

REPUBLICAN TICKET.

For Associate Judge, JOHN H. WHITE, Barnett Township. For Treasurer, A. M. DOUTT, Tionesta Borough. For Coroner, Dr. J. W. MORROW, Tionesta Borough.

EX PRESIDENT CLEVELAND is said to have invented a new fly for trout fishing, which causes him more elation than any other event of his life except his election to the presidency.

PENNSYLVANIA still leads not only every other state but all of the other states together in the production of Bessemer steel, while in spite of the pig-iron development in the South and elsewhere Pennsylvania produced in 1888 just 49.3 per cent. of the whole pig-iron tonnage.

The fellow who is personating King Solomon in Georgia appears to have slipped up on his wisdom. His actions were such as involved a violation of the laws, and he was warned to desist. He didn't have wisdom enough to heed the warning and he is now in jail, and that's about the best place for that class of frauds.

TREASURER HUSTON, on the 1st inst., gave a receipt to ex-Treasurer Hyatt for \$771,500,000 representing the amount of money and securities in the United States Treasury turned over by the latter to the former. Of the above sum, \$237,208,402 is actual cash, the remainder including United States bonds and the reserve fund.

CANADA is again blustering and threatening this country all sorts of dreadful things for the action our Government has taken in the seal fisheries controversy. Little episodes like this make it more and more certain that Uncle Sam will never have permanent peace in his household until he gives Canada a sound spanking and sends her to bed.

HAVING had what the wrestlers call "a fall" out of Pennsylvania, the Flood King has been having it out with the New Jersey towns. Newark, Plainfield and a dozen other large places have recently experienced the greatest flood in their history. With it all, however, there has been no loss of life, and for that the Jerseyites have reason to be thankful.

THE Republican State Convention which assembles at Harrisburg to day will complete its work without a jar. Hon. Henry K. Boyer, of Philadelphia, the popular Speaker of the House of Representatives for the last two sessions, will be the candidate for State Treasurer, and Chairman Andrews of the State Committee, will succeed himself without a struggle.

THE New York World, noting the appointment of a once famous Virginia duelist to a Federal office, inquires whether President Harrison intends by this to signify that he endorses the code. If the World assumes that President Harrison endorses duelling by that appointment it probably also assumes that President Cleveland endorses assassins to office. The analogy is perfect.

PROF. LAFLIN says there is but one poison in a good cigar, but there are five in a cigarette—the oil in the paper, the oil of nicotine, saltpeter to preserve the tobacco, opium to make it mild, and the oil in the flavoring. A mouthful of the smoke blown through a handkerchief will leave a brown stain; blown through the nostrils, no stain appears—it is left in the head and throat. Last year, says the Globe Democrat, there were 1,200,000 cigarettes made in the United States; and the consumption warrants the enormous manufacture. It is a wholesale system of poisoning. Dr. Holmes says the habit of smoking cigarettes especially enfeebles the will power.

FRAGE between the warring Republican factions in Virginia is quickly followed by activity all along the line. According to a recent despatch to the New York Times, General James A. Walker, the commander of the famous Confederate Stonewall Brigade, has definitely decided to enter the Republican party and may be nominated to a place on the state ticket. The fact that large numbers of white protectionists who have acted with the Democrats since the war are coming over to the Republican camp is admitted, as well as the equally important fact that the colored vote is practically unbroken. In this condition of things there is every reason to look for a Republican victory in Virginia this Fall.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2, 1889. The President has returned to the White House, where he will remain until next Tuesday when he starts for Bar Harbor to pay Secretary Blaine a visit. He will spend the entire day of Wednesday in Boston where he will be met by Walker Blaine.

Postmaster General Wanamaker has received the resignation of Postmaster Paul of Milwaukee, whose administration of that office was so severely scored by a recent report of the Civil Service Commission.

The news of the seizure of the Canadian sealing vessel "Black Diamond" by the United States Cutter "Rush" for taking seals in Behring's sea is being discussed with great interest here, and there are plenty of people who believe we shall have a row with England if we do not back down. I don't know about that, but it's dollars to ginger cakes that there will be no repetition of the disgraceful back down indulged in by the Cleveland administration when similar seizures were made three years ago.

The law says that all vessels caught illegally taking seals in Behring's sea shall be seized, confiscated and sold, and it is the intention of the present administration to see that the law is obeyed. The President issued a proclamation of warning in March. If England does not like our laws, so much the worse for England.

Hon. William McKinley, the popular Representative from Ohio, is in town this week. He has been quietly resting in the mountains of Pennsylvania for some weeks. He does not say so, but from his manner I think he is confident of being elected Speaker of the House. He says there's no doubt about Ohio electing Gov. Foraker, the state ticket and a Republican majority in the legislature, ensuring a Republican successor to Senator Payne. Maj. McKinley will take an active part in the Ohio campaign.

While the opponents of the civil service law are hitting some hard lies, the Commission is not idle. It proposes to ask the President to place all chiefs of divisions in the classified service. It is not probable that the request will be even seriously considered, to say nothing of being granted, by the President, for the fact cannot be denied by any careful observer that the civil service law is steadily growing more unpopular.

It has been decided by the Commission engaged in investigating the rating of pensions to make a preliminary report to Secretary Noble next week and leave it to him whether they shall continue. During the month of December 1888, when the office was in charge of Gen. Black, they found the total number of reissues to have been 1,500, of which about 1 in 15 were rerated, and during the month of May, 1889, when Mr. Tanner was in charge the reissues were 1,800 with the percentage of reratings slightly increased. The object of this comparison was to discover whether there had been any radical change in the methods of making reratings. The preliminary report will say that there has been no gross violation of law, nor any discoveries of a sensational or serious character. This will be good news to everybody, except the newspaper correspondents who have been filling their papers up with stories of the terrible condition of things in the Pension office.

When Governor Foraker was renominated there were a lot of "smart aleck" Democrats running around Washington saying that Senator Sherman would sulk and remain in Europe, where he is now, until after the election. They feel like fools now that he will be home in time to take an active part in reflecting Governor Foraker. Of course no Republican ever believed that John Sherman would sulk. He isn't built that way. He is a Republican because he believes in the principles advocated by the party and not because it does or does not nominate any particular man for any office.

Poetmaster General Wanamaker has requested the Secretary of the Treasury to suspend the payment of all telegraph bills until the question of rates is settled. The telegraph companies object to the proposed rate—one mill per word—but will go right along doing the Government business, trusting to getting a fair price for it.

Secretary Tracy has appointed a board of naval officers to make recommendations for the building up and maintaining an efficient navy.

The President will go to Indianapolis on the 22d inst., when the ceremony of laying the corner stone of the new soldier's monument is to be held.

"Quay for President, why not?" asks the New York Times. Well, certainly not because of any fear of Mugwump pea-shooter batteries. That is one thing certain.

GODS OF THE HINDOOS.

Worshipped Monstrosities that are Holy in Proportion to their Hideousness.

One sees Brahma occasionally in the East pictured in heroic size on the walls of houses, or as an idol of wood or stone, occupying a shed at one end of a village with his wife Sarasvati, writes Thomas Stephens in the Courier-Journal. He is also, of course, to be seen in temples, but not often. Sarasvati is always represented as a beautiful young woman presenting a flower to her husband. Like our own Mother Eve, she was created out of a portion of her husband's body, although the Hindoos do not distinctly say a rib. When this happened Brahma was possessed of but one head. Beholding this lovely, newly created companion, however, he at once became smitten with her charms. Sarasvati being a shame-faced maiden, modestly turned away to escape his gaze. At Brahma's wish to still behold her, a second head issued from his body. As the damsel skipped around to another position, a third head appeared, and then a fourth. At length, in her embarrassment, Sarasvati sprang into the sky. Not to be outdone, however, Brahma instantly produced a fifth head. This fifth head was subsequently struck off by another god in dispute, which leaves him only four. The idol with the leopard skin loincloth, the snakes about his head and neck and the trident in his hand, is Sivi, the destroyer. He is one of the most female idols one sees in India. As you approach an Indian village the first building by the roadside is apt to be a shed like shrine, sheltering an idol of Siva about the size of a man. He is painted red, with a blue neck, and sometimes garnished profusely with bits of gold and silver tinsel, pasted here and there about his figure. This bright paint gives the idol a rather cheap and tawdry appearance, suggestive of a cheap show. One often sees this same Siva in the larger and more prosperous villages, plastered over with strips of tinsel so thickly as to be well nigh irrecognizable.

He is generally represented as shedding the blood of a demon who had been interrupting the austerities of his worshippers. Sometimes, however, his idol is a fantastic character, half male and half female, supposed to illustrate the unity of the gods. At some shrines I have seen him sitting in garish state as a mendicant. In whichever form the idol appears there is always a third eye in the middle of the forehead, a cobra about his neck and another on his head.

It is the followers of this idol also, who used to practice such terrible cruelties upon themselves, before the custom was prohibited by the British Government. As everybody knows fakirs by the hundred used to wander about India practicing austerities of the most revolting character. Some used to force iron hooks in the muscles of the back and hang suspended in mid-air for days. Some would jump on sharp spikes or hold their limbs in one position till they withered; others would sit and gaze into the sun until they lost their sight. All these fanatics were the worshippers of this idol, and it is for annoying them while engaged in these practices that he is wreaking his vengeance on the demon. This idol figures more conspicuously in the religious life of the Hindoos to-day than any other. He is said to be known by a thousand different names, and to be worshipped in many forms.

A Limit to Drunkenness.

Office boy (to editor)—Here's a two-hundred-and-fifty-poun' gent outside, sir, wid red spots on his eyes, wot wants to see do editor. Editor—I'm no coward, James; show him right in. Office boy—He says he wan't to kerlect a bill. Editor (aghast)—Great heavens, James, tell him I've gone to the poorhouse to visit my dear old father—Life.

"The Thoughts of Youth Are Long, Long Thoughts."

"It's papa's birthday next week, Johnny," remarked mamma, "and you ought to be thinking of giving him a present."

"Yairp," said Johnny. "You hadn't forgotten it, had you?" "Yup."

"Then you hadn't thought of anything to give him?" "Nawp."

"Let's see. You've saved up \$2, haven't you?" "Yup."

"Then don't you think it would be a good thing to give him a real nice new pair of slippers?" "Whap?"

"A nice new pair of slippers, with red morocco—"

"Nawp!" said Johnny, with solemn emphasis; "what's the matter with giving my money to the heathen?"—Puck.

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