UNAVAILING REGRETS.

"That Boy of Mine" is smashing,
"That Girl of Mine" will play,
"That Life of Mine" is dashing,
"That Wife of Mine" is gay.

"That Man of Mine" grows weary,
"That Wealth of Mine," alas!
"That Home of Mine" is weary,
That Love of Mine" doth pass.

"That Heart of Mine" is railing,
"That Grief of Mine" doth pain,
"That Joy of Mine" is failing,
"That Hope of Mine" is gain!

NASBY.

MR. NASBY HEARS OF THE CONKLING STRUGGLE AND TAKES COURAGE.

CONFEDRIT X ROADS,
(Which is in the State of Ky.)
Dec. 17, 1877.

When the yooserper Hayes attemped wat he calls civil service reform, he struck a blow at the Dimocratic party wich, ef he succeeds, will wreck it.

Ef he and his Cabinit is going to take the appintin power out uv the hands uv the Senators and Representatives, and of the absurd noshun that any sich humbug ez fitnis is to be the rool in fillin the offises, why chaos comes agin.

Wat interest wood I hev in politics ef it wuzn't for the postoffis at the corners, wich to me is like faith, the evidence uv things not seen, and the substance uv things hoped for.

Ef a Senator can't fill the Custom-houses uv his State and the Postoffises ez well, with them ez packt the caucuses for him, and run the Convenshuns for him, wat earthly show hez he for gittin re-elected and keepin his grip onto his seet?

Take from the Senators and Representatives the patronage wich they dispense, and half uv em wood be displaced at the next eleckshun, and sich men ez me wood hev to resign all hope uv livin on the fat uv offis-holdin and become tramps, our only alternative bein the disgustin one uv work, wich I never, never will do, while reason holds its throne, or there is a man left that I kin borrow a dollar and a half uv.

Take away the patronage and there is no incentive to patriotism for sich men ez me, and wat wood our poor country do then?

Takin away the patronage makes orfans uv sich men ez I am. The Treasury uv our glorious country is our father and mother, and rich maiden aunt. From it we draw sustenance now, and hev hopes uv better pickin in the futcher.

The glorious fight that Senator Conkling is makin in behalf uv the Nasbys uv the Yoonited States endeers him to every man uv em. I yoost to think him the vilest of the vile. I hev denounst his partisanship, ridicooled his vanity, and otherwise aboosed him, but I take it all back. I luv Senator Conkling, and from this time out my hat, ef I hev one, will allus be ready to be throwd up for him.

Senator Conkling is a standin rebook to them ez jedge hastily uv men. I hatid him becoz he allus appeared afore the public ez a honest man. I wuz mistaken, but I am not to blame for bein deceeved. He wore perpetyoodly sich an expresshun uv sooperior morality, he talked with sich unkshen about purity and sich, that I never sposed that so small a thing ez patronage ever entered his mind. I sposed that he never mixed in the small matters that sich men ez me are interested in, and that the menshun uv a post-offis, or a humble place in a custom house, wood make him sick; and ez for yoosin sich places and the people which fill em for his own purposes—I wood hev ez soon thought uv Sumner's doin it.

In short, I supposed that Conkling wuz a small pattern uv Sumner; a dilootid imitashen uv that Massachoosits fanatic. I figgered that he had all uv Sumner's pride, ef he didn't hev Sumner's ability. He bore the same relashun to Sumner that watered milk does to the genyooine dairy product. It's very thin, but it's milk after all.

Thank heaven I wuz deceeved—Sumner didn't leeve so much ez an imitashen behind him. The favorite son uv Noo York is now my man, even ez Patterson is. He hankers after custom-houses, for custom-houses made him, and he won't relinquish his hold on em.

The fight he made for his plunder fills my soul with admirashen. I cherished hard feelins agin him when he permitted the yooserper to turn out five hundred men from the Noo York Custom-house last spring, for it looked as tho he wuz on too high a plane to look after sich things. But the fite he is makin now justifies him in my eyes. I see it all. He wuz willin to let half uv em go, for appearances sake, provided he wuz allowed to keep control uv wat wuz left. He cood pack cawcusses with the half ez well ez with the whole, for them ez wuz left wood make up in zeel wat they lacked in numbers. And besides it wuz necessary to throw a sop to the onreasonable people wich is clamorin for reform.

But when the yooserper put his profane hand on to the collector and naval offiser, and perposed to put men in their places wich wuzn't devotid to the Senator, his blood riz and he showd fite. And a very vigorous fite he made. He forgot the silver bill, he forgot resumpshen, he forgot everything. Conkling wuz assailed, his persnel property wuz bein wrestid from him, and he tought ez a lionis for her whelps. It wuz a gorgeous spectacle, and the result thrilled with joy every man like me in the country.

The intelligence diffoosed a feelin uv satisfackshen over the entire Corners. Ef the rool wich the yooserper is tryin to establish, obtaines, wat will we do in 1880, wen we elect Tilden and reform? He woodent dare to vary it, and then wat wood become uv me and sich ez me? How cood Tilden and reform decide who shood hev the places from mere considerashun uv fitnis? It's an innovashen wich the Corners wood never stand, never.

The posishen he hez took pleases me, for it's on my level. There are people wich 'spose that a man is put in offis on account uv the people, but they'r mistaken. The troo Nasbyan idee uv holdin offis is that the only biznis uv a offis-holder, wunst in, is to give his whole mind to stayin in. That is his first biznis, and wat he must pay his prinsiple attenshun to. When the people hev elevatid a man it wood be disrespect to them not do everything in his power to stay elevatid. To let hisself ever go out wood be to cast a slur on their judgment. A Senator may at the last end uv a session vote in a hurry on a tariff or a silver bill, or resumpshun, or any uv them minor matters, but they are uv no moment beside the question ez to whether he will be returned hisself. Hence we kin understand why Senator Conklin takes up the beginnin uv the session contestin the removal of his Collectors and sich. Ef they go out, and others get the places, wat kin he do when it comes to nominatin the Legislacher that elects the next Senator? Ef he hasn't the Custom House and the Postoffises some other man may git to be Senator, and wat wood the country do then?

There's a prinsiple involved in this, a prinsiple wich I and Senator Conkling will go to our deaths for.

I extend the hospitality uv the Corners to Senator Conkling. I never expectid to see him with us, but he is all the more welkom for that. Recroots from unexpectid sources are alluz the most welkom. He hez come over to the Dimocratic idee in this, and there is hopes that he may progress further. At all evence, in stoppin the march uv the heresy that the yooserper is tryin to force on the country, he is doin a work wich I will never forgit. I extend my fraternel hand to Senator Conkling and bid him God-speed.

PETROLEUM V. NASBY, Reformer.

STRANGE FATALITY.—Some two or three years since there was a "family reunion" at the residence of Mr. Thomas T. Stone, in this city, at which were presen six sisters, Mrs. Nancy G. Stone, of Maysville; Mrs. Mary J. Inlow, of Mexico, Mo.; Mrs. Martha A. Henry, of Carlisle, Ky.; Mrs. Almira Darnall, of Elizaville, Ky.; Mrs. F. A. Edwards, of Kirksville, Mo., and Mrs. A. B. Furguson, of Mexico, Mo. That was their first meeting for about twenty-five years, and, in the providence of God, it has been decreed as their last. On Sunday, December 9th, two of the circle were called hence—Mrs. Edwards, of Kirksville, Mo., and Mrs. Darnall, of Elizaville, Ky. They were similarly affected, and there was not more than an hour's difference in the time the intelligence of their death reached their relatives here. Another singular fact is that both these ladies were born on the same day of the month, there being three years' difference in their ages. Another sister, Mrs. Henry, is now at the residence of Mr. H. H. Collins, in this city, suffering from a cancer of the face. Another fact in this connection is that Mr. Stone, brother-in-law of these ladies, was taken suddenly and dangerously ill in this city on Thursday morning, and but little hopes are entertained of his recovery.—Maysville (Ky.) Republican.

RIGHTS OF WOMEN.

I believe woman is the equal of man and has all the rights of man, and one more, that of protection. I believe the instituton of marriage to be the holiest and most sacred of institutions among men. Yet it took thousand of years to advance from slavery up to the marriage institution. I hate a man who thinks he is the head of the family. I do. I despise him. I hate one of those dignified galoots. [Roars of laughter.] I never saw a dignified man who was not a dunce. Solemnity is a breastwork which mediocrity throws up to defend itself from the eyes of the world. I hate a man who is an aristocrat in his family, and whose wife is obliged to be a beggar. She says: "I want a dollar," and asks for it as if she was standing on a bombshell, and he replies: "What did you do with the last fifty cents I gave you?" How many are obliged to be continual beggars? How can you raise children in such atmosphere? It's a terrible thing; it's wretched and infamous. I believe in the democracy of a family. Every home should be a little republic in itself. Love is the only thing that will pay ten per cent. to both borrow and lender. Love is the only thing where the last possible extravagance is the height of economy. What right has man to be the head of a family? A man should be cheerful and pleasant on coming into a house. When you enslave anybody you make him dishonest. A hurt with love is a place fit for a king. A little while ago I stood at the tomb of the dead Napoleon, and when I thought of his past life, I thought I would rather have been a French peasant and worn wooden shoes, living in a hut with a little wife I loved, with children upon my knee, and died unnoticed and unknown, and loved by those who knew me, than to have been that King. It is not necessary to be great or rich or powerful to be happy.

IT WASN'T THE TOOTHACHE.

In the ladies' waiting room at the Central Depot the other day were a newly married couple from Grass Lake. They had been visiting in the city two or three days, and were then ready to go home. They sat side by side, of course, his arm around her waist and she leaning on his shoulder. A long waisted stranger from the East, having sore eyes and a big heart, walked in, saw them thus seated, and in about a minute he asked of the husband:

"Has that woman there got the toothache?"

The husband looked up in surprise, but made no answer. After two or three minutes the long waisted man again remarked:

"If that woman has got the toothache I've got a bottle of peppermint in my satchel here."

The bride rolled her big white eyes around, and the husband looked somewhat embarassed. The man from down East unlocked his satchel, tumbled among shirts and collars and brought up four ounces of peppermint essence. He uncorked it, touched the contents against his big red tongue, and, handing it forward toward the husband, feelingly said:

Just let her sop some on a rag and rub her gums with it. We've used it in our family for———."

The bride's eyes threw out sparks as she lifted her head from its loving position, and, striking at the bottle, she snarled out:

"Tuthache, you fule! If you don't know the difference 'tween true love and tuthache you'd better pick grass with the geese!"

"My Lord! gasped the man, and he hurried out with his satchel in one hand and the bottle in the other.

GOVERNOR HAMTON.

There is no no change in Governor Hampton. The promises he made during the canvass he renewed upon his installation, and recalls to the public recollection to-day in his message to the Legislature. In 1866 he exhorted the States to recognize the "political rights" of the blacks, in the same frank manner and as fully as their freedom, and the burden of his aedresses during the arduous autumn and winter of 1876 was Free Men! Free Ballots! Free Schools! Now again, without doubting their good faith and their knowledge of what is best for the State, he tells the members of the General Assembly that we must observe in good faith the pledges made before his election. The financial condition of the State is considered in the message, and Gov. Hampton lays it down as a settled principle that the credit of the State must be "restored, and maintained at its ancient high character, before we can make good our promises of reform."

HANDY HIGHWAYMEN,

A COCKED REVOLVER AND THE STAND AND DELIVER BUSINESS AT THE NATIONAL STOCK YARDS.

A daring robbery was perpetrated in broad daylight yesterday at the National Stock Yards, just above East St. Louis, on the Illinois side of the river. Mr. George Reed, acting as the representative of several St. Louis banks, visits the yards frequently to collect drafts and settle accounts with merchants doing business there. Yesterday Mr. Reed started over on one of his collecting trips. At the East St. Louis Bank he got off the street car and transacted some business. In a few minutes he continued his course. On passing through a gateway in the stock yards one or two men, who were evidently lying in wait for him, snatched his pocket-book from an outside pocket of his coat. He at first thought it was but a joke on the part of some one who knew him, but on his insisting that the pocket-book be returned, he was checked by a revolver in the hands of a desperate looking character, who swore that he would blow his d—d head off if he didn't shut up. Mr. Reed withdrew a few yards, and on turning to take another look at his assailants found they had fled. He followed them some distance in the direction in which he thought they had gone, but he did not get his eyes on them again. The police were notified of the affair.

All the larger animals live five times as long as the time expended by them in reaching maturity:

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Roman Catholics 195,000,000. Protestants, 57,130,000. Mohammedans 400,000,000. Buddhists, 340,000,000. And six Oriental churches, 6,500,000. Other Asiatic religions. 260,000,000. Pagans, 200,000,000. Jews, 6,000,000.

A colored preacher remarked, "When God made the fust man, he set him up agin de fence to dry." "Who made de fence," interrupted an eager listener. "Put dat man out,!" exclaimed the colored preacher, "such questions as dat'd destroy all de theology in de world."

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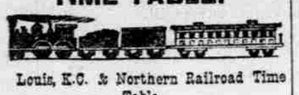
35-4t. G. W. HOLLOWAY, J. P.

TIME TABLE.



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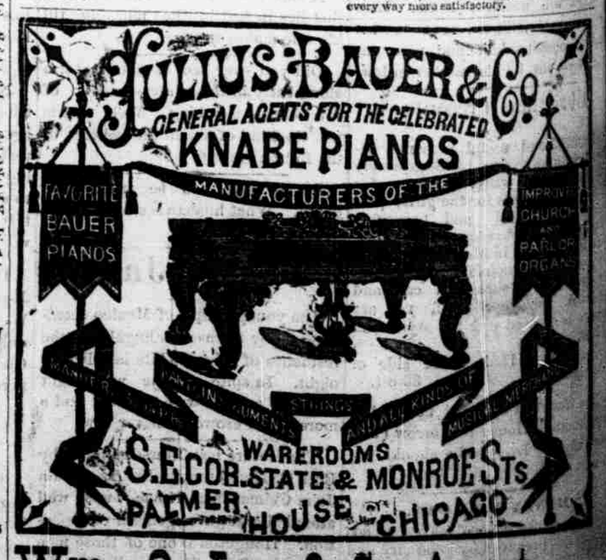

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