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Mr. Alcock Stephens says he sees nothing objectionable in Mr. Felton's letter, Mr. Hassebrook says there is no hope for the democracy, Mr. Vreche says that no hard money democrat can be elected President, nicely thousand democrats obey the selfish behests of one man in New York, at the expense of their party's success, and the ignorant and vicious negroes of Virginia, by their criminal and unwarranted right of suffrage, prevent the intelligent people of the State from paying their just debts. And so it goes. Is it any wonder that there is a "Grant boom" in the South, the democratic stronghold, and that that "boom" should be, as it unquestionably is, increasing? Nearly all the white people in the South are land owners, and, unfortunately, owners of nothing else, their land being all that was left them by the war. They are therefore naturally interested in the fate of that land and want to increase its value, and have seen and want to know that the only way to accomplish that end is to attract capital and immigration to the South, and that neither will come as long as the conditions of political affairs in the country remain as at present. They have suffered and worked and at present hope for a change, until hope, fearing that ruin has them in its grasp, has deserted their brains for a more fortunate, and left them in almost black despair. A democratic, national, unsectarian administration, under which the government would be conducted impartially, and evidences of sectional animosity be removed so completely that they would cease to manifest themselves, has been the change so ardently desired, not because it would surely achieve their grand object, the settlement and increased value of their lands and the material prosperity and happiness that would necessarily result therefrom, which, owing to the presence of the freed negroes among them, they know will be far to accomplish under the most favorable circumstances, but because they believe such an administration to be the best and only available means to secure that end. They have, therefore, for fourteen long and dreary years, made every other purpose of their lives subservient to that of gaining a democratic President, though many of them never were and never can be democrats, and though the democrats among them do not recognize their party in the grotesque guise in which it has lately appeared. For this they have, except in a few cases in which human nature rebelled against shame, patiently borne slander, reproach, abuse, contumely and rebuff; have been, in not as wise as serpents, certainly as harmless as doves; have studiously refrained from anything that would seem to point at forming or directing the policy of the party of which they furnished the only available strength, and have even surrendered the dictates of their better understanding to their northern colleagues, whom they have implicitly obeyed. They have gone farther and made more sacrifices to attain their object than human reason had previously believed was possible, for though they gained the means for which they had been striving, and by which their cherished object was to have been secured, a democratic President, they relinquished it at the bidding of their weak and impotent northern allies. Having elected a democratic President in 1876 they hoped not only to elect, but to inaugurate one in 1881, but when they now look around and see what we have pointed at, the democratic party in the South splitting up, that in the North so divided that it has given a democratic State to the radicals, leading and industrial demerits in the West deserting the party and recommending Sherman for President, the negroes in the South asking the communists with their ballots, and either Grant or a radical infinitely more objectionable on the certain road to the presidency, common sense, nay the simple instinct of self preservation, is amply sufficient to induce them to support the former and trust to him for such protection as the "strong man" can give. For these reasons, and they are many stronger than those which induced southern democrats to support Greeley, when the President was infinitely less, and the "Grant boom" is increasing in the South, and though we deplore the course of it, we can not, in the present aspect of affairs, conscientiously blame its supporters.

Of all the cities in the country in which the national conventions of the two great political parties should be held, the most proper, and the one possessing the most advantages, it seems to us, is the national capital. All the information that may be required at such conventions can be obtained there immediately and with no trouble, the facilities of access to the city and the amplitude and style of its accommodations are unsurpassed, its objects of interest to the delegates unequalled, and its proximity to the most popular watering places and to Mount Vernon, together with numerous other attractions, render it peculiarly superior as a place for holding such conventions, and we can see what prevents the executive committees of both the parties from directing that their national conventions shall be always held there.

That the Virginia readjusters may see what a laudable they have given the radicals to work upon in their efforts to make political capital for the injury of the South, we mention the fact that Rev. Henry Ward Beecher, in his late Thanksgiving sermon, said: "When I see several States handed together for the purpose of repudiating their obligations I say the time has not come yet when others men should be allowed to take charge of the national treasury."

Mr. Beecher's Thanksgiving sermon, though delivered for the purpose of injuring the South, contained several truths, not the least of which was the following: "Had the defeated element for the Presidency been as honest as was unscrupulous, he might have obtained the position. Over his tomb should be inscribed, 'His name was greater than his courage.'"

Unless Gen. Grant hurries up his acceptance of the presidency of the Nicaragua Inter-oceanic Ship Canal Company, he and that canal will both be too late for Mr. De Lesseps will start for Panama late in December, and a brigade of pioneers and surveyors has already left to prepare for cutting a canal through the Isthmus of Darien.

General Preston, of Kentucky, says that the democratic party is a strong army led by weak captains. He speaks the truth, and the weak and file of the party would do well to remember it at subsequent elections.

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The Indians are deprecating the economy in Mexico one hundred miles west of El Paso, Texas. Fifty men who pursued a raiding party to the mountains were annihilated, and all but one or two killed. A second party which went to the scene of massacre were surprised while buying the dead and eighteen of them killed. The charges for the transportation of the Treasurer of the United States of national bank notes clearly unfit for circulation, received by him on and after December 1st, for redemption in sums of \$1,000, or any multiple thereof, will be delayed out of the five per cent. redemption fund and included in the assessment on the several banks of issue at the close of the fiscal year. According to the terms arranged between Mr. Vanderbilt and the syndicate of bankers, twenty million dollars of New York Central and Hudson River railroad, sold at 120, are to be paid for through Deere, Mitzan & Co., New York, in the following sums and on the following dates: \$5,000,000 on Feb. 15, 1880; \$5,000,000 on Jan. 1, 1880; \$5,000,000 on Feb. 15, 1880; \$5,000,000 on March 1, 1880; and \$5,000,000 on March 31, 1880.

The German postoffice department is going into the freight business. M. Michel Chevalier, the political economist, is dead at the age of 73. Mukhtar Pasha and his body guard of 70 soldiers, have been massacred by the Anarists. Prince Gortschakoff has arrived at Berlin. He is not expected to hold an interview with Prince Bismarck during his stay. General Baker attacked the Afghans in his front in force on Thursday. The enemy fled at the first assault, and the tribes are now dispersing. A correspondent at London contradicts the newspaper report that Sir Charles Wentworth Dilke is about to marry a member of the Rothschild family.

Exciting scene in court.—At St. Louis, Ireland, yesterday, the magistrate decided that the evidence which Mr. Rea proposed to call in favor of Killen was irrelevant, and decided to close the case and commit Killen for trial, admitting him to bail. Killen refused to leave the court and had to be carried out. The jury was then ordered to be cleared, but Messrs. Davis and Rea remained in defiance of the order. Mr. Rea desired to call as witnesses the crown solicitor, the Catholic Archbishop of Dublin, and one of the members of the House of Commons for Tipperary. This was what finally broke down the patience of the magistrate. After committing the witnesses to the custody of the sheriff, he said he had arranged with his clerk not to find bail. The magistrate asked Killen whether he would find bail. Killen stoutly refused, and offered a passive resistance to his removal from court. He hung on the arms of the two policemen, with his feet just off the ground. Mr. Rea afterwards announced that the magistrate had given him the use of the town hall to protest against the decision. The mayor denied this. Mr. Rea then proceeded to denounce the magistrate as a "police spy." Persons acquainted with the English forms of procedure were astonished at the ferberance of the court toward Mr. Rea. In consequence of some technical points in the inquiry having been omitted in the confession, it is intended to apply for a writ of Habeas corpus to bring Killen before the Court of Queen's Bench, and to attempt to quash the magisterial proceedings on various points. The assizes will be opened at Carrieh-on-Shannon on the 11th proximo, when the bills will be sent to the grand jury. The Crown will then suggest the removal of the cases to a special commission of the Queen's Bench at Dublin.

Several cases.—CINCINNATI, O., Nov. 29.—A special dispatch from Cincinnati, Ky., to the Enquirer, dated Nov. 29th, says: "About two o'clock this morning ten men left there and Hampton City for Trout Hill to witness the hanging at Louisa of Latham Walker, the murderer of Patrick Nolan. The party were drunk and took whiskey with them. After crossing the Big Sandy into Virginia a difficulty arose between Eliza Jackson and Alonzo Burns about horse trading. After some angry words Burns drew a pistol and shot Jackson through the forehead, the bullet coming out of the top of his head. Jackson is still alive, but unconscious. Burns is under arrest, but he claims that the shooting was accidental."

REPUBLIC OF THE PAST.—At Gaza, on the 6th ult., an Arab was quarrying stone at a place about four and a half miles distant from the town, and unearthed a marble figure of a man. The following are the dimensions given by an Arab eye witness, namely: "27 inches from top of head to end of beard; 23 inches from ear to ear; from top of forehead to mouth, 13 1/2 inches; from shoulder to shoulder, 54 inches; from crown of head to waist, 51 inches; and 54 inches the circumference of the neck; the total height is 15 feet. The hair hangs in long ringlets down from the shoulders, and the beard is long, indicating a man of venerable age. The right arm is broken in half, while the left arm is crossed over the breast to the right shoulder, where the hand is hidden by the drapery of a cloak covering the shoulders." There is no inscription either on the figure or on the pedestal, and the latter is a huge block, carved in one piece with the figure. It was found in a tombstone position buried in the sand upon the top of a hill near the sea, evidently removed from its original site, which is unknown. Its estimated weight is 12,000 pounds.

HAWORTH CHURCH TO BE TORN DOWN.—Haworth Church, which the genius of Charlotte Bronte and her sisters has made an object of pilgrimage to people of every land is to be torn down to give place to a brand new structure to suit the taste of the present incumbent, the Rev. Mr. Wade. The last services in the church were held on the 14th ult. The British are fond of berating our people for their lack of reverence for things old or hallowed by such associations as those which ought to have protected this church, but we venture to say that Haworth Church had, at stool in this country, would not soon have been pulled down. As it is, the act provokes a good deal of strong reprobation from the English press. The London Daily News remarks: "Haworth Church—was this it was Valens—the imported to England a considerable number of vandals, according to Gibbon, and the seed of them, as Lord Byron once remarked, has not yet perished out of the land."

DEAD.—NEW YORK, Nov. 29.—Rev. Dr. Wm. Ives Buddington, pastor of Clinton Avenue Baptist Church, Brooklyn, who has been suffering during the past two years from the growth of a cancer which made its appearance in his hip, died this afternoon.

COURT OF APPEALS YESTERDAY.—Burwell vs. Burgess. Argued by Col. William P. Barwell for plaintiff in error, and L. L. Lewis, esq., for defendant in error, and submitted.

FROM WASHINGTON. Special Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette. WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 29, 1879. In a conversation with a Virginia Republican to-day Mr. Hayes expressed the hope that the election of a republican U. S. Senator from Virginia was among the possibilities of the proceedings of the next session of the Legislature of that State. He also informed him that having no time to devote to the consideration of the appointment of supervisors of the census in the several States he had entrusted that whole matter to Superintendent Walker with the understanding that when the list was made out he would approve it if there were no objectionable names upon it and send it to the Senate for confirmation. Mr. Everts, in a conversation with the same gentleman, expressed the hope that whenever at the next session of the Virginia Legislature, the adoption of any measure depended upon the republican vote, that vote would be cast with the debt payers.

Charles Easton was appointed Indian agent at Mohonke Agency, in Wyoming, to-day, vice J. H. Patten suspended. The commission of Major T. P. Morgan, as District Commissioner, vice Captain Phelps, resigned, was signed to-day. Major Morgan is a native of Alexandria and a brother in law of S. K. Beech, esq., of that city. For some time past he has been chief of the District police force. Alexandria is well represented in the President of the District Commissioners, J. B. E. Rawls, Inspector of Buildings, Francis H. Baker, Assistant Attorney, and William Morgan, Superintendent of Assessments and Taxes. The receipts at the Treasury to-day from internal revenue amounted to \$226,305; from customs \$461,461. The national bank notes received this week for redemption amounted to \$755,000 for the corresponding week last year, \$2,148,000; for to-day, \$16,000. The U. S. bonds, now deposited as security for national bank circulation amount to \$364,247,750; the amount deposited as security for circulation this week \$2,500, amount withdrawn this week \$1,300,800.

Capt. J. M. Stuart, postmaster of the House of Representatives, visited his office this morning for the first time since he was taken sick last summer. He is looking much better than his friends had been led to believe, and all hope that he may soon be enabled to resume the active performance of his official duties. There is a good prospect that the Washington, Cincinnati and St. Louis Narrow Gauge Railroad will be soon put into operation between the Aqueduct Bridge and Falls Church, and thence to the West, as negotiations are now happily progressing for means to that end with several well known and responsible parties in New York, who are expected here soon to personally inspect the road with a view to its early completion. It is the desire of these capitalists to finish the road to the magnetic iron line in Pace county, rich deposits of which minerals are there found in large quantities and superior quality, and beyond to the far famed Luray caverns, by early summer of next year. It is understood that the leaders of the republican members of Congress now here express themselves as opposed to the inauguration, at least as an early day of the coming session, of any measures looking toward the redemption and annihilation of the greenback, which shows that they are well disposed to favor the retention of the late currency.

It is rumored that the system of the President's message recently published, was changed by a newspaper correspondent's pool of \$30, with which a copy of the message was obtained from some unknown party in the government printing office. Mrs. Farr, of Fairfax county, Va., while shopping in a store on Third street here to-day had her pocket picked of thirty dollars, three silver spoons and a pair of eye glasses. The money was every cent gone, and she was left with a stranger and at quite a distance from home. She would have been in an exceedingly uncomfortable position had it not been for an unknown gentleman who supplied her with tickets back to Alexandria. The city watch office was removed to-day from the Postoffice Department to the Station House on Louisiana Avenue between 6th and 7th streets. Twenty-six loaded boats arrived at Georgetown this morning, and seventeen empty ones departed. It is the intention of the coal company to keep the canal open as long as the weather will permit.

A TERRIBLE STRUGGLE.—Miss Alice Corby, of New York City, was visiting her uncle, near Hunter's Range, Pa. She is about 16 years old, and is her cousin Clara, whom she was visiting. The latter is very fond of hunting, and the other day she started out, Alice with a double barreled gun, and Clara with a single one, for securing the woods for several hours without much success they visited "Dark Swamp." They had gone but a short distance when Miss Corby, who was walking a few yards behind her cousin, saw a large black bear coming towards her. Clara, who had frequently encountered these shaggy monsters, called to her frightened cousin to come to her. She then drew her rifle to her shoulder and fired with both barrels at the bear, and averted until it came within arms length, and then fired. The bear uttered a howl of pain, and fell bleeding. As Clara's rifle was a single barreled one, she seized the double barreled gun from her cousin and discharged both barrels at the animal, and the hope of the killing it outright. But with the discharge of the smoke from the gun the bear was seen writhing, but not dead. The brave young woman then approached cautiously to within reaching distance of the wounded animal, and taking from a large satchel both encircling her waist a long hunting knife, plunged it into the hit into the bear's neck. At this moment the dying monster gave a sudden lunge and fastened his sharp claws into the girl's skirts, pulling her down. Her frightened cousin ran about the animal, and when she saw that the bear was as there was no house within two miles, she cried out to her cousin to return to her. Clara was still held struggling with the animal. The bear still held the girl in her grasp, but was rapidly growing weaker. The girl was also dead, and the animal blew a low whistle, and finally released its hold and rolled over dead. Though very much exhausted and considerably scratched by the bear's claws, Clara, with the assistance of her cousin, was able to walk. They then returned home where the dead bear lay, and then drove to the swamp and brought the bear in, which, when dressed, weighed 210 pounds.

THE CONDITION OF IRELAND.—A special report on the condition of Ireland was issued a fortnight ago by the local government board. It is admitted that the potato crop is everywhere deficient in quantity and inferior in quality, and this and the absence of fuel, owing to the wetness of the season, are regarded as leading to a famine during the winter, and spring. The board anticipates a heavy strain on the poor law unions, unless work be obtained for the laboring classes. Pauperism is greatly on the increase, the largest percentage being in Ulster.

CURIOUS CASE.—CINCINNATI, Nov. 29.—A special dispatch to the Enquirer from Bellefontaine, O., says that Dr. J. A. Brown, who has been here for some time, having his friends and the Misses, Odd Fellows and Knights of Pythias have twice attempted to bury him. His life-like appearance, and the fact that his lips are flushed and muscular, and that the features of his face show decomposition, make his friends hesitate to lay him in the grave. The case excites universal interest.

KING ALPHONSO'S WEDDING. Yesterday King Alfonso's Wedding, celebrated his twenty second birthday and to day he is to be married to the Austrian Archduchess Maria Christina, a relation. King Alfonso XII is just twenty two years of age, his mother being Queen Isabella, the eldest daughter of King Ferdinand VII, and his father her cousin, Infante Francis. He ascended the throne in January 1875, upon the restoration of the Bourbons. His first marriage, in January 1878, to his cousin, Princess Maria de las Mercedes, the youngest daughter of the Duc de las Montpensier, was hailed with feelings of satisfaction throughout Spain. Her death, which occurred six months afterward, caused deep sorrow among both classes, for the young Queen—a lass of nineteen—had endeared herself to her subjects. The King seemed heart broken, and mourned her loss with the most marked manifestation of grief and bereavement. There has been no opposition on the part of the Cortes to his second marriage, for it is not only an excellent one, when political considerations are taken into account, but a more satisfactory basis than the crown on the present satisfactory basis than it stands at present. The Austrian Archduchess Maria Christina is the granddaughter of the popular Palatine Joseph. She is daughter of a second marriage, her mother, the Archduchess Elizabeth, having lost her first husband, the Archduke Ferdinand Charles, when still a girl in years, and having married, four years afterwards the Archduke Charles Ferdinand. Maria Christina is only eight months younger than Alfonso, and is said to be highly accomplished and very amiable.—The bride is seen more of her royal lover than usually happens when a union of this kind is brought about. They have met and passed hours together in familiar conversation and are reported to be exceedingly fond of each other. The Archduchess arrived at the Spanish frontier on November 29, traveling incognito, and was received by a deputation of members of the Cortes and officers of the King's household. The bride and the bridegroom are cousins, but the relations of the bride to the king are so many degrees that no Papal dispensation was required to legalize their union, as was the case when Alfonso's and Mercedes were wedded. On the 4th of November the Spanish Chamber of Deputies passed a bill granting to the future Queen \$18,000 annually, and \$10,000 annually in case of her widowhood. The opposition members did not oppose the grant. Special envoys to attend the marriage were sent by Belgium, Germany and Italy, and the Emperor of Austria was represented by the Archduke Alexander Hergold. The Crown Prince Rudolph and the Archduchess, besides a numerous suite, accompany the Archduchess. Besides the presents which have been given to the bride in Austria, substantial presents were prepared for her in France, Italy, Portugal, Spain, and the Kingdom of the Netherlands. The Princess of the Asturias, the King's daughter, the Archduchess Maria Christina is not handsome, but she has a most captivating disposition, brilliant eyes and a most evincing gift of conversation. She is extremely fond of dancing, and in addition to her other accomplishments she is conversant with wood carving. Every year she has been in the habit of sending garments, made by herself, to the poor children of the town near which she lived. She is much attached to her teachers and very kind to them. Her mother, who she is not in the least moved by outside influences, the Archduchess, is by no means beautiful. The dress of the royal bride was of white lace, covered with a court mantle of excessively fine lace. 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