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The news from the California election is good. The Democratic ticket is elected by about 30,000 plurality.

Gov. Allen is making a stirring campaign in Ohio and is sure to be elected. They cannot beat the Governor notwithstanding his age.

We have had refreshing showers though the weather is still oppressive. Our friends about New Castle are complaining of drought—just six inches deep and no rain for six weeks.

The Government's fast mail train between the East and West will commence running Sunday, September 12th. In addition to the mails, a limited number of through passengers will be accommodated, and extra "diary fast time will be made, averaging, perhaps, sixty miles an hour.

A couple of St. Louis editors have been endeavoring to perforate each other with bullets, but it so happened that neither was killed or even wounded. According to the report of the affair, both acted "splendidly." After exchanging shots the "wounded honor" of both belligerents was appeased, and the matter was amicably adjusted. Sends another disgraceful farce.

The Post-office Department has received information that the Mississippi Valley and Brazil Steamship Company propose to run a line of steamships from St. Louis to Brazil, South America, asking that the United States mail may be given to their line. The Department will grant the request, and send the mail by their steamers, allowing ocean rates of postage as remuneration. They expect to start the first steamer October first.

We call the attention of our farmer friends to the article on "No Fence" operations in Mecklenburg, N. C. This is to the point and we know it would work well in our county, especially south of the river. Let our people think of it and talk of it and see if we cannot contrive to have five or six districts adopt it. We all have rails enough made to make the outer fence and fences for our pastures. It would be an immense saving in paying for rails and spoiling valuable timber to get them.

On Saturday, of last week, at Shady Grove Church, near Union City, Ohio county, Frank Williams shot and killed James Turner. It is stated that Turner had seduced Williams' sister, and her brother had pleaded with Turner to save her from disgrace by marrying her. Williams that night told Turner if he did not lead his sister to the altar he would kill him. Turner responded that he would not marry her, and that he was not afraid. The sequel of that conversation was Turner's death. Williams, soon after the conversation, went to where Turner was seated with a young lady, placed the muzzle of a revolver to the back of his head and fired, blowing Turner's brains out.

Frank C. Dunnington, of Marry, is dead. The State has lost a son whose intellect and integrity were invaluable to her; his friends a companion whose place they cannot fill; his family the main stay and ruler whose love made them happy.

Mr. Dunnington's former position as editor of the Union and American gave him means to powerfully influence public opinion in this State; and in exercising this right to do so, he was always pure and upright, always clear and forcible.

The State can ill afford to lose such a man. His family have the consolation, and it is a consolation, to know that thousands mourn with them, and that throughout the land, many hearts are filled with grief.

They are having quite a lively campaign in Mississippi. Intelligence reaches us of a bloody and fatal riot among the negro politicians at Yazoo City on the 2nd inst. The Radicals had a public meeting on that day, where a large number of negroes assembled to hear what was said and to engage in the powder. One of the speakers, a notorious white Radical named Morgan, in the course of his remarks, alluded to the present state of taxes in Mississippi. He stated that the Democrats charged that high taxation had been caused by the Republican administration in that State. He denied that such was the case, and asserted that the present rate of taxation was no higher than when the State was under Democratic rule, which he denounced in bitter terms. At this juncture a negro, who was doubtless under the influence of whisky, called Morgan a "liar." Thereupon Morgan took personal notice of the remark and made use of rough language which induced the negro to shout out, "You are a d-d liar." By this time the crowd had become very much excited, and a negro Radical fired a pistol at the negro who called Morgan a d-d liar. A general exchange of shots then took place, and the meeting broke up in a big row. A white Radical and a negro were killed during the fight, which also resulted in the wounding of several other persons who were present. This, in substance, is the telegraphic report of the row. No persons except white Radicals were present at the meeting or engaged in the killing of two and the wounding of several men.

Gen. E. Kirby Smith is at the University of the South in which he holds a professorship.

The Pennsylvania colliers shot and killed four men on Wednesday the last instant.

The public debt statement for August shows a reduction of about a million and a half during the past month.

A serious railway smash-up occurred near Pittsburg, last Friday, resulting in the wounding of twenty-five persons, some of them badly.

The price of composition on the Herald, Cleveland, Ohio, was reduced to 35c. per 1,000 ems on Saturday last. In consequence the Union printers quit work. The paper came out all right.

Gov. Harden, of Missouri, has tendered the hospitalities of the Executive Mansion to Jefferson Davis, who will soon arrive in Jefferson City, on his way to deliver an address in Kansas City.

An ugly outcropping of crime is one of the afflictions of St. Louis just now, the unmerciful wallowing of policemen by roughs being the distinguishing feature of the lawlessness.

The heavy rains of the last ten days have seriously damaged the crops in Minnesota, it being estimated that already the loss foots up fifteen or twenty per cent. of the entire crop of the State.

It is said that when Andrew Johnson was Governor of Tennessee, and an ex-blacksmith was Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, the Governor with his own hands made a vest for the Chief Justice, while the Chief Justice went to the forge and made a shovel and tongs to present to the Governor.

The Appeal and the Avalanches of September first contain full and elaborate statements of the trade of Memphis during the past year. The commerce of that city seems to have been fully sustained, and the facts and figures so carefully collected and set forth by our enterprising contemporaries, are very encouraging.

The fast mail train they are about to start from New York will lessen the time about fourteen hours between that city and Nashville. For instance the New York papers will reach there the second evening after publication, instead of the third morning, as at present. The change will be of material benefit to business men.

Jefferson Davis met with a handsome and cordial reception in Missouri, Democrats and Republicans alike doing honor to the distinguished Southerner. This is in pleasing contrast to the churlish conduct of the Wirrebagians, in a sister State, who would not allow the ex-Confederate chief to address them on the peaceful topic of agriculture, although permitting a couple of hot-headed editors to blast away at each other at twenty paces, to the imminent danger of everybody but the participants.

John W. McDonald, formerly Judge of the Court of Harris county, Texas, was arrested in Chicago, last week, by S. S. Ashe, Sheriff of Harris county, upon a warrant issued by Gov. Beveridge upon a requisition of the Governor of Texas. The requisition charges McDonald with the crime of forgery, but Sheriff Ashe says there are several indictments against him for the embezzlement of public funds while in office. McDonald fled from Houston in 1873, went to various places, among others to Denver, where he was near being caught; thence it would seem he came to Chicago and engaged in business. It is understood his wife was keeping up business in Chicago under the name of Mr. Dr. Cleveland. McDonald is a man of prepossessing appearance, and an old citizen of the South, where he is well known.

The Savannah News is authority for the interesting statement that the Smithsonian Institute has just received the largest and most interesting collection of pre-historic relics ever gathered in the United States. The collection, which is from the Santa Barbara Islands, California, consists of stone implements of every description, and aggregate fifty tons in weight. They were found in vast numbers, and excavated from innumerable graves, the traces of which were almost obliterated. Portions of this collection will be arranged for exhibition at the centennial. An old Spanish Admiral who visited these islands three hundred years ago reported that he found living there in well built houses a race of aborigines far advanced in civilization beyond all kindred tribes.

Perhaps one of the most bungling bank robberies on record, is that of the Planters National Bank of Louisville, Ky. The teller of the bank robbed the institution of one hundred thousand dollars, and after secreting the plunder in the rear of his house, shammed injured innocents by representing he had been chloroformed and stabbed by masked robbers, and made to deliver up the key of the safe. The story was altogether "too thin" for belief, and very slight persuasion induced the teller to confess that he himself was the robber. The money was found wrapped in a sheet under the floor where he had placed it. It would be hard to find a parallel for such foolish and criminal infatuation. Two days ago the man occupied an honorable and responsible position, to-day he is the inmate of a felon's cell, with blasted hopes, and may be a penitentiary home as a legacy for the remainder of his life.

"The newspaper is an index of the city where it is published, from which the stranger, the emigrant, the distant capitalist or the business man naturally forms his estimate of the city's advantages and prosperity."

The truth of the above is patent and cannot be controverted. A paper well supported is proof positive of the energy and advancement of the business men of a community. When the contrary is the fact, it is equally as strong evidence that there is a lack of enterprise not flattering to the place.

The paper is the only means by which parties in various parts of a city or county can exchange ideas and thoughts and by such exchange enlarge their views and correct crude beliefs that prevail in isolated neighborhoods. Let our friends note this and lend their aid in making the BULLETIN an example of the success of the county.

It is time for our people to begin to look out for new ways to save money. The recent "hard times" as it is called, is really nothing but the natural result of living beyond our means by the farming or agricultural classes. We, the farmers of the South, have neglected our duty in disregarding the necessity of raising food crops, and have devoted ourselves almost entirely to producing a crop that gives us ready money with which to gratify our tastes. We have almost ceased to produce meat for our own sustenance and that of our laborers. We have looked entirely to the West for this main stay of the planter's profession. Not only meat but also corn has been supplied to us from the Wabash valley and the prairie lands of Illinois and Indiana. There is no permanent prosperity in farming until the farm is self-sustaining. If we purchase our meat and grain it creates a fearful waste of strength in our plow animals, for no man will feed the abundance of hay and fodder and corn necessary to keep plow stock in excellent working order when he has to draw out the money and pay one and a quarter dollars for corn and two cents per pound for hay. We do not say cotton and other money crops must not be raised, but we do emphatically declare they must be made subordinate to the food crops. Put your corn, wheat, rye, and oats and peas in the good places on your farm, and be sure to put in sufficient to keep the stomach of every animal on your place full the year round, and have good comfortable stables and barns. It will pay you to live in an indifferent house yourself better than to keep your stock half frozen and always exposed during bad weather. Having enough food for man and beast first, we then say put in all the cotton you can work well, remembering that one acre, well manured and well worked, will produce more than three acres the way we have been doing it. Stop the leaks on your farm. The greatest of all leaks and the heaviest burden you have to bear is the fence. If we can only save the time and money devoted to making and keeping fences in repair, we could stand twenty per cent. more State and county tax and not grow. The destruction of timber in making rails is enormous; the labor of hauling them onerous, and the expense of both and building the fence, is fearful. Let us profit by the experience of others and in all parts of our county where it is practicable, especially that part lying West of Bolivar and South of Hatchie bottom, let the farmers study this matter and then meet together and see if we cannot hit upon a good plan to save ourselves this enormous expense. The abolishing of fences will save us more money than any one has an idea of. The cost in cash and labor to make the fences in Hardeman is greater than that to purchase all the stock of every kind in the county. If we once adopt the plan of fencing up live stock in pastures and leaving the crops out, we will never give it up. Wherever it has been tried, with determination, it has never been abandoned. As to depositions by outsiders and vicious persons, they would be no greater than at present, and one or two indictments would stop it. With fences all around us every farmer knows he has to go on guard to keep them up after hunters and idlers. Each year brings its loss from fires scattered by fools out hunting for game which does not pay for the powder it is killed with. Let the farmers act like business men; one does not see the merchant build enormous warehouses to keep a handful of goods. Then why should farmers fence up hundreds of acres of land to keep stock that could be cared for on an acre per head? Be men of business and let this plan be one of your new ways to save money, and you will never regret it.

Elsewhere in this number of the BULLETIN will be found an account of a riot which occurred at Yazoo City, but we are called upon to record one still more fearful, which occurred in Clinton, on Saturday last. The facts in regard to the matter, as near as we can glean them, are as follows:

According to a wide extended notice throughout Hinds county, a Republican meeting assembled at Clinton, last Saturday. Members of nearly all the Republican clubs in the county were in attendance, and many women and children. A barbecue was announced, and arrangements made to feed 3,000 persons, and nearly this number are said to have been in attendance. At 1:30 p. m. the procession filed upon the grounds and speaking commenced in ten minutes. Democratic speakers being on the ground and asking for a division of time. In the interest of peace and good feeling the request was granted, and a joint discussion fixed between Judge Johnston, Democratic candidate for State Senator, and Capt. H. Fisher, editor of the Jackson Daily Times, Johnson to speak an hour, Fisher to follow in an hour and a quarter, and Johnson to close in a quarter of an hour. Johnson made a liberal and courteous speech, and Capt. Fisher took the stand and congratulated the audience on the auspicious opening of the campaign in the county, and expressed the hope that the same good feeling would characterize all their meetings. He complimented Judge Johnson on the conservative tone of his remarks, and said he would be glad to see such meetings generally held. The Republican party wanted peace and harmony to prevail, and he should say nothing that would not contribute to this end. Capt. Fisher spoke in this strain about eight minutes, when he saw the outskirts of the crowd leaving to go to the scene of a difficulty, about fifty yards distant. The speaker paused and urged the audience to remain. But the excited words drew most of them away, and he stopped speaking to await their return. In about three minutes a pistol shot was fired in the crowd, and quickly another, and in a moment fifty shots seemed to be discharged. The wildest confusion ensued. Men, women and children joined in the stampede. In the course of fifteen minutes exceeding 500 shots were fired. Three white and four colored persons were wounded. A large majority of the blocks were unarméd, and by five o'clock not a colored man was seen on the grounds. Armed whites came out from Clinton and took possession. At the same time the Vicksburg train brought armed men from Edwards and Bolton. Saturday night 500 armed white men occupied Clinton, and there was quiet. Sunday morning at 5 o'clock the Vicksburgs, 200 of whom were there, commenced slaughtering the negroes. All they could find were shot down. A dozen or more were killed in cold blood. Armed bands scoured the country and the work of slaughter went on. It is estimated that fifty men were killed in this way in the county on Sunday. Those not killed had to flee to the woods and swamps for protection. A complete reign of terror possessed the country.

The following is the statement of State Senator Caldwell concerning the origin of the difficulty:

Judge Johnston had spoken about one hour to an audience of over 2,000, all of whom listened attentively. The Judge said he had never addressed a crowd as large as this that behaved so well and gave him so much attention, and he hoped that they would accord his opponent, Capt. Fisher, the same courtesy. Capt. Fisher then ascended the stand and commenced speaking. In about five minutes some one called the speaker a liar. I passed for a minute before going out. On hearing some very rough remarks I went out. When I got there I asked what was the matter. A policeman said: "This man, Thompson, has drawn a pistol on one of the colored men who was in the procession, using certain epithets. I remarked, 'My young friend for God's sake don't disturb the meeting.' I soon saw the feeling was so strong that I called one some one else to assist me in preserving peace. No one responded. I saw a couple of men draw pistols and I stepped up and told them that would not do and they put them up in a few moments they had drawn them again. Then shooting began. I saw Thomas fire the first shot and he continued firing. By this time the firing

was general. The colored men soon concentrated here, when the aggressors ceased firing and dispersed. Then I supposed the trouble all over. Soon, however, the reports of guns were heard at the east end of the speaker's stand which continued and seemed to be spreading in every direction. I saw two colored men wounded, one seriously and the other about dead. I saw several other colored men wounded more or less. I have since learned of the deaths of Charles Chilton, Martin Sively, and Frank Thompson, white, and Alexander Wilson and another boy whose name we did not learn.

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W. F. MACON, Adm'r.
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