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ALL SPEAK OUT FOR CATCHINGS.

We are glad to see that General Catchings will again try for Congressional honors in this District. He made the race successfully two years ago in spite of almost overwhelming obstacles and since he has taken his seat in the House of Representatives he has faithfully looked after the interests of his constituents. He seems to be almost entirely without opposition for the nomination, and we have no doubt but that he will receive it on the first ballot. Now the nomination means an election for the sentiment in the swamp has so changed that even Simral could be beaten with little trouble. We wish Gen. Catchings success and assure him of our cordial support.—*Iudiana Times.*

Gen. T. C. Catchings' announcement for re-election to Congress from this District, will be found in this issue of the Pilot. While we have not advocated the cause of any one for congress, we see no reason why Gen. Catchings should not be re-nominated by the convention, as he has certainly been very efficient, and has devoted his whole time and energies to his various duties. He is undoubtedly very strong in the District, and everything now points to his re-nomination without any serious trouble, which makes his re-election sure. This District is Democratic, and is liable to remain so for years, and the man who secures the nomination will have an easy walk over, Judge Simral and others not withstanding.—*Deer Creek Pilot.*

The district convention to nominate for Congress will meet on the 14th of July at Greenville. There may be other aspirants—and the aspiration is honorable—but the only announced candidate is Hon. T. C. Catchings; and the convention will represent a sort of trial court to him. Has he discharged his duties satisfactorily, and made a record acceptable to the district, and is entitled to its confidence and support? We believe an affirmative answer will be but simple justice to him. We believe that he has devoted himself with entire fidelity to the interest of his constituents, and that his fairness and justice he is entitled to the nomination. Some local opposition has been arrayed against him, but we trust it will not survive his nomination. For one, we like to see our young men throw to the front, and we recognize in Mr. Catchings one of the ablest of the young volunteers who are pressing forward to distinction.—*Clarkdale Banner.*

We note with pleasure that the signs all indicate the certain and triumphant re-election of the Hon. Thos. C. Catchings, the respected and much admired M. C. from this district. Notwithstanding the croakings and opposition of the Vicksburg Post, this worthy and efficient public servant will be retained in the harness for some years to come, and when he shall return to his constituents he will be joyfully received with the plaudits "well done thou good and faithful servant." We are truly at a loss to understand why the party of which he is an honored member should even think of relegating to the shades of private life one who has so creditably redeemed the trust confided to his charge, and assert without fear of contradiction that the vote of "sweet Coahoma" will be cast first, last and all the time in favor of the re-nomination of our present worthy M. C. Should the Democracy select him as its standard bearer success is sure to follow, but should another receive the nomination his election would be more than doubtful, and especially so with Judge Simral as a possible opposing candidate. Then why jeopardize the welfare of the party merely to gratify the ambition or perhaps the personal spite of one of our individuals? No unworthy act of omission or commission can be charged to the account of Hon. Thos. C. Catchings and even those who oppose him (and they are like angels visits few and far between) cannot but concede that he is a gentleman sans peur et sans reproche, and his many friends congratulate themselves upon the opportunity of again casting their ballots for one whom it is an honor to support.—*Friars Point Gazette.*

In our issue to-day we announce the Hon. Thos. C. Catchings for Congress from our District and in doing so we can not let the opportunity pass without calling the attention of the Democracy of Bolivar county to the valued services of the distinguished gentleman to the people of his District. No new member of Congress has gained

ed a more enviable reputation for energy and faithful services to his constituents; and certainly no man in the District combines more eminent qualities for the position, talented, energetic, faithful and an acquaintance now in Congress that gives him peculiar fitness to represent us in our most important questions in Congress, the levee interests.

We are satisfied we voice the sentiments of the District and we know we do of Bolivar county by saying no man can be nominated that will give us much satisfaction—and we feel certain he will be, as he ought, nominated by acclamation. If we have been correctly informed his nomination two years ago was due to Bolivar county, and now that the gallant and glorious Democracy of Washington county has openly espoused his cause there can be no doubt of his nomination by acclamation. There are many good men in the District, but none possess more claims on it than our distinguished Representative, and if Judge Simral or any Republican wishes to be beaten, and badly beaten, let him tackle Gen. Catchings.—*Rosefield Leader.*

A Vicksburg, a citizen of Warren county, is in Washington, the Representative of this, the Third Congressional District. He is a member of the Rivers and Harbors Committee, the Committee of the first importance to all the Mississippi Valley. He has the friendship and steady co-operation of the ablest Democrats in Washington, the respect of influential Republicans, and he is a trained and competent legislator.

There is no opposition to him in his own party in any of the Valley counties, but there is a purpose to humiliate him in the city in which he resides, because of an appointment he endorsed. There is no claim set up that the official appointed is not a life-long Democrat, that he is dishonest, or that he is incompetent. The only claim set up, is that some one of the other applicants, was not endorsed. On this claim, the citizens of Vicksburg and the citizens of Warren county, are coolly asked to desert their citizen. He has his home amongst us, his interests are our interests, and although some of the Valley Democrats opposed his nomination two years ago, they are practically a suit for him now.

We wish to point out the danger to Vicksburg and Warren county, of even countenancing such an unjust and unreasonable opposition. If we can retain this District, it is very desirable for the Representative to live in this city. The reasons for this are so manifest and important, they need not be named. Without any disrespect to any loyal Democrat, whose name has been suggested in opposition to Mr. Catchings, it must be admitted there is not a Democrat in this city, except the Attorney General, and he assures us most positively he is for Mr. Catchings, whom the Valley counties would accept. If by any possibility, the fight on Catchings in this county should succeed, it would only result in Vicksburg losing the Representative.

The Delta counties will not accept any other Vicksburg, with Miller out of the calculation, except Catchings, and as Catchings is the choice of a vast majority of the Democrats in the county, the revengeful, factional fight on him should cease. But up to this time it has not ceased, for it is suggested so persistently that it might be better to surrender the District to the Republicans again, that it is apparent, that some are so blinded by malice, they would prefer to see a Republican elected.

Under the circumstances, it is the plain duty of every loyal Democrat in the city and county to attend the Ward and District meetings, and aid in electing Catchings delegates to the county convention. The only possible danger threatening the District, is that the Democrats may neglect some portion of their duty. Certainly it is plain to all, Warren county Democrats, that the way to retain the District, and to retain in the office a Warred County man, is to stand by Catchings.—*Commercial Herald.*

Caught Again.
Miss, June 15, 1886.
Editor Clarion: In the last Clarion you published a splendid production headed, "Ingersoll on Alcohol." If you will examine an old medical work published by John C. Gunn, of Louisville, Ky, in 1850, you will find on pages 111 and 112 the identical article, word for word, that is accredited to the notorious infidel. "Reader unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's."

OVER THE STATE.

In the new mail arrangements between this and Arkansas City, the tug Joe has been chartered to run between Greenville and Arkansas City, and the steamer Issaquena will make three trips a week from Vicksburg to Greenville.—*Commercial Herald.*

We are informed by a gentleman just from Skipwith that letters have been received from A. J. Wilkinson, Esq., dated at Vicksburg to the effect that he would not return to his family, and intimating his intention to destroy himself by drowning.—*Mayersville Spectator.*

Judge J. H. Wynn has just got through with his first circuit and has now returned home for a resting spell. Owing to the long continued accumulation of business in all the counties, there was a vast amount of work for him to get through with. It being a new field of labor for him, and being a stranger with a critical ear to deal with, it made his duties extremely delicate and arduous, and the result was most successful and satisfactory. In Washington county there were eighteen murder cases, and a heavy civil docket, all of which were disposed of with appreciable promptness and a due regard to and proper enforcement of the law, to the great relief of the county. The Judge keeps up well under the strain, and will be up with the demands of his duties, and there is no doubt but the prompt and proper enforcement of the law will have the desired effect of making this district more peaceable, safe and law abiding than it has been for years.—*Friars Point Gazette.*

We have received the "prospectus and fair regulations of the Wilkinson County Agricultural and Live Stock Association," chartered under the laws of Mississippi, and with headquarters at Woodville. The objects of the association are among others to encourage agriculture and promote stock raising, and as a means to this end the association proposes to have fairs annually in November, and to offer liberal premiums and prizes for meritorious exhibits in every department. The first fair under the auspices of the association, of which Hon. George T. McGehee is president, will take place on the first Tuesday in November next, and no pains will be spared to make it successful.—*Natchez Democrat.*

A case of celebrity and considerable importance was decided by Chancellor Evans at West Point, yesterday, who presided at the hearing in place of Chancellor Critz, who, to a certain extent, was interested.

A suit was brought by Chickasaw county against Clay county for the pro rata amount of the sum paid by the former on a railroad subscription. When Clay county was organized, a portion of Chickasaw was taken to aid in forming the new county. The act of the Legislature organizing the new county provided that Clay should pay its proportion of any liabilities of Chickasaw which had accrued at that time, in accordance with the amount of taxable property contained in the strip taken from Chickasaw. The suit was brought to enforce payment on the part of Clay of its proportionate share of Chickasaw's subscription to a railroad project which was made before Clay was organized. Chancellor Evans sustained the act and rendered a decree in favor of Chickasaw county. Mr. R. P. Williams, of Meridian, was one of the counsel for Chickasaw county.—*Meridian News.*

On Sunday evening last our city and surrounding country was visited by a great water spout which did great damage. The water poured down in a perfect deluge and the gutters, gullies, ditches and branches were higher than ever known before. We have not heard the extent of the injury to crops, but we trust it is not so bad as is feared. It has rained every day since, and the prospect for fair weather is gloomy.

The most discouraging reports regarding the crop prospects come from every quarter of our country. Many good farmers tell us it will be impossible for them to make more than half a crop. For three weeks it has rained almost every day and no work has been done in the field. With good weather in future much of the crop which now appears to be lost might be reclaimed, but in the low lands, in many neighborhoods, they are absolutely drowned out and will not make anything.—*Chickasaw Messenger.*

[Special to Times Democrat.]

Wills Point, June 27.—A terrible shooting affray occurred here to-day about 12 o'clock between John McKee, James McKee and Will Pease on one side, and Alex. Board on the other, in which Board was killed, having received nine shots, two of which entered the brain, one the neck, and the balance his body at different points. James McKee was shot in the arm and thigh, but is not considered dangerously wounded. L. Staller, father-in-law of Board, received a shot through his arm.

The cause of the shooting was remarks said to have been made by Board about a lady relative of the McKees and a sister to Pease. The parties are all in the hands of the officers awaiting the coroner's verdict.

We are sorry to learn that Mr. Jesse Haley, a resident of this place, and for some time past a brakeman on the Illinois Central Railroad, met with a sudden and violent death at Brookhaven, last Thursday morning, while in the discharge of his duty. He went north on No. 3, Thursday morning, and when he reached Brookhaven he was accidentally killed by being crushed to death by the train. His mangled remains were brought down to Summit Thursday evening for interment. Mr. Haley was recently married, and his sudden and sad death is a terrible blow to his young bride.—*Summit Times.*

We notice in a recent issue of the Vicksburg Post some advice given to the citizens with reference to gravel. It advises against the use of too much as needless waste and points to the streets of Yazoo City as an instance that deep gravel is not needed. We have inquired of several who possess information on the subject and find from them as the Post suggests that six inches will pave almost any street if the grading is good. It should be rounded up in the center so that the water may run off. A street which is not much used needs not more than four inches. The road should have a good hard foundation. In Yazoo City the street is first graded, travelled over a few weeks until it is solid, then rounded again and the gravel laid. Where there is heavy hauling eight inches in the center and tapering off to five inches on the side would be better. We are satisfied the result has been to make the streets of Yazoo City the best in Mississippi.—*Yazoo City Herald.*

[Special to Times Democrat.]
Vicksburg, June 27.—Last night about 10 o'clock a tragedy occurred at a store kept by a man named L. Binder in Eagle Bend, about forty miles above here, on Mr. Richard Peeters' plantation. The particulars, so far as ascertained, are as follows:

The usual Saturday evening gathering that occurs at the country stores in that section, where more or less drinking is done by both white and colored, was about at an end, and Binder, wishing to close up for the night, requested the parties to leave. In the crowd were two white men named Henry and Alfred Morgan, one of whom being in liquor refused to allow the colored porter of the store, M. Brown, to close it, and after some words passing between them Binder told Brown to close up and if anything happened he would be responsible and protect him, upon which Brown retired to another part of the store, and when he appeared again he was armed with a double-barreled shotgun loaded with buckshot, and without further ado emptied one barrel into the body of Alfred Morgan, who fell dead in the store door.

When Henry saw his brother fall he immediately started to run, but before he reached the front gate Brown brought him down with the contents of the other barrel, killing him instantly. During the shooting he also wounded a negro named Cornelius Jackson in one arm and the side.

TOO BAD.

Jno. A. Logan yesterday exhausted his stock of classical knowledge, speaking on the Fitz John Porter case. To have been unjustly convicted, to have endured the shame of it for years and to have been denied justice, was bad enough in all conscience. To have been spoken on twice by John A. Logan was as bad as the case of the old woman who was found weeping bitterly because her husband had "fit into the Seminoles" under Johnson, fit the Britfishers with Jackson, and done the greasers with Jeremy Taylor, and then come home to be butt to death by a dam billy goat.—*Avalanche.*

EARLY CARPET-BAGGERS.

[Washington Correspondence N. Y. Herald.]
George S. Boutwell, ex Secretary of the Treasury, was encountered on the street to-day. He tells a very interesting story about Charles Sumner which has never seen light. It is quite apropos of the Wheeler controversy in the House. Briefly it is this: At a dinner given to Baron Gerold, then German Minister, the conversation drifted into a channel rather embarrassing to Charles Sumner and Mr. Boutwell. The early history of Massachusetts was highly extolled. It was only a short time before Sumner's death, but he was in one of his most cheerful moods. Possibly, by their silence as well as by their countenances, the two Massachusetts statesmen showed their satisfaction at the flattery showered upon their Commonwealth. Mr. Joseph Kennedy, an intimate friend of both men, out of a pure spirit of banter, took the opposite side of the controversy. He declared boldly that the early history of Massachusetts was filled with disgraceful episodes. Mr. Kennedy cited the way in which the carpet-baggers from New York overran it during Gov. Edmund Andros' administration, and capped the climax by quoting from memory Nathaniel Byfield's words regarding that dignitary: "He came from New York to the colony of Massachusetts, and brought some bad men with him. He was finally arrested by the outraged people of the colony, and nearly escaped in female clothes, but that his cavalry boots showed him off." The scene that followed Mr. Kennedy's remarks was memorable. Mr. Sumner believed himself thoroughly informed on New England history, and did not recall any such episode. Meanwhile the laugh had been started by some Southern guests who were present. They began to rail Sumner about the way in which Massachusetts had resented the intrusion of carpet-baggers, and one gentleman went so far as to declare that some Massachusetts man who knew about Andros' escapade had started the scandalous fiction about Jefferson Davis being caught in women's apparel.

Mr. Sumner never lost his good humor for an instant. "Look here, Kennedy," he said, "you have no evidence for that statement about Andros. I mean about the female disguise. He was a pretty tough man, but he wouldn't have put on a petticoat. Come now, own up." "If I don't convince you, Mr. Sumner, and everybody here within twenty minutes that I have the best authority for my statement, I will stand a dinner for the party," replied Mr. Joseph Kennedy, then thoroughly on his mettle. The matter had gone too far to be laughed down, though nobody was in bad humor. It was a test of memory between Kennedy and Sumner. The feast was suspended. Mr. Kennedy went to his carriage, drove rapidly to his home, and from his library carried back the account of the late revolution in New England, written by Mr. Nathaniel Byfield and published in 1691. There the chapter and paragraph were quickly found. Mr. Sumner was satisfied. But from that day to his death he always avoided the carpet-bagger issue. It became a great deal more sympathetic toward the Southern people. If the people of Massachusetts couldn't stand the animal who should the people of the South? After hunting up these old pamphlets and verifying all the references, the most remarkable and curious feature of this incident is that during the twenty years in which this great Southern question has been so hotly discussed no Democratic member has sprung this ghastly record against the living descendants of the sturdy colonists who revolted under the arbitrary rule of the Carpet-Bagger Edmund Andros.

David Van Nostrand, a well known New York publisher and importer of scientific books, died June 14, in the 75th year of his age. He was first employed in a city bookstore when 15 years old, and subsequently became acquainted with many military and scientific men, who gave him orders for books, relying upon his good judgment for their selection. He thus, as well as from the natural bent of his tastes, developed a business especially in the line of military and scientific books, his military publications during the war of 1860-65 having been numerous.—*Scientific American.*

The latest count in Georgia is as follows: Gordon, 23 counties with 56 votes; Bacon, 13 counties with 44 votes; leaving Gordon ahead 4 counties and 12 votes Jones 6 votes, and unstruck 1: Of 137 counties, with 350 votes, 43 counties have acted.

Apache Characteristics.

The Apaches and kindred tribes are among the most cautious fighters on earth, and also among the most desperate. Near the close of last year a band of Chiricuas numbering eleven, killed twenty-one