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NEW ORLEANS, OCTOBER 8, 1877. In another column we print the remarks of Hon. E. E. Kidd, member of the House from Jackson parish, made in a recent speech at his home.

Gen. Grant is so well pleased with his European tour, it is said, that he will spend another year across the waters. The ex-President's reason for his tour, as announced by himself, was a desire to be out of the country while Hayes was inaugurating his new regime and policy, so as not, in any way, to get himself mixed up with it.

Notwithstanding the fact that Grant pretends to favor all Hayes' plans, it has been noted that the opposition to Hayes came wholly from Grant's bosom friends and supporters. It was Packard and other out-and-out Grant men that persuaded the Iowa Convention to vote against an indorsement of Hayes; it was Conkling, his dearest friend, that arrayed New York against the President, and it was Robeson, a member of his Cabinet, that placed New Jersey in line with these States.

These facts, coupled with the loud praise of Grant and Grantism indulged in by Conkling and Platt at Rochester, have persuaded many people and newspapers at the North that the ex-President is ambitious of a third term, and that he is staying in Europe until the many awkward political questions and complications of the day are settled. Then he will come home and pronounce himself boldly in favor of those ideas and policy that have triumphed. A short absence from the United States is almost always beneficial to a presidential candidate; it enables him to view the battlefield from a safe distance, and he can, moreover, always refuse to give his opinion on any ticklish question. If Grant really is ambitious of this honor of another term, he is playing his cards well, recruiting his health while Conkling, Robeson and Packard fight his battles.

The late strike extended pretty well over the Union, at least over the Northern States, but very few people were aware that it had spread from this country to other climes, into our sister republic of Mexico, where it is still going on, having taken the form that all popular movements take in Mexico—a revolution.

When the news of the strikes first reached Mexico, they were grossly exaggerated and misstated; in fact, it was believed in many portions of the country that Mr. Tilden had inaugurated them as a sort of a revolution, and expected to ride into the Presidency through them. The most prevalent idea, however, was that the communists were at the bottom of the movement, and the Mexican official newspapers chuckled joyfully over the prospect of the Union going to pieces in a mighty internecine convulsion.

The Mexican communists and lower orders felt greatly encouraged at the news, and the two workingmen's papers of the City of Mexico, El Comba and Socialista, called on the Mexican communists to follow the example of their American brethren and take up arms against the tyranny of capital and monopoly. These bold appeals had little effect on the workingmen of the capital, but in the neighboring State of Hidalgo, the lower orders got very much demoralized at the news. Quite a number of laborers rose en masse, took possession of several large estates, broke into stores and warehouses in the towns and villages, and divided the contents among themselves. The proprietors, storekeepers, and other sufferers from the mob, made appeals to the Federal Government to protect them, but the Federal Government was just then too busy with the Lerdoists and the Texas boundary question to pay any attention to this little rebellion and left it to take its own course. This appeared, however, to produce no good effect. The movement spread from Hidalgo to the States of Queretaro and Mexico. In Queretaro the communists became so strong that the Governor had to yield to their requests, and make certain changes in officials, etc. This is the present condition of affairs in Mexico. The communists are in peaceful possession of many large estates and are dictating terms to the government, which is too busy just now in protecting cattle thieves on the Rio Grande to spare any troops for its home thieves, murderers and communists.

THE INVASION OF TEXAS.

The news from the Rio Grande is of the most stirring character, and indicates a condition of affairs that demands immediate and energetic action upon the part of the Federal authorities, and we trust that the measures taken will be such as will teach the "grazers" a lesson they shall never forget. Gen. Ord is vested with unusual, and it is to be hoped, ample powers and discretion to do all that the case demands, and that is nothing less than the unconditional surrender to the United States government of the entire mob that has invaded our borders and taken forcible possession of the towns of Isleta and San Elizario, subjecting the civil authorities of a county to imprisonment and other indignities.

The Federal government has for years refused protection to the Rio Grande frontier and forborne resentment of all manner of outrage and wrong perpetrated upon its citizens. Longer endurance would be a disgrace and an outrageous disregard of every obligation the government owes to its citizens. Should there be the slightest hesitation on its part in this instance, we trust that Gov. Hubbard will take the matter in his own hands and bring these thieving and murderous trespassers upon the soil of Texas to a swift and bloody reckoning. This thing must be stopped, and that it was ever allowed to go unresented in a single instance, much less to continue uninterrupted for years, is a disgrace to civilization and a humiliation that no other nation in Christendom but the United States would ever have tolerated or endured. Nor would this government have endured it, except under the pusillanimous and wretched administrations we have had since the war, which have exhausted the powers in their hands in tyranny and oppression at home.

But, if we mistake not, the time has at length arrived when the reckoning can be no longer delayed or avoided. Here is an actual forcible invasion of Texas, and under circumstances which, but too plainly, indicate that it was prompted by a popular sentiment of hostility which will most certainly endeavor to protect the guilty parties engaged in it. However amicable may be the professions of the Diaz government, or however profuse its promises, there can be no longer any doubt that, if sincere, it is utterly powerless to resist the popular sentiment. Professions and promises will no longer answer; this indignity must be punished as it deserves; our frontier must be secured against the possibility of future invasion, and our citizens against the recurrence of any such outrages as they have endured for years, through the pusillanimity of our Federal Administrations. But, whatever course the United States may see fit to adopt, Gov. Hubbard owes it to the citizens of Texas, whose Executive he is, to take prompt and decisive steps to release those now in the hands of these ruffians and to visit a terrible vengeance upon them for every crime and outrage they may commit within the borders of his sovereignty. This we have no doubt he will do, nor do we any less doubt that Gen. Ord will give him his full support and co-operation in all that he may do.

The New York Sun of the 4th contains an editorial bitterly condemning the "invasion of Mexico" the other day by Lieut. Bullis, as it called his pursuit across the border of a band of thieving Lipans who had been depredating upon our people for years, in which occurs this passage:

"Thanks to the fears or the forbearance of the Mexicans, and to the determination of the Diaz government not to be drawn into hostilities, the annexationists are again disappointed in their aims.

But it seems the Sun was a little "previous" in its congratulations, for this invasion of Texas was doubtless prompted by resentment of Lieut. Bullis' expedition. The Sun is all of a heap because a lieutenant is able of his own motion to "invade Mexican soil," though in pursuit of a lot of ruffians and murderers who had been ravaging our frontier for years, and had always found safety and protection in Mexico, in spite of our repeated expostulations. Our people are murdered and robbed year in and year out, but all this they must endure, and the government must afford them no protection and allow itself to be defied by a race of lousy pillagers, its soil invaded, its nationality violated and itself dishonored, and all for fear of annexing a few provinces that may eventually increase the power of the Southern States. But, if we mistake not, the time has gone by for such talk to find popularity in the ear of any American who has any pride whatever in his country or her standing among the nations of the earth. We have no doubt that the Sun and Jim Blaine will raise a howl over every effort that may be inaugurated to avenge this insult and punish those engaged in this invasion of Texas. Nevertheless the people will sustain the Federal Administration as well as Gov. Hubbard in the extreme measures they may deem it necessary to adopt, and we greatly mistake their temper if they will be satisfied with anything less than the fullest and completest reparation, and absolute guarantees against any repetition of the indignity.

The above editorial was written on the strength of the account of the seizure of Isleta and San Elizario given by the Associated Press in the Times and Picayune yesterday morning. Late last night, after the article was in type and it was too late to expunge it, the dispatches to the Democrat brought the correct version of the affair, which will be found in our telegraphic columns.

The affair calls for the prompt and vigorous action of the Governor of Texas, but the Mexican government does not seem to be responsible, except, very likely, incidentally.

THE ST. PAUL CONVENTION.

The Mayor and the several commercial bodies of the city appointed a very respectable delegation, both in numbers and ability, to the St. Paul Convention, and we felt sanguine that New Orleans would be largely represented in that important body. The great Northwest has stretched out to us the hand of fraternity, and it was to be expected that we would gladly and cordially clasp it. But with real regret we learn that Col. Louis Bush was the only member of the delegation who left yesterday. Col. Bush is a man of decided ability and of indefatigable industry and energy. Whatever he takes hold of he manages with judgment and success. No single man in the State could more fully and ably represent New Orleans and Louisiana at St. Paul, and so, while we regret that the balance of the delegates are not to attend the convention, we are sincerely gratified that Col. Bush will be there.

Among the delegates appointed by the Chamber of Commerce was Prof. Forshey, of this city. Were this gentleman to attend the convention, he would ably co-operate with Col. Bush, and it was the Colonel's great desire that the Professor should accompany him. But no appropriation or subscription had been made by any of the bodies appointing delegates, and Prof. Forshey, though willing to go in the public interest, did not feel justified in incurring the expense out of his own pocket.

We think that two hundred or two hundred and fifty dollars should be appropriated by the city or raised by subscription to pay this gentleman to go on and join Col. Bush. He has devoted a lifetime to the study of our levee system, our great river and the resources of its valley, and probably understands these subjects as well, if not better, than any man in the Mississippi Valley.

The Democrat, appreciating the important purposes of the St. Paul convention, has, at considerable expense, sent a representative to keep its readers posted as to the proceedings and surely New Orleans, either through its municipal authorities, or by the subscription of its people, should send a representative of so much value as the Professor.

This morning Mr. Dupre, of this paper, will visit our merchants and solicit subscriptions to raise the small sum to secure the services of Professor Forshey. With Col. Bush, supported by Professor Forshey, New Orleans will be represented in a manner worthy of her great interest in the gathering at St. Paul, and we sincerely trust that the small sum required will be subscribed in time to enable Prof. Forshey to leave this evening.

That learned geologist, Prof. Suess, has come to the assistance of the remonstizers of silver with an array of indisputable facts that demonstrate very clearly the impossibility of making gold a universal single money standard. Had the other countries of Europe imitated Germany in this respect, they would have discovered, Prof. Suess declares, that there is not near enough gold now in existence to carry on the business of the world. Prof. Suess further shows that the available gold concealed in our earth is now nearly exhausted. Precious metals are found in veins, in rocks, and in placers or fluvial fields; the first is the most abundant source of supply, while placer diggings, being the result of the decomposition of the primitive rocks, are naturally not very extensive. Silver is found mostly in veins, gold in placer diggings, nineteen-twentieths of the gold now in use being thus mined. Philosophic investigation has shown that more than half of the supply these fields can possibly yield has been already mined. The time is therefore not far distant when they will be wholly barren and when the world's supply of gold will suddenly cease.

On the other hand, silver is extracted mainly from veins and fissures, sources so numerous and widely distributed over the earth that its supply is absolutely unlimited, although the cost of working it must ever make it a precious metal.

In view of these facts Prof. Suess thinks that the countries of Europe which have demonitized silver will not only be compelled to abandon the single money standard of gold, but that the time is very near at hand when they will find it wise to renounce gold altogether as a circulating medium.

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