

THE SPIRIT OF DEMOCRACY.

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A union of hearts, a union of hands, a union that none may sever; a union of lakes, a union of lands, THE AMERICAN UNION FOREVER.

Address all letters: "The Spirit of Democracy," Woodfield, Monroe County, Ohio.

Monkington county is to have a new Court House costing \$100,000.

Advices from Spain are that thirty-two Colonels and forty Lieutenant Colonels of Artillery of the Regular Army have resigned. They are opposed to the Republic.

Judge Cowen, of St. Clairsville has been nominated by the Republicans of Belmont County, as their candidate for Delegate to the Constitutional Convention. The Judge is an able lawyer, and, if elected, would make an excellent member.

The Pacific Mail Subsidy is to be investigated by the present high-toned Radical Congress. About \$2,000,000 were spent in getting the subsidy through. How many Congressmen sold their votes? Let their names, and the amounts received, be given to the world.

Investigation upon investigation has been the order at Washington this winter. Almost every leader in the Radical party has been guilty of bribery or perjury, and the work has only just fairly commenced. The Radical party is in a bad condition; corruption is the name it feeds upon; the disgust of the rank and file. The people will not follow the lead of thieves and swindlers.

Congressman SYBES, of Louisiana, is to undergo the tortures of an investigation into the validity of his election. The evidence before the Louisiana Investigating Committee, appointed by the Senate, proves him an unmitigated scoundrel. He was defeated by nearly 2,000 votes, but by forging returns and producing lying affidavits, he succeeded in obtaining the certificate from his confederates in crime, now governing the State by the aid of base frauds and Grant's bayonets.

The Portsmouth (N. H.) Times complains that "Cash rules the party now in power. Cash is the great moral idea. Cash has carried the elections in this State. Cash controls the caucus of the party. Cash elected United States Senators. Cash carried the Maine election last September. Cash was the great moral idea that swept Pennsylvania last October." And it says the Democratic party of that State stands arrayed against it; that its platform says Cash shall not rule. "We are not quite clear about this—as between cash and credit—cash is to be preferred—particularly if the credit is—Mobilier."

A Center Shot.

Gen. Banks, Chairman of the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, failed in his efforts, on the 21st ult., to have the House consider a bill to carry out the fishery laws of the Treaty of Washington. A very few of the Administration are voted, will him to take up the bill. Mr. Banks said: "If the President were wise enough to allow Congress to adjourn without passing that, there would be a recurrence of the controversy between Great Britain and the United States that had brought these nations to the verge of war. The fifteen million dollars given Great Britain by that treaty would be the curse and dishonor of the nation. It had been wrong from Great Britain to fraud and dishonor."

Senator Jim Nye.

Nevada boasts Jim Nye as one of her members of the U. S. Senate. Jim is opposed to investigations. He doesn't count them for himself or brother Senators. In a little over a few days Jim is against State Senator Yorks of Kansas. Jim overdid as follows: "Away with these investigations. We have enough of them. Away with such dignities of the body. Away with such audacity of this body." I have said this much, Mr. President, because I feel that there is nothing that the human mind feels upon like corrupt investigation. Our ears have been saluted with quite enough of it. The public appetite is gorged with investigation." Jim is charged with having accepted \$50,000 from Senator Yorks, elect, not to be a candidate again for the U. S. Senate. Is it any wonder that Jim's virtuous indignation is aroused to the highest pitch when in investigation of bribery and perjury of honorable members of the Senate is proposed? Jim don't do on such things, very much.

The Interest Laws.

The Editor of the Marietta Register, in that paper of the 20th ult., presented his views of interest and what per cent money should command, and closed his article in this wise: "What is it worth? Plainly what a man's economy, tact, industry and fair amount of enterprise will allow him to pay and succeed. Then I will allow him to pay not more than six per cent. While my neighbor may, a superior business man, pay twelve. If this is correct reasoning it shows that there is no fixed value to money, and there should, therefore, be no law saying money is worth six only, and you shall take no more."

That is not correct reasoning. The money lender, under a free trade law, would not be likely to say to B: "I am charging A, a superior business man, 12 per cent; but as your business is not so lucrative, you can have all the money you require at 6 per cent;" but would exact from both the last penny, for the "accommodation," as loaning money is termed now days.

Another Warning to the Ohio Legislature.

When the flag on the north pole of the State-house is floating the Senate is in session, and when it has been lowered the same body has adjourned. The same is true of the flag on the south pole with reference to the sittings of the House—Columbus Dispatch.

A Louisiana View of the Louisiana Riddle.

The New Orleans Republican is very much excited, apparently, by the suggestion that McKeeny is seeking to be recognized as Governor of Louisiana. It takes this curious view of the case: The Senate of the United States recognized the Kellogg government when it threw out the vote of the State, for it declared by that act that the Lynch-Hawking Board was the proper authority to make returns in the premises. It distinctly repudiated the McKeeny government by declaring that the returns in its favor were not made out by the proper returning Board, and that, therefore, it had no legal existence whatever, not even to make a showing in an issue on the side of the State. The Government further recognized the authority of Mr. Kellogg when it placed its troops at its disposal; and it still recognizes him by maintaining the same attitude. Let McKeeny ask for troops or commit a disturbance if he is so anxious to be the matter of his status at Washington.

The Georgia Bonds—Again.

The Augusta (Ga.) Chronicle is very much exasperated at a report that the Georgia Legislature has been "fixed," and that the Bullock bonds, repudiated by the Government, will be recognized. "We do not believe, nor can any one in the State believe, that a single Senator or Representative has been purchased by the bond ring. The best evidence of the truth of this assertion is found in the fact that the so-called compromise is as odious to the Georgia people as it is to the people of any other State. It is not to be expected that it should be put to a vote in either House, would be rejected by an overwhelming majority. The present Legislature is not for sale, and the sooner this is understood the better. We have no doubt, however, that Clews & Co. imagine the members have been "fixed," and that the Georgia Legislature will, in fact, intend they should be "fixed;" but the days of Bullock and his clan have passed away, and for two years at least Mr. Clews will consult his own interests by keeping his money at home."

Another Black Sheep.

Judge C. T. SHERMAN of the United States District Court in Northern Ohio, took a hand "to influence Congress to repeal the stock-brokers' tax" for which service he was to receive a fee of \$10,000 from Lockwood & Co., of New York. They failed to come down with the stamps, and the Judge, wrote them as follows: "The acknowledgment of the services by contract is what I especially desire, and that is satisfactory. All that I do claim is that the money be paid in a reasonable time. Please pay some attention to it, as you have heretofore so kindly done, and when the money is paid and credited to me on the books of your house, advise me." Is not this a nice letter to come from a Federal Judge to a President of a Board of Brokers about a matter of legislation in which they were interested? The misfortune was that the money was not paid "in a reasonable time," and, as a consequence, came the following threatening letter from the Judge: "CLEVELAND, Jan. 20, 1873. "DEAR SIR: I have about come to the conclusion that you have been an unsuccessful in bringing those parties to terms in regard to my compensation for services last winter at Washington. If such is your conclusion, please advise me. I shall go to Washington in a week or ten days, and the result of your efforts may bear upon my action while there upon the interests of those gentlemen. Let me hear from you upon the subject at your earliest convenience. The proposed action of the Government in relation to stockholders of the Credit Mobilier, of whom your father was one, may result in a claim upon the estate. I, however, think it will not. But be firm to say and do nothing. I will ascertain what is claimed, and what is proposed to be done; I will advise you at the proper time. Very truly, etc. C. T. SHERMAN."

A Royal Feast.

The late Sultan Abdul-Medjid, wishing to give the ladies of his harem an idea of the crystal palace at Sydenham, England, commissioned a firm of shipbuilders on the Thames to construct the iron frame-work of a huge dome-like structure. It was, when completed, put up in England, and then taken to pieces for conveyance to Constantinople, where it was re-erected and covered in with glass, and formed one of the most conspicuous and pretty objects which met the travelers gaze on going up the Bosphorus. The present Sultan, however, thought that it interfered with his view, and ordered it to be demolished, and the debris of a building which from first to last must have cost more than \$500,000 has been sold for old scrap iron.

It is marvelous how tenaciously the Post Office Department sticks to its pet scheme of compelling the payment of double rates on letters improperly stamped. Reluctant by a Congress Committee, the Postmaster General appealed to the Department of Law to sustain him in his arbitrary and fantastic ruling. Overruled there, the objectionable clause came up in the Senate, the 22d ult., in different shapes, seeking incorporation into the Postal Appropriation bill. We are glad it was again and again defeated. It is an unjust imposition; it fixes on the receiver of a letter a fine for the delinquency of the man who calls him by the worst of names. They will get him into an untidy frame of mind presently, and then denounce him as a "sorehead."

FROZEN BUFFALO HUNTERS.

Seven Days and Nights in the Snow—Hands, Feet and Faces Frozen—Corruption—Terrible sufferings. (From the Lavenworth Commercial, Feb. 18.) The down train on the Missouri Pacific brought to our city six hunters from the Southwest—victims to the unprecedented cold weather on the plains during the latter part of January. They presented a pitiable sight, and one which will be long remembered by those who saw them carried one by one in their helpless condition and deposited on the platform of the depot, where they remained until taken to the Sisters to the Sister's Hospital, on Sixth and Kiowa.

Our reporter visited the hospital in the afternoon to learn full particulars concerning these unfortunate, whose names are A. D. Sidwell, of Ohio; F. A. Soyres, of Wisconsin; J. E. Thomas and A. Marsh, of Iowa; A. A. Malory, of Michigan; and J. S. Gillin. Gillin is an employe of the A. T. and S. F. Road, and is slightly injured. The other five are hunters, who were caught in the terrible storm which swept over the plains on Monday, the 27th of January.

The people should be protected from these sharks and not placed in their power. The present law answers the purpose very well, the legal rate being six per cent and no higher than eight under contract. The best proof that this is a wise enactment is the fact that the National Bankers and other money lenders, are at Columbus, in full force, urging the House to pass the Senate free trade bill. We trust that body will exhibit its wisdom by defeating the measure.

Location of Houses.

The Science of Health has some sensible suggestions on this topic, which are worthy of attention. Houses should be built on upland ground, with exposure to sunlight on every side. During epidemics, it has been noted by physicians that deaths occur more frequently on the shaded side of the street than on the sunny side; and hospital physicians have testified to the readiness with which diseases have yielded to treatment in sunny rooms, while in shaded rooms they have proved intractable.

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An Extra Session of the Senate.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—The following proclamation has been made public to-night: A PROCLAMATION. Whereas, objects of interest to the United States require that the Senate should be convened at 12 o'clock on the 4th of March next, to receive and act upon such a communication as may be made to it upon the part of the Executive; Now, therefore, I, Ulysses S. Grant, President of the United States, do hereby declare that the Senate shall be convened to the City of Washington, on the 4th day of March next, at 12 o'clock noon on that day, of which all who shall at that time be entitled to act as members of that body are hereby required to take notice.

Given under my hand and the seal of the United States at Washington, the twenty-first day of February [U. S.] m. in the year of our Lord [1873] one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three, and of the Independence of America the ninety-seventh. U. S. GRANT. By the President: HAMILTON FISH, Secretary of State.

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