

The would-be assassin of Packard ought to have remembered that a thing to be well-don should be done quickly. To point a pistol at a man's head and then inquire calmly "When can I see you," is to furnish first-class evidence for himself of insanity.

Mr. Hayes, if inaugurated, will go into office loaded down with three Returning Boards, and bearing a title covered all over with fraud. He will have a Herculean task before him, to gain the respect of the people. The Radicals depend upon impudence to carry them through the additional term they have acquired by fraud.

Dr. T. C. Robertson has collected in York county about five thousand dollars for Governor Hampton; while ex-Treasurer Watson has bagged only twelve dollars for Chamberlain. Newberry has paid over six thousand dollars to Governor Hampton. In Barnwell county eight hundred and five colored men have paid taxes to Hampton. Chamberlain's tax is still in nubibus.

Elliott proposes to prove by E. W. M. Mackey that Governor Hampton was not a citizen of South Carolina at the time of election and was therefore not eligible. The Radicals are in great straits if they are compelled to rest their case on any such ridiculous position as this. Elliott might be more profitably engaged in searching for witnesses to prove that he is Attorney-General and that Mackey is Speaker, or still more so in packing up his plunder preparatory to a final exit from the State.

The quo warranto cases are dragging their slow length along in the courts and seem no nearer a conclusion than ever. The Supreme Court would simplify matters greatly if it gave a speedy decision on some of the mooted points. Judge Willard seems anxious to hurry up the argument, and has reprimanded Elliott and the other Radical counsel for delay on several occasions. The Democrats have the law and the facts with them, and the sooner they are recognized the better. The people do not propose ever to recognize Chamberlain again.

Senator Sherman was in New York on Wednesday. In an interview with a reporter of the New York Herald, after expressing his conviction that Hayes would be counted in he said:

"South Carolina is by the Democrats themselves admitted to have returned the Hayes electors. It does not matter how the vote be counted Hayes must come in winner; if all the ballots which were cast be counted, the Republicans will come out with a majority of 700. Wade Hampton has been elected to the Governorship."

This remark of John Sherman's is significant. He represents the extreme wing of the Republican party, and if he acquiesces in the election of Hampton, then are Chamberlain's chances desperate indeed.

The appetite of the Hayesites on the Electoral Commission improves daily. Florida required a considerable sprinkling of pepper and mustard to make it go down; and Bradley gagged perceptibly. But Louisiana was swallowed on Saturday, horses, hoofts and all, without ceremony. Not a wry face was made as the tough objections of the Democrats were gulped down in quick succession. Testimony was offered to prove that the Returning Board was illegal, that it had no power to count the Electoral votes, that it never canvassed the election returns, but merely aggregated the supervisors' returns, that affidavits were forged, that returns were altered, and that two of the Electors were ineligible. The Republicans

voted solidly to exclude all testimony, and then scored Louisiana for Hayes. They refused even to examine into the ineligibility of the electors, as they had examined in the case of Florida, for the simple reason it offers that two Hayes electors from Louisiana were ineligible, while none was in Florida. Oregon is possibly counted for Hayes by this time, as the Commission is making indecent haste.

A Greensboro', N. C., firm made a shipment last week of 45,000 rabbit skins.

John Bright believes that criminals are too harshly dealt with. If a foot-pad should hit John Bright on the chin and take his watch the humane Englishman would want the fellow hung.

Governor Vance, of North Carolina, is in receipt of a letter from the Secretary of War, demanding the records of the office of the Adjutant-General of that State for the years 1861 to 1865, inclusive. Governor Vance has replied, refusing to comply with the demand.

Mr. W. W. Corcoran, of Washington, is now 78 years old. He has spent \$200,000 on the Corcoran Gallery and the ground on which it stands, and \$100,000 on the original collection of pictures and statuary; and for an endowment fund he has given \$900,000.

When the next edition of Webster's "Unabridged" appears, we may expect to see this addition to the ever-expanding volume of the English language—thus:

BULL-DOZE, v. a. The act of bulldozing; the condition of being bulldozed, as it were; to be the victim of a bull-dozer, so to speak. [Colloq. and vulgar.]

A meek-eyed married man offered as a test at a spiritual seance, that the medium name the articles in his wife's upper bureau drawer. The medium said the spirit would repeat the contents of Webster's Dictionary, or do any other light task, but that life was too short to attempt the task proposed, and the rash proposer was hustled out of the hall.

His Purpose.—A policeman discovered a boy in Justice Alley yesterday in close proximity to a carriage and buffalo robe, and he called out:

"Boy! what are you doing here?"

"Resting," replied the lad. "Was it your purpose to steal that buffalo robe?" demanded the officer.

"No, sir, it wasn't. There's a feller out there who wants to lick me and it's my purpose to wait here till he goes away, and then I'll purpose up home and get my brothers and our dog, and we'll come back and raise the awfulest tragedy around here you ever seen off the gilded stage!"

He was permitted to wait.—Detroit Free Press.

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I have this day purchased the entire stock of Johnston & Petticrew. Feb. 15, 1877. F. ELDER.

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NOTICE.

OFFICE JUDGE OF PROBATE, Winnsboro, Feb 19, 1877.

GUARDIANS, Executors, Administrators and Trustees in arrears in their annual returns and accounting to this office are requested to do so as required by law. Failing to discharge this duty, they will be ruled.

O. R. THOMPSON, J. P. F. C. Feb 20-11x

Dissolution of Copartnership.

THE firm of JOHNSTON & PETTICREW is this day dissolved by mutual consent. Robert Petticrew is hereby authorized to settle the business of this firm.

JOHN JOHNSTON, ROBERT PETTICREW. Feb. 15, 1877.

I can still be found at the old stand, and all persons indebted to the late firm of JOHNSTON & PETTICREW are requested to come up and settle, or they will find their accounts in the hands of an attorney for collection. Feb 20-1m ROBERT PETTICREW.

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—CASH.—

I keep constantly on hand a full supply of

PLANTATION and FAMILY GROCERIES.

I have on hand several brands of first class

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F. ELDER.

Feb 20

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BOOT

AND

SHOE

EMPORIUM.

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Jan 25

SPRING GOODS

—FOR—

1877.

To-day the campaign's fairly closed, The lucky man is he Who takes his seat on the 4th of March Our President he'll be: And now the next best thing Just suited to our mind, Is where to get the cheapest goods— The best of goods to find.

My friends and I went out one day, Some New Spring Goods to buy; And we resolved, before we went, The different stores to try. We wandered Winnsboro all around Until our feet were sore, And found the very place, at last, 'Twas SOL WOLFE'S New Cash Store.

Of Hats, Clothing and Boots and Shoes, The latest to our view— The very best styles of Dress Goods, And Prints so cheap and new. So then, my good friends, one and all, Now is your time to try What Bargains you can get of me— Or, you need not buy of SOL. Feb 17

To the School Trustees of Fairfield County.

THERE are no funds at present available for School purposes in Fairfield County. Nor can it be ascertained when there will be. As the deficiencies which have yearly accrued in unpaid certificates have materially affected the welfare of the educational system, we have decided after mature deliberation not to add to this embarrassment. It therefore becomes our duty reluctantly to notify you to close all public schools which have been opened, until you receive further notice from us. We recommend the establishment of pay schools wherever practicable. So soon as any funds are received for the use of the schools they will be re-opened.

WILLARD RICHARDSON, R. MEANS DAVIS, T. R. ROBERTSON, Jan 1 County Board of Examiners.