

THE JOINT SUMMER MEETING.

AN ENTHUSIASTIC REUNION OF THE FARMERS AT GREENVILLE.

A Great Number of Distinguished Men Present—Arrangements for the State Fair in Columbia—Address—Other Matters.

[Special to the News and Courier.] GREENVILLE, July 29.—The Joint Summer meeting of the State Agricultural Society here today brought a large number of the best farmers as well as a goodly number of the most distinguished citizens of the State.

The delegates and visitors of the two societies were met upon arrival by local committees and assigned to the homes of citizens whose doors had been opened for the reception and entertainment of the guests of the city during their stay.

The citizens of Greenville, mindful of the city's reputation for generous hospitality to strangers and her guests on all occasions, take pride in caring for the delegates and their friends, and in showing them all attentions necessary to the full enjoyment of their visit.

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Cabinet Officers Bolt Blaine—Opinions of a Republican Politician.

WASHINGTON, July 31.—"This thing can only end one way," remarked an experienced political observer to the Times correspondent yesterday, "and for the life of me I cannot see how Cleveland can be defeated." The gentleman in question has held an important semi-judicial position in the Treasury Department for twenty years. He has during that time voted regularly for the Republican ticket, and will so vote this fall. Continuing, he said: "You haven't seen any member of the Cabinet wearing out his shoes running about for Blaine, have you? Neither have I. Has any one else? The truth is, Chandler is the only man in the Cabinet who wants Blaine to win. Folger hates him. So does Frelinghuysen, who is about the most dignified man in the cabinet. He will come in contact with Teller's own return to the Senate from Colorado depends upon the defeat of Blaine. The mere mention of the name of Blaine in Secretary Lincoln's hearing actually makes him sick. There is no love lost, however, for Blaine hates Lincoln just as strongly in return.

The Congressional Democratic Committees have been eager to get things in moving order, and in a few days will have a full force of men employed in sending out documents, speeches and other campaign material. They are in daily receipt of the most encouraging letters from all parts of the country. It is nonsense for the Republican papers to claim to be able to carry West Virginia. No Republican here believes that they can do any such thing. Mahone's most violent adherents admit that it is impossible for the Republican party to carry Virginia. The only effort they will make will be to carry as many of the Legislative districts as they can. Mahone made the great mistake of his life when he ordered the appointment of colored trustees for the white public schools of that State. This turned the white people solid against him.

Interesting Postoffice Information. The forthcoming annual report of the Postmaster General will show an increase of \$12,000,000 in the number of postage stamps sold during the past year, over the sales of the preceding year. This will bring the total number of postage stamps sold during the year up to about 2,215,000,000, or an average of about 24 each for the population of the country during the year. There were, in addition to this, about 200,000,000 stamped envelopes, bringing the total to about 1,500,000,000. Adding 375,000,000 postal cards, which will be shown to be about the number used during the year, will bring the total communications of the year up to 1,800,000,000 in round numbers, or an average of about 35 letters or postals each during the year of the whole nation. Probably the estimate of estimate of 35 is too high for it is based upon figures of the last census, making the population 50,000,000, to which is now added six or eight millions, so that the average in the number of letters would probably not be about 35.

The annual statement of the dead letter branch will contain the usual facts regarding the work of absent-minded people and bad writers to the country. The number amounts to about 4,500,000. Those originating in the country, whose owners are not found, are opened. At the postoffice is a museum, made up from the articles found in these letters. The money in these letters amounts to about \$40,000 for the year, while the drafts, checks and notes amount to \$1,500,000. The largest proportion, of course, are articles of small value, such as magazines, pamphlets, fruit cakes, seeds, old clothes, dirty collars and socks, and articles of different character. There is a sale of these articles every year at the museum. There are also bridles, stirrups, pistols, dolls, photographs, cavalry swords and articles of wear, and hundreds of other articles equally interesting and strange to come from such sources.

Severe Wind and Hail Storm. BALTIMORE, July 31.—This city and vicinity was visited this afternoon by a severe storm of wind and rain, with thunder and lightning. Houses on Fayette, Fremont and other streets in the more elevated parts of the city were flooded, and several buildings in the block in the course of erection on Carey street were thrown down. Some buildings were seriously damaged by storm two weeks ago; there was also a block of buildings on Carrollton avenue, the end and partition walls of which were washed down. Several large shade trees in Harlem Park were blown down, seriously marring its appearance. On Baltimore street heavy iron awning posts were broken off by the force of the wind. The storm was more severe than any that has occurred for several years.

Democratic Headquarters. NEW YORK, August 1.—The Executive committee of the Democratic National Convention was in session to-day at the Fifth Avenue Hotel. Chairman Barnum was present as were Senators Jonas, Gorman and Ransom; Ex-Congressman Miles Toss of New Jersey, Congressman Harbort, of Virginia, Commissioner Hubert-O. Thompson, and Treasurer A. J. Canda. The selection of headquarters is the most important business of the meeting. This was established at No. 11 West 24th street, nearly opposite the Fifth Avenue Hotel, and in rear of the Hoffman House. The following advisory campaign committee to the Executive Committee was appointed: Senators Gorman, Ransom and Jonas, J. S. Barbour, Hubert O. Thompson, A. H. Browne, of Indiana, and Miles Ross, of New Jersey.

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Killed by a Female Doctor. BOSTON, August 1.—Mrs. Wm. Hill, of Rockland, who has been stopping with friends at South Boston, died suddenly this morning.—Mrs. Hill's friends assert by the carelessness of a woman doctor. Her death was one of the greatest sufferings in 45 minutes after taking the medicine. A lady friend of the dead woman is reported to be seriously ill after having tasted of Mrs. Hill's medicine for curiosty.

Scrofula. Are any members of your family thus afflicted? Have they scrofulous swellings of the glands? Have they scrofulous sores ulcers? If so, and if should be neglected, the peculiar taint, or poison, may deposit itself in the substance of the lungs, producing consumption. Look well to the condition of your family, and if thus afflicted, give the proper remedy without delay. But use that which makes absolute cures in the shortest space of time. The unerring finger of public opinion points to the unerring finger of public opinion points to B. B. B. as the most wonderful remedy for Scrofula ever known. You need not take our word—your need not know our names—merit is all you seek. Ask your neighbors, ask your druggist, ask or write to those who give their certificates and be convinced that B. B. B. is the quickest and most perfect Blood Purifier ever before known.

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