



PROGRESSIVE.

The principles enunciated by the great progressive moral-idea party of the country, are having a rapid development, and will doubtless reach a culmination in the election for President next year, when the party in power will discover that they have indeed drawn the elephant in their eager desire for the elevation of the "unbleached."

The Anti-Slavery Standard has a communication from Charles E. Moss insisting that the Vice-Presidency shall be filled by a negro. It says that the negro vote next year in eleven States will number 650,000, and that there are also about 600,000 votes in the North that would join in supporting such a nomination, and that this vote is so located as to turn the elections into whatever direction they choose in eight or nine other States.

The New York Tribune republishes the communication of Moss, and discerning at once that it bodes no good to republican harmony, opposes it at the jump. It says that the republican party triumphed at the two last presidential elections, and in the State contests of '65 and '66, by white votes almost exclusively, and does not see why it may not succeed in '68 as it did then. It denies that there is any proof but naked assertion that the blacks want one of their number placed on the national republican ticket, and that the indications in various Southern cities are that the blacks prefer whites for office, as more experienced and better qualified.

In the city of Richmond, for example, they exhibit an appreciation of the sweets of office which would do honor to "experienced" white men. Nay, they seem disposed to take the office altogether into their own hands, having held a caucus, in which they claimed the mayor and a majority of the council. In a county near Richmond a colored man is a candidate for the State Convention who cannot write. At a political meeting of the colored people in Albemarle county, Va., on the 2d instant, Rev. Lewis Lindsay, colored, of Richmond, made a speech, demanding a fair division of all offices and social equality.

He said the negroes meant to elect the Governor and the members of Congress and a portion of the Legislature. He added that whenever twelve men were appointed to do any business, six of them must be black, and that if the white people sent fifty delegates to the Richmond Convention, they must send seventy. These indications point to very different conclusions from those the Tribune arrives at. The blacks will have the power to elect all the Governors and a majority of Senators and Representatives in Congress in the Southern States. If they have the right to vote, why not the right to hold office, and wherever they have the power to get into office, they are shrewd and aspiring enough to do it. The white ultras of Congress can of course feel no repugnance to legislative association with these representatives of a race which has enlisted so much of their philanthropic sympathy.

Nor has the Tribune any better reason for the idea that the party is independent of black votes, since it triumphed without them in the last two Presidential elections. There will be a republican national convention next year, and then will occur a distressing dilemma. If eleven States should send colored delegates to that convention and demand the nomination of a colored man for Vice President, the party must either accede to the demand, as Mr. Moss declares, or, by refusing it, run the risk of losing the support of the 650,000 colored voters aforesaid, and their ultra white and colored associates in the North numbering, according to Moss, 600,000 more.

If, on the other hand, they concede the nomination to the colored man, their ticket would be spewed out of the popular throat, and their party consigned to political perdition. Still, it is not entirely certain that the pill, bitter as it is, will not have to be taken. There is plenty of time for Phillips, Moss & Co., to organize and consolidate the public sentiment of the colored voters by the meeting of the convention, and we shall then see whether the proposition of Mr. Moss will be rejected, "that furnishing votes must be reciprocated by receiving a just share of the offices."

OPINIONS OF GREAT MEN. The Berkeley Union says: "Hon. Chas. J. Faulkner, in his address to the Firemen on the 4th inst., said that he felt proud to live under the Stars and Stripes—that the South might feel very thankful that the rebellion had been crushed, and the North take lasting credit to itself for putting it down."

OUR BIG SHOW.

Movement Among the Animals.

On the 10th day of August ensuing, at the county seat of Jefferson, the home of Chapline and Stubbs, and a score of lesser luminaries of radicalism, the faithful are called upon to assemble in council to place in nomination two candidates for the House of Delegates and one candidate for Senator for the Senatorial District, embraced in the counties of Jefferson and Berkeley. Preparatory to holding these conventions, the "loyal" of the several townships of this county, are exhorted to hold township meetings, for the appointment of delegates to the 10th of August convocation, and in the appointment of delegates each township is allowed ten, with the exception of Charlestown and Osbourne, which two are ordered by the central committee to have their flags at half mast, and to send five delegates only.

Looking over the list of those who, through the courtesy of McKevitt and Turner, have been left on the voter's list in Charlestown township, we are at a loss to conceive how our delegation is to be constituted. We hardly think that five "unadulterated" are to be found in our voting population of thirteen, but as the status of several political gentlemen in our midst is at present a little obscure, we look to the approaching township meeting as affording an opportunity for new developments. Scanning the surface, as the field now presents itself, we think the delegation for our township will have to stand about as follows:—

- 1. Warren Burton.
2. George Anderson.
3. Burton, Silver Smith.
4. Anderson, Blacksmith.
5. Burton, Registrar.

Now, the five above enumerated, very nearly, if they do not entirely, absorb the list of "loyal" voters of Charlestown township—we mean "loyal" in accordance with Mr. Anthony Turner's interpretation of that term. That this is a weighty and striking delegation, we are free to confess, but it cannot be calculated that its undivided and hearty support will be cast in connection for the re-nomination of "Hon." Joe Chapline for Senator, whose distinguished services have shed such a lustre upon the legislative annals of our young, but thoroughly loyal State.

Having presented the probable delegation, let us look a little further into the matter, and conjecture as to the nominations likely to be made. With the long list of aspirants, whose ambition must be gratified, it is scarcely possible for a Senator, no matter how illustrious his legislative career or how brilliant his exploits in the signing of bogus checks, can hold his position for more than one consecutive term. The rotation principle must be adopted, so that all the faithful may be rewarded for their devotion to the "old flag," when it cost them nothing to bear it aloft.—Under these circumstances, our "bully Joe" will probably be required to retire to the peaceful shades of private life, to luxuriate in the rich pickings in Judge Hall's court, until Kitchin's term in Congress shall have expired. One brief year will bring about this event, and then the great geyser will reach the summit of his towering ambition, and will be honored with a seat by the side of the great master-spirit of his party, the amiable Thaddeus. As for our Joe it is very evident that fortune has not yet fully "unclasped the wedded eagles of her belt," and we feel that it is our duty to withdraw him from the course for Senator, that he may be clothed with the higher and more enduring honors of Congressional renown. Thaddeus and Joseph; what a team, and how delightfully they would pull together. With but a slight strain of the imagination we hear the elder addressing the younger thus sublimely:—

"We give you welcome: not without redoubt, Of us and you to yourself you come. And that fall voice which circles round the grave, Will rank you nobly, mingled up with me. Upon whose shoulders then shall the Senatorial mantle of the distinguished Chapline rest? We have a candidate and we mean to urge his nomination, not on account of eminent fitness for the place, but because of his self-sacrificing devotion to the "loyal" cause, in the times that "tried men's souls," and through the perils of gigantic rebellion. Lee-ton can't be crowded out any longer, and we appeal to the "loyal" delegation of Averill township to present the claims of their octogenarian fellow citizen, ex-Judge Lewis Penn Winterspoon, Balch. With him

"Age has had no power 'er the feeble mind," and he possesses to-day an intellect "Unclad by error, unshorn by time!" Give us Balch then for Senator, and the shout of the loyal legions will strike dismay to the very centers of the conservative camp, and will awake to new life the slumbering masses of loyalty. His name will draw around the radical ticket the whole loyal vote of Charlestown township—consisting of two—Burton and Anderson will rally to his support, and so will Anderson and Burton. Let Balch then be the rallying cry of every loyal man, from the highest peaks of the North Mountain, and along the shaded valleys of Back Creek, in Berkeley, to the junction of the Shenandoah and Potomac at the romantic village of Harper's Ferry, in Jefferson.

Having thus satisfactorily, and we think judiciously, disposed of the Senatorial nomination, let us see who will make us appropriate representatives in the lower branch of the General Assembly. We have the men, and they must be nominated. Their services demand this reward, their devotion to principle entitles them to this recognition. And as the motto of the party to which they are attached seems to be

"Drink to Fortune, drink to Chance, While we keep a little breath, Drink to heavy Ignorance, No-and-not with brother Death," we reluctantly place in nomination Messrs. George Anderson and Anthony Turner, and with these names emblazoned on our banner, we "hang it on the outer wall." These names will also gather the full strength of the loyal vote of Charlestown township—consisting of two. Burton and Anderson will support them, and so will Anderson and Burton.

This completes our ticket with the exception of a candidate for County Superintendent of Free Schools. The one-term principle must apply here also, and as a consequence our friend Barry who now holds the office will have to go overboard. Now, who shall be the candidate to supply the place made vacant by the necessity of retiring Barry? We have no personal acquaintance with the gentleman, but from the reports we have of him, we think "Billy Byers" is the man we want. He too would receive the full strength of the radical vote of Charlestown—consisting of two—Burton and Anderson would support him, and so would Anderson and Burton.

A GOOD HOUSE.—As the time is now near at hand when our farmers and others will be sending off their crops to the city markets, it is important to them to know to whom they can consign their grain to secure a good price and a speedy return. On our first page will be found the business card of CHARLES A. O'HARRA, & Co, Commission Merchants, 105 S. Charles street, Baltimore. The principal of this firm, Mr. Chas. O'Hara, is an active, enterprising and obliging business man, and he has the assistance of our young countryman, Capt. BERKELEY W. MOORE, who will take especial pleasure in extending a cordial greeting to his numerous friends from the Valley who may be visiting the city. Altogether, the house is worthy of support, and we commend it to confidence.

DEATH FROM ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.—Some six weeks ago, Dr. Robert Houston, whose residence was near Stephenson's Depot in Frederick county, attempted to commit suicide by shooting, but only succeeded at the time in inflicting a painful wound, from which he has since lingered in great suffering until Sunday last, when his life terminated. The deceased was a member of the Masonic Fraternity, by whom he was buried yesterday afternoon.

At the recent closing exercises of Mrs. Magli's school, in Winchester, Mr. Dan B. Lucas delivered a lecture on the "Poets of Virginia," which is highly complimented by the Winchester News as an effort of great merit. In concluding its notice the News says: "Such addresses to our youths and young ladies are calculated to do much good. To them is entrusted the keeping of that purity and refinement which has made our country what it is. Money may build fine houses, with rich appointments; but it will not make their occupants what ladies have always been their glory and ornament, and our youths what they ought to be, their beauty and strength."

The Latest News.

From the papers of yesterday, we glean the following items of general news:— PARIS, July 13.—Since the capture of the City of Mexico by the liberal forces nothing has been heard by the imperial government of M. Alfonso Dano, the French Minister in that city. The Emperor Napoleon has announced his intention of sending a strong fleet to Vera Cruz to release M. Dano, should he have been made a prisoner, and to resent any indignity offered him by the Juarez government.

WASHINGTON, July 14.—The President, in view of the action of the Senate, in executive session on Friday, upon the matter of nominations, yesterday morning determined to send again the names of former nominees that had not been acted upon, and also his nominations for other vacancies.

FORTHCOMING YETI.—The supplemental reconstruction bill, as passed by Congress, has been sent to the President. It is generally supposed the President's veto will be sent to the House on Thursday, when the bill will be passed over it, and the two branches adjourn the session.

OUR VICE CONSUL GENERAL AT HAVANA reports the yellow fever as having assumed a malignant form there, and that the board of health issue four bills of health only. ST. LOUIS, July 13.—A special dispatch from Junction City, Kansas, says the cholera broke out at Fort Harker on June 25th, since when over a dozen soldiers of the 35th colored regiment and several citizens, including George K. Eaton and Wm. Edwards, of the quartermaster's department, and a brother of Capt. Arns, have died. There are now nearly twenty soldiers in the hospital sick with the cholera. The surgeon thinks the disease was caused by the recent overflow of the Smoky Hill river. Seven citizens of Salina and one of Junction City also died.

What Can't a Military Governor Do? A military governor, under the reconstruction act, can— Suppress newspapers. Silence lecturers. Remove Mayors of cities, Governors of States, Boards of Commissioners, &c. Change aldermen and appoint black in their places. Can take possession of all savings banks. Can exact stay laws and postpone the payment of debts. Can prohibit the distillation of corn and the sale of liquor. Can spend \$500,000 for registering black voters and ask for \$500,000 more. Can abolish local taxes and regulate the circulation of papers. Can settle the rate of wages and the price of commodities. Can disobey the President and insult the Cabinet. They can do all this, and far more. What they can't do, no one has yet ventured to say.

Yet an extra session of Congress is called to give more power to these military chieftains; to make them so absolute that for even the President to question the limits of their authority will be a ground of impeachment. This is what the dog-day Congress is to do. Is it not madness?—Albany Argus.

RECONSTRUCTED TENNESSEE.—Almost every day brings tidings of the "brotherly love and unity" prevailing under Brownlow's mild and beneficent sway. Shootings, murders, riots, rapine, and violence, attend the wisdom, the efficiency, and the benignity of "loyal" rule. State Guards composed of the worst class of whites and blacks in all equal proportions, rob, plunder and murder the citizens at their own discretion, whilst colored "Loyal Leagues" armed to the teeth, parade with defiant cheers, and fire insulting volleys in the faces of peaceful citizens at every public gathering.—Lynchburg News.

From the Wheeling Register.

Hoke-us Pocus.

A man named J. T. Hoke, an imported West Virginia Senator, edited a paper in Martinsburg which he calls the Berkeley Union. Some two or three weeks ago he attempted, by swagging threats, to scare the Spirit of Jefferson into abandoning its exposure of a gang of rascals based in Jefferson county. We presented a specimen of those threats to our readers at the time, and called attention to the infamy couched in a proposition to publicly attack the reputations of defenceless women, in order to protect a lot of corrupt and worthless knaves from the consequences of their villainy. We very freely expressed our opinion of the man who made such a villainous and cowardly proposition, and this week we are favored with Mr. Hoke's reply. It is as follows:—

THE WHEELING REGISTER.—We read an account in the Berkeley Union of the Editor of a thrilling advertisement in a paper in Martinsburg, a den of black snakes. He got one under his heel and he was out of the office. He was very angry at him from all quarters, raising their black oily bodies, and sticking out their forked tongues like so many devils. We were very much interested, and we said to administer a sound blow upon a per-hair in Jefferson county and let like the afore-said editor of the Berkeley Union, and belching out vile as the Wheeling Register. The parties who run it must at some time or other have been in the hands of some one, where they had to get up all the dirty slang with which they daily and weekly regale their readers. We have often noticed in editorial during the course of the legislature, but thought it unworthy of comment. It talks about female characters, &c.—all we have to say is that we are not in the habit of reading such a kind of paper, as it is no lady, and as a class, has descended even lower in the yawning abyss of treason and infamy than the vilest of the low and the heavy boots, why just try that on with your civility.

Examining the above article critically, we would say, first, that the author has a perfect mania on the subject of dirty things, and is not uncommon with the press of his vicinity, a few months ago, for drunken and beastly behavior in a ball-room—behavior which we only hint at when we assert, that it is said to have included every thing in roteness and filthiness. This is not uncommon with the press, or the nostrils of a respectable assemblage. Without going into details, we will state that the result, as given by the local press, was his immediate expulsion from the hall and his thorough and irrevocable social disgrace.

We have, in this little remittance, a clue to the probable state of the "loyal" editor disinclines us to pursue the subject further, but it is sometimes well to "answer for oneself" to his folly, let he be in his own accord." He is pleased to affirm that "of all the nasty, dirty things in God's world, he knows of nothing so vile and low as the Wheeling Register." We would not so easily suggest the ancient aphorism—"Man know thyself!" If the Register has become "low" it is because it went to his level to notice him, and it is in any way "vile" it has become so from contact with the muck-rake of the Berkeley Union. The elegant quality of his heart had been for the South during the rebellion; that it would be a departure from the principles cherished at that time, and it would be apostasy to depart from these principles now, and we could not consistently join the dominant party. He was a very humble man but no Noah Claypole.

Another Meeting in Albemarle.

A large number of the citizens of Albemarle county, dissatisfied with the action of the former meeting in adopting resolutions seeking alliance with the republican party, have held another meeting to give expression, as is alleged, to the public sentiment of the county. At the last meeting the following resolutions, which were warmly advocated by Hon. Shelton F. Leake, were adopted:—

1. Resolved, That we have accepted in good faith the arbitration of battle upon the issue which divided the North from the South; and that we bear to the Government of the United States the allegiance of law-abiding citizens. 2. That we have reserved from surrender the honor and self-respect which are, or ought to be, the most valued possessions of a people, of which they cannot be despoiled by armed force or hostile legislation, but which are in jeopardy when made to occupy a secondary position.

3. That which manly acquiescence in the situation becomes a vanquished people, we cannot consent that the degree of submission should be regulated by the rage of the conqueror; but are persuaded that abject behavior will rob misfortune of its dignity, and forfeit the respect and sympathy of the world. 4. That to seek admission into the dominant party, which has wrought our degradation and ruin, is a humiliation that they have not the right to demand, and which we ought not to concede.

5. That we do deplore the action of the meeting held on the 1st instant as ill-advised and unfortunate; and that we take political leave of its members with deep regret, and hope that they will speedily return from the unnatural associations into which they have entered.

6. That we deem it the policy of Virginia to keep aloof from national parties until admitted to the national councils, and that in the meantime her citizens should address themselves as best they may to their local and State affairs.

Mr. Leake rose in support of the resolutions; said the shades of the heroes that slept their last sleep, and whose ashes repose at or near the University, would rise to rebuke their former comrades in arms for the action of the meeting held on Monday, and would blush at the humiliation to which they had subjected themselves by the resolutions then passed. As for himself, every sympathy of his heart had been for the South during the rebellion; that it would be a departure from the principles cherished at that time, and it would be apostasy to depart from these principles now, and we could not consistently join the dominant party. He was a very humble man but no Noah Claypole.

Congressional.

WASHINGTON, July 9.—SENATE.—The Judiciary Committee's reconstruction bill was taken up, and the day consumed arguing the point whether commanders should be allowed to appoint civilians to vacant State offices. Adjourned without definite action.

HOUSE.—The consideration of the reconstruction bill was resumed. The sixth section was modified by striking out the words "or unless he shall consent to be relieved" and inserting instead "or in arrest punishable by dismissal from the army or disqualified by sickness from the performance of his duties." The bill was passed; yeas, 119; nays, 81.—The names were Messrs. Adams, Archer, Barnes, Eldridge, Getz, Glasscock, Holman, Hotchkiss, Marshall, McCallough, Morgan, Morrissey, Mungen, Niblack, Nickolson, Noel, Phillips, Randall, Robinson, Ross, Sitgreaves, Stanton, Taber, Van Auker, Van Trump, and Wood. Adjourned.

Details of Maximilian's Execution. NEW ORLEANS, July 9.—The Times has a special from Houston, Texas, giving a detailed account of Maximilian's execution with Mejia and Miramon. None of them were bound or blindfolded, nor was any indignity offered to them. Maximilian, before being brought to Mexico, and denied the authority of the court by which he was sentenced. He said he hoped the shedding of his blood would stop the effusion of blood in Mexico.

Miramon read his last speech from paper. He said the only regret he felt at dying was that, should the liberals remain in power, his children would be pointed at as the children of a traitor. Maximilian called the sergeant of the guard, gave him a handful of gold, and requested a favor that the guard would fire at his heart. Five balls entered his breast, but as he was not quite dead, two soldiers were called out and he was killed by being shot in the side. Much disaffection and grief were manifested by the spectators. The sword of Maximilian was presented to Escobedo by Juarez, in the Government palace.

General Meagher. An exchange furnishes the following sketch of Gen. Thomas F. Meagher, who was recently drowned in Montana Territory.—

The General was born at Waterford, Ireland, on the 3d of August, 1823. At the early age of twenty-three he was regarded as one of the leaders of the "Young Ireland" party, which separated from the followers of O'Connell. In 1848 he was one of the delegates sent to congratulate the French Republic. He took an active part in the movements of the Young Ireland party in 1848, was arrested and sentenced to death. The sentence was commuted to banishment for life to Van Diemen's Land, from which he escaped, and landed in New York in May, 1852. He was received by his countrymen with great enthusiasm. In 1861 he raised a company and joined the Sixty-ninth regiment New York State militia, under General Corcoran. He acted as Major at Bull Run, and after the return of the regiment he raised a brigade, and was commissioned a brigadier-general of volunteers, February 3, 1862. In 1865 he was appointed Secretary of the Territory of Montana, and for some time has been its acting Governor.

WHAT SIX MEN SAY.—Butler says the party leaders build an innocent woman, knowingly, but did it to make political capital. Stevens says the fundamental principle of their creed, is to confiscate all the Southern lands and give them to the negroes. Wilson says that the radical party must so manage that they can depend upon the negroes of the South, when the white men of the North turn against the radical measures. Phillips says nothing less will do than a black man for Vice President. Greely says his party leaders are howling Pharisaees. Weed says a portion of the leaders are crazy fanatics—the balance thieves. All the above named men are prominent Republicans.

Stevens and his Brethren.

A correspondent of the New York Herald relates a long conversation with Thad. Stevens on public men and public measures. We extract the following paragraphs:— WADE & KESSENDER—THEIR JEALOUSIES.

Question—You think, then, that a resolution of impeachment could not now be carried?

Mr. Stevens—I think not. It would be defeated on account of jealousy on the part of the opponents of Senator Wade. The contest between Wade and Fessenden for the Presidency of the Senate was a very bitter one, and personal feelings and motives will interfere to prevent Wade from occupying the Presidential chair, even for a single day.—After Wade's election, Blaine of Maine, said on the floor of the House, "this Congress will never vote impeachment. We don't want any of Ben. Wade's 'shilly shaggers' around the White House." It is this sentiment that will defeat impeachment. Every little tricky politician who wants this man for a postmaster, or that man for a constable, and does not think Ben. Wade will give him what he wants, will oppose it.

NEW YORK ABOUT TO BE LOST.— Question—What do you think, sir, of the condition of the republican party in New York State?

Mr. Stevens—I think you will be killed by conservatism in New York. Your republicans are what the Indian would call "mighty uncertain." They have no boldness or settled principle. Your last year's platform was one of the most absurd and cowardly that could be adopted in a country running rapidly to radicalism. Greely has generally spelt upon such platforms; but I suppose that he will be a still more diluted one next year. Your representatives are not like me. I look upon Laffin as an entirely demoralized man. Most of the others are no better than he.—Conkling has hitherto been true, and I hope he will continue so in his new position. I believe New York will be lost this year by want of earnestness in the cause, and by the dish-water which has been thrown around by Greely and Gerrit Smith.

PENNSYLVANIA GOING TOO.—CORRUPTION, CAMERON AND GEARY. Question—Is the republican party well united in Pennsylvania?

Mr. Stevens—I fear that we shall lose Pennsylvania this next election. I do not think we have earnestness enough in the State to unite and draw out the Republican strength, while the Republican portion of our Legislature has been so openly, notoriously and shamefully corrupt, that all the honest people in the State are disheartened and disgusted.

Question—You do not suppose that you can beat New York in corruption; do you?

Mr. Stevens—I think we could. Cameron had his men with their handfulls of greenbacks, working in the Legislature. He had not fourteen votes in his favor at the close of the election, but soon after he had forty.—Our man now claims \$50,000 for services, and they refuse to pay him. This corruption will certainly beat us here next election, unless we draw out the Republican strength by getting up a furor and excitement on impeachment. Geary, too, hurts us very much. He is an unhappy failure, and his nomination was an unfortunate thing for the party.

RAYMOND AND BUTLER. In answer to questions he stated that Raymond had been the worst failure he had seen in Congress. He had a pretty style of talking and a certain sort of smartness in debate, but it was of the school-boy, sophomoric style, and could not stand an instant under the test of earnest principle. In the midst of his most elaborate, studied and highly perfumed harangues, a few words of sound common sense would knock him flat upon his back and leave him helpless. He made a poor show in Congress among solid, earnest men.

Ben. Butler, according to Old Thad, is a thorough failure as a Congressman. "At first," said Mr. Stevens, "I had looked upon him as a man with whom it would be desirable to measure swords in a debate. But Leon found that he had obtained a reputation under false pretenses. He is at once superficial, weak and impracticable." THE NEXT PRESIDENT. Upon the subject of the next Presidency Old Thad is not disposed to be communicative. He regards Gen. Grant as a great soldier, who has the best position any man ever occupied in the United States, and does not believe he would be foolish enough to look for any other. He thinks a success as a general may be a failure as a President.—Chase he regards as a negative man, by no means popular or powerful as Butler, as a humbug. Old Ben Wade has played himself out. In fact, it is very probable that Old Thad believes in the utmost recesses of his heart that if, in the course of human events, the country should look to Lancaster for its next President, and should find him in a two and a half story red brick house on South Queen street, the country would do very little to thank him, and would be very likely to find "Barkis willing."

SHOOTING AFRAY.—During the registration of voters at London Bridge, Princess Anne county, Va., a few days ago, a shooting occurred which resulted in the wounding of one of the parties engaged in it, named Charles Sheppard. It appears that the registration had occasioned a large assemblage at the Bridge, and among the number was Sheppard, who was about taking a drink with several other colored men, and asked Major Woodhouse to join him. The Major replied that he was in the habit of selecting the company with whom he drank. Sheppard, after drinking called the Major aside, as it was thought, for the purpose of an explanation. After a few moments conversation he knocked the Major down. The latter thereupon drew a pistol and shot his assailant in the stomach, inflicting a mortal wound. Both parties are residents of Princess Anne county. Woodhouse was a Major in the Sixteenth Virginia Infantry, and is represented to be a cripple and in feeble health, while Sheppard is a large muscular man. Great excitement was produced by the affair, and the Major was immediately arrested, and held to answer before a legal investigation.

About ten years ago a citizen of St. Louis county, Mo., made a will in which he provided that certain of his slaves, ten in number, should each receive \$500 on condition of their "contrabanding to Liberia, or such other country as might be set apart for free persons of color." The legatees have never gone to Liberia, but recently presented to the Probate Court a petition for an order on the executor compelling him to pay over the funds. The question, therefore, was whether Missouri was or was not within the meaning of the will, "set apart for free persons of color." The court was of opinion that such was the case, and ordered payment to be made as prayed for.

Mr. Henry H. Lucy, has sold his farm near Middletown, Frederick county, the price obtained being \$42 per acre. The farm contained something over 800 acres.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Interesting Proceedings of the House—Reconstruction—Speeches and Personal Views—Important Evidence in the Serratt Case, &c.

WASHINGTON, July 12, 1867.

In the House of Representatives this morning Mr. Julian, of Indiana, obtained a suspension of the rules and got in a resolution declaring forfeited the lands granted to the South in 1856 for railroad purposes.

Mr. Butler's resolution empowering General Sheridan to raise funds on the credit of the State of Louisiana to rebuild the levees of that State with but small favor, and he was sustained by not more than a dozen members of his own political creed.

The reconstruction bill, as passed by the House to-day, contains all the principal features of the Senate bill, together with those of the bill as originally passed in the House. There are but few new features in it, and one of any importance which were not incorporated in one of the bills as heretofore published. Mr. Logan made a good Fourth of July stump speech on the occasion of its passage, and was frequently applauded. He announced himself in favor of hanging Jefferson Davis and all his Cabinet, and lauded Juarez for murdering Maximilian; and he declared he (Mr. Logan) had no respect for any man who would go to bail for Jefferson Davis, or would endeavor to palliate his "crime." These remarks, made with special favor on the republican side of the House.

Mr. Robinson, (conservative) of New York, in the course of his remarks in the House this afternoon, on the reconstruction bill, stated that the conservative party would nominate General Grant for the next Presidency, and that the radicals would attempt to impeach him in less than three months after his inauguration. The impression seems very general that Congress will adjourn in a day or two.

The Criminal Court was again crowded to-day by persons to hear the continued testimony for the defense in John H. Surratt's case. Many ladies were present. Detective officers Clarke and McDevitt testified as to the circumstances of the search instituted at Mrs. Surratt's house on the night of the assassination of President Lincoln. Both said that the colored servant replied to their inquiry as to John H. Surratt that he had not been in the State for two weeks. Most important testimony was elicited by the defense to-day, showing that John H. Surratt was in Elmira, N. Y., on the 13th and 14th of April, 1865. Three witnesses, belonging to a merchant tailoring establishment there, testified positively that he was in their store on the days mentioned, and described his dress and other things, going to show that they could not be mistaken as to the fact. All identified him when he was directed to stand up, as the man who wanted to purchase a peculiar kind of shirts on the days mentioned at their store in Elmira.

Col. W. P. Wood, chief of government detectives, has recently ferreted out and captured a den of counterfeiters on Staten Island, New York. He reached this city this morning and reports having captured an immense amount of material, among other things a large imposing stone with ten impressions of full sets of the notes of the Peruvian National Bank of South America, of the denomination of \$100. A large reward had been offered by the Peruvian government for the detection of the counterfeiters. He also discovered bogus tickets of the Erie railroad, with full coupons, entitling the holder to travel to the extreme West. The parties captured are in the Brooklyn jail.

A man named Alberts, an Englishman, has been arrested, charged with the robbery of Paymaster Malone, in this city, some three years ago. The robbery was a singular one, and excited great interest at the time, and a number of persons were arrested on the charge of being concerned in it. Alberts was caught in Milwaukee, and is the same man who sold Messrs. Ball, Black & Co., of New York, the largest diamond ever seen in this country, which he had stolen in England. He is now en route for Washington in charge of Chief of Police Keefe, of Milwaukee.

The body of Jerry King, of this city, lately killed by the cars on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad near Point of Rocks, Md., has been brought home to his family.

HORRIBLE OUTRAGES.—On the 6th inst., three black men went to the house of Reeves Foote, in Jones county, N. C. and shut up the whole family in an out-house on the premises; after which they robbed the house of all its contents; when the family thought to relieve themselves from confinement, the soundrels set upon them and committed some of the most cruel murders ever recorded.

The first victims were Mr. Foote and wife, who were taken out and murdered before the eyes of their children. They next seized Mrs. Whitty, a daughter of Mr. Foote, and her child, an infant of four or five months old, and snatching the child from her arms and killing it, they murdered the mother.—Miss Foote caught up another child and started to run, when she was fired upon by the miscreants, and herself and the child both wounded; she still continues to live, however, and succeeded in reaching a neighbor's house, two and a half miles distant from the scene of murder. Upon examining the child it was found to be dead.

The Sheriff of Craven left Newbern with a posse on Tuesday, and a meeting of the citizens of that city was called on the same day to concert proper measures to aid in the arrest of the murderers of the Foote family. [Norfolk Daily People.]

There are not many very old people in the United States. According to the last census, 1,200 persons were living who had attained the age of one hundred years. Of these were—white, 440; black, 683; male, 46; Indians, 26. Women attained high longevity in greater numbers than men, and black people more than white. There were—white males, 184; females, 260; black males, 295; females, 393.

When the bill for expenses incurred in entertaining Messrs. Wilson and Kelly, in New Orleans, was presented to the City of New Orleans Committee for approval, it was endorsed: "As the above gentleman, who were received by the Mayor solely on behalf of a faction of the community, the claim is disallowed." It amounted to \$302.05.

Mr. Stevens presented two petitions in the House of Representatives, one signed by four thousand and the other by eight thousand persons in Maryland, asking Congress to pass laws securing suffrage to negro, establishing a national militia system without regard to race or color, and excluding those who took part in the rebellion.

There has been a land-slide in Austria; forty acres of land in the romantic valley of the Multa, recently fell into the bed of a mountain torrent carrying with it gigantic trees, large boulders of stone and houses. The torrent was obliged to change its course. The whole country is desolate.

GENERAL NEWS ITEMS.

The Constitutional Union, of Washington, reports that a Rhine inscription has been discovered near the Great Falls in the Potomac...

RELIGIOUS NOTICES.

The 24th Quarterly Meeting for Jefferson Circuit, Md., will commence in Charleston, on Saturday, June 29th...

MARRIED.

At the Wesleyan Female Institute, in Stanton, on the 4th inst. by Rev. J. Clark, Prof. LEON...

DIED.

On Sunday morning last, 14th inst., WILLIAM BARRETT, of the town of E. and E. W. Bell, of Winchester, formerly of this city...

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

ANDREW HUNTER, SOLICITOR IN MATTERS OF BANKRUPTCY. Having specially prepared for the business...

A CARD. THOMAS C. GREEN. WILL attend to cases in Bankruptcy for realtors...

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EVERY BODY SHOULD USE ROHRER'S EXpectoratory Wild Cherry Tonic. For Discharge of the Chest, Liver, Kidneys, Lungs, and other organs...

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TWO AMBULANCE WAGONS, for sale by JAMES MCGRAW.

PUBLIC SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE, OF EDWARD LUCAS, DEC'D, in Jefferson County, West Va.

WONDERFUL BUT TRUE. MADAME REMINGTON, the world-renowned Astrologist and Somnambulist Clairvoyant...

IT IS said that they have already registered more negro votes in one ward—Monroe in Richmond...

There were 482 deaths in New York city last week—an increase of 68 over the preceding week.

Governor Throckmorton, of Texas, in a recent communication to the Governor of Louisiana, directed it to "His Excellency" or any other man, Governor of Louisiana.

Registration throughout Virginia and the South is rapidly progressing. The bias in the more Southern States are largely in the ascendant.

The total registration in Alexandria is 2,603. The black majority is 205. There were 166 challenged, of whom seven—all white—were rejected.

The Chicago Republican counts on a wheat crop this year of 225,000,000 bushels, of which Illinois will produce one-tenth.

There are seven Republican newspapers in Texas. Out in Indiana a wife of sixteen summers has presented her husband, aged eighty-eight, with three fine boys.

The Rome, Ga., Commercial quotes new wheat at from \$1.50 to \$1.75 per bushel, with downward tendency.

There are 950 drinking places in Cincinnati. THE undersigned continues the above named business and will continue to do so.

House-Joining and CARPENTER BUSINESS. THE undersigned continues the above named business and will continue to do so.

FREE TO EVERYBODY. A large 6p. Circular, giving information of the greatest importance to the young of both sexes...

Wool and Woolen Goods. THE undersigned are constantly manufacturing, and will have on hand from the "Woolen Factory" a very large and complete stock...

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