

Our pockets now should be like clouds—should have a silver lining.

The Confederate Memorial Association of South Carolina has \$13,000 and an acre of ground has been donated in which to remove the dead and build a monument.

The Cincinnati Commercial says that "the butcher knives for the slaughter of Thurman are being whetted on his uncle's shin-bone." William Allen is his name.

An exchange says: "It is nothing strange that a female pickpocket should be arrested at the Hippodrome meetings. Aren't women always going for the men's pockets?"

Don Platt announces with a sneer the death of Mr. Hall of Hall's Journal of Health. He seems to think any man who could not keep from dying and yet undertake to publish a Journal of Health was a fraud.

The approaching canvass in Florida, a correspondent of the Savannah (Ga.) News says, will be actively contested by Democrats, who since reconstruction have taken little interest in State affairs. The correspondent is profoundly impressed with the misgovernment of the State by Republican administrations.

The New York Herald states that newspapers are waking up to the idea that this country is deplorably without candidates for the Vice-Presidency. It is worthy of remark that both in the time of General Harrison and in that of General Taylor, Daniel Webster lost chances of being Vice-President not by being named, but by not being named.

Major W. J. Saunders, of Florence, S. C., formerly of this State, has been commissioned as a District Vice President of the South Carolina State at large. The Marion (S. C.) Merchant and Farmer says the appointment is an excellent one, as Major Saunders is not only an eloquent speaker but an earnest and active worker in his temperance cause.

Constantinople is said to be on the eve of a terrible outbreak of Turkish fanaticism, in which the end sought is the indiscriminate massacre of the so-called Frankish and infidel population. The Turks are preparing to rise on the pretext of the anniversary of the death of the Prophet and to put the death of the Prophet to the test. The presence of European armaments to overcome them, while it may hold their design in check, will only embitter their animosity, and the Sultan's government itself, it is also said, will go down if he sides with the Franks or gives color to the suspicion of his want of fidelity to Islamism.

It is a curious instance of the way in which injustice is done by the wide acceptance of a first hasty impression, remarks the New York Tribune, that throughout the course of the supposed relationship of an infidel to the Bowler, as guardian, has been cited as the chief reason for finding fault with his action. In point of fact, it now appears that Mr. Pendleton is not, and never was, the guardian of the Bowler heirs. Journals which have made the mistake ought in justice to him to make a prompt and complete correction.

How is this true? It was but a little while ago that great parade was made over the fact that the President had sent his son, the fortunate and festive Fred, back to his regiment, supposed to be somewhere in the Yellow Stone country. But last week he was at the Centennial opening in Philadelphia, and now he is back in Washington; city. What is the matter now? and what a good thing it must be for a gallant boy wearing the beautiful blue to be a President's son as well!

The theory of our Federal government, as our fathers framed it, was that States had the right to choose their own Federal Senators. This theory, it would seem, however, no longer prevails, at least if we may judge from the comments made upon the action of the Connecticut Legislature in choosing Mr. Barnum to represent that State in the United States Senate. It is astonishing what an infidel to the Bowler, as guardian, has been cited as the chief reason for finding fault with his action. In point of fact, it now appears that Mr. Pendleton is not, and never was, the guardian of the Bowler heirs. Journals which have made the mistake ought in justice to him to make a prompt and complete correction.

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One sensible, decent man has at last turned up in the Becher business, his name is Rev. W. M. Taylor of the Broadway Tabernacle. It was proposed that he should hear all that Boecher and Bowen had to say and then tell nobody what he heard. Brother Taylor thought the proposition was a good one, and he has been busy since the 12th of May, writing up his notes on the subject. He has written up his notes on the subject. He has written up his notes on the subject.

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AMENDMENTS—OUGHT THE CONSTITUTION TO BE REPEALED?—THE PEOPLE WANT TO SAVE MONEY!

The Constitution under which we live, commonly called the Canby Constitution, is divided into fourteen articles, ten of which are changed more or less by the proposed amendments. It is our purpose from time to time to discuss honestly and carefully all of these changes so as to give the people an accurate view upon a question of such vital importance to them and to their prosperity. It will be seen that the constant effort of the Democratic members of the Convention in the amendments proposed was to take unnecessary power from the hands of the officeholders and to restore it to the people and to reduce the expenses of the government. What they sought to bring about was the rule of the people and an economical expenditure of the people's money. Let us see how well they succeeded in their purpose.

The first article of the Constitution is called a declaration of rights. Among these rights, the right to bear arms is the one which has been most hotly contested. The amendment, without denying this right, yet deemed it wise to condemn the practice of carrying concealed weapons and to clothe the Legislature with power to pass laws punishing the practice. Whether the Legislature will ever exercise that power will depend upon the people, for whatever power is given to the Legislature is given to the people. The amendment is a step in the right direction, and it is to be hoped that it will be passed.

The only other change made in this article was also made without a dissenting voice so far as the record shows, and declares that secret political societies are dangerous to the liberties of a free people and should not be tolerated. The history of Radical Union Leagues in North Carolina, and of the late "Knights of the Ku Klux Klan," is sufficient to convince every man, at least, of the necessity for this amendment. There can be no possible objection to the changes made in this article.

The second article of the Constitution relates directly to the Legislature and is affected by only two of the amendments, as to strike out dead matter about elections already past and gone—that is to say those that occurred in 1870. The first change is that which requires the Legislature to meet on the first Wednesday after the first Monday in January next after the election instead of the third Monday in November as heretofore. The reasons for this change are obvious to every man. The present course of Legislative bodies whose sessions occur the Christmas holidays and New Year following. Both business and pleasure make almost every man desire to be at home from Christmas to New Year. So generally is this true that with the increased facilities for travel offered by the many roads, that one of those selected to represent this party in the next National Convention is a swindler, a rascal, and a compounder of felony—the basest among the base. Verily, he is a fit representative of his party!

The controversy is between those, on the one hand, who have proved themselves to be incompetent by their baseness to manage the affairs of a free people, and those who have been freed from the corrupting influences of office, for many years, and for this reason, if for no other, excel their opponents in honesty. The people who have every thing at stake, and who have intelligence enough to see their interests, cannot hesitate as to which are the honest and the dishonest. The amendment proposed is a step in the right direction, and it is to be hoped that it will be passed.

The Legislature of 1868-69 cost in per diem \$176,120. Special session of 1868-69 cost in per diem \$65,000. The Legislature of 1869-70 cost in per diem \$159,400. The Legislature of 1870-71 cost in per diem \$97,750. The Legislature of 1871-72 cost in per diem \$63,750. The Legislature of 1872-73 cost in per diem \$63,750. The Legislature of 1873-74 cost in per diem \$61,200. If the amendments be ratified no regular session of the Legislature can be held for more than \$41,000, and no special session can cost more than \$14,000 per diem for its members. This is certainly a good start. The saving in this one amendment alone is one single year, compared with the average cost of Legislatures since the adoption of the constitution, will very nearly, if not quite, pay the cost of the present session. The average cost of regular sessions of the Legislature since the imposition of the Canby Constitution has been over \$100,000 per diem alone for each session; but if the amendments be ratified that cost cannot possibly be more than \$41,000. In other words, the money saved by this change, in the first session alone, will pay for the entire second session and half the third session after the ratification of the amendments. Is this money worth saving to our impoverishing? We think so, and we believe they think so too. The only special session of the Legislature we have held since 1868 lasted 55 days and cost \$65,000 in per diem to its members. The next session was ratified no more than \$14,000 in per diem.

In all this money worth saving, we again ask, to our people, who let them work as hard as they may, still find it almost, and many of them altogether impossible, to make enough to feed and clothe their wives and little ones, and pay for their children's education. By all means then, let the amendments be ratified.

Forney's Philadelphia Press of the 12th of May says: From the moment our magnificent eight-cylinder Hoe press, capable of printing 100,000 copies in 24 hours, perfect copies an hour, started until 12 o'clock noon it was never silent. Our pressmen worked steadily for eight long hours, and turned out more than eighty-five thousand copies of this journal, which is by far the largest quantity of any ever printed. We do not believe that there were more papers on the American Continent which yesterday printed and sold more copies than the Press.

THE BARK BICKOUT.

We notice in some of the Radical papers insidious appeals to the members of the old Whig party, with the view of inducing them to go into the ranks of Radicalism. No reason worth of the common intelligence is offered by these appeals, but only a complimentary reference to the character or intellect of those sought to be influenced. It is neither more nor less than that, because, during the existence of the old Whig party its members were hostile to the Democratic party, and had those prejudices, which are, unfortunately, too common among us men, they should continue that hostility, and join their enemies, whatever may be the position or character of their new associates! If such an argument is worth anything at all, it proves entirely too much. The old Whigs of the South were quite as much opposed to modern Republicanism—indeed much more so—as they were to Democracy; and hence it would place them in a purely negative position. They have not enough to see the folly of that and will hardly be swayed from their virtue by so ridiculous an appeal.

All intelligent men who belonged to the old Whig party know full well that whatever shortcomings were chargeable to the Democrats, nothing which they could be compared in atrocious meanness to the acts of those who now falsely style themselves Republicans. The Democrats were never adhered closely to the Constitution, and the chief allegation made against it was that it placed too narrow a construction on that instrument, and restrained its powers within such a circumscribed compass as to defeat the ends of its adoption.

But the Radicals, the fiercest opponents of Democracy, utterly disregard the provisions of the Constitution, and set its limitations at defiance. Still, those of our people who were Whigs are impatiently asked to "swallow a camel" because they have "strained at a gnat." Such conduct would be quite as wise as that shown by a skittish horse who shies at a knot-hole in a bridge, and to escape its danger, falls off the bridge into the chasm below! That is worse than "jumping from a log," and it is a good deal more honest than the "swallowing a camel" which has made it so full of "wounds, bruises and purifying sores" as to have no sufficient health left in it for purification by any known appliance, can possibly identify himself with the party which has so long and so successfully defended the Constitution. The answer to this question is, "No!"

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INTERESTING LETTER FROM RALEIGH—OUR CANDIDATE.

We speak no apology for devoting so much of our editorial space this morning to the publication of the following letter. The letter speaks for itself, and touching as it does upon matters of the greatest importance to all who have the good of the country at heart, will be read with great interest. It is from the pen of a gentleman of the highest character and of the most liberal and just views, and is one of the best of the kind that we have seen. It is a fitting abode for the gentleman who has been nominated at Raleigh, May 15, 1876.

DEAR JOURNAL—Raleigh is now in her glory; her majestic oaks, which are her chief ornaments, have arrayed themselves in the verdant garb of spring and call forth constant comments of admiration and pleasure. It is a beautiful scene, and one that will be remembered by all who have seen it. The city is now in the midst of a great election, and the people are all engaged in the discussion of the merits of the candidates. It is a time of great interest and excitement, and one that will be remembered by all who have seen it.

But also here also Holden, Caldwell and Brogden have been nominated, and they are all engaged in the discussion of the merits of the candidates. It is a time of great interest and excitement, and one that will be remembered by all who have seen it. The city is now in the midst of a great election, and the people are all engaged in the discussion of the merits of the candidates. It is a time of great interest and excitement, and one that will be remembered by all who have seen it.

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FOR THE JOURNAL.

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BY TELEGRAPH.

WASHINGTON, May 16.—The House of Representatives today passed a bill to amend the act in relation to the duties of the collector of the customs. The bill was passed by a vote of 100 yeas to 80 nays. The bill is now in the hands of the President.

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MONTEGOMERY, May 16.—The Alabama State convention called by the committee of which ex-Gov. Smith is chairman, met this morning at 10 o'clock. The convention was held in the city of Montgomery, and was attended by a large number of delegates from all parts of the State.

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VIRGINIA.

RICHMOND, May 16.—The Virginia State convention called by the committee of which ex-Gov. Smith is chairman, met this morning at 10 o'clock. The convention was held in the city of Richmond, and was attended by a large number of delegates from all parts of the State.