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THE CRESCENT'S DISPATCHES.

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THE ROLLINS-BINCKLEY AFFAIR.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 10.—Meade has reported on the Ashburn murder at Columbus, Ga., and relative matters.

The report in substance states that of the published report of the outrageous treatment of witnesses at Fort Pulaski, the commander of the fort says:

"The detectives came to the fort, with the prisoners in charge, with orders to have the sole control of them. Consequently I assumed no authority except to keep them securely."

A narrative of the sweat-boxes, shaved heads, and other terrors, follows.

Regarding Gov. Brown's connection with the affair, in effect, he says he employed Brown for his legal knowledge and influence with the people. Brown demanded $5000 fee. This amount, under ordinary circumstances, Meade would not have paid, but was apprehensive that the defense would hire Brown.

Interesting experiments fixing the exact latitude of Havana are progressing, conducted by Prof. Harkness here and Lieut. Pujasson at Havana.

Internal Revenue Solicitor Binckley and District Attorney Courtney had a personal collision, growing out of the proceeding against Rollins. Binckley was worsted, but neither of them was much hurt.

Postmaster General Randall is in New York considering the propriety of indorsing $3,000,000 bonds authorized by Congress, for the Trans-Atlantic mails. The company applying for the indorsement have had the bonds printed, but appear to have no vessels. Randall asks the attorney general whether the indorsement is mandatory by law, otherwise he won't indorse.

Five hundred thousand bounty and back pay claims have been adjusted during the past two years, involving nearly $37,000,000.

The following is published here:

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 9, 1868.

J. L. Trillock, Secretary National Union Committee:

My home in St. Francisville was robbed by armed Democrats on the 29th of August. They said they wanted to wash their hands in my blood, and would have my life. They leveled their guns at my wife, and threw burning torches upon my gallery. I was not in the house at the time.

(Signed) J. P. NEWSHAM, M. C.

A committee from the Tennessee Legislature is here preparing an address to the president which will be delivered to-night. They say the militia bill is sure to pass but will be a dead letter if the president sends troops enough to Tennessee.

Internal revenue receipts to-day, $268,000. The average receipts this week are alarmingly small.

After Monday next 7-30's must be sent direct to the United States treasurer at Washington for redemption.

A bonded warehouse has been opened in Boston to which tobacco can be shipped for export.

Revenue Solicitor Binckley returned this morning but did not report to Rollins. He is engaged on an official report of his proceedings in New York.

The president is engaged to-night on matters which will prevent an interview with the Tennessee delegation.

FROM ATLANTA.

The Georgia Legislature—Protest of the Late Negro Members — Proclamation Against Armed Bands.

ATLANTA, Sept. 10—*House.*—A resolution to reconsider those adopted yesterday reflecting on the governor's message was lost.

The negro members lately declared ineligible have published a protest, addressed to the speaker and members of the House, in which they enter solemn protest against the outrage perpetrated on their race, and will appeal at the proper time to Congress. The protest is signed by twenty-eight expelled members and twelve republican members, accompanied by a demand that the protest be entered on the journal of the House. This the House refused to permit.

In compliance with a résolution passed by the Legislative Assembly, in consequence of violence committed in some counties by armed unlawful bands of negroes, the governor issues a proclamation in which he denies having given authority for armed or unarmed organizations, and warns the people that drilling and exercising in military tactics with arms by any organized body, except the army of the United States, is unauthorized, unlawful—against peace and good order, and must be immediately suspended. He says that persons distinguished for hostility to the United States are promoting said acts of violence by publicly denouncing laws as unconstitutional and void, and the result is said acts of violence. He quotes Lee's parole given to Lee's army, wherein it says: "Persons paroled will not be disturbed by the United States authorities so long as they observe their paroles and the laws in force where they reside."

FROM GALVESTON.

Row at a Radical Meeting.

GALVESTON, Sept. 10.—At a Republican meeting here last night in the colored Methodist church, G. T. Ruby, colored, was assaulted by Capt. K. Smith with a pistol. Both are Radical delegates to the constitutional convention. The appearance of the police prevented further disturbance. The combatants were arrested and made their appearance before the recorder this morning and were each fined for disorderly conduct.

FROM NASHVILLE.

The Tennessee Militia Bill.

NASHVILLE, Sept. 10.—The militia bill in its present shape requires a certificate of the loyal citizens who are free holders—approved by a judge, sheriff, attorney general, or member of the Legislature, declaring it necessary before militia will be sent to any county—said county bearing the expense. The bill thus amended will probably pass.

FROM CHICAGO.

Loss of a Propeller with 140 Persons on Board.

CHICAGO, Sept. 10.—The propeller Heppercamnus, which sailed with 20 passengers and a crew of ten persons, was found in the lake bottom up. She had 9000 baskets of peaches on deck, which probably caused her to upset.

FROM EUROPE.

Duty on Sugar—Victoria near Home—End of the Cab Strike—The French Troops in Bulgaria—Imperial Review at Chalons—Garibaldi—The Sultan's Concessions to Farragut.

PARIS, Sept. 10.—The duty on sugar imported into France has been reduced to two francs.

LONDON, Sept. 10.—Queen Victoria has arrived, and goes via Cherbourg this evening.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Sept. 10.—The concessions made to Farragut by the sultan, in allowing the flagship to pass through the Dardanelles and enter the Bosphorus, causes much comment in diplomatic circles. The sultan's consent was accorded in the most gracious manner.

LONDON, Sept. 10.—The cab strike has ended.

It is stated that Italy asks France to withdraw her troops from Bulgaria.

PARIS, Sept. 10—The emperor reviewed the troops at Chalons to-day. Attendance immense.

The queen of England is here to-day, the guest of Lord Lyons. No state ceremony is observed.

FLORENCE, Sept. 10.—It is reported that Garibaldi has left Caprera for Naples to attend a congress of democrats in that city.

LONDON, Sept. 10.—Formosa won the Oaks Stakes.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Ex-President Pierce Better—Boat Race at Pittsburg—Death of a Bishop—Republican State Nominations—Election in Colorado—Political Procession Attacked in New Haven — Congressional Nominations in Georgia—Another Mexican Insurrection.

CONCORD, N. H., Sept. 10.—Ex-President Pierce is slightly better.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Sept. 10.—Brown beat Coulter in the boat race to day by two minutes.

MONTREAL, Sept. 10.—Bishop Mumford is dead.

BOSTON, Sept. 10.—The Republicans have nominated Wm. Claflin for governor, and Jos. Tucker for lieutenant governor.

NEW YORK, Sept. 10.—The Tribune has a special from Denver City, announcing the election of Bradford, Republican congressional delegate, and claiming Republican gains in Colorado.

NEW HAVEN, CONN., Sept. 10.—A procession of the "Boys in Blue" was attacked with stones and several hurt, three dangerously.

AUGUSTA, GA., Sept. 10.—The Democrats have nominated Thomas J. Lawson for Congress in the fourth district.

The Radical convention here to-day nominated C. H. Prince for re-election in the fifth district.

HAVANA, Sept. 10.—Mexican advices report an insurrection in Sierra. The insurgents had been defeated at Puebla, losing all their artillery and many prisoners.

FROM SOUTHWEST PASS.

SOUTHWEST PASS, Sept. 10—11 A. M.—Barometer 29.50. Wind south and light. No arrivals. Sailed: Steamship Kensington.

SOUTHWEST PASS, Sept. 10, 6 P. M.—Barometer 29.20. Weather calm. No arrivals. Sailed: Bark Prima Donna.

RIVER NEWS.

VICKSBURG, Sept. 10.—Passed down—Louisiana at 11 last night, and Shark and barges at 11 this A. M. Passed up: Lizzie Gill at 2 this A. M., Robt. E. Lee at 4 P. M. River falling slowly.

LOUISVILLE, Sept. 10.—River rising; four feet nine inches in the canal. Weather wet and warm.

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 10.—The river has risen about a foot, and is still swelling.

MARKETS.

LONDON, Sept. 10—Noon.—Securities unchanged. Tallow quiet. Sugar steady.

LIVERPOOL, Sept. 10—Noon.—Cotton steady. Sales 10,000 bales. Breadstuffs dull. Other markets unchanged.

LIVERPOOL, Sept. 10—Afternoon.—Cotton steady. Sales 13 000 bales. Lard firm, 72s.

LONDON, Sept. 10—Evening.—Consols 94. Bonds 71¾. Bullion decreased in Bank of England, £111,000.

FRANKFORT, Sept. 10.—Bonds dull, 75¼.

PARIS, Sept. 10.—Bourse dull. Rentes 70.45.

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 10.—Tobacco unchanged. Flour—superfine $7@7 50. Wheat firm at $1 88½@2 35. Corn 96c.@$1. Oats 55@58c. Pork $29 25. Bacon—shoulders 13@12½c.; clear sides, new, 17c.; old, 16½@16½c. Lard 17½@18c. Whisky $1 35.

LOUISVILLE, Sept. 10.—Sales to-day 60 hhds. tobacco; lugs to fair leaf $6 25@14 75; medium cutting leaf $15 50; 6 hhds. of the new crop from Tennessee are included in the sales to-day. Flour—superfine $6 50@7. Wheat $1 90@2. Corn 92@95c. Oats 45@50c. Mess pork $29@29 50. Lard 19½@19¾c. Bacon—shoulders 13½c.; clear rib sides 17c. Bulk meats—shoulders 12½c.; clear sides 16c. Whisky, raw, free, $1 32½.

NEW YORK, Sept. 10.—Cotton irregular. Sales 800 bales. Middlings 27@27½c., chiefly at the latter figure. Flour dull; superfine $7 10@$8 10, extra $8 20@$9 20. Wheat heavy; new white Kentucky $2. Corn closed dull. Mess pork $29 25. Lard closed easier; steam rendered 19½@20½c., kettle rendered 20½@20¾c. Whisky active; in bond 67½c., free $1 25½@$1 27½. Turpentine 43@43½c. Rosin $2 70@$7. Freights quiet.

LIVERPOOL, Sept. 10—Evening.—Cotton market steady; prices declined ⅛d; uplands 10½d., Orleans 10¾d. Sales to-day 12,000 bales. Rosin quiet. Others unchanged.

BALTIMORE, Sept. 10.—Cotton dull at 28½c. Flour weak; small business doing. Wheat firm; good to prime $2 25@$2 60. Corn firm; white $1 15@$1 22, yellow $1 27. Oats and rye unchanged. Provisions unchanged. Bonds—Virginia's old inscribed 48@48½, do. of 1867, 48@49.

NEW YORK, Sept. 10.—Gold closed weak at 144. Southern bonds strong, with a good demand, but light offerings. Governments closed strong.

CINCINNATI, Sept. 10.—Flour unchanged. Wheat $1 95. Corn dull at 97@98c. Oats 55c. Whisky 65@67c. Mess pork firm, $29. Lard 19c. Bulk meats unchanged. Bacon—shoulders 12¾@13c., clear sides 16½c. Butter and cheese steady.

MOBILE, Sept. 10.—Cotton sales to day 400 bales. The market closed quiet; middlings 23@24c. Exports 334 bales. Receipts 68 bales.

SAVANNAH, Sept. 10.—Cotton dull, entirely nominal. Receipts 640 bales; receipts, coastwise, 895 bales.

CHARLESTON, Sept. 10.—Cotton dull; no sales. Middlings nominally 26c. Receipts since the 1st inst., 117 bales. Sales since the 1st, 664 bales. Exports, coastwise 820 bales. Stock on hand, 1243 bales.

NEW YORK, Sept. 10.—Governments closed strong; 5-20's of '62, 113½; of '64, 109¼; of '65, 111; of '67, 108¾; 10-40's, 104¼. Money easy, demand moderate; call loans, 4@5. Sterling heavy, 9¼. Stocks generally dull but steady. Sub-treasury balance, $88 000,000.

STATEMENT OF THE PUBLIC DEBT—*Washington, Sept. 7.*—The following is a statement of the public debt of the United States on the 1st of September, 1868:

DEBT BEARING COIN INTEREST.

Five per cent. bonds	$ 22,588,400
Six per cent. bonds 1881	283,677,500
Six per cent. 5-20 bonds	1,691,276,050
	$2,096,401,750

DEBT BEARING CURRENCY INTEREST.

Three-year comp. interest notes	$ 10,695,410
Certificates at 3 per cent	62,203,000
Navy pension fund at 3 per cent	13,000,000
	$ 83,800,410

MATURED DEBT NOT PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT.

Three-year 7-30s, due August 15, 1867 June and July 15 1868	$ 4,650,000
Compound interest notes matured June 10, July 15, August 15 October 15 and December 15, 1867, and May 15 and August 1, 1868	5,033,490
Bonds—Texas indemnity	256,000
Treasury notes—Acts of July 17, '61 and prior thereto	154,111
Bonds—April 15, 1862, January, 28, 1847, and March 31 1849	1,758,200
Treasury notes, March 3, 1863	593,492
Temporary loan	744,920
Certificate of indebtedness	13,000
	$ 12,653,213

DEBT BEARING NO INTEREST.

United States notes	$ 356,021,073
Fractional currency	31,802,218
Gold certificates of deposit	25,161,620
	412,984,911
Grand Total	$2,607,944,283
Six per cent. lawful money bonds issued to Pacific railroad companies	33,314,000
Total debt	$2,643,258,285

AMOUNT IN TREASURY.

Coin	$ 92,570,901
Currency	15,071,070
	$ 107,641,971
Total debt, less cash in treasury	$2,535,616,313

The foregoing is a correct statement of the public debt, as appears from the books and treasurer's returns in the department on the first of September, 1868.

HUGH MCCULLOCH,
Secretary of the Treasury.

VALLANDIGHAM AND THE SOLDIERS.—Mr. Vallandigham addressed a large crowd of soldiers at the court-house in Dayton on the 7th. The greatest enthusiasm prevailed. A one-legged soldier presided. A Seymour and Blair Soldiers' Club was formed. Over two hundred and fifty soldiers were present, twenty-five of whom had lost limbs.

Local Intelligence.

THE STATEMENT that Democratic clubs have been instructed to hold themselves armed and ready at their headquarters, on Saturday evening, is untrue.

WHILE THE LEGISLATURE was in session yesterday, a shot was heard in front of the Institute, and from the windows of the hall of the House of Representatives, a thin column of smoke could be seen curling up in the air, above the corner of Common and Dryades streets. In about ten minutes, or perhaps less, the lobby was clear of the usual crowd of dusky voters therein congregated, and the House was without a quorum. No further developments resulting, the House gradually filled up, the lobby assumed its normal condition of darkness once more, and order reigned in "Warsaw." The shot was fired, as reported on the police book at the First District station, by a Major Burke, who, we believe is a contractor for building levees along the Mississippi. The man fired at is Patrick Frizzle, whom Burke accuses of striking him. We learn that a policeman struck up the pistol just as Burke fired.

THE PROMISED Radical procession which was to have taken place Thursday evening, the 9th, and was postponed until Saturday, has again been postponed—this time indefinitely. We cannot help indorsing the suggestions of the "Republican," yesterday, in which the editor of that paper proposed to defer any Radical demonstration to some indefinite period. The reflecting and intelligent members of the Radical party are well informed as to the lawless and predatory character of the freedmen who were expected to be in this city, Saturday evening, in order to swell the ranks of their procession. At least five, and perhaps nine or ten thousand negroes, without a roof to shelter them, would have been roaming through the streets of this city, after the disbanding of the procession. The demonstration has been discountenanced by the Radicals themselves, and it is therefore superogatory for us to inquire or surmise as to what might have happened. We are heartily glad the procession is not to take place, and the law abiding population of New Orleans breathes more freely at the announcement.

THE WEATHER is extremely oppressive during the day. The nights, however, are very cool and pleasant. The clouds loom up every day and seem to be gathering their squadrons for a heavy and blustering equinoctial. From all the sailors and other weather wiseacres say, we shall have a rattling time when the autumnal sun crosses the line, whether the storm come before or after that day (the 22d.) At any rate, we shall probably be visited with a strong gale between the 15th and the 1st of October.

THERE WAS a very darkly colored woman in the Senate chamber yesterday with a baby about two weeks old in her arms. From the attention and fond caresses bestowed upon the mother and her interesting babe, it was apparent some one of the senators of Louisiana had a claim to them as husband and father; but whether he is of dusky complexion or of unadulterated Caucasian descent we were unable to discover. This interesting spectacle reminded us of Gen. Grant's picture, in Harper, clothed in uniform, and with a child on his knee, and underneath the inscription, "Let us have peace." Punch once had a laughable caricature of the Iron Duke, as represented by a Cockney showman. "'Ere you vill see," says that individual, "the great Duky Vellington a-ridin' among the red hot cannon balls, him not carin' von straw."

MR. JOSEPH ZINGEL makes affidavit before the recorder of the Third District that his furniture store has been entered by persons unknown and several articles stolen. Not satisfied with carrying off what they could find, they set fire to the premises. The fire was discovered and extinguished, the thieves dropped their plunder, and Mr. Zingel has recovered his goods. We trust the perpetrators of this outrage will be ferreted out and punished.

THE UNITED STATES QUARTERMASTER'S stables, on New Levee street, in the Fourth District, were entered a night or two ago, and four horses were stolen and carried away. Two of the animals have been recovered, but, strange to say, the thieves have not been detected.

A MAN NAMED GRAY was badly wounded with a knife, in an affray on New Levee street, late on Thursday night. His enemy, the man that used the knife, made his escape.

WE LEARN that the Italian boy, employed at the fruit store on Gravier street, near Carondelet, was beaten, Thursday evening, not by the zouave negroes in the procession, but by negroes accompanying the procession on the sidewalk.

OFFICER MADDEN, of the special force of police, caused the arrest of five or six negroes Thursday night, on the charge of robbing his dwelling.

THE TENEMENT, No. 51 Conti, was burglariously entered very early Thursday morning, but the thief made noise enough to awake the occupant, a man named Bene. The latter fired three shots at the intruder, but the scoundrel succeeded in making his escape. It is believed he was wounded.

WE UNDERSTAND Durant DaPonte, Esq., will be requested to address the Seymour Knights next Tuesday evening on political topics. It will be a treat to hear so eloquent, able and experienced a man.

THE LEVEE is perfectly quiet. The negroes have mostly deserted it, and now congregate on Dryades street.

A RIDE down Claiborne street and back in the city car is absolutely delightful. Once on that magnificent avenue, the shade from the double row of tall, wide spreading trees, keeps off the sun's rays, and the breeze which plays underneath is exceedingly cool and refreshing.

A YOUNG AND HANDSOME WOMAN was arrested in the First District, day before yesterday, charged by her parents with having absconded from home with the intention of leading a lewd and abandoned life. A young man who loved her offered to settle the matter by marrying her. The parents consented and the youthful parties were made one flesh.

A GENTLEMAN living in the rear of the Second District, about four squares from the Esplanade street city cars, owns a pointer dog of extraordinary sagacity. Whenever it happens to rain, near 4 P. M., the hour at which our friend dines, the dog is intrusted with an umbrella, which he takes in his mouth, carries down to the track and delivers to his master when he gets out of the car, with undeviating punctuality. Wo to the marauder that might attempt to carry off the umbrella, the faithful animal would tear him to pieces.

WHILST STROLLING along the levee in the evening yesterday, the writer witnessed a sight which was good for sore eyes. It was that of a steamboat coming down with a very fair load of cotton bales of the new crop.

A MAN NAMED JAMES STEPHENS is in jail accused of stealing jewelry from M'me Avegno, last Tuesday night, valued at $400.

AN UNFORTUNATE GIRL named Julia Hunter, threw herself into the river yesterday, at the foot of Barrack street, and was drowned. She was only sixteen years old, but her life was that of a wanton of the lowest description.

THE INDIVIDUAL who robbed Judge Foute's residence, on Camp street, near St. Joseph, two nights ago, voluntarily acknowledged the crime yesterday, and asserted that he must have been insane from hunger, having eaten nothing for two days.

THE DWELLING of Mr. Fisher, on Magnolia street, First District, was robbed early Thursday morning of wearing apparel and other valuables.

A PRIVATE in the 1st U. S. infantry was robbed on Thursday, in the lower portion of the Third District, of several months pay.

SUPPOSED STEALAGE.—Thomas Davis was yesterday morning arrested, charged by Col. Corcoran with being concerned in the recent robbery of four horses from the government stable. Thomas puts in an appearance to-day.

THE TEMPERATURE yesterday, as shown by the observations of A. B. Griswold & Co., corner Canal and Royal streets, was as follows: At 6 A. M. 82 degrees; 12 M. 84; 3 P. M. 88; 6 P. M. 87.

The temperature yesterday, as shown by the thermometer at C. Dohamel's, 111 Canal street, was as follows: At 6 A. M. 80 degrees; 12 M. 84; 3 P. M. 84; 6 P. M. 85.

A RADICAL ROW IN MINNESOTA.—The burst up among the Radicals of St. Paul District, Minnesota, is complete. The Donnelly and Hubbard factions each claim to be regular and each entirely ignore the other. A dispatch to a Radical paper in Chicago says the fight has been waged with such bitterness that it is impossible to predict any other result than the defeat of both factions in November, and the election of whomsoever the Democrats may nominate on the 9th instant.

LOCAL POLITICS.

Secretaries of Democratic Clubs

Will confer a favor upon the editors of this column by sending to the CRESCENT office after each meeting of the several clubs which they represent, a synopsis of the proceedings. We are compelled to ask this from them, as the rapidly increasing number of Democratic clubs in the city render it impossible for a local force, however large, to attend every meeting. We wish to make this column a complete compendium of local political intelligence, and, with the aid of our friends, will certainly do so. But such assistance is necessary. We trust that the Democrats of the city will give it.

The Blair Sentinels.

BANNER PRESENTATION.—One would have imagined that, now we have had so many banner presentations; that so many clubs have turned out; that the Democrats of our town had gotten somewhat weary of displaying their enthusiasm in our glorious cause; that the ladies, satisfied that they have already, as far as possible, encouraged their champions, would have in a degree relaxed in their endeavors to cheer the Democracy on in their path—we say one would have thought that with this much done, more would be deemed superfluous, but no! Enthusiasm is now as strong as it was the first day of the campaign; and it is now our pleasing duty to record an affair as brilliant and as successful as any which has yet occurred—and this was the way of it:

The Blair Sentinels, an earnest, gallant band of patriots, assembled last evening in their club room, corner of Julia and Rampart streets, each man in full uniform—black pants, white shirts with red cuffs, white red bordered cap, and to complete the outfit, a brilliant wide-awake torch. Forming in line under the guidance of the efficient marshal, Capt. Bissell, and his aids, the Sentinels marched out Julia to Camp street, thence by the route laid down to Magazine street at its junction with Race, the streets all along being crowded with delighted spectators all admiring, and with good reason, the handsome appearance and fine drill of the Sentinels.

Coming down Magazine street, the club halted in front of the residence of Gen. Buchanan, and gave him a serenade, three cheers and a tiger, and again took up the line of march to the residence of T. J. Farrell, Esq., on the same street near Terpsichore, where a sight awaited them that were worth all the fatigue of the march, had it been thrice as long and tiresome. On the gallery, prettily adorned with parti colored lanterns and national flags, were a crowd of ladies, and on the steps stood two maidens—whose appearance we can't describe, and therefore won't attempt it—between them a handsome banner, and on the banquet a surging crowd, attracted by the fame of the event to come off. The Sentinels drew off in line, uncovered and stood, a pretty illuminated picture, while from the gallery Miss Lizzie Farrell then spoke to them:

Mr. President, gentlemen and patriots of the Blair Sentinels, you have been called together on this occasion to gratify my sister and myself in our desire to place in your hands a banner. Simple in itself, it has no less the significance of being a glad and grateful tribute to your efforts in behalf of our cause, which should and does absorb all other topics—the re-establishment of peace, that peace which does not bring with it social embarrassment or negro supremacy, to restore once more that settled, permanent, established government under which in years agone we have lived so happily. Take it, and if through the wise dispensations of our Heavenly Father you shall be permitted to march to victory under its folds, our aims will have been satisfactorily accomplished and our larger hopes fully realized.

In giving you this banner our hearts eagerly reach forward to that day when shall be decided the merits of our candidates, and while praying the cause may triumph, we shall ever remember with pleasure and gratitude those who were foremost in the ranks of the right.

God speed the reward of your labors and give us victory! Our banner we offer you.

The banner which, with these words, was placed in the hands of the Sentinels, is an extremely handsome one—of the heaviest and handsomest silk. One side, which is red, bears the inscription "Blair Sentinels," and a fine portrait of our noble soldier candidate; the reverse is yellow, and on it is the glorious motto—that of the whole party—"In God We Trust." A heavy gilt fringe all around, appropriate staff and tassels, and we have described a banner of which the most we can say is, that it was such an one as should be given to such a club as the Sentinels.

To Captain Bissell, grand marshal, had been assigned the pleasant duty of replying for the Sentinels, which he did in a short, well-worded speech. That over, and three cheers for the ladies given, the club broke ranks and reassembled in Mr. Farrell's hospitable parlors, where they and their invited guests managed to spend a delightful hour. In that time we learned that the banner is the joint workmanship of Miss Lizzie Farrell, Miss Theresa Farrell and Miss Belle Wood, that they really made it, and made the whole of it except the staff and the painting. But all too soon, the order "fall in" came, and soon, bearing their trophy proudly before them, the Sentinels marched off, casting, however, many a backward glance at the house where they had been so well treated.

They then, accompanied by delegations from the Seymour Guides, Blair Knights and Crescent City club—the latter a large and imposing one—paraded the principal streets until a late hour. As they passed by they gave the CRESCENT three cheers, "for which all thanks."

Altogether the whole affair was a very pretty one, and, as we before said, considering that so much has already been done, a pointed indication of how earnest and strong is the popular feeling here for the cause of freedom. As such a testimony we chronicle it with tenfold pleasure.

For courtesies extended, the officers of the Sentinels have our thanks. We duly appreciated them.

The Magnolia Rangers.

A large and growing club, held a splendid meeting last night at its headquarters, corner of Melpomene and Magnolia streets. Extensive additions were made to its already long rolls, the enthusiasm of the old members being proportionably increased by this evidence of their usefulness. Judge J. Paris Childress, president, was unanimously elected delegate to the executive committee of the independent clubs. Business over, addresses were delivered by Judge Childress, Mr. John Bolduer, treasurer, and Mr. H. H. Graham, marshal, all of which were to the point and applauded vociferously. The Rangers then adjourned to meet again next Thursday.

We learn that under the auspices of the Rangers, a mass meeting will be held at Kellar's Market on the 26th inst. To those who remember the good effects of the last one held there this will be good news.

The Seymour Southrons

Held a rousing meeting at their new headquarters, corner of Julia and Magazine streets, 225 members present. Several new active members were enrolled and the following gentlemen were elected honorary members: Major Benjamin Green, and W. H. D. Cochran. The Southrons were the recipients of an invitation to call on Mr. C. Wiest on their next turn-out. Many thanks for your kind invitation, Major, say we—for this reporter is a "Southron"—it shall certainly be accepted. The Southrons meet again next Thursday.

Fossil Guards.

A meeting of this club was held last night, at which over 150 members were present. Several communications were read and acted upon. Mrs. M. Pons and Mrs. D. W. E. Peck presented to the club a handsome wreath, accompanied by a most beautifully written letter, expressing their sympathy with our cause and their partiality to this club. The wreath was received by the club, who tendered their thanks to these ladies for their handsome donation.

The nomination for delegate to the committee of independent clubs was made by the president, his nomination being Mr. J. H. Hardy, to represent the Fossil Guards. This club is quite large, and still numerous applications are being made for membership.

The Second Ward Club

Met in force last night, at Minerva Hall, on Clio street, near Prytania. The room was enlivened by the presence of a large delegation from the Seymour Guides. When business was over, eloquent addresses were made by J. Baldwin Duff, the enthusiastic and able president of the Guides, Mr. S. J. N. Smith and Mr. Archie Mitchell, president of the Tigers—the speech of the latter being particularly true and to the point. The club then adjourned until Thursday next, when they meet at the Louisiana Hotel, on Tchoupitoulas street, opposite St. Mary's market, meeting the Thursday afterwards at the Jackson Railroad depot. Success to the Second Ward Club in its efforts in our cause.

The Wide Awakes.

The Wide Awakes of the Third District held their regular meeting last night, at their hall, over Escot's Saloon, corner of Elysian Fields and Lever streets, and, as usual, was very largely attended. Nothing but the regular routine of business was transacted. This club brags of 606 solid voters, who pledge to redeem the Old Third in November next.

The Seymour Southern Club,

A new Fourth District club, will permanently organize to-night, at the corner of Second and St. Patrick streets. All persons not yet connected with any independent club, and residents of that portion of the city, are invited to present themselves and enroll their names. Come up, gentlemen.

Other Meetings.

The Fourth Ward Club had a big meeting at their headquarters corner of Franklin and Canal streets, last night. This is one of the most earnest, hard-working and respectable clubs in the city.

The Hancocks met in force last evening at their elegant headquarters, 139 Canal street.

The Rousseau Guards, the Pendleton Guards, Junior and the Constitution Club all held regular meetings last night, and all were fully attended.

Club Meetings To-night.

The Minute Men of '68, corner of St. Charles and Gravier streets, at 7½ o'clock.

The Old Hickory Club at Freret's press, on Perdido street, between Magnolia and Locust streets, at 7½ o'clock.

The Liberty Guards at 20 St. Charles street at 7½ o'clock.

The Seymour Southern Club, corner St. Patrick and Second streets, at 7½ o'clock.

The Second Ward Colored Club at 209 Tchoupitoulas.

The Tigers at Louisiana Hotel, opposite St. Mary's market.

The Colored Constitution Club, No. 1, corner of Conti street and Exchange alley, at 7 o'clock.

The Crescent City Club, corner of Prytania and Jackson streets at 7½ o'clock.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL ITEMS.

Colored Democratic clubs are multiplying in the parish of St. Mary. Another has just been formed at Au Large.

The Natchitoches Times says: We are informed that an officer, having authority to do so, has inaugurated measures to stop the drilling of negroes, noticed by us last week.

A newspaper correspondent writes that during a stage coach ride in Virginia recently, Gen. Lee stated that unless the Democracy were successful in the presidential election the country would be ruined.

There was an immense meeting of the conservatives—white and colored—of St. Helena, at Greensburg, on the 29th ult. Among the speakers was Col. Tom Davidson. Four colored men also addressed the assemblage.

The first day of October next has been decided on by the Second Adventists, lately assembled at Janesville, Wisconsin, for the ending of earthly things. The other day one of the preachers was very much annoyed by a Republican and Democrat, on the outskirts of the meeting, discussing as to who would be the next president. The preacher approached them and said: "My dear friends, you are exciting yourselves unnecessarily, and wasting precious time in speculating as to the future president of the United States, for before an earthly election takes place our blessed Lord will be president everywhere." "I'll bet you twenty-five dollars," said the Democrat, "he can't carry Kentucky."

At Norwalk, Ohio, on Saturday, Mr. Pendleton made a speech, during which General Nettleton sent to him some questions relating to the taxation of bonds. The questions were not answered at the meeting, but afterward, at the hotel, Mr. Pendleton said the general government should give the States the right to tax the bonds; and if it were held that this could not be legally done upon bonds now extant, then the government itself—having, as he believed, the right to vary its rule or rate of taxation upon bonds as well as all other property—should levy upon them a tax equal to the average State and federal taxation on other property.

The Lake Charles Weekly Echo of the 5th says: The Democratic mass meeting at Lake Charles last Saturday was large, enthusiastic and harmonious. The meeting was called to order at 12 M. by the appointment of J. V. Moss, Esq., as president, and J. B. Kirkman, Esq., as secretary of the meeting. Able and eloquent speeches were made by Geo. H. Wells, Louis Leveque, W. B. Norris and Rev. M. Scarborough. After dinner Pierre, Oliver and Henderson, three freedmen, volunteered interesting and highly amusing Democratic speeches, in which they illustrated their experience of the hollowness of Radical promises, and urged their colored friends to support the Democratic party. A large number of colored voters came out to hear "the other side," and were evidently favorably impressed by the public speaking.

The two candidates for governor of New York are well matched. Both are young men, both are rich, both are exceedingly good looking, though not of the same style of beauty. Mr. Griswold is a blonde, with blueeyes, light hair, and mutton-chop whiskers. His movements are graceful, his manners elegant. Mr. Hoffman is a brunette, slender, tall, stately, with fine black eyes tinged with melancholy. His hair is jet black, his brow pale and thoughtful like Hamlet's, his features finely chiselled, his chin smooth and shapely, his mouth intellectual and kindly, his mustache black and impressive, like that of a Spanish grandee or a first-class German metaphysician. In point of personal attractions it would be difficult to determine which of the two candidates ought to have the palm. If the question were left to the ladies, they would find themselves puzzled beyond any precedent in history.—[N. Y. Sun.

The Opelousas Courier, of the 5th, says: At a mass meeting of the Democracy of St. Landry and Lafayette, held near Chretien's Point, in this parish, on the 27th ult., Dr. A. O. Guidry, of Carencro, was called to the chair, and sixteen vice presidents were appointed. The meeting having been called to order, Dr. John Tarlton, of Grand Coteau, read a series of resolutions which were unanimously adopted. The resolutions declare: 1st. That we hail with unbounded satisfaction the nomination of New York's Democratic son, Horatio Seymour, for the presidency, and Frank P. Blair, of Missouri, for the vice presidency, upon a platform of sound, earnest, and truthful principles, and that we will labor with unconquerable zeal to elect them, that our country may be taken out of the hands of the reckless and unprincipled revolutionary Jacobins—a blighting curse to the nation and a disgrace to mankind. 2d. That we are willing to protect the colored race in their natural rights, and see justice done them: but that we wish it distinctly understood that this is a white man's government, and that the blacks are not to rule and govern. 3d. That we challenge the world to produce in the whole history of tyranny a parallel to the lawless violence, the grinding and inexorable despotism, injustice, and harsh oppression of the minions now in power towards the people of this State and of the entire ten Southern States. 4th. That the acts of the present Legislature, in first depriving of their seats the Democratic members elected by large majorities, and having as proof of that election the certificate of Gen. Buchanan, and in then putting in power their own tools and partisans, are acts of tyranny that should be frowned down by all citizens of every party, who look to the ballot-box for rule, order, and legislation. 5th. That the late communication of the Radical governor of the State to the president of the United States, calling for troops to put down lawlessness, murder, and crimes of every sort, is a tissue of misrepresentation and falsehood, and that so we proclaim it to the world. Speeches were then made by Messrs. Jos. M. Moore, and John E. King, of our town, and Maj. Wm. Mouton, of Lafayette, who, in their usually forcible and eloquent style, impressed upon the people the great importance of the present campaign, and gave the large number of the freedmen present some wholesome advice relative to their present political duties.

EXTENSIVE INDIAN WAR PREDICTED.—A Chicago dispatch says:

Gen. Grant, now at Galena, expresses the opinion that an extensive Indian war is certain. Gen. Sherman has telegraphed to Gen. Grant for additional cavalry with which to operate against the savages, and the request has been acceded to. A vigorous war is to be immediately inaugurated.

MAINE.—A Washington special of the 7th says: The Republicans of Maine claim, as the result of their canvass in that State, that their majority will be greater than at any time since 1864, while the Democrats are equally confident that the result will show that the telling blows of Pendleton, Tom Ewing and others have not been without avail. The election takes place on the 14th inst. The canvass is waxing warmer and warmer as the day of election draws near and extraordinary efforts are being made by both parties. There will be no end to the speeches made there this week by prominent men on both sides, which will no doubt keep the political pulse up to the proper state of agitation, but the way to make proselites in New England is a plentiful use of money. There is nothing like clean cash with your true Yankee.

SOUTHERN CROPS.

The Bastrop, La., Dispatch of the 4th gives a good account of the crops in that region.

The Thibodaux Sentinel gives very encouraging reports of the crops in Lafourche, especially of those along the bayou.

We learn from the Marksville Villager that caterpillars have made their appearance in Avoyelles parish, but, as yet, have done no damage.

No complaint of the cotton worm since our last. The general impression now is that the extreme hot weather will prevent their commencing depredations.—[Jefferson (Texas) Jimplecute, 28th.

The Henderson (Texas) Times of the 2d says: Good judges think there will be gathered at least a half cotton crop in this county. The worms have done but little damage.

The Jackson (La.) Flag of the 5th says: The wet weather of the past week has considerably damaged the cotton crop of the parish, but still our planters will make a little more cotton this than last year.

Picking in Tensas, as we learn from the Gazette, is going on briskly, with more cheering prospects of a bountiful harvest than we had last year, though the yield will not be near as large as was anticipated a few weeks since.

The Columbus (Miss.) Times of the 5th says: Cotton has been coming in quite briskly during the present week. The worm, during the last four or five days, has appeared nearly everywhere, and the damage done was considerable, they having cut short the crop one-half.

The Mill can (Texas) News Letter of the 5th says: The past week has been interspersed with sunshine and showers. The boll worm, of which we made mention last week, has disappeared. The best informed planters report that more cotton will be made than employés can be procured to pick, as has been the case since the war in this county.

The East Feliciana Democrat says: Although we hear of the worm being quite destructive in the adjoining county of Amite, Miss., yet in our parish, not to any such an extent. That they are looked for and dreaded by many is certain, but it was hoped that a succession of fair and dry weather would have enabled the planters to have made good pick