

How Mr. W. H. will push to the front of the race, and will be the first to reach the goal.

Any person who will be the first to reach the goal, will be the first to reach the goal.

Remember that Mr. Cook & Bro. have a complete line of ladies and gentlemen's wear.

We have had very changeable weather during the past week. Some rain, much cold and altogether very disagreeable. Cotton continues to come in and sells quite readily as it always does whether at 50c per pound or 50.

The safe does not make much trade, however, beyond the purchase of a small quantity of groceries; business in this line is flat.

Go to McCook & Bro., for fresh drugs and medicines.

Try the fresh Texas flour of McCook & Bro.

The river is on the rise—reported 22 inches at Grand Revere. The Dawn took out cotton at \$2.50 per bale. Mr. Drown informs us that there is no difficulty in coming up now, but that the boats must be pulled out at the mouth owing to the strong current that has set in from the rising Mississippi river. The "branch" above was reported as rising.

Pitkin, at the suggestion no doubt of Breda and Blunt, has sent for witnesses from this parish to testify, we suppose, to a pack of stocked lies in order to count in Breda and Blunt and that sweet pink Smith.

It makes but little difference what is to be proved, the parties gone down will swear to anything that Pitkin may want.

100 sacks of rust-proof oats at McCook & Bro.

The constitution provides that electors shall be chosen in the respective States of the Union upon the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November in every four years. Vermon elected on that day an indelible person as elector and the legislature elected another person to fill the vacancy occasioned by such an election on the 17th or ten days after the lawful day. How is that for the constitution which says "all electors shall be chosen on the same day"?

We call particular attention to the advertisement in this week's paper of "Homes for Sale." If steady white people with small capital want the rich lands of the Red River valley they can now buy them on terms far cheaper than renting. Mr. Charleville is an enterprising citizen and represents a large quantity of lands all of the finest and he is fully prepared to grant bargains to first class white settlers. Call or address letters for information at Cloutierville, La. The editor of this paper will furnish information on application by letter or otherwise.

Our people are very fretful under the strain of excitement of the past month. It pains us to be unable to relieve their anxiety with one grain of hope. Our columns tell but the details of the outrage, and time alone will develop our bitter end.

THEY TOOK THE TOWN.—A party of Texans slightly under the influence of whisky captured this place on Wednesday last without a struggle. The fire of arms made the wifery ring; doors were smashed and our rulers, the negroes, ran for dear life. The radical officials, who are for four years to come to rule this country covered in their houses like craven curs, bounding, no doubt, like "Jack in the box" at every sound of the Winchester.

What a sad commentary on government is this and what a bad beginning. These rulers must expect no help from us—they have swindled themselves into position and must do the best they can. We are well prepared to take care of ourselves.

THE FIRST GUN OF THE NEW ORDER.—The fruits of the late canvass are now being gathered, and Blunt's teachings as well as the "how the niggers went back on us" will be fully developed.

One Lacy, a negro radical henchman man, shot and killed a negro boy who lives on Mr. Cammack's place on Little river. On Saturday last, publicly proclaiming when he committed the deed that

IT WAS ORDERS to shoot all Democratic niggers and there was one, he was ready for another.

We had hoped that the matter of negro rule in this State might be settled peacefully and without external nation but it seems not.

The whites are fast recognizing the utter hopelessness of their even living here without resistance of some sort and we take this occasion to say that the negro had best move out before the storm comes.

What we Mean.

Some of our friends, who perfectly agree with us in opinion as to last resort, think we were rather to severe in our last issue upon the Northern Democrat, and think we ought to "give them a chance" to do something before we so heartily condemn them. Unhappily for the South, that something has well nigh ruined us already, and our friends, who thus counsel us, do not themselves believe that they will do anything beyond a paper protest, which will have as little force and effect as so much wind.

To show our friends that we are not premature in thus platting the situation; in this stating boldly to our people the worst, however disagreeable it might look, we propose to give them reasons therefor, and we feel assured they will see we are not far from right. If these reasons do not convince them, then we leave time to decide, being certain that that decision will sustain our hypothesis.

The *Sun*, the *World* and other lithographs leading champions of the people's cause North, and which are certainly fair organs of certain circles, have said in plain words, about this, in referring to the fact of the completion of the Returning Board infamy of this and other Southern States: "They may by these means legally return Mr. Hayes, and there will be no legal method of setting aside the result. The Nation thank these words and PEACEFULLY ACCEPT such legal result. But the Republican leaders will, in the net, dig deep their own graves, and in two years hence they will be buried without hope of resurrection."

The above we italicize at places for notice, and is from an article from the *Herald*, which the *Sun* copies without comment and fully indorses. The *New York World*, the organ of New York Democracy, says the same thing in other words, and with more "sugar coat," and we are almost fully prepared to say that the whole pack of the party press of the Northern Democracy will yelp in chorus at the heels of these "openers."

Now comes another significant fact, which is, that no State Democratic organization save Ohio, has made a move to call meetings to denounce the action they all admit will be taken by the infamous scoundrels in this State, and to prepare to protect their liberties. They are all perfectly silent—silent as the grave. Upon the above facts we based our attack last week on the Northern Democrats, and our friends will certainly see that if we have hurt any ones tender Democratic toes, we had at least good cause to stamp rather hard.

Leaving out of consideration the fact that the Northern Democratic organization gives forth no sound of encouragement to their dupes, the whites of the South now that encouragement is wanted, what does the "two years hence" burying the Radical party mean to us here in Louisiana? Is there a man who is not a drivelling idiot, that does not know it means political and physical annihilation. The man that dares raise his voice in behalf of this section, when this villainy now being planned has been consummated, will be stamped out instantly.

Idiocy and venality will rule the hour, and liberty, virtue and capital, will expire in this State amid the shouts and yells of the brutal mob of miscreants, whom Grant's bayonets have foisted upon us three, and which will sustain them as before. There is no hope for us but in our ourselves—submission will not mitigate our end—resistance is all that is left, let snivellers cant as they may.

Let our people prepare for the worst. Let them know at once that this reliance on others to right wrongs that we only suffer, is futile. Let them know that our rights and liberties must no longer be subjected to the trembling fear of succor from others who have no interest in us save as it helps or injures themselves; who have no love for us save to the extent of putting money in their purses or power in their hands.

What we want is for the white men of Louisiana to take "their case" in their own hands and die, as they will anyway, resisting the outrages and villanies of the Grant-Packard crew.

The BEST market affords and well served, at Bardick's Boarding House.

Fancy scarfs, shawls and cloaks at McCook & Bro.

STABBING AFFRAY.—We learn that a difficulty occurred at Campte on Saturday last between Mr. A. M. Garrett and James Graham. The origin was in the settlement of some cotton gined by Garrett, so we ascertain, in which words came to blows, and Graham, upon being struck by Garrett, used his knife freely, inflicting several wounds, one of which, in the right side, is dangerous. Our last reports Mr. Garrett as likely to recover. Graham has not been apprehended.

Call at McCook & Bro., for everything in the Dry Goods and Grocery line, you will certainly find.

A SQUARE MEAL FOR FIFTY CENTS at Bardick's Boarding House.

The Austin Statesman, edited with ability but sadly lacking in moral tone, has convinced itself at least that no fight will be indulged in by him to sustain Mr. Tilden and constitutional liberty "save as a quarter-master of commissariat."

The editor of the *Statesman* need not have told the people of Texas that; for if they have read as carefully as we the drivelling nonsense of its columns for the past year they would be firmly convinced that the Statesman has an eye on the A. Q. M. and the C. S. departments even in private life.

Egotism is not brains nor is bluster courage—because a paper is edited and published in a country town and by a country gentleman; that should be no reason why his opinions should be brushed aside by a puff of piece of arrogance whose only qualification for brains is simply the fact of his editing a city journal, and in the case of the Statesman that fact fails even to cover ignorance, and whose escape from the charge of utter stupidity is the power to frame words that make sound without sense. For this reason we fail to see why the Statesman should denounce his own friends of the Texas press as "rural jackasses"—his statement does not make it so and we much prefer a judgment in the case from minds not warped and biased by a keen scent of "bacon and clothing of the department of war or life."

The Statesman says, that Texas can stand Hayes no matter if he is fraud, identically counted in and that enlightened journal further thinks, if we can grasp its drivelling meaning, that the North must submit as well as we. We have no objection to Texas, the North, and the Statesman of Austin submitting, but we have this protest to enter, which the Statesman, exhibiting such a wild desire to preserve its own bacon and wearing apparel, would do well to point a moral to, of the order of "whose ox is gored," and which protest is, that we of poor Louisiana are in a very pretty condition to be talked to in such a manner after enduring so much to place Texas in the condition she is where she can bear the "reign of the usurper Hayes."

The Statesman will no doubt say that it cannot see where and when Louisiana has benefited Texas. Well then we can but pity its stupidity, for had not Grant loaded himself down with Kellogg in this State and with his Dorell outrage, Mr. Davis would have been responded to very sharply and the Texas government would have been to day republican. The Statesman may talk of votes and majorities and of public opinion and such stuff. That logic does very well to people who have never seen the "thing" work, but we of Louisiana know just how much good public opinion and the sympathies of other people do; if we did not, the Statesman's cork walk from us now is enough to teach us. We do not propose in this State to help Mr. Tilden—to fight for him and his inauguration and we don't propose to submit to Packard either, for we know, which the Statesman does not, what that submission means. We feel assured that the Statesman will argue we ought to submit for the simple reason that Louisiana is a good case to have on hand to make political capital for such time servers as the Statesman, both North and South—but that urging we are very glad to say will in future have no effect with us here. We intend to run this State ourselves and if any Northern or Southern Democrat outside of it is hurt by the peculiar style we adopt in doing so, we will pay them off in the same commodity they are so largely dealing out to us—sympathy. It is cheap and good to those that can stand it.

"That coat is nice, where did you get it?" At McCook & Bro., plenty of them and cheap!

Vick's Floral Guide for 1877 is before us. For a number of years Vick has entered in seeds to the people of our Union and we think that none can surpass if equal their quality. We think they are the best, both of flower and vegetable, of all the seed grown in America. All parties desiring to learn more of them would do well to address JAMES VICK, Rochester, N. Y.

We trust that every lover of liberty will read the New York *Sun's* editorial of the 22d ult., headed "counting the votes." It is a truly refreshing piece of advice and shows a wisdom wonderful even in the *Sun*. After reading that article there is but one thing for the Southern people to do—cut down the circulation of the *Sun* by at least every Southern subscriber. Will our daily cotemporarys please copy this.

JAIL DELIVERY.—On Monday noon, while the prisoners were being fed, two of them quietly and coolly walked off. The alarm was sounded and one of them, a negro, was captured after a sharp race. The other, a white man named Lacour, succeeded in making his escape.

MARRIED.—Mr. Wm. Vest to Miss Martha Coats.—City Ex.

Mr. Vest no longer pants for his Coats. His suit has resulted favorably and he has garter coat for all time. We sincerely hope our brethren of the press will not shirt up on this

Proof. These are some of the reasons why the Northern Democrat will submit to the ruthless and violent measures of the Radical party, rather than disturb their ease by a fight.

Says the Democratic Senator, Kernan: "I consider" that President Grant is personally an honest man. His instincts are honorable. He is surrounded by some doubtful advisors, and he is easily swayed. But I believe he would revolt at dishonesty coming in his successor. His term is about ended, and he will not desire to leave the Presidential chair with the least taint of unfairness or corruption upon his closing official acts."

We say that Senator Kernan was never more mistaken in a man than he is in Grant. Grant is no fool, as Kernan would make him, and we insist that there is fatality to the American people, because they will not realize the fact; that Grant is a shrewd, bitter partizan, and as ambitious as Caesar.

Here we give a clincher to Mr. Kernan.

Kansas City, Nov. 17.—Three companies of troops passed through this city to-day en route to New York and Washington, one company from Fort Riley and the other two from Fort Leavenworth. They have been ordered East in consequence of the political troubles. The so-called "peace" is one of the coolest pieces of cheek we have ever seen exhibited. The renowned Government made lack a mile of jaw in comparison to it.

"Driven from their homes by the intolerance of rulers" is simply absurd. The rule has been grinding and in tolerable we know, but her faithful sons were too true to their State to desert Louisiana and seek asylums in Texas when she most needed their services.

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Should this be done, the program as laid out in their conversation is that when the two houses of Congress assemble to count the vote, objections will be made by the Democrats to the counting of the Louisiana vote. The twenty-second joint rule not having been adopted the President of the Senate counts the votes and he pay no attention to the objection raised. The House will then, it is expected, withdraw, leaving the Republican members in the Senate where the calling of the vote will be continued and Hayes declared President. They expect the House after withdrawing to go into an election for President and declare Tilden their choice. Hayes, then, with the army and navy as well as the judiciary at his back, leaves Tilden with only the support of the people and the Grant-Hayes administration is perpetuated.

The Radical leaders here are in constant receipt of advices from Northern office holders, counselling them to stand firm and determined not to give up the State without a struggle. Over a dozen telegrams from Washington are to that effect, and to carry out these instructions they are manufacturing for capital thousands of intimidation affidavits to throw out enough Democratic polls to give their returning board a pretext for their action.

Grant's expressed wish of having a fair count of the vote is laughed at here and is considered ridiculous in the extreme. Some of his own party assert that that expression is mere buncombe and calculated only to divert public opinion in his favor, when, after the present excitement is over, he will let the returning board make their report. This is the reason and the only reason why he has concentrated the army here. The troops are sent to see that the returning board are not disturbed in their count and not to assist in Packard's inauguration.

Some of the Republicans now here are of course opposed to such summary measures, but the majority, including several from Ohio, insist upon this course. They have been in consultation with Kellogg, Packard and Pitkin to-day, and from their subsequent conversation I glean the above as their ideas of the course to be pursued.

Highest cash prices paid for cotton at McCook & Bro.

AUCTION OF FURNITURE at the House of L. H. Bardick, to day at 11 o'clock A. M. Also one new Sewing Machine, appraised at \$65. Terms cash. J. S. WHITE.

SYMPATHY FOR LOUISIANA.—There are a goodly number of ex-Louisianians here who are watching with intense interest the result in their old State. Driven from her by the intolerable oppression of carpetbag officials and their negro dupes, they sought an asylum in Texas, but their hearts still yearn towards Louisiana, and they are watching with great anxiety the struggle for liberty and reform, now going on there.—Dallas (Texas) Herald.

The above extract we clipped from the *Shreveport Times*, and as our friend Battle failed to comment on this sympathetic effusion we think it but right to do it for him.

What Louisiana most requires she receives less of. Sympathy is cheap—we get that commodity from "moderate Republicans" of the North; in fact, we have been surfeited with the slash for four years past. Now this idea of Louisiana in Texas sympathy, thining with their suffering brothers in Louisiana, is one of the coolest pieces of cheek we have ever seen exhibited. The renowned Government made lack a mile of jaw in comparison to it.

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BY TELEGRAPH.

New Orleans, Nov. 25. No change in the situation. The Returning Board continues to count and pass upon such petitions as are not contested. This fact adds to the complication. As time progresses, it becomes evident to many that a careful investigation prior to the 6th of December, of the events which occurred in the disputed parishes is next to impossible, and that just before the 6th December the entire vote of the disputed parishes will be thrown out.

New Orleans, Nov. 25.—Mr. Durant Dupont, delegated by the Northern newspaper Correspondents, waited upon the Returning Board, and asked permission to be admitted to its daily sessions. Mat Wells peremptorily refused his request. This is a dark lantern count, you see.

Special Latest Extract.—A Dangerous Fraud That Could Not Be Discovered.

New Orleans, Nov. 25.—The Returning Board in executive session called for returns and announced the vote from consolidated statements: DeSoto, Hayes 298; Tilden 1365; DeSoto, Hayes 703; Tilden 1561; Lincoln, Hayes 331; Tilden 1061; East Feliciana, Hayes, nothing; Tilden 1737; West Feliciana, Hayes 778; Tilden 1249; Richland, Hayes 277; Tilden 1531; Caddo, Hayes 2657; Tilden 1551; Sabine, Hayes 23; Tilden 905. The votes of the parishes were not canvassed, there being contests, were fixed for hearing next week.

The returns from DeSoto parish were brought in and contained in one package sealed with wax. When the seals were broken by the members of the Board there were found inside a consolidated statement of votes, Commissioners' statements and tally sheets. Attached to the returns were a large number of protests and affidavits. The Secretary of the Board said the package had been received on the 14th inst., and such was the entry in his receipt book. The returns, he said, had come by mail.

In the course of inspection it was discovered that one of the protests of the Supervisor, charging general intimidation, was dated Nov. 25th and was sworn to in this city before a commissioner of the Circuit Court. When called upon to explain how a protest dated the 25th could get in a sealed registered package received by mail on the 14th instant, the Secretary said he had received two packages. He was detected by one of the Democratic counsel present in the act of making another entry in his book, of two packages received. After some delay another package was produced and found to contain a consolidated statement of the votes and Commissioners' returns, but no protests or affidavits.

The members of the Board were unable to explain the matter, and Senator Sherman, of the Republican visiting committee, remarked that there was no use to disguise the fact that the returns had been opened, and the protests inserted after the package of returns had been received.

Supreme Court Takes Proper Action.

Columbia, S. C. Nov. 25.—The Supreme Court has just entered judgment of fifteen hundred dollars fine each and commitment of all the members of the Board of Canvassers to jail till released by order of the Court. The Court is now proceeding with the case against U. S. District Attorney Chas. Conrad of the Board, for contempt. There is considerable suppressed excitement.

The Conspiracy.

What Does Grant Mean. Special to Cincinnati Enquirer.

Baltimore, Md., Nov. 20.—Twelve hundred tents passed through this city to-night from Philadelphia, en route to Washington. The quarters here have been very active, and within ten days recruiting officers have enlisted 1000 colored men, who were shipped in companies in different points. Two batteries have been ordered from Fort McHenry to Washington. There is a mobilization of troops from the West at the Capital. The third train of troops within twenty-four hours from Texas, Terre Haute, Ind., and other points, via the Fort Wayne Railroad to Pittsburgh, via the Pennsylvania Railroad to Harrisburg, via the Northern Baltimore and Potomac, and via the Baltimore and Potomac to Washington, will pass to-morrow morning. Railroad dispatches announce that the train consists of eight cars, and arrangements have been made to have the train go through to Washington without stopping.

[Special to the St. Louis Republican.]

GARRISONING THE CAPITAL.

Washington, Nov. 20.—The rapid garrisoning of the capital, especially the arrival of several ships of war in addition to the land forces, creates much talk here. By all except rabid Republicans in office the movement is laughed at. Grant, Cameron, Sherman et al. determined on this procedure to avoid bringing in troops when Congress was in session, as it would then have the appearance of bulldozing the House.

Gen. McCook, of Sherman's staff, says the powers that be see a hidden meaning in the proposed Democratic justification here on the 25th. This, of course, is ridiculous. Meantime the sight of army officers galloping over peaceful streets, accompanied by orderlies, is as refreshing as it is nonsensical.

The administration officials were particularly anxious to-day to deny that there was significance in the arrival of troops, although they were informed that the movement had caused great excitement wherever the facts were known. It may be a dodge to attract attention from Louisiana, Florida and South Carolina.

Latest.

Special to Vindicator.

New Orleans, Nov. 30.—Returning Board considering Ouachita. Good deal of talk going on here. Almost every parish examined, 29 protected against by Republicans now under consideration.

Situation in South Carolina critical. Two legislatures. R. died legislature has no quorum. Several Republicans acting with Democrats.

Great excitement in the North. New York Herald and World visits on Grant's impeachment. They say there can be no peaceful submission to him.

Situation more promising. Returning Board refuses to say which parishes they have counted, until they are through with all.

MARRIED.

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