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Southern Representation.

The Washington correspondent of the Baltimore Sun says:

A prominent Western Republican Congressman will this week introduce a series of resolutions in favor of admitting all the Southern representatives who can take the test oath and whose States have abolished slavery and repudiated the rebel war debt; also declaring that the right of suffrage should be regulated by the States themselves.

The President's policy, looking to the early election of a Senator in Georgia, and while approving the act of Governor Johnson, recommending him to leave the subject of commissioning Congressmen to the Governor elect by the people—Mr. Jenkins—shows that he is not going to take any step backward in his line of procedure. When Southern States come up fairly and squarely in substance to the positions he has suggested to them in the character of an Executive, who counsels on all hands Union, conciliation and concession in consistence with the iron logic of events, he will unquestionably stand by them and for them, as he has done by Georgia.

This being the policy of the Government or administration, it must begin to be practically utilized early after Christmas. But if the joint committee should prove to be the grave of such matters—if from them there shall proceed no voice nor sign, then the President's policy will be wrecked for the time; and if for the time or the next session, then possibly until after the Presidential election, or perhaps forever.

I am far from disinclined to do the justice to Speaker Colfax of saying, that in constituting the House portion of the joint committee upon the representation of the Southern States, that he has so designated them as to give a preponderance against the extreme ideas of Stevens, Sumner & Company.

Messrs. Stevens and Boutwell are very ultra—Mr. Bingham not altogether so. Mr. Conkling, probably, less radical still. Mr. Morrill, being a rational practical man, much may be expected of him. Mr. Washburne is openly for the admission of the Tennessee members, and he, as the head of a North-western party that dislikes the New England ascendancy in committees and in policy, and also as the close friend of General Grant, who is humane and liberal in his views, will, probably, go to a considerable extent for the Southern representatives. It will be remembered that his brother, General Washburne, is generous and liberal in his views. Mr. Blow is said to be conservative, and Messrs. Rogers and Gridler certainly are. This view is rather couleur de rose, but let us hope for the best.

To-morrow we will probably hear the announcement of the Senate committee, and then we can the better see how things are drifting.

Speaker Colfax has made an utterance on the subject which we can commend as being as susceptible of two interpretations as the responses of any oracle of ancient Greece. In a speech made in Baltimore last Friday night he said:

In the minds of all, the foremost subject of thought—the policy of reconstruction—requires some attention. I would say, as was written by the great dramatist,

"If 'twere done when 'tis done,
Then 'twere well it were done quickly."

If we are certain that it were well done when 'tis done, then 'twere well if it were done quickly. But if it were not well done when 'tis done, then we should make haste slowly. [General applause.]

CHRISTMAS.

For the Little Ones.

THE NIGHT BEFORE.

'Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house
Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse;
The stockings were hung by the chimney with care,
In hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there;
The children were nestled all snug in their beds,
While visions of sugar-plums danced in their heads;
And mamma in her 'kerchief, and I in my cap,
Had just settled our brains for a long winter's nap;
When out on the lawn there arose such a clatter,
I sprang from the bed to see what was the matter.
Away to the window I flew like a flash,
Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash.
The moon on the breast of the new-fallen snow,
Gave the lustre of mid-day to objects below,
When, what to my wondering eyes should appear,
But a miniature sleigh, and eight tiny reindeer,
With a little old driver, so lively and quick,
I knew in a moment it must be St. Nick.
More rapid than eagles his coursers they came,
And he whistled, and shouted, and called them by name.
"Now, Dasher! now, Dancer! now, Prancer!
and Vixen!
On, Comet! on, Cupid! on, Donner and Blitzen!
To the top of the porch! to the top of the wall!
Now dash away! dash away! dash away all!"
As dry leaves that before the wild hurricane fly,
When they meet with an obstacle, mount to the sky;
So up to the house-top the coursers they flew,
With the sleigh full of toys, and St. Nicholas, too.
And then, in a twinkling, I heard on the roof,
The prancing and pawing of each little hoof—
As I drew in my head, and was turning around,
Down the chimney St. Nicholas came with a bound.
He was dressed all in fur from his head to his foot,
And his clothes were all tarnished with ashes and soot;
A bundle of toys he had slung on his back,
And he looked like a peddler just opening his pack.
His eyes how they twinkled! his dimples, how merry!
His cheeks were like roses, his nose like a cherry!
His droll little mouth was drawn up like a bow,
And the beard of his chin was as white as the snow;
The stump of a pipe he held tight in his teeth,
And the smoke it encircled his head like a wreath;
He had a broad face and a little round belly,
That shook, when he laughed, like a bowlful of jelly.
He was chubby and plump, a right jolly old elf,
And I laughed when I saw him, in spite of myself;
A wink of his eye and a twist of his head,
Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread;
He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work,
And filled all the stockings; then turned with a jerk,
And laying his finger aside of his nose,
And giving a nod, up the chimney he rose;
He sprang to his sleigh, to his team gave a whistle,
And away they all flew like the down of a thistle.
But I heard him exclaim, ere he drove out of sight,
"Happy Christmas to all, and to all a good-night!"

For the Old Folks.

THE NIGHT AFTER.

'Twas the night after Christmas, when all through the house,
Every soul was abed, and still as a mouse;
The stockings, so lately St. Nicholas' care,
Were emptied of all that was eatable there;
The darlings had duly been tucked in their beds,
With very full stomachs and pains in their heads.
I was dozing away in my new cotton cap,
And Nancy was rather far gone in a nap,
When out in the nursery arose such a clatter,
I sprang from my sleep, crying "What is the matter?"
I flew to each bed-side, still half in a doze,
Tore open the curtains, and threw off the cloze,
While the light of the taper served clearly to show
The piteous plight of those objects below.
For what to the father's fond eye should appear,
But the little pale face of each sick little dear
For each pet that had crammed itself full as a tick,
I knew in a moment now felt like Old Nick.
Their pulses were rapid, their breathings the same;
What their stomachs rejected, I'll mention by name:
Now turkey, now stuffing, plum pudding,
of course,
And custards, and crullers, and cranberry sauce,
Before outraged Nature, all went to the wall;
Yes, lollypops, flopdoodle, dinner and all.
Like pellets which urchins from pop-guns let fly,
Went figs, nuts and raisins, jams, jelly and pie.
Till each error of diet was brought to my view,
To the shame of mamma and Santa Claus too.
I turned from the sight, to my bed-room stepped back,
And brought out a vial marked "Pull Ipecac!"
When my Nancy exclaimed, for their sufferings shocked her,
"Don't you think you had better, love, run for the Doctor?"
I ran, and was scarcely back under my roof,
When I heard the sharp clatter of old Jalap's hoof.
I might say that I hardly had turned myself round,
When the Doctor came into the room with a bound;
He was covered with mud from his head to his foot,
And the suit he had on, was his very best suit;
He had hardly had time to put that on his back,
And he looked like a Falstaff half fuddled with sack;
His eyes how they twinkled! Had the doctor got merry?
His cheeks looked like Port and his breath smelt of Sherry;
He hadn't been shaved for a fortnight or so,
And the beard on his chin wasn't white as the snow.
But inspecting their tongues, in despite of their teeth,
And drawing his watch from his waistcoat beneath,
He felt of each pulse, saying, "Each little belly
Must get rid"—here he laughed—"of the rest of that jelly."
I gazed on each chubby, plump, sick little elf,
And groaned when he said so, in spite of myself;
But a wink of his eye, when he physicked our Fred,
Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread.
He didn't prescribe, but went straight to his work,
And dosed all the rest, gave his trowsers a jerk,
In adding directions while blowing his nose,
He buttoned his coat, from his chair he arose,
Then jumped in his gig, gave old Jalap a whistle,
And Jalap dashed off as it pricked by a thistle;
But the Doctor exclaimed, ere he drove out of sight,
They'll be well by to-morrow—good night,
Jones, good night!

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Dec 19

NOTICE.

OFFICE POST COMMISSARY,
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Columbia, S. C., Dec. 22, 1865.
NOTICE is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received at this office until 2 o'clock p. m. of the 31st instant, for the delivery of FRESH BEEF on the block, in sufficient quantities to supply this Post. The Beef to be delivered on and after January 1, 1866. All necessary information can be obtained by bidders by inquiring at the above named office, in the College Campus. By order of
B. V. HOWARD,
Lient. 25th Regt O. V. I., and A. C. S.

NOTICE.

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NOT having received satisfactory proposals heretofore, I propose now to rent it to some responsible person within the next week. Call at my office, corner of Gates and Washington streets.
ORLANDO Z. BATES,
Chairman Committee on Streets.
Dec 22

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A. R. PHILLIPS,
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Dec 19 5 Davis' Alley.

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Dec 14

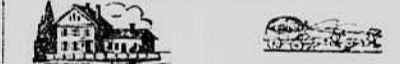
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Abbeville C. H., December 12, 1865.
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NOTICE.

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Dec 6

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FURMAN UNIVERSITY,
Greenville, S. C.
THE EXERCISES of this Institution will be resumed on the 15th of February next.
For Circular giving further information, application may be made to
Prof. JNO. F. LANNEAU,
Secretary of Faculty,
Charleston Courier, Augusta Chronicle & Sentinel, Edgefield Advertiser, Newberry Herald, and Yorkville Enquirer, please copy until the 15th of January, and forward bills to the Secretary of Faculty, Greenville.

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