

A Censorious Creed of Office.

Constitutional bodies are generally passionless and judicial. They usually assemble to reflect in their deliberations the best aspirations of the people.

As an amiable introduction of its work this thorough body—through in the sense of Strafford—abolished every officer in the State. The members of this body were thoroughly imbued with the old Covenanter doctrine that the earth and the fairs thereof were designed for the Saints.

Having reached this elevated if egotistical plateau, an abolition of everything that stood in the way of the personal ambition of its members was the next thing for this unique body.

Every one remembers how the Convention pounced, like a hawk on a June bug, on the fellow who introduced into it a resolution that none of its members should be eligible to any of the offices created by the new Constitution, at the next ensuog election, under provisions formulated so wordily.

Was it for this that they had indulged in all that "windy suspiration of forced breath," extending for fifty-seven days beyond the time contemplated by the Legislature? Perish the thought!

What would become of the State if these Solons should not themselves, as the elect of the people, interpret the instrument they had formulated?

Consequently, as the one hundred and fifty-two members of the Convention need a good many offices to go round, they were remorseless. They would not even spare our admirable Supreme Court.

Every individual member of that historical but, we hope, abortive body, was a sort of compound of Alaric and Attila—of Goth and Hun. His impulse was that of the fanatic old, "slay and spare not."

No one can dispute the fact that this was a brutal programme. We are inclined to think that it was grossly unconstitutional, besides, in the spirit if not in the letter.

Take the case of the Judges, for instance. We have glanced over a good many Constitutions, including the brief but incomparable Constitution of the United States.

We notice in all of them provisions, especially with regard to the Judges, stipulating that the compensation of these officials shall not be diminished during their term of office.

Do not such provisions also imply that these gentlemen ought not to be, practically, removed from office, except for cause, during the term for which they have been elected? Was not their engagement a contract?

A man is selected to office by the people for a stipulated number of years. He makes his arrangements accordingly. He enters into an exact mathematical calculation of his plan of life. It is simply an outrage to disturb that humble and confiding plan, and that contract, except for cause. No rightly poised man would do it, whether Constitution makers or not.

A painstaking and conscientious official could support the abolition of his office, but to be legislated out of it is an unspeakably infamous infringement of the equities. All of these men can earn more as lawyers than as Judges, but the brutality of the thing is what we are dwelling on.

Such an outrage would never have been perpetrated by the Constitutional Convention of California if that body had not believed that it possessed the alpha and the omega of all office-holding excellence, legislative, judicial and executive.

With such a sublime arrogance based on a popular majority for the Convention of a hundred or so, how thankful should we all be that this body was not called to its work by a commanding majority of our people?

Had this been the case, out of the mere wantonness of power, they would have ordered that the State Capitol should be up-ended, and that its apex should support its base—the foundation stones giving place to the turret.

That, metaphorically, will be about the way the thing will go should the new Constitution be adopted!

What a nice thing it is that it won't be adopted?

If there is any class of persons we despise it is the self-righteous—the smug Pharisees. That is the single respect in which we resemble the Saviour. We re-echo his poignant exclamation, "Woe unto ye, hypocrites!" If there is one man in this community who belongs distinctively to the working classes it is our fellow-citizen, Mr. J. W. Potts. Five years ago Mr. Potts could have sold out his property interests in Los Angeles county, acquired by hard labor, for at least \$100,000. But he was a believer in the place. He continued a believer, and perhaps too long. But that is neither here nor there. His property interests, if any time could be vitalized, would any time give him a competency. He knows that the new Constitution would annihilate them. Impressed with genuine convictions, which he was anxious to impress on his neighbors, Mr. Potts went down to Compton to participate in a controversy which he supposed would be free and acceptable. He was at once mounted and "bull-dozed" by one West, a phylacteric individual who was a delegate to the Constitutional Convention. Who the devil is West, that he should undertake to overawe and silence free born Americans? He is a man who carries scrip for back pay for Constitutional chin-music in excess of the demand for the article which an oppressed people are ready to acknowledge. This man West hopes, by "jumping" better men than himself, to "bull-doze" the State into paying him \$570 extra pay.

He won't get a cent of it—not a cent. But he has stamped himself as a local "bull dozer" of a class which, like the butterfly and other ephemera, will be short-lived. His talk about corporations is the rant of a slave to a single idea. Because our respected fellow citizen, Mr. J. W. Potts, does not believe as West does, he is "bounced" in Compton. Let our well-meaning townsman possess his soul in patience. The devious experiences of Denis Kearney show that "bouncers" may in turn be "bounced."

peculiarities. He devoted considerable attention to the question of the military being at the polls during the war. It is the opinion of Senators that the debate will run into next week.

Information at the Treasury Department from various sources is that the disease of pleuro-pneumonia among the cattle in this country is slowly disappearing, owing to the prompt action of Federal officials working in connection with the State authorities.

Officers of the Jamestown. WASHINGTON, April 16.—Following is a partial detail of the officers for the Jamestown: Commander, L. A. Beardslee; Lieutenant-Commander, Charles H. Rockwell; Executive Officers, Lieutenant Edward P. McClellan and Lieutenant F. M. Symonds; Masters, Frank Gehring, Gustavus C. Hann; Ensign, John O. Nicholson.

Washington, April 16.—SENATE.—The Secretary of the Senate, before reading the journal, read the following note from Vice-President Wheeler: "A telegram received this morning, advises the arrival of the steamer, and summons me home. It will therefore be necessary for the Senate, on its meeting to-day, to elect a President pro tem."

Davis, of West Virginia, said, as there was comparatively a small number of Senators in attendance, he hoped there would be a delay to enable absentees to arrive.

At the suggestion of Wallace, an informal recess was taken. It was discovered at the time the note was read, that there was a larger number of Republican than Democratic Senators present. A messenger was dispatched for Senator Thurman, but the gentleman entered the Senate Chamber soon after the messenger left, and the session was resumed.

Bayard then offered the following resolution. That in the absence of the Vice President, A. G. Thurman be and he is hereby chosen President of the Senate pro tem.

Anthony moved to substitute the name of Thomas W. Ferry. Disposed to. Yea 18, nays 28; and the resolution passed.

Thurman was conducted to the Chair by Ferry, the former remarking on the way thither: "Turn about is fair play."

The Journal Appropriation bill was then taken up, and Logan addressed the Senate. He thought the question now before the body was more important than any other that had arisen since 1861, when the same sentiments which prompted the present legislation, expressed by many of the same men now uttering them, led to the war. He denounced the proposed legislation as bad in itself, and as being anticipated by the parties.

House.—After reading the Journal the Speaker called on the Committee for reports. The only report submitted was from the Committee on Accounts, relative to the Committee Clerk's report, which was adopted, and consideration was resumed of the Senate bill for the purchase or construction of a refrigerating ship for the disinfection of vessels and cargoes.

The bill passed with trifling amendment. The House then went into Committee of the whole on the Legislative Appropriation bill.

Reminiscing Democratic Factions. NEW YORK, April 16th.—The Tribune to-day says: Some time ago steps were taken by James McColl and Luke P. Cozzens, two Democratic lawyers of this city, to establish a new Democratic organization for the purpose of harmonizing the Democratic factions in the State on issues other than merely local ones. Whether the movement was started in the interest of Tilden for the Presidency or of an opposing faction cannot be stated at present, but it is claimed to be exclusively for the purpose of the organization to cement Democratic party. Several meetings have been held. One took place at the St. James Hotel last night. The meetings have been kept strictly private, but it was learned that a constitution had been adopted and a committee appointed to nominate officers to be elected at the next meeting, April 20th. The name of the Association is the Democratic Union of the City of New York. The constitution states that the "objects of the Union shall be to accomplish a permanent and effective union of Democrats; to advance in the city, State and Nation the time honored principles of the Democratic party; to revive in the hearts of the American people the devoted love for the Union and Constitution which distinguished our fathers; the correspondence has been carried on with the Democrats of other cities and States, and Unions are being organized in other places. About fifty persons were present last night among whom were O. B. Pooley, J. H. Strahan, George Ticknor Curtis, ex Judge Spencer and ex Judge Kane. Among the members are the following: A. J. Vandervoort, Algeron S. Sullivan, Charles E. Loew, Judge Joseph B. Blander, Eli J. Ward, Henry Crossing, Charles Donahue, John J. Bradley, George W. Wingate, B. W. Willis, George W. Quinlan, John F. Agnew, Erasmus Brooks, S. D. Conover, Smith E. Lane, Joseph B. Eccles, Lawrence Jerome, John Kelly, Joseph J. Donahue, M. H. Kelly and many others equally well known.

The War Between Chile and Bolivia. NEW YORK, April 16.—We have Patagates to April 5th, Chilean forces have occupied Copacabana, Calama as reprisals for confiscation of property of Chileans in the interior of Bolivia. Calama is a strong strategic point on the River Loa, about six miles north of Caracoles. A small detachment of Bolivian troops made a slight resistance.

A Ministerial crisis is announced in Chile. The Star and Herald says: It is proposed to issue ten millions of paper money of the same character as the greenbacks of the United States.

President Prado has called on extraordinary session of the Peruvian Congress for the 24th of April, when Peru's attitude toward the contending parties will be determined.

Great enthusiasm is manifested in Bolivia. The troops, the interior are marching to the coast, but it will be ten days or more before they can reach the seat of war.

General Juan Antonio Puel, former President of Peru, is dead. Bi-Metallism in England. NEW YORK, April 15th.—The last monthly circular of Smith, Edwards & Co. of Liverpool, referring to Beaconsfield's allusions to the monetary disturbances, says: "The question of bi-metallic is exciting great interest now throughout Lancashire, and the opinion is steadily tending in the direction of bi-metallicism. The interest in London opposed to it are so powerful that it is doubtful whether any practical step can be taken in that direction for a long time to come."

About Western Passenger Fares. BOSTON, April 16.—The Evening Journal says: If, as we are informed, passengers are being carried by the Pacific route to Chicago for \$13, the regular fare being \$24, but now, as tickets to California for emigrants have been sold for \$57 (57 1/2), and as the proportion claimed by the Pacific route is 845 and the roads between Chicago and Omaha charge \$39, there would be only \$3 left for the roads between Boston and Chicago, or less than three mills per mile, instead of the ten cents usually charged on our principal railroads.

[NOTE.—The regular fare between Boston and Chicago is \$22.] Senator Carpenter Ill. CHICAGO, April 15.—A Tribune's Washington special says: Senator Matt. Carpenter, who has not been well for some time, contemplating his departure to Colorado for the benefit of his health.

FOREIGN. Garibaldi on Universal Suffrage. LONDON, April 16.—In the letter of G. Garibaldi in favor of universal suffrage and convoking a meeting of Republicans for the 21st inst., to take measures for the election of a Ministry or the programme of a Ministry, Universal suffrage is the basis of reform. The people to whom it is denied were considered capable of founding Italy with their arms. In Parliament would be desirable if it would dispel the languor which now renders it impotent.

The Sultan and the Khedive. CONSTANTINOPLE, April 16.—The Sultan has taken no resolution respecting the Khedive, nor is he expected to do so until he has heard the explanation brought by Talat Pasha, the Khedive's special envoy.

Giving Them Bluff. [Detroit: Free Press.] A soggy, big fellow, with a voice as big as a mother's love, attended by a pop-gun sort of a young man, appeared in a Michigan avenue saloon yesterday and soon started a small riot. The big one refused to pay for what he drank, and there was talk of bouncing him, when the little man took the bar keeper aside and explained:

"You see, my big friend is only giving you a bluff. He has got two of the worst teeth in his head you ever saw, and they've ached night and day for six weeks. The dentist won't pull them short of \$2, and he won't stand it. He (the big one) is therefore going around in hopes to get up a fight and have somebody hit him on the jaw and knock the teeth out and save him the \$2."

The bar-tender saw the point and was satisfied. He allowed the big man to go out without settling. The same game was worked in another place, and then the pair entered a cigar store. Here the big fellow wanted to chew up everybody, and the little one, who was still with the little one explained the toothache business to the cigar man.

"If I hit him in the jaw he makes \$2 by the operation, 'does he?' asked the dealer.

"Yes, and then he'll demand damages of you besides. That's his game, you see."

"Yes, I see," slowly replied the dealer, "but there's nothing stingy about me. I'll as soon save him \$2 as not, and if I damage his jaw, I'll willing to pay what he asks. Look out now—I'm going for him!"

The big fellow was knocked down in no time, and the little one didn't delay to see any more. When the "late deceased came to his senses he was lying on his back in the slush of the gutter, and two or three bootblacks were asking him if his toothache was still gone.

"I'm the tarantula of the West," began the big man as he got up, but after feeling his jaw he started off muttering—"but I'll save my breath till I get hold of the infant who put me up to this and then shipped."

The other day, in a revenue case, Chief Baron Kelly of the English Exchequer, after talking himself into the conviction that he was undoubtedly right, and every one else, including his two judicial brethren, clearly wrong, turned on the Attorney-General, Sir John Holker, who was arguing, and said warmly, "I defy you to show it—I wish to use the strongest expressions, I defy you." The Attorney-General replied, "If your lordship means that it is impossible to show it, I take up the glove, and I think I have already shown it. If your lordship means that you do not wish to satisfy your mind, I despair of doing so, and will say no more."

BILIOUS DISORDERS, LIVER COMPLAINTS, COLIC, CONSTIPATION, etc., are speedily removed by the use of the Sarsaparilla Pills. Thirty years use has proved the efficacy of this medicine for the cure of the various diseases for which they are recommended. In their action they cleanse the blood and purify the system, and may be taken at any time without risk from exposure.

Do It at Once! Persons who have become thoroughly chilled from any cause, may have their circulation at once restored by taking into the stomach a teaspoonful of Johnson's Anodyne Liniment, mixed in a little cold water, well sweetened.

Every farmer who owns a good stock of horses, cattle and sheep, and intends to keep them through the winter should at once get a good stock of Sheridan's Cavalry Condition Powder. As our dollars will save at least a half a ton of hay.

NEW TO-DAY. FIRST GRAND Strawberry Festival! OF THE UNITARIAN SOCIETY, SATURDAY EVE'G, APRIL 19, AT UNION HALL. ICE CREAM, STRAWBERRIES, FLOWERS, MUSIC, SINGING, DANCING. Waggon and Dole Ban 1 and the best canvas floor in the city for dancing. ADMISSION, FIFTY CENTS, including all refreshments. MATINEE at 2 o'clock on Saturday, for the young folk. Admission, 25 cents, including ice cream, strawberries, grab bag and fish pond.

THE LADIES' BENEVOLENT SOCIETY WILL HOLD A FEAST OF FLOWERS AT UNION HALL, ON NEXT TUESDAY EVENING, APRIL 22d. REFRESHMENTS Will be served during the evening from 5 to 12 o'clock, and there will be MUSICAL EXERCISES Of a varied and entertaining character. ap17d

In the Probate Court, Of Los Angeles County, State of California. In the matter of the guardianship of the persons and estates of Robert Rains, John S. Rains and Fannie V. Rains, minors. ORDER APPOINTING TIME FOR HEARING OF PETITION. On reading and filing the petition of M. W. de Carillo, the guardian of the persons and estates of Robert Rains, John S. Rains and Fannie V. Rains, minors, praying for an order of sale of certain personal property and estate of said minors, for the uses and purposes therein set forth: It is hereby ordered that the next of kin of said wards, and all persons interested in the said estate, appear before this Court on

FRIDAY, THE 16th DAY OF MAY, 1879, At 10 o'clock A. M., at the Court Room of this Court, at the Court House, in the city and county of Los Angeles, there to show cause why an order should not be granted for the sale of such estate. And it is further ordered that a copy of this order be published at least once a week for three successive weeks before the said day of hearing in the Daily Los Angeles Herald, a newspaper printed and published in said county of Los Angeles. Dated April 16th, 1879. ALBERT M. STEPHENS, a17d Administrator of the estate of Lydia West, deceased.

Notice to Creditors. ESTATE OF LYDIA WEST, Deceased. Pursuant to an order of the Probate Court of Los Angeles county, notice is hereby given and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit and present the same, with the necessary vouchers, to the undersigned administrator of said estate, at his office and place of business, in the furniture store of Doster & Bird, No. 81 Main Street, Los Angeles city, State of California, according to the terms of said notice. A true and correct copy of this notice. Los Angeles, April 16, 1879. ALBERT M. STEPHENS, Administrator of the estate of Lydia West, deceased. a18-w

PIANOS Sold on Installments, FROM \$8 to \$15 Per Month, For the Next Thirty Days, AT WANCEMAN BROS., 421-M 4th SPRING ST., Los Angeles.

FOR AN INVIGORATOR, Damiana Bitters. MICHEL LEVY, AGENT. RUBBER PRINTING STAMPS OF ALL KINDS AND STYLES. MANUFACTURED BY JOHN C. BOYETT, LOS ANGELES, CAL. Leave order: at HERALD JOB OFFICE.

TABER'S IMPROVED HAY FORK (Patent Applied For.) Is the most perfect, and easiest operating forklift in existence. One man can operate it with the greatest ease, at the strain of lifting the fork causes it to grasp the load automatically, while a pull upon the release cord, when the fork has been lifted to the desired place, causes it to drop the load instantly.

There is nothing in the construction of this Fork that will get out of order. Farmers will do well to examine this Hay Fork, as it saves expense and greatly facilitates the handling of hay, grain and straw. Communications addressed to J. T. HOYT, Gen. Agent, San Mateo, Cal.

NEW TO-DAY. The Stearns Ranchos, ALFRED ROBINSON, Trustee, 120 Sutter St., San Francisco, Cal. 80,000 ACRES OF LAND FOR SALE. In lots to suit, suitable for the culture of Oranges, Lemons, Pines, Figs, Almonds, Walnuts, Peaches, Apples, Pears, Alfalfa, Corn, Rye, Barley, Flax, Ramie, Cotton, etc., and also many thousand acres of Natural Evergreen Pastures, Suitable for Dairying. Good water is abundant at an average depth of six feet from the surface. On almost every acre of this land FLOWING ARTESIAN WELLS can be obtained, and the elevated portions can be irrigated by the water of the Santa Ana river. Most of these lands are naturally moist requiring only good cultivation to produce crops. TERMS—One-fourth Cash; balance in one, two and three years, with 10 per cent interest. I will take pleasure in showing these lands to parties seeking land, who are invited to come and see this extensive tract before purchasing elsewhere.

W. R. OLDEN, Agent. ANAHEIM, Los Angeles county, Cal., April 16th, 1879. ap18

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR THE PEOPLE. SOME VERY HARD NUTS TO CRACK. Companies have sprung up in every part of the Union for making an imitation Singer Machine. Why are not similar companies formed for making imitations of other Sewing Machines? The public will draw its own inference. Gold is continually counterfeited; brass and tin never. Waste no money on inferior counterfeits. We warrant every machine sold by us. Machines sold on lease or installment plan. THE SINGER MANUFACTURING COMPANY, 28 SPRING STREET, Los Angeles, Cal. a15-1m

THE PEOPLE'S AWARD TO THE SINGER! The people bought Singer Machines as follows: 1870.....127,833 Singer Machines. 1871.....181,260 " 1872.....219,766 " 1873.....232,444 " 1874.....241,879 " 1875.....249,852 " 1876.....262,316 " 1877.....282,812 " 1878.....356,432 " Many of the manufacturers of other machines refuse to state their sales. Why? Sales of 1878 over any previous year, 73,020; average sales for every working day of the year, 1,138.

THE SINGER has taken the FIRST PRIZE over ALL competitors more than TWO HUNDRED TIMES. Why? After the Chicago fire the Relief Committee undertook to furnish sewing machines to the needy women of that city. Applicants were permitted to choose from six different kinds of machines; 2944 applicants were furnished with machines; 2427 chose Singer Machines, and 517 distributed their choice among the five other kinds of machines. The girls were to earn their living on these machines. Why did they take Singers?

W. H. TUTHILL, AGENT. WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED \$50,000 WORTH OF THE NEWEST AND MOST STYLISH Dry Goods & Fancy Goods EVER IMPORTED TO LOS ANGELES.

This entire line of goods has been purchased under the present depressed state of the dry goods market. We are therefore in position to offer most extraordinary inducements in every department. BLACK SILK, COLORED DRESS SILKS, TRIMMING SILKS, DRESS GOODS, SHAWLS, SHEETINGS, BLANKETS, FLANNELS, NAPKINS, TOWELS, QUILTS, PRINTS, SHIRTING, LADIES' & GENIS' UNDERWEAR, HOSIERY, FANCY GOODS, LACES AND EMBROIDERIES, ALL OUR OWN DIRECT IMPORTATIONS.

WE INVITE SPECIAL ATTENTION TO A LINE OF 3200 Yards Stefano Suitings at 10 cts., 4100 Yards Maltese Mixtures at 10 cts., 275 STRIPED SHAWLS at \$2.75.

DILLON & KENEALY, : : : 86 MAIN STREET, LOS ANGELES. mh18-1m

FAREWELL CONCERT, GIVEN BY Frank Bartlett Post, La Societa Italiana di Mutua Beneficenza, WILL HOLD ITS SECOND ANNUAL GRAND PICNIC, AT SYCAMORE GROVE, ARROYO SECO, ON SUNDAY, APRIL 27, 79. Tickets, 50c.; RESERVED SEATS, 75c.; to be had at Wagonman's Music Store. a31d

TO COLONISTS. FOR SALE, FINE Orchard and Vine Land, All irrigable and level, situated on the line of the S. P. R. R., one mile from an important station. The soil is a rich loam; the water belongs to the land. Price, \$15 per acre; one-half cash, balance in one year, at ten per cent. Discount for cash. None but practical men need apply to W. H. JOHNSTON, 28 Spring Street, Los Angeles. a15-1m

THE COLOR GUARD! Under the auspices of the Post, assisted by the ladies and gentlemen of the Society of the Los Angeles Guards, made by Contreras and Wagonman's Bands, under direction of Prof. Contreras, GENERAL ADMISSION, 50c. Reserved seats at Wagonman's Music Store, Spring Street. a16d

LAST NIGHT'S NEWS.

PACIFIC COAST.

STOCK REPORT.

SAN FRANCISCO STOCK AND EXCHANGE BOARD.

Table with columns for stock names and prices. Includes items like 375 Ophir, 24, 237 1/2; 275 Mexican, 30 1/2; 375 Ophir, 24, 237 1/2; 275 Mexican, 30 1/2; 375 Ophir, 24, 237 1/2; 275 Mexican, 30 1/2.

EVINGING STREETS—4:45 P. M.

Table with columns for stock names and prices. Includes items like Union, 55 1/2; B & R, 15 1/2; Exchequer, 5 1/2; 5 1/2; B & R, 15 1/2; Exchequer, 5 1/2.

EASTERN.

Blaine on the Army Bill.

WASHINGTON, April 16th.—Senator Blaine opened the debate in the Senate to-day on the Army bill, in the presence of an immense audience, who gave close attention to his remarks, in the main, in sympathy with him. The speech was a strong one, and full of Mr. Blaine's

Advertisement for The Stearns Ranchos, featuring a map of the ranch area and text describing the land for sale, including 80,000 acres and natural evergreen pastures.

Advertisement for DILLON & KENEALY'S SPRING ANNOUNCEMENT, featuring a list of various goods and prices, and a notice of a concert and picnic.

Advertisement for THE COLOR GUARD! featuring details about a musical performance and ticket information.

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