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EDITORIAL OPINIONS OF THE LEADING JOURNALS UPON CURRENT TOPICS—COMPILED EVERY DAY FOR THE EVENING TELEGRAPH.

THE PHILOSOPHY OF OUR PROGRESS.

From the N. Y. Herald.

"What are we drifting to, General?" "To greater unity and glory. I have no fears for the future." In these few pithy and epigrammatic words General Dix gave expression to the true philosophy of the progress of the American Union...

It is within this atmosphere, animated by the high principles of unity and glory, and crowned with an abiding confidence in our own future, that the American people are advancing on the path of the true development of constitutional liberty...

The practicability of greater unity in constitutional government which we have exhibited in the recent past, during our civil war, has shown how feasible it is in our political theories. The heresy of secession would have fanned at once the foundations of our political system...

Not a few thinking men claim to find in the social developments of our time the seeds of movements which must inevitably destroy the principles of constitutional government. These dangers are supposed to exist in the great increase of wealth and luxury among us...

It is the greater unity and glory of constitutional government towards which we are drifting, and which we are destined to display to the astonished gaze of the world. It will be found adequate to meet and control all the dangerous elements of society...

HENRI ROCHEFORT.

Several of our contemporaries, and especially the Tribune, have broken out into lamentations over the "truthful arrest" and "vindictive imprisonment for three years" of the editor of the La Lanterne...

that so much sympathy should be wasted, but nothing in the telegraphic despatch which calls it forth affords any ground for supposing that M. Rochefort's person has been seized, or that he is in the least danger of incarceration. The worst that has befallen him is the loss of his rights of citizenship for three years...

Whatever the political condition of France, and gloomy enough it undoubtedly is, there are many who doubt the possibility of improving it by the course which agitators of M. Rochefort's stamp seem determined to pursue. Although for many years a writer of acknowledged power in the liberal journals of Paris, he is known to the outside world only by the persecutions he has brought upon himself through the publication of La Lanterne...

PETTICOATS AT THE BAR.

The other day, Mrs. Arabella Mansfield, a young lady of twenty-four, was admitted to practice in the courts of Iowa. We are heartily glad of it, for we dare say there are many functions of an attorney for which Mrs. Mansfield is admirably qualified.

We fear, however, that of the women who aspire to be lawyers, comparatively few, even supposing they had husbands, would be satisfied with such a division of labor. We fear there is a lurking ambition among the feminine students of Chitty and Blackstone to be barristers rather than attorneys...

The Shelden legitimacy case was resumed this morning for the fifteenth time before the House of Representatives. The case is commented upon in the extreme probability of Miss Shelden's address, which has now occupied fourteen days, and exhorted her to confine her remarks to the evidence. Shortly after commencing to address her lordships this morning, Miss Shelden swooned and was carried out. Dr. Bond being sent for, testified that the lady was suffering from hysteria, brought on by nervous exhaustion...

When women undertake to argue cases before a jury, how often will the experience of Miss Shelden be repeated? An address fourteen days long, and only cut off at last by hysteria! Need we say more?

THE OCEAN BANK ROBBERY.

From the N. Y. World.

The robbery of the Ocean Bank was one of the boldest, most systematic, and successful bank robberies that have ever taken place in this country. From the appearance of the building and the number and variety of tools found on the premises, the burglars must have been a long time in planning their work...

On the shelves of one of the vaults was a large number of private boxes belonging to patrons of the bank, containing bonds, stocks, and private papers left there for safe keeping. The value of the bonds and stocks in these boxes has not been ascertained, nor will until each of the victims has informed the bank of the contents of his box...

There are institutions chartered for the purpose of taking care of bonds, stocks, and private papers, which for a small percentage insure the safety of all securities left with them. It must now be evident that it will be much more economical to pay the percentage than to risk bonds and stocks in the vaults of banks. The success which attended the labors of the burglars in the Ocean Bank not only adds to the risk in holding that class of securities, but will encourage the thieves to commit new depredations and try their chances in other banks...

GENERAL GRANT A FAILURE.

From the N. Y. Tribune.

Upon General Grant's accession to the Presidency, a great number of those who had supported his election, with some who had not, sought office at his hands, or expected him to bestow it unasked. He was unable to gratify their aspirations. Most of those whom he found in office claimed that they gave him their votes; some of these he saw fit to retain; while the laws, of which he is the servant, required him to reduce materially the cost of the public service and the number employed in it.

Our great civil war had rendered necessary a large increase of minor functionaries; the settlement of claims to pensions, etc., had excused the retention of hundreds in place up to the close of Mr. Johnson's term; but now law and justice demanded that they be dismissed, and to their own very general disgust. Their lamentations, mingled with the howl of the disappointed, made up a doleful din, whereof the only meaning deducible runs thus:—"General Grant is found wanting—his administration is a failure!"

"Failure?" how? in what? Have we not peace and plenty in the land? Is not our flag displayed and respected on every sea? What foreign foe molests or threatens us? Who fears insurrection at home, or invasion from abroad? In which of our thirty-six States are the masses wanting work, discontented, suffering?

Consider our financial condition. Nearly every State and municipality paying off debts incurred in raising money for the war, while the national debt has been reduced nearly thirty millions in the four months that General Grant has had his hand on the helm. The public expenditure is falling off on every side, while the revenue is up to high-water mark. Even Indian wars, if unavoidable, must be considerably reduced in cost by the facilities for moving troops and stores afforded by our two Pacific Railroads.

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COMMON COUNCIL OF PHILADELPHIA.

In accordance with a Resolution adopted by the Common Council of the City of Philadelphia, on Thursday, the twenty-fourth day of June, 1869, the annexed bill, entitled

An Ordinance for the Payment of Ground Rents and Mortgages, and for the Payment of a Loan for the Payment of Ground Rents and Mortgages, is hereby published for public information.

RESOLUTION TO PUBLISH A LOAN BILL. Resolved, That the Clerk of Common Council be authorized to publish in two daily newspapers of the City of Philadelphia, the ordinance presented to the Common Council on Thursday, June 24, 1869, entitled "An Ordinance to Authorize a Loan for the Payment of Ground Rents and Mortgages."

GOVERNMENT SALES. GOVERNMENT SALE OF CLOTHING, AND EQUIPAGES AND QUARTERMASTER'S STORES. PHILADELPHIA, JUNE 28, 1869. Will be sold at public auction, at SCUYLER KILL ARSENAL, on WEDNESDAY, July 28, 1869, commencing at 10 o'clock A. M., under the direction of Captain William H. Hall, Major-General U. S. A., a large lot of Clothing, Camp and Garrison Equipage, and Quartermaster's Stores, consisting in part of: 34,285 Uniform Jackets, Vet. Corps, new.

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