

ONE HOUR WITH THEM.

One hour with them, when none are near
To mar its golden tide!
O then to them seemest to me more dear
Than night in its blue shade,
On angel's wings the moments glow,
Like stars of radiant light,
Unmindful that their rapid flow
Fast speeds approaching night.

One hour with them, when sorrow's gush
O'erflows my troubled soul
Like some resistless river's rush,
Which seeks a fatal goal—
That hour dispels the rayless gloom
And sheds a halo bright,
As roscate rays of blushing morn
Disperse the darkest night.

One hour with them when shadows fall
Across my checkered path,
Thy smiles illumine my airy hall,
And glides their turbid water,
One hour with them when blither woe
Pervades my dreary heart,
It seems like heaven's culture earth below,
It doth such joy impart.

And when the hour of death draws nigh,
I'd have thee by my side,
To cheer the moments as they fly,
Of life's expiring tide,
To gaze into my languid eye,
And press my cheek with thine,
To hush my bosom's faintest sigh,
And blend thy prayers with mine.

THE IMPEACHMENT QUESTION.

The Judiciary Committee held a brief session to-day, taking supplementary testimony on the subject of impeachment. Messrs. Florence, of the *Commonwealth*; Coyle, of the *National Intelligencer*; and Martineau, of the *Republican*, proprietors of newspapers in this city, were examined as to whether any advertisements have been furnished to their papers from the Executive Department in violation of an act of Congress on that subject, which declares that advertisements shall be given to two papers in the city having the largest subscription circulation. It is said that General Sheridan has been summoned to appear before the committee to contribute his quota to the already voluminous testimony collected upon the subject now under consideration.

CONDITION OF THADDEUS STEVENS—WHAT HE INTENDS TO DO IN CONGRESS.

Mr. Stevens to-day seems materially improved in strength, and his mind displays more vigor than at any other period since his arrival here. To-day he received a number of visitors, Speaker Colfax, Congress man Boutwell and Senator Morrill among the number. With his improved condition, Mr. Stevens manifested a new disposition to urge his ideas upon the country. He appears more determined than ever to do much speaking; he will exert his efforts mainly in the introduction of such bills as he may think necessary to bolster up the cause of radical reform. He will suspend civil officers during trial for impeachment, he bases upon that clause of the constitution which says that the Congress may by law provide for the case of removal, from or disability both of the President and Vice President, declaring that such officers shall act as President, and such officers shall act accordingly until the disability be removed or a President shall be elected. With his increased strength Mr. Stevens has revived his determination to bring in this bill. The following is a complete copy of that document as he has it in his possession, and declares he will introduce it early in the session:

A BILL RELATIVE TO THE POWERS OF OFFICERS UPON AND FOR HIGH CHIMES AND MISDEMEANORS.

Be it enacted, That whenever either the President or Vice President of the United States shall have articles accusing him of high crimes and misdemeanors duly preferred against him, and the court constitutionally provided for that purpose shall have tried and fixed the date for it to commence, he shall be considered as lying under a disability to discharge the powers and duties of his office, and said disability shall remain until the termination of said trial.

The voice of popular opinion, as expressed in the recent election, has made no impression whatever upon the determination of Mr. Stevens. He says that, so far from the elections being any reason to influence the less courageous members to back down, they should be accepted as an argument to back them up. He is emphatically opposed to any compromise of measures which will be found wanting in any exertion in his power to keep up the enthusiasm of his followers. If his improved condition of mind and body prove of a permanent nature, a more united and vigorous display of radical ideas may be looked for than was anticipated in view of his removal from the scene of operations in the House.

Mr. Stevens has not been out of his lodgings since his arrival here, but he looks forward to next Thursday, with every expectation that he will be able to be present at the opening of the session. How far his expectations will be realized time must determine. Now there appears to be no reasonable doubt upon that point.—*Wash. Cor. N. Y. Herald.*

WALKING AGAINST TIME—AN AMATEUR PEDDLER.

On Friday last, in New York, Mr. Edwin Butt, a young gentleman twenty-one years of age, connected with a large dry-goods house in Broadway, made a wager of ten dollars with his employer that he could walk from the corner of Broadway and Worth street to Harlem bridge, 130th street and Third avenue, in one and a half hours, the distance being seven miles. Accordingly, at three o'clock that afternoon Mr. Butt started from the point of departure and reached the destination in one hour and twenty-seven minutes, thus beating time by three minutes, and coming out apparently almost as fresh as when he started. Without wishing to rest, Mr. Butt immediately played two games of billiards and walked home, a distance of not over two miles. The stakeholder, being satisfied that Mr. Butt had fairly won the wager, promptly paid over the money to him.

INTERNAL REVENUE DECISIONS.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—The Commission of Internal Revenue has made the following decisions:

When a conveyance of realty is made upon an actual valuable consideration, which is manifestly inadequate, the deed should be stamped according to the amount of valuable consideration, and a succession tax, unless the successor be the wife of the predecessor, should be assessed upon the value of the land conveyed, less such consideration.

There is no stamp upon a promissory note until it is issued. A stamp is to be cancelled when it is attached or used; and although a stamp may be affixed when a note is signed, it cannot be said to be used until the note is issued. A check, draft, or order for the payment of a sum of money drawn otherwise than at sight or on demand is liable to stamp tax at the rate of five cents for each \$100 or fractional part thereof. A receipt for a bank check is a receipt for money upon the terms of the check, and is not subject to a stamp exceeding \$20, if it requires a two-cent stamp. It is not relieved by the stamp upon the check.

Jules Janin, the brilliant French writer, has a book in press entitled "The Happiness and Misery of a Literary Life."

PLANTING APPLE ORCHARDS.—We have

long been under the impression, brought to us merely by observation, that as a rule the trees in our apple orchards are planted too distant apart. Many farmers look upon the space usually occupied by orchards as almost so much waste. They say, we get so little fruit from the ground taken up by the trees, and we cannot cultivate the orchards as we should like, from injury to the roots, &c., so that we are forced, on the score of economy, to abandon apple raising. Now, practically, an orchard should be an orchard only. Except for grass, it should be left uncultivated, after the trees have reached, say, about four inches in diameter. We can see no reason why a good crop of grass should not be continuously produced for a quarter or a third of a century, without disturbance. A top-dressing of manure once in two or three years, we know, has produced fine yields of grass annually of two crops. The trees have little or no influence upon the crop of grass; indeed if they possess any, it is in affording a heavier swath under the trees.

Hence, instead of setting out young orchards thirty and thirty-five feet apart, reduce the distance to about twenty feet, in the quincunx form; and if at any time the trees should threaten to become a little crowded, prevent it by additional pruning. This is our theory.

The leading purpose of an orchard should be to obtain fruit; next, the crop that will do the least damage to the trees. This is grass. Grass, however, will not do much damage to the apple trees, but the contrary. It keeps the soil moist, and of a uniform temperature—protecting the roots in summer against heat and drought, and in winter against the severe effect of alternate thawing and freezing.

It should also be remembered, in setting out young orchards, to get trees as low branched as possible. They will generally not grow so high, while the low boughs will protect the trunk against the intense rays of the sun in the summer months, which are frequently very injurious to the health and productiveness of the trees.—*Ed. Ger. Telegraph.*

INTERESTING CONCERNING VOLUNTARY BANKRUPTCY.

An important decision affecting the status of voluntary bankruptcies was rendered on Wednesday in the United States District Court at New York, by Judge Blatchford. It appears that one Charles G. Patterson, after filing his petition in bankruptcy, borrowed \$5,000. When he was examined before the registrar the creditors on his schedule questioned him about the loan, and he declined to answer on the ground that he had no right to inquire about property acquired by him after the commencement of the proceedings in the matter of his bankruptcy. The registrar, however, overruled the objection, and the question was certified to Judge Blatchford. In the course of a very elaborate opinion, covering the whole ground, his Honor holds that when an adjudication is made, the following the filing of a petition, then it is judicially established that the proceedings in the case commenced when the petition was filed. The date of such salaries then becomes the date from which the assignee takes all the property of the bankrupt, which was his property at that date. Such date also becomes the date at which the debt must be due or exist in order to be provable. Such date also becomes the date at which provable debts must have existed in order to be discharged. In other words, the filing of a petition, by or against a debtor, is the date at which, if an adjudication of bankruptcy follows, the old order of things passes away, and a new leaf is turned over.

A TOUCHING INCIDENT.—At a second

class hotel in Frankfort, Ky., a few days since, a little girl entered the bar-room, and in a pitiful tone told the barkeeper that her mother sent her to get eight cents.

"Eight cents?" said the barkeeper.

"What does your mother want of eight cents? I don't owe her anything."

"Well," said the child, "father spends all his money here for rum, and we have no bread to-day. Mother wants to buy a loaf of bread."

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A GREAT COSMOPOLITAN FESTIVAL.—The

inception of a grand and sumptuous festival in the United States, which is intended to surpass that held three years ago in one of the free towns of Germany, is set forth this morning in the columns of the World. The ocean mails and Atlantic cable have already been employed to obtain co-operation of German, French, Swiss, and Austrian societies, with those of this and other American cities, in securing an assemblage of at least one hundred thousand gymnasts, sharp shooters, musicians and vocalists in New York next June. Encouraging replies are received from Europe. The German steamship companies intimate the willingness to aid the scheme by reduced fares. Millard's Park at Morrisania is talked of as the scene of the show. No public-spirited citizen or lover of gaiety can refuse to hope that such an enterprise will be carried forward to complete success.—*World.*

DESPONDENCY.—What right has a person,

endowed with an ordinary share of intelligence, and blessed with a respectable share of good health, to despond? What is the meaning of it? The cause is a weak mind, and the meaning is sin. Providence never intended that one of his creatures should be the victim of a disease to feel and look the gloom of the thunder cloud. Never despond, friendly reader, for one of the first entrances of vice to the heart is made through the instrumentality of despondency. Although we cannot expect all of our days and hours to be glided by sunshine, we must not, for more momentary griefs, suppose that they are to be enshroued in the midst of misery, or clouded by the opacity of sorrow and misfortune.

SCATTERING BRANDS.—We are sorry to

see that the Richmond journal called Southern Opinion is publishing a "black list," which consists of those men who voted the Republican ticket at the late election in Virginia. There can be but little hope for the era of good feeling or real peace, while a course so thoroughly mischievous and suicidal is followed by journals professing to represent public sentiment. For, while neither Congress nor the people of the North are any means lost to a sense of charity and justice toward the South, they will not, notwithstanding, hardly sit complacently and smilingly down and see their friends and adherents in that section ostracised and made odious—if so foolish a course can make them so, and the sooner this fact is realized the better for all concerned.

We know it may be truly said that these necessary sheets do not reflect the public feeling; but it may and will be as truly answered that they nevertheless have a circulation, and receive in some way or other a living support; and this fact is a damaging one. The better judgment of the Southern people should promptly frown down the criminal offenders.—*Eco. Post.*

SPLENDID PRESENT OF THE HOLY FATHER

POPE PIUS IX. TO THE AMERICAN CHURCH.—On the occasion of our Most Reverend Archbishop's late visit to Rome, the Holy Father presented to him, as the Delegate of the American Church, the beautiful Mosaic of the Roman Pantheon, and its surroundings. Perhaps there is not to be found in the whole country so splendid a work of art as this one, presented to the Bishops of the American Church by the Metropolitan. Nothing could be more beautiful or true to nature. In fact, the Holy Father on seeing the figure of our cathedral in Kellogg's chromatic painting of the procession of Bishops at the Plenary Council, presented to him by our Most Rev. Archbishop, exclaimed, "once! Ecco! hanno il Pentimento! a Baltimore!—Behold, you have the Pantheon in Baltimore!" Also, remarking on the little choir boys dressed in red, he playfully said: "You have little Cardinals!" "Yes Holy Father," replied our archbishops, if our Holiness will please send them dressed in purple."—*Baltimore Catholic Mirror.*

LAND OCCUPIED BY FENCES.—The materials

and labor required to build and keep fences in repair are among the heavy items of farm expense. The cost of the land on which the fence stands is a still heavier item. J. Harris of Rochester, discourses as follows in the *American Agriculturist*:

How much land does an old-fashioned fence occupy? I have always thought it took up a good deal of land, but never had the curiosity to measure. But this summer when I have been building a stone wall along the whole west side of the farm, and after it was completed, and the old fence removed, I was surprised at the quantity of land we had gained. The ground, of course, might have been plowed closer to the fence, but taking the case as it actually was, the old rail fence, with stones, weeds, rubbish, &c., occupied a strip of land one rod wide. A field, 31 rods long and 31 rods wide, contains about six acres. If surrounded by such a fence, it would occupy a little over three-quarters of an acre of land. A farm of 100 acres so fenced would have twenty acres of land taken up in this worse than useless manner. Not only is the use of the land lost, it is, in the majority of cases, a nursery of weeds, and, in plowing, much time is lost in turning, and the headlands and corners are seldom properly cultivated.

LIME AROUND APPLE TREES.—We have

known farmers to make it a regular practice to surround a succession of years, the same time around their apple trees in the spring and summer. We once noticed that a tree standing in the immediate vicinity of our dwelling had, all at once, put forth with renewed energy, and we were at a loss for some time to define the cause. On examination, we found that a quantity of lime, which had accidentally been spilled and scattered worthless by becoming mixed with the refuse of the stable floor, had been thrown at the foot and around the tree, and to this, as the principal cause, we immediately accredited it, and purchased twelve cases of lime, and applied half a bushel to each of the trees in the orchard.

Not the health of the trees only, but the quality of the fruit also, was greatly improved. This application, will be especially beneficial in soils where there is a redundancy of vegetable matter. We would advise our farmers, in some places, especially in new forest lands, to make the experiment, and see if it is not deserving of the high recommendation it secures.

A party of travelers in Hawaii lately

stopped to lunch on the side of Mauna Loa, after investigating the crater, and boiled their turkey by the volcano. They wrapped the bird in banana leaves and poked it into a crack in the mountain, and it was cooked by steam.

The gelding of John Stewart attempted

to trot 21 miles within an hour at Boston on the 8th inst. Though he failed, he made the best twenty mile time on record, viz: 58:08, beating Captain McGowan's time by 134 seconds, and making 20 miles in 59:31. The horse was not at all injured.

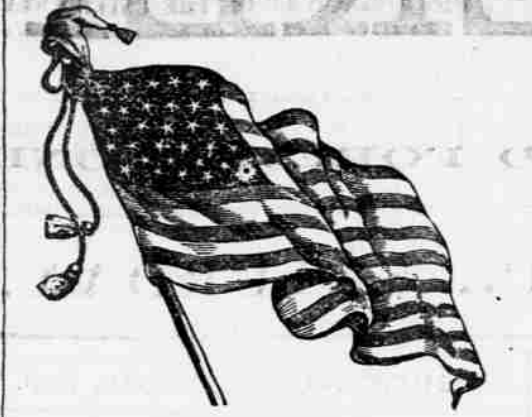
NERVOUS.—It is reported that a very

nervous gentleman once announced a steamboat explosion to the Connecticut Legislature as follows: "Spister Meek and membership the Elliver Ollsworth has bled her bustle!"

BETTER BE GOING.—"Come, doctor, it's

ten o'clock; I think we had better be going. For it's time here folks were some." "Well, yes," was the reply; "I must be off, but you need not go on that account."

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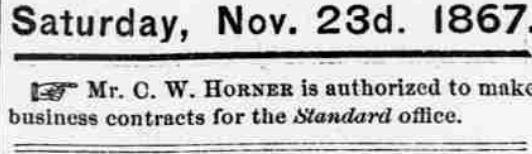


LIBERTY AND UNION, NOW AND FOREVER, ONE AND INSEPARABLE.—DANIEL WEBSTER.

RALEIGH, N. C.

Saturday, Nov. 23d. 1867.

Mr. C. W. HORNER is authorized to make business contracts for the Standard office.



"Now let the kettle to the trumpet speak, The trumpet to the cannoner without, The cannon to the Heavens, The Heavens to earth!"

Grand Republican Triumph in N. C.

A Large Majority of Republican Delegates Chosen to the Convention!

The State Republican by 50,000!

LOYAL MEN MUST RULE!

BETTER TIMES AHEAD FOR ALL!

The people of North-Carolina voted on Tuesday and Wednesday last for and against a Convention, and for one hundred and twenty delegates to a Convention, under the reconstruction acts of Congress. The enemies of reconstruction, led by their ablest men, and having control of the State, the County, and the Town governments, and of three-fourths of the press of the State, fought with the utmost desperation, and pandered to every passion and prejudice, and persuaded, and denounced in every conceivable way to defeat the Republicans; but the latter, relying on Truth and Justice, and stimulated by a noble love of Liberty, have achieved a gloriously overwhelming victory.

We have no time to-day to review the campaign, or enter into the details of the struggle. It is sufficient to state that it is considered certain that the Republicans have carried EIGHTY of the one hundred and twenty members of the Convention, and that the people have voted by FIFTY THOUSAND majority for a Convention.

Fellow-citizens, you have looked with pride at the game Fowl of Liberty at the head of this column. Behold now, as typical of the condition of the poor Conservatives, so-called, the dead Fowl of the Rebellion!

ELECTION RETURNS.

The Great Triumph in Wake.

The Republicans all over the State have done well, but when we consider the opposition the Republicans of Wake had to meet and overcome, we feel that they are entitled to particular commendation. They had, first, to contend with all the heads of the Rebel State government in Raleigh; secondly, with the County government, headed by the Rebel Sheriff and his Rebel deputies; thirdly, with the Rebel City government, headed by the Rebel Mayor and his subordinates, for the most part rank, impudent Rebels. It was so ordered and permitted that loyal voters had to pass through the hands of such men all over the County, and every influence was brought to bear against us. Some of the Registrars and Inspectors even turned against us and did what they could, or dared to do under the circumstances, to defeat the Republican ticket. But we have beaten all these influences, and saved the County by a large majority.

Wake is Republican by more than one thousand majority, and will remain so. The centre of the State is soundly loyal. We owe this in a large degree, it is true, to the patriotic firmness of our colored friends, but the material for making good Republicans in the County is abundant among the white voters, and we predict that we shall have constant and valuable accessions to our ranks from the white voters of the County.

Wake County.

Benton S. D. Williams, James H. Harris, S. D. Franklin, and J. P. Andrews, Republicans, elected. See table of votes in paper to-day.

New Hanover County.

Gen. J. C. Abbott, S. S. Ashley, and A. H. Galloway, Republicans elected. The vote in Wilmington is as follows: Abbott 1,498, Ashley 1,497, Galloway 1,493, Parsley 557, Freeman 557, Satchell 555. For Convention 1,500, against Convention 558.

Craven County.

Hon. David Heaton, W. H. S. Sweet, C. D. Pierson, Republicans elected. Full vote of County not to hand, but the Republican majority is very large. Craven is probably the banner County.

Cumberland County.

W. A. Mann and J. W. Hood, Republicans, elected by 770 majority. This is a grand result. The Conservatives of Cumberland are said to be "somewhat depressed."

Alamance County.

Henry M. Ray, Republican elected by the following vote: Ray 789, R. Y. McAden 602. For Convention 872, against Convention 572.

Mecklenburg County.

Edward Fullings and Silas M. Stillwell, Republicans, elected. Vote at Charlotte and four other precincts as follows: Fullings 1,054, Stillwell 1,056, Gluyas 717, Hunter, 714.

Reports from Other Counties.

We have reports from Rowan and Davie, Iredell, Johnston, Franklin, Orange, Chatham, Davidson, and other counties. Rowan and Davie are in doubt, the vote in Rowan being close.

The returns from Statesville leave no doubt of the election of J. Q. A. Bryan, C. J. Cowles, Jerry Smith, C. C. Jones, and Wesley George, Republicans, for the counties of Iredell, Wilkes, Alexander, and Caldwell.

We have good reason to believe that Dr. James Hay and Nathan Gulley, Republicans are elected in Johnston.

We think it probable that John H. Williamson and James T. Harris, Republicans, are elected in Franklin.

Warren is reported as having elected John Read and John A. Hyman, Republicans, by a large majority.

The contest in Orange is very close, but we still have hope that B. S. Hedrick and Henry Jones, Republicans, have been elected. It is reported that John A. McDonald and Kelley Mitchell, Republicans, have been elected in Chatham.

From the returns from Lexington we entertain no doubt of the election of Isaac Kinney and Spencer Mullican, Republicans, for Davidson County.

First Gun from the West.

A friend writes us as follows from Burke County. We have no doubt carried the two delegates from Burke and McDowell: MORGANTON, Nov. 20, 1867.

BURKE COUNTY—FIRST DAY.

Morganton precinct 330 votes polled, have not yet been counted but the vote no doubt stands about 265 for Convention, Parks and Murphy and about 65 against Convention, and for Fleming and Kirby.

Learned precinct, 96 votes polled—Convention, Parks and Murphy received 79. No Convention, Fleming and Kirby 17.

Upper Fork precinct, 32 votes—Convention, Parks and Murphy 27 votes. No Convention, Fleming and Kirby 5 votes.

There are four other precincts in the County from which we have heard nothing. The Republican ticket will prevail at each of them by handsome majorities. T. R. C.

All hail, Old Mecklenburg!

A friend writes us as follows from Charlotte: "The election is closed. The *Eds* give it up—say we have beat them in the 'City' 350. What little news we have from the County is very favorable. The editor of the *News* is around to-night hunting up names of merchants who voted the Republican ticket. They, the *Eds*, used money very profusely and one of them has been arrested for bribery; other arrests are expected to follow. They made a desperate fight, using all kinds of tricks and low, mean arts with plenty of impudence thrown in. Their main point was trying to deceive the colored voters with tickets, but the leading colored men defeated them in every thing they attempted. They had a foreigner at the polls, pencil in hand, recording every white man who voted the Republican ticket."

Three Cheers for Lexington!

LEXINGTON, N. C., Nov. 20th 1867. Lexington precinct votes as follows: For Convention, 515. Against Convention, 49. Silent on Convention, 4. Kinney, Radical Republican, 469. Mullican, 470. Allen, Conservative, 89. Jones, 80. Johnson, (DeWit), 3. Alfred Morgan, Reb. C. F. Lowe, 3. Rebels in the vocative, Nearly train time—excuse brevity. HENDERSON.

Fraud in the Elections.

The Sentinel charges that Republicans "practiced fraud" in the late elections, but it furnishes no proof to substantiate its charges. We might fill columns of our paper with instances of fraud on the part of the Rebels in the late election. We have room to-day but for two of these instances. At a precinct in Orange (Cedar Grove), the pollholders told the colored people they could not vote unless they paid their taxes. This case will be investigated by Colonel Bonford.

In this City tickets were printed at the *Sentinel* office, and circulated by white persons, containing the names of Williams, Harris, Andrews, and Fowler. Several of these tickets were palmed off on colored men who could not read, the object being to ring in votes for Gen. Fowler. We omit for the present the names of the white gentlemen who did this, but the *Sentinel* knows all about it, and was a party to it. The *Sentinel* has found by experience, what we told it in our last issue, that the hardest persons in the world to deceive are the colored people. They are always "wide awake and duly sober."

We learn that at Oak Grove, in this County, a venerable and worthy citizen, Rowland Gooch, Esq., was grossly insulted by some rebels because he voted the Republican ticket. Mr. Gooch was a pollholder at Hay's Store, and went on Wednesday to Oak Grove to vote. He was very grossly abused, and would no doubt have been beaten but for fear of consequences. We learn that one of the pollholders and the clerk of the polls took part in deriding and abusing Mr. Gooch. We got these facts from Mr. Gooch's son. This case will also no doubt be investigated.

It is a fact that every case of well-authenticated fraud, and every outrage perpetrated at the elections, lies at the door of the so-called Conservatives.

The white Republicans of this State who stood firm on Tuesday and Wednesday last and voted their ticket, will do to count upon hereafter. Our colored friends may rely implicitly on such men.

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