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SARAH BERNHART has about completed her book, "My Life as an Actress", and it will soon be ready for the market. We have not yet learned the contents of it, but if she gives a full and minute account of her life, it will certainly be interesting. We hope she will.

Under the laws of Georgia there is no such official as a lieutenant-governor. The Hon. James S. Boynton, President of the State Senate, who is acting Governor, has ordered an election to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Governor Stephens. The time fixed for the election is the 24th of April, and the Legislature will meet on the 9th of May to receive the returns.

The Society for the Suppression of Blasphemous Literature is preparing to take steps to prosecute Herbert Spencer, Professor Huxley and Tynard and the publishers of John Stuart Mills's works. Their writings, it is claimed, have some wide-spread unbelief, and in some cases rank atheism. Prosecutions of this character never promote the cause of religion.

The colloquy between Mr. Merrick and Colonel Ingalls, in the star-route trials several days since, was altogether a most useful and humiliating spectacle. For respectable lawyers of the high standing of the gentlemen alluded to, to call each other "puppy" and "dog," and with little or no excuse or justification for it, is a wanton insult to the court, and a proceeding that should bring a tinge of shame to the cheeks of the actors in that scene. If the courts of justice would sternly perform their duty in such cases, colloquies like the one alluded to would not be so frequent.

IMPORTANT DECISIONS.

Two very important decisions were rendered by the United States Supreme Court on the 5th inst.

The case of John Elliott *et al.* against the Governor, Auditor and Treasurer of Louisiana, was brought to compel the State officers of Louisiana to apply to the payment of the interest and principal of the consolidated bonds of the State of 1874, all money derived from a tax levied to pay such bonds by an Act of 1874, and to continue to levy and collect said tax and make such application of it until such bonds shall be fully discharged. The Supreme Court decided, first, that the constitution of Louisiana took away from the power of the executive officers of that State to levy and apply this tax in accordance with the Act of 1874; second, the officers of the State owe their duties to the State alone, and that they have no contract relations with the bondholders—they can only act as the State directs them to act, and hold as the State allows them to hold. The relief prayed for was therefore denied. The opinion of the court was delivered by Chief Justice Waite.

A decision was also rendered in the case of the States of New Hampshire and New York against the State of Louisiana. The Court held that the States as plaintiffs were nominal parties, and that one State cannot sue another State for the purpose of enforcing the claims of its citizens, even if it has bought those claims. Both cases were argued with great ability and eloquence on both sides, ex-Senator Conkling and David Dudley Field appearing for New York and New Hampshire, and the venerable Judge Campbell for the State of Louisiana. The veteran counsel for the State, defendant, made an argument of such power and learning that it was commented upon at the time as one of the finest that had ever been made at the bar of the Supreme Court.

The decisions above alluded to are of the utmost importance to the whole country, and decide the most difficult and complicated problems of constitutional law. The opinions are based upon the soundest principles of law, and reflect honor upon the national judiciary.

ROWDYISM IN CONGRESS.

It seems that personal encounters, abusive epithets and outrageous insults are becoming more and more frequent every day in the National House of Representatives. On last Thursday, during the consideration of the River and Harbor Bill, Mr. Voorhis, Republican, of New York, moved to strike out the item for the improvement of the Sacramento River. He contended that if the chairman of the committee (referring to Mr. Page, of California,) had not been from California, no such item would have been put in it. "It is so outrageous," he continued, "so damnable, that nobody but a gambler and a cut-throat would think of tacking such a thing as that to such a bill as this."

According to the usual forms and ceremonies, a resolution was offered for his expulsion, followed by the apology of the offending member and the withdrawal of the motion. We are heartily disgusted with reading and chronicling such farces as are being almost daily perpetrated in one or the other House of Congress. That Mr. Voorhis acted unbecomingly a gentleman and a member of the House of

Representatives is certainly a mild expression of his conduct on the occasion referred to. His language was not only insulting to Mr. Page and to the House, but was entirely unprovoked, and he should have been promptly expelled.

To take such steps under the grave circumstances, might seem at first blush rather extreme and severe. But such border ruffianism cannot be checked, and the good order and dignity of the House cannot be secured, until that body is brought to realize the fact that such disgraceful scenes can only be prevented by a change of tactics and by a resort to severe and unflinching punishment, rather than by compromising its dignity and importance by the acceptance of a ceremonious apology from the wilful offender.

If constituencies will not send gentlemen to represent them, Congress should see to it that none but those who act gentlemanly should have seats in the halls of legislation.

EXTRADITION OF SHERIDAN.

England demands of the United States the surrender of P. J. Sheridan, the editor of the *Irish World*. He is suspected of complicity with the murderer of Lord Cavendish and Under-Secretary Burke in Phoenix Park, Dublin. It is not known as yet whether there is any evidence against Mr. Sheridan further than mere suspicion, based upon his known sympathy with Ireland and her cause.

Being a citizen of the United States under the protection of her laws, it is altogether entirely in the discretion of the Government whether or not he will be given over to the custody of the English authorities. It is therefore a question of no little moment what is the duty of the Government under the circumstances of this case. If he has been guilty either as principal or as accessory in the murder of Cavendish and Burke, it is clearly the duty of the Government to surrender him to the English authorities, there to be dealt with according to the laws of the country where the crime was committed. The principle just enunciated is so plain and appeals so eloquently and forcibly to one's sense of justice, that it will scarcely be denied by any one. The Phoenix Park tragedy was so harrowing and heartrending in its details that it shocked the nerves of the civilized world; and particularly, therefore, in this case the Government cannot afford to throw around their murderers the protecting shield of her power and dignity. But before such action on the part of the Government would be warranted, a strong *prima facie* case should be made out against the party charged, and whose rendition is sought at the bar of his country. If the charge against Mr. Sheridan rests solely upon suspicion, and if his sympathy with Ireland has given rise to that suspicion, it is equally the duty of the Government to spurn with contempt and disdain the haughty demand of Great Britain. For, according to our way of thinking, on this side of the Atlantic, it is no crime in Mr. Sheridan to hold to the tenets of the Irish Land League. They may be right or wrong, but England is at least responsible for the necessity of their existence. Ireland has been writhing in agony under the long continued and systematic oppression of England, we might almost say for centuries. It is not surprising, therefore, that the flower and the chivalry of that prostrate country should at last become desperate and rise in their might against the institutions of a country that tyranny has taught them to despise. If the murder of Lord Cavendish and Burke therefore grew out of the political condition of Ireland, and it is only in this way that Mr. Sheridan can be implicated in the crime, England and England alone should shoulder the responsibility, and he should be allowed to remain undisturbed in the editorial sanctum of the *Irish World*.

How TO HANDLE A LIAR.—The only way to deal with a liar is to beat him at his own game. That is, of course, unless he is the editor of a pious newspaper. What started this item was reading about an American who had been in Europe, and who was telling a friend, who knew he was a liar, about his trip across the Atlantic, and how on the 25th of the month, "they" encountered a swarm of locusts, and the locusts carried every stitch of the canvas off the ship. "The listener looked thoughtful for a moment, and then said, hesitatingly: 'Yes, I guess we met the same swarm of locusts the next day, the 26th. Every locust had on a pair of canvas pants.' The first liar went around the corner and kicked himself.—*Peck's Sun.*

OBITUARY.

SHELTON—Died, very suddenly, at Shelton, S. C., February 12, 1883, WILLIE J. SHELTON, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. Shelton, aged eleven years, nine months and sixteen days.

Death alone is sure, And yet each approach He shocks us all the more.

But a few days ago he took from our midst the fairest flower, and left our hearts surprised with grief and despair.

Young as he was, he had gained the love and admiration of all who knew him. Affectionate and dutiful to his parents, kind and loving to his sisters and brothers, polite and respectful to every one, and his industrious and energetic actions made him our universal favorite. He was a child of unusual brightness, and in his sudden death we feel a loss that cannot be replaced on earth.

But alas! To mourn against death in petulant defiance Is never for the best, To will that God doth will—that is the only science That gives us rest. R. E. BROWN, Shelton, S. C., February 20, 1883.

COLORED READERS OF NEWSPAPERS.—The fools are not all dead yet. A week or two ago the editor of the *Latouche Chronicle*, an obscure Georgia paper, bearing a queer resemblance in name to the *Latouche Chronicle*, published a grave "leader" on the question whether it is right to allow a negro to subscribe to a newspaper. This inquiry, it seems, was prompted by a protest which the Georgia editor had received from a white subscriber against the policy of circulating the *Chronicle* amongst the negroes. Some of the Republican newspapers in the North a West have been idle enough to take up the discussion seriously, and want to impress upon their Southern contemporaries the folly and the wickedness of not allowing Colored to look in the light of a free Press. The *News and Courier*, speaking for itself and for every other newspaper in the South, with the possible exception of the *Latouche Chronicle* assures its Northern friends that while it has a very large and constantly increasing number of colored readers, it has not half as many as it would like to have. When the harpies who, by dint of the negro vote, held control of the government of South Carolina from 1868 to 1876, were threatened with a popular uprising at the polls against the outrageous manner in which they had plundered the taxpayers, their leading reply was: "We don't care what you say about us. Our constituents can't read!" It was a terrible truth; and it is doubtful if we would ever have been freed from robber rule to this day, were it not for the personal exertions of Hampton, Butler and their impudent mountaineer-speakers who, in 1876, stamped every nook and corner in the State. Since then the colored voters have made vast strides in intelligence and independence; and to-day Southern journalists, prompted alike by patriotism and self-interest, desire nothing so much as to see the colored population transformed into a thinking and a reading constituency.—*News and Courier.*

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