

The situation in Europe is unchanged. Turkey still stands with a chip on her head, but no one has yet knocked it off.

The Georgia penitentiary now contains twelve hundred convicts, a fact demonstrating the benefits of Democratic administration of justice.

President Hayes is charged with meeting the colored brethren but half way and appointing only mulattoes to office. The simon pure blacks are becoming indignant.

The Greensboro, N. C., Patriot noticing the fact that Judge Mackey passed through that town a short time since, closes the paragraph by saying: "Judge Mackey is the only man in the United States that General Leach surrenders to as a talker." Judge Mackey has talked to some purpose.

Louisiana.

Now that Hampton is firmly established in South Carolina, public attention is centred on Louisiana, a State that has three times repudiated Radicalism at the ballot box, and yet it is not free. The logic of events, however, and the determination of the people no longer to submit to illegal authority admit of no doubt that right will in the end prevail. The exact time for the complete recognition of the Nicholls government cannot be given, though it seems not far off.

The Commission that went to New Orleans is accomplishing nothing. Nicholls refuses to submit to them the question of the legality of his government, but, claiming that he is governor de jure, is content to show the commission that he is also governor de facto. In this he acts wisely. No Democrat will ever again suffer a board composed of a majority of Republicans to pass upon his title. The commissioners are therefore at their wits' end, and they have telegraphed to Hayes for further instructions. They describe the situation in Louisiana as follows:

If there is a de jure governor in Louisiana, it is Packard. If the Returning Board has the right to scrutinize the returns of election of members of the Legislature the whole Packard government is legal. Doubts exist, however, as to the jurisdiction of the Returning Board.

That the Nicholls government exercises de facto authority throughout the entire State, and in every acre of its soil except the Packard State House which is protected by the troops. Packard's assertion that his authority is recognized in the negro counties is false. While the blacks prefer him, they are not prepared to enforce his claims by a resort to arms.

That Nicholls' administration is maintaining order throughout the State, and protecting the rights of both races, and that peace and prosperity would result from its continuance.

That Packard's administration cannot be established by a simple recognition on the part of the President, but only by the use of a large force of Federal troops to crush out the acting government and the maintenance of garrisons in the State during the whole of Packard's term.

That if this course were practicable it would involve a continuance of the race conflicts, social and industrial disturbances and business depressions which characterized Kellogg's administration.

Since the commissioners testify that a standing army is necessary to give Packard even a semblance of power, and since the President, by ceasing military interference in South Carolina, has established a precedent, it follows that Nicholls must be recognized.

Packard's fall will mark the inception of the existence of a "solid South."

An Atlanta jeweler named Sharpe absconded recently, leaving \$50,000 of liabilities behind. He was traced as far as Philadelphia, but nothing has been heard of him since.

SOUTH CAROLINA NEWS.

Darlington will soon be blessed with three newspapers—the News, the Southerner and the Pee Dee Watchman.

The Abbeville Medium suggests that the name of Gordon be given to the new county to be formed from Beaufort. This is suggested as a compliment to Senator Gordon.

Father Folchi went to Abbeville last week to pay a visit to the Lowndesville prisoners. These men had already embraced the Methodist faith, and they refused to give the Reverend Father an audience.

Last week Jonny Smith, a colored woman in the Long Cane section of Abbeville, gave birth to three children—two girls and a boy. At last accounts the woman and the children were doing well.

A Pomona Grango has been organized at Rock Hill, by Fort Mill, Rock Hill, Clay Hill and Catawba Granges. The following officers were elected: Capt. B. H. Massey, Master; Capt. Iredell Jones, Overseer.

Ten negroes convicted of ambushing and killing a white man in Lowndesville, Abbeville county, last fall, will be hanged on the 20th of this month. An effort is making to secure commutation of sentence for six of the murderers.

The recent gale did considerable damage in Charleston. The streets were knee-deep in water, basement rooms were flooded, trees and fences were blown down, and the shipping tossed about generally. The gale is said to have been the most severe that has visited the city in very many years.

The municipal election at Edgefield resulted in the election of all the Democratic candidates except one. The Radicals put out no regular ticket, and the colored man elected—George Simkins—owed his triumph to the "scratching" done by his colored friends.

On Monday before last, Nelson Butler, a very industrious and worthy colored man, made application to join a colored temperance society in Aiken, and was refused admission (having received twenty-five black-balls out of twenty-seven votes) on the ground that he was a Democrat and would be apt to expose the secrets of the society.

Mr. E. P. Lide, who lives a few miles from Darlington, had a horse stolen from him about a month ago. A search was instituted, but no trace of the missing animal discovered. Mr. Lide then purchased another horse, which, on last Saturday night was also stolen. A search for it was also made, but no clue to either the horse or the thief has yet been obtained.

A most disgraceful and high-handed outrage was committed last week upon Mr. Jno. Johnson and his family, who live in Chesterfield county, near the Darlington line. About eight o'clock one of his sons was passing through the yard, when he was fired upon, but not hit. When he got into the house he was shot at through the window and severely wounded in the arm and thigh.

Another son, some distance away at the time, on hearing the firing came to the house, when he was seized by the gang, gagged and bound to a tree. The robbers then entered the house and plundered it. Next they went to Mr. Johnson's grocery and took a quantity of goods. They then stole a mule from the stable. Not yet satisfied, they went to the house of another of Mr. Johnson's sons and took his horse. The robbers were pursued, and the mule and horse recovered. None of the rogues have been captured.

Bethel Presbytery adjourned at Chester some days ago, after a session of eight days. This body was engaged almost the entire time in trying the case against Rev. J. E. White, accused of appropriating to his own use property in opposition to the wishes of its owners. The property in dispute was the Presbyterian parsonage at Chester, which Mr. White had occupied since his resignation of the ministerial charge of Purity Church three or four years ago. Five days were consumed in taking testimony, and one day in hearing the argument. Rev. Mr. Mack conducted the prosecution, and Rev. Mr. White appeared in his own defence. Their speeches on the last day of the session were lengthy and exhaustive. When they had finished, the Presbytery closed its doors against all but the members, with the view of deciding by vote the guilt or the innocence of the accused. The result of their action was twenty-one votes against and seven votes for Mr. White. The sentence of Presbytery was his indefinite suspension from the ministry. He gave notice of an appeal to Synod.

FACETIZE.

The oldest shoemaker—"Time, the great healer."

The favorite song in Charleston—"Wade down upon the Suwanee River."

A few minutes before being shot the Mormon Lee was requested by a photographer to "please assume a pleasant look."

It is pleasant to shake hands with a girl whose fingers are covered with diamonds, for you feel that you have a fortune within your very grasp.

Oxford and Cambridge dined together on the evening of the race, just as if there was no difference between them. It was a dead 'eat, you know.

A Yorkshire woman is so cleanly that she uses two rolling-pins—one for the pastry and the other for her husband's head.

Even if a boy is always whistling "I Want to be an Angel," it is just as well to keep the preserved pears on the top shelf of the pantry.

"I was fairly elected, I know my biz, and I'm going to be constable of upset the State of Iowa!" was what he said, and the other man vacated.

An Iowa jailer didn't believe that a female could crawl through a hole two feet square. She preferred liberty to bustle and left the latter on the floor as a sad memento.

When a man thinks he is governor, and everybody else thinks he isn't, somebody's feelings are sure to be hurt.

"Order is heaven's first law," as the fellow said when he carefully deposited his pantaloons in bed, and folded himself neatly over the back of a chair.

Call a lady "a chicken," and ten to one she is angry. Tell her she is "no chicken," and twenty to one she is angrier. Call a man a "clever dog," and he is complimented. Call him a "puppy," and there will be a smart chance for a fight.

A lecturer on optics, explaining the mechanism of the organ of vision, remarked: "Let a man gaze closely into his wife's eyes, and he will see himself looking exceedingly small."

Fanny Nestler is the name of a Brooklyn woman who caught a burglar and hung to him till a policeman came. He loosened all her teeth, but she wanted them out anyhow.

A young man whose sweetheart has a pretty, pouting lips, says that a kiss of hers always reminds him of the menu of the best restaurant in town, it's such a delicious bill of fare.

The reason why a Detroit woman got off a street car without ringing the bell was because she saw her husband walking with a good-looking widow, and she hadn't time for ceremonies.

One does not desire to be personal, but if the young man who sat in the chair where a lady had left a dish of maple sugar to cool at the festival the other evening, will return the same he will save himself further trouble.

Robert Collyer thinks people better marry young—Graphic. That is what Brigham, of Utah, thinks too. And a great many people of that Territory—especially women—do marry young.—Norristown Herald.

A Kansas farmer purchased a revolver for his wife and insisted on target practice, so that she could defend her house in case of his absence. After the bullet had been dug out of his leg and the cow been buried, he said he guessed that she'd better shoot with an axe.

A village congregation in Vermont was disturbed the other Sunday, during the momentary stillness following the opening prayer. By a voice from the adjoining dwelling exclaiming, "Mary, whose's the nails?" Soon the answer came, "In the coffee-pot, you fool!"

A deputy marshal recently shot at a negro, whom he was trying to arrest, and slightly wounded a Miss Hearn. The negro happened to be near the young lady, and of course the marshal thought the form he was shooting at was his'n instead of Hoarn.

The Indianapolis Sentinel says some of the Republican papers are mad with Hampton for his "indiscretion." It adds: "His trip to Washington was as unlooked for as the eccentric movements of a comet. They were looking for a 'vassal' and the first they knew, a 'peer' walked along. If he would only have consented to a 'Commission' and kept perfectly quiet while they swindled him out of his election, then he would have been once more the 'brave and patriotic Hampton.'"

GENERAL GOSSIP.

David Dudley Field has published a pamphlet entitled "The Vote that Made the President."

It is declared positively that General Hawley, one of the Louisiana-Commission, will not "fight mit Packard."

Hon. A. H. Stephens is now able to sit up, and his handwriting is firmer than ever. The great commissioner has concluded not to die yet.

There is an absolute lull in politics at the National Capital. The wire pullers have their dens elsewhere than in Washington now.

Very extensive frauds in the manufacture of tobacco in North Carolina have recently been discovered, and the Treasury Department proposes taking vigorous measures to bring the parties concerned in them to speedy punishment.

Garfield looks up most prominently as the Republican candidate for Speaker of the House. Randall is the most prominent among the Democrats, without Samuel Cox and Gilbert C. Walker of Virginia are pressing their claims. Blackburn of Kentucky is the candidate of the filibusters. N. P. Banks is proposed as a compromise. The Democrats, it is said, will have a majority of ten in the primary organization, and will doubtless elect all the officers.

The Virginia Legislature has levied a tax on liquor at the rate of two and a half cents a drink. Each barkeeper is compelled to keep a registry box on his counter and to turn a crank round once for each drink sold. This operates a piece of mechanism which works on a dial the number of times the crank is turned. Any one turning the crank maliciously is subject, on detection, to a heavy fine. The R. F. V. S. will hereafter be compelled to "punch with care."

The Supreme Court of Georgia has just rendered the following decision regarding the liability of seconds in duelling: 1. If the indictment alleges that consent to act as second to a duel was given in this State, it is immaterial where the duel was fought. The gravamen of this offense, under section 4517 of the Code, is the consent; if that took place in this State, this offense is complete. 2. If the indictment alleges that the offense was committed on a day subsequent to the finding of the grand jury, whilst after the defendant has pleaded to the merits, it would be held good in substance, yet being bad in form, it will be so held if exception be taken to it by special demurrer in writing before the trial.

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