The Weekly Carion.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 1877

MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE.

SENATE—EIGHTEENTH DAY.

Monday, Jan. 22, 1877.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment; Lieut. Sims in the Chair; roll called:

PRESENT—Messrs. Allen, Albright, Barry, Callicott, Carter, Catchings, Chalmers, Currie, Everett, Fewell, FitzGerald, Foote, Furlong, Griffin, Johnston, McCabe, McCaskill, McNeil, Mendenhall, Metts, Morgan, Oldham, Pratt, Reynolds, Shirley, Stewart, Taylor, Terry, Thompson, Thornton, Tuttle, White—36.

ABSENT—Messrs. Gray, Hooker, Smith.

The Secretary was instructed to inform the House that the Senate was ready to meet the House in joint session.

By Mr. Reynolds: To prevent the carrying of concealed weapons; referred.

Mr. McCaskill entered a motion to reconsider the vote indefinitely postponing section 259, Code of 1871; lies over.

By Mr. Johnston: To amend section 3 of the educational law, approved April 12, 1875, so far as the same relates to Hinds county; passed.

By Mr. FitzGerald: To require the publisher to publish all private acts and resolutions of 1876; referred.

By Mr. Catchings: To provide reasonable compensation for the Circuit Clerk of Warren county, in certain criminal cases; passed.

JOINT SESSION.

The Senate proceeded in a body to the Representatives' Hall for the purpose of participating in the election of a Commissioner of Immigration and Agriculture. The House proceedings, while the Senate Chamber was being prepared for the conveyance of invalid patients to the Lunatic Asylum, and pupils to the Deaf and Dumb and Blind Institutions, were reported by the Committees on Humane and Benevolent Institutions, Mr. Fewell chairman, Mr. Johnston.

By Mr. Thompson: A joint resolution relative to the sale of useless public documents; lies over.

By Mr. Barry: That the Senate shall adjourn sine die at 9 o'clock A. M. Mr. Reynolds moved to amend by striking out 9 and inserting 9½; adopted.

By Mr. Griffin: To incorporate the Vicksburg Light Infantry of Natchez, also for the relief of Mrs. Annie Roach of Adams; both passed.

By Mr. Reynolds: To secure citizens in their claims against insolvent corporations; passed.

By Mr. Barry: To amend the laws in relation to admission of patients into the Lunatic Asylum; referred.

By Mr. Mendenhall: To repeal the anti-bridge law of Westville, Simpson county; passed.

By Mr. Carter: Authorizing the Supervisors of Harrison county to pay for official printing of 1876; passed.

Mr. Catchings called up H. B. (O. S.) for the relief of certain illegitimate children of Jno. Stephens, deceased, late of Tippah county; and the bill passed.

Mr. FitzGerald called up the bill to regulate the publication of legal advertisements; and it was made the special order for 11 o'clock to-morrow.

S. B. To authorize the State revenue agent to settle with Wm. Conner; passed.

APPROVED.

The Governor has approved the bill to encourage agriculture and stock raising.

Adjourned.

HOUSE—EIGHTEENTH DAY.

Monday, Jan. 22, 1877.

House met pursuant to adjournment; Speaker Street in the Chair; roll call:

PRESENT—Messrs. Aldrich, Amacker, Bailey, Baker, Bassett, Bean, Bell, Blount, Boyd, Bridges, Brown, Byrd, of Franklin, Byrd of Lawrence, Campbell, Carter of Holmes, Carter of Warren, Causey, Crosland, Clay, Clifton, Cochran, Crum, Dabney, Denson, Drake, Dyer, Edwards, Ervin, Fairley, Featherston, Floyd, Fortune, Gayden, Gibson, Gillis, Gowan, Guthrie, Guyton, Hall, Harper, Hebron, Hicks, Hogan, Horton, Hudson, Hussey, Jacobs, Jagers, Jarnigan, Jayne, Johnson of Itawamba, Johnson of Winston, Jones of Issaquena, Leigh, Lester, Liddell, Marsingale, Meade, Miller, Monroe, Muldrow, McCargo, McNair, McLaurin of Jasper, McLaurin of Smith, McWhorter, Nelson, Nichols, Overton, Parsons, Parker, Pennington, Percy, Raines, Riley, Rogers, Rowan, Saunderlin, Saunders, Shands, Shattuck, Shelby, Simpson, Sykes, Southworth, Spight, Stebbins, Tison, Trice, Troup, Tucker, Turley, Warren, Wilkinson, White, Vaughan, Yellowley, Young—100.

ABSENT—Messrs. Boyd, Cessor, Chiles, Dear, Garrett, Griffin, Huddleston, Jones of Hinds, Mallory, Millsaps, McCormack, McNeice, Pound, Reynolds—14.

By Mr. Byrd of Franklin: For the relief of R. J. Williams, sheriff of Franklin county.

Mr. Drake called up the bill to amend the act regulating the fees of publishers from the hands of the committee on printing, and moved to refer the bill to the proper committee to whom the memorial of the Press Association was referred; carried.

S. B. to provide for the payment of the Secretary of the State Board of Registration for 1876—Committee amendments to strike out $150 and insert $300; amendment lost. Mr. Southworth moved to strike out $150 and insert $200. Mr. Guyton moved to strike out $150 and insert $300; both amendments tabled and the bill passed.

The Judiciary Committee, through their chairman, Mr. Johns, reported a joint resolution submitting to the people an amendment to the constitution providing that all taxes collected for retailing liquors shall be paid into the county treasuries and shall be used for the schools in those counties; passed on first reading—yeas 71; nays—Messrs. Basset, Bridges, Fortune, Gillis, Guthrie, Hudson, Liddell, McWhorter, Parsons, Tison, Yellowley and Mr. Speaker—13.

APPROVED

The Governor has approved the following: To incorporate Benton, Yazoo county; to change the limits of Enterprise, Clarke county; for the relief of J. L. Fletcher, sheriff of Panola county, and for the relief of Robt. Hardy, sheriff of Clay, and W. J. Byram, sheriff of DeSoto county.

THE REVENUE BILL.

The House resumed the consideration of the revenue bill; several amendments were adopted; when the hour of 12 m. arrived the Senate appeared at the bar of the House.

JOINT SESSION.

Mr. President Sims in the chair. The object of the joint session was stated to be the election of a Commissioner of Immigration and Agriculture.

The following were appointed tellers: Messrs. Stebbins and Shattuck of the House and Mr. Farlong of the Senate.

Mr. Perry nominated Mr. M. B. Hillyard.

Mr. Tison nominated Mr. Geo. Torry.

Mr. McCaskill nominated Mr. John Nelson.

Mr. Jacobs nominated Richard Griggs.

First Ballot—Hillyard, 61; Torry, 47; Nelson, 14; Griggs, 2; Scattering, 1. Whole number 125; necessary to a choice 63.

Second Ballot—Hillyard, 63; Torry, 60; Griggs, 1; Gurthrie, 1. Whole number 126; necessary to a choice 64.

Mr. President Sims said Mr. Hillyard having received the majority of the votes cast, is therefore declared elected Commissioner of Immigration and Agriculture.

The Senate then withdrew.

The House proceeded to the reconsideration of the revenue bill. Mr. Spight moved to postpone the consideration of the bill to take up his motion to reconsider the vote passing the privileged tax bill; carried.

The vote passing the privilege tax bill was reconsidered; an amendment was adopted and the bill passed.

By Mr. Muldrow: To change the time of holding courts in certain counties in the 6th District; passed.

The House took a recess until 3:30 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

House met at 3:30 o'clock.

The consideration of the revenue bill was resumed; a number of amendments were considered and the bill went over until 10 o'clock to-morrow.

By Mr Hall: In relation to injunctions restraining the collection of taxes; also to amend section 1088, Code 1871, both referred.

Mr Tison called up the bill in relation to the distribution of the school fund; Mr. Gibson, to put the bill upon its passage; carried and the bill passed.

Mr. Baker called up the bill to extend the corporate limits of Winona, with Senate amendments, and the amendments were concurred in.

Mr. Liddell called up S. B. correcting a mistake in the boundary lines of Leflore and Carroll county, and the bill passed.

By Mr. Guthrie: To incorporate the Lamar Guards of Oxford, and Walthall Guards of Sardis; passed.

By Mr. Monroe: For the relief of Jackson E. Fisher, E. M. Shuddoth, and John C. Mitchell, of Coahoma county; referred.

By Mr. Lester: To incorporate Airmount, Yalobusha county; passed.

By Mr. Rowan: To re-incorporate Wesson, Copiah county; referred.

By Mr. Rogers: To amend the exemption laws; referred.

By Mr. Gibson: H. J. R proposing an amendment to the constitution. Mr. Gibson moved to suspend the rules to place the resolution on its first reading; lost.

Mr. Yellowley called up S. B. for the relief of Mrs. Kate Barlow, of Madison; the bill was read twice and lies over.

By Mr. Drake: To regulate the enrollment of chattel mortgages in Claiborne county; lies over.

Adjourned.

SENATE—NINETEENTH DAY.

Tuesday, Jan. 23, 1877.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment; President Sims in the Chair; roll called.

PRESENT—Messrs. Allen, Barry, Bills, Callicott, Carter, Catchings, Currie, Everett, Fewell FitzGerald, Foote, Furlong, Griffin, Hooker, Johnston, McCabe, McCaskill, McNeil, Mendenhall, Metts, Morgan, Oldham, Pratt, Reynolds, Shirley, Stewart, Taylor, Terry, Thompson, Thornton, Tuttle, White—33.

ABSENT—Messrs. Albright, Chalmers, Gray, Smith—4

By Mr. Barry: A resolution instructing the Finance Committee to report the general appropriation bill.

SENATE BILLS.

The following passed:

To extend the time of holding courts in Issaquena county.

The following were indefinitely postponed:

For the relief of the Natchez Asylum; to amend section 758, Code 1871.

By Mr. Terry: To rescind the resolution to adjourn on the 27th inst., and providing for adjournment on the 31st; Mr. Barry, to table; carried.

The bill to prevent the carrying of concealed weapons was considered at length; Mr. Morgan moved to indefinitely postpone; carried:

YEAS—Messrs. Barry, Callicott, Catchings, Currie, FitzGerald, Hooker, Johnston, McCabe, McCaskill, Mendenhall, Morgan, Pratt, Shirley, Taylor, Thompson—15.

NAYS—Messrs. Allen, Bills, Carter, Everett, Foote, Furlong, Griffin, McNeil, Metts, Reynolds, Stewart, Terry, Tuttle, White—14.

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING—Albright, Chalmers, Fewell, Gray, Oldham, Smith, Thornton—7

SPECIAL ORDER.

The special order, to regulate legal advertisments; several amendments were offered; Mr. Fewell moved to postpone the bill and amendments; carried:

YEAS—Messrs. Allen, Currie, Fewell, Foote, Johnston, McCabe, McCaskill, McNeil, Mendenhall, Metts, Morgan, Stewart, Taylor, Terry, Thompson, Tuttle, White—17.

NAYS—Messrs. Barry, Bills, Carter, Everett, FitzGerald, Furlong, Griffin, Hooker, Reynolds—10.

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING—Messrs. Albright, Catchings, Chalmers, Gray, Oldham, Pratt, Shirley, Smith, Thornton—9.

By Mr. Allen: To repeal the act authorizing suits in certain cases; referred.

By Mr. Morgan: To amend section 2456, 2457 and 2459, Code 1871; referred.

By Mr. Carter: In relation to the swamp lands of the State; referred.

By Mr FitzGerald; For the benefit of owners of blocks in Charleston; referred.

By Mr. Carter: To consolidate the swamp land laws; referred.

By Mr. Tuttle: To authorize Leflore county to issue bonds; referred.

Mr. Morgan called up H. B. in relation to supervisors of DeSoto county, and the bill passed.

Mr. Catchings called upon the bill amending the charter of the Vicksburg building association, and it was amended and passed.

Mr. Thompson called up the bill amending the chancery laws, and it was amended and passed.

THE PRIVILEGE TAX BILL.

H. B. to regulate privileges and provide a uniform license system was taken up. Mr. Barry moved to indefinitely postpone. Mr. Morgan moved to table; the motion lost, and the bill was indefinitely postponed. Mr. Morgan entered a motion to reconsider.

S. B. to repeal section 2464, Code of 1871, was indefinitely postponed.

S. B. to amend section 2 of the educational laws, so far as the same applies to Tunica, Coahoma, Bolivar, Washington, Issaquena, Sharkey and Madison counties; passed.

H. B. to authorize Oktibbeha county to issue certain warrants; passed.

S. B. to amend the educational laws; indefinitely postponed.

S. B. to amend the act establishing a college in Mississippi Territory, passed May 13, 1822, passed.

S. B. to repeal the Chancery Court laws, indefinitely postponed.

Adjourned.

HOUSE—NINETEENTH DAY.

Tuesday, Jan. 23, 1877.

House met pursuant to adjournment; Speaker Street in the Chair; the following members answered to roll call:

PRESENT—Messrs. Aldrich, Amacker, Bailey, Baker, Bassett, Bean, Bell, Blount, Boyd, Bridges, Brown, Byrd, of Franklin, Byrd of Lawrence, Campbell, Carter of Holmes, Carter of Warren, Causey, Crosland, Cessor, Chiles, Clay, Clifton, Cochran, Crum, Dabney, Dear, Denson, Drake, Dyer, Edwards, Ervin, Fairly, Featherston, Floyd, Fortune, Garrett, Gayden, Gibson, Gillis, Gowan, Griffin, Guthrie, Guyton, Hall, Harper, Hebron, Hicks, Hogan, Horton, Huddleston, Hudson, Hussey, Jacobs, Jagers, Jarnigan, Jayne, Johns, Johnson of Itawamba, Johnson of Winston, Jones of Issaquena, Leigh, Lester, Liddell, Massingale, Meade, McNair, McNeice, McLaurin of Jasper, McLaurin of Smith, McWhorter, Parker, Pennington, Pound, Reynolds, Rowan, Saunders, Shands, Simpson, Stebbins, Tison, Troup, Watkins, White, Yellowley, Young, —47.

The special order, in relation to county finances, passed.

Mr. Yellowley moved to make the agricultural college bill the special order for Thursday at 11 o'clock.

The privilege of the House granted to Hons. F. W. White of DeSoto, and J. F. Sessions of Lincoln.

By Mr. Denson: To repeal the anti-liquor law of Beat 5, Leake county; passed.

By Mr. Leigh; A joint resolution in relation to holding office; referred.

THE FOLLOWING PASSED.

For relief of A. J. Ramsey of Harrison county; and for the relief of Culver, Page, Hayne & Co., with amendments; H. B. reported by Mr. Denson, chairman, to reimburse the Marshall county; in be costs of a certain case was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

By Mr. Carter: To regulate the distribution of the 16th section fund of Holmes Co.; passed.

By Mr. Meade: To prohibit retailing at Harrisville, Simpson county; referred.

Mr. Speight called up the bill to incorporate Blue Mountain Female College, and it passed.

The House concurred in the Senate amendment to the bill amending the act requiring Union county to pay to Lee county certain school funds.

Recess until 3½ o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

House met at 3:30 P. M.

The House went into a Committee of the Whole (Mr. Denson in the Chair) for the consideration of the bill for the relief of Culver, Page, Hoyne & Co., and to re-imburse Marshall county for costs in certain cases. The committee recommended their passage, and the first passed, yeas 56, nays Messrs. Boyd, Byrd, of Lawrence, Johnson, of Winston, McLaurin, of Smith, McWhorter and Watkins—6; and the second bill passed, yeas 56, nays, Messrs. Boyd, Bird, of Lawrence, Johnson, of Winston, McLaurin, of Smith, McWhorter and Watkins.

H. B. To amend the act providing for the security of the sixteenth section school fund in certain counties; passed; three minor bills were killed; H. B. To amend the school laws; several amendments adopted and the bill passed.

APPORTIONMENT.

Mr. Bell, chairman, reported H. J. R., proposing an amendment to the Constitution in relation to a new apportionment with a substitute for this. Mr. Reynolds offered an amendment which would limit the membership of the House should it not be more than one hundred. Mr. Amacker moved to table—yeas 50, nays 33. Mr. Turley moved to amend so as to allow one Representative to each city of over 5,000 inhabitants. Mr. Tison moved to indefinitely postpone the resolution and amendments; lost. Mr. Hudson moved to table the amendment; carried. Mr. Reynolds moved to amend so as to regulate the representation on the basis of 100 members of the House. Mr. Tucker moved to amend so as to strike out the provision requiring each county to have one member; tabled and Mr. Reynold's amendment was adopted. Mr. Yellowley moved to reconsider the vote adopting the amendment; lost, and pending the question the House adjourned.

THE PRESIDENTIAL QUESTION.

Characteristic Letter from Hon. J. S. Black.

"WOE TO THEM IF THEY BETRAY US BY A BASE SURRENDER."

From Washington Union.]

EDITOR UNION—SIR: I hope you will publish the inclosed letter of Mr. Sweat; but omit the first paragraph, where he speaks of me in a way which nothing but personal friendship can justify.

You know the writer, of course, and his honorable career in Congress. I do not believe that the country contains another citizen whose sentiments are a better index of the general feeling. His words, fitly spoken, are like apples of gold set in pictures of silver." Let them be received by our chosen leaders in Congress as a solemn warning that the Democracy must not be trifled with.

Mr. Editor, look at the situation. Mr. Tilden's election by the vote of last November is as certain in fact and as regular in law as Washington's was in 1789. The denial of his title to the office is based upon a fraud so transparent that any child can see through it. Mr. Chandler might just as well have employed his clerks to fabricate a vote for Louisiana in the Interior Department as to get it done at New Orleans by Kellogg, Packard and Wells. It could have been managed here as well as there by similar promises of money and troops, and the abolition Senators and Representatives who traveled so far to aid the crime and comfort the criminals might have done their nefarious work at home.

Everybody understands perfectly that the State of Louisiana did not appoint Hayes electors by the vote of the people. That the opposing Tilden ticket was chosen by a large, decisive, and clear majority of the qualified citizens is a fact which no man of any party has the hardihood to deny. It follows necessarily that the attempt to overbear the legally expressed will of the nation by counting Louisiana for Hayes is a naked and most palpable fraud.

But, say our opponents, a fraud is as good as a truth if it be clothed, as this one is, in the forms of law. There is no such rule in the code of any civilized people. Fraud makes void whatever is brought into contact with it. The corruption that would vitiate a deed, a judgment, a pardon, a commission, would nullify the certificate of an electoral vote. Indeed, if any kind of corruption is worse than another, it is the fabrication of election returns, for that saps the foundation of free institutions. You may make a tolerable argument in favor of murder, theft, or perjury, but you cannot even debate the morality of falsifying the vote of a free State. A vote or certificate of a vote known to have been concocted in willful fraud is no vote at all. It has precisely the force and effect of a forgery—no more and no less.

In the face of these plain facts and in the teeth of these undeniable principles the proposal is made to compel the House of Representatives to count the fraudulent votes sent up from Louisiana. They are false to be sure: they are not votes authorized by the State: they are the mere spawn of a corrupt conspiracy: they are no better than a confessed forgery; but here they are in "the forms of law," and you must count them all the same as if they were true and genuine. The President of the Senate wants them counted; the Senate itself would like to have them counted, and they may therefore force them down the throats of the House "against the stomach of its sense."

No, sir, the House has a great duty to perform—it must ascertain whether a President has been elected, and if not it must elect one from the three highest. To that end it must count the votes—the votes mind you—not the frauds and forgeries. It must ascertain what are genuine votes and what are spurious papers, and in doing this it must be controlled by its own conscience and act according to its own convictions. To oppose its judgment by military force will be treason; to circumvent it by stratagem will be to conspire the overthrow of the Government.

I wish, Mr. Editor, that you would lift up your trumpet and ring out a blast that may be heard from sea to sea. Tell the people that their institutions are in the most imminent danger. Tell our representatives that they hold the citadel of American liberty, and it is a burning shame even to parley with the foes that beleaguer it. Woe to them if they betray us by a base surrender.

Yours, truly,

J. S. BLACK.

SUPREME COURT OF MISSISSIPPI.

On Monday, January 22, judgments in the following cases were affirmed by the Supreme Court:

2117—White vs. White.
2277-8-9-80—Howe vs. the State.
2177—Snodgrass vs. Butler.
1605—Walker et al., vs. the State, use, etc.
2253—Cain vs. Simpson.
2313—Fortenbury vs. the State.
2034—Mayor of Saltillo vs. Hildeberry.
2252—Ervin vs. T. & L. Whorley.
2160—Partee vs. Matthews.
2288—Tatum vs. Preston.
2122—Pulliam vs. Dulany, with 60 days to answer.
2194—Cummings vs. State.
1910—Mosk vs. Mosely.
2285—Watts vs. Vance.

The following judgments were reversed, and causes remanded:

1876—Co-operative Life Association., vs. Leflore.
2315—Hardy vs. McClellan.
1513—Moore vs. Luckey.
2356—Turner vs. Thromer.
2128—Helm, agent, vs., Hughes.
2125—Co-operative Life Insurance Co. vs. McConnico.
2286—Alexander vs. Parker.
2271—Champlin vs. McLeod.
2062—Mitchell vs. Solomon.
1917—Randle vs Richardson.
2088—Penry vs. Holburg; reversed and bill dismissed.

Newspaper Enterprise.

Holly Springs South.]

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Water Valley Sentinel.]

The Daily CLARION is received by 9 A. M. of its publication. It brings us the very latest news.

Yazoo Democrat.]

The Daily CLARION, one of the newsiest sheets of our State, reaches our city on the day of publication—making it one day in advance of any other paper.

To the Legislature.

EDITORS CLARION: It may not be amiss to call the attention of the present Legislature to the enactment of a law amending the law of evidence, so as to allow parties charged with a violation of the criminal law, to testify of their own motion in the cause.

Our system of jurisprudence is progressive. It is within the memory of perhaps the youngest barrister in the Legislature, when the common law rule which prohibited parties in interest from testifying in civil cases, was repealed, yet in this brief period of time, it has been demonstrated to be one of the wisest laws upon our statute book.

Why should not a man be allowed to testify in his own case in a criminal prosecution against him and leave the jury to judge of the weight of his testimony? How often does it happen in these degenerate days that a good man is the victim of some malicious scoundrel, who can institute a criminal prosecution against him, and get up in the court and swear away his character, his liberty, or his life; while he sits a poison-ridden with his mouth sealed. Where is the justice or the wisdom of such a rule? Let the Legislature answer.

For the information of those who may not have looked into this subject it may be stated that several years ago the rule was adopted in the State of Maine, allowing parties, defendents in criminal causes, to testify, and since that time the following States have adopted it: California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Nevada, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee and Wisconsin, and I believe Missouri, but am not certain.

This question is now being elaborately discussed in England, and is favored by some of the wisest Jurists of that Realm.

Let the Legislature investigate this matter, and let the law of evidence be so amended as to place Mississippi side by side with the most advanced views of the age upon the subject of Criminal Jurisprudence. Jus.

MARRIED.

LEWIS—JONES—On the evening of the 3d of January, 1877, by Elder Jesse Woodall, at his own residence, Mr. DAVID LEWIS and MISS MOLLIE E. JONES, both of Hinds county, Miss.

MCGOWEN—LOWE—At the residence of Mrs. Allen, the bride's aunt, on the 4th day of January, 1877, by Elder Jesse Woodall, MR. WILEY D. MCGOWEN and MISS M. C. LOWE, both of Hinds county, Miss.

DEAL—SHAW—By Elder Jesse Woodall, on the evening of the 4th of January, 1877, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Jacob Shaw, Mr. JOSEPH H. DEAL and MISS MATTIE SHAW, all of Hinds county, Miss.

HOLMES—BALL—At the residence of the bride's father, January 17th, at 1 o'clock P. M., by Rev. C. B. Galloway, MR. R. R. HOLMES and MISS MARY C. BALL, all of Hinds county, Miss.

Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars in Gold Said to be Buried in a Cellar in Jackson. Where is it?

BELLVILLE, RICHLAND, Co. OHIO,
January 15th, 1877.

JACKSON CLARION: I should like to obtain the address of a gentleman, or his lady should he not be living, who lived in a splendid establishment in the suburbs of Jackson, and who fled with the Confederates across the river on the approach of Yankee men, leaving his wife and daughter at home, who were visited by two mounted Federal soldiers who gleaned the secret from a servant that there was a large amount of gold ($250,000 I think) buried in the cellar, but through the interposition of one of the soldiers it was allowed to remain behind untouched. The servant, however, on accompanying the men to the gate was relieved of a fine gold watch by the would-be thief of the gold. By your placing a small notice in the paper, the address of the parties could doubtless be ascertained, for which you would confer a favor on me and the gentlemen above mentioned. Please send the address to me and charges for insertion and oblige.

Yours respectfully,
O. A. BOWSARD.
Bellville, Richland co., Ohio.

Sir John Franklin.

History possesses fewer examples of more heroic bearing and self-sacrificing efforts for the advancement of the material interests of mankind than that exhibited by this noble martyr in his exertions to make a discovery which if accomplished would open to the world advantages beyond computation. But how insignificant are geographical discoveries, when compared with those that benefit the human organization, showing how in this life enemies may be vanquished, how the brain may be invigorated and rendered capable of grasping the most abstruse questions, whether scientific, commercial or mechanical. This can never be the case while the body is enfeebled by disease. The blood must be healthy, all machinery of body must be in perfect working order, otherwise the brain is weak and total incompetency to grasp the great issues of life is the result.

Such a discovery has been made by DR. TUTT in his celebrated Liver Pills. They have accomplished more good to the human family than could ever have been attained by the success of Sir John Franklin.

THIS SLOPPY WEATHER reminds "one of the oldest inhabitants" of Jackson, of a circumstance that occurred in 1841, when the mud was as abundant as at the present time. A farmer named Husbands had brought a load of cotton from Smith or Simpson, offered it for sale to Mr. T. a buyer for one of the leading houses of that day. Mr. T. was somewhat "exquisite" in his dress, and his boots at that moment, bore a very high polish. He told the farmer that he was willing to buy the cotton, but didn't see how he could get to the wagon to sample the bales. Mr. H. offered to take him on his back, and the offer was at once accepted, and the two started for the wagon. The farmer carried his load by a somewhat circuitous route toward the wagon, and just before reaching it, managed to slip, and discharged his cargo in the mud. The farmer had to find another purchaser for his cotton.

EVERY MAN WOMAN AND CHILD at this season should take Dr. J. H. McLean's Strengthening Cordial and Blood Purifier, because it purifies and enriches the blood, gives vigor, strength and vitality to the whole body and system Dr. J. H. McLean's office, 314 Chestnut, St. Louis.

Hon. Jeff Davis A Historian.

Hansboro Democrat.]

We are pleased to be able to announce that our Coast will be honored by the residence, for a time, of Mr. Jefferson Davis, who has yielded to the solicitations of his friends and agreed to undertake the writing of the Reminiscences of his Public Career. This work, so important to the truth of history, to the honor of the whole country and to that of the distinguished gentlemen himself, necessitates a quiet retreat and pleasant, tranquil surroundings, as well as convenient access to the noisy world outside—all these advantages, as well as health and a charming climate and the society of agreeable and devoted friends, Mr. Davis finds here.

HUZZA! FOR THE GOOD OLD TIMES. The Grand Central Hotel, New York, the leading hotel, announces *ante bellum* prices. It has reduced rates from $4.00 to $2.50 and $3.00 per day.

Hon. F. S. White.

Hon. F. S. White was unavoidably detained at home for several days, after the 1st of this month, but he has reached Jackson and taken his seat in the Legislature. Perhaps no member of the House acquitted himself with more distinction at the last session than Mr. White, and if he enters upon the discharge of his legislative duties this year with his characteristic zeal and ability, we feel sure that he will brighten his good record of the past.—Southern Advocate.

Gen. Augur's course at New Orlean up to this time has been discreet and greatly to his credit. It is fortunate for the county that Ruger is not in his place.—N. Y. Sun.

WOMAN'S TRIUMPH.

The Judiciary Committee Agree to Permit the Fair Sex to Practice in the Supreme Court.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—The House Committee on Judiciary agreed to-day to report the following bill: "Be it enacted, etc., that any woman who shall have been a member of the bar of the highest court of any State or Territory, or of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, for the space of three years, and shall have maintained a good standing before such court, and who shall be a person of good moral character, shall on motion and production of such record be admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of the United States.

Our representative in the Legislature, Gen. W. F. Tucker came up from Jackson on Saturday last. His intention was to return on Monday, but being employed in case of the State vs. O. Pollard which is now progressing before his honor Esq. Slaughter, has been unable to leave. We presume that the Gen. will return to Jackson so soon as the trial ends.—Chicasaw Messenger.

Gen. Tucker is again in his seat.

We hope the Legislature will not fail to adopt the excellent suggestion of the CLARION, to give to each county in the State at least one member. The apportionment of representation, as it now stands, is unjust to many counties.—Holly Springs Reporter.

Early grain is reported to be looking well along the Pacific Coast.

It cost three hundred dollars a day to hold court in Luzerne county.

The Ladies all Take it!

And we are pleased to know that Byron Lemly and J. W. Harrington & Bros., druggists of this place, will, in the future, keep that justly popular and celebrated remedy, Dr. A. Q. Simmons' Liver Medicine.

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