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MISSISSIPPI A FREE STATE.

The State of Mississippi has now, by the act of her people, in Convention assembled, become a free State. The ordinance abolishing slavery, was adopted by a vote of eighty-six to eleven, a very respectable majority, and quite as binding as if it had been unanimous.

After this vote by the convention, of course there will be no difficulty in the adoption of the constitutional amendment by the Legislature, and therefore we may shortly expect to see slavery abolished throughout the land, without the assistance of those three great "neutrals," Kentucky, New Jersey and Delaware.

We have been told four years ago that a majority of the people in Mississippi, next to South Carolina, the proudest and most stiff-necked State in the Union, would vote to do away with the much cherished institution, we would have looked upon the proposition as the insane ravings of a madman.

But four years have made greater changes than even this in the sentiments of the people of the far South. Poverty and misfortune are inexorable levers, and pride bows its haughty head before them. They make people more reasonable, in their opinions, and less selfish; and are apt to open their eyes to many of their follies.

Mississippi was perhaps more to blame for this war than any other Southern State, except South Carolina. It was that puffed up vanity in regard to the superiority of her people as soldiers, which had been fed by newspaper flattery, that led the Missisippians to believe they were the bravest people, not only in the South but in the whole world.

Mississippi, from being the first of sinners, has become the most truly repentant convert to the true faith; and we have much more confidence in her professions of loyalty, which are proved by her works, than in the loud protestations of folks nearer home.

Her modesty, too, is commendable, and we think the President has discovered hersupervising claims, in this respect, to his consideration. The ladies of Mississippi, it appears, are also returning to their allegiance and laying aside a little of their withering hauteur.

They have condescended to sign a humble petition to Andrew Johnson in behalf of Jefferson Davis. We are glad of this; it speaks well for their humanity and their loyalty, and to tell the truth, we have always heard the Missisippi ladies praised for womanly qualities.

The Pennsylvania Democratic State Convention met in Harrisburg Friday. The resolutions adopted declare that "the slaughter, debrand and disgrace" of the war for the suppression of the rebellion were the consequences of the counsels of the democratic leaders being disregarded; call for free speech, free press, no restriction on the habeas corpus writ, and trial by jury in all cases; maintain that the rebellious States are now as much in the Union as ever, and that their people are entitled to all the rights which they had before the war; oppose negro suffrage as a high crime and an attempt to degrade white men, and give a qualified support to President Johnson, demanding that he must take measures to give the Southern States immediate representation in Congress, must save them from the curse of negro suffrage, must stop the punishment and murder of individuals on the sentences of courts martial, and must do various other things in the way of restraining his military officers. Candidates to be voted for at the ensuing State election were nominated.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE. We met a ghost on our streets yesterday which was not exactly the respected and venerable shade of Hanley's unfortunate father, but it might very well have passed for that unhappy spirit. We were curious about approaching the spot, but when we got near we perceived that it was the frame of our poor friend, E. W. Marston, who has returned to us in this emancipated plight after a brief sojourn among the outside barbarians in the North.

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A terrible sequel has followed the murder of three children in London, as reported by last steamer. The murderer, after committing the deed in London, proceeded to Ramsgate, and there killed his wife and daughter, from whom he had been parted for several years.

The Pall Mall Gazette, in an article entitled "The Bad Time Coming," expresses its belief that beside the dearth and badness of food which may be looked for next year, England can hardly expect to get through it without a cholera epidemic.

An arrival from Port Royal brings news of the loss of the United States steamer Commodore McDonough. She sprung a leak and foundered during a gale at sea, on the 23d instant, the crew having hardly time to escape in boats when she sunk.

The case of Antoine Van Weimer and three others, charged with rape, was tried on Wednesday last, before Judge Russell of the Superior Court in Boston, and resulted in a conviction and a sentence of three months to the State prison for life.

The town of Oldtown, in Maine, has voted to pay off its entire indebtedness this year. The requisite rate of taxation to do this is one hundred and thirty dollars on a thousand. The people there don't mean to "grin and bear it," but grin and do it.

Matamoros papers of the 13th instant say that General Sheridan is making threatening demonstrations along the Rio Grande, and that large numbers of troops, principally colored, and trains of artillery, continue to arrive at Brownsville, Texas.

Miss Maryarratt, daughter of Captain Maryarratt, the well known nautical novelist, has just published her second novel, called "Love's Conflict." Her first novel, at least the first that we have heard of, was entitled "Too Good for Him."

The Newburyport Herald says of girls: "They can be lady-like, intelligent and pleasing without schools; but they never can be agreeable wives, good mothers, and happy in their homes without knowledge of household duties."

A telegraphic despatch from Erie reports a fatal railroad accident as having occurred on the Oil Creek Railroad, Pennsylvania, Thursday morning last, in which nine persons were killed and from ten to fifteen wounded.

Harold's mother never visited him during his imprisonment. She said she had tried in vain to teach him better conduct, and to make him take the result of his wicked conduct, without expecting sympathy from her.

Four thousand ladies of Mississippi have signed a petition to President Johnson, asking the pardon of Jefferson Davis. The ladies of Georgia are also moving for the release of Alexander H. Stephens.

Despatches from Salt Lake represent that six thousand Indians had attacked the post at Platte river, but were repulsed after a severe fight. They destroyed the telegraph for five miles and carried off the wire.

A gentleman who has travelled through Iowa lately says that there are at least 20,000 returned soldiers at work in that State helping to save the harvest. He saw hardly an idle soldier in the State.

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It is stated that R. M. T. Hunter, of Virginia, now confined as a State prisoner in Fort Pulaski, asks for his release, with the privilege of leaving the country forever.

A young lady in Philadelphia jumped out of a third story window to avoid a man whom she had known only to despise, and fractured her skull.

The Boston Journal states that nearly all of the ship yards in that city are making arrangements to resume business, some of them after having lain idle for two or three years.

A grand military drama, "Maud of the Mississippi," founded on events that occurred during the memorable siege of Vicksburg, is being played at St. Louis.

A lady at Stonington, Conn., took the opportunity while her husband was off fishing to elope with another man and \$500 in money.

New York drinks about 50,000,000 gallons of water per day. The quantity of whiskey it consumes is beyond computation.

The recent heavy defalcations at New York disturbed for a time every kind of stock investment but Government securities.

The telegraph reports two more railroad "accidents," happily, however, not of a very serious character.

A woman running down stairs in London caught her foot in her hoop, fell and broke her neck.

THE EIGHTH WONDER of the fashionable world is Szepony. Ladies, as they see their unadorned and rosy gums reflected in their toe-mirrors, and gentlemen, as their white incisors flash through their dark mustaches, wonder how the bright-flesh of twenty years ago got along with the teeth-beautifying, breath-perfuming Szepony.

ARRIVALS AT THE ATLANTIC HOTEL, AUG. 28. C. Williams, Jerusalem, Va.; W. C. Livermore, N. C.; A. Capbert, Roxbury, N. C.; E. H. Williams, Va.; W. Woodcock, Accomac, Va.; J. S. Stinson, Croker, Elizabeth City. Steamer Agnes, Boston, Philadelphia. Steamer Hatteras, Parish, New York. Steamer Yazo, Crockett, New York. Steamer M. Martin, Livingston, Richmond.

MARRIED. On the 3d inst., at JOHNSTON, near Winchester, by Rev. W. G. Eggleston, NEHEMIAH W. MAISON and MISS HANNAH ELLEN COVE, all of Frederick county.

DIED. Captain AUGUST MUELLER, 41st Regiment N. Y. Vols., died AUGUST 26th, 1865, P. M., in Fair Grounds Hospital, Sunday, of remittent fever.

In Richmond, Sunday, the 27th inst., after a short illness, at twenty minutes to 2 o'clock, P. M., PHILIP K. WHITE, in the 60th year of his age.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes Va. Bonds, U. S. Bonds, and various bank notes.

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Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes SELECT BOARDING AND DAY, and various educational services.

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AMUSEMENTS.

GLENN'S THEATRE. NEWLY PAINTED, REDECORATED, CARPETED, and FURNISHED. WILL OPEN SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 1865.

FULL AND EFFICIENT COMPANY. Full particulars in future advertisement. OFFICIAL. PROPOSALS FOR REPAIRING ORDNANCE STOREHOUSE AT THE NAVY-YARD, NORFOLK, VIRGINIA.

SEALED PROPOSALS, addressed to the Ordnance Storehouse at the Navy-Yard, Norfolk, Virginia, will be received at this Office until noon on the 11th September, for the repairing of the materials and plans on file in this Bureau.

WANTED - A NURSE (white girl preferred), 12 or 14 years of age, to go a short distance in the country. Apply at this office.

WANTED - A SMART COLORED BOY, as WAITER. Inquire at BARNOLD'S BILLIARD ROOM, MECHANICS' HALL, aug29-1w

WANTED TO PURCHASE. From One Thousand to Five Thousand Cords of Good Merchantable PINE CORD WOOD, at some convenient place to lighter to vessels. Must be fully fire proof water at the shore. Apply to, or address, Messrs. JULIUS REEL & CO., No. 14 Roanoke Square, aug19-1w

WANTED IMMEDIATELY. A couple of FURNISHED ROOMS, suitable for a Gentleman and his Wife. Apply at once at this office, either by letter or personally - stating terms and location. Suitable for housekeeping preferred. aug16-1w

COPARTNERSHIP NOTICE. We, the undersigned, have entered into a Copartnership under the Firm and style of W. H. TURNER & CO., FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONDUCTING A WHOLESALE BOOT, SHOE, LEATHER and HAT BUSINESS, AND HAVE TAKEN THE IRON FRONT WAREHOUSE, No. 40, West Main Street, Square, Norfolk, Va., formerly occupied by Herman & W. H. TURNER, formerly of Herman & Co. W. C. MARRIOTT, Jr., formerly of Herman & Co. aug28-1m

NOTICE. TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN. MASSEY, COLLINS & CO'S PHILADELPHIA CREAM ALE. DUNLOP'S ALBANY CREAM ALE. CLEGG'S BALTIMORE CREAM ALE. FOR SALE AT - \$6 50 - CASH. N. A. THOMPSON & CO., No. 20, Corner Wide-Water and Roanoke Streets, Norfolk, Va. aug28-1w

NOTICE TO GAS CONSUMERS. THE GAS WORKS having been restored to the Company on the 8th instant, and final settlement of accounts made this date, notice is hereby given that the price will be the same as heretofore, viz: 30 per Thousand Cubic Feet, or 65 per Hundred, if paid for on the 15th of each month. Consumers who are not on the Gas Company's Office, No. 41 Bank Street, between those dates, will be considered as having turned over to the Company, in settlement of all the unsettled bills, parties owing back bills will please call and pay the same promptly. C. S. ALLMAN, President. J. J. DAVISON, Secretary. aug28-1w

CHEAP WATCHES AND GOLD PENS. We are now offering out Stock of WATCHES and GOLD PENS at reduced prices. Watches at \$7, \$9, \$12, \$15, \$20, \$25, \$30, \$35 per dozen. Sent by mail. H. H. BURBANK & CO., 208 Broadway, New York. aug28-1w

SALT! SALT! SALT! 10,000 Bushels of Land Salt, per Bag Net Weight. Will be sold low. Apply to W. H. TURNER & CO., No. 13 Wide Water Street. aug28-1w

NORFOLK BUILDING FUND ASSOCIATION. A MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS will be held at the room of the Union League Hotel, on Pen Chamber Street, on THURSDAY EVENING NEXT, AUGUST 29, at 7 o'clock. A general attendance is requested, as business of importance will be brought before the meeting. WM. H. WALES, Treasurer. aug28-1w

VIRGINIA COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE. FORTSMOUTH, VIRGINIA. THE TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL YEAR of this Institute will commence on Monday, August 28, 1865, under the direction of G. D. PARKER, Esq., a graduate of the Virginia Military Institute at Lexington. From the well known abilities of Mr. Parker, his excellent school attainments and successful experience as a Teacher, I have every confidence that he will sustain the reputation of the Collegiate Institute, and hope he will receive the liberal patronage extended to us in former years. He respectfully solicits the patronage of the public. GEORGE D. PARKER, President. aug28-1w

JUST RECEIVED FROM NEW YORK. 50 Packages Prime BUTTER, Selected, 25 Packages FINE CHEESE, 25 Packages FINE SUGARS, AS ALSO BLACK AND GREEN TEAS, RIO COFFEE, BROWN SUGAR, ADAMANTINE CANDLES, SOAP, STARCH, CARTON DE VISITE of celebrities constantly on hand. Particular attention paid to filling orders for the New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore Daily and Weekly Papers and Magazines, &c. Dealers in Photographs, Stationery, Blank Books, Perfumery, Fancy Articles, Drawing Paper, Cigars, Shoe Blacking, &c. No. 20 Corner Wide Water and Roanoke Sts. over the Store of N. A. Thompson & Co. aug28-1w

THE UNDERSIGNED HAVING established themselves under the FIRM of "LITTLE & ROGERS," for the purpose of conducting the IMPORTING and MANUFACTURING BUSINESS OF COGNAC and DEALING IN LEAF TOBACCO, and AS AGENTS OF MARY FACTURED and SMOKING TOBACCO, would claim a Share of Public Patronage. Strict attention to Business and an earnest desire to please, enable us to promise that our dealings with those who favor them with their orders shall be satisfactory to all. JOHN C. ROGERS, No. 20 Corner Wide Water and Roanoke Sts. over the Store of N. A. Thompson & Co. aug28-1w

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