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QUAY Clubs are being organized all over the State.

SENATOR QUAY will be the only known candidate for the Presidential nomination who will sit in the national convention as a delegate. It will be a rather unusual episode.

PENNSYLVANIA reports that the value of farms in this State has doubled since 1850. American agriculturists ought to be satisfied, for the value of farms in England has declined nearly one-half in the same period.

The anonymous circular goes to the guard with the stuffed ballot, box and the disunion election officer. They have all in "the day, and none of them was of any earthly use except for fraud.

At the Republican primary election held Saturday in Huntingdon, Lancaster counties held the expression of their choice for Presidential candidates. Huntingdon endorsed McKinley, and Lancaster endorsed Quay.

It is said that in case of great emergency the United States could not have been held together for the last few months. Uncle Sam can afford to be patient with the medieval rulers in Spain who have been stealing our consulates.

The sentiment in favor of the election of Senators by a direct vote of the people has grown very rapidly in the last few months, and a proposition of that kind would probably receive a majority of the popular vote in every State as the case now stands.

The Stillmanville women have organized a "Bible League" for the purpose of reflecting on the school board who opposed the reading of the Bible in the public schools and discharged teachers for reading the Holy Book. As they are going to make a house to house canvass some of the candidates are beginning to be a trifle anxious and talk of getting off the ticket.

SENATOR PEPPER says that the day of triumph for the populists will not come this year, but in 1890, four years hence, the people's party will rise up in their might and sweep the country like a whirlwind. The Adventists are quite as certain that the end of the world will come about the time that Pepper predicts victory for his party, and as between the two evils, it is possible that the destruction of the earth would be less objectionable than the control of government by such mild-eyed theorists and dreamers as constitute the majority of Mr. Pepper's party. It is very pleasant to think, if the Adventist information is really true, that the last four years in which the world will have an actual existence will not be made memorable by a populist administration and congress. On the other hand, those who look upon the final destruction of the earth as the direct calamity that can happen to mankind would probably be resigned even to that awful event by a few years of Pefferism.—Holliston Sun.

REPRESENTATIVE GORELIS, of Michigan, has laid before Congress a bill which makes it unlawful for any one to enter the United States to engage in mechanical trade or labor while he has his home in a foreign country. The bill sought to become a law.

Mr. Cortis has his eye on the Canadians who come over to work in the Michigan lumber region in the busy season, and at the end of it go back to their homes in Canada to live on what they have earned in his State, and at the cost of her citizens, who will not descend to the terms which the Canadians desire. But every spring thousands of men come from Italy and other parts of Europe, stone masons and the like, and remain till building operations cease for the year and then return to their homes. They come and go as game storage passengers, and storage rates are so low that they can earn in two weeks the cost of both coming and going. An attempt was made to raise against the Chinese for cutting wages and for carrying out of the country all the money they accumulated in it, but the same thing has been done for years by thousands of men from Europe. If the thing is an evil in one case it is in the other, and ought to be curbed.

When the bill comes out of committee the lumber men of the Northwest and the builders of the East will be in Washington to protest against it, just as other employers of labor seem to have threatened the chairman of the Immigration committee with defeat if he permits the pending bill to restrict immigration by sea. Let them and let us have this question of protection to labor labor fought out at once and finished.—Pittsburg News.

The present week will be an important one in Republican politics. Five State conventions will be held for the appointment of delegates-at-large to the Republican National Convention, and among these States are two such important ones as New York and Massachusetts. The other three are Minnesota, South Dakota and Texas.

These five States will send 138 delegates to St. Louis, or a little more than one-sixth of the entire membership of the convention. But a large number of the district delegates have been chosen already, and the State conventions will only add twenty delegates-at-large. The total number of delegates now chosen is estimated at 310, or a little over one-third the total number to be chosen. As the appointment of district delegates will continue during the present week in addition to the selection of delegates-at-large in five States, it is probable that the selection of one-half the convention will be completed during the next six days.

Some of the more important State conventions, such as those of Pennsylvania and Illinois, will not occur until the latter part of April, but the district delegates will be chosen before that time, and the preference of the majority of them will be known. So that it is probable that by April 15 the strength of the different candidates for the nomination will be pretty clearly indicated. It will not be finally determined, however, until the national convention meets in St. Louis, June 20, and the tabulating is ended. The caucus is now at its height, and as the Republican nomination is considered equivalent to an election this year, the popular interest in the outcome will remain unquenched until all the delegates are elected, and the nomination is actually made.

Edge's Plan a Success.

The Department of Agriculture has held 130 institutes in 96 counties of the State during the 1895-6 season. Dates have been fixed for about 30 more, making a total of 160 for the institute year. It is also intended to hold a number of spring or summer institutes before the close of the fiscal year. Applications have already been received for a large number of institutes to be held during the next autumn and winter. There is a growing demand for institutes to be held in September and October and less desire for dates in March and April. Thus far Lancaster leads the list with eight institutes. Susquehanna and Lanesboro have each held six.

The corps of institute workers now consists of Prof. John Hamilton, Colonel John A. Woodward, T. B. Terry of Ohio; Senator N. B. Critchfield of Somerset, and one member from each of the 96 counties. The officers of the Department of Agriculture assist whenever their services are needed. Secretary Edge fills gaps caused by sickness or absence of any of the institute workers. The secretary has thus far attended 40 institutes. He expects to get to at least 10 more before the close of the season.

The dates are so arranged as to have no sets of institutes in progress at the same time and the corps of institute workers is divided and changed to suit the locality and leading interest of the district in which the meetings are held. Whenever commercial fertilizers are used extensively, Mr. Terry takes upon potato cultivation and clover production. Prof. Hamilton is an authority upon roads and roads. Each member of the corps is called upon to give the attention which is required to the wants of the district which he represents.

At the commencement of the season there was much objection on the part of local managers and members of the State Board of Agriculture to the department fixing the dates in advance. Under the management of the board the dates were fixed by each member at will and without any reference to those of the other members of the department.

Under the management of the department dates are fixed at the commencement of the season and they are so arranged that the force of institute workers may pass from one county to another with a minimum of delay. The number of the State Board of Agriculture is permitted to select the places at which the institutes of the county shall be held, but the dates are fixed by central authority. Under the old management 125 institutes were held in 1895, and the new plan it is expected that 170 will be held with an annual appropriation of \$7,000.

Turned the Pump Loose. ROCKFORD, S. D., March 18.—"Hold him under the pump," commanded the bride, and the best man and the bride's father held the groom under the pump while one of the guests piled the handle. A few minutes of this treatment sobered him completely, and the wedding went off with a rush.

Attacked Three Females. BEAVER FALLS, March 23.—This afternoon a 12-year-old daughter of C. H. Myers, of the Myers Shingle company, was walking in the town and near the road, when she was seized by three females, who dragged her across the hall by the hair. A servant girl named Callahan heard the noise and screamed for help. The robber let go the girl, who ran to the house and told the mother. She was immediately seized and dragged to the door, where she was held by the hair. She made her escape and there is no clue to her identity.

Fourteen Miners Killed. DE BOES, Pa., March 23.—A terrific explosion of gas occurred at the Bound White shaft in the eastern limits of this city to-day, and fourteen miners were killed.

Monitor at Mt. Pleasant. GREENSBORO, Pa., March 20.—The citizens of Mt. Pleasant township, in the vicinity of Keokuk and Lanserville, are greatly excited over the appearance of a wild animal whose hideous notes frighten several people to death. It was first seen near Lanserville seven or eight months ago, and as lately as Sunday evening it was at Keokuk. Two young men who were returning from seeing their best girls were overtaken by the monster and ran into Frank Grise's house for protection.

Two Painters Killed. KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 22.—A special must remarkable occurrence has been received here from Beaver County. At the little post-office town of Grand the Baptist congregation is building a handsome church, surrounded by a spit of every-day life. James Ford and Harry Summers, painters, were employed to oil and paint the spire Saturday. While they were giving the finishing touches to the top of the spire a thunder-storm came up, and by a series of flashes of lightning, after a terrific clap of thunder, a blinding flash of lightning struck the spire, knocking away the painters' scaffolding, splitting the spire and having Summers and Ford on the roof.

Cow Ate the Money. LEBANON, March 19.—Frank Seibert, a farmer living near Winterville, fourteen miles from here, reports that his cow yesterday and his wall, containing books and checks to the amount of \$87.25, accidentally fell into one of the troughs.

Bank in Small Cities. WASHINGTON, March 20.—The bill introduced by Mr. Brooks of Pennsylvania, to authorize the establishment of national banks in small cities, was ordered to be favorably reported by the House Committee on Banking and Currency.

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To Take His Own Medicine. FORT SMITH, Kan., March 22.—In a Territorial, a member of the Oklahoma Legislature, after the expiration of his term, was ordered to leave under that law, and was positioned here here last evening. He broke jail at Guthrie while under sentence six months ago. He went back to the Territory after his wife and children, and was going East with them when he was captured by an old acquaintance.

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The End of "Etahitte" Tibbs.

NEW YORK, March 18.—The notorious negro desperado, "Etahitte" Tibbs, is dying with a bullet hole through his left lung, the result of a desperate battle with three officers last night. A warrant has been issued for his arrest for a week past, charging complicity in the highway robbery of three Slaves near here. The negro heard of the warrant and avoided the officers. Constable John Murphy and Policeman Judson Siskler and Al Siskler lay in wait for him at the Centre street bridge last night, and about 9 o'clock saw him. Tibbs said: "I guess you are looking for me," and while Siskler reached for him, Tibbs began shooting at the officers. Murphy was as quick on the trigger as Tibbs, and shot until his revolver was empty. During this time one of the policemen was trying to disarm Tibbs, but he wrenched himself loose and drove the officers away. All of the officers fired until their revolvers were empty. Twenty-two shots were exchanged during the fight.

Tibbs walked almost two squares with the hole through his body before he fell, the officers following him, not knowing that they had shot him. Tibbs was taken to the hospital, but could not live. None of the officers were injured.

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