

COLUMBIA WINS ASTOR CUP

LEADS CONSTITUTION BY 3 MINUTES 54 SECONDS AT END OF 25-MILE COURSE. ... The Columbia was the winner of the Astor cup to-day and to-night every one is talking of the defeat of the Constitution.

At noon the Constitution had passed Point Judith and was on the Columbia about a quarter of a mile and the latter yacht was about the same distance ahead of the Navaho. Next came the Corona. Her main and foremast were drawing better.

There was a busy scene at the landing of the New York Yacht Club. Carriages and automobiles were constantly bringing parties from the cottages and the launches kept a constant procession out to the steam yacht.

On the Columbia the guests of ex-Commodore E. T. Gerry were: Dr. Alexander Clarke, Frederick Shelden, C. M. Shubert, H. W. Whitehouse, Jr., and Arthur Gray.

Among the conspicuous yachts in the big fleet were: Frederick Bourne's fast steamer Colonia, with quite a large party on board; P. A. B. W. Loomis's motor schooner; Josephine, the Baltimore's English steamer; Tuscarora, Isaac Stern's steamer; Virginia, Col. Alexander's motor schooner; and many others.

At 10:45 o'clock the Nourmahal, with the Regatta committee on board, anchored southeast of the light vessel, and then the signal flags K, Y, fluted at the end of the mainmast. This meant the Block Island buoy race was about to start.

The Corona, Quissetta and Elmina raced for the Astor cup for schooners and the Corona had a new 17 minutes 42 seconds time for the race. The Columbia was beaten by 3 minutes 54 seconds.

At 11:23 the Elmina and the Corona were squared away and, with their lights drawing, the Constitution was about a mile ahead of the Elmina.

The Independence, in the meantime had kept to the south of the starting line and had taken a lead of about half a mile. She had a good breeze and was making the evident intention of going on board.

Then the wind freshened and the Columbia beat the Constitution. Slowly, but surely, she picked her way up and much to the surprise of every one who had watched the boats in their former contests.

The Quissetta held well to the westward and the Corona and the Independence were sailing along with the wind on the eastward of the course. She was running evidently to try how she could hold the others on this point.

When hauled on the wind the Constitution was about a mile ahead of the Corona. The Columbia was a little to the westward of the Constitution and the Corona.

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ELECTION PLAN FOR CUBA.

Five Conditions for Eligibility to Office Not Provided For in Constitution—Registration and Election Boards to Be Chosen Eight Days After the Law is Promulgated.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. HAVANA, July 29.—The proposed new electoral law was read to the Constitutional Convention to-day. Its principal feature covers the conditions that must be fulfilled in order to render a man eligible for office.

To be Governor of a province or a provincial legislator a man must be 30 years old and have lived more than two years in the province. He must be the head of a family or have been a taxpayer in the province for a year before the election, or possess a professional degree or have held public office by virtue of a popular election.

The registration and electoral boards will be elected. They will consist of three members from each ward. Each province will have a board of five members to preside at the elections in the entire province and be the intermediary between the ward boards and the Constitutional Convention.

The number of representatives from each province is the same as in the previous project. The number of provincial Legislators is also the same. Minority representation is recognized. Each elector on voting will have to present a certificate of registration and affirm that he is the person mentioned therein.

The Presidential electors will be elected the same day as the Representatives. Havana will choose 21 electors, Santa Clara 18, Santiago 12, Matanzas 12, Pinar del Rio 11, and Puerto Principe 8. These will meet in Santa Clara thirty days after they are elected to choose a President.

TILLMAN TALKS ABOUT M'LAURIN.

Says He Was Not Expelled From the Party, as He Had Already Taken Himself Out.

WASHINGTON, July 29.—Senator Tillman of South Carolina, who is in Washington, had this to say about the recent action of the South Carolina Democratic Committee in virtually reading Senator McLaughlin out of the party.

"The action of the committee in this matter should not be construed as an expelling Mr. McLaughlin from the party. In the first place, the Democrats of the State don't regard McLaughlin as one of them. There was, therefore, no expulsion from the organization in this act of the committee, but rather a notice that Mr. McLaughlin should stand before the people in his true light.

"There is no mistaking the meaning of that committee's action. It has told McLaughlin that common political honesty and decency demand that he go before the people in order that the principles expounded by him in his heretical attitude may be either sustained or disproved.

In a word, the Democracy of the State does not deny him the right of membership, but it does deny that he is a representative of their ticket. It is a repudiation of his office as Senator and goes for real estate. The other half must have lived two years in the province, possessed a professional degree or have been elected to a public office. To be a Presidential elector a man must be a Cuban by birth or naturalization, with eight years' residence in the Republic since naturalization and two years' residence in the province. He must also be 30 years of age.

The conditions governing the eligibility of candidates for the Presidency, the Senate and House of Representatives are fixed by the Constitution and are less exacting than any of the above.

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VOOS'S VISIT TO GERMANY.

A JERSEY CITY GERMAN'S EXPERIENCE IN HIS FATHERLAND.

WASHINGTON, July 29.—The story of how his visit to Germany was spoiled by a hotel waiter, two American consular officers, the police and some other people is told in a letter to the State Department from Alwill E. Voos of 38 Montgomery street, Jersey City. The letter was written on the note paper of the steamship Mesaba, in which Mr. Voos was presumably returning to his Jersey City home.

"I was taken to jail," Mr. Voos writes, "and kept for three weeks and two days for examination. On May 21 I was discharged—no case."

"I went to notify the police. I was laughed at. I then went to the American Consul. I told him my tale of woe. He merely said, 'I have no jurisdiction here' and made drunk and robbed. The losses sustained by Mr. Voos are enumerated as follows: Two pawn tickets, one for a diamond ring worth \$200 and the other for a gold watch valued at \$40, a merechoun, cigar holder, a silver-plated corn mouth-piece and his passport. From other statements he says that he was kept in the hotel and he had arrived only that night. His point blank refusal to pay caused the waiter to summon a policeman, who arrested Mr. Voos.

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WESTCHESTERS DEFEAT THE PHILADELPHIA FREEBROTHERS AT POLO.

NARRAGANSETT FIELDS, July 29.—The Point Judith Country Club polo tournament was inaugurated here to-day on the grounds at Wildfield Farm, when play opened for the first time under the auspices of the Narragansett and Westchester polo clubs.

FREE SILVER DEAD IN ARKANSAS.

Former Congressman Breckenridge Says It's Another Lost Cause.

PLATT DOES NOT AGREE WITH QUIGG.

"Republican for Mayor" Suggestion Did Not Come From the Senator.

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