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The best way for this country to maintain its peaceful relations with England, or with any other European power is to be always prepared for war, thinks the Atlanta Constitution.

The Chicago Dispatch says: "Some cheerful imbecile the other day tried to find out what Speaker Reed's financial views are. Just as if any Presidential candidate ever had any views on any subject."

The Baltimore Herald says: "Englishmen comfort themselves with the reflection that the President's vigorous message is merely a bluff. In this they are mistaken. It was their bluff and it has been called."

To the Philadelphia Record is due the discovery, says the Boston Herald, that Mr. Cleveland's remarks on the Monroe doctrine are in no wise to be confounded with the jingoist clamor for the reaffirmation of a certain manifesto issued by the fifth President of the United States.

THE ANNEXTION OF BERKLEY.

A great step forward towards the annexation of Berkley as a ward of Norfolk was made at the conference of the members of the Councils and committee of citizens of Norfolk and Berkley Friday evening. The unanimity of sentiment on the subject of annexation was remarkably gratifying to every well-wisher of Greater Norfolk. The appointment of a committee consisting of Councilmen from Norfolk and citizens from Berkley to frame an annexation bill, to be presented to the General Assembly, after consideration by the Councils, was the right thing. Let the bill be framed and reported upon promptly, so that it may speedily come before the Legislature for adoption.

The Virginian has time and time again urged the importance of annexation. Norfolk has witnessed the splendid results that have accrued towards the growth and development of the city by the annexation of the Brambleton and Atlantic City Wards, and these wards have been the recipient of great benefits in return, by reason of being part and parcel of the city. The active, progressive business men of Berkley realize that like results, only to a greater extent, will follow the annexation of Berkley to Norfolk, and Norfolk feels confident that the success of the proposed measure will be of incalculable advantage towards her future development as a great commercial city. Let the measure be pushed to a successful conclusion.

FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE UNIVERSITY.

On the 27th day of October, 1895, the rotunda, library and public hall and lecture rooms of the University of Virginia were destroyed by fire. Few have been the afflictions which the Old Commonwealth has suffered that ever evoked more wide-spread or sincere sympathy. The dying embers of that disastrous conflagration had scarce burned to ashes when from all quarters of the Union came assurance of profound sorrow, and pledges of substantial aid in the work of restoration. The test of sympathy is sacrifice. The need is this instance is great.

As an educational institution the University was Virginia's chief pride. It was recognized as the highest ornament of Virginia's civilization, the pattern and exemplar of other educational institutions. If the destruction of our noble Pantheon, transplanted by the genius of Jefferson from Imperial Rome, is final and complete; if the beautiful and inspiring canvas of immortal Raphael is to remain only a memory; if the treasures of history, literature and art and the priceless relics of the glorious past, preserved from the wreck of the library; if these and the blackened walls of our Alma Mater are to continue a mass of

neglected ruins, then, indeed, has our glory departed.

To enable the cities of Norfolk and Portsmouth and the generous hearts of this whole vicinity to participate in the tribute of our respect, and to aid the good work, the ladies have devised a means which must appeal to every sentiment of our duty. The entertainment to be given at the Academy of Music to-morrow evening, December 23d, will afford an opportunity to listen to the sweetest and best music of our talented singers and accomplished musicians, whose generous hearts have prompted them to this free will offering. To our people let us say: Stand by the highest and best of Virginia's jewels, and hasten to the work of redeeming her loss.

"He gives twice, who gives quickly."

"STOPS AT THE WATER'S EDGE."

Daniel Webster is credited with having said on one occasion that "politics in this country stops at the water's edge." That is to say that whatever may be the political differences of parties, or individuals, in this country upon home affairs, the very moment there is danger to us from a foreign foe, the political differences are, for the time being, laid aside and the people join hands that a solid front may be presented to the threatening foe, and men vie with each other in their patriotism.

Mr. Webster never made a truer utterance than that with which he is credited in this connection, and how well the statement has been verified the instances of the past few days furnishes proof in abundance. We have seen within the week a perfect exemplification of this. In the midst of party strife and contention the Executive sounds a note of warning of a possible foe without, and that moment the patriotism of the country rises above party. Men of all shades of political opinion declare that in the controversy between this country and Great Britain, arising out of the Venezuelan affair, politics does not enter, and with a unanimity almost without a parallel Democrats and Republicans are joining hands to preserve the integrity of a principle dear to the American heart, proclaiming that the principle of American independence of monarchical aggression is one which must be maintained, and maintained it will be as long as the Republic of the United States shall last.

The Virginian does not believe that there will be war between this country and Great Britain, because of the Venezuela dispute. John Bull will count the cost, and when he does, he will find the affair too expensive for his undertaking. War with the United States will be ruinous to English interests.

With complications in almost every quarter of the globe, internal disorders at home and jealousies without number in Continental Europe, England could ill afford to go to war with this country, and no one is more mindful of the fact than Lord Salisbury himself. It may be expected, however, that there will be a great deal of bluster in English circles before the controversy is brought to an end, but that Lord Salisbury will find a way out of the difficulty should not be doubted. In the meanwhile, let it not be forgotten that in "union there is strength," and that in the face of a foreign foe the people of this country are united.

NOTES AND OPINIONS.

It may not be generally known that Du Maurier, the artist and the author of "Trilby," made the fantastic and inartistic drawing upon the labels of Apollinaris water bottles.

The man who made the first car axles in the United States died Sunday, aged 87. His name was Enoch Robinson, and he was superintendent of the Old Colony Iron Works at East Taunton, Mass.

The Monroe doctrine seems to be a very live issue, indeed, notwithstanding the British premier's intimation that it was "inapplicable to the state of things in which we live at the present time," remarks the Chicago Record.

The Republicans in Washington must do something beside attacking the President. As a rule the Representative Barretts must be held in check. No party ever won confidence by simply assailing their opponents. To retain an advantage they must do something worthy of it, remarks the Indianapolis Journal (Rep.).

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