Vermont Daily Transcript.

ST. ALBANS, VT.:
MONDAY, JULY 20, 1868.

Work Before Election.

The *Times* says that the Republican State Convention met at the American House, Burlington, on the evening of the 17th, to take action in pursuance of the resolution of the State Convention, recommending a thorough canvass of the State. The committee prepared a circular which will be addressed to town committees in each town in the State, requesting an immediate and thorough canvass of each town. County committees are to be called upon to co-operate with the State Committee. It is probable also that the Committee will shortly make arrangements for a series of public meetings throughout the State.

This is news that we are glad to record, and we hope, and expect, that the work will be vigorously pushed on. If all towns are like our own we are sure that there is need of some moving influence from without, such as the State Committee can set to work, to get up an action. We have a political organization, known, locally, as the "Grant Club," but it has been since its first hour a body without a soul. Grant can't depend upon it. It may be thought that we find too much fault, but it is worse than idle to suppose that the Republican majority in this State is to be increased this fall, in our State election, which is so near, unless our political organizations make at least *one* effort. Every wide-awake Republican in the Union will listen for the first note of the campaign from Vermont. If we go on as we are going, the result will be mortifying disappointment; for the party will run on in the same old groove, the Grant Clubs will not even be grunt clubs, the members of the party will straggle to the polls on the 1st day of September, not half getting there, after all, and the little army of Democrats will, with one accord, strike a blow that will tingle in our ears when we read the returns. This will be the result unless there is some stir made to start the circulation in Republican veins.

The "series of public meetings throughout the State" should by all means be held. Only some such effort will awake the people effectually.—"Rally 'round the flag," if you want to get up any enthusiasm. It is hard to make men enthusiastic when they are living in political hermitage. Call them out. Get them together. Stir up their ideas into healthy action. There are three Grant clubs in the State—hold a wake over them. Give the lie to the assertion of the New York *World* that "Maine is the first State in which there is to be any contest." Make a contest in this State, so that all shall became interested and active, and when the news of our September election is flashed right and left from us across the continent, a glad cry shall come back with a prolonged swell, "Well done, Vermont!"

THE KINGSTON MURDERER.—Our readers will remember recent telegraphic despatches concerning a murder in Kingston, Mass., by Deacon Andrews. A despatch to a Philadelphia paper, dated the 16th, gives the following additional, relative to the supposed muderer:

The neighborhood of Kingston, where Deacon Andrews murdered and robbed old Cornelius Holmes some weeks ago, has another sensation over what is alleged and very generally believed to be another murder, committed by the same highly respected Deacon. According to the stories which are so generally credited, it appears that a few years ago Deacon Andrews boarded several mill operatives in his house. One of them disappeared suddenly, and nothing has ever been heard of since. All of his effects, such as clothing etc., were left behind, and there were no circumstances whatever to give color to the belief that his absence was voluntary. There were no supicions of foul play at the time, however, and by common consent, or perhaps in the absence of any associations to the contrary, it became the general belief that the mill operative had quit that section suddenly, for some reason best known to himself. Deacon Andrews, as the story goes, took possession of the effects and appropriated them to his use. Nothing was thought of this, and probably never would have been, if some persons, a few days ago, had not found buried, in the immediate neighborhood of where Holmes was murdered, a human skeleton corresponding in size to that which would have been the remnant at this time of the missing mill operative. These developments furnish ground for the theory that the man was murdered by Andrews, and that having concealed his crime so long and successfully, he indulged in the vain fancy that he could dispose Holmes in the same spot, and thus, according to Holmes's will, become the heir of his large property. Whether or not anything tangible will come out of this skeleton discovery will be discovered at the trial in October, but it will certainly add greatly to the interest of this remarkable case, and probably lead many to believe that Andrews is really guilty of double murder.

AT one time Dr. Wayland was lecturing on the weight of evidence furnished by human testimony. He was illustrating its authority and sufficiency even for the establishment of miracles. A member of the class, not entirely satisfied with the correctness of the teaching, suggested a practical application of the doctrine. "What would you say, Dr. Wayland, if I stated that as I was coming up College street I saw a lamp-post at the corner dance?" "I should ask you where your had been, my son?" was the quiet reply in the instructor's gravest manner.

Our New York Letter.

NEW YORK, July 15.

The intense heat is the all-prevailing topic of conversation. The consumption of ices and the consulting the thermometer seem to be the chief occupation with a large portion of the population of Manhattan. The present "heated term" is indeed quite remarkable; it has been long protracted, and on several days the mercury has had a very high range. Monday last was one of the hottest days we have had for years. The mercury marked as high as 80 at 7 oclock in the morning. At noon it was 92, and at 5 o'clock p. m., it was 95. In some places subjected to reflected heat, though in the shade, the mercury was at 100. Yesterday the mercury climbed as high as 92, but towards night we had cool, refreshing breezes. This morning the temperature is lower, but it is still hot and sultry. The lists of sunstrokes for the several heated days is very large. Many of the cases proved fatal. Telegrams received here show that the intense heat prevails over a very large portion of the country, and even of Canada.

Nearly everybody that can get away of course leaves town for the mountains and the seashore. Those who can't spare the time or money for the long trips find many beautiful resorts near at home. Staten Island, Coney Island, the Elysian Fields, Central Park, Rockaway, and even Long Branch, are not far away, and thither goeth what a host of our people. The great democratic place for surf-bathing is Coney Island. Here one may find nearly all classes, and especially the questionable classes. Many respectable people take a stroll or a ride that way "to see life," and, perhaps to take a plunge in the breakers, but generally the less respectable classes are in the preponderance. "Fast people," of all kinds, gamblers, thieves of all kinds, "soiled doves," &c. &c., here do congregate. Three-card monte men are here in clover and in glory, as an army of fleeced "innocents" can testify.

Altogether Coney Island is well worth a visit from those who wish to study human nature, or eat clam chowders, or bathe in a splendid surf.

Any number of excursions down the Bay are had now-a-days. Some of these are fishing, down on the cholera Banks, almost out of sight of land, five hours fishing for $1; others are Sunday-school parties, in barges, for the groves of Staten Island and in the Jerseys, &c.

The Registrar of the Board of Health announces that there were 614 deaths in New York, and 229 in Brooklyn for the week ending on Saturday last. This gives quite a large increase in the mortality lists. The Registrar gives a serious chapter on the filth of two wards, but he declares that the two cities are freer from epidemic diseases than they have been for many years.

The Board of health yesterday promulgated an order requiring the Metropolitan Gas Company to discontinue the manufacture of gas, unless it be so conducted that it will not admit of the issue of deleterous gases or poisonous vapors. The Board assume that the offensive odors can be prevented by an increased expenditure by the Gas Company. The Board of Health is proving itself thoroughly efficient—many people whose business suffered by the interference of the Board, think it terribly efficient. Its powers are almost despotic, but it has thus far used those powers quite wisely.

The Hon. Anson Burlingame, accompanied by his Secretary, Mr. Browne, arrived here yesterday. They come for the purpose of chartering a steamer to convey the Chinese Embassy to Europe. The Embassy, after the ratification of the treaty, will probably give a series of public receptions before departing for Europe.

The fierce excitements engendered by the Conventions have somewhat died out, but still the politicians are "lively as fleas." They are knocking each other's heads together in the most entertaining way. The "Third Party" rumors excite all manner of comment. It is said that "Brick" Pomeroy proposes starting a new paper here to be called the New York *Democrat*. Of course it will be got up in the classic style of the LaCrosse *Democrat*. Both the great parties are holding meetings, and otherwise preparing for the dreadful struggle in November. They tell all sorts of stories about each other, some of them doubtless false, and some of them probably, and unfortunately true.

Thomas Johnson, a colored man, last evening beat Mrs. Ellen May, a colored woman, an invalid, so severely that she died soon after. Johnson was drunk.

The Commissioners of Public Charities yesterday, took the important step of resolving to establish a bureau to facilitate the emigration to the interior of unemployed laborers.

Amusements are dull. Eleven of our theatres are closed. But immense preparations are making for the Fall season, both in music and the drama. Mapleson, it is said, will bring from London an Italian Opera Company. Max Strakosch has already sailed for Europe in quest of Italian singers. Graves' agents are busy in Europe. On the 20th instant Bateman inaugurates a fresh season of the *opera bouffe*. The theatrical and musical worlds both promise brilliance.

Wall street is tolerably quiet. W.

Gen. Blair's Letter.

The following letter from Gen. Blair, the Democratic nominee for the Vice-Presidency, was written a short time before his nomination, and shows how *he* stands in the relation to present issues. We commend it to the consideration of voters:

WASHINGTON, June 30.

Col. James O. Broadhead:

Dear Colonel—In reply to your inquiries I beg leave to say that I leave to you to determine on consultation with my friends from Missouri, whether my name shall be presented to the Democratic Convention, and to submit the following, as what I consider the real and only issue in this contest.

The reconstruction policy of the radicals will be complete before the next election; the States, so long excluded, will have been admitted; negro suffrage established, and the carpet-baggers installed in their seats in both branches of Congress. There is no possibility of changing the political character of the Senate, even if the Democrats should elect their President and a majority of the popular branch of Congress. We cannot, therefore, undo the radical plan of reconstruction by Congressional action; the Senate continue a bar to its repeal. Must we submit to it? How can it be overthrown? It can only be overthrown by the authority of the Executive, who is sworn to maintain the Constitution, and who will fail to do his duty if he allows the Constitution to perish under a series of Congressional enactments, which are in palpable violation of its fundamental principles.

"If the President, elected by the democracy, enforces or permits others to enforce these reconstruction acts, the radicals, by the accession of twenty spurious senators and fifty representatives, will control both branches of Congress, and his administration will be as powerless as the present one of Mr. Johnson.

"*There is but one way to restore the government and the constitution, and that is for the President elect to declare these acts null and void, compel the army to undo its usurpation at the South, disperse the carpet-bag state governments, allow the white people to reorganize their own governments and elect Senators and Representatives.* The House of Representatives will contain a majority of Democrats from the North, and they will admit the representatives elected by the white people of the South and *with the co-operation of the President it will not be difficult to compel the* Senate to submit once more to the obligations of the Constitution. It will not be able to withstand the public judgment, if distinctly invoked and clearly expressed, on this fundamental issue, and it is the sure way to avoid all future strife to put this issue plainly to the country.

"I repeat that this is the real and only question which we should allow to control us. Shall we submit to the usurpation by which the Government has been overthrown, or shall we exert ourselves for its full and complete restoration? It is idle to talk of bonds, greenbacks, gold, the public faith and the public credit. What can a Democratic President do in regard to any of these, with a Congress in both branches controled by the carpet-baggers and their allies? He will be powerless to stop the supplies by which the negroes are organized into political clubs, by which an army is maintained to protect these vagabonds in their outrages upon the ballot. These and things like these eat up the revenues and resources of the government and destroy its credit, make the difference between gold and greenbacks. We must restore the Constitution before we can restore the finances; and to do this we must have a President who will execute the will of the people by *trampling into the dust the usurpations of Congress, known as the Reconstruction Acts. I wish to stand before the convention on this issue*, but it is one which embraces everything else that is of value in its large and comprehensive results. It is the one thing that includes all that is worth a contest, and without it there is nothing that gives dignity, honor or value to the struggle.

Your friend,

FRANK P. BLAIR.

THE TRIBE OF BENJAMIN.—A Massachusetts Republican paper thus pitches into Ben. Butler, in a manner entirely deserved, as most men will agree:

Gen. Butler has been beaten on the republican candidate for the presidency, who stigmatized his military career in the severest terms; and he still remains unreconciled to the nomination. He has been beaten on the platform of the party, which stigmatizes his financial schemes as a covert and cowardly repudiation; and he is every day trying to force upon Congress a resolution for taxing the bonds, which is wholly inconsistent not only with the position the national party has taken for the campaign, but with what is certain to be the position of the Republicans in his own state and district. On both candidate and platform Gen. Butler is in open revolt, and it is right that he should be so recognized. It is manifest, therefore, that if he is to be a candidate for reelection this fall, it must be on some other grounds than his past or prospective services as a Republican. He is, by an irresistible conclusion, an outsider, occupying a position more or less honorable and influential, but certainly doing more to embarrass and delay the Republican cause than any one pronounced opponent. His individual rights of dissent and his representative discretion are not to be impeached; but he cannot lie outside the field of battle in such a threatening attitude of "armed neutrality," yet claim to be either ally or friend. No one could imagine that Gen. Butler belongs to the "third party," for his relations with the chief justice are hardly more agreeable than with the general of the army. If he has any political affiliations, they must be with a fourth party, "the tribe of Benjamin," who "ravins as a wolf; in the morning he devours the prey and at night he divides the spoil."

THIRD DISTRICT CONVENTION.—The *Times* understands that the Congressional Convention for this District will be called to meet at Stowe, August 11th.

Seymour said, "I should be dishonored if I accepted your nomination." And this before he knew Frank Blair was to go on the ticket with him.—*Tribune.*

POLITICAL ITEMS.—A distinguished Ohioan is credited with the saying that "Mr. Chase will do the meanest thing to get into office, and makes the best officer when he gets in, of any man in the United States."

Semmes, the pirate, supports Seymour and Blair, of course, and has made a speech urging their election. It is suggested that if they should happen to be elected, he would make a good minister to England to settle the *Alabama* claims.

An old soldier who has lost an arm says: "I am waiting to see if the people of this country are going to elect Horatio Seymour, and if they do I will swear that I lost my arm in a threshing-machine, not in defense of my country."

U. V. M.—The organ presented by the senior class to the University has arrived and is now in use in the Chapel, President Angel made a neat little speech thanking the class for their generous present, and hoped all the friends of the University would contribute as liberally. The organ is a very handsome Estey organ, costing $200, and is more elegantly finished than others. On its front is a silver plate inscribed "To our Alma Mater, from the Class of 68, H. C. Barnes, J. D. Dennison, L. M. Platt, A. D. Tenney, M. B. Carpenter." It will greatly add to the morning exercises by introducing the pleasant feature of singing, and will be noticed by the Alumni among the many new improvements about the University—*Times.*

Charles A. Dana, Assistant Secretary of War during the rebellion, writes thus in the New York *Sun* of Gen. Grant: "In camp, he—almost alone among all the prominent officers of the army—never tolerated liquor or wine, either at his table or about tent. Fatiguing marches, and the exhaustion of battles, did not break over his rule not to touch or taste anything alcoholic. Again and again have we seen wine offered him at public and private dinners, only to be steadily refused."

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