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THURSDAY, APRIL 12, 1890.

PRESIDENT ARTHUR has appointed Henry M. Teller, of Colorado, to be Secretary of the Interior; Wm. Chandler of New Hampshire to be Secretary of the Navy and Wm. H. Hunt, of Louisiana to be Minister to Russia.

W. S. O. R. Robinson has been confirmed by the Senator as United States District Attorney for the Eastern District of this State.

THE Republican majorities in the Western States are largely made up of the German vote. The position of that party in favoring prohibition has driven the German vote into the Democratic party, the first effects of which were felt in the recent municipal elections which show Democratic gains.

THE bill of exceptions in the Guiteau case has been completed and the case has been set for hearing on the 24th inst. It is probable that a continuance of one or two weeks will be granted from that date.

Guiteau has sunk into comparative obscurity since his trial and will probably remain so until a day or two before that fixed for his final appearance on the stage. He stands his confinement very well, but the negligence of the people towards him annoys him.

Jumbo, the big elephant has arrived in this country and attracted much attention. He is said to be the largest elephant in America, and will be put on exhibition with the smallest, by Mr. Barnum. His owner seeks to avoid the import duties on the ground that Jumbo was imported for breeding purposes, but has not yet succeeded. Jumbo is fond of liquor and will drink a quart at one gulp. Mr. Barnum's great moral show will be somewhat injured in reputation unless they can cure Jumbo of this intemperate habit.

THE revenues of the country yield a much larger sum annually than there is any necessity for. The consequences is that all kinds of jobs are being organized by which this surplus can be put into individuals' pockets. It is a constant source of temptation to Congressmen, lobbyists and officials. The government should reduce the revenues. The tariff and the internal revenue could both be easily reduced and the people would be that much better off than they are. The political party which commits itself to a reduction of the revenues will have a strong card in the next campaign with which to go before the people and ask support.

THE most important offices which the people will be called upon to fill next fall are those of the judiciary. The nominating conventions should as far as possible throw aside any desire to nominate men to these offices on mere partisan grounds and name men who while true to the party will also be true to the laws and administer them with justice.

THE office of Judge is one which should not be filled lightly but with grave consideration. The laws may be all that can be wished, but unless they are properly administered they can be made engines of great oppression. By all means let men be placed on the bench who will cast aside all feeling and preferences and perform their duties with integrity.

THE Americans arrested by the British government for taking part in the Irish agitation are demanding through their friends that they be accorded a speedy trial and be discharged if acquitted.

WE cannot see why the United States government should be called upon to interfere. These men went to Ireland for the purpose of instigating revolt against the British government and were arrested to prevent their continuance in this agitation as many British subjects have been. If they choose to join any movement of the kind they should be prepared to accept any fate which may overtake them. It is folly for them to do as they have done and expect this country to protect them. Let them be treated as the other prisoners are and if they suffice it is their own fault.

THE same people who are organizing meetings in several of our cities and passing resolutions demanding their release would be shocked and outraged if British emissaries should be arrested in this country for wrong doing and be protected in it by their government. Many of the so-called American suspects no doubt became citizens of this country for the very purpose of entering into the Irish fuss with impunity.

CONGRESSMAN ALLEN, of Ohio, died last week in Washington city and was taken to Pittsfield under the care of a Congressional escort on a special train for interment.

THE News and Observer says:

WE begin to hear suggestions as to who shall be the Democratic candidate for Congress for the State at large. We have no favorite for this place. We suggest that he ought to be an able man, a good debater, well informed in political matters and acceptable to the people. He should be such a man as would stir up the people to thought and action, and unite them in the support of the Democratic party. He may accomplish infinite good; a weak, unacceptible man may do infinite harm. He should be selected, not simply to gratify him and his personal admirers and friends, but because he is the man for the place, and because his party requires his services. Let the Democrats put forward such a candidate, and our word for it, he will sweep the State.

THE class of emigrants which is now leaving Germany for the American shores is just such as the Southern States need most. It is drawn far more largely from the agricultural cities than from the overcrowded cities and those who are to come this year will nearly all bring with them the means wherewith to start life under very favorable auspices in this Western world. They are, many of them, farmers who have sold their possessions in the old home where their labors have been unproductive and who, cheered by the accounts which have been sent to them by those who have pressed them to this country, see here a greater return for their labors than has been the result in old homes. We trust that a fair proportion of these emigrants will find their way to this State and we believe that with earnest efforts a large number of them could be induced to settle among us.—W. L. Review.

THE Presidential count bill which has passed the Senate provides that the Presidential electors of each State shall meet and give their votes on the second Monday in January next following their appointment, at such places as the Legislatures of the States may direct; that such State, pursuant to laws existing on the day fixed for the appointment of the electors, may determine prior to the meeting of the electors any controversy concerning the appointment of all or any of them; that such determination shall be conclusive evidence of their lawful title, and shall govern in the count by Congress; that no electoral vote or votes from any State from which but one return has been received shall be rejected except by the affirmative votes of the two Houses; that if more than one return is received from a State the votes of those electors who have been appointed by the lawful tribunal of the State shall be counted, and in the event of a question as to which of two or more of such State tribunals is the lawful tribunal the votes of the electors appointed by that tribunal which the two Houses, acting separately, shall decide to be the authorized one shall be counted; that in case of an undetermined contest between two or more sets of electors of a State those votes shall be counted which the two Houses, acting separately, shall decide to be the lawful electoral votes. The bill also provides that if the counting of the votes shall not have been completed before the fifth calendar day next after the first joint meeting of the two Houses no recess shall be afterward taken by either House until the counting is finished.

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