

In glancing over the premium list of the coming State Fair, we are pained at our failure to see the name of Hon. Josiah Turner mentioned as one of the supervisors of department E, which has reference to bees and honey.

Can This be True.

Wholesale Charges Against the Black Regiments of the Army.

San Antonio, Texas, September 11.—In one of my former letters from Eagle Pass, I mentioned the wholesale charges against the negro soldiers posted along the Rio Grande. That mention was not complimentary. I regret that I have nothing to take back in reference to it.

HAYES RECRUITS.—Ex-Senator West, of Louisiana, is one of the latest converts to Mr Hayes' policy, although he says that he has not changed his opinion that Packard is the lawful Governor of Louisiana; and now the Washington correspondent of the Baltimore Sun telegraphs that paper the following interesting item under date of the 23d:

"Col Thos B Keogh, chairman of the Republican State committee of North Carolina, writes himself a firm supporter of the President's policy. Keogh says that the people of his State are all for it. Col Keogh is probably the most influential member of the Republican party in North Carolina, and his support of the President is therefore of considerable significance."

A very picturesque story is told by a White Sulphur Springs correspondent of the Courier-Journal regarding the case of Gov. Pickens of South Carolina. "She was very much grieved," says this correspondent, calmly, "at a newspaper article concerning herself, which spoke of her accepting Gov. Pickens on condition that he obtained a foreign mission. She said that it seemed so mercenary and calculating in a girl of eighteen. The truth was that she was only a child, and the mission to Russia was the maternal object of the marriage."

Patrick Ford, editor of the Irish World, of New York City, has lately addressed to the President of the United States, members of Congress, Governors of States, and members of the various State Legislatures, an open letter on the labor question, which has for several months past been agitating the minds of the people of this country.

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NOTES AND NEWS.

There is another rumor that James Gordon Bennett contemplates starting a daily paper in London.

The New York Graphic says that New England has in her savings banks the enormous sum of \$750,000,000.

The Yankton Herald says that the price of a quail had advanced to \$7 and a hard winter is predicted.

A Western editor cautions his readers against kissing short women, as this habit, and a habit made him round shouldered.

Delmonico's old restaurant, at Fourteenth street and Fifth avenue, New York, is being rapidly altered into a hotel.

At last reports the India relief fund, started in London a little over a month ago, had reached the total of \$400,000.

Thirty odd thousand emigrants have come to America since January 1st, one-third of whom are Germans. Irish emigration has largely diminished.

What is the difference between an old tramp and a feather bed? There is a material difference. One is hard up and the other is soft down.—Norristown Herald.

"Is them fellows alive now?" said an urchin to his teacher in Sunday school last Sunday. "What fellows do you mean, my dear?" "Why! Paul, Luke, and Deuteronny, and them."

The nation is a great creditor as well as debtor. The six Pacific Railroads—Union, Central, Southern, Kansas, Sioux City and Western—owe it \$92,636,751, which pays no interest until maturity in 1897.

Mr Wm H Vanderbilt drives the fastest team in the country. The other day, over the Beetwood course, he drove his crack team one mile in the unprecedented time of two minutes and twenty-three seconds.

A discreet French citizen recently declined the offer of a suitor for his daughter's hand for the following conclusive reason: "The young man is done far past all hope, for he has no umbrella, and he cuts open the leaves of books with his fingers."

The building has been completed and the machinery placed for a new cotton mill at Savannah, Ga. It will have seven thousand three hundred spindles and one hundred and twenty-three looms, and will be exempt from taxation.

The Washington correspondent of the Baltimore Sun telegraphs that paper under date of the 23d that advises from Ohio are that the managers of both parties are directing their attention more to the carrying of the Legislature than to the gubernatorial canvass.

Senator Patterson, of South Carolina, asserts that the letter addressed over his signature to Kilmington, the former financial agent of South Carolina, is not genuine. That letter had involved Patterson in the Republican rascalities in South Carolina, and is sufficient to put him in striped clothing if true.

"The friends of Hon. S. S. Cox represent him as confident of success in his contest for the Speakership. Cox claims that his position as an opponent of all subsidies will give him strength, and that Morrison and Saylor will unite in support of the strongest man, which will not be Randall." If anything is to be judged from the tone of the newspaper press, we should say that Mr. Cox is very much mistaken as to the identity of "the strongest man."

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The planters in Mississippi are on a strike. Meetings have been held and resolutions adopted to the effect that they will not permit their cotton to pass into the hands of merchants who advanced them means to produce it, at a less price than fifteen cents per pound. Shipments of cotton by the Jackson railroad have almost ceased, and the movement is causing a good deal of uneasiness. New Orleans.

GOLD DOLLARS OF THE CONFEDERATE FATHERS.—Commenting upon the story which is going the rounds of the press to the effect that an immense treasure in gold bullion, formerly belonging to the Confederate Government, is concealed somewhere in the Sunny South, the Richmond Engineer says: "The case is not put strong enough, and yet the story is implicitly believed. The Confederate Government never spent a cent of good hard money, but went on hoarding, and the faster the boys in gray starved the more the government hoarded. The Northern armies would have been driven into Canada easily if the Confederate Government had devoted a little time to offensive operations instead of piling up gold bullion. It was not the war that told on Jefferson Davis and his Cabinet; not at all: the Government exhausted itself looking for caves and things to hold barrels of gold that accumulated daily. We think the Times for drawing attention to this matter. We have been misled. Our gold hiding and bullion buying officials have been unjustly maligned, and we solemnly affirm that during the war our rulers were gorged with gold to a degree of positive disablement. It is time the world should be apprised of this fact."

The Moffet registering machines have been introduced into nearly all the bar-rooms in Richmond. The liquor dealers have abolished the credit system, and now do business only on a cash basis. A state official who is known throughout the commonwealth of Virginia, went into a saloon last Monday and called for a glass of lager. It was delightfully cool and he was about three minutes in swallowing it, after which he wiped his lips with his handkerchief and eyed the bar-keeper suspiciously. "You forgot to turn the crank," said he quite sternly. "Yes; but you have forgotten to pay me," was the response. A five cent piece rang of the counter, the bell sounded, the dial moved, and the bar-keeper announced that the public debt of Virginia had been reduced half a cent.

THE REVIVAL OF BUSINESS.—The merchants generally testify to a satisfactory business this week. As heretofore noted, the unseasonably warm weather has been a drawback to some lines that deal in early winter goods; but apart from this there is no complaint. To-day there was a steady move in nearly all makes of fall fabrics. Cottons were in moderate request; prints quiet in first hands, but active with jobbers. Sprague's prints are reduced to six cents. Gingham and dress goods are in better request, and likewise men's woolsens. In the hide and leather, boots and shoes, tobacco and iron trades, there is a decidedly improved condition. The last mentioned cannot, indeed, be said to be much more active than it has been, but merchants are much more confident of the future than they have been for some time, and that is something.—New York Cor. Phil. Ledger.

A TOUGH MATCH.—Stanley Matthews, Republican and Gen. Ewing, Democrat, now canvassing the State of Ohio, appear to be well matched. Ewing, formerly a Republican, says when the Democratic party began to get good he joined it, and when the Republican party began to get bad, Matthews, who was a Democrat, joined it. An Ohio paper says that they are well matched, for each of them has belonged to every party that has had an existence within the past twenty years. If so, they are men of large party experience.

THE VAGRANT ACT.—Down at the east end of the Central Market yesterday morning somebody threw the skin of a dog upon the flagstones just three seconds before a citizen's foot planted on the spot. He leaped to the board, rolled back to port, and then settled away and went down in about seven fathoms of miscellaneous water. As he was getting up, a man who had been eating a raw turnip stepped out and asked: "Are you a vagrant?" "Vagrant! Why, sir, I'll knock your infernal nose off!" shouted the victim. "Can't help that," continued the turnip-eater. "I saw you when you started to fall; you were clawing this way and that. You could have been convicted of vagrancy then."

Mr John Hargrove went to "preaching" at a country church in Tennessee one night not long ago, and during the services some boys put a parcel of pebbles under his saddle, and watched to see the fun. A correspondent of the Columbia Herald and Mail gives the result thus: "John weighs something over two hundred pounds, and when he settled in the saddle on the rocks his horse got right up in the air and waved his tail around like a bunch of chawed rope, and kicked every way for Sunday. John crawled over his head and jarred things heavy when he got down." Well, boys will be boys; but this putting of rocks under the saddles of people weighing over two hundred pounds is a sort of boy that will have to be worn out against the ground a number of times before he will see fewer delights in devility than early plying.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Fashionable ladies now-a-days pencil their eyebrows, paint blue shadows under their eyes and on the upper lip, pink their nostrils and the inside of their ears to make them look like a rube; paint the ends of their fingers pink from the last joint up, to make them look fine and delicate; paint the finger nails slightly, put balladonna in their eyes, an infinitesimal patch of black cork-plaster at the outer corner of each eye, paint their arms, necks and faces white, and their cheeks red, and bandage their hair. "And they actually come down into the ball-room in the evening so changed that you'd never know it was the same woman you'd been talking to in the yard all afternoon," said a lady. Men swear at them behind their backs, vow if it was their wife they'd catch her and wash the paint off—and run after the painted woman all the same.

O. H. DOCKERY'S MODESTY.—This pretended leader, who while in Washington tries to make the President believe that he represents North Carolina and when in the Tar Heel State tries to make the people believe he represents Hayes, has put his "coultur" in pretty deep. He has two sons, one Consul at Leeds, and the other mail agent on a North Carolina depot. The old man himself wants to be Consul General to London or United States Marshal for North Carolina. He believes in civil service. Hopes it will be civil enough to take care of all the Dockerys—they have been such alarmingly great patriots.—Washington Sunday Herald.

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