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It may not be generally known that the United States is the greatest raisin-consuming country in the world, and uses annually more raisins than the whole of Europe. The market is mainly supplied from Spain, the raisins known as "Malagas" being considered the best. They come from a comparatively narrow strip of country in the south of Spain, which has hitherto been regarded as surpassing all other regions for raisins of that character. The annual yield of Malaga grapes averages 2,450,000 boxes of twenty pounds each. It sometimes reaches 2,500,000 boxes, and last season about 2,000,000 boxes were marketed. Of this enormous yield the United States takes fully one-half, on which it pays a duty—as on all other raisins—of two and a half cents a pound.

With the continued improvement in the California and other American vineyards that will necessarily follow on cultivation and acclimatization this large import will soon be supplied by domestic production.

Marriage brokers are quite important business men in Genoa. They have pocket books filled with the names of the marriageable girls of the different classes, with notes of their figures, personal attractions, fortunes, etc. These brokers go about endeavoring to arrange connections; and when they succeed they get a commission of two or three per cent. upon the portion. Marriage at Genoa is quite a matter of calculation, generally settled by the parents or relations, who often draw up the contract before the parties have seen one another, and it is only when everything is arranged, and a few days previous to the marriage ceremony, that the future husband is introduced to his intended partner for life. Should he find fault with her manners or appearance, he may break off the match on condition of defraying the brokerage and any other expenses incurred.

One of Senator Wallace's staple arguments against Republican administration was the great growth of the civil list and the excessive number of employees on it. It was his custom to parade this fact in every campaign from 1875 to 1879. Besides, Democratic papers pointed to the great extravagance of the Senate and to its long list of officials and the small amount of duty performed. It is a fitting comment on these attacks that the present Democratic majority in the Senate have not only not reduced the number of employees of that body, but on Thursday actually added three to the number. And Senator Wallace offered the resolution. The force before this increase was more than twice as large as it 1860. Mr. Saulsbury raised a protest against the increase, but Democratic zeal carried all before it.

It seems that the Republican members-elect of the Maine Legislature, who are about to be counted out by Governor Garcelon and his Council, are without legal remedy. The petition for the writ of mandamus against the Secretary of State to compel him to permit the returns to be examined has been dismissed by Judge Virgin. The dispatch from Augusta announcing this result does not mention whether the writ was refused because the Court had no jurisdiction in the premises, or because the Secretary of State proved what he averred in his answer to the petition, namely, that he was not the custodian of the returns, and that they were not under his control.

The clerk of the committee which went

to Louisiana to find out whether Spofford or Kellogg was elected Senator, has decided that neither was elected and that the seat should be declared vacant. A committee clerk like this is just as handy as can be. Next time when an investigation is needed in Louisiana it won't be necessary to send along anybody but the clerk.

TRIAL LIST, December term, 1879.—

THIRD WEEK.

S Kirby vs H C Carpenter.....ejectment
Arthur Cunningham vs B J Houseknecht....tresp
Cornelia Turk's adm vs J Turk.....sci fa
Alexander Ennis vs J N Cole.....appeal
A V Snyder vs G S Ackley.....appeal
Edward Overton's adm vs John Conmey.....
Eros's Sons vs Federal Ins Co.....asspt
Elizabeth Drake et al use vs S H Farnsworth...eject
Brad L & B A of Athens vs F A Root.....sci fa
D B Walker et al vs Pa & N Y RR Co.....eject
Guy C Hollon vs Elhanan Smith.....appeal
Wm M Mallory vs James T Clark et al...partition
J C Blum vs Andrew J Layton.....trespass
C A Heavener vs David Hervener's exr.....asspt
J B Bradley vs Alonzo Hill et al.....ejectmen
M Cunningham vs David Whipple.....
Brad B & L A of Athens vs N B Reeves.....sci fa
Daniel Jagers vs Lewis Biles et al.....trespass
Wm H Barnes vs Wm May.....trespass
Hiram Horton's use vs Erastus Shepard.....sci fa
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H B Ingham vs James McCrossen.....
Catherine D Leffler vs Wm Leffler et al.....issue
L F Goetchius vs Wm Gardner.....debt

Subpoenas for second week returnable Monday December 8 at 2 p. m.; subpoenas for third week returnable on Monday December 15 at 2 p. m.
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