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A MATTER THAT WILL "KEEP." Allusion has already been made in these columns, to the very able article from the pen of Mr. M. Halstead, of the Cincinnati Commercial Gazette, which has just appeared in the Forum, under the striking heading—"The Nullifiers of the Constitution." In Mr. Halstead takes the ground that the present manner of conducting elections in the south is simply a nullification of the constitution, and that the president and house of representatives are the result of such nullification, giving plain and abundant reasons to sustain his position. Of these figures, Mr. Halstead says: There is a broad story told by the statistics. It is that our colored fellow-citizens of the south have been dealt with fairly; that the constitution of the United States, with respect to them, has been nullified; that the democratic party has the usufruct of the nullification, and that the presidency and the house of representatives, as held, are the visible testimony of the handwork of the nullifiers. The democratic majority in the house is exclusively composed of the members added to southern representation by the enumeration based upon the enfranchisement of the emancipation slaves, and we need go no further than to examine the election returns, to point out the districts in which the crimes rewarded with high places in the government were committed. What is the remedy? Read the constitution. The 14th amendment is perfectly clear in defining the peaceable recourse of the people who have been wronged. It is foreign to the purpose of this article to discuss the processes by which the great constitutional nullification, involving almost a national revolution, that is manifest, has been wrought, but one must not omit the improvement of the occasion so far as to say, that the question of re-election of the government to nullifiers is that upon which we, the people of the United States who ordained and established the constitution, shall enter judgment in the election of 1888.

In Mr. Halstead has struck one keynote for 1888, and this is a matter that can be kept constantly before the people from this time forward and one which at the same time will "keep" through the entire campaign of 1888. Fortunately for the cause of an honest and free ballot the items of Mr. Halstead's arraignment are not left to stand or fall upon his assertions, or the facts and figures he has presented, for the defense has volunteered its own evidence to the truth of the charges. Two classes of democrats in Louisiana have been fighting each other and when rogues or demagogues are apt to get the truth from one or the other of the contending parties. Governor McEnery (democrat) was a candidate for re-election and General F. M. T. Nichols (ex-confederate and democrat, a matter of course) has been making an effort to supplant and beat him. Not long since Governor McEnery made a speech in public, in which the New Orleans Picayune, which has always been one of the leading papers in the south, declares that the governor took the position that the maintenance of the supremacy of the white race in Louisiana is impossible unless the colored citizens of the state are denied the enjoyment of the civil rights guaranteed to them by the constitution of the United States and the constitution of the state. The Picayune adds that both the governor and Senator Kustis assumed this position boldly and the editor concludes that they both "intend to stand by it steadfastly," and he then denounces these distinguished southern gentlemen as follows: Probably never before in all the history of the party did two democrats of like prominence ever betray an equal degree of mingled stupidity and desperation. This is no disguising the stark nakedness of the governor's statements. He went into particulars and precisely how the thing was done. And that is not all. The country is free to understand that what has been done must be done again; that we cannot possibly permit the colored citizens of this state to enjoy their political rights. The argument was distinctly and explicitly made against General Nichols's candidacy that he could not be relied upon to secure the supremacy of the white race by suppressing the suffrage of the colored people; in other words, they contended that General Nichols would not be a safe governor because he is not a nullifier.

Now who shall dispute what Mr. Halstead has said? And with the shooting down of colored Knights of Labor in Louisiana, because they demanded increased pay, we would be glad to know who is putting the gun on the tripod? Here is good ammunition for use next year, and it will be stored up and kept dry.

Referring to our statement that we must "tell the truth" about the population of Toledo, Ohio, we would like to see the "truth" in a position that it should come down promptly and handsomely. It would be a pretty tough nut to crack, however, to get forced into such a position as to their own circulation, "for instance." If that has reference to the circulation of the Dispatch, "the truth" can be found in the "standing matter" at the head of the editorial column of this paper—Columbus Dispatch.

We were not thinking of the Dispatch when we wrote the foregoing. It is certainly not one of the "some papers" on whom the telling of the truth would be "tough." It has had an actual average daily circulation of 8,493 for the last nine months, and it has had it because it deserves it. There will be several planks in the republican platform of 1888, namely: I. Protection to American Industries of the kind that will protect. II. An absolutely free ballot and a free count—everywhere—in New York, Baltimore, Cincinnati, New Orleans, Atlanta and Charleston. III. The absolute and utter suppression and extinction of polygamy. IV. The establishment of an effective and helpful labor bureau, whose members shall gather statistics and devise means for promoting the welfare of the workmen and workingwomen of America. V. Civil service reform—true, simple, honest and complete.

At Chicago, on the 19th of June, the republicans of the country will begin the work of naming the winners for 1888.

Young Prince William, the grandson of the emperor, and son of the crown prince, and who may, quite possibly, be emperor himself, in a few years, the terrible public explosion, in a speech of much ability, of his fullest sympathy with the cause of missions and with the general purposes of the Lutheran church. Our Springfield Lutheran should cable Prof. Stuckenborg to go to the young gentleman's residence and pat him, vigorously, on the back. He is evidently a solid youth and a worthy grandson of Queen Victoria.

George W. Harper, of Cedarville, Greene county, late democratic candidate for the office of state treasurer, denies the charges made against him of improper intimacy with a Miss Hart, who has brought a ten-thousand-dollar suit against him.

SOME STRANGE SUPERSTITIONS. The Belief in Witchcraft in Southern Indiana Sixty Years Ago. About sixty years ago many of the people residing in the neighborhood of East Rutherford, were possessed of a delusion that witches were a reality, and that a number of their neighbors were full fledged witches, possessed of remarkable powers, even to the subduing and bridling a man and with sharp spurring riding him all over the worst roads a distorted mind could imagine. The next morning the poor man would be so tired and sore that he could hardly move. At other times the housewife would churn half a day and would not get a particle of butter. The only remedy was to take an old horsehoe that had been worn on the left foot of a bald face horse and heat it pretty certain to cure the terrible disease.

One who tried the experiment said: "When I dropped the red hot shoe into the churning I heard something run off the roof of the house, and I smelled hair just as sure as you are born, and in five minutes I had a churn nearly full of butter." The next day I saw the woman that I believed had bewitched the butter, and her hair was crissed on one side in the very shape of a horsehoe." If the above remedy failed, the next thing to do was to draw a life size picture of the supposed witch and nail it upon a tree and then run a silver bullet out of a silver dollar and shoot the image. The last act was fairly a complete cure. One of the ardent believers in witches, a man in the prime of life, possessed of fair sense in other matters, told in our hearing what a trying ordeal he had passed through a few evenings before. He had been to visit the sick and was returning about 10 o'clock through the fields, often climbing high fences. Finally, as he got up on a high ten rail fence, with one leg thrown over the top rail, he saw standing on the other side one whom he knew to be a "witch." She said "I have a spell on you that riveted you to the spot, and he said he was as turned into salt, wife when she was spiced into salt. When daylight came the witch vanished, and he got over the fence and went home. He says the top rail was a very sharp one, and he didn't get over the fence for a month.

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Mortality of Circus Employees. The morality of a genuine circus troupe compares favorably with that of any equal number of any other profession or trade. Many of them are educated and intelligent; most are loyal to strong families and to such domesticity as is attainable while traveling. For the rest, they are predisposed to behave well. The circus proprietor, for more complete justice, should plant at least twelve trees at some convenient spot, six being fruit trees and six being oak trees. As we find, to our great displeasure, that this order has not been obediently observed, we now further ordain and decree that this shall be done before the marriage, and that until it is done the jolly circus of our lands shall not join any person in wedlock; and to the end that we have a satisfactory assurance that this, our edict, is carried out, we require all pastors to send in a full specification of all marriages celebrated in their parishes. —New York Sun.

Cure for Chills and Fever. A G. A. R. man says that in war times, when the usual remedies for chills and fever were lacking, it was a common practice to give the patient a pill made of the web of the black spider, or occasionally a live spider even, the dose being worked down with a draught of whisky. The remedy is said to have always been efficacious. —New York Evening World.

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THE WAY TO SING. The birds must know. Who wisely sings Will sing as they sing. The common air has generous wings, Songs make their way. No necessity to run before. Devising plan. No mention of the place or hour. To sing the song. No waiting till some sound betrays A listening ear. No different voice, or new delays, If steps draw near. "What bird is that? His song is good." And eager eyes Go peering through the dusky wood In glad surprise. Then late at night, when by his fire The raven sits, Watching the flames grow brighter, higher, The sweet song fits By some low through his weary brain To help him rest. When next he goes that road again, An angry mood Calmness though will make him sigh: "Ah, me! Last spring Just here I heard, in passing by, That rare bird sing."

But while he sings, remembering How sweet the song, The little bird, on fearless wing, Is borne aloft. In other air, and other mood, With weary feet, On other roads, the simple strain Are flooding sweet. The birds must know. Who wisely sings Will sing as they sing. The common air has generous wings, Songs make their way. —Helen Hunt.

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Governor Taylor recently told of a colored clergyman who preached a sermon on the text, "And the multitude came to him, and he healed them." He said: "My dying congregation, this is a terrible text. Disease is in the world, 'world to be flat.' The snailpail stays its hundreds, the cholera its thousands, but in the language of the text, if you take the divers you are gone. These earthly doctors can cure snailpail, cholera and yellow fever if they get there in time, but nobody but the good Lord can cure the divers."

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A party of 900 natives of Norway, Sweden and Denmark, prosperous residents of the northwestern coast of Norway, are today, preparatory to making a pilgrimage to their native countries leaving here tomorrow for New York to take a steamer. The Scandinavians of the west now make annual pilgrimages to the old country during the holiday season. The fact that they are able to do so, being prosperous, and many of them wealthy, is a positive proof of this element of our population. The American Scandinavians have no sympathy with the socialists, anarchists or other foolishness. They are an industrious, saving and law-abiding class of people, and, therefore, generally prosperous, happy and contented. —Chicago Journal.

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