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We have had some grand gala days lately, if you count.

The wind and rain of the past few days equalled all plans of fair weather.

There is some complaint made that the fast mail trains get in ahead of the mail.

The Courier Journal says the Democrats of Maine will have a strong minority in the Legislature.

Miss Fanny B. Price has a new play called "Jelited." It ought to be brought out by Manager Shook.

It is said Carl Schurz, who has just returned from Germany, will take the stump in Ohio for the Republican ticket.

The "Forest Club," of St. Patrick parish, will play "O'Neil the Great," at the St. Charles Theatre, September 28.

The Southern engagements of Rossi, the great Italian tragedian, will include a short season in this city. He will first appear in New York, October 25.

Adrian Lear, a famous French billiard player, has lately arrived in New York. Directly, when he commences playing, we shall hear of Lear rolling rapidly.

The Rev. Talmage has made another book called "Every Day Religion." This of course does not interfere with business, and is published from Sunday religion.

The Hon. E. S. Shorter is traveling in the Southern States canvassing Congressmen in the interest of Mr. Cox, candidate for speaker of the House.

The French Opera Bouffo Company, under the management of Messrs. Gran and Chizola, will open at the Varieties Theatre in this city on the first of November.

That military company in Chicago, so anxious to appear on the stage at McVicker's Theatre, might be sent with profit to Southern Illinois to look after the Missouri Ku-Klux for awhile.

M. F. Bigney, Esq., formerly an able worker on the press of New Orleans, but now editor of the Richmond Enquirer, arrived in this city yesterday, to remain for a few days on business.

The rival Hamlets have subsided, but Theodore Tilton is announced to lecture in New York on the night when a public reception is to be given to Mr. Beecher at the Brooklyn Academy of Music.

The schooner William Allen, from Baltimore for New York, put in at Lewes, Delaware, on the fourteenth instant, in a leaking condition, requiring pumping out. There is evidently something wrong with William Allen.

The first exhibition of the Tradesmen's Industrial Institute of Pittsburg will commence on the seventh of October. The press committee announces themselves as desirous of extending hospitality to visiting editors and reporters.

W. W. Story has written a historical play called "Nero." Mr. Johnny Thompson, who plays the violin quite cleverly, could take the piece and make a sensation with it by getting up a fire scene and fiddling while the machines were at work.

The incoming trains on the New Orleans, St. Louis and Chicago railroad are now running on a new schedule. The express train arrives at 9 P. M., and the mail train at 11:30 A. M. The outward bound trains depart as usual, at 7:50 A. M. and 5:50 P. M.

A good, comfortable pair of shoes is a great blessing, and we speak by the card when we say that Louis Seabafter, No. 122 Camp street, just above Old Fellows' Hall, makes shoes that give satisfaction in every particular. Give him a call, and you will not regret it.

The fast trains bring to Mr. C. A. Haley, newsdealer, Northern and Western daily papers of very recent dates. His store at No. 19 Commercial place is stocked with newspapers, with the illustrated and literary journals, and with a variety of miscellaneous reading matter. Haley has also the favorite magazines for October, fresh and full of good things, at cheap prices.

We have frequently been asked what sights there were in the Crescent City to interest and amuse strangers, and we did intend to write up some of them, but we have concluded to let our readers wait until November, when they can get a copy of Mr. J. Curtis Waldo's Visitors' Guide to New Orleans, which will contain all the desired information.

The gentlemen of the Orleans Dramatic Association favor us with tickets to their next and last complimentary performance, which will take place at the Varieties Theatre on Wednesday evening next. Upon that occasion will be presented the Dickens drama of "No Thoroughfare," with Miss Isabel Freeman and Messrs. St. Clair Jones and William H. Beaumont in leading characters.

R. M. & B. J. Montgomery are still in the field with the largest and best assorted stock of parlor, bedroom, dining-room and other furniture to be found in the city. Their stock is fresh and new, and their prices are lower than any other house in the city. They do not pretend to sell their goods at auction, or below cost to close business, but are willing to compare their prices with those who do. They don't want our readers to take their word for the assertion, but wish them to call and examine for themselves. They always take pleasure in showing their stock to the public. Remember Armory Hall, No. 87 Camp street.

A number of hotel keepers in Chicago who have been swindled frequently now require travelers to pay in advance. They say a man who intends to pay for his accommodations can not object to the arrangement. One traveler not appreciating the change in affairs, was questioned by a clerk who said: "You will not object to paying before you go to your room, sir?" "Certainly not," says the traveler. "For how long, sir?" "Well," says the stranger, "you may charge me for about ten minutes, on the European plan." By the end of that time I think I shall be at a hotel where the clerks wear smaller diamonds and have more confidence in human nature.

FITZHUGH LEE ON VIRGINIA.

This gentleman, the son and comrade of General R. E. Lee, is at the head of an immigration society, and visits New York for the purpose of soliciting aid in the object of the society. He is reported in the columns of the New York Herald as thus explaining the objects and inducements of his visit:

Virginia being considered the mother of the country, I consider it unfair that this great people should all so far to suffer on account of past wrongs. There are many here, and we do not care to revive them. We wish to rejuvenate the old State, and we think the best way to do it is to develop her agricultural resources. We are not here to offer to emigrate facilities as good or better than they can find in the West.

The reader will note the difference between this theory and that of the Democratic leaders of Louisiana. The latter insist that a change in the federal administration must precede the restoration of social prosperity in the South. The visit of Fitzhugh Lee is to Northern farmers and mechanics. The visit of our White Leaguers is to the politicians and agitators at the North. The representations of Fitzhugh Lee are of the peace and physical capacities of Virginia. The report of our Democratic emissary seeks to excite political pity by magnifying the deplorable condition of affairs which prevails in our State and city.

Mr. Lee testifies to the good feeling which he finds at the North toward Virginia:

I must say that I am agreeably surprised at the cordial reception of myself and associates at the hands of the people of New York, and I have yet to hear one dissenting voice in regard to our proposition for the revival of the old State. The Northern people are in the main anxious to see that Virginia should once more take rank among the great States of the Union. It is our firm intention by honest and fair means to induce immigrants to settle in our State, to cultivate our soil, develop our interests, and by so doing put the State on the footing which she had before the war.

This grows out of the fact that Virginia made a manly fight for the construction of the constitution for that which she deemed her property, and against emancipation. She accepted the result of the war, and kept the terms of the capitulation. The people of the United States know and respect a brave people, and are rejoiced to receive any pledge of their faith or fidelity, because they are known to be inviolate. As for Virginia ever being anything but republican in her institutions—as for that grand old mother of republicans crawling back under kings, priests and minions, no American ever expected such a thing. Her republicans of 1789 have left their blood and bread. Her Republicans that defeated the Federalists in the election of Thomas Jefferson, her Republicans, that under Madison and Monroe resisted the invasion of England, have bequeathed their heritage to children worthy of them.

It is better to re-enter the Union and reform the errors of bad government than to seek foreign favor or adopt foreign institutions.

Mr. Lee thus promises the inducements offered to immigrants:

Our rulers are as honest and as able to govern wisely as are those of other States. Quiet reigns throughout the length and breadth of our section, and new settlers need have no fear of being disturbed in their possessions, or in their pursuit of wealth and happiness. The moral standard of our people we consider equal to that of any people in the land. We are law-abiding; we punish our offenders with the same rigorous justice that is meted to offenders in the North. Our cities and towns have no record of crimes beyond what can be found in the cities and towns of other States.

Virginia has rulers of her choice. At the close of the war she accepted the services of an honorable and able Governor, who had recently served in the federal army. For this she was greatly commended by those Democrats who voted for Horace Greeley. But "quiet reigns" throughout the length and breadth of the State. It is this which attracts the immigrant, and this, we regret to state, is not believed to exist in some other Southern States. The Virginians are "a law abiding" people. It is wholly useless for the fire eaters to call them a cowardly people on that account. They have a high "moral standard" among them. The saloon Democracy need not ridicule this respect for a good name. They "punish offenders" and do not tolerate "ruffianism." All very absurd, no doubt, in the estimation of the Shreveport Times and Vicksburg Herald.

But the mass of the civilized world, of the world that has more men, more money, more guns and more influence than the Ku-Klux and White League, respect all these qualities; respect law; respect a good name; punish ruffians and suppress ruffianism. This is what respectable immigrants require, and how- ever despisable it may seem to the fire eaters, the whole immigration question turns precisely on this respect for good men and good actions.

Virginia is not a land of intolerance. Mr. Lee says:

It is a popular fallacy that Northern people can not come South and pursue their legitimate business without being molested. This is only true of the South in spots, but these spots are unfortunately misrepresented by our enemies and rivals to cover the larger area of some of our States. A Red river rough rider, whose whole annual labors are not worth the pony he bestrides and the revolver buckled around him, can readily run off or repel immigrants worth a hundred thousand dollars. Virginia, according to Mr. Lee, does not tolerate this class of patriots. But he tells frankly what Virginia needs and the sort of people that she likes:

We are not in love with carpet-baggers, but we are in love with people who will come among us and help us to overcome our put on a second base the glorious old State of Virginia. There is not a heart or a hand in the State but what will be open and extended to those who will come among us to buy our lands, help us to make the State what she should be, and to help our people. We don't ask a man's nationality; we simply invite him to come to settle among us, to be a law-abiding citizen and to grow with the State.

Our political elite have been at war with the negroes ever since the year 1865. They only intermit this war during the seasons of planting, plowing, cotton picking and sugar rolling. We have their

highest authorities in point in opposition to the suffrage and the school for the negro. Here is the report of Mr. Lee upon this subject:

In regard to the negroes I consider that those of Virginia are as intelligent and industrious as can be found. There is not the least insurrectionary spirit being exhibited, and the negroes deeply deplore the late troubles further south. There is a friendly spirit existing between labor and capital, but we lack as much of the latter as we have a surplus of the former. The negroes are being educated and are beginning to comprehend the fact that upon their own exertions must they depend for their support and advancement, and understanding this fact, they are at work industriously and honestly.

There is "a friendly spirit existing between labor and capital." Here we have agricultural capital assailed by labor, and a Vicksburg paper before us advises capital to dispense with labor unless labor shall concede its political rights, while another paper reports an effort to persuade labor to come out of the woods, and promises that capital will not go gunning after labor any more—just as present.

On the great immigrant *sin qua non*, public schools, Mr. Lee says:

In regard to our free school system, I consider it quite up to the standard of the other States, and we intend to maintain it so, and not again have the cry go abroad that ignorance is the base of the people of our section of the South. We desire to place ourselves in such a position that we shall be looked up to. We want good feeling between all sections, and we are willing to work to promote that feeling and for the general public good. In our desire to meet with success we are aware of the fact that we can not sit with folded hands, but must work to obtain the precious boon, and this we are willing to do, and we cordially invite immigrants and all others who desire to come and settle in our State. We promise them good government, a hearty reception, good free schools, cheap and fertile acres, and a climate the fame of whose salubrity is well known.

There are evidently two schools of politicians at the South. The one which all arounds among us does not wish immigrants unless they agree in political opinion with the Democracy. The other wishes to import people and capital. The one sect wishes continued sectional strife, and so excites prejudice against all who come from the Northern States. The other sect regards the war as at an end, and the South open to the admission of any who bring industry, integrity and capital.

It remains for the property holders of Louisiana to determine by which of these sects it will be represented abroad. Will it empower General Custis Lee to proclaim the peace toleration and respect for law, or will it intrust this representation to the White Leaguers?

A REPUBLICAN DUTY.

Our Democratic neighbors have frequently asserted that without the public printing the New Orleans Republican could not exist a single day. The Bulletin and Times are most certain of our belief, and they know something of the difficulties of publishing a daily paper in a community more disposed to talk than read. We are not yet ready to admit that sudden death would overtake us in such an emergency, and the assertion itself must be considered as an unwarranted license taken with the business affairs of the Republican Printing Company, which owns and controls this paper. Be that as it may, and public printing or no public printing, it is a fact that no publishing company is likely to have more money than is necessary to carry on a paper properly; and in this connection we wish to remind the Republicans of Louisiana that in liberally supporting this paper they will do good to themselves as well as to us. In this we speak as Republicans, and for the good of the Republican party, and not as men for individual benefits. The capital, intelligence and energy now employed in publishing a Republican paper, would yield as good returns invested and turned in other directions. For nearly ten years the REPUBLICAN has stood the brunt of the political battles fought in this State. It was started against a sea of opposition, and at a time when men were ostracized for reading it, carriers were beaten for delivering it, and when Democrats controlled the affairs of the State. The Republican survived because it was right, it conquered because its cause was just. It espoused the cause of the down-trodden and oppressed, teaching them their rights, and putting their record of wrongs before the people of the United States. It is not for us to say with what ability the paper has been conducted. Our enemy admit that it has progressed, that it is powerful and influential, and it is recognized among the foremost Republican journals of the land. It is the only daily Republican paper in Louisiana, and it is the leading Republican paper of the South. Were we conducting a private enterprise, for private gain, we could not say this much and be considered modest. We speak to the Republicans of Louisiana, and we say the New Orleans Republican is your paper. The existence of the Republican party depends upon its press. You are aware of the fact, and your enemies frequently repeat it. The press of the people is the voice of the people, and it should never be allowed to grow faint while there are wrongs to right, or men needing instruction. Every Republican voter in Louisiana should take and pay for his paper. Democrats say one-half of the members of the Republican party in this State can not read. For this state of things, if it be so, we have more feelings of sympathy than moaning. The Democrats would have kept every black man in ignorance, and every poor white man, for that matter. But Republicans have put all colored children in the way of an education, and the child can read the papers to the father. A daily paper is the best educator known to civilization. One dollar saved each month from an allowance for whisky or tobacco, or any foolish indulgence, would bring a good paper daily to each family. We may refer to this subject again; now we only make the suggestion that leading Republicans throughout the State should interest themselves in sustaining the paper which is of vital importance to their welfare. Clubs can be formed, and much done in

the way of increasing our subscription lists. Let the New Orleans Republican be amply supported by Republicans, not as a charity—for subscriptions will be doubly paid in the paper—but as a pleasure and duty.

THE BISHOP OF ILLINOIS.

The thirty-eighth annual convention of the Episcopal Church of Illinois convened in Chicago on the fourteenth instant, with all parishes represented. It was a session of unusual interest, made so by the election of a bishop of the diocese, to succeed in office the late Bishop Whitehouse, which election occurred on the fifteenth instant. The Church is to be congratulated on the good feeling exhibited in debate, and the harmony with which the business of the session was conducted, resulting, as we have been informed by telegram, in the election of Dr. William McLaren to be Bishop of Illinois.

It will be remembered that in February last, at a special convention of the Episcopal Church of Illinois, Dr. James DeKoven was elected bishop of the diocese. He was a man in every way fitted for the position, sagacious, learned and eloquent. The convention was competent to elect him, and he was the choice of the clergy and laity of the Church in Illinois, considering the majority of the delegates as representing the will of the churches.

The election of a bishop is the most important act of an Episcopal diocese, for the office is a life-time charge, and into the hands of a single man is given the guidance and welfare of the Church in a diocese for perhaps a quarter of a century. So important is the selection of a bishop that, according to the rules governing the Episcopal Church in the United States, the election of such an officer in one diocese must be ratified by all other dioceses to become permanent. In case the election of a bishop occurs within six months previous to a triennial convention of the different dioceses, the election is submitted to such convention for approval or rejection; otherwise, as to the dates of an election of bishop and the triennial meeting, the election must be submitted to the standing committee of each diocese for independent voting. The election of Dr. DeKoven was so submitted, and his election was not confirmed. The reason assigned why the diocese of Illinois should not be granted the bishop of her choice was given in various dioceses rejecting Dr. DeKoven to be that the bishop elect was an extreme ritualist, or High Churchman, as the most strict Episcopalians are called to distinguish from the more liberal.

This expression of opinion on ritualism was not governed by geographical or political influences; but it was nevertheless a sign of the tendency of the church accidentally brought to view.

To the outside world the particular kind of prayer book used is of little importance. It is the conduct of those who pray and the effect of their prayers by which the Church can be judged. The diocese of Illinois did not rebel from the parent Church, and its delegates came together again, and again have chosen a man equally as learned and eloquent as Dr. DeKoven to be their bishop. He is in no way objectionable, and it is believed his election will be ratified without a dissenting voice from any diocese. Such confirmation will be most wise and Christian-like.

Dr. McLaren, the new bishop elect, was born at Geneva, New York, in December, 1831. He was educated at Jefferson College, and in 1850, entered the Presbyterian ministry. He was eminently successful in the Church, and was subsequently sent by that denomination to missionary work in South America. He remained in that field some eight years, and in 1867 he accepted a charge at Peoria, Illinois. He held that position for a while, and in 1872 was ordained a deacon, and subsequently a priest, in the Episcopal Church. Since then he has labored in Cleveland, Ohio, as pastor of Trinity Church, with great success.

The thing most significant of good feeling in the convention was the spirit with which Dr. DeKoven tendered his resignation. His letter was read to most eager listeners, and it affected some of them to tears. The letter was read before the vote on bishops was taken. It is quite lengthy, and closes as follows:

Brethren, I could not have accepted as I did the election of the diocese had I not realized in some poor way what might be done with the help of God by a bishop of Illinois. Strong are the foundations already laid by his blood, and his going to his rest. Everywhere the field is being opened. Towns and cities are calling for help for perishing souls, and above all, your kind heart, which has been to me almost a home for so many years, which is endeared to me by a thousand ties, and kindnesses I can never forget, pleads for my return. I believe unwillingly to resign its weight, its needs, and be an example of work bravely done to every part of this mighty West.

Truly beloved, in Christ, it may well be thought that you ought not to wait for misconceptions to be removed for the Church, who, though he has been drawn in one way by grave constitutional rights and tender personal considerations; drawn in another by the needs and sorrows of this stricken diocese. I feel it my duty to adopt a course which leaves at least the great principles involved unharmed.

In the name of the Great Head of the Church, who laid His blood to inaugurate my loyalty to its doctrine, discipline and worship, and protesting against my rejection by the standing committee as an injury done, believe unwillingly to resign, and justice, I withdraw my acceptance of the election to the bishopric of Illinois, and implore you at your present convention, asking the help of the Holy Ghost, forgetting all past difficulties, to elect some other presbyter as your bishop, one who shall be full of the love of Jesus, and zeal for the injury done, believe unwillingly to resign, and justice, I withdraw my acceptance of the election to the bishopric of Illinois, and implore you at your present convention, asking the help of the Holy Ghost, forgetting all past difficulties, to elect some other presbyter as your bishop, one who shall be full of the love of Jesus, and zeal for the injury done, believe unwillingly to resign, and justice, I withdraw my acceptance of the election to the 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