

THE PRESENT CONGRESS.

There are many strange things in Heaven and Earth than e'er was dreamed of in your philosophy. So spoke Hamlet.

If he had lived in this day of fanaticism he would have found abundant illustration of that remark in the extravagant nonsense and malignant stupidity of our legislators at Washington.

They cannot claim to have kept step to the music of the Union any more regularly or uniformly than he. From the first inception of the rebellion, to the last knell of its expiring hopes, he was its steadfast and unyielding foe.

But the fanatics were not satisfied. The Union of our fathers was the last thing they desired. Like the prisoner who on being told by the Judge that he should have justice replied "May it please yer honor, that's just what I'm afraid of" these fellows are afraid that the restoration of the Union will ring the death knell of their political supremacy.

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President Johnson would do well to give these gentlemen a taste of their own prescription, by sending a file of soldiers into their African debating society, and proclaiming that the attempt on the part of one half of the representatives of the States to rule the whole restored Union was usurpation and rebellion which if necessary, would be "crushed" by the strong argument of a "military necessity."

Election of U. S. Senator. The Ohio Legislature, in joint convention Thursday afternoon, re-elected Hon. JOHN SHERMAN to the United States Senate, to serve for six years from the 4th of March, 1867—the vote standing:

John Sherman 93
Allen G. Thurman 41

Judge THURMAN received the votes of all the Democratic members present—a compliment justly bestowed upon a man who is an honor to the State, by reason of his great ability, his culture, his unblemished character, and his unchallenged Democracy.

THE EFFECT OF THADDEUS STEVENS' SPEECH.—The Rome (Ga.) correspondent of the Cincinnati Commercial communicates the following as to the effect produced by THADDEUS STEVENS' late speech:

If you want to hear a Southern man utter maledictions both loud and deep, grit his teeth, flash his eyes, and vaticinate generally, ventilate this speech. It is now pretty well disseminated over Georgia, and it stirs the tiger passions of the people. Said one man to me, "If the policy of that speech is to be the policy of the Government, there will be another rupture."—Haven't you had enough of war? I asked. "That has nothing to do with it," he replied. "We all have but one time to die, and better to die than to be trodden down under foot ignominiously into the dust." The vocabulary of execration and scorn are not extensive enough to express the public feeling about the speech. If Stevens should take a sudden desire to depart this life, a visit South would be apt to accommodate him with a speedy exit.

THE NEWS.

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The Columbus (Mississippi) Enterprise of the 15th says the small-pox is raging extensively among the negroes in the South. There is hardly a section that is free from it.

The Vera Cruz papers regard a war as certain between the United States and France on Mexican affairs.

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The steamer Continental sailed yesterday from New York for Washington Territory with seventy-five women in search of husbands.

Mr. Mercer's enterprise is a failure. We have further and interesting details of the late attack upon Bagdad by the negro filibusters in American uniform. Bagdad is nearly deserted. Plunder and pillage is uninterrupted. A small party of Liberals are fortifying the town.

A letter from the Collector of Customs at Clarksville, Texas, states that a regiment of colored troops, under Colonel Davis, took skills and crossed the river and captured Bagdad. They then began plundering the place and killing the people. The scene is represented to be indescribable. Citizens were shot down for refusing to give their money.

The French minister in Washington is said to have made a demand upon our Government for information relative to the recent capture of Bagdad, Mexico, by the United States negro filibusters. No official information, however, has been received.

General Mejia, the Imperial commander, is building earthworks between Matamoros and the river. He has notified General Weitzel that, if attacked from the American side, he will return the fire, and most likely some shots will lodge in Brownsville.

The three men who were supposed to be incendiaries in Titusville, Penn., are being tried by a vigilance committee, and a gallows has been erected to hang them if they are found guilty. On the vigilance committee are thirty of the best men of the town. The greatest excitement prevails.

In the United States Senate yesterday, Mr. Sumner introduced an amendment to the bill for the admission of Colorado, that there shall be no denial of the elective franchise, or any other rights, on account of color or race, but all persons shall be equal before the law, and the Legislature of that new State shall by a solemn public act declare assent of the State to this condition and so notify the President, who shall issue his proclamation announcing the same, and then the bill admitting Colorado to take effect and not before.

In the House, yesterday, Mr. Brooks, of New York, presented a lengthy petition to grant to women the right of suffrage. When asked by Mr. Stevens if he favored the right of women to vote, Mr. Brooks replied, "I am if negroes are permitted to vote, I certainly prefer my own color and white women above the negro." Brooks' remark was greeted with loud applause from the gallery, which Speaker Colfax checked, and said he would use the utmost means to preserve order. He failed to give this admonition to the negroes who filled the galleries and made such tumultuous outbreak when the negro-suffrage bill passed. "That was a horse of another color."

The discussion of the negro-suffrage bill in the House of Representatives is ended, and the bill passed amid the most intense excitement. The vote to lay the bill on the table was negative by a strictly party vote. Then, upon a motion to postpone, the Conservatives voted side by side with the extreme Radicals. They also stood shoulder to shoulder on the motion to recommit, with instructions to amend by prescribing property and educational qualifications. The question of indiscriminate negro suffrage in the District of Columbia was then brought to a square issue. The dispatch says that the greatest excitement existed, members pale and motionless, counting every vote recorded. When the result was proclaimed the negroes in the gallery broke forth in tumultuous applause, for which the Speaker, instead of clearing the galleries, quietly reprimanded the House. The vote on the passage of the bill was 116 yeas to 52 nays.

Increased Real-estate Taxation.

It will be a matter of interest to our agricultural friends and real-estate owners to know that the Auditor of the State of Ohio, Mr. GORMAN, recommends in his report that County Auditors be authorized by law to add twenty-five per cent, to the valuation of real estate, for the tax duplicate of 1866. This will be a very handsome addition, if concurred in by the Legislature to the State and local taxes next year, which are already immense.

CRIME.—The past week has not been prolific of news, except what relates to the horrible. A poor girl, betrayed and disappointed, in Zanesville, Ohio, ends her life by poison. A like case occurs in Indianapolis. Still another in Chicago. Two murders were hanged in Pittsburg, last Friday. Deviltry rides rampant over all the land. A perusal of the daily newspapers reminds us of the Newgate Calendar, or the Terrific Register, published twenty-five years ago. Is the earth filled with violence?

Mr. STEVENS' POSITION.—Throughout the whole of the late war, when the rebels had entire possession of from seven to ten States, the Government and the people of the United States maintained that those States were still in the Union; now that the war is over and the rebels have conquered and we have possession, it is proposed to consider those States as out of the Union. This is an absurd position, and yet it is the one that Mr. Stevens desires to put the country in.

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Passage of the Suffrage Bill by the House.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—The galleries of the House were densely crowded during the session to-day, and owing to the pressure many persons were unable to gain admission. The colored population were present in large numbers, every one, both white and black, taking great interest in the subject discussed, viz: the extension of the elective franchise in the District of Columbia. The vote on the passage of the bill was much larger even than its most sanguine friends anticipated, and when the result was announced the applause on the floor and in the galleries was almost deafening. The bill, which has passed the House, has got to be acted upon by the Senate. It confers suffrage without other qualifications than has heretofore been applied to the whites.

How DOES IT SUIT YOU.—In opposition to the votes of the Democratic and a few Republican members, here in Columbus, was given to a Negro Convention last night, in which to deliberate on the subject of suffrage. "The logic of events" is working. Was this done by way of pacifying the friends of General SCHECK? People of Ohio, how do you like the putting of your State House to such a use?—O. Statesman.

NIGGER NOW.—The Ohio House of Representatives has voted to give the hall to the negroes for a negro meeting, with negro speakers. It has been used for some years by the party in power merely as a place to consult for the interests of the negroes, and it is only a slight change in the programme to hand it over to the negroes entirely. It is only a change in the color of the performers, they playing the same piece.—Enquirer.

New Advertisements.

Margaret Nixon's Estate. NOTICE is hereby given that Andrew M Gill administrator of the estate of Margaret Nixon deceased has filed his accounts and vouchers in the Probate court of Vinton county Ohio, for inspection and final settlement, and that the same will be for hearing on the 17th day of Feb'y 1866. RICHARD CRAIG, Probate Judge V C O Jan 25, 3v4

James Dodge's Estate. NOTICE is hereby given that Samuel V Dodge administrator of the estate of James A Dodge deceased has filed his accounts and vouchers in the Probate court of Vinton county Ohio, for inspection and final settlement, and that the same will be for hearing on the 17th day of Feb'y 1866. RICHARD CRAIG, Probate Judge V C O Jan 25, 3v4

Joseph W. Finney's Heirs. NOTICE is hereby given that James Gibbons guardian of George S Finney, Samuel B Finney, Florence Finney, Maria F Finney and Sylvia Finney, has filed his accounts and vouchers for inspection and final settlement of Samuel B Finney, Maria F Finney, and Sylvia Finney, and that they will be for hearing in the Probate court of Vinton county Ohio, on the 17th day of February 1866, at ten o'clock a m. RICHARD CRAIG, Probate Judge V C O Jan 25, 3v4

John Hunter's Estate. NOTICE is hereby given that Sarah E Hunter administratrix of the estate of John Hunter deceased, has filed her accounts and vouchers in the Probate court of Vinton county Ohio for inspection and partial settlement, and that the same will be for hearing in said court at ten o'clock a m on the 17th day of February 1866. RICHARD CRAIG, Probate Judge V C O Jan 25, 3v4

Henry Cassill's Estate. NOTICE is hereby given that Maria Cassill executor of the estate of Henry Cassill deceased has filed his accounts and vouchers in the Probate court of Vinton county Ohio, for inspection and final settlement, and that the same will be for hearing on the 17th day of February 1866. RICHARD CRAIG, Probate Judge V C O Jan 25, 4v4

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Samuel L. Wilson's Estate. NOTICE is hereby given that the subscriber has been appointed and qualified as administrator of the estate of Samuel L Wilson late of Vinton county Ohio, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate will present them immediately for allowance and all persons indebted to the estate will make settlement of the same immediately. Jan 25, 3v4 HENRIETTA M. WILSON.

John M. Keenan's Estate. NOTICE is hereby given that the subscriber has been qualified as administrator of the estate of John M Keenan late of Vinton county Ohio, deceased. Dated at McArthur, this 20th day of January 1866. 3v4 JAS. A. GUNNING.

Guardian's Notice. NOTICE is hereby given that at the January term 1866, of the County court of Clay county, State of Illinois, the undersigned was duly appointed guardian of the persons and property of Milton F and Charles P Redd, minor heirs of one P Redd, deceased, late of the county and state aforesaid, late of the county and state aforesaid. A. W. BOTHWELL Jan 25, 3v4

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