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MR. SHIRAS FOR SUPREME BENCH.

The nomination by the President of George Shiras to the vacant place upon the United States Supreme Bench is one of the best that could have been made. Mr. Shiras is not only a man of fine mind, but his personal bearing during a long and successful career at the Allegheny county bar has won him the high respect of all both in and out of his profession.

When the personality of Mr. Shiras becomes more familiar to the country-at-large—in the legal profession his status is already widely known beyond the borders of this Commonwealth—the entire fitness of the appointment will be admitted and praised. Meanwhile the Allegheny county bar and the local community cannot help feeling complimented at the selection for the United States Supreme Bench of a man who, alike as lawyer and citizen, has lived upon the highest plane and commanded at all times their esteem.

THE DEMOCRATIC BANKING IDEA.

While the Democratic platform avoided the financial error of endorsing free silver coinage, and a still more narrow escape has been made by the Democrats in Congress from committing the same error, it cannot be ignored that in proposing to revise the old system of irresponsible State bank circulation it has lent its indorsement to a financial view of much more widespread and evil results.

FALLING SHORT IN COMFORT.

Mr. Bailey, of Texas, is a new member of the House of Representatives, who has come to that body under the old-fashioned and effete delusion that it is the duty of the representatives of the people to do the work they are paid for.

A LAND-GRABBING BILL.

The announcement is made that an effort will be put forward during the closing days of the session to rush to passage the bill for the removal of the Utes from their reservation in Southern Colorado to the mountains of Utah.

WHY HITE OFF OUR NOSES?

The claim that if Canada persists in her discriminations against American commerce through her canal retaliatory measures must be adopted may be conceded in the main; but, if the newspaper summaries of Senator Higgins' bill on that subject are accurate, there is need for the warning against biting off our nose to spite the face.

make much pretense of obeying, it manifestly should not be cast aside without pressing reasons. On the face of the proposition it is only to suspend that rule in cases where a necessity exists from the competition of the Canadian railroads.

The real motive for this provision is the constant plea of the trunk lines that the clause gives the Canadian railroads an advantage in the through competition. This claim as THE DISPATCH has often shown is utterly fictitious. The trunk lines of this country have a large, if not a larger, amount of traffic exempt from that restriction as the entire traffic of the Canadian railroads, which is not reached by our law.

THE CHILE SETTLEMENT.

The settlement of the Valparaiso indemnity question by Chile's payment of \$75,000, to be distributed among the families of the two seamen who lost their lives and the surviving members of the crew of the Baltimore wounded on October 16, is highly satisfactory.

SUNLIGHT ON THE ISSUE.

The brilliant New York Sun, in its efforts to maintain its position as a Democratic paper without swallowing the rank free trade policy of the party, evoked an inquiry from a reader "whether the Democratic platform is a free trade platform or whether it only asks for a revision of the tariff."

ONE'S MOTHER IS LOST AND THE OTHER'S MOTHER WAS TOO BUSY.

Philadelphia, July 19.—"When's my mother comin'?" A tearful tot of a girl has been lying on the sidewalk questioning every little white she wearily waits for the fond embrace of her mother's arms in the police station at Fourth and York streets.

THEY WERE TOO AFFECTIONATE.

A loving couple's insatiable kissing in Broad Daylight. New York, July 19.—Chief of Police John J. McKane sat by his window in police headquarters at West Brighton yesterday afternoon.

NO ACHIEVES IN THE BANKS.

There is a chance that Mr. Blaine will make two or three routing speeches for the ticket before the campaign begins. They will be as to whether a republican majority will be 25,000 or only 25,000.

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A LOOK AROUND.

ONE of the things which will come with the underground wires will be a great revolution in the telephone service in Pittsburgh. Cheerful and busy Manager Harry Metzger, of the Central District and Printing Telegraph Company—goodness, what a mouthful of a name—said that only get better in heaven, but he is glad to listen to protests of bad service and all that sort of thing and promptly correct it.

SURELY it is sad to think of the laborious tolls to which Congress is subjected in this season of vacations. And the whole country will rejoice in sympathy with the overworked Senators and Representatives if they succeed in casting aside their heavy burdens in less than a week's time.

WHEN the British Parliament next meets, it will be in a more congenial position as the leader of the opposition in the House of Commons than he was as the leader of the Government forces when he mainly distinguished himself by a masterly inactivity.

IT is rather singular that at Homestead the malitia should be called out to protect the mill itself.

FOR several days I have noticed sturdy-looking men on the streets wearing blue badges with gilt letterings. At first I thought they were some kind of a patrol, but it was too continued for that and I got near enough to one of these badges to see it was marked "W. G. W."

CELEBRITIES IN CLOVER. ARNER MCKINLEY, brother of the great protectionist, looks very much like him.

MISS ADELIN M. IRBSON retires from the Cambridge, Mass., corps of teachers after 39 years of service.

GOVERNOR PECK, of Wisconsin, is once a humble printer on a back street. It now lives handsomely in the house in which Otto Bitt the famous poet, once lived.

A NEW version of an old joke was current last week: Clerk (to employer)—I must ask for leave of absence to go to Homestead. I belong to the militia.

OF the many queer occupations that I have heard of, I think the queerest is that of "signature maker."

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CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS.

The solar system has 20 moons. —Mr. Gladstone's rate of speech average 150 words a minute.

—A German scientist claims that all diamonds come from meteors.

—New Mexico is enjoying the first rainy season it has had for four years.

—More than 20,000 travelers visited Shakespeare's birthplace last year.

—It costs the saloons of New York \$500,000 a year to replace their broken glasses.

—A person traverses about three-quarters of a mile in the course of an average walk.

—James Cope, of Martin's Ferry, O., claims to have an amnesia for the year 1868.

—The long-handled parrot is deficient, the short, club-handled being in the ascendant.

—Out of 240,000 domestic servants in London 100,000 are always out of employment.

—Petaluma, Cal., boasts of an artesian well yielding 30,000 gallons of fresh water every hour.

—Once every eight years all the locks on the United States Mail bags are changed to insure safety.

—Twelve members of the Senate have been Governors of States and five have been United States Senators.

—A species of crow in India has a note which exactly resembles the human voice in loud laughing.

—An average of 2,000 immigrants a day arrived in this country during the business year just closing.

—A horse will eat in a year nine times his own weight, a cow nine times, an ox six times and a sheep six times.

—The first oil well was discovered in Wayne county, Ky., in 1825, 39 years before the discovery of oil in Pennsylvania.

—A London firm finds a windmill the most economic means of generating motive power necessary to run a dynamo.

—The smallest insect known, the euterastoma funalis, a parasite of the locustman, is about one-nineteenth of an inch in length.

—Statistics recently compiled show that about 150 miles of new railroad were built in this country during the first six months of this year.

—The first wheat raised in the New World was sown on the Island of Isabella in January, 1494, and on March 30 the crop was gathered.

—A blood beet measuring 15 inches in length, 14 inches in circumference and weighing four pounds, is a curiosity of St. Tammany, La.

—The region about the Dead Sea is one of the hottest places on the globe, and the sea is said to contain millions of tons of water a day by evaporation.

—Of the 30 stores in Machias, Me., six are owned and conducted by women, and are the most successful business establishments in the town.

—In speaking of the solidification of a body by cooling, Prof. Dewar says that water can be made to become solid by the evaporation of a quarter of its weight.

—The Rajah of Indore, who likes showy things, has had made a furniture set all of glass, glass beds and chairs, high chairs and other articles of domestic use.

A VISITOR at this early period can appreciate the great improvement in that part of the Exposition building devoted to the band and its accompaniment. The large showcases forming the original boundaries at either end of the rows of chairs have been removed and their unoccupied space added to the seating capacity.

—A curious relic of old Roman life found recently at Lanurium (Porto Portese) and now stored in the British Museum, is a tiny slab of stone upon which is sculptured a circus poster.

—During a recent storm at Hopkinton, N. H., an elm tree, under which Lafayette and his party stood at a reception given them in 1776, was struck by lightning and demolished.

—Appros of the alleged discovery of Noah's ark on the top of Mount Ararat, it is related that Colonel Kalzako, a Russian engineer, in 1845 made the ascent in 1850, found no ark there.

—Investigations of rain drops lead to the conclusion that some of the large drops must be more or less hollow, as they fall when striking a surface they make a splash.

—The bridge of the Holy Trinity, Florence, was built in 1597. It is 325 feet long, of white marble, and is even now reckoned as a masterpiece of bridge-building art.

—Polo has been rapidly gaining in popularity in France, and there has been a good deal of talk of sending the game to the United States, to the Cercle des Palestrins, in the Bois de Boulogne, Paris.

—Berlin pays a salary to a professional bird-catcher, who keeps scientific and educational institutions supplied with birds. The bird-catcher is allowed to take a share in the empire permitted to do so.

—A telegram received at THE DISPATCH office last night read as follows: James Dunin, an 18-year-old son of James Dunin, a prominent New York lawyer, was shot at Newburg. His recovery is doubtful.

—The Brazil nut contains from 15 to 24 seeds, which all germinate at one time. The most curious of these is first through a small hole at the top to the open air, and thereupon it struggles and feeds upon the rest.

—At the time of the Talmud pigeons were used in amusing games. The Talmud tells of a game in which the pigeons were used in a contest to see which would win the prize.

—A young lady of Atlantic City took a clerkman to the jail at May's Landing on Monday and insisted upon being married to Albert Davis, awaiting trial for highway robbery. The clerkman was allowed to allow the ceremony to be performed.

—The costliest mats in the world are owned by the Shah of Persia and the Sultan of Turkey. The Shah and the Sultan each possess a mat which was made in the district and are built in groups, which are separated from one another by wide and generally barren places.

MISCELLANEOUS BIRTH. Miss Frothingham—I tell you when Miss Kieley says jewelry she's talking green.

Mr. Keene—She must have actually been so if she was envious.—Jewelry Weekly.

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