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CONVENTIONS.

The Democratic National Convention will meet in the city of St. Louis on the 5th day of June. Republican at Chicago, June 19th. Prohibition at Indianapolis, May 30. The Democratic State Convention for North Carolina will meet in Raleigh on the 30th of May. Republican at Raleigh, May 23. Prohibition at Greensboro, May 16. Stokes county Democratic convention in Danbury, not announced. Stokes county Republican convention in Danbury, Saturday May 19. Democratic Convention (5th district) at Greensboro July 11th. Democratic Senatorial convention, at Germantown, not announced.

THE DISCUSSION of the tariff bill continues to form the principal business of the House. It has been agreed that a general debate on the bill which was to have closed yesterday, shall be extended to next Saturday. This decision was arrived at last Saturday, with the assurance, as it seems, that the extension would not result in any postponement of final action on the bill.

THE INSECT CREATION is now fully active; the fly is beginning to make it lively for horse flesh, and have no doubt the chegre, chegre, chigger, chigger, jagger will soon be fastening itself to the skin of the unwary pedestrian, the mosquito is already a pest to those who are tackling the fishing question on the creek and the tick has made his presence known for some time past.

AS TIME ADVANCES towards the 5th day of June, when the Democratic National Convention meets in the city of St. Louis, the States are being heard from one by one as to their choice for the Presidential nomination, and the signs thus far point to Cleveland as their choice. We note that Nebraska, New Jersey, Connecticut, New Hampshire, Indiana, Delaware, Maryland, Michigan, Tennessee and Alabama favor the renomination of Cleveland.

THE WILL of Roscoe Conkling which was offered for probate at Utica, N. Y., last week, is possibly the most concise and lucid testamentary instrument that we remember to have ever seen; the text is as follows:

"I, Roscoe Conkling, of Utica, N. Y., do make, publish, and declare my last will and testament as follows: I give, devise, and bequeath to my wife, Julia, and to her heirs and assigns forever, all my property and estate, whether real, personal or mixed, and I constitute and appoint my said wife sole Executrix of this will. In testimony whereof I hereto sign my name this 21st day of June, A. D. 1867.

ROSCOE CONKLING.

PROF. EDGAR SHELLY, mining engineer, who is here to examine the iron mines and prospects controlled by the Pepper Mining Company, commenced work last Monday at the Nelson mine near Buck Island ford. It will make such excavations and sink such shafts at this, and all the iron mines and prospects controlled by the Pepper Mining Company in this county, as may be necessary to open the ore to view, and to discover its thickness, and to prove its continuity. This work is being done for Gen. Ewing, of New York, who has negotiated for the purchase of these properties. He will only work some 25 hands for the present.

TAX LISTING.

The responsibility and difficulties attending the duties of tax listers is doubtless greater than is generally supposed. It was more than usually difficult and laborious last year when the duty was imposed on them of carrying into effect the resolution of the Board of Commissioners that the valuation of real estate be raised on its former valuation. The task of

assessing the value of land always requires the exercise of some consideration for which some lands may have increased in value owing to having been improved of late years, other lands have deteriorated in value.

BRIEFS OF GENERAL NEWS

THURSDAY, May 3.

The railroad land grant forfeiture bill was further considered in the Senate yesterday, and an understanding was reached that a final vote on the bill would be had to-day; a large number of individual pension bills and house bill for a public building at Asheville, N. C., were passed; in executive session, the first for several days, there was a large accumulation of Presidential nominations, among those that of Mr. Fuller, for Chief Justice, all of which were referred to committees; in the House almost the entire session was occupied in a discussion of the tariff bill.

The dispute between Morocco and the United States, relative to the men imprisoned at Tabat, has been reopened, the Sultan having refused to submit the matter to arbitration. The Chicago grain market yesterday was active and higher and provisions were firm at an advance.

Sat., May 5.

There was nothing of special interest done in Congress yesterday; the Senate was not in session, and the House was almost wholly occupied in a discussion of the tariff question.

Emperor Frederick's strength is gradually increasing, and no further bulletins will be issued unless there is a relapse.

Mr. Parnell desires the Irish people to give due weight to the wishes of the Vatican in matters of faith and morals, but insists that politically Irish opinion and judgment must be supreme.

A violent storm is reported as raging over a large territory in the Northwest; at St. Paul there was a considerable snow fall yesterday morning, and freezing weather prevails at many points.

The statement as now coming from the most authentic source, that Mr. Blaine has given his assent to an aggressive movement for his renomination for President, and that if nominated in the face of the Florence letter he would not feel at liberty to decline.

Tuesday, May 8.

Yesterday the river and harbor bill occupied the entire session of the House and it was finally passed.

Two tragic affairs in North Carolina are reported; in the town of Washington a man was murdered and his murderer taken from jail by masked men and strangled with bullets; at Carthage, Moore county, a young lady was called to the door of her home and shot by a jealous lover, who then made his escape.

The Senate in executive session has ratified the Chinese treaty without division; two reports will be made on the fisheries treaty, the majority being adverse thereto.

The offerings of government bonds yesterday amounted to \$656,800.

Wed. May 9.

In the House yesterday, a telegram and letter were read from ex-Congressman Hewitt, of New York, deying statements which had been made concerning him by Mr. Woodburn, of Nevada, the tariff bill was then taken up and discussed, seven members indulging in the debate.

Gen. J. Ewing, disbursing clerk of the Department of Justice, and one of the best known men in Washington, has been found short in his accounts to the extent of \$8,000 or \$9,000.

The crew of the steamer Eureka, which was sunk in collision at sea, on Sunday last, took to their boats, and were poked up by a passing brig; they were then transferred to a steamer, which safely landed them at Philadelphia yesterday.

Emperor Frederick's condition is improving; his fever is low and he sleeps fairly well.

An old man, under sentence of death for the murder of his two grandchildren, made his escape from a Pennsylvania jail Monday; he left a letter bidding defiance to the people who have threatened to lynch him.

The Delaware Democracy endorses Cleveland's tariff views and favor his renomination; they also favor the Mills tariff bill.

A London dispatch states that Lord Stanley, of Preston, has been gazetted as Governor General of Canada.

The differences between the United States and the Moorish government have been finally settled.

An adverse report was made in the Senate yesterday, on the resolution for open consideration of the fisheries treaty; the railroad land grant forfeiture bill was then considered, and after amendments passed without diversions; the copyright bill was also passed; in the House bills were passed making appropriations for participation in the International Exposition, to be held at Brussels, Belgium, and the Centennial Exposition of the Ohio Valley and the Central States, to be held in Cincinnati; the tariff bill was then discussed until adjournment.

Robert B. Roosevelt, of New York, has been nominated as minister resident of the United States to the Netherlands.

Emperor Frederick's condition yesterday was very satisfactory, and his physicians hope for a further improvement in his condition.

The Georgia Temperance Convention passed resolutions to make a general prohibition contest in the legislative elections next fall; candidates will be pledged to vote for a statutory, prohibition law.

Democratic State Conventions were in Georgia and Alabama yesterday, to send delegates, to St. Louis; the sentiment is each is unanimous for Cleveland.

In the House yesterday several amendments to the appropriation bill were offered and adopted, and as amended the bill was passed; the tariff bill was then further discussed.

Great excitement was caused in Buffalo, N. Y., yesterday morning, by a number of gas explosions, which occurred almost simultaneously, and one of which resulted in the destruction of St. Paul's Cathedral, the pride and glory of the city; the interior of the grand edifice was a mass of flames a few moments after the explosion, and nothing could be done to prevent its destruction; the church was valued at \$250,000.

The Chicago wheat market was greatly excited yesterday, and there was a rapid rise and fall in prices; other products were easy.

The Southern Baptist Convention will begin its annual session in Richmond, Va., to-day; there is a very large attendance, embracing the most eminent divines of the church, and many fraternal delegates from the North are expected.

Blaine delegates have been elected to the Chicago Convention from the district of Virginia.

LAND SALE.

Vendition Exponee.—By virtue of an execution in my hands in favor of W. H. Watts against William H. and Jerry Slaughter, issued by the Superior Court of Stokes county on the 26th day of May 1888, returnable to August Term of Stokes Superior Court 1888, I will sell to the highest bidder at public auction at the court house door in Danbury, on Monday the 6th day of June 1888, the following described tract or parcel of land belonging to William H. Slaughter, located in the County of Stokes on the waters of North Double Creek and adjoining the lands of Pink and Jerry Slaughter and others. The above described land is to be sold to satisfy a judgment docketed on the Judgment Docket of the Superior Court of Stokes County, wherein William H. Watts is plaintiff and William H. Slaughter and Jerry Slaughter are defendants; the above lands having been levied on by me to satisfy said judgment. May 16th 1888.

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