

FOR PRESIDENT, HORATIO SEYMOUR. FOR VICE PRESIDENT, GEN. FRANK P. BLAIR.

We have consented to assume the editorial control of the "Bristol News." The time has come when we are willing to speak through the press. A third of a decade has expired since the late war between those whom we were taught to believe God had joined together.

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We will, by every means in our power, seek to promote the speedy completion of the Va. & Kentucky Railroad, the only line now wanting to bring through our country the great commerce of the Ohio valley.

We propose to advocate the whole agricultural and industrial interests of our common country; and we would be false to ourselves if we could, for a moment, forget that Virginia and Tennessee are too intimately associated by a common ancestry, by a connected system of internal improvements, and in all the appliances of Southern life to identify ourselves exclusively with either.

We shall hope for a long and pleasant connection with the readers of the "News."

I. C. FOWLER. E. FOWLER.

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We publish below a card from Mr. D. F. Bailey, late editor of "The Bristol News," in reply to a card from Col. R. L. Owens. It is proper to say that the Bristol News has changed hands since the appearance of the paragraph alluded to, and that the present editors are happy to be able to afford Mr. Bailey an opportunity of making an honorable amendment.

[For the News.] A Card.

Messrs. Editors:—I am truly gratified to learn, and sincerely hope, that the statement in the Bristol News, of last issue, in regard to the removal of Mr. R. L. Owens, in regard to the disabilities, "is infamously false" to use his own expression. It was not my purpose, nor is it my desire, to work to the detriment of Mr. Owens or any other man.

My friend (I) said neither, the Abingdon Virginian, instead of publishing the original denial of the statement which appeared in the Lynchburg News, sees fit to put the "infamously false" in large capitals—no doubt for my special benefit.

During the night of the 29th of March, George W. Ashburn was assassinated in a low negro brothel in Columbus, Georgia. On the 6th day of April thirteen citizens were arrested by Captain Mills of the United States Army. On the 19th they were released under bond.

While we were clamoring for the charges against the late Governor, Whitely, Major Marshall, Bennett and Amanda Patterson. The evidence for the prosecution acknowledges that disclosures were made under threats of violence. This is had enough, but a worse feature, that the date of these disclosures is placed by the witnesses themselves subsequent to the arrest of a majority of the prisoners.

ANECDOTE OF COLFAX.—There is a good joke told about Colfax when he and the Hon. Mr. Fitch were opposing candidates for Congress in Indiana. Fitch had a letter from one of the citizens of the district, which reflected very severely upon "Skyler" in several particulars, which, during a joint discussion between them, he was in the habit of reading. Colfax, of course, had no reply to that, but he did not wish to "grin and bear it."

DR. JOHNSON'S PRAYER.—Perhaps Dr. Johnson never composed anything so truly excellent as his prayer against iniquity and perplexing thought. We insert it here, in the expectation that it will reach some heart which needs it.

THE POWER OF MUSIC.—A man who had been in the last stages of intoxication, was brought before a justice in a rural district, and fined for being drunk and disorderly. The poor fellow had only one dollar in his pocket, and when asked if he would leave his wife and children, he replied that he would not, and that he would rather go to jail than leave them.

Of the able and untiring efforts of our counsel we cannot speak in too high praise. To the people of Georgia, and especially to our good friends in Atlanta, we return sincere thanks for their sympathy and assistance.

A NOBILIS FIRM.—We would direct our readers to the following card: U. S. GRANT. SCHUYLER COLFAX.

GRANT & COLFAX. TAXPERS, Washington, D. C. Respectfully inform the people of the United States that they will be engaged in issuing some old rotten Democratic lies until after the 10th day of November, 1868.

THE NEXT PROMPT MEASURE is the proposition to keep Texas, Mississippi and Virginia out of Federal territory, and to let their people purify their soil, "until their teeth chatter."

IN THIS GOD'S JUDGMENT.—Mrs. Serratt was hung for being an accomplice in the murder of Lincoln. The testimony on which she was convicted was that of four men, Baker, Montgomery, Clever and Conover, negroes, who were in the room with her.

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THE RADICALS AND GEN. BLAIR. Gen. Blair was a great favorite among the Republicans until he refused to follow them into Radicalism. Previous to that event, nobody was purer, truer, or better in reasonable qualities, and to none but a fairly carried out, could be fairly carried out.

NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC PLATFORM.—Adopted July 7, 1868. The Democratic party, on National Convention assembled, reposing its trust in the highest patriotism, and discriminating justice of the people, standing upon the Constitution as the foundation and limitation of the powers of the Government, and the guarantee of the liberties of the citizen, and recognizing the question of slavery and secession as having been settled for all time to come by the war, or the voluntary action of the Southern States in constitutional conventions assembled, and never to be reopened, do, with the return of peace, demand:

First, Immediate restoration of all the States to their rights in the Union under the Constitution, and of civil government to the States as rapidly as practicable; and Second, Amnesty for all past political offenses and the regulation of the elective franchise in the States by their citizens.

Third, Payment of the public debt of the United States as rapidly as practicable; all moneys drawn from the people by taxation, except so much as is requisite for the necessities of the Government economically administered, being honestly applied to such payment; and the Government do not expressly state upon their face, or the law under which they were issued, does not provide that they shall be paid in coin, they ought, in right and justice, to be paid in the lawful money of the United States.

Fourth, Equal taxation of every species of property according to its real value, including Government bonds and other public securities; simplification of the system, and discontinuance of the inequitable modes of assessing and collecting internal revenue, so that the burden of taxation may be equitably and lessened; the credit of the Government shall be maintained; the repeal of all enactments for enrolling the State militia into national forces in time of peace; and a tariff for revenue upon foreign imports, and such equal taxation of the interior as will be consistent with the independence of the country.

Seventh, Reform of abuses in the administration, the expulsion of corrupt men from office, the abolition of useless offices, the restoration of the rightful authority, and the independence of the executive and judicial departments of the Government, the subordination of the military to the civil power, to the end that the usurpations of the Executive and the despotism of the sword may cease.

Eighth, Equal rights and protection for naturalized and native-born citizens at home and abroad, the abolition of American nationality, and the maintenance of the rights of foreign powers and furnish and example and encouragement to people struggling for national integrity, constitutional liberty and individual rights against the absolute doctrine of immutable allegiance, and the claims of foreign powers to punish them for alleged crimes committed beyond their jurisdiction.

W. A. KALKREUTH & CO. WHOLESALE DEALERS IN Boots, Shoes, Trunks, VALISES, & C. 100 Sycamore Street, PETERSBURG, VA.

DAVIS, ROPER & CO. WHOLESALE GROCERS AND COMMISSION MERCHANTS, PETERSBURG, VA.

THE HOLSTON SPRINGS. (NEW HANDS.) THIS well known WATERING PLACE, situated on the Holston River, in Scott County, Virginia, within a short day's travel of Bristol, Tenn., having changed hands and undergone the necessary repairs, is NOW OPEN FOR THE RECEPTION OF VISITORS.

THE BAR. Will be constantly supplied with the CHOICEST LIQUORS, CIGARS, & C. A goodly stock of goods from Bristol to the Springs, at \$2 per Day, \$10 per Week, \$30 per Month. E. L. APPLING & CO. Proprietors. July 2, 1868.

That our soldiers and sailors who carried the flag of our country to victory against the most gallant and determined foe, must ever be gratefully remembered, and all the guarantees given in their favor, must be faithfully carried out.

That the public lands should be distributed as widely as possible among the people, and should be disposed of either under the preemption of business lands, or sold in reasonable quantities, and to none but actual occupants, at the minimum price established by the Government.

That the President of the United States, Andrew Johnson, in exercising the power of his high office in resisting the aggression of Congress upon the constitutional rights of the States and the people, is entitled to the gratitude of the whole American people, and in behalf of the Democratic party we tender him our thanks for his patriotic efforts in this regard.

On the morning of the 5th inst., in Bristol, at the residence of the bride, Mr. J. A. Buckley, Mr. CLYDE CHART, aged nearly 23 years.

THOMAS SMITH, Jobber & Dealer, in all kinds of DRY GOODS, NOTIONS, & C. No. 25 Sycamore Street, Petersburg, Va.

Donnals & Johnston, GROCERS AND COMMISSION MERCHANTS, No. 109 Sycamore Street, PETERSBURG, VA.

B. T. BOCKOVER, General Commission Merchant, 21 East Side Roanoke Dock, PETERSBURG, VA.

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THE STONERIVER UTILITY WORKS OF MURFREESBORO, TENN. Are located in a large four-story brick building, and are supplied at great expense with new and the most approved machinery for working.

ATKIN HOUSE, Knoxville, Tenn. DEAR SIR:—This little scroll will inform you that this new and elegant Hotel is located in the Depot, and is now open to the public for patronage.

FIREMONT LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY. MONTREAL, NELSON & CO. VIRGINIA. W. G. CARRINGTONS, President. J. S. BOWEN, Secretary.

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THE BEST INVESTMENT THEY COULD MAKE OF SMALL SUMS. Substituting the skill and experience of a BOARD OF DIRECTORS For that of the individual.

W. M. F. NOON, Agent, BRISTOL, TENN. DES. PEPPER, Medical Examiner. March 1, 1868, 6m

BAKERY! BAKERY! OPPOSITE THE VA. DEPOT. Fresh Bread every day at 12 o'clock.

MILLINERY. HAVING just received a small stock of BONNETS, HATS, FRAMES, PLUMES, RIBBONS, FLOWERS, BLONDS, LACES, & C.

SOUTHWESTERN VIRGINIA LAND AGENCY. TALLIAFERRO, HURT & BROS., Licensed Real Estate Brokers, OFFICE AT THE LAW OFFICE OF W. M. TALLIAFERRO, ABBINGDON, VIRGINIA.

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GENERAL COMMISSION MERCHANTS, NO. 5, COMMERCIAL BLDG., NORFOLK, VA. Consignments solicited and liberal returns made.