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A DISPATCH from Washington reports to have said on Saturday last, speaking of his late order that office-holders shall not interfere in caucuses, conventions or elections...

"I am determined to show my sincerity and earnestness to produce reform in this direction by making an example of the first Federal officer who shall violate this order."

Another dispatch from the same place, states that on Monday, Secretary of War McClellan, left for Iowa to use his influence to induce the State Convention to endorse the Southern policy of the Administration...

An Unconquered South. [From the Obituary (Miss.) Southern States.] Reconciliation is a failure. The Radical party has made up its mind that the South shall never be restored...

A WASHINGTON correspondent of the N. Y. Times informs that journal, that a work of conciliation is almost complete in Mississippi. He says: "The truth is that while the Republicans in this State who keep quiet may be tolerated, if he takes an active part in politics with a fair show of success, he must be 'squeaked,' even if a bullet hole is to be put through his carcase."

Just now they are not killing very lively in the State, but if the Republicans should so far elevate their heads as to show signs of dangerous life in political matters, you would frequently hear of unfortunate affairs, tragedies, fatal occurrences, but never under the correct designation of infamous and diabolical murders."

Here is another little event showing how rapidly the South is being conciliated. The late Democratic Legislature of South Carolina expelled from the House seven Republican members elected from the City of Charleston by an average majority of 6,000...

To fill the vacancies caused by the expulsion of these 17 Republican members, a special election was held on Tuesday last week, at which 17 Democrats were elected, and the journals of that party proclaim it to have been "the quietest election held since the war." Cause why? The Republican voters were so effectually intimidated that they placed no ticket in the field. Thus 6,000 Republican majority has been obliterated in Charleston county alone, and the Democracy are entirely conciliated, and the present.

The Maryland Republicans are measurably controlled by two factions of which, under the lead of Fulton [of the Baltimore American] has since his inauguration laid siege to the President with an eye to capturing the Federal appointments in that State. They have apparently succeeded at last, and the President having appointed John L. Thomas Collector of the Port, has requested the resignation of Col. Wilkins, the present Collector, who has held the office about a year. But just here there is a hitch in the game. Col. Wilkins declines to resign, and as there are no charges against him as an officer or a man, the President can only get rid of him by peremptorily removing him, in which event he will be compelled to "go back" on the announced policy of the administration, that "no removals shall be made except for cause."

It is an unseemly wrangle between two political tactics, which has placed the President in an unfortunate position before the nation.

It is now an undeniable fact, that the Republicans of Iowa—the banner Republican State of the Union—are unequivocally opposed to the President's Southern policy. At the State Committee, held at Des Moines on the 27th of June, in which every county of the State was fully represented, a resolution endorsing the Southern policy was voted down by an overwhelming majority.

The prudent men of the convention, desiring to avoid any expression of antagonism to the administration, while at the same time determined that the flag should not be lowered, nor the standard of Republicanism in the least depreciated, reported a platform of resolutions eminently conservative and non-committal, but a less wise admirer of the administration compelled an expression of sentiment, by pressing a resolution of endorsement, and thus precipitated a declaration of hostility.

While all will regret this occurrence, nor other course was left the sturdy Republicans of Iowa who would not be forced into an endorsement of what their heads and hearts condemned.

Effect of Recent Storms.

St. Louis, June 26.—A Globe special from Mahoning, Ohio, says the heavy storm which passed over that place this afternoon, extended a number of miles around. The farm house and barn of W. D. Davis, a few miles South of Westfield, was destroyed, and a Mr. Campbell seriously injured. The house of W. Nelson, near Mansfield, was blown down, and Sylvia Nelson was very badly hurt. Some cars were blown from the track of the Chicago and Paducah Railroad at Cleveland, West, and cars were blown from the tracks at several places.

A special to the same paper from Champaign, Ill., says a violent storm raged there, Urbana, and other places. Several hundred fruit and other trees in Champaign were blown down, and nearly 100 houses and dwellings in Champaign and Urbana were more or less damaged. All the grain was badly broken, and a great deal of it entirely prostrated.

OMAHA, June 25.—The storm of last night was very general throughout the West. It was first heard of at Cheyenne yesterday afternoon, and consisted of heavy rain and hail, with wind. It extended north to Sioux City, south of Kansas City, west to the State of Iowa. No property was damaged in Iowa. The storm in the West, but south there were several wash-outs on the railroads. In Iowa the rain fell, exceeds two inches. Some considerable damage was done on the roads. The Chicago and North-western Railroad was a bridge washed away near Logan. At Peasport several dwellings were blown down and the town almost destroyed. The rainfall here exceeded one and a half inches. A large bridge was undermined, and a number of cellars flooded, causing considerable loss.

CHICAGO, June 26.—The damage in Chicago will not exceed \$200,000 at the outside. It consists chiefly in broken glass, unroofed houses, broken fences and signs, and overturned trees. The North side was destroyed by the wind, and about five hundred trees in Douglas Park were blown down. A carpenter named Fred Kissner, working on the corner of eighteenth street and Centre avenue, was thrown out of a second story window, and fell to the ground, and struck on his head, and last night he was in a dying condition.

The following storm items have been collected from special: The storm struck Dixon, Ill., at 11 o'clock yesterday, and did great damage. The tall grain, with its buildings, fences, stands, trees, sheds, &c. is a complete wreck. The Chicago and North-western Railroad wind-mill, engine-house, and freight-house were partially destroyed. Unroofed lumber in the yards was scattered and a few buildings demolished. Trees three feet round were twisted and broken off. No lives were lost.

At Lincoln, Iowa, the storm damaged all the grain, and did great damage. Nearly every cornfield in the vicinity is flooded. From Danville, Ill., the damage to grain and grass is reported as very great in that section.

Hallestadt as large as hen's eggs fell near Moline, Ill., and great damage to the crops is reported. From Springfield, Ill., the reports say the storm left the grain lying flat, and considerable minor damage.

The damage to wheat in Morgan county by yesterday's storm is estimated at \$100,000. There was also much other damage. Two creeks are overflowing and the low lands are flooded.

The country about Champaign, Ill., situated between the Chicago and Peasport, probably 100 houses and outbuildings are damaged there and in Urbana. The rain fell in torrents, and trees were uprooted by the score.

The storm completely destroyed the Methodist Church at Fairbury, Ill., entailing a loss of \$7,000. A number of other buildings were unroofed, or blown away. The wind carried John Long's house, 11 by 28 feet in size, at Danville, Ill., about 20 feet, but none of the inmates were injured.

Fourteen buildings were uprooted in Brookville, Ill., yesterday. Crops are reported to have been heavily damaged by the storm about Galena, Ill.

At Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, hundreds of trees were destroyed and thousands of panes of glass were broken by hailstones. Nobody was injured.

CINCINNATI, June 16.—No material damage was done to property in the city by the late storm of last evening. At Springfield, Ohio, a child of David Widdowson was killed by a falling barn, and two other persons were seriously injured from the same cause. The residence of Mr. Clark was leveled to the ground. Mr. Clark had an arm and leg broken. Two students of Wittenberg College were knocked senseless by falling bricks. A dozen large buildings, the St. James Hotel and a sewing-machine factory, lost their roofs. The damage to the crops is incalculable. At Springfield, Mo., the stable of Henry Betsberger was blown down, instantly killing the proprietor. At Lancaster, Ohio, residences and stores were unroofed. The Catholic Church at Springfield, Mo., was blown down.

HARRISBURG, June 26.—A heavy wind and rain storm passed over this city between 4 and 5 o'clock this afternoon. The Harrisburg Bridge, spanning the Susquehanna from the Harrisburg side to the Frederick side, was unroofed, and a portion of it was blown out of position. The bridge is damaged to the extent of about \$2,500. One of the towers was blown off the Catholic Cathedral, and a number of houses throughout the city were unroofed and badly damaged by water. The storm lasted about 45 minutes.

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Destitute Fire at Marblehead.

Boston, June 26.—At 4 o'clock this morning a fire broke out in the rear of the Marblehead Hotel, on Pleasant street, Marblehead, in the corner of North-street, in the common parlour of the hotel. The fire started in a room occupied by a family, and spread rapidly, and in a few minutes it had reached the roof, and was burning in all directions. The fire department was called, and the fire was soon under control. The main source of the disaster supply was a bedstead, which was overturned, and the fire spread rapidly. The fire department was called, and the fire was soon under control. The main source of the disaster supply was a bedstead, which was overturned, and the fire spread rapidly. The fire department was called, and the fire was soon under control. The main source of the disaster supply was a bedstead, which was overturned, and the fire spread rapidly.

Applying it to the note used upon this case, we are of the opinion that it violates this rule. If it had been payable at sixty days, with 5 per cent, it would have been objectionable as usurious on its face. It would not, however, on that account have invalidated the note or destroyed its negotiability. A negotiable note may be made payable with interest from its date, and if more than the legal rate is stipulated for, it does not in Pennsylvania, make the contract void, but only the usury. Hence such a note is sufficiently certain. It is payable at maturity with lawful interest. But in the paper in question there are several other elements of uncertainty. It is a mistake to suppose that if the note was valid at maturity the five per cent would be payable to the holder by the parties. It must go into the hands of the holder, and he will be obliged to sue the maker, and the phrase "collectible by" necessarily implies this. Not only so, but this amount of per centage cannot be arbitrarily determined by the parties. It is a matter of public policy, and the use of the legal profession, depends upon the amount of the note. Five per cent would probably be considered by a jury as a reasonable compensation for the services of three hundred and seventy-seven dollars. But if it were three thousand dollars they would probably think otherwise, and certainly so if it were thirty thousand dollars. Now, then, can this note be said to be certain as to its amount, or that it is not affected by any contingency?

Interests and costs of protest, after non-payment at maturity, are necessary legal incidents of the contract, and this insertion of them in the body of the note, and the fact that it is not collectible by the holder, is a class waiting exemption, for that in no way touches the simplicity and certainty of the paper. But a collateral agreement as here, depending, too, as it does, upon its reasonableness, to be determined by a jury, is a matter of public policy, and it may be well characterized, like an agreement to confess a judgment, as "logage," which negotiable paper, riding as it does, on the wings of the wind, is not a courier able to carry it.

If this collateral agreement may be introduced with impunity, what may not be? It is the first step in the wrong direction which costs. These instruments may come to be lumbered up with all sorts of stipulations, and the law, in its various contentions, and litigation result, may be well characterized, like an agreement to confess a judgment, as "logage," which negotiable paper, riding as it does, on the wings of the wind, is not a courier able to carry it.

The effect of the above opinion of the supreme court will be to relieve indorsers of notes on which there is no collateral stipulation, five per cent of the amount of the note. The supreme court holds that this class destroys the negotiability of the paper so far as the indorser is concerned. The incorporation of the clause in mortgages and bonds does not make it legal, and in view of this fact it has been held by bankers and others that negotiable notes would not be impaired by having it introduced into them. Thousands of these notes have been given the last few months, and the effect of the supreme court's decision, if it is sustained, will be to render the judgment of the indorser, in a case arising from the question of the negotiability of such paper, will, in numerous instances seriously affect the interests of those who have loaned money on such notes. It is a matter of millions of dollars of the kind of paper are held by bankers and other business men.

EASTON, Pa., June 23.—Easton was started this morning on learning that Allen C. Laros, the young man who poisoned a whole family, had been discovered in a conspiracy to break jail. Warden Whitesell had received intimations that the attempt would be made, and the guards were instructed to keep a strict watch upon the prisoner Laros, who was believed to be the conspirator. It was known that he had manufactured a key out of a tin cup, strong enough and made to unlock every cell in the prison, and which was known to be in his possession. The warden having learned that the prisoner had made the key, he ordered that at two o'clock make a descent upon the cell occupied by Henry Birch, a Philadelphia boy, confined for burglary. His cell door was found unlocked and the key made by Laros in his person. The plan was to break out of the prison, and four other prisoners serving terms for burglary. After the six prisoners would reach the hallway, they expected to force their way out through the "sweet house" into the yard and thence the "way to liberty" would be open. Birch was the only one of the four prisoners serving terms for burglary. They never got past the plan of insanity, and it was intended to ask the Board of Pardons to commute his sentence on the same plea. This attempt at jail-breaking failed, and there is no more to be said of the conspiracy. Birch was sentenced to the penitentiary for the term of one year, and the other prisoners were sentenced to the penitentiary for the term of one year, and the other prisoners were sentenced to the penitentiary for the term of one year.

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Important Decision by the Supreme Court. The Supreme Court has given the opinion of the majority, delivered by Justice Shaw, in the case of the note of the common bank of Washington county. The court decided that it is a necessary quality of negotiable paper that it should be simple, certain, unconditional, not subject to any contingency. It would be a mere affectation of learning to cite the elementary treatises and the decided cases which have established this principle. It is very important to the commercial community that it should be maintained in all its rigor.

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EASTON, Pa., June 23.—Easton was started this morning on learning that Allen C. Laros, the young man who poisoned a whole family, had been discovered in a conspiracy to break jail. Warden Whitesell had received intimations that the attempt would be made, and the guards were instructed to keep a strict watch upon the prisoner Laros, who was believed to be the conspirator. It was known that he had manufactured a key out of a tin cup, strong enough and made to unlock every cell in the prison, and which was known to be in his possession. The warden having learned that the prisoner had made the key, he ordered that at two o'clock make a descent upon the cell occupied by Henry Birch, a Philadelphia boy, confined for burglary. His cell door was found unlocked and the key made by Laros in his person. The plan was to break out of the prison, and four other prisoners serving terms for burglary. After the six prisoners would reach the hallway, they expected to force their way out through the "sweet house" into the yard and thence the "way to liberty" would be open. Birch was the only one of the four prisoners serving terms for burglary. They never got past the plan of insanity, and it was intended to ask the Board of Pardons to commute his sentence on the same plea. This attempt at jail-breaking failed, and there is no more to be said of the conspiracy. Birch was sentenced to the penitentiary for the term of one year, and the other prisoners were sentenced to the penitentiary for the term of one year.

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