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We acknowledge the receipt from Mr. Sam'l H. Buck, Secretary, of a copy of the proceedings of the third convention of the National Cotton Exchange of America, held in July last, at the Greenbrier White Sulphur Springs, West Va.

The Mexico (Texas) Ledger has the following: The Cincinnati Enquirer, which, by the way is one of the very ablest papers in the United States, exhibited the largest and most terrible-rooster on the 10th inst., when the returns from the election in Ohio had come in, that was ever seen in any newspaper in this country.

We have it pasted upon the walls of our printing office, as a memento of the Enquirer's enterprise and of the election, the grand entering-wedge which is to split Republicanism into fragments.

What the Ledger says of the Enquirer as a first class newspaper is correct; but there is a mistake about the size and voice of that rooster. The largest rooster ever exhibited in the newspapers of this country was the one brought out by the New Orleans Democrat after the presidential election. Our rooster was several sizes larger than the Cincinnati Enquirer's, as we are ready to show.

The Washington correspondent of the Cincinnati Enquirer, D. P., writes as follows to that paper:

The Democrats, and notably the New Orleans Daily Democrat, are in a profound rage because Stanley Matthews voted to re-appoint on Elections. They say that the intent is to subvert them, and to swindle Louisiana out of her legal representation in the Senate.

They say that there is no rule, law, regulation or precedent through which this committee can be forced by the Senate to make a report. This is true enough, but if these gentlemen will possess their souls in peace they will find this Senate reconstructing that committee and Stanley Matthews voting to sustain the reconstruction. Then in the eyes of Democrats Stanley will be a patriot and a great man.

D. P.'s satire is old, bad and feeble. He has got Stanley correctly dotted, however. We should not be astonished to hear of his flopping again.

The police jury of St. Mary has instituted inquiries as to whether incorporated towns can be compelled to pay parish taxes or not. Morgan City is exempted by an act of the Legislature, and, it is believed, Franklin and other towns in the parish are similarly free from paying their quota of the parish expenses. This seems to be the case with the majority of towns in the State and has always given rise to complaints from the farmers. It was proposed in Vermillion, a few months ago, to contest the right of Abbeville's exemption from parish taxation. Money was raised for this purpose and some movement made in this direction, but the suit ultimately fell through before trial.

The investigation of this subject by the police jury of St. Mary's, which is a most energetic and wide awake body, will probably soon settle this question.

The Protectionists of Canada and the United States seem to have got things sadly muddled. In the United States they want a protective tariff to keep Canadian goods from competing with American manufactures; and in Canada they want a similar tariff to prevent the home market from being ruined by the importation of American wares. That is, if these tariffs were mutually abolished American goods would drive Canadian goods out of the Dominion, and Canadian goods take the place of our home manufactures in this country.

In Canada, however, they are more insane on this subject than we are, and really don't know what they do want. Sir John A. McDonald, leader of the Conservative faction, which favors protection, made a speech at Coburg in favor of "a moderate and sufficient protection to Canadian industry," and another at Nanapanee, forty miles away, in favor of "reciprocity of tariffs."

Cotton picking season is an unfortunate time for negro children. Last season we noticed the fact that no less than fourteen negro cabins were burnt up, together with some twenty children, whom their parents had locked inside while they were out picking cotton in the fields. The season of burning cabins and children appears to have commenced earlier this year than usual; the second accident of this kind occurred last week on the Cook plantation, in East Feliciana, when two small negro children, locked in a cabin, were burned to death. There will certainly be a great many more cases of this kind before the cotton crop is all in. There has not been a year since the war that a dozen of these accidents have not occurred in this State. The loss from locking up negro children and matches in a cabin together is greater even than the loss of servant girls from lighting fires from coal oil cans. There is no known remedy for it, however.

The last New York fox-hunt was eminently successful in every particular. The first two were good enough in their way, but were somewhat lacking in the danger so essential to well-conducted fox-hunts. This, however, cannot be charged against the last affair which took place on Long Island, October 25. The hunt of that day started promptly at 1 p. m. The first run was over smooth meadows and woodland, but soon the hounds struck the scent across a rough plowed field. Onward over this dashed the hounds, the hunters close behind them. At the end of the field the hunters struck a high, four-barred fence.

They hesitated a second here, for there was no little risk in leaping the fence. However, leap it they had to, or return home ignominiously, and so the whole party made the trial. Three of the horsemen, Sandford, Peet and Fitzpatrick, fell from their horses in the act. The first two were badly injured; but the latter fared far worse, his head striking a stone, stunning him and his horse falling over his prostrate body. The wounded men were taken up and carried to a neighboring farmhouse for medical treatment. The remaining hunters kept on with the chase and succeeded in treering a demoralized and much-alarm-ed fox.

Such was what the New York papers call

Thursday's "glorious hunt." None of the men are fortunately fatally hurt, although they are all quite seriously injured. These accidents, however, have succeeded in fully establishing the prestige of fox-hunting, which may not be considered a well established and popular custom of New York. Another hunt takes place Saturday, at which still more serious accidents, and perhaps a corpse or two, are anxiously hoped for. Tallyho!

According to Hon. W. Field, who is stumping Michigan, the last Congress contained one barber, seven doctors, thirteen merchants, ninety-seven lawyers, and one hundred and eighty-nine bankers or stockholders in national banks. The present Congress contains a larger number of lawyers, but probably a smaller number of bankers, a fact that may probably explain the immense number of financial schemes and bills that are reported on hand. It is probably not generally known that the banking interest has such a large representation in Congress as this, a representation so disproportionately large as compared with the other interests. Evidently our Congress is fast growing more like the English Parliament. The present Congress probably represents a larger amount of wealth than any that preceded it.

In response to an appeal of the unfortunate people of Ferdinand for aid, Mayor Pillsbury Saturday appointed the following committee to arrange for a series of entertainments to raise a fund: John Phelps, W. C. Black, I. K. Roberts, I. N. Marks, Samuel Boyd, I. W. Patton, Geo. Forrester, Dr. J. Dickinson Bruns, Adolph Meyer and Frank McHolm.

Yesterday this committee, after conference, concluded that the plan of a series of entertainments would be a slow and uncertain process, while the necessities of the unfortunate people of the pestilence smitten town are immediate and pressing. The committee, therefore, suggested to the Mayor the appointment of an active committee to solicit subscriptions for the immediate relief of the people, and the Mayor, acting promptly on their suggestion, appointed the following gentlemen on the collection committee: W. B. Schmidt, E. K. Converse, Ed. Palfrey, E. K. Hyams, Jos. Bowling, Jos. McElroy, E. C. Bryant, Henry C. Miller, Lieut. Gov. Wiltz, E. C. Carriere, P. Maspero and Hugo Redwitz.

These gentlemen will begin work immediately, and we have no doubt they will be able to raise with little difficulty a sum large enough to afford immediate relief to the people of Ferdinand.

The vote will be light in New York this year, and this will turn to the advantage of the Democrats. The registration in New York city is now 42,000 behind what it was last year, and there seems little reason to doubt that the vote will be at least 60,000 less than in 1876. The persons who have failed to register are generally the wealthier classes, taxpayers and property holders. In some of the up-town districts there will scarcely be any vote at all. In the Twelfth Election District of the Twentieth Assembly District, composed mostly of brown-stone houses, only three persons have registered, with only one registration day left. A large majority of those persons who have failed to register are Republicans.

The committee of fifty, appointed by the taxpayers, have grown wild over this laziness and apathy on the part of the taxpayers, and want to know "is reform in State and city government of no importance to these dwellers in brown-stone houses?"

It looks very much as if the Democratic majority in New York city and Brooklyn, will be larger even than last year. It is thought that the two parties will come to these cities even. Last year the Republican majority in the State, outside of New York city and Brooklyn, was 40,000.

The Baltimore election, last Tuesday, may be considered as another Republican defeat. There were, it is true, no Republican candidates in the field, but it was, nevertheless, a pretty square fight between the two great parties. The Republicans endorsed the Workingmen's candidate for Mayor, took the whole Workingmen's campaign in their hands, and furnished all the beer, whisky and money. In fact, the Workingmen's party was the Republican party, reinforced by the Communists of Baltimore, and sailing under a new name and standard to gain Democratic votes.

What is the result? The Democrats elected every member of both branches of the city government, while their candidate for Mayor, Mr. G. P. Kane, obtained 15,809 majority, which is 7000 more than Tilden got last November in Baltimore. The Republican vote fell off 5000 from last November, while the Democratic vote is actually 2000 greater than was ever before cast in Baltimore, not even excepting the most exciting presidential campaign. There was a third party in the field—the Reform party—but as that polled only 536 votes, it is evident that the Baltimoreans don't go in very heavy on reform.

The Republicans will have to give an altogether different explanation of their defeat in Baltimore from the reasons given by them for their Ohio Waterloo. In Ohio, they declare, the Workingmen's vote defeated them; in Baltimore, with the Workingmen voting with them, they are worse beaten than they ever were before. A bad year, this, for Republicans.

The New York World calls attention to how small things will defeat a man. The editor of the Cleveland Leader, Mr. John C. Covert, is the latest example of the greatness of small things. The Leader, last year commenting on the hard times, suggested many very sensible little economies in a series of articles on "Cheap Living." In one of these, Mr. Covert showed how a very savory and nutritious soup could be made at a cost of six cents for peas, onions, asparagus, spinach and a small beef bone, which the butcher would probably give away for nothing. The article was extremely sensible, wise and proper.

However, when Mr. Covert became a candidate for the Legislature this year, the story was told on him by his opponent, and used against him in a hundred different ways. He was denounced as the soup-bone candidate who thought refuse beef bones good enough for American workingmen; was pictured in cartoons, lading out soup for votes, or leading on the fight armed with a monstrous soup bone. In vain he apologized, declared he meant nothing wrong; the popular feeling was against him, and he was cried down whenever he attempted to speak with "soup! soup! soup!"

Demagogues triumphed; Cleveland went Republican, elected every Republican candidate but one. Covert lingered far in the

rear and is defeated because he wrote a recipe for cheap soup.

It is also said that the Republican candidate for Governor in Ohio suffered to the extent of a few thousand votes from an equally small incident of the canvass. West was generally accused of being a teetotaler and prohibitionist. It was feared that this would injure him with the Germans, without whose votes it was impossible to elect him. Something, therefore, had to be done to refute this charge. It was useless to deny it; the other side would contradict his denial; and a dramatic scene was accordingly arranged to convince the people, by positive proof, that West liked his liquor as well as any other man.

At a meeting, therefore, according to the programme arranged beforehand, West while speaking, called loudly for a glass of whisky to brace him up, and drank three fingers of it, in the presence of the people. But, alas! the trick was not altogether successful. It alienated the temperance men, but failed to win him the vote of the drinking men, for, it is charged, he talked so wildly and incoherently after that drink that every one concluded he was tipsy. The whisky men, therefore, when election day came around, voted solidly against him in order to express their disapproval of a man who couldn't stand one small drink.

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