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Enormous beds of solid rock salt have been discovered in the State of New York. There are 350 measures which have passed the Senate now awaiting the action of the House. It seems to be conceded that Blaine will have a walk over in the matter of delegates from Pennsylvania to the Chicago convention. M. Pasteur and his collaborators have announced to the French Academy of Sciences the fact that by inoculation they can render all dogs absolutely proof against the effects of rabies, in whatever way or quantity the virus may be administered.

A REPUBLICAN PROTEST. An Old Line Republican Raises His Voice Against the Scandalous Proceedings and the Conduct of the Colored Delegates in the Late Republican Convention. Through your valuable paper I have decided to ask permission to make a few statements and have something to say concerning the Republican convention which assembled in Charlotte last Saturday. 1st. That the proceedings were disorderly, no one can deny. 2d. That the convention was not controlled by that discretionary fairness which should characterize the government of such assemblies, must be admitted. 3d. That the personal interests of two or three individuals should not have been forced into a general convention by distorting the harmony of the great and grand political organization now alluring for the overthrow of Bourbonism in North Carolina, strikes me will be the verdict of the one hundred and sixty thousand people in our grand old State, who are more interested in the success of the great party pledged to reform by securing every right to the citizen than in the interest of a few individuals, whoever they may be.

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WILL STICK. In addition to his clerical duties and sundry other miscellaneous employments, Rev. Henry Ward Beecher keeps his eye on the political field, and takes a lively interest in political matters. He did as much, perhaps, by his sermons in the pulpit, his lectures and his writings to build up the Republican party, array sectional animosities and precipitate the conflict of arms between the North and South, as any man North of Mason's and Dixon's line. He is an earnest, bold, vigorous and brilliant man. On the question of tariff he is a free trader, which gave rise to the report that he would sever his connection with the Republican party and fall in with Mr. Watterson, Frank Hurd and other Democratic free traders. But he is not going that way nor any other way that leads into the Democratic party. In a recent letter to the Chicago Tribune, which asked for his views upon the tariff question, he says: "The Republican party inaugurated a policy of high tariff. The necessities of a period of gigantic war are the only palliation of such a policy. But when protection of American industry was afforded upon the tariff, no excuse could be found for the blunder. It is an insult to American enterprise to assume that it needs protection. American industry is no longer in need of such crutches and nurses. Protection puts the government into the ridiculous attitude of undertaking to supervise all the various and intricate affairs of manufacturing and commerce. It is the last vestige of that old system of paternal government which seeks to arrange men's religious beliefs, to determine their social relations, to prescribe their means of dress and apparel, to do for them what a free people are a thousand times better able to do for themselves. The aim and drift of protection is foolish and impertinent, but the machinery by which it seeks to secure this end is even worse than the cause which it serves. Corrupt custom houses in their nature are academies of injustice and dishonesty, abhorred of God as they ought to be of men. But right in so much and wrong in so little, shall we abandon the party or remain in it to settle a reformation? As long as freedom of discussion is allowed, its members should abide within and strive for its reformation. What a ridiculous and monstrous folly it would be to leave the Republican party because it is blinded with protection and go over to the Democratic party, that has conspired with almost every evil which the war has swept away, and which has not yet shown that it had learned a single lesson from the grand struggle of the last twenty-five years."

The Nottingham Land and Iron Company has been organized at Calera, Ala., with a capital stock of \$1,500,000. The company owns landed property to the amount of \$750,000, and has a reserve fund of \$400,000. Calera is at the junction of the North and South and Selma, Rome and Dalton Railroads, and is near the coal and iron mines of Alabama. It is a rapidly growing place, with bright prospects for future importance. A BRAZILIAN OTHELLO. Tragic Ending of the Baseless Suspicion of a Corporal of Police. RIO JANEIRO, March 13.—A Brazilian Othello has appeared in the province of Maranhão, at the town of Caxias. Mariano Monteiro de Silva was a corporal of police at that place, and he was attached to the regiment of Leocadia Francisco de Souza, also a member of the mixed white, black and Indian race, which constitutes the great mass of the natives of the north and northeastern provinces, and of the Brazilian interior in general. He was a quiet and well-conducted man, much respected by his officers, and adoring his wife, who seems to have been usually attached to him. But one evening, on going to his parade service, he saw signs of male and female footsteps in the back of his rear garden and suspicion entered his bosom, especially as his wife had appeared very earnest in reminding him of the hour for going to parade. Brooding over this he returned immediately as soon as afternoon before he had been in the garden, and he saw the back of his garden at half-past 6 p. m. he saw in the dusk a man in a pink robe, such as his wife had worn in the garden, and he perceived that his bayonet seven times into the man; the woman had fled, but he pursued in the direction she had taken and as he reentered the yard of his house he met her, and she was endeavoring to run. Convinced of her falsehood, he, without a word, stabbed her with the bayonet eighteen times, and then went and surrendered himself to the police, declaring that he had avenged his dishonor. The wife died in a few hours and the wounded man's case was almost hopeless. Next day a slave girl came to the police and declared that the wife was herself who had met the slaughtered man and who had fled in fear. The poor Brazilian Othello has sacrificed another Desdemona to unjust suspicion.

The cholera germ identified. As the germs to which certain diseases are due have in several instances been so modified by careful treatment as to become innocuous, and have even been used, like vaccine virus, as a prophylactic, there is always a warm welcome given by scientists to an announcement that a new germ has been isolated and subjected to artificial cultivation. The cholera germ has been the object of a protracted quest. Gerhardt has visited Egypt during the recent outbreak there with a view of searching for it. Not a few persons were willing to assert that cholera was not the result of the action of germs within the human body—in fact, that there was no such thing as a cholera germ. The crucial test, of course, was to find by the aid of the microscope within the bodies of cholera patients a germ which, when placed in the body of a pig or other animal, would reproduce the cholera. Koch found in Egypt a microscopic parasite which he declared characteristic of the disease, but he was not able by inoculating with them to produce cholera. Persisting in his inquiry, he went from Egypt to India, the home of the disease. "There, in a water tank," says the New York Times, "he found the tiny thing which had never before been seen outside of a cholera patient or his secretions. It was a great step. The argument from analogy was that the microbe caused the disease, but it was still possible that the parasite was only a symptom and effect of the disease, and not itself the cause. A dispatch from Calcutta announces the taking of the final step. The animals which Koch fed under the microscope with the germ gave no sign that anything disagreed with them. But Dr. Vincent Richards, civil surgeon of Calcutta, has caused the death of a pig from cholera within three hours after the poison was given." Dr. Richards will need to repeat his experiments to convince the incredulous scientist of the reality of his supposed discovery. He must, like Pasteur, devise a mode of "culture" by which the cholera germ will be deprived of its virulent qualities, so as to be used as a preventive against the disease it now produces.

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The Postoffice Appropriation Bill. The postoffice appropriation bill was reported to the Senate from the committee on Appropriations Monday afternoon. As amended by the Senate committee it provides for a total appropriation of \$49,722,400, which is \$25,282,000 in excess of the amount appropriated last year, and \$2,499,500 in excess of the amount called for by the bill as it left the House. The principal items of increase are as follows: For compensation of postmasters, from \$18,500,000 to \$11,750,000; for payment to letter-carriers and incidental expenses of the free delivery system, from \$8,600,000 to \$4,900,000; for transportation of mail on railroad routes, from \$11,700,000 to \$12,750,000. An appropriation of \$125,000 for "necessary and special mail-order trunk lines" is added to the House bill.

Uprising Against Americans. CHICAGO, Ill., April 16.—A special from El Paso, Tex., to the Daily News, says: A dispatch comes from Fracascos, Mexico, 700 miles south of here, to the effect that there is trouble among the inhabitants and an uprising against the American residents. They attacked the Mexican Central Railroad, burned bridges and tore up the track for several miles in Chihuahua. The Governor called out troops to prevent any demonstration. Travellers from the interior for several days have reported uneasiness and fear of rebellion among the inhabitants. It is impossible to obtain particulars. Allen's Brain Food. Extract strengthens the brain and positively cures nervous debility, nervousness, headache, unnatural losses, and all weakness of generative system. It never fails. \$1 per box. Sent by mail from J. H. Allen, 215 Ave. New York City.

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