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Disaffected.

A journal which owes its feeble existence to the printing ring, and which would never draw another breath if it should fail to receive its weekly sustenance from that source, speaks of the COMMERCIAL as an "unrecognized, influential and disaffected paper," edited by a "supposed republican."

When the main part of the white leaders of the ring were fighting to keep in slavery the main part of their black allies, we were the blue in the service of the Union. Our republicanism dates to a time when four-fifths of the present republican party were either white dough-faced defenders and apologists for slavery or were black slaves themselves.

THE LIONS IN OUR PATH.

There are four financial lions in the path of the republican party of this state. Between them it is likely to be quickly destroyed, unless it should be wise in time and enter upon the straight and narrow way of honesty and economy.

The bills of the bank of the state have already been adjudicated upon by the U. S. Supreme court, and have been declared receivable for taxes. The shallow tricksters who occupy the positions of statesmen at Columbia imagine that this decision can be defeated by a legal quibble to the effect that only the bills immediately before the court were adjudicated upon.

In 1871 a tax was levied to pay the interest on the public debt. The money was collected but the interest was not paid. A similar case in North Carolina has produced a suit on the part of bond holders to compel the treasurer to pay the money due them for interest before paying any other appropriations.

The Blue Ridge scrip is not yet dead. Like a fabled Hydra it seems to thrive on wounds. The federal courts are to be appealed to to force the state to fulfill the contract entered into with the Blue Ridge railroad company.

The supreme court of the United States has given a decision in favor of George O. Marcy, of Boston, confirming the validity of \$40,000 worth of Illinois registered town bonds, issued in aid of the Illinois Grand Trunk Railroad.

LEGISLATIVE EXTRAVAGANCE.

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It is not definitely known what amount of fraudulent or irregular certificates were issued during the session of 1872-73. That a large number were signed is generally believed, but they have been kept pretty close.

The Bank of the State. C. C. Puffer has received from Judge Graham, in his appointment as receiver of the bank of the state, about as comfortable a bowl of pap as has fallen to the lot of any member of the party.

without assigning any reason, involves a diminution of the fund by five per cent each time. This has been done now three times—and on the same principle may be repeated whenever the necessities of judges and politicians make it desirable.

The general opinion is that the fund has been grossly mismanaged in other ways. Beside the \$120,000 given in fees to three receivers there is, it is said, a loss of three hundred thousand dollars, by improper loans and investments.

Mr. Bowley says that Woodruff and Jones testified before his committee that the same Woodruff and Jones were the only members of the Republican Printing Company. So the two clerks being authorized as public officers to contract for the printing, proceeded to contract with themselves, not as the lowest bidders but as the only bidders.

OUR COLUMBIA LETTER. COLUMBIA, Jan. 31. The resolution introduced by Mackey to-day, and its adoption by the House, may give the quietus to the printing ring.

Chief Justice Moses was re-elected in joint Assembly on Friday by a vote of one hundred and twenty-three to four. There was no one to oppose him.

The committee appointed to investigate the charge against Judge Carpenter for discriminating on account of color in the discharge of a jury, made a majority and a minority report, the former, made by Minor, Boston, Adamson and P. Simpkins, all colored, and the latter by Tim Hurley. The former was rather condemnatory of Judge Carpenter's action, the latter entirely exonerated him.

The Governor approved the following acts, viz: To amend the joint resolution authorizing the county commissioners of Beaufort County to levy a special tax; to charter the Boatman's Phosphate River Mining Company, and to empower coroners to punish for contempt.

The House adjourned until Tuesday evening at seven o'clock, with a view, it is said, of giving the committee appointed for that purpose time to go to Charleston and investigate the affairs of the Bank of the State.

The young colored men of Richland County have been holding a convention in Columbia, and after several sessions have prepared and presented the following memorial to the Legislature:

We, the young men of Richland County, in convention assembled, do memorialize your honorable body to consider the matters herein mentioned. We respectfully urge such legislative action as may be necessary to secure a just and fair valuation of the taxable property of the State.

Hurley introduced the following resolution, which brought out a little debate and went over under the morning hour: Whereas the columns of the newspapers of this State have been from time to time filled with articles charging that the contingent fund of the Governor has been directed to other purposes than that for which it was appropriated...

W. H. McCaw. The News and Courier has engaged the services of Mr. W. H. McCaw as its associate editor, residing in Columbia. In him the News has a vigorous and fearless writer. He has not, like too many conservative writers, compromised his character by taking pay from the ring with one hand while feebly protesting against it with the other.

—Allen G. Thurman, has been elected senator from Ohio. The committee on Federal relations in the Massachusetts Senate made a report recommending that the resolution censuring Senator Sumner, passed in 1872, should be rescinded.

A good mother was trying to explain to a young hopeful in town, the other day, about fighting against the devil. After telling the little fellow who the devil was, and how hard he was to successfully resist, he turned around and said: "Ma'ma, I'd be scared of the old devil, but if I was to come across one of his little devils, I'd knock the stuffing out of him."

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