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THE appointment of Hon. JOHN D. DEMERES as Government Printer is one that cannot fail of commendation everywhere.

THE war in Europe has opened up questions the consideration of which will demand the highest order of statesmanship.

WE TRUST that President HAYES will stand firm in his determination to make no appointments in the civil service except on the ground of fitness and merit.

NOR is it civil-service reform, as we have pointed out elsewhere, to permit a Minister to remain at home and draw pay as the representative of the United States to a Government which will not receive him.

IT IS REPORTED that the famous Stevens battery has been sold to the Russian Government.

IS NOT this a very hazardous step for a foreign State like New Jersey to take?

THERE was distress in the Bureau of Engraving and Printing again yesterday, in consequence of the discharge of 250 of the employees.

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will lead to some conclusion satisfactory to the people. As for ourselves, we confess that in all our studies of the standard writers on the subject we have never yet found a single author who has had the hardihood to deny that scarcity creates demand, both in respect of materials and labor; and therefore we fall to see the prospect pointed out by this new light in political economy.

EX-SPEAKER RANDALL. The New York Herald, discussing the Speaker's report, says that Mr. RANDALL's course, "both while presiding in the House under extremely difficult circumstances and in the selection of committees, made him esteemed by the leading men of both parties."

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ALL SHADES OF OPINION.

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A BEAUTIFUL CAVE.

Discovery and Description of One in the Mountains of the State of Oregon.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

They are now making camel hair shawls from wool, and it takes a year and a half to make one.

The old-fashioned silver comb is coming into fashion again. The price ranges from \$7 to \$20. Let it come.

What the Prince of Wales remarked to his Royal mother in regard to the Eastern question—"Oh! Macedonia."

A Chicago contemporary says of a very prominent miller general that "his sword was never drawn but once—and then in a rage."

The sensitive actor, who couldn't sit in the same room with a tea-tray on account of its being just been killed with a "heart of Agassiz."

The poem of "John Gilpin's Ride," by George, has eighty-three per cent. of its words in one syllable, while Shakespeare has eighty-one per cent. of his words in one or two syllables.

A Philadelphia judge decides that a railroad company is not responsible for baggage further than to check it, pack it, and preserve an ordinary watch over the trunk handles.

The hand that rocks the cradle is the hand that rules the world. He who has the cradle has the world. Will get his southern feet.

Specimen Southern Feet.—A Georgia negro visited a male's tall to urge it over a fence. The small attendance at the funeral day showed that the people didn't care if he did twist the neck of the male's tall.

Curious fish are found in Wallow's Lake, California, which are bred in silver fish, and are superior in delicacy to salmon. There are only four known lakes in the world where these fish are found.

In England and Wales alone, the latest statistics show there is a population of 20,000,000, and the number of people who are not Christians is 10,000,000. This allows but one acre and a quarter to each person, and British thinkers are started at the statistics.

The Mohammedans say that coffee was a special revelation of the angel Gabriel to Mahomet. It has been believed for centuries that those who drink coffee will be saved from hell.

"Fray Ray," said Lady Wallace to David Hume, "I am a philosopher, what say you to my saying 'Fray Ray'?" "Madam, immediately answering her ladyship's meaning, said, 'Madam, when you are asked that question again, answer that you are not yet come to the years of discretion.'"

James McKay has six buffaloes on his grazing farm at Long Lake, in Manitoba. Two of these are calves brought from the West last fall and the others are older, some of them full grown. They feed with cattle during the winter, and are used for various purposes during the summer.

A porter in Nevada hotel who addressed the guests of the famous hotel, "Madam, I have been observing you closely for some weeks past, and I am led to believe that there is trouble—trouble of a serious nature—growing at your heart. Tell me what that secret sorrow is."

The following translation from the agricultural columns of the North German Allgemeine Zeitung has been translated for our readers: "In order to fatten young pigeons quickly put them, on the twentieth day, or when they commence to get feathers, into a close box or cage, and keep them there for a week, in a place which freely admits the air, but excludes the light. Feed the birds three times daily, at intervals of five hours each, with sliced maize, opening their beaks and making them swallow the maize whole. Do not let them eat any other food. The maize should be warm, not hot. Ifly containing this treatment ten or twelve days the birds will become most tender and delicate."

A flashing light that indicates the speed and distance of a train, and shows whether it is at rest or in motion, has been invented by a man of the name of T. It is formed of two lights—one red and one white—and designed to be placed one on each side of the rear (caboose) car, so that they may be seen in both directions on the line. It is a simple and effective device, and is said to be in use on several lines.

"Clothes-moths are always worst in summer," writes the Rev. J. C. Wood, "than in any other period of the year; but there is one plan by which they may be kept from doing any harm. It is to wash the clothes in a solution of soda water, and to dry them in the sun. This will destroy the eggs of the moths, and prevent them from doing any harm."