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TUESDAY.....APRIL 2, 1889.

The Amendments.

We have been requested by a distinguished *Virginian* to give more in detail than we did in our article of a week or two ago the history of the thirteenth, fourteenth, and fifteenth amendments to the Federal Constitution. Let us premise that in complying with this request we shall not write in the expectation that anything which can be said at this late day can change the fact that the three amendments are now a part of the Constitution. We only wish to help the historian of the future to a knowledge of the fact that these amendments are a superstructure erected upon a foundation of fraud and falsehood. We don't employ these as cutting words, but merely as expressing the exact truth, though the circumstances are almost enough to induce everybody to declare with Sir ROBERT WALPOLE that all history is a lie.

The incorporation of the thirteenth amendment into the Constitution was what paved the way for the fourteenth and fifteenth. Without the thirteenth there was no occasion for the other two. And yet the thirteenth was ratified only by the casting vote of West Virginia—a State which has never had any constitutional existence. The Constitution of the fathers is conclusive on this point. We quote from Article IV., section 3, paragraph 1:

"No new State shall be formed or erected within the jurisdiction of any other State."

West Virginia was formed and erected entirely within the jurisdiction of Virginia.

In order to give a color of constitutionality to the erection of the State of West Virginia the claim was set up that this prohibition might be avoided by getting the consent of Virginia to the erection of the new State. This claim was based upon language which refers to another subject. The whole paragraph we quoted from above is as follows:

"New States may be admitted by the Congress into this Union; but no new state shall be formed or erected within the jurisdiction of any other State; nor any State formed by the junction of two or more States or parts of states without the consent of the legislatures of the states concerned as well as of the Congress."

We have punctuated the paragraph just as it is punctuated by SPOFFORD, the Librarian of Congress, the best authority in the land. But it needs no authority to establish the truth of our present contention; for the proof is inherent in the language. If there were not a punctuation mark in the paragraph the meaning would be plain.

And yet the country has accepted as a fact that a constitutional amendment which was ratified only by the vote of a bogus State is part and parcel of the Constitution handed down to us by our fathers!

But it was also necessary to count the vote of Virginia as having been in favor of ratification before the needed three fourths of the States could be claimed as having ratified it. When did Virginia ratify the thirteenth amendment? Mr. SEWARD certified that she had ratified it February 9, 1865, and yet it was not until 1870 that Virginia was readmitted to representation in Congress! From April, 1865, to 1870 there was no such thing as a *State* of Virginia. It was a mere province or satrapy. Bogus-Governor PIERPOINT was in the Governor's mansion a portion of the time; HENRY HARRY WELLS a portion of the time; General SCHOFIELD a portion of the time; General STONEMAN a portion of the time; and General CANBY the rest of the time. Five so-called Governors in five years! Several years after this alleged ratification by Virginia one of these Governors issued orders forbidding the Legislature to meet at the time fixed by law for its assembling! This was the kind of Legislature that ratified (?) the thirteenth amendment.

It required the votes of twenty-seven States out of thirty-six to give solidity to any amendment. We now quote from the certificate of Mr. SEWARD, Secretary of State, proof that he had to pretend that Virginia and West Virginia had ratified the thirteenth amendment in order to make up the twenty-seven votes necessary to the success of this scheme of conquest and retaliation. After reciting how the thirteenth amendment had been proposed Mr. SEWARD says:

"Whereas it appears from official documents on file in this department that the amendment to the Constitution of the United States proposed as aforesaid has been ratified by the legislatures of the States of Illinois, Rhode Island, Michigan, Maryland, New York, *West Virginia*, Maine, Kansas, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Ohio, Missouri, Nevada, Indiana, Louisiana, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Vermont, Tennessee, Arkansas, Connecticut, New Hampshire, South Carolina, Alabama, North Carolina, and Georgia, in all twenty-seven States:

"And, whereas the whole number of States in the United States is thirty-six;

"And, whereas the before specially-named States, whose legislatures have ratified the said proposed amendment, constitute three-fourths of the whole number of States in the United States:

"Now, there, be it known that I, William H. Seward, Secretary of State of the United States, * * * do hereby certify that the amendment aforesaid has become valid to all intents and purposes as a part of the Constitution of the United States."

Note that exactly twenty-seven States were needed to ratify the amendment, and that this number was obtained by counting West Virginia, which had no constitutional existence, and Virginia, which in February, 1865, was the capital of the Confederate States. The Legislature which pretended to ratify the thirteenth amendment was not elected by the people of Virginia, and did not in any sense represent them. It was a bogus body made up of pretended delegates not from the State at large but from the counties around Alexandria, where the skeleton Legislature sat, and where, under the protection of Federal bayonets, PIERPOINT pretended to be and to act as Governor of Virginia. The real Governor and government of Virginia were recognized by President LINCOLN in 1861, when he called upon Governor LETCHER for troops to put down "the rebellion," and that real government never had an existence outside of Richmond. During the same year, 1861, the bogus State of Virginia which was manufactured out on the borders of Pennsylvania was recognized by the same President LINCOLN.

"Oh, what a tangled web we weave
When thus we practice to deceive."

Note, too, Mr. SEWARD'S language. He certifies unqualifiedly that the thirteenth amendment had been ratified by the requisite number of States, but when he came to certify as to the fourteenth amendment he declined, as we intend to show hereafter, to say that it had been ratified by the requisite number of States.

It thus appears clear that the thirteenth amendment has never been ratified. The government recognized by LINCOLN in 1861 as the real government of Virginia was still in Richmond and still in the full exercise of its functions on the 9th day of February, 1865, when a dozen or two scalawags, assembled in Alexandria from not one third of the counties of this State, went through the mockery of ratifying the thirteenth amendment.

Not a line of editorial comment in Sunday's issue of Mr. WHITELAW REID'S paper on the HALSTEAD case.

Mr. REID trembles to think how near he was to rejection and did not know it.

If the Democrats had only killed off REID as well as HALSTED what a row there would now be in the Republican party.

HALSTEAD is going to abolish the Senate. REID would have abolished both houses of Congress.

There is one compensation in Murat Halstead's rejection by the Senate. He has now an outrage and a bloody shirt of his own, and can give the South a rest.—*New York World.*

Yes, and Democrats must not forget what called forth Mr. HALSTEAD'S denunciations of the Republican senators who voted against confirming his nomination. He wished to turn Senator PAYNE, a Democrat, out of the Senate, and get the place either for himself or some other Republican; and because General LOGAN, Mr. EVARTS, Mr. PLUMB, &c., voted to keep Mr. PAYNE, a Democrat, in his seat, he denounced them in the language which we reproduced on Sunday. It was not arguments that he used, but unfounded charges, which every Democrat ought to resent; and we are glad to know that only two Democrats voted to send Mr. HALSTEAD to Germany. We have no personal feeling whatever in the matter. But it is surely wise for the Democrats to get up all the fights they can between such Republicans as HALSTEAD and his senatorial blackballers.

A Serious Question.

A contemporary says there are fortunes in the southern forests. But how long will there be fortunes in them if the denudation of the forest lands is allowed to continue and the southern people neglect tree-planting? No more serious question than this confronts the owners of southern timber lands.

Mr. Halstead is as free as ever he was to censure the Senate. The liberty of the press is in no wise interfered with. The Senate has merely, at the most, said it does not approve what Mr. Halstead writes. It has not said he cannot go on writing what he pleases. Indeed, it has rather strongly urged him not to run off to Germany, but to stay in Cincinnati and keep whooping it up with his pen.—*Washington Post.*

You are right. The liberty of the press would have been interfered with if Mr. HALSTEAD'S nomination had been confirmed. His paper would now have been lauding the senators he is denouncing. That article proposing to smash the Senate would never have appeared. That proposition to pit HALSTEAD against PAYNE in the Ohio elections of next fall would never have been heard of.

Look at the *Tribune*. Not a line of censure of the Senate. Its independence is gone—was sold for a mission to France. Mr. HALSTEAD tried to sell his independence, but the Senate refused to let him.

Hurrah for the freedom of the press.

We say to the *State Republican* that we shall cheerfully give the present Administration credit for the postal reforms we have suggested if these shall be accomplished during Mr. HARRISON'S term. We have no selfish object in view in advocating them. Nevertheless, we fear that we shall have to await the seating of a Democratic President before being permitted to paste a paragraph as long as this one upon a postal-card—that is, until 1893.

By all means let FORAKER be ordered to Germany. He is a pest here. Send him away. We would cheerfully vote for the confirmation of his nomination. Won't Mr. HARRISON gratify all true patriots by sending him abroad for a few years? He needs a liberal education, and Germany can give him that.

No Democrat who loves his party and has respect for himself can ever excuse himself for assisting in the confirmation of Murat Halstead as Minister to England.—*Nashville American.*

Only two Democratic senators voted for his nomination. One of these votes will be charged to HENRY WATTERSON, not much to the credit of the man who cast it. We can't imagine why Senator CALL voted as he did.

The *Dispatch* thinks, however, a Governor of Virginia has a right to leave the State and also the country whenever he chooses during his term of office. How would it do for him to make a tour of Europe or take up his residence temporarily for four years in Mexico or Canada? The right to go out of the country, it seems to us, carries with it the right to stay out as long as one pleases.—*Portsmouth Enterprise-Times.*

We give it up.

We have the *Southern Planter* for April, Colonel W. C. KNIGHT, editor, Richmond, Va.

BRIEF COMMENT.

"Strange as it may appear, nine hundred and ninety-nine thousand of Gotham's million occasionally think." That's news.

"Herr von BULOW is greatly astonished at the growth of the Wagnerian sentiment in the United States." So are a good many other persons.

"SARA BERNHARDT appears to have developed still another eccentricity. She is now engaged in nursing her husband through a dangerous illness." That's rather ambiguous.

"The people of New Mexico have got it into their heads that they are living over a vast subterranean lake, and they expect they will fall in some day and get wet." New Mexico need not fear an Anarchist invasion.

"Some other States have been disposed to raise a question over the crediting of appointments to them when the recipient lives elsewhere." Naturally. Under a Republican Administration some very hard cases are apt to be credited to them.

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PETERSBURG.

Sudden Death—Very Heavy Tobacco Exports.

[Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.]

PETERSBURG, VA., April 1, 1889.

Mr. James Alsop, a well-known citizen and engineer on the Norfolk and Western railroad, died quite suddenly Sunday morning at his home on Bollingbrook street. He had been sick only a day or two.

The exports of manufactured tobacco from this city during the month of March amounted to 590,556 pounds—the largest export shipments for any single month for years. Petersburg maintains its reputation as the heaviest export-tobacco port in the United States. During the same month tax was also paid on 311,540 pounds of tobacco for domestic consumption. The internal-revenue collections for the month were $41,011.26.

The County Court of Sussex will meet on Thursday of this week, when the case of Carleton Marks, charged with the murder of N. M. Bain near Wakefield, will come before the grand jury. Should an indictment be found the case will be called for trial in the court.

A fine driving horse valued at $200, belonging to Captain George W. Eanes, chief of the Fire Department, broke out of his stable last night and was this morning found with a broken hind leg. The animal of course had to be killed. It is believed that the horse attempted to cross a small bridge on the Norfolk and Western railroad near the head of Old street and fell between the slats.

A fine mule was found dead on Bollingbrook street Sunday morning, with a large hole in the side, apparently caused by some blunt instrument. How killed or to whom the animal belonged are facts that have not come to light.

Mr. James Sullivan was fined $50 by the Mayor this morning on the charge of selling liquor on Sunday. An appeal was taken to the Hustings Court and bond given.

Mr. S. R. Ferguson, a prominent citizen and Mason of Bristol, was in the city to-day.

Miss Nettie Potts, of Richmond, is a guest in the family of Mr. George Cameron.

Dr. Charles Herbert Claiborne, Jr., of New York, who has been visiting his father for several days, has returned North. ROBIN ADAIR.

Danville's Donation.

[Special telegram to the Dispatch.]

DANVILLE, VA., April 1.—Sales of leaf tobacco in March, 3,016,459 pounds; in same month of last year, 2,367,797 pounds; sales since October, 12,405,661, a decrease of nearly 1,000,000 pounds as compared with last year.

Andrew Jackson was arraigned to-day charged with the murder of George Evans, whose body was found in Dan river Saturday. After the evidence was all taken no case was made out against Jackson and he was discharged.

Sales of tobacco stamps for March, $47,042. This is an increase of $18,259 as compared with March of last year. This shows that the manufacturing business here is increasing at a rapid rate.

Assigned for Argument.

[By telegraph to the Dispatch.]

WASHINGTON, April 1.—The case of Cross and White, the Raleigh bank defaulters, against the State of North Carolina, on appeal, was to-day assigned for argument on the second Monday of the next term of the United States Supreme Court.

THE WONDERFUL CARLSBAD SPRINGS.

At the Ninth International Medical Congress Dr. A. L. A. Toboldt, of the University of Pennsylvania, read a paper stating that out of thirty cases treated with the genuine imported CARLSBAD SPRUDEL SALT, powder form, for chronic constipation, hypochondria, disease of the liver and kidneys, jaundice, adiposis, diabetes, dropsy from valvular heart-disease, dyspepsia, catarrhal inflammation of the stomach, ulcer of the stomach or spleen, children with marasmus, gout, rheumatism of the joints, gravel, etc., twenty-six were entirely cured, three much improved, and one not treated long enough. Average time of treatment, four weeks.

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WALL PAPERS.

JOHN REGNAULT ELLYSON.

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A DEATH-WARRANT

ISSUED BY GOVERNOR FOWLE IN ELI WARD'S CASE.

His Crime Burglary—A Horse-Thief Pardoned—Some Interesting Political Facts—General Notes.

[Special telegram to the Dispatch.]

RALEIGH, N. C., April 1.—Governor Fowle today issued a death-warrant for the execution of Eli Ward, of Northampton county. He is a negro, who was convicted of burglary, and is to be hanged Friday, May 31, at Jackson.

The Governor pardoned Charles Harris, of Jackson county, who is by birth a Virginian, and who was convicted of horse-stealing and sentenced to ten years' imprisonment, of which he has served eight. The pardon was granted on a physician's certificate that Harris was becoming blind and that further confinement would result in total blindness.

The revenue collections in this district during March were $90,000.

Captain Henchan Cameron, of Durham county, has been appointed by Governor Fowle as aide, representing North Carolina on the staff of Major-General Schofield at the inauguration centennial at New York.

This afternoon Samuel Perry, a venerable man who is a native of Massachusetts, but has lived in this county some years, was the victim of a runaway accident while on his way home in a buggy. A leg was broken in two places, and his injuries are serious.

Your correspondent has secured some very interesting and accurate information from a high source regarding Republican operations and plans in North Carolina. A bitter fight is in progress between the politicians of that party from this State. Brower, the congressman from the Fifth district, demanded the appointment of Reeves as marshal for the Western district. Reeves, some seven or eight years ago, was convicted of illicit traffic in tobacco, and when Ewart, congressman from the Ninth district, heard of this fact he refused to endorse Reeves, though he was ready to concede the marshalship to Brower's district, only asking that the latter should name a clean man. Ewart announced that he was determined to endorse no person save a man of character. The negro congressman Cheatham sided with Ewart and Brower proceeded to endorse Reeves, demanding his appointment from the Department of Justice. Ewart proposed the name of Tyre Glenn, but Brower announced his fixed determination to go down with Reeves rather than drop him. W. W. Rollins was then brought out as a candidate from the Ninth district. Brower, realizing that Reeves could not pull through against Ewart's opposition and that of Cheatham, withdrew Reeves. Rollins's name was also withdrawn and Glenn was selected. This makes the appointment of the internal-revenue collector for the western district certainly fall to Ewart's district. There are three applicants—Eaves, Patterson, and Cooper. Thus far Ewart has refused to endorse any one of the three. Eaves is backed by Dr. Mott and the State organization. Cooper and Patterson have also strong backing. The appointment will not be made for several weeks, and of course depends greatly upon Ewart's action in the matter. There are no less than ten candidates for attorney in the Western district. These are Smathers, Lusk, Cummings, Hardwicke, and Bowman from the Ninth district, Mott from the Seventh, Settle and Boyd from the Fifth, and also D. M. Furches, of Iredell, and W. A. Guthrie, of Durham. No appointment will be made for some time yet, and it is very doubtful that Colonel Jones will be interfered with until his term expires. Over the Charlotte post-office a hot fight is being waged. Mott is backing Eddins, a young man—the negro Gordon having been forced to withdraw owing to Ewart's bitter opposition to him. Gordon is now aiding Mott in backing Eddins, and both are making a strong fight against Brady, who has the endorsement of all the leading citizens of Charlotte and also that of Ewart and Brower, as he is one of the few respectable Republicans in that place.

An effort will be made to induce the Sanitary Climatic Commission, composed of Surgeon-General Hamilton and other physicians, to stop at Wilmington on its way to or from Florida this month.

A fire here yesterday afternoon partially destroyed the residence of John White, colored. A strong wind was blowing and the excellence and value of the city's new system of water-works was shown.

On the more advanced truck-farms near Wilmington Irish potatoes are almost ready to ship. They are as large as a hen's egg.

A man, his wife, and their seven children passed through Taylorsville Saturday on their way West. They had a calf hitched in the shafts of a small wagon while the father and the oldest son were in rope harness on either side, helping the calf pull the load. So strange a team attracted a great deal of attention.

Saturday the Republicans of Wayne county had a mass-meeting at Goldsboro'. It was called by ex-Governor Curtis H. Brogden for the purpose of denouncing the election law enacted by the late Legislature. Fifty-nine negroes and nine white men were present. Brogden presided. He had prepared a series of resolutions, which he gave the Committee on Resolutions, which unanimously adopted them. The resolutions were violent in tone, and were in Brogden's peculiar style. They were unanimously adopted. After a speech by Brogden the meeting adjourned.

The Rev. Mr. Fair—Senator Vance—Fatal Accident.

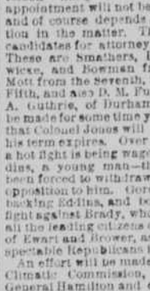
[Special telegram to the Dispatch.]

CHARLOTTE, N. C. April 1.—At a meeting of the congregation of the Second Presbyterian church last night, Rev. James Y. Fair, the pastor, in very affecting remarks, requested that his congregation join him in a request to the presbytery that his pastoral relations with the second church here be dissolved with a view to his accepting the call to Grace-Street church at Rich mond. After some discussion the congregation acceded to the request and passed a series of resolutions regretting the severance of the relations.

Senator Vance is quietly resting in his mountain home in Buncombe county, and is improving in health very rapidly. His eye is stronger and clearer than it has been for years, and the Senator is reported as being much amazed by reading sympathetic effusions from all over the country about an infirmity which does not exist at all in his case. The report that he is almost entirely blind is altogether erroneous.

In Davie county yesterday John Carter, an old man, committed suicide by hanging himself.

Last Saturday Henry Ervin, while working with a cotton-gin in Caldwell county, was caught up in the machine and his legs mashed off. He will die.



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MEETINGS.

MEMBERS OF RICHMOND LODGE, No. 10, ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS.—You will please attend a stated communication of your Lodge at St. Albans Hall THIS (Tuesday) EVENING at 7:30 o'clock. All Master Masons in good standing are fraternally invited to attend.

By order of the Worshipful Master.

J. RASCOE PARKER, Secretary.

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TO THE SURVIVORS OF PICKETT'S DIVISION: COMRADES,—You are earnestly requested to meet your Executive Committee at First Regiment Armory Hall TUESDAY (Tuesday), April 2d, at 8 o'clock. Some four or five of us assumed the debt on the monument for the Division. Captain Cunningham, assisted by the best musical talent in the city, volunteers a concert for our benefit, and this meeting is called that we may adopt the best measures to make it a success. All our fellow-soldiers who feel an interest in this matter are cordially invited to meet with us. R. P. REEVE, Commander Pickett's Division Association.

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HEADQUARTERS RICHMOND LIGHT-INFANTRY BLUES' ASSOCIATION, RICHMOND, April 2, 1889.—A meeting of the Association will be held at the armory of the company, on Eleventh street, THIS EVENING at 8:30 o'clock.

By order of B. W. RICHARDSON, President.

T. BILL MONTAGUE, Secretary.

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OFFICE OF THE ALBEMARLE PAPER MANUFACTURING CO., RICHMOND, VA., March 25, 1889.

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JAMES R. ELLERSON, Secretary and Treasurer.

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LECTURES.

LECTURE. THE PLAY OF HENRY VIII, BY MR. EDWARD M. ALFRIEND, at the Y. M. C. A. Hall April 4th, at 8:30 P. M., under the auspices of the Ladies' Auxiliary. Tickets 25c. On sale at the building, Wagner's drugstore, and West & Johnston's.

REV. H. M. WHARTON WILL DELIVER his famous lecture on RAMBLES IN EUROPE at the Grace-Street Baptist church TUESDAY, April 2d, beginning at 8 o'clock. Admission, 25 cents. mh 31-2t*

AMUSEMENTS.

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LOUDOUN COUNTY.

Electric Lights—Veterans—Public Meeting—Religious, &c.

[Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.]

LEESBURG, VA., March 30, 1889.

The Leesburg Town Council have unanimously passed an ordinance granting a Mr. Earson the privilege of erecting poles and wires through all the streets of the town, and otherwise equipping "a plant" to furnish electric light to our citizens. The plant is to be exempt from taxation for five years. Wires for electric bells have already been put in our new hotel.

The camp of Confederate Veterans here, numbering 118 members, are being photographed singly—the photographs to be grouped together and taken in one large picture for the Southern Historical Society. This picture when completed will be valuable to the old "Vets" and their friends.

Plans are on foot to organize a lodge of Knights of Pythias at Fairfax Courthouse, in the adjoining county. There are three lodges of this order in this county. The one at Leesburg is in a very flourishing condition.

By special invitation, John Gray, Esq., of this town, expects to address the Literary Society and their friends of Oakham, Fairfax county, on the evening of April 4th. Subject, Temperance.

Services have been held in St. James Episcopal church during the Lenten season every afternoon except Saturday by the rector, Rev. R. T. Davis, D. D.

Rev. Isaac W. Carter, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, in this town for the past four years, left on Thursday for his new field of labor, Fredericksburg, Va. Rev. Mr. Bond, his successor, will preach here to-morrow (Sunday).

Rev. J. R. Bridges, of the Presbyterian church, will preach his farewell sermon to-morrow preparatory to entering upon his duties in Southwest Virginia. CATOCTIN.

THE HILL CITY.

Methodist Protestant Conference—Deaths—Fatal Affray.

[Special telegram to the Dispatch.]

LYNCHBURG, April 1.—The annual conference of the Methodist Protestant Church will assemble in this city on Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock, and will be opened by W. S. Hammond, president. His successor will be elected at the first day's session. A preliminary service will be held to-morrow night, and the annual sermon preached on Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock by Rev. E. P. McGregor. It is expected that about 200 delegates will be present and the sessions will be of a most interesting character.

William A. Scruggs, a prominent citizen of Appomattox county, died last Friday. He was in the seventy-seventh year of his age. His remains were brought to Campbell county yesterday and interred by the side of his wife.

Mrs. De Witt, wife of Andew J. De Witt, formerly connected with the press of this city, died this evening after a lingering illness.

The following special telegram was received from Pearisburg, Giles county, to-day: A shooting scrape took place at Narrows yesterday, in which Robert Champ (white) killed Henry Richards (colored), and shot Kid Richards through the thigh. Champ was shot through the jaw. Another colored boy was clubbed severely on the head. Champ gave himself up. Richards was a good citizen. The row originated over a fight between two colored boys. An inquest will be held.

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