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If the memory of an injury is cherished it is not forgiven.

Hon. N. C. Blanchard has our thanks for copies of the Congressional Record.

The power to do great things generally arises from the willingness to do small things.

Senator Brown, of Georgia, is the only Democrat who voted against the anti-Chinese bill, and he is an unfathomable sort of a Democrat.

SOCIETY BELLES.—On account of its remarkable delicate and lasting fragrance society belles are loud in their praises of Floreston Cologne.

Plain, tight fitting bodices, full panier of tablier draperies, and much trimmed skirts are the rule for Spring suits of light woolen suite.

"Big" Heyman will sell you Dry Goods, Dress Goods, Trimmings, Notions, etc., cheaper than they can be bought elsewhere. Give him a trial at once.

The next grand monthly two dollar drawing of the Louisiana State Lottery takes place in the City of New Orleans, on Tuesday, the 11th of April.

MERCHANTS complain that the Suez canal is managed in a way that is very oppressive, and that increases their expenses heavily. Too much red tape.

Roscoe Conkling is said to be Counsel in a mineral water case for the Apollinaris interest, with a nice little fee of \$50,000. No wonder he declined the black gown of the Supreme Bench.

TALMAGE'S denunciation of the theater is not without some foundation. A theatrical company gave a performance last week, in Wisconsin, and that very night a clergyman in Iowa eloped with his servant girl.

A rolling pin is not a mastic, A dish-rag scarcely is divine, A squalling kid is not pathetic, A dirty floor not loathsome, A drugging life is not infernal, Bad flour is not a daffodil. The weather is not always vernal, We have not mixed the good and ill.

When you fill your pockets with pistols and go to a newspaper office for satisfaction, it is always best to take an undertaker along. No one cares to have his body carted through the streets in an express wagon.

The tops of worn out ten button long-monsieur gloves can be sewed on to new two or three button gloves with obvious economy. The joining seam will be completely hidden by the wrinkles in the wrist and the bracelets now universally worn.

A FEMALE who is troubled with cold feet and hands, pain in the side and back, palpitation of the heart, monthly suppression or excesses, will find a prompt and reliable cure in the use of English Female Bitters. As a female regulator, it acts like a charm.

The Advance is the title of a new evening daily paper started in the Crescent City. It is printed in English and French, and presents altogether a very neat typographical appearance. We place it on our exchange list, and wish it a long, useful and prosperous career.

SENATOR Anthony is now approaching the close of his fourth term of continuous service in the Senate; and, if he lives to complete another term, to which there is no doubt of his election, he will have equaled the famous thirty years of Thomas H. Benton.

A DAUNTLESS citizen of Georgia is said to be on the point of publishing a descriptive catalogue of all the unmarried women in the State who now own or expect to inherit property valued at \$5,000 or more, with accurate details as to their age, appearance and personal characteristics, etc.

LIVING WITNESSES.—The hundreds of hearty, and healthy looking men, women and children, that have been rescued from beds of pain, sickness and well nigh death by Parkor's Ginger Tonic are the best evidences in the world of its sterling merit and worth. You will find such in almost every community.

MIXED POLITICS.

That there is on foot a movement to organize a new party in this State there can be no doubt. The movement is not to be called a new party, but according to its advocates, it is intended to "liberalize" the Democratic party and to put down fraud at the ballot box. This paper has not failed in the past to express in forcible language its disapprobation of fraud in elections and on this issue there can be no difference of opinion nor contest amongst honest men anywhere. To prove that frauds have been committed is to show that a great wrong has been done and that a blow has been struck at the very foundation stone of all our civil liberty. To say that frauds should not be committed and that if attempted they should be frowned upon and the perpetrators brought to punishment, is to express an axiomatic truth.

"Liberalizing" the Democratic party in any other way than inside the ranks of that party itself is, however, a very different thing. Agitation within the ranks and opposition from without, are two wholly dissimilar methods. The speciousness of the pretext does not effect the result, if the fight is to be made upon the Democratic party from the outside, and if the end in view is the defeat of that party. If "liberalizing" means annihilation of the old and a substitution of a new party, then we declare in favor of the old with all its faults—if faults it have, and we are free to confess that it has made some mistakes. The traditions of our past bind us to the old party whose flag this paper has upheld for more than a third of a century, and we are as ready now as we have ever been to do battle for its cause and to meet with undaunted front all foes who attack it from without. We have not so soon forgotten the recent past as to wish to scuttle the good ship that brought us safely out of a sea of troubles, and we prefer to stand by the true and tried friends of the past and have them stand by us, rather than put our fate in the hands of unskillful pilots, however fair be the promises they make. We know, too, the company we are expected to keep in the old camp, and when danger threatens we know that we can trust our companions in arms—but if we desert and go over to the court of the "friendly enemy" we are afraid that we might not like the associations. Indeed, we suspect that we should find over there very many of those with whom we had crossed swords in the past and we could hardly expect cordial relations. When the roll is called count us on the side of the old Democratic party.

A GOOD TAX LAW.—Rhode Island has a Tax law which seems to have some qualities that recommend it to the attention of legislators of other States. It has increased the assessment-roll nearly 63 per cent in a single year. Its chief proviso is one that compels every owner of property to make a return under oath of the amount of bonds, stocks, mortgages, and other personal property held by him, and the penalty for evasion or falsifications is the imposition of a double tax. Public sentiment in the little State seems to be strong enough to compel the strict enforcement of the law, and it has been forcible enough to compel the indictment of the Assessors of two towns for having failed to do their duty.

A GREAT DISCOVERY.—Score another for Webb county. We learn that about twenty five miles from this place and on the property of Mrs. Teresa Benadives, coal oil was discovered a day or two ago in large quantities. We only obtained the information just before going to press and are unable to give particulars, but will inquire into the bonanza and present to our readers in next issue. Who knows that Webb county may yet rival the celebrated coal and coal oil regions of the Northern States.—[Laredo (Texas) Times.]

We are receiving and will carry the largest stock ever offered in Alexandria, consisting of Clothing Men's, Ladies' and Children's Boots and Shoes, Hats, Furnishing Goods, and every thing kept in a Clothing and Furnishing house. Bottom prices guaranteed. "Big" Heyman.

The New Orleans States says the Times Democrat is anxious to waste ten thousand dollars in proving that it has a larger circulation than the Picayune. The States thinks the money could be better spent in making the T.-D. a newspaper.

STATE Senator L. M. Nutt died at his residence in Shreveport on Wednesday, March 22. He was a lawyer by profession and served as a gallant officer in the Confederate army.

HUSTMYRE has just opened the best assortment of Ladies' and Children's Shoes and Slippers ever offered for sale in Alexandria. Remember the place: Sign of the Big Red Plow.

A FEATHER IN OUR CAP.

Now that the water is falling and has already fallen so much as to insure our safety, we are congratulating ourselves on our happy escape from the many evils and great suffering endured by almost all the other alluvial Parishes of this State, and the river counties of Tennessee, Arkansas and Mississippi. Our escape was so narrow as to teach us sympathy for their distress.

Lands like ours which have proven themselves to be above overflow in this exceptionally high water ought to have doubled their value from that circumstance alone. No country on earth can show more productive lands or a more healthy climate than ours, and we expect to see a large immigration from the overflowed districts. We can offer every inducement to those desiring a change of location, and our people will welcome all who come with open arms. This Town also with its railroad and steamboat communication with the world must be a desirable place for the location of factories and workshops of all kinds, and we have every reason to predict for our Town and Parish a glorious future. Already the increase of prosperity is to be seen on all sides.—We have stuck a large sized feather in our cap and we propose to crow!

COINCIDENCES.—We notice that some of our exchanges are noting singular coincidences, one of them remarking that a former resident returning after an absence of thirty years, found them building a market house as they were doing when he left. Another remarks the singular fact that the same man who had the contract for hauling the sand fifty years before had secured the contract for hauling sand for the new Court House.

That is nothing to the case of Mr. Josephus Simpkins, who has just returned to this Town from Australia, where he has been residing for seventy-three years, eight months and eleven days, and who remarked when he set down to breakfast that they had given him the identical beefsteak he left unfinished, by reason of its toughness, the morning he left here, three-quarters of a century ago. Mr. Simpkins remarks also as a most singular coincidence that it is now as it was then, the habit of the gentlemen when they have invited a crowd to "smile" at their expense to say "them's mine." We took occasion to interview Mr. Simpkins as to any editorial coincidences that might have come under his observation and he tells us that he does not remark any except that the editors nowadays always tell the truth as they did in his younger days.

THE FLOOD.—Good News.—The water is falling rapidly from St. Louis down. Land appears in many places where none has been seen for weeks. The planters in Yazoo Valley are expecting to commence work in a few days. On Louisiana side of river, however, many days must pass before there is any great subsidence of the water. The waters above have still to flow over our lands before they reach the Gulf. The last to feel the force of the flood Louisiana will be the last State to get rid of the surplus waters. If, however, there should be no further rise above, it is only a question of a few days for the mighty river to empty the vast surplus of water into the Gulf.

The volume of water passing down daily is so great as to defy computation, and the gulf and ocean will soon swallow the flood, and the fertile soil will again appear above water.—[New Orleans Advance.]

BAILEY'S SALINE APERIENT.—This article has grown into rapid favor with the people—the masses, and very justly, too, because the proprietors were liberal enough to offer it at one-half the price such articles had been heretofore selling at. It is placed at 50 cents per bottle so that all can afford to use so potent and pleasant a medicine. It is a charming purgative, well adapted to summer use, as it cools the system, cleanses the stomach, opens the bowels and unlocks the liver, while it is one of the most pleasant beverages in use. For the immediate cure of sick headache, heartburn, etc., it has no equal.

THE Legislature at its session in May at Baton Rouge will be called upon to elect one of the Judges of the Courts of Appeal for this Circuit—the one for the short term. We learn that Rapides will have a candidate in the field, and as Avozelles has had both the Circuit and District Judges for this term, we think that this Parish should have a chance.

She attended a ball—danced to a late hour—became overheated—went home thinly clad, in a cold, damp night air, and caught cold. Next day—headache—loss of appetite—slight fever—dry skin—pains and aches—chilly sensations—indisposition to get up. Remedy—one bottle English Female Bitters prepared for such conditions.

LONGFELLOW.

Wherever the English language is spoken, and perhaps it is not too much to say, throughout the civilized world, there will be mourning to-day for the death of Henry Wadsworth Longfellow.

Even as the great poet wrote for no race and no people but for humanity, so the great heart of humanity, irrespective of nationalities, will throb with sorrow when the tidings of his death are heard. Every American will feel in the death of this great-hearted, pure and noble man a sense of personal bereavement; and in England, where his works are perhaps as familiar and as much admired as in this country, he will be mourned as if he had been one of their own cherished poets.

The spotless purity of his life is reflected in everything he ever wrote, and we can think of no line of his that, dying, he could have wished to change. The peculiar charm of his poems consists in their sweetness and refinement of the thoughts expressed in their perfect lucidity and freedom from anything like obscurity. He wrote so that even little children might understand and enjoy his works, and there is hardly a household in all Christendom in which his simple but grand "Psalm of Life" is not as familiar as the Lord's prayer.

He was a Northern man, but there will nowhere be more sincere sorrow for his death than in the South, for nowhere was his genius held in higher esteem, and nowhere was the beauty of his daily life more admired.

He had lived long and dies after having won the respect of the whole world. He has earned for himself with his magical pen a name which shall live long after the names of the greatest potentates of the earth shall have been forgotten. The footsteps he has left in the "sands of time" shall never be effaced, but remain to guide and give heart of hope to humanity forever. We shall take occasion to write more at length of this national bereavement—to speak more fully of the life-work of this greatest American poet.—[New Orleans Times-Democrat, March 25.]

ALPHABET OF WISDOM.—Attend carefully to the details of your business.

Be prompt in all things. Consider well, and then decide positively.

Dare to do right, and fear to do wrong. Endure trials patiently.

Fight life's battle bravely and manfully. Go not into the society of the vicious.

Hold integrity sacred. Injure not another's reputation or business.

Join hands with the virtuous. Keep your mind free from evil thoughts.

Lie not for any consideration. Make few intimate acquaintances. Never try to appear what you are not.

Observe good manners. Pay your debts promptly.

Question not the veracity of a friend. Respect the counsel of your parents.

Sacrifice money rather than principal. Touch not, taste not, handle not intoxicating drinks.

Use your leisure hours for improvement. Yield not to discouragement.

Zealously labor for the right. And success will attend your faithful efforts.

EVERY established local newspaper receives subscriptions from large cities which puzzles the publisher to account for, but which the New York Times lately threw some light upon in the following: "A wholesale grocer in this city, who has become rich at the business, says that his rule is, that when he sells a bill of goods on a credit, to immediately subscribe for the local paper of his debtor. So long as his customer advertises liberally, he rested; but as soon as he began to contract his advertising space, he took the fact as evidence that there was trouble ahead, and lovably went to his debtor. Said he: "The man who is too poor to advertise is too poor to do business." The withdrawal of an advertisement is evidence of weakness that business men are not too slow to set upon."

It is confidently believed that the Democrats are going to have the advantage in the next election in Indiana, because of their going over to the liquor interest, while the Republicans have had to cater to the prohibition element.

APPLICATIONS for tickets to the Guiteau hanging are arriving in Washington from all parts of the country, but the exhibition is likely to be private.

WM. HUSTMYRE.



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