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VIEWS AND REVIEWS.

Out of the 1,500 replies received by the New York *Tribune* from the 2,000 Republican town committeemen in Pennsylvania, 1,200 are for Blaine.

Prince Bismarck is still indisposed and is confined to his bed. He has enforced his demand for the appointment of a colleague by suggesting that if his work is not thus lightened, he be allowed to retire altogether.

It is said that Mary Anderson, while acting Juliet in Boston, took a wad of chewing gun out of her mouth in the garden scene, put it carefully on the railing of the balcony, and picked it up again after her last 'good night' to Romeo.

Chief Justice Waite, during his recent visit to New Orleans, was treated with the most distinguished consideration. A dinner, at which Chief Justice Manning presided, was given, and two hundred guests were present, including all the prominent clergymen, lawyers and bankers of the city.

It is reported that when Senator Bayard was in Richmond recently he was invited to pay a visit to the Virginia Legislature, in which the readjusters have a majority, where it was proposed to tender him a formal reception. His reply was that he did not care to visit people who refused to pay their honest debts.

Hon Thomas Ewing says the Ohio delegation in the Democratic National Convention will probably go for Seymour after Thurman, but the Cincinnati *Enquirer* regards Mr. Tilden as the second choice of the Ohio Democrats, providing his friends can give assurance of carrying New York.

An attempt to rob the Sub Treasury at Philadelphia, though made nearly a year ago, has just been divulged by the officials, who mistakenly supposed that silence would lead to the detection of the thieves. A wall more than two feet thick was dug through, but the vault containing $10,000,000 in gold resisted the attack, and the burglars secured only a few dollars' worth of pennies. Five watchmen in the building declared that they heard nothing.

The Emperor of Austria has lately been the recipient of a unique present. It consists of a suit of clothes made from the wool of an alpaca sheep that eleven hours previous to their delivery was still alive. The animal, a superb specimen of its kind, was slain at 6.11 M. Four hours and thirty-three minutes were employed in reducing the wool to cloth In two hours and twenty-five minutes the latter was ready for the tailor, who employed the remaining four hours in making the suit.

The ravages of what is commonly known as 'rot' or 'bane' are assuming most appalling proportions in the midland and western counties of England, in consequence, it is generally supposed, of the excessive and long-continued wet weather last year. Tens of thousands of sheep, principally ewes, are dead and dying. In some parishes in Gloucester, Oxon and Warwick there are, comparatively speaking, very few sheep left, and in Somerset there are only 5,000 left in one district which usually winters 50,000. Hundreds, if not thousands, of sheep have been sold off in the Bristol district at from 3s. 6d. to 16s. a head.

The Rev. Dr Boardman of Philadelphia, a Baptist, comes out in favor of parochial schools. 'The Constitution of the United States,' he says, 'guarantees absolute freedom of conscience; accordingly, to force the Bible on the non-Christian, or the Protestant version on the Romanist, or the New Testament on the Jew, is an invasion both of the Constitution and also of the rights of conscience. Right of conscience is not thus a question of majorities or physical force. So long as the Church abandons to the State the work of educating the nation, the expulsion of the Bible from our schools is only a question of time.' Therefore, he argues, the only right way to educate the children under religious auspices is to do it in schools maintained by the churches.

"ERRING BROTHER" KEY.

We are not an advocate of lotteries nor any other games of chance. We are opposed to them upon moral grounds; but we believe that even a lottery may have some rights which the government is bound to respect. For instance: The Louisiana State Lottery is a regularly chartered and regularly organized company, acting under the laws of that State. Its president is M. Dauphin, and the regular drawings of the company are made under the immediate supervision of Generals P. T. Beauregard, of Louisiana, and Jubal A. Early, of Virginia.

The Postmaster-General, possessed with the idea that this lottery was highly immoral and dangerous in its tendencies, and acting under the law which forbids transportation through the mails of obscene or immoral matter, issued an order some time since that all registered postal matter addressed to M. Dauphin should be withheld. The latter gentleman has brought suit against Mr. Key for thus confiscating postal matter addressed to him.

General Beauregard is now in Washington as a witness in the case, and, while we differ with him as to the morality of the lottery business, some of his ideas, as expressed to a reporter, are worthy of thought. To a question as to whether the drawings were actually conducted under his personal supervision, he said:

'Gen. Early and myself, with three assistants of our own selection, handle every ticket. There are 100,000 of them in each drawing. We count over twice every ticket, to prevent any errors; we then put them in a box, which is sealed and opened only in public, after having examined the seals, at the moment of commencing the drawing. The prizes are treated in the same manner. On the appointed day and hour for the drawing the boxes are opened and the tickets and prizes are put in their respective wheels. Gen. Early takes his place at the ticket wheel usually, and I at the other. Each of us has a boy of our selection (who is blindfolded and has his sleeves rolled up to the elbow) to take out the ballots and the prizes, one at a time and at the same moment. Gen. Early takes the ballot from the boy's hand at his wheel, and I do likewise with the prize from mine We open them at once, read them aloud, when we hand them to two public criers, who proclaim them in a louder voice. A record thereof is kept by two accountants, chosen by us, and the ticket and prize are then folded together and put in a box for the purpose of verifying the records before they are certified to by us. I must add that the tickets and prizes being rolled up and put each one in an India rubber tube, it is utterly impossible to distinguish them from each other, for these tubes are exactly alike in size and color.'

'The drawings are public, you say?'

'Certainly, and generally attended by a large number of people.'

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'What security do the public have that yours is really a fair game of chance?'

'The security of our names and reputation. That is precisely the security they have in the safety of their deposits in a bank, or the value of their contributions to a life insurance company. A man with money to deposit inquires as to the character of the men who conduct the bank. He does not ask to examine its assets, or to value them; the guarantee to him is the reputation of the managers and the manner in which they have conducted the business up to that time. Banks break, and the depositors lose, but do not insist for that reason that banking is a dishonest business. There are bogus lotteries as well as rotten banks. If a person believes the Louisiana lottery is fairly conducted he does not hesitate to buy a ticket except for conscientious scruples. Reasoning in this way, the people of Louisiana, in their highest capacity, have legalized the lottery I am connected with, and made a record of their action which can neither be destroyed nor successfully disputed.'

'Yours is a really legal lottery, then?'

'In the highest sense legal. Up to this time lotteries were authorized by Legislature, and in every case where there was no doubt about the legislative act have been sustained by the courts. The Louisiana Lottery Company have their charter from the people, who imbedded it in the State Constitution, which was adopted by a very large majority There can be no doubt about such an act. A legislative charter might be obtained by fraud, or chicanery, or bribery, but it is not possible to bribe a whole people. The courts will not entertain such a proposition as that. A legislative act, although not void, might be voidable, but not a constitutional provision. There can therefore be no question that the Louisiana Lottery is a legal one. If not, I would not have anything to do with it.'

Now, here is a company doing business under the laws of a sovereign State, perfectly legitimate in all its features, so far as that State is concerned, conducted with every element of fairness that can in any way attach to such an enterprise, which Mr. Key would suppress by withholding and confiscating the funds belonging legitimately to its treasury. It looks to us as if he was exceeding his powers, and that a strict interpretation of the law would place him in rather an awkward position.

MOONSHINE.

'If this scalp fits you, you may wear it,' scornfully remarked the under Indian in the fight. And the victor, who was a man open to conviction, wore it on his leggings till he lost it, some years later, in connection with his own —Burlington Hawkeye.

Pat: 'Well, Dan, and have ye heard the news—have ye heard that Rory the miller's dead?' Dan: 'Rory the miller is it that's dead now?' Jabers, but ye don't say so, and he was a young man too.' Pat: 'Faith, and that's true for ye, Dan; he was such a young man now, that I expected to see him at my own funeral instead of me going to his.'

A clergyman asked his Sunday school: 'With what remarkable weapon did Samson at one time slay a number of Philistines? For a while there was no answer, and the clergyman, to assist the children a little, commenced tapping his jaw with the tip of his finger, at the same time saying, 'What's this? What's this? Quick as thought, a little fellow innocently replied, 'The jawbone of an ass, sir.'

'Perkington is a man of decision.—The other evening, upon reaching home, he was met by his dearest Maria with the harrowing tale of Bridget the cook's, kerosene disaster. 'Oh John!' she began, 'we've had such a dreadful time! Bridget tried to hurry the fire—poured kerosene into it—blew up—burnt her to death—oh! oh! oh!' Perkington is a wonderful man a man for an emergency. He replied as a man who is not used to being thwarted in purposes, 'Discharge her immediately Maria; discharge her immediately. I won't have such a woman in the house!—Boston Transcript.

New Advertisements

Commissioner's Sale.

BY VIRTUE OF A DECREE OF THE Superior Court of New Hanover county, in the case of E. B. Goelet and others, vs. W. W. Lane and others, I will expose to sale at public auction, at Exchange Corner, in the city of Wilmington, on Wednesday, the 31st day of March, 1880, the lot of land with improvements thereon, situate on the South side of Princess street, between the old Journal building and the Baxter lot, fronting on Princess street 50 feet and running back southwardly that width 97 feet, being parts of lots No. 1 and 2 in Block 165 according to the official plan of the City of Wilmington. Sale to take place at 12 o'clock, M. Terms of sale liberal, and will be made known at sale.

A. T. LONDON, Commissioner.

Cronly & Morris Auctioneers

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Notice.

APPLICATION will be made to the next session of the Legislature for a Charter for the Wilmington Market Company.

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