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THE ELECTION TO-DAY.

The election for county officers takes place to-day, in conformity to law. It is important that these offices should be filled by honest, capable and efficient men, and, from the long tried and unblemished character of our county officers, we only say, our citizens can scarcely err, where there are so many candidates whose qualifications are acknowledged to be so undoubted. In such cases it is no disparagement to the other candidates, if the voter selects from among them the man with whose personal qualities he is most familiar, and to whom he is most attached. In the zeal of friendship and attachment, however, the just claims of opponents, and the duties of good citizens, to observe the law and maintain peace, should never be forgotten. Our city has ever been distinguished for the good feeling and orderly decorum which has been exhibited on election day, even where the public interest has been most intensely aroused and popular strife stirred up to its depths. One of the causes of the quiet and order that have reigned at our elections has been the closing of the liquor saloons on the day of election, and the establishment of that element which arouses the passions and inflamations the most. We trust that the same course, which has hitherto proved so beneficial, will be strictly observed on this occasion. The officers to be elected for ere the following, viz: Sheriff, tax collector, trustee, register, clerk of county court, clerk of circuit court, clerk of the common law and chancery court, constable in 1st civil district, constable in 2d civil district. The list of candidates will be found in the proper column.

THE CHARLESTON CONVENTION.

The body which assembles on the 23d inst., at Charleston, will consist of 303 members, counting 100 votes, over rounding with the vote of the Charleston delegates.

	Votes.
Alabama	9
Arkansas	6
California	4
Connecticut	6
Delaware	3
Florida	3
Georgia	10
Illinois	11
Indiana	13
Iowa	5
Kentucky	12
Louisiana	6
Maine	8
Maryland	8
Massachusetts	13
Michigan	5
Minnesota	4
Mississippi	7
Missouri	9
New Hampshire	5
New Jersey	7
New York	35
North Carolina	9
Ohio	23
Pennsylvania	27
Rhode Island	4
South Carolina	8
Tennessee	10
Texas	4
Vermont	5
Virginia	15
Wisconsin	5
Total	303

Distribution of Seeds.

UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE, TUESDAY, FEB. 28, 1860.

The following extract from the forthcoming agricultural report of the commissioner of patents will explain why the distribution of the usual quantity of seeds, cuttings, etc., have heretofore been sent out from this office, is dispensed with during the present fiscal year:

Owing to the reduced appropriation made by Congress for agricultural purposes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1860, no office has been prepared to distribute seeds, cuttings, etc., to applicants. The work, more limited where then heretofore, in doing this, it was found necessary, either to decline purchasing for distribution a large quantity of seeds and cuttings, or, in addition to the expenses of propagating the hardy varieties, to import from foreign places the tender varieties, which are in demand among the people. The expense, which had already been incurred in their procurement would hardly justify the office in throwing them aside. It was deemed advisable, therefore, to change the character of the funds solely to the purpose of procuring and preparing the material for the agricultural report, and to the propagation of such seeds and cuttings as had been already secured. These were of such a nature, that if distributed at once, they would reach the country immediately upon their receipt the probability is, that very few of them would have reached their destination in a fit state for transplanting. The seeds, and cuttings, when ripe, arrived in such a condition, that it was of the utmost importance to plant them at once. For the reasons above stated, the office was never created upon the Government grounds, north of the canal, between 4½ and 6½ streets. These structures now stand, which, with the dwelling of the gardener, are devoted, as is evident by the fact that we have ready for distribution, over 50,000 well rooted trees, 20,000 rooted cuttings of ornamental trees; 100 rooted cuttings pomegranate cuttings, and various foreign medicinal, and ornamental plants. These will be ready for distribution, if the office receives the usual appropriation. Very respectfully, &c.—W. D. BISHOP, Commissioner.

The Great Eastern.

The London correspondent of the Boston Post writes:

The great steamship company have had a meeting, and in accordance with the recommendation of their committee, have offered the property to a very limited number of persons, viz: 1. Maguire, Samuel Baker, G. L. Hope, Hon. Cornwall Lewis, Sir Morton Peto, and S. S. Cropper. The meeting was for the purpose of hearing the fate, and now and then a Cassandra voice was heard to say the Great Eastern was have lately seen property.

The deferred delays in her launching, the death of Brunel, the explosion on board, and the fact that she has cost, all told, a million and a half sterling, and yet she has never made a voyage, and never, in all probability, will, have all conspired to make her a bugbear to capitalists. Her cost has actually been a million sterling of capital, more than a great value, as experienced, and, if I mistake not, Brunel himself, if he were living, would say, and so would the best engineers, that if she had cost half the money, and had never been seen in the water, she would be worth more than she has cost, and would be a good investment, and would be a source of profit to the company. It is true that she has never been a good investment, and she never will be, if she is to be used for the purpose for which she was built, namely, to carry passengers to Australia, and back, without stopping to coal. She was built for a coaling station, and she is not adapted for any other purpose. Her cost, and her dimensions, and her capacity, have hitherto been her chief recommendation, and