

The Coast Mail.

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Democratic statesmen in congress will never be entirely convinced that the tariff gain is loaded until they try to lift it over the fence with the muzzle pointed toward their stomachs.

In the assignment of committees in the lower house of congress, George was given a place on Indian affairs and on a select committee on American ship building and ship owning.

A Definition of the grog shop that will live by virtue of its aptness, lately dropped in a speech by a temperance advocate, thus: "It is the place where the poor man spends what he cannot spare, and gets what he does not need."

According to the Chicago Herald, divorce still keeps ahead of matrimony in that city. The other day there were 31 decrees of divorce issued and 43 marriage licenses. At this rate it will be only 40 years till Chicago has no married people at all.

A number of German citizens of Washington will apply to congress for a charter to organize a stock company for the purpose of establishing a crematory in that city. It is a most appropriate place. If the company can make it hot for the burials, even before death, it will confer a lasting benefit on the country.

Our venerable friend of the Curry County Recorder candidly admits that he cannot see what the tariff has to do with the enhancement of workmen's wages in this country. That's what the matter with all free traders. Unfortunately for the free traders, protection has everything to do with the wages of the working people, and they appreciate it.

Congressman George has our thanks for a copy of the "annual report and statements of the chief of the bureau of statistics on the commerce and navigation of the United States for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1883," and for the "message from the president of the United States to the two houses of congress at the commencement of the second session of the forty-seventh congress, with the reports of the heads of departments and selections from accompanying documents," edited by Ben. Perley Poore.

Ocean voyagers on the Atlantic report remarkable red sunsets and sunrises all the way over. Whatever the cause of the phenomenon, it is evidently wide-spread. In the course of a discussion at the meeting of the American astronomical society, Packer institute, Brooklyn, the other night, the idea was given out that the "green sun" reported from South America, a while ago, was due to the same cause, whatever that may be. And, as to that, there was a theory that there might be a cloud of meteoric dust outside our atmosphere and through which we are passing.

Placing Congressman Cassidy of Nevada at the head of the committee on Pacific railroads is a direct and positive move in behalf of the Central Pacific and its interests. Cassidy owes his election to that company, and he is a man that will reciprocate favors of that kind. Whenever Senator Fair or Congressman Cassidy of Nevada acts or votes contrary to the interests of the Central Pacific railroad, we hope some democratic paper will make a note of it. The people of California and Nevada will get no relief from the oppressions of that monopoly from this congress.

According to the statistician of the national butter, cheese and egg association, whose annual meeting was held at Cincinnati recently, the value of those products marketed in the United States during 1883 is more than \$40 for every man, woman and child in the population, not including the \$200,000,000 worth of milk and cream sold in a natural state. The eggs received in New York annually are worth nearly as much as the butter and three times as much as the poultry. We export eggs, but we import large quantities from Germany, Denmark and France, and the egg is an altogether larger institution than most intelligent people are aware.

Henry Clay, in his Raleigh speech in 1844, exposed the fallacy of the free trade assumption that the price of an article is enhanced by the amount of duty thereon, by citing the discomfiture of a democratic stump speaker who, seeing a shabbily dressed hearer in front of him, arrested the flow of his eloquence long enough to ask: "My friend, do you know that these tariff monopolists make you pay 6 cents a yard more than you should for that shirt you have on?" "I suppose it must be so, since you say it," responded the surprised and scared auditor: "but I have no learnin' and don't quite understand it, since I only gave 5 1/2 cents for it."

Every morning there is placed before Philip D. Armour, Chicago's big hog dealer and speculator, a little ticket about the size of a calling card. It represents the cash in Chicago in hanks. It is said that this is never far from \$1,000,000. The capital of Armour & Co.—\$10,000,000—is probably larger than that of any other concern, not banking, in the world. The best authority upon this point says that it is all cash, and the firm is worth \$20,000,000. Half of it belongs to Armour. The great speculator personally arranges all the details of his mammoth establishment, from the painting of one of his yellow wagons to the building of \$300,000 worth of refrigerator cars. His charity is proverbial, and the stock yard man who goes to him with his troubles never goes away empty handed.

After failing to explore the whole interior region of Greenland, or to find those oases in the Arctic Sahara which were popularly supposed to exist, Professor Nordenskjöld, the indefatigable Swedish explorer, is said to intend next to attempt to reach the south pole. Impossible as it has been hitherto to reach the point where the grim frozen king of the polar regions is supposed to have his throne, the Antarctic circle has always been believed by navigators to be even more terribly isolated than its antipodes. The ice in the Antarctic ocean extends so degrees farther from the south pole than it does from the north pole, and has been consequently held to be absolutely impenetrable for ships of any kind. The navigators who have attempted to solve the problem of the south pole have been numerous. In 1774, Captain Cook tried it; in 1832, Captain Weddell; in 1839, Captain Wilkes, of the United States navy; in 1846, Captain Ross, and a few years ago the scientists on board the Challenger made observations around Kerguelin island. If Professor Nordenskjöld succeeds in reaching anywhere near the south pole, he will have done that which will be the crowning feat of a splendid career of invaluable adventure.

Cocquille City lodge, No. 68, A. F. and A. M., says the Herald, recently elected and installed the following officers: John Goodman, W. M.; Price Robinson, S. W.; Geo. McEwan, J. W.; S. L. Leneve, treasurer; Thos. Willard, secretary; Chas. W. Olive, tyler; J. L. Roy, S. D.; J. A. Collier; J. D.; B. F. Sharp, chaplain.

The Parkersburg mill is running regularly and cutting about \$1,000 feet of lumber per day with one saw. It is probable that the pony saw has been started by this time and the capacity of the mill increased thereby.

A Remarkable Case.

The Dwight insurance suit, ended at Norwich, N. Y., a few days ago, by a verdict against the Germania insurance company, is one of the most remarkable civil cases ever tried in court. Had its incidents been narrated in fiction they would have seemed too improbable for belief. Dwight was a prominent citizen of Binghamton, who had been a colonel in the war, had held public office and had been engaged in various business enterprises on a large scale. In the summer of 1878 he became a bankrupt. About this time he applied for upward of \$300,000 insurance on his life in 20 odd companies. His application was refused by several, but he succeeded in getting his life insured to the extent of \$285,000. Soon after his death was announced. One or two companies paid the claims against them; others refused to pay. Against one of the latter the suit that had been on trial for about a month at Norwich was brought by the executors. The theory of the insurance companies was that Dwight had taken out an enormous amount of insurance for the benefit of his boy and other relatives, and with the deliberate intent to commit suicide. There was but one known witness of his death, and it was claimed that Dwight had hanged himself after arranging with this man to destroy all evidence of the act. An autopsy was made immediately after the death, and long after burial the body was exhumed and a coroner's inquest held. The testimony of the physicians and other experts was conflicting. By some a crease found on the neck was attributed to the pressure of a cord and death to strangulation; others gave the opinion that this mark had been caused by the position of the head and that death was not due to violence. The companies also offered evidence of extraordinary conduct on the part of Dwight, to show that he had purposely endangered his life by rash exposure and in other ways. The further defense was made that the policies were void by reason of false representations which the deceased had made as to his health and habits. By its verdict the jury finds that Dwight did not commit suicide, nor practice fraud upon the companies. It is not likely, however, that this verdict will be acquiesced in if there is any ground on which it can be set aside.

An Ingenious Ballot-Box System in South Carolina.

The present South Carolina scheme of voting is known as the "eight-box" system. It is the most ingenious, and at the same time the most outrageous system ever invented. Dawson, of the Charleston News and Courier, and who is the uncrowned king of South Carolina, is credited with being one of the patentees. While it is in vogue, South Carolina is hopelessly democratic, notwithstanding the 40,000 republican majority, to say nothing about the thousands of independents. This novel method of voting is thus described by a correspondent: For each office on the state ticket there is a separate box, except that the governor and lieutenant governor are voted for in the same box. Thus, for the state ticket alone, there are six boxes. In addition there is a separate box for congressional candidates, and in 1884 there will be a presidential box. At the last election, also, an amendment to the constitution was submitted, requiring still another box. The real object of this amendment was to gradually disfranchise thousands of colored citizens, by adding to the list of disabilities petit larceny and other minor crimes. It is a "dead-sure thing" against a colored man to be taken before any state court in South Carolina. If a negro makes himself too prominent in politics, he can be charged with stealing a watermelon. Conviction is almost a matter of course, and because of that he is disfranchised for life. But to resume the subject of the iniquitous "eight-box" system. The law says that each box is to be labeled, and that the managers are to point them out to the voters who cannot read. But the law does not require that the managers are to point out the proper ticket to go into its box. All tickets put into the wrong boxes are thrown away and not counted. Nobody but the managers are allowed to speak to the voter or to indicate to him in any manner, on the spot, the right ticket to put into the right box. In fact, nobody but the managers and the voter are allowed to be in the room. There is a gangway or a stairway to the voting room, and one from it. Only one voter is allowed in the room at a time. Frequently, if the voter be a colored man, or a known independent, the door is locked upon him as soon as he enters. Supposing a colored man goes to vote: he cannot read, say; he asks the managers (who are all democrats) to tell him the different boxes. They rapidly point them out, but the colored man is as much puzzled as ever, because he does not know the right ticket to put in, and he absolutely votes by chance. Now, take the case of a colored man who can read: he deposits his ballots correctly; then carefully noting the order in which the boxes are placed, he hurries around to his fellow-republicans waiting to vote, but who cannot read, and arranges their tickets in

order—the top ticket of the pile to go in box No. 1, the next in box No. 2, and so on. Well, that is nothing but "love's labor lost," for the managers inside simply change the order of the boxes, just "mix those babies up;" and the poor dummies who have had their tickets arranged put the wrong tickets into the wrong boxes, and all their votes are wasted. It must not be understood that only colored men cannot read here; the proportion of white illiteracy is simply staggering. But the democratic managers always show democrats how to vote. It is only the independents who lose their votes, so far as the white illiterates are concerned. In many places the boxes are placed on a revolving table. American citizens voting through a "wheel of fortune!" If South Carolina provided adequate means for the education of her illiterate children, there would be some palliation for this system of voting, but she does not. If there are a crowd of republicans outside ready to vote, and the democratic managers think most of them can read, they delay the balloting by "badgering" each voter as he files into the room. Sometimes the managers will lock themselves in the polling booth by themselves from 10 to 15 minutes. They have the keys of the boxes. What the rascals are doing may be easily imagined. Without speaking of the personal outrages that have made elections under South Carolina bourbon rule infamous, there are various plans of intimidation. Gangs of democrats, with pistols conspicuously displayed, or with clubs in their hands, will start a swaying motion of the body. Woe to the colored man or independent who accidentally touches one of the royal elbows. In some of the overwhelmingly republican precincts, the voters last year had to crawl under a partially-opened door or window to reach the boxes. What a spectacle of American manhood—a citizen crawling on his belly to deposit the certificate of his birthright! Not counting the many voters whose self-respect prevented them from thus degrading themselves, a large percentage could not vote, either because of physical inability to crawl through the hole, or because of the time consumed. Another method of obstruction at the last election was for a crowd of democratic rowdies, armed with pistols, clubs, and knives, to surround a polling place, with the connivance of the managers, after voting themselves, and filling up the gangway, prevent republicans from reaching the boxes. If a democrat who had not voted came along, he was actually lifted up and passed over the heads of the gang, and with cheers from a hundred bourbon throats he went into the room; or he was let into the room by a back door. In Columbia, the pride and the capital of South Carolina, the voting took place in dark and upper rooms. When the polls of the alleged election closed at 6 o'clock, there were at many places crowds of from 100 to 200 republicans begging to be allowed to vote.

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