

Blaine has foreclosed his mortgage on the republican party and is now in full possession.

The Emperor of China's wedding cost \$6,000,000. His wife will have to go with out a new spring bonnet.

Some republican papers made light of Mr. Cleveland's collar. But what shall be said of the Blaine collar on Mr. Harrison's neck?

During the last year between 50,000 and 75,000 mules were sold in St. Louis, representing several millions of dollars in cash. That city now sets up the claim to be the greatest mule market in the world.

Cards, which were invented at the close of the fourteenth century, were originally very different from those in use at present. In shape they were square, and instead of suits of spades, clubs, hearts and diamonds, their marks were rabbits, pinks, roses and flowers of columbine. The figured cards were very prettily devised; a queen riding on horseback, with a rabbit beside her marked the queen of rabbits or of clubs. A rustic looking man, grotesquely dressed and standing in a strange attitude, with a pink beside him, signified the knave of pinks or diamonds.

During the last year the government of the United States purchased 28,920,398 standard ounces of silver for \$24,491,340. Out of this were coined 31,990,833 silver dollars, each containing 72 1/2 cents worth of silver, making a profit of something over \$7,000,000. This policy, it is announced, will be continued under the new regime, but just why we don't quite understand. We certainly don't need the profits, and that cannot be the excuse for forcing into circulation a depreciated currency. The "dollar of our daddies" is a discredit to us so long as we pretend to be doing business upon a hard money basis.—Ex.

There is always something interesting about Ohio politics, but just now the plot is rapidly deepening and startling denouements may be expected any day. Foraker is in the race for a third term as governor, and the Sherman faction have already promised to cut his political throat. Of course the rest follows naturally. Governor Foraker has asserted that "Richard Smith is an object of charity—mentally, physically and financially," whereupon General Boynton telegraphs home to the good deacon's paper that even General Foraker's Washington friends condemn his remarks as "indiscreet and indecent." The quarrel grows apace, and Ohio "harmony" promises to be one of the most interesting certainties of the future.

The national report of statistics on marriage and divorce in the United States tells some singular stories. It can scarcely be believed, but these figures show that in 1880 one out of 449 married couples obtained a divorce; that was a great increase over the proportion in 1870, when it stood one to 664. At the same rate of dissolving marital contracts—one-third in ten years—the time is close at hand when divorce, instead of being exceptional, will become the rule and the almost immediate consequence of marriage. This increase of divorce is general over the country, being the most prevalent in the Western states, among which Indiana, Illinois and Michigan precede, and of the Eastern states Rhode Island and New Hampshire show the largest proportion of divorces. Delaware has the least.

The Oregonian, referring to some exceptions taken by Arch A. Schenck, engineer of the Oregon Pacific, to remarks made by that paper which Mr. Schenck construed as reflecting upon himself and other employes of the road, says: "There should be no misunderstanding whatever of the criticisms made upon this railroad in the past. The management has certainly been unfortunate in not obtaining from the capitalists whom it represents sufficient sums of money at all times to carry out the work which has been begun. But all claims that do not require the adjudication of the courts are now being promptly met, and it is evident that a more sound financial backing has come to the company. Construction of this road will be continued into Eastern Oregon, and The Oregonian hopes to see this done as rapidly as men and means can accomplish it. There is no single thing that would tend so much to the advancement of that section of Oregon, and of the whole state in consequence thereof, as the building of this road across the Cascade range and on through the large area of undeveloped country to the eastward. There are homesteads for thousands of families, and without a railroad they would never be taken up; for without a way to send produce to market and bring home the necessities of life from the manufacturing and trade centers, few will seek such localities for homes. The extension of the Oregon Pacific railroad will benefit the country through which it passes as greatly as it will benefit itself, and people are beginning to realize this. It is not necessary to go further than the town of Albany, one of the most thriving cities in the state, to discover what beneficial effects the Oregon Pacific railroad may have."

New York boasts of one man who made money by losing a bet on Cleveland. He is a printer named Liscomb, and he made a bet with a Republican named Griffith. According to the terms of the wager the loser was to walk to Washington city in time to witness the inauguration, the winner accompanying him every foot of the way in a carriage. The men bound themselves in \$1000 to carry out the terms of the wager. Liscomb lost, of course, and expressed his willingness to walk to Washington, per agreement. About the time the day for starting arrived the terrible cold snap came on. Griffith realized that his carriage ride was not only going to be a very expensive but a freezing affair, and offered to call the wager off. Liscomb declined, and insisted on the wager being carried out. Griffith finally gave him \$500 to call it off.

Mr. Harrison is not a millionaire himself, being probably on about the same financial plane with Mr. Cleveland, but with a ten-million Vice-President, a millionaire Secretary of State in Blaine, a five-million Secretary of the Navy in B. F. Tracy Miller, and the rest of his Cabinet made up, of millionaires of various degrees, it will be seen that the millions will be liberally represented in the coming Administration, even if the poorer folk are not.

Congressman W. L. Scott, of Pennsylvania whose term expires this session, is the richest man in Congress; worth, perhaps, \$15,000,000, and represents and more or less controls 22,000 miles of railroad lines.

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