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CLEVELAND AND VOORHEES is the latest and perhaps the strongest Democratic ticket yet suggested for '88.

THE simple fact that gold is pouring into this country from Europe destroys the staple argument of the monometalists.

SENATOR HARRIS would strip Alf. Taylor like an earth-worm between his fingers.—*Nashville Union.*

Of course, when the old gentleman gets his bait ready for fishing he'll use the other Taylor—the bald-headed one—for a Bobb.

THE Mugwumps glory in Mr. Cleveland for what he says. Many Democrats like him for what he does. The Democratic and Republican papers, with few exceptions, point to the wide desparity between words and acts.

THE story about Americans traveling under the British flag in Mexico in order to secure protection from violence is, probably, not wholly true.—*Savannah News.*

No, nor even partly true. It is a silly but mean lie, manufactured and put forth to "fire the American heart."

FOUR engines are being built at the Baldwin works, Philadelphia, which are to be run by soda.—*Exchange.*

One can get soda, even in a drug store, strong enough to run a locomotive if the right kind of wink is tipped to the man or boy at the fountain. It all depends on the motion of the eyelid.

ISN'T it about time for Ohio to change her position just a little, so that the eye of the country may rest, for a time, on some other portion of her anatomy than that ample space which has been so long exposed to the national gaze? We feel that, in this utterance, we voice the universal sentiment.

ANENT the Rev. Edward Everett Hale's assertion that George Washington was a bad speller, and bought lottery tickets, and cheated in horse trades, and drank spirituous beverages very freely, the St. Louis *Globe-Democrat* mildly remarks that "the father of his country had some faults, it is well understood, but this attempt to make it appear that he would have belonged to the Democratic party if it had existed in his day must be resented as a gross calumny."

NEAL DOW is breathing out threatenings and slaughters again, and is going to "smash the Republican party" this time without fail. It's a fearful situation for the Republican party, to be sure, a perilous time beyond a doubt. Still there is a gleam of hope in the remembrance that the confederacy wasn't damaged in the slightest degree by Gen. Neal Dow, who, a quarter of a century ago, put on his war paint, gold lace, and feather and went forth to achieve her destruction.

GOV. LEE, of Virginia, showed himself the thorough partisan or Bourbon in the appointments he lately made of the delegates to the Farmers' National Convention to meet this week at Milwaukee. Of all the farmers in the state he could find none but Bourbon aristocrats to send in the convention, notwithstanding the fact that many of the best and most progressive farmers in the state are Republicans. One of his appointees was not a farmer at all, but a lawyer with little or no practice in the city of Richmond.

"THE appearance of Jeff Davis in a Mississippi Democratic convention as an apologist for President Cleveland, on the ground of his inexperience in national politics," remarks the St. Louis *Globe-Democrat*, "is one of those pleasant episodes which serve to remind us from time to time that the memories of the war have been buried, and that this is an era of abounding sectional forgiveness and harmony." Other distinguished foreigners besides the antique J. D. have been equally kind to the President, equally indulgent toward "reform."

ALL bridges and highways connecting Washington with its bordering states of Virginia and Maryland should now be in excellent order, and kept so. It is a requirement of national importance. The grandeur of the country's capital renders it imperative. As well may the veins that conduct life to and from the heart be obstructed as any impediments be allowed to communication with the heart of the land, our beautiful metropolis. Many eminent citizens, also, including the Chief, are at present, or soon will be, dwelling in its vicinity. In the voting regions, likewise, are some of our pretty and prosperous children, the pleasant families of villages, springing up all round us.

IF the declaration in the Democratic platform of Tennessee demanding that all surplus revenue be appropriated to the payment of the public debt does not affect the question of national aid to public schools, why is it, that in arguing in favor of the Blair educational bill, its advocates have always opposed the appropriation of the money in extinguishment of the national debt?—*Nashville American.*

Suppose we answer that conundrum with another: If a state whose repudiated bonds constitute a part of the assets of the Peabody educational trust fund receives aid annually from that fund, and makes no sign of any intention to repudiate her repudiation, what must the world think and what will history record of the character of that state? We pause for a reply.

THE Indianapolis *Journal* is responsible for the statement that "Sam Randall is not worth over $15,000," and errs as usual. Mr. Randall is worth at least $150,000,000 to the protectionists of Pennsylvania alone, to say nothing of his value to the Republican and Democratic parties, respectively.—*Charleston News and Courier.*

Mr. Randall is of no value at all to the protectionists of Pennsylvania nor to the Republican party, for the simple but sufficient reason that, by his tortuous course, he prevents the Democratic party from making a square issue on the tariff question and getting threshed out of its boots. His value to the Democracy is almost incalculable. Democratic statesmen of great prominence have repeatedly credited him with having saved his party from overwhelming defeat in 1884.

Recent Lynching Matinees.

The Terre Haute *Express*, referring to the disgraceful fact that the state of Indiana was the scene of two hangings by mobs last week, says:

Our state is making a blacker record than Texas or any other far western state. Within the past year almost a dozen criminals have suffered death from the hands of the mob. This proves one of two things—that the laws are not strictly enforced or the people of the localities where these outrages occur have not reached a state of high civilization. The latter will not be readily accepted as the cause. Indiana has boasted long of her free schools and the enlightenment of her people. Thoughtful people will attribute it to failure to enforce the laws. In numerous instances great criminals have escaped punishment or escaped with light sentences. The courts are slow. The trials of great criminals are delayed until public interest has almost died out or the principal witnesses have been spirited away.

"Failure to enforce the law" is, no doubt, the chief cause of these mob murders in Indiana. It is next to impossible to convict a man of any felonious crime in any of the state courts if the accused or his friends can raise $5,000. This is an ugly fact, but a fact it is nevertheless. It does not excuse lynching, but it is the chief cause why mob murders are so common.

Of the horribly cruel murder by mob that disgraced Macon, Georgia, the other day, the Augusta *Chronicle* says:

The true character of the woman about whom Tim Moore was lynched last week in Macon is brought out fully in the article we print this morning from the Millen *Beacon*. In that neigborhood her history is well known, and among those people was first felt that revulsion over the lynching which has since taken possession of every law abiding community in the state. It is a terrible reflection that human life should have been sacrificed for such a wanton. All this under the hot pressure of mob rule, whose impulse was in the name of virtue, but whose execution turns out to be a cruel travesty. That such a hanging should have happened in Georgia is terrible to think of. This should be a lesson to vigilance movements everywhere. All these facts about the woman would have come out in the courts, but before the charge of the mob nothing could be established. The publication of the article to-day closes a most unseemly record.

"Jim Moore" was an ex-police officer who had been locked up in jail on the charge of outraging a young girl named Lillie, a stranger in Macon. The Millen *Beacon* says:

Moore denied the outrage, but admitted taking a drive with the girl, who accosted him at the depot after the manner of a prostitute, which he said he could prove her to be. Moore's stigma against the girl's character had color lent it by a telegram from Savannah to the Macon police, stating that the girl's reputation was highly questionable. As will be seen later on other telegrams were received by the Macon authorities to the same end. But to no avail. Moore was dragged through the streets by a rope fastened to his neck, and hanged to a tree in front of the house where the alleged outrage took place. There was much excitement in Millen on receipt of the news that Moore would be lynched, for the Little girl is not unknown here. Dr. M. D. Lanier immediately wired the mayor of Macon as follows: "For humanity's sake protect Moore until you hear from me by mail." It was Dr. Lanier's desire to make public such of the following facts as were known at that time.

The *Beacon* then proceeds to give the history of the girl's life, proving her to be one of the vilest of the vile—a desperate and reckless creature, expert in putting up jobs and ready to swear to anything that promise to yield a profit.

And yet, upon the unsupported word of this creature, a citizen of Macon was murdered by a mob, meeting a death more horrible than would have been accorded to a mad dog.

"Is our civilization a failure?"

Jefferson Davis.

An aged party, named J. Davis, who says that he is not a citizen of the United States, is taking part in the political campaign in Mississippi. It would seem proper for this alien to apply for naturalization papers.—*National Republican.*

This "alien," at the head of his gallant Mississippians, turned defeat into victory and saved the nation's honor at Buena Vista. He bears on his aged person honorable wounds received in that war in defense of his country's cause, and yet there are Republican editors, who never "smelt powder" in support of any principle, who begrudge him the air he breathes. The "aged alien" lives in the heart of his countrymen nevertheless.—*Richmond Whig.*

Who are his countrymen? He said in a political convention the other day that he was not a citizen of the United States, but was a Mississippian. It was to this remark that our criticism was addressed, and pertinently we think. Jefferson Davis might long ago have been clothed with all the political rights that any citizen enjoys, but he has scorned to degrade himself by asking any favor at the hands of the government which he vainly tried to destroy! "His country's cause" in which he bravely fought at Buena Vista was a bad cause—the cause of human slavery, the same unholy cause for which he and a few others like him led the south into the awful mistake of secession. Still, we honor bravery on the field of battle, even in an unjust war, and would not detract in the slightest degree from the respect due to our gallant soldiers who carried our flag into Mexico in '47. As to the *Whig's* remark about the "editors who never smelt powder," &c., it does not happen to be applicable in this case. Nor do we "begrudge him the air he breathes," but we do really think the old man is off his base when he goes into politics proclaiming that he is not a citizen of the United States. He should either become a citizen or keep out of American politics.

Local Self-Government.

There is every reason why the federal government should enact a uniform law governing marriage and divorce, mandatory in all or the states. To this end the constitution would need to be amended, specifically taking this matter from the individual states.—*Washington Post.*

There is, in our opinion, not one chance in a hundred that such an amendment could be carried if all its friends were to urge it with their utmost zeal for a century.

Now that the question of secession has been settled by the court of last resort—the decision having been "handed down" at Appomattox some twenty odd years ago—the doctrine of state rights, of local self-government, is gaining strength in all the northern and western states. There are very few, if any, states in the Union that would surrender to the central authority any portion of the power reserved to the states and the people thereof.

It is obvious that uniformity of laws in relation to the great social institution of marriage and the annulment of the marital relation is eminently desirable. What we now have in this regard is confusion worse confounded. Marriages that are lawful in one state are not recognized in the state adjoining. Respectable heads of well-regulated families in one state may become liable to criminal prosecution if they move across the line into the next state. There are children who are legitimate in Connecticut and are illegitimate if carried into New York. Divorces, in some cases, granted in Connecticut are null in New York. We are not referring to these matters as general rules, but as exceptional cases, resulting from peculiar differences in the laws of the states named. Although of rare occurrence, they are the source of cruel wrong and outrageous injustice.

Instead of hoping for an amendment to the federal constitution, the better plan would be to work for such changes in state laws as will secure practical uniformity in the treatment of marriage and divorce. It is believed that the legislatures of all the states could be induced to send delegates to a national convention for the consideration of this subject, and that, after careful deliberation, all the states might be brought to the adoption of laws practically uniform in this respect. Such a movement would have the good effect of creating a sentiment of closer union among all the members of our great family of states. The next step would be uniformity of laws in relation to the disposal of decedents' estates; the next, uniformity of laws for the collection of debts.

In this way a great reform could be effected without exciting any jealousy of the central authority. It would be local self-government.

THE record of Daniel Magone, the President's latest selection for collector of the port of New York, proves to the satisfaction of the Democratic as well as the Republican press that he was shrewdly chosen to circumvent Hill and push the Cleveland boom in the Empire State. Only a few silly, simpering Mugwump sheets profess to have a doubt on this score. One of these, the New York *Evening Post*, having said that "the change which has just been made in the New York custom house furnishes convincing evidence of the President's fidelity to reform," the Elmira *Advertiser* is moved to remark that—

The editor of the *Post* cannot be ignorant of the reform (?) character of Daniel Magone! He cannot be ignorant of the fact that for years and years Mr. Magone has been the Democratic boss of the northern section of this state; that he was one of Mr. Tilden's most trusted lieutenants; that he fixed things and ran caucuses and packed conventions and worked the elections in the most approved Democratic manner, and that there is no more skillful manipulator of politics and politicians in the state than he, unless it be the man whom he was appointed to antagonize—David B. Hill. The editor of the *Post* cannot be ignorant of the fact that there is no more civil service reform in Daniel Magone's composition than there is truth in the public utterances of a circus sideshow orator. Why, then, does it injure its reputation for sanity and insult its intelligent readers by such unnecessary swallowing of Grover Cleveland's partisanship?

It is noteworthy that whenever "reform" is to be pushed lustily we see an expert machine politician assigned to the work. Behold the ancient but agile Edgerton reforming things! He is a hunker of the hunkers. Look upon and admire the reform work of "Bishop" Oberly! But neither of these has a reform record equal to that of Magone.

Edison's Latest Conception.

As soon as I can find time to go to Florida I am going to make some experiments with earth currents. I cannot do it here, because there is too much mineral in the soil. It is well known that if an earth current crosses a wire at right angles, there is but little, if any, appreciable effect made upon it. The greatest power is felt where the wire and currents run in parallel directions. In Boston I have run a wire six hours with the aurora borealis without a battery. If I had had a rod at that time running from New York to Boston I would have had electrical power enough upon it to run all the machinery in Boston. Well, a knowledge of the earth's currents may revolutionize telegraphy. It may revolutionize the meteorological bureau system and make it possible to forecast the weather exactly. Telegraphic wires, sooner or later, will be a thing of the past, I believe. They are expensive and cumbersome, and why use them if you can make an instrument that will be sensitive to the natural earth currents.—*From a Recent Interview with the Inventor.*

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WILL IT BE BARBOUR?

Rumors That in the Event of Another Deadlock Barbour Will be Renominated.

From talks with several local Democratic leaders in the eighth Virginia district a reporter of the NATIONAL REPUBLICAN gleaned the fact that it is quite possible a contingency may arise next week in which the renomination of John S. Barbour may occur. However the supporters of the rival aspirants for the nomination may differ as to the merits of their favorites, they all seem agreed on this—that they will not go through another protracted deadlock. When the convention reassembles next Wednesday they will vote for their old favorites, and if it becomes evident after the second or third ballot that there can be no combination on any of them, and if Lee does not withdraw, it is quite possible that there will be a general stampede to John S. Barbour. True, he has declined in a public letter, but many of the delegates think that he can be induced to reconsider his determination to retire, especially since his acceptance of the nomination seems the only thing that can restore harmony. It is said that some of the leaders are in cable communication with Mr. Barbour, and that they have received assurances from him that in case his acceptance is really necessary, and he is nominated by acclamation, he may reconsider his determination. The general opinion, however, of the delegates with whom the reporter talked is that a call on Barbour will not be needed, as one of the candidates now in the field can get a two-thirds majority early in the balloting. There is no doubt that with Gen. Lee retired two or three ballots would be enough to decide whether Hume, Meredith, or Foster should be the candidate, and it is in the expectation of the general's withdrawal that the hope of an early selection is based. The report printed a few days ago that Gen. Custis Lee's visit to his brother at Ravenswood had for its purpose the inducement of the latter to withdraw from the contest is now very generally believed throughout the district. It is thought, too, that Custis's mission was successful, although, of course, Gen. Runy would not announce his determination to retire anyhow until the reassembling of the convention and the casting of one or two ballots. It is apparent that the Lee men have lost heart. Before and immediately after the convention they boasted in a ridiculous way of "fighting it out if it took all summer." Now, however, they are as weak as lambs. Their expressions have gone down the gamut from "we are sure" to "we think" to "we hope," and will no doubt end with "we regret." One cause of their discouragement is the growing dissatisfaction with Lee in their own ranks. The general recently offended some of his most earnest lieutenants by declaring to a friend that he would have received the nomination without any trouble had it not been for the ridiculous speeches made by his supporters. There is a great deal of truth in this charge of the general's, for many conservative delegates were thoroughly disgusted with all the gabble about the Lee family and the eternal debt of gratitude Virginia owed it. The truth is not palatable, however, to R. Taylor, Scott, Mr. Love, and Mr. Shacklett, who did most of the spouting, so these gentlemen are highly displeased at the general's remarks. If Mr. Runy does not withdraw in time it is likely that they will make their displeasure felt in the convention, too.

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