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THE Ohio people are now grooming ex-Governor BISHOP for the Vice-Presidency. It is not said whether or not he has much taste for going a-fishing.

IT is now intimated that the KELLOGG case is only held as a sort of vent for the eloquence of certain Democrats who must speak or burst; and further, that no future serious effort will be made to unseat him. To this complexion has it come at last.

EX-SENATOR JOHN B. HENDERSON, of Missouri, has came all the way to New York city to declare his allegiance to the SHERMAN boom, which seems to be forging ahead everywhere except in the conventions where delegates are made.

IT is a very fortunate circumstance that General EWING was afforded opportunity to uncork the bottle of his eloquence on the Army appropriation bill before the return of warm weather, for gas is very liable to expand under a rise of temperature.

THE New York *Times* is authority for saying that Senator BLAINE will not have a large representation in the National Convention from Massachusetts. There is a strong SHERMAN feeling springing up there, which promises to overshadow the Maine statesman.

THAT Democratic mass-meeting at Winchester, Va., on the 3d proximo, will doubtless be a grand affair with the unterrified. VOORHEES, VANCE, GORDON, BLACKBURN and COX will be among the speakers, and then the "irrepressible" will be repressed no longer. We shall hear something.

THE Lynchburg *Virginian* is not called upon to apologize for THE NATIONAL REPUBLICAN'S political course. Nobody will be disappointed if it don't—but there may be some disappointment if the *Virginian* should fail to apologize for its own course. However, apologies are a matter of taste and politeness.

EX-SENATOR HENDERSON has discovered that our Government totters, and traveled a long distance to communicate his discovery to the SHERMAN Club of New York city. In view of such an impending calamity the ex-Senator should keep nearer the centre of the terrestrial ball lest he may possibly slide off.

HON. EUGENE HALE, of Maine, is in South Carolina, and, while he is known to be for Senator BLAINE, he is quite reticent on the question of the Presidency. He freely admits, however, that the colored masses of the South desire GRANT'S nomination. He has no confidence in securing any voting strength in the South under the counting-out process.

THE Freeport (Illinois) *Journal* takes a survey of the situation in that State. It says that all the "machine" work there is being done by the BLAINE and SHERMAN Literary Clubs, and it closes an incisive article on this subject as follows: "Out upon "such pollyfoxing. If BLAINE is the peo-"ple's choice, let's have him; if SHERMAN, "then let's have him, and if GRANT is, for "conscience sake let's have GRANT, but "withal let's try to be honest and decent "among ourselves."

SENATOR LOGAN has gone to Illinois to look over the field preparatory to doing a little spring plowing. The BLAINE bureau has been detected in sowing tares in that region, and some little matters need looking after. This is well, but we are inclined to the opinion that the Senator's health has been a little shaken by his overwork, and that it needs some repairs. It is to be hoped that he may return, after a brief respite, greatly improved in health and strength, and fully satisfied with the results of his journey.

WOULD there be anything indelicate on the part of the *Star* if it should make public the name of that army officer who is so ready to allege that the ultra-Republican newspapers seem to be conducting the WHITTAKER investigation? When he is known then the value of his opinion and of his implied contempt for ultra-Republican newspapers may be better understood and appreciated. It is hardly fair to mask this battery and permit it to open fire on the paladium of our liberties without letting it know who it has the honor of being hit by. Draw the mask.

THE demand of the Democrats that they shall be represented among the deputy-marshals "to see fair play" at our elections, after having done more corrupting and perverting of the ballot-box in this Nation in five years than was before known during the remaining portion of the century all put together, is very much like banding felons around a court-room to demand places on the juries that are to try their kindred offenders in crime. If these men had as much public virtue as they have cheek, they would shame the memories of all the patriots of the Revolution by their display of honesty and patriotism.

JUDGE FIELD is a wise man no doubt—in his own conceit—and that he has ambitions is apparent in his Presidential boom that flickers in the Democratic party, but as a statesman he is rather frugal in his understanding of National policies. In a recent interview he expressed the opinion that the Chinese in this country should be given only the same rights that are accorded to Americans in China. The inquiry under this sage view of the case is very pertinent—has any effort been made by the Chinese government to expel Americans, or tear down the buildings in which they live and do business?

DELEGATE DOWNEY, of Wyoming Territory, is being ridiculed by the press throughout the country for his resolution making an appropriation of $500,000 for the purpose of decorating the walls of the Capitol with pictures painted there by the best artists, commemorative of "the birth, life and death "of our Saviour JESUS CHRIST, as told in the "four gospels of MATTHEW, MARK, LUKE "and JOHN." Now, Mr. DOWNEY may possess no artistic taste whatever, but we think his idea will be appreciated as much throughout the country as BRUMIDI'S "Can-"terbury Girls," as the late Senator MCDOUGALL termed the painting which now graces the vaulted dome of that same Capitol. DOWNEY'S resolution is far more practical than VOORHEES' exodus investigation, and the work would be more permanent.

IT is intimated that General STEWART L. WOODFORD, United States District Attorney for the Southern District of New York, proposes to investigate the WHITTAKER outrage, and if the facts developed warrant such a course, to prosecute the authors of this crime under the United States laws. The act of Congress bearing on this subject prescribes a penalty of imprisonment at hard labor for not more than seven years and a fine not exceeding $1,000 for the malicious cutting or disfiguring of the limb or member of any person within any of the places wherein the United States have exclusive jurisdiction. We infer that there may be some mistake in this report, from the fact that the Hon. MARTIN I. TOWNSEND has been directed by the Secretary of War to take part in the investigation at West Point. On entering his appearance Mr. TOWNSEND was snubbed by Recorder SEARS, but no blood was shed.

GENERAL GRANT'S DEFENSE.

The New York *Tribune* the other day warned the Republican party that "the "nomination of General GRANT would put "the Republicans on the defensive." It had evidently forgotton, or fancied that the people had, that at the very close of General GRANT'S administration on the 3d of March, 1877, it set up for him against the world and all its prejudices the most perfect defense. Its editorial leader of that date says:

At his first election "he swept the country at large, by large majorities, and won the electoral votes of all the States except seven. He made his second campaign when the Republican party was torn by domestic dissensions; his name was still so potent a spell that the majority of four years ago was more than doubled. General GRANT saved the Union in battle, and gave hope and strength to the Nation in the darkest hour of its history. Even his errors were, after all, evil tendencies more frequently than positive wrongs.

Now, our memories rest rather upon the substantial achievements of the past eight years; the careful management of the finances, the reduction of the debt and taxes, the slow yet steady improvement in the condition of the South, and chiefest of all the magnificent success of a foreign policy which will hereafter be the admiration of the world. His policy in government has been as open and direct as his strategy in the wilderness.

He has never basely schemed to accomplish a political aim, or to get an adversary out of the way, or to reward a friend, or to punish an enemy. His very contempt for the prudent counsels of politicians has sometimes carried him safe through dangerous undertakings. He assumed the government when reconstruction was a crude experiment, and the great danger to be dreaded was not the invasion of the white man's rights, but the theft of the black man's liberty. It was certainly a merciful Providence for the freedman that he found at this critical time a President disposed to take a liberal view of the power and the duty of the Executive in extending over him the protecting shield of the Union. Time may perhaps show that it was best for the whole Nation, likewise, that the strong hand of central authority should put down the murderous spirit before it became unmanageable. His errors will quickly fade from recollection, and the essential integrity and truthfulness of General GRANT'S character will be fully recognized.

It will be borne in mind that the above was written and published after the ex-President had made his full record of eight years' administration. He was on the point of surrendering the reins of power into the hands of his successor after completing the history of his two terms. His last act had been performed, except to step down and out. All his policies and measures and the events that had chequered a period of eight years of the Nation's history under his Presidential guidance had been developed and recorded. They were fresh in the public mind, and under the inspirations of the hour and of truth the New York *Tribune*, in a moment of honesty and candor, reminded the country of "the careful management of the finances, the reduction of "the debt and taxes, the slow, yet steady, "improvement in the condition of the "South, and, chiefest of all, the magnificent "success of a foreign policy which will "hereafter be the admiration of the world. "His policy in government has been as "open and direct as his strategy in the "Wilderness. *He has never basely schemed "to accomplish a political aim, or to get an "adversary out of the way, or to reward a "friend, or to punish an enemy.*"

These utterances and unstinted indorsements of General GRANT'S administration of public affairs were at the end thereof. Immediately thereafter he retired from public trust, and within a few months subsequently left the country for Europe, where he has spent all the time down to within a few months, enjoying the generous homage of nearly all the civilized nations of the Old World. He has no public record that is not covered by the *Tribune's* fullest commendation, leaving nothing for it to criticise, much less defend. In the face of its own record, it is difficult to divine the motive of its present course toward General GRANT. It is not honest or manly, but partakes of that spirit of cussedness which is malignant, and hence cannot be just or even generous. The defense of General GRANT'S record as set up by the *Tribune* at the close of his public career is a bomb-proof as against any assault that it or any of its copareeners in hate can now bring against him as a candidate for reelection. It certainly must abolish the defenses it erected for his protection from assault in 1877 before it can expect others to follow it in its present policy of petty hate and spite. The wisest thing, however, for it to do is to be as honest, fair and candid now as it was on the 3d of March, 1877, and thus secure to itself a higher measure of respect than will follow its present course.

THE SHERMAN-MEDILL CONTROVERSY.

We have before us, with generous permission to publish at our own expense, a letter that would fill some two columns, more or less, of our space, addressed to Hon. JOSEPH MEDILL and signed WARNER M. BATEMAN. The origin of this letter appears to be a quarrel between the aforesaid MEDILL and Secretary SHERMAN, on account of an interview that occurred between them some years ago, and over which there is some disagreement as to matters of fact of no sort of importance to the public. Out of this assumed interview there has since grown a spat, in which the lie, diplomatically spoken, has passed freely between the belligerents. Now Mr. BATEMAN steps in as arbiter of the affair, or rather, we should say, perhaps, to sustain the veracity of Secretary SHERMAN and impeach that of Mr. MEDILL, and he has relieved his mind of a ponderous letter, which the press is asked to print and the public to read and believe. We have taken time to read the letter of Mr. BATEMAN, and find that he badgers Mr. MEDILL lustily on account of his marvelous inconsistencies in journalism, and quotes largely from the sayings of the Chicago *Tribune* on the question of resumption, which seems to convict that paper of having been hostile to resumption; but how far that goes to establish an interview, a difference and a question of veracity between Mr. MEDILL and Secretary SHERMAN, is not so apparent as the attitude of the *Tribune*. It will not take a two-column letter from Mr. BATEMAN or any one else to satisfy us that Secretary SHERMAN is far more to be believed in a plain statement of fact than his antagonist in this scrimmage, but it will take five times that amount of reading matter to convince us that Secretary SHERMAN has not made a great mistake in allowing himself to be drawn into this controversy, which, if it accomplishes anything, it will be, perhaps, to impart a fictitious consequence and dignity to his antagonist, without securing any compensation to himself. However, Secretary SHERMAN knows enough to paddle his own canoe without any advice from us; but as we have been invited to take a hand in the fight, we feel at liberty to pronounce our views of the case as it is presented to us. We would much prefer to insert a Treasury Department advertisement in THE NATIONAL REPUBLICAN that would fill the space this letter would occupy, than to give it insertion, at our own expense, for in the other case there would be some hope of reward, while in this we discover nothing to requite us and our printers, except, perhaps, the consciousness of having done a clever, neighborly act, which the workers whose labors make THE NATIONAL REPUBLICAN might not regard as legal tender for their services. We are willing to believe that Secretary SHERMAN is a more truthful man than Mr. MEDILL, and to ask our numerous readers to believe the same thing, but we most respectfully ask to be excused from spreading this matter at full length—extracts from the Chicago *Tribune* and all—under the present crowded state of our columns, and what we regard to be a public thirst for reading matter of greater public interest.

LIKE Vesuvius, Congressman DE LA MATYR has had another eruption. Here is a specimen of the lava he cast a few days since into the columns of the *Congressional Record*:

All the fury of the maddened priests and their lackey army of pampered editors and orators cannot prevent it. This thinking by the people is the hand of fire writing the sentence of relentless doom on the alabaster walls of the gorgeous temple of Mammon, where revelers are worshiping idols of bonds, of gold and silver, and are drunken with the blood of the toiling masses, pressed by usury from their veins.

It needs an interpreter to render it into anything intelligible.

SPARKS FROM THE POLITICAL ANVIL.

According to the Chicago *Times* Schurz was the original "anything-to-beat-Grant" man.

Upon what a slender thread hangs everlasting things! Listen to the following from the Chicago times *Times:*

The Buffalo *Courier* is apprehensive that "if the Democratic members of Congress keep calling each other liars people will believe them."

Dan Voorhees is getting awful sick of his investigating committee, and if he don't stop it soon the Democracy will be sicker than Dan is.

Nashville sends twenty-eight delegates to the Tennessee Republican convention instructed to vote for the boom, with all that the name implies.

Ex-Senator Ferry, of Michigan, looms up as a Republican Vice-Presidential candidate. He has established ability as a presiding officer.—*Harrisburg Telegraph.*

The Charleston (S. C.) *News* cannot support General Grant for President because he "has never shown any sympathy with the spirit of Republican institutions."

PERSONAL.

HON. JOHN W. FOSTER, of Indiana, is at the Ebbitt House.

GENERAL B. F. TRACY, of Brooklyn, is quartered at Willard's.

HON. DANIEL L. WELLS and wife, of Wisconsin, are at Willard's.

HON. J. S. BLOCK, of Pennsylvania, is booked at the Ebbitt House.

HON. STEWART L. WOODFORD, of Brooklyn, has rooms at Willard's.

GOVERNOR J. C. BROWN, of Tennessee, arrived at Willard's yesterday.

MR. AND MRS. W. T. BROWN, of New York, are guests at Willard's.

DANIEL BILLINGS, president of the N. P. R. R., is registered at Willard's.

DR. A. R. LEDAUX, of Chapel Hill, N. C., is stopping at the Riggs House.

P. C. CALHOUN and wife, of New York, were among the arrivals at Willard's yesterday.

MAJOR-GENERAL HANCOCK will be in the city in a few days, and will leave for Fortress Monroe on the 25th inst., per steamer Lady of the Lake, on a tour of inspection.

PROFESSOR J. P. SAMPSON, well known in this District, but who has been spending the past two years in Virginia and North Carolina, is in the city, and is stopping with Mr. Henry Patterson, No. 1322 Fifteenth street northwest.

MR. J. M. ARMSTRONG, formerly chief clerk of the General Land Office, but recently confirmed as land register at Colfax, W. T., will leave Washington for his new sphere next Monday. The best wishes of a large circle of friends will accompany Mr. Armstrong to his distant home.

GEORGE BUZZ, of Philadelphia; C. C. Walker and daughter, Philadelphia; Mrs. James Kempton, Philadelphia; Charles E. Hill, Shanghae; C. O. Barrett, Boston; J. Griffith and daughter, Cleveland, Ohio; J. H. Rowland, Port Deposit, Miss J. Hammond, Georgia; R. D. Townsend, New York, and C. S. Blackwell, Norfolk, Va., registered at the Metropolitan yesterday.

W. K. CLAIR, of Elizabeth, N. J.; W. H. Read, wife and child, Boston; Mr. Thompson and wife, Massachusetts; Mr. Angell and wife, Massachusetts; Henry B. Brown, New York; D. W. Norris, Elgin, Ill.; R. H. Sylvester, St. Louis, Mo.; H. F. Hostetter, Lancaster, Pa.; Alice Reist, Lancaster, Pa.; Amelia Hess, Lancaster, Pa.; Limmi Hostetter, De Graff, Ohio, and D. Gilmore, Manchester, N. H., registered at the St. James yesterday.

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