

The Labor Movement.

North and South alike are agitating the problem of labor. In the South the controversy is still in its elementary stage. There the question relates not to the duration of work but to the quality of the workers.

Forced to accept that solution by the results of the war, experience will soon demonstrate its wisdom to every reflecting mind in the South.

In the North, and especially in Massachusetts, which usually leads the van in all reformatory movements, an earnest effort is in progress to diminish the laborer's daily task to eight hours.

What the results of that concession will be must depend entirely on the conduct of the laborers themselves. If, as the advocates of the movement argue, as much work and as good quality will be rendered in return for equal wages...

As with the financial so with the social results of the concession demanded. It seems to be assumed that the two hours saved from toil will invariably be carried to the credit of the social culture or social enjoyment. We sincerely hope that it will be so placed; but the working men alone can decide that matter.

King Arthur was the founder of the eight-hour system. He divided his day into three parts:—the first for work, the second for sleep, and the third for his royal person.

The Circus has come at last, and will exhibit this evening. Read the advertisement in another column, of the truly wonderful feats to be performed, and marvel not, for they will surely accomplish all.

Yates, Iowa.—Most interesting was the celebration of the centennial of the signing of the Declaration of Independence in the town of Yates, Iowa, on the 4th of July.

Simon's Wife's Mother.—A friend just returned from New York tells us a pretty good story of an Illinoisian who was stopping at the same hotel.

The Memphis Argus has an editorial on the colored suffrage question, which is strongly tinged with radicalism. It says: "But as soon as it is evident that negroes are qualified to play the part of freemen in the same spirit and with the same sympathy with the white race, then the spirit of our laws, absolutely require their enfranchisement, since it is evident that every real and competent power, or source of power, should have its influence in the government of which it is a natural and integral part."

The Boston Commonwealth is so much disappointed at the result of the election in Connecticut that it gives utterance to the following:—They used to tell of a pedler State Where the souls were small and the wits were great.

Items of Special Interest.

In his forthcoming message, the President fully recognizes the manhood of the negro; but would qualify and limit his right of suffrage by education or property.

The following appears in "Flake's Bulletin" (Galveston, Texas,) of September 29th:—"We learn that John H. Reagan, late Postmaster-General of the so-called Confederate States, has written a letter which will, no doubt, astonish some of his associates. Among other things, he favors negro suffrage."

A fight between white and colored troops occurred in Washington one day last week, in which muskets, pistols, and bayonets were used. One man was killed, and several were wounded.

Sergeant Wm. H. Carney, the hero of Fort Wagner, was married in New Bedford, Mass., on Wednesday. A liberal pile of greenbacks was made up for him on the occasion, and now "greenback weddings" are talked of as the next wrinkle.

General Grant will make Washington his permanent residence. Six thousand colored persons in Washington have signed a petition asking for equal suffrage.

The election returns from the south-western part of the State of Georgia show that the delegates to the State Convention, from that section, are almost unanimously Union.

Gen. Fisk, Superintendent of the Freedmen's Bureau, announces that after the passage of bills by the different States protecting the negroes in the courts, he will establish in his department all matters connected with the civil status of the negro.

Gen. Banks says in a letter just published: "In answer to inquiries presented to me I have the honor to say that I am in favor of granting the right of suffrage to colored men."

General Fisk reports from Nashville, Tenn.:—"The desire on the part of the colored people to be educated is indeed marvellous. They literally hunger and thirst for knowledge, and in many places themselves contributing liberally for the support of schools."

One of the colored female graduates from Oberlin this year was born in Washington, lived her time, bought her freedom, and prepared for college in Providence, R. I.

Gen. Robert B. Lee took the regular amnesty oath Oct. 2nd, swearing for the second time to support and defend the constitution of the United States.

mainly, loyal, simple-hearted soldier. I can recall the shudder of that multitude, as of one man, when he read, "And it came to pass in the morning, that David wrote a letter to Joab, and sent it by the hand of Uriah. And he wrote in the letter, saying, Set ye Uriah in the forefront of the hottest battle, and retire ye from him that he may be smitten and die."

Then came the tribulation, so awfully exact and thorough,—the misery of the child's death; that brief tragedy of the brother and sister; that more terrible than anything in Aeschylus, in Dante, or in Ford; then the rebellion of Absalom, with its heinous dishonor and his death; and the King covering his face and crying in a loud voice, "Oh, my son Absalom! O Absalom, my son, my son!"

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