about "the suffering farmers of Nebraska," and that "people were moving away." This year the lowest estimate of the cash value of the growing crops is \$100,000,000. That is not so bad.

THE increase of wages in many workshops over which Democratic organs are blowing is, in nine cases in every ten, only an attempt at restoration of old-time prices. The increase is simply a forerunner of the good times to be repeated.

SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE ORLANDY is the latest instance of didn't know it was loaded. The delegates set up by him for himself and Gilkeson—in his own county of Huntington—were defeated, the Quay delegates winning by a vote of three to one.

THAT eminent agriculturalist, Secretary Morton, has given notice that he will abolish the seed division of his department, in the interest of the farmer. Evidently he thinks the farmer who is mired by the McKinley tariff are now rich enough to buy seeds, or that Uncle Sam is too poor, under the present tariff "for revenue only," to send out choice seeds.

"New York," we are told, "will unite on Governor Morton for 1896." He is a good, strong man. Doubtless Maine will unite on Tom Reed, Ohio on Governor McKinley, Iowa on Senator Allison, and they are all good men. In the meantime, Michigan can name a good man in Alger, Illinois can name Cullom, and if any of them should be nominated and elected, the country would have a very ruler, an avowed protectionist, and an American in the full sense of the word.

JURISTS from the result of the Republican primaries held in five different counties in the State Saturday, and the action of the Washington county convention Monday, it looks as though Senator Quay's prediction, made some weeks since, that he would have a majority of seventy-nine in the convention will not be found to be very wide of the mark. The action of the Washington county convention insures him a practically solid delegation from western Pennsylvania, barring Allegheny county. The situation in Philadelphia has recently undergone a great change. The more sanguine friends of the Senator are now claiming a majority of the delegates from that city, while the opposition, who for days since were only willing to concede him three would be glad to give him twenty and have him quit. The sentiment of the party is overwhelmingly in favor of placing the junior Senator at the head of the State Committee, and he cannot be defeated in the convention except by stifling the popular voice.

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Ohio ought to be a paradise for cranks and boobies this summer, as doubtless they will all want to enlist again under Coxey's banner and eat at the public expense. Mounted on his prancing steed, leading his Palladian hosts, Coxey will at least lead picturesque to the Buckeye State campaign.

THE official reports from Washington show that since the beginning of President Cleveland's administration the national debt has been increased by the sum of \$236,339,417. This means that the reign of Clevelandism and its alleged statesmanship involves vastly more than a reversal of the patriotic foreign policy of the previous Republican administration. It means more than reversing the national industrial policy in the interest of our foreign competitors. It means, in addition, the reversal of the debt-paying policy of the preceding administration.

PANIC IN A CHURCH.

A Bolt of Lightning Comes Up Through the Floor. FLEMINGTON, N. J., Aug. 4.—The words of a fervent benediction had scarcely left the lips of the Rev. Mr. Bowman, in the Methodist church at Quakerstown, seven miles above here, to-day, when there came a blinding flash of lightning and a terrific burst of thunder that all but wrecked the little building. The bolt entered the church and injured a score of people, several of them probably fatally. The bolt seemed to enter the edifice by the basement, shooting up through the floor and bursting with the force of a huge cannon. Members of the congregation who had started to leave, and were standing in groups conversing with each other, were thrown into a wild panic, while at least 20 of them received injuries more or less severe.

Amid the tumult of screaming women and crying children and the roar of the injured, there was a stampede of frightened horses under the sheds outside. A number of them broke their harnesses and ran away, wrecking the carriages and scattering the crowd. The bolt struck down sections of fencing. The bolt seemed to enter the edifice by the basement, shooting up through the floor and bursting with the force of a huge cannon. Members of the congregation who had started to leave, and were standing in groups conversing with each other, were thrown into a wild panic, while at least 20 of them received injuries more or less severe.

STATE CHAIRMANSHIP FIGHT.

Quay Leading in Almost Every County. FLEMINGTON, N. J., Aug. 4.—Hastings, Nebaska Superior Court Justice Orlandy, Washington's Four Delegates for the Beaver Man.

The Republicans held their primaries in Dauphin, Elk, Luzerne, Clinton, Susquehanna, Huntington, and Snyder counties Saturday, and the reports show that Senator Quay is remarkably well supported. In Dauphin his five delegates were elected without opposition, the combine not having the temerity to set up opposing candidates. In Elk there was practically no opposition, the Quay candidate winning by an immense majority. Of the nine delegates elected in Luzerne—the home of Superior Court Judge Erie—the combine claim to have elected seven, three of them only winning by one vote each. The result in Luzerne was most gratifying to the friends of Senator Quay. In Clinton, Susquehanna, Huntington and Snyder the combine did not get a single delegate.

In only one county was there marked judicial or official interference, and that turned out badly for the combine. Judge Orlandy, of the Superior Court, although not opposed by either Quay or his delegates, and having had the assurances of the latter that they would support him for nomination in the convention, thought it best to put up delegates in his own interest, and to distribute a circular all over the county asking his friends to stand by his delegates and scratch those running for Quay. He set up the plea that his candidacy was not in the interest of any faction, but the fact that one of his delegates soon announced himself outspokenly for the Combine left no doubt as to the part the Judge was playing, and when the people of the county learned of this incident served to show how far the judiciary can be drawn into politics, and to forebode what may happen when the election day comes around.

The Washington County Convention passed a resolution by a unanimous vote requesting their four delegates, who had been elected some time since, to support Senator Quay. This action practically secures for the Senator every delegate from the western part of the State, except Allegheny county.

Twenty-one delegates will be elected this week. Crawford county voted for Quay on Tuesday. Saturday Montgomery selects seven, Juniata one, Perry two, York five and Adams two. A week later Cameron county will select one delegate, Fulton one, Chester five, Millersburg three and Lehigh four. The wind-up will be in Philadelphia on August 29th, when the seventy city delegates will be selected.

The Quay Bid Got First. Charles W. Vost, Commissioner from the Third ward of Steelton, who is a great pug, few birds in his own yard, which he gives political names. The birds, named Quay, Hastings, Cameron and Gilkeson, were taken to Sunbury on Saturday morning and released at the rail station. The basket was opened at 10 o'clock exactly.

At 12 o'clock noon, just two hours later, Quay and Hastings arrived on the roof of Mr. Vost's house, North Front street, Steelton. Quay carried a "hopper-dozer." The bird named "Prosy" (Gilkeson) arrived at 6 o'clock in the evening, eight hours being its time from Sunbury, but Cameron did not get there until Sunday night, when a reporter saw Mr. Vost afterwards, the Senator's bird was still lost.

Slaughtered in Washoppers. From the New York World. Minnesota scientists have tackled the grasshopper pest in a new way. Cassius K. Kerosene, the combination for days since were only willing to concede him three would be glad to give him twenty and have him quit. The sentiment of the party is overwhelmingly in favor of placing the junior Senator at the head of the State Committee, and he cannot be defeated in the convention except by stifling the popular voice.

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The Columbia's Past Run.

QUARANTINE, S. I., Aug. 2.—The United States cruiser Columbia arrived at Quarantine this morning, after the most remarkable run at sea ever made by a war vessel, making the trip from Southampton in 6 days, 22 hours and 49 minutes. This establishes her right to precedence as the fastest vessel in the service of the United States.

The steamer is all the greater because the Columbia made a voyage under conditions that were detrimental to a quick run. The Columbia had only half the required number of engineer officers, most important persons on a speed trial and lacked a fourth of a complete crew of machinists and firemen. Her coal, too, was of an inferior order.

The American line steamer St. Louis left Southampton just 24 hours and 20 minutes behind the Columbia, and the Hamburg-American line steamship Augusta Victoria, passed the Needles about 100 miles behind the Columbia. Neither of these craft liners was able to overtake the cruiser.

The express steamers of the trans-Atlantic passage lines use forced draught and burn 300 to 500 tons of coal a day. Some of the records of the fleet in connection with the record of Columbia are as follows: The following between New York and Southampton; Paris, 6 days, 16 hours, 43 minutes; New York, 6 days, 17 hours, 14 minutes; Fismarck, 6 days, 10 hours, 32 minutes; Bornemann, 6 days, 12 hours, 30 minutes.

Biggest Turtle in Captivity. ASBURY PARK, N. J., Aug. 3.—The monster sea turtle captured yesterday and today at Asbury Park, and now on the fishing pier, is a greater curiosity than a sea serpent. Since the captive was placed on the pier at noon to-day no less than 50,000 people have crowded about the enclosure to get a view of this largest turtle in captivity. He weighs 815 pounds, is three feet thick from back to stomach, seven and a half feet long and four feet high. His front flippers are three and a half feet long and a foot thick. They greatly resemble in shape a screw propeller, and their movement is very much like that of wings. The turtle's neck measures 4 1/2 inches in circumference. The eyes are about the size of a watch.

The turtle is of the leather-back variety and is very rare in this water. He was caught Friday night in the fish pond at Galien, near Southport. There have been many specimens of this species of gigantic land tortoises which formerly inhabited the Galapagos Islands in great abundance.

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SELECT RATE TO THE SEASHORE.

Select low rate excursion via Pennsylvania Railroad. The next of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company's select excursions to Atlantic City, Cape May, Seaside City, Ocean City, Avalon and Holly Beach will be run on Thursday, August 13.

The tickets will permit of a stay of nearly two weeks, and a choice of either of the following named resorts will be allowed. A special train of Parlor Cars and day coaches will leave Pittsburgh on the above mentioned date at 8:30 a. m., and the time from other stations will be as follows:

Table with columns: RATE, TRAINS, LEAVE, ARRIVE. Locations include Philadelphia, Atlantic City, Ocean City, etc.

His Voice Was Poor. NEW YORK, Aug. 4.—Antonio Caldoro, an Italian, was playing a guitar in his parlour at an early hour this morning, when Michael Pasento, another Italian, entered and volunteered to sing an accompaniment. Caldoro replied that he did not know how to play on a guitar.

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