

Disbanding the Militia.

Ten or twelve companies of militia are to be paid off and disbanded in a few days...

Financially speaking, Tennessee is in the condition of the poor fellow who undertook to borrow himself out of debt...

For Supreme Judge.

Yielding to the solicitation of friends in different portions of the State, the Hon. THOS. A. R. NELSON has consented to the use of his name for the office of Supreme Judge...

Of THOS. A. R. NELSON we need not speak to the people of East Tennessee. Born and raised upon our soil, his own personal history is identified with the history of our people...

Mr. Nelson's card, copied from the Knoxville paper, will be found in our columns.

From Over the Border.

We publish on the first page of our paper to-day, a tart and piquant article from the Toronto Gazette, an organ of the British Crown, and which may be regarded as reflecting public sentiment in that direction upon the subjects under discussion...

Cabinet Rumors.

Private advices from Washington affirm that a general break up in the Cabinet is imminent. The members are said to be irreconcilably divided upon all leading questions...

The Spanish Constitution.

The new Spanish Constitution, as adopted by the Cortes, establishes universal suffrage, guarantees the freedom of speech and of the press, the right of petition, and such liberties as are generally enjoyed by people living under a Republican government...

The Queen of the Antilles.

Cuba is coming. The only question with the statesmen at Washington is, whether it would be cheaper to buy or to steal the coveted prize...

A strange rumor comes from Washington to the effect that President Grant has a comprehensive policy which looks to the acquisition of Cuba, San Domingo, and other territory in that direction...

Judge Shackelford.

Judge Shackelford publishes a Circular in the Nashville Press and Times declaring himself a candidate for Supreme Judge, and setting forth at length the reasons for his course...

The judicial elections we believe are to occur on the 27th of May.

Out for Senter.

The Knoxville Whig has hoisted the name of DeWitt C. Senter for Governor. Brother Pearne's reasons therefor are profound and irresistible...

As an East Tennessean, as interested in public improvements, and as opposed to sectional proscription, we favor the nomination of Governor Senter, not that we understand Col. Stokes to be opposed to internal improvements or to favor the proscription of new comers...

Blount County--More Ruffianism.

The Knoxville Press and Herald of Tuesday contains a lengthy account of a brutal outrage committed upon the Rev. Jacob Smith, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South--the only provocation for which was an attempt on his part to perform the ministerial duties assigned him by his Conference...

While outrages of this ruffianly character are committed in the intensely loyal county of Blount, and are winked at by the local authorities, a militia force is kept up, at enormous expense, in other portions of the State, to "preserve the peace and maintain order" where there are no disturbances whatever...

Death in Illinois.

Died, at Burnt Prairie, Illinois, on the 21st instant, of pneumonia fever, Mrs. HATTIE A. FUNKHOUSER, in the 24th year of her age...

A letter bringing the sad intelligence of her death, reached the afflicted family here on the morning of the 29th.

Stokes and Senter.

A short time ago the Democratic papers were trying to make something out of Governor Senter, but since his nomination by the Knoxville Whig they have abandoned him in despair...

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A Card from Hon. T. A. R. Nelson.

I have received letters and verbal requests from many highly respectable citizens and members of the Bar, irrespective of party and residing in the different divisions of the State, requesting me to become a candidate for the office of one of the Supreme Judges of the State...

So I thought as the living stream poured in, and I went out, thankful that I desired nothing in the gift of the President...

It is the duty of a Judge to endeavor to be as impartial in his determination as it is possible for human nature to be, and to this end, he should avoid all the excitement and the obligations of a political canvass...

The Wheat Prospect.

In this section the wheat crop is never safe until harvested and garnered, and it is perhaps profitless to speculate about it at this time. From the best information we have been able to procure, there was a much larger breadth than usual sown last fall throughout lower East Tennessee...

The Governor of New York.

The New York Herald compliments Mr. Hoffman, the Democratic Governor of that State, for his determined and successful opposition to measures introduced in the Legislature to plunder the public treasury...

Richards.

The Memphis Appeal gives Speaker Richards the following parting kick: F. S. Richards, late Speaker of the House, seems to have fared well at the hands of the administration...

The Indians.

The New York Herald expresses a "hope that the worthy old gentlemen who propose to settle our Indian difficulties on Penn's principles will not fall into the error of following the analogy too closely. These Indians of the Plains are not much like the fellows Penn had to deal with...

Fractional Currency.

It is stated that all the fractional currency is to be rapidly called in. No more of it, of any of the series printed, will emanate from the Government...

Judge Swann.

This gentleman, who was along this way a few weeks ago canvassing for a seat on the Supreme Bench, has received the appointment to the Chancellorship of the First District, made vacant by the death of Judge Luckey...

War in Europe.

The prophets of the press, most of whom are without honor in their own country, are just now engaged in elaborating the idea of a general European war. Notwithstanding the great powers are all on an immediate war-footing, we can't see any thorough probability of the realization of their predictions...

A Visit to Washington.

Some honest man who mistook his way and found himself in Washington, writes to the New York Ledger: I've been to Washington, and I didn't want office either. Had I, I think my patience would have soon oozed out of the stifling atmosphere of that room in the White House...

So I thought as the living stream poured in, and I went out, thankful that I desired nothing in the gift of the President. How any man living can wish to be President passes my solving...

My eyes were blind with tears, as I signed my name in the visitor's book at the desk of the freedmen's Bureau, there, once General Lee's residence. All was "quiet on the Potomac," as his blue valets glittered in the sunlight before us...

Foreign Intelligence.

A London dispatch of the 27th contains the following important item: The Post has an article on the Cuban question and gives currency to the assertion that Grant desires the acquisition of Cuba in order to divert the attention of Americans from internal distractions...

Attempted Murder.

The Jackson Tribune says: Mr. Richardson, of Humboldt, who it will be remembered, was recently arrested and tied to a telegraph-pole at that place, for defacing or correcting the orthography of a militia order, the other day, had a difficulty with one or more of the militia stationed at that place, in which he received a painful wound in the leg from a pistol shot...

President Grant.

The Louisville Courier-Journal hits the President the following hard one: President Grant said to a United States Senator ten days ago that every man who held an office a year and a half under Johnson would be presumed to be a Johnson man and dismissed. Yet Grant himself held office under Johnson--not only a military office, but the civil office of Secretary of War. Doesn't he cut a pretty figure?

Ex-Governor Foote.

This amiable old gentleman publishes another letter in a Nashville paper, "urging the cultivation of fraternal feeling all around the board, and promising in the goodness of his heart that there is a good time coming for everybody in the near future."

Only Tabled.

The following nominations which have been erroneously published as rejected were only tabled: H. S. Sanford, Minister to Spain; J. R. Jones, Minister to Belgium; Wm. H. Pile, Minister to Brazil. The effect of the bling differs from rejections in allowing nominations to be sent in again at the next session.

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A Letter from Governor Wise.

Ex-Governor Wise, whose way of life has fallen into the mire and yellow leaf, has written a letter on the duty of the country, which will perhaps astonish some of his old friends. We reprint a portion of it: The long agitation of the question of slavery, its history before the war, and the war itself, convinced me that an exodus from African bondage was obliged to be by the Almighty hand of Providence...

And I mark this view of the case as essential to guide all good Christians and patriots in their endeavor to ease a most glorious country, still suffering from the awful conflict, and in the greatest danger of losing civil liberty for all races in the struggle to emancipate one race...

What should be regarded as the legitimate consequences? My answer is peace. The old strife must cease and be hushed. Next, charity, toleration, brotherly and patriotic kindness. It is not for me to upbraid you or you me for the offenses and injuries of the war. Slavery was its cause, was our weakness...

Recognition.

The following dispatch from Havana was suppressed there on the 17th by the Government: The Mexican Congress has authorized President Juarez to recognize the Cuban insurgents as belligerents whenever he thinks proper. Vessels bearing the Cuban flag are admitted in the ports of Mexico.

Odd Fellows' Celebrations.

The semi-centennial anniversary celebrations by the Odd Fellows, East and West, were generally successful in every particular. The processions were large and imposing.

Nashville.

The Municipal debt of Nashville is one million five hundred thousand dollars, having been increased a half million since 1867. So much for radical financing.

Horrible Accident.

The Chicago Tribune of the 23d contains the following: The Massachusetts House was, this morning, the scene of a frightful accident, by which a man was hurled from the fourth-story window of that house to the pavement beneath, a distance of about fifty feet, almost instantly killing him.

A Suggestion.

The Jackson West Tennessee Whig advises that no candidates for the Legislature be nominated or run by the opposition; but let all who wish the State peaceful, prosperous and happy unite upon the best men in the Republican party, and elect them.

From China.

It is reported that the Catholic missionaries in the province of Szechuan, with several hundred converts, have been massacred by the natives.

Washington Intelligence.

A Washington letter of the 24th says: To-day has been given up to quiet rejoicing in official quarters at the relief experienced from the office-seeking pressure of the last eight weeks. The President and most of his Cabinet have left town. The President went into the country early this morning and spent the entire day at a village called Laurel, where, it is understood, he met General Lee and spent an hour in social converse. Secretary Fish left for New York this morning; Secretary Boutwell went to Boston last night, and Postmaster General Creswell went to his home in Maryland. The other officials of the administration have generally refused to receive visitors.

The administration has decided to issue no proclamation regarding Cuban matters. Official information received from Mexico, Orleans and other cities on the Atlantic shows that no intelligence can be obtained that any expedition of any kind is fitting out for the island of Cuba. The recent publications to the contrary seem to have been fabrications in the interest of the Cuban insurgents.

There are no new developments in the Abbott-Sprague controversy. Both parties have been out on the ground day; but no collision has occurred.

Canada.

New York, April 27.--The Tribune's Ottawa dispatch says Mr. Galt made a long speech in the House of Commons yesterday, supporting his motion respecting the Fenian raids. He made an allusion to his previous motion so as to include all correspondence between Canada and the United States during the rebellion. He defended at great length the policy of Canada, and closed by saying that the course of the United States Government appeared to be dictated by the desire to bring about the humiliation of England through her dependencies on this continent, but he did not believe the plan would succeed.

Great Britain and Cuba.

A New York date of the 25th says: A cable dispatch to the Herald from London says that it is rumored that the government will adopt a new and bold policy as to the Spanish Cuban question. Belligerent rights are to be conceded to the Cuban insurgents, assistance rendered, and the independence of the island assured. This, it is argued, will prevent annexation to the United States, and give a show of consistency in the Alabama claims and belligerent rights questions pending with the American government.

Senator Sprague Again.

The papers for two or three weeks have been filled with stuff about little Sprague, of little Rhode Island, who is as crazy as a bed bug. From the following, it will be seen they are not done with him yet: New York, April 27.--Francis W. Goddard, intendant in the 1st Rhode Island Volunteers, publishes a card in the city papers, denouncing Senator Sprague as a liar, poltroon and coward.

Cuba.

HAVANA, April 27.--It is rumored that the revolutionary Governor of Cienfuegos, Villalva, was captured and taken to Sagua la Grande and executed. The Spanish man-of-war, Union, discovered three suspicious vessels off the coast. The Vuelta Abago gave chase and succeeded in capturing two of them. The third made her escape. The United States steamer Contocook has arrived.

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