Negro Suffrage.

A remarkable letter and speech of Judge Linton Stephens, brother of Alexandar H. Stephens, of Georgia, have suddenly revived in the Denocratic press, North and South, a discussion of the reconstruction questions, which, for the four years succeeding the sur-render of General Lee's army, were the render of General Lee's army, were the engrossing political topic. We are willing to have these questions revived, and tried leaders, who have always been four people don't like to be advised. They prefer discussion and to form interests, that possess sufficient moral their opinions on public questions by and think it fortunate that the discussion has been sprung early in 1871 in- guides. If it is necessary to carry the that way and shall continue to do so to stead of being postponed until 1872.— party forward, they alone can lend such the utmost of my ability.

The questions are likely to be settled a movement without exposing their In my judgment the acand finally disposed of by the prepon derant public sentiment of the Democrabe a disturbing element in the next the Democratic party are the most vio with power in the hands of those who tic party in such a way that they cannot

Southern Democrats. We are accordingly watching, with some solicitude, the manifestation of public opinion in Atlanta True Georgian, asserted that were the prevailing style of the party. Judge Stephens is merely an exponent fifths of the Southern Democrats" re capital; a careful and guarded journal this issue would be booked, not for an lence than has heretofore been practiced which is always faithful to its represented election, but a defeat. which is always faithful to its represen-tative character, and maintains close and confidential relations with the State and conndential relations with the State adopted as a result of the voting. The which will overawe and disimbark those government and the rural Democratic party wants a sound curren- daring enemies. Not to see, or to affect press. The ionowing extract from a cy, reduction of taxes, retrenchment of not to see, this danger, and to engage

ment and folly. The most sagacious consequence whether they are attained no peace," and so contribute to betray Everybody on that bench came near and far seeing Republicans have little with or without negro votes. Certain it the country. And yet half a dozen hot headed impracticables can foredoom the Democratic party to a defeat as utter and overwhelming as that of 1868, if they are allowed to put the organization on the extreme course which then caused our ownfail. We apprehend no such result, however; for the serious lessons of the past few years will not be lost on the party, nor will the sound conservative statesmen, who are entitled to direc: and control the movements of the organization, shrink from the poor political situation is determined and Higher! lisps the infant that clasps Radicalism has made for itself. All the going until they went. unmistakable. There is to be no revival its mother's knees, and makes its feeble contrivances by which the Radicals the three amendments to the constitu- ed forever. tion so long as opposition was of any Higher! laughs the proud school boy arise, I believe, chiefly from the mista tion so long as opposition was of any inigher, laughs the proud school boy arise, I believe, enterly from the mista at his swing, or as he climbs the tallest ken idea that those who continue to distance and locked at him, as if to say, General, the old "Confed," 2sked him avail; but they are row a fundamental at his swing, or as he climbs the tallest law, and it is worse than useless to tree of the forest, that he may look down assail reconstruction and the amend-

remand him to servitude. The Demo- when the last of them is hid behind the first started. But the States which have cratic party cheerfully accepts this as our tains of morning.

And higher! his voice thunders forth,

And higher! his voice thunders forth, and has no desire to reverse it. The when the dignity of manhood has a fair trial it is shown to be necessary fifteenth amendment secures privileges invested his form, and the multitude is for a good Government. The 15th of a voter to the negro, and this provi- listening with delight to his oracles, amendment will, in this event, be easily sion baving become incorporated into burning with eloquence and ringing disposed of, for the Radicals, who have most of the State constitutions, negro like true steel in the cause of freedom already ceased to have a motive to proprieties of time and place, Our Dog suffrage would remain, even if the and the right. And when time has maintain it, will have ceased to cant on amendment to the Federal Constitution changed his locas to silver, and world the subject. was rescinded. This issue therefore, wide is his renown; waen the maiden cannot be forced upon us. An act of gathe ing flowers by the roadside, and Congress granting universal amnesty as the boy in the field, bow in reverence refuse to acquiesce in usurpations, by an act of justice to the South, equally as he passes, and peasants look to him which the governments of the people wise and humane, will be one of the with honor, can he breathe forth from have been, and will continue to be, a coundence and assurance which, to a majority of instances, wrought upon the measures of the Democratic porty his heart the fond wish of the past?

The first measures of the Democratic porty his heart the fond wish of the past? on coming into power and that will re | Higher yet! He has reached the apex | to take away auffrage from the nagroes, move what is objectionable in the four- of earthly honor, yet his spirit burns as but to preserve that wise distribution

teenth amendment. "understand his epoch." The statesman or politician who is not gifted to ven, leaving its tenement to moulder functionaries which is agree to create man or politician who is not gifted to ven, leaving its tenement to moulder discern the rising and the receding tide, among the laurels he has wound around imperialism, and will inevitably degrade, who cannot distinguish between the it, for the never ending glory to be evening twilight which foretokens reached only in the presence of the masses. Frank P. Blais. darkness, and the morning twilight Most High. which heralds the dawn of a new day, was not born to be a leader of men. A was not born to be a leader of men. A second or third rate politician may achapter, or wiser for it. It commends happier, or wiser for it. It commends happier, or wiser for it. It is disgusting had twenty one your of deep and a cow, his temptation to play such a role is in to the refined; abominable to the good; proportion to his newness in the party insulting to those with whom we associate: degrading to the

To illustrate by examples: General Butler and General Sickles society. are exories in the Republicans on questions which the country is growing ;-



ter Watchman.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, APRIL 5, 1871.

Timeo Danaos Et Dona Ferentes .-- Virg.

## DEVOTED TO LITERATURE, MORALITY AND GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

Schurz, who were identified with the Republican movement from the begin-Will the Party Array atself Against ning, are under no necessity of giving It commonly happens that recent prose-A remarkable letter and speech of lytes to a political party are its stiffest fidelity to suspicion.

Republican recruits who now act with tional basis, or an absolute Government, lent extremists among us. This is a We fully understand the Democratic sentiment of the reconstruction quesits old leaders, whose consistent fidelity past and continuing process by which the tions; but our information is not so protects them against suspicion when trustworthy respecting the views of the they counsel the abandonment of dead issues. Fresh converts are seldom safe counsellers. Having a new character to ments must necessarily figure in this reestablish and a new confidence to gain, view; but the question of whether they that great and interesting section of our they are tempted to put on clothes of common country. The extracts which last year's cut and fashion as an atonewere printed a few days since, from the ment for not wearing them when they Stripped of irrelevant accessories,

which only cloud and confuse, the real tive of Southern Democratic opinion. question is, whether the Democratic the Government in the hands of the The True Georgian stated that "four- party will array itself against negro people; if we carry the election, whether suffrage in the next Presidential electhey are valid or not. pudiate Judge Stephens' "extreme tion. It is inexpedient to do so for this pudiate Judge Stephens' "extreme views." It further expressions by the Southern press shall confirm this esti mate, the reconstruction measures may and on such an issue every one of them for their enforcement, ought to satisfy mate, the reconstruction measures may be dismissed, by common consent, from would vote against the Democratic canthe political arena. It is desirable that didate. If there should be in the liberty itself is at stake in the coming the Democratic press, in each State, should express the views of those whom should express the views of those whom it represents, when an easy comparison suffrage platform, they will come from does not, from timidity, wilfully shut will determine what the great body of States where the negro vote is so large his eyes to the conclusions of his reason, will determine what the great body of that the platform recommended by such that those who, to grasp y regards as "live," and what as delegates would certainly lose their own power, have subverted the organic law, most representative organs of the New States. Any candidate who tries to get in defiance of the known will of the York Democracy, has just made what nominated by appealing to that kind of people, will fail to adopt any other we believe to be a perfectly authentic sentiment, will solicit votes in the conwe believe to be a perfectly authentic vention which do not represent electoral be found necessary to maintain them in party in this State. We refer to the votes among their constituencies. Any the possession of it, and that our only party in this State. We refer to the Albany Argus, published at the State candidate who should get nominated on security against new and greater vio-

wen-weighed editorial in the government expenses, abolition of the the public mind in the discussion of deliberate and settled judgment of the Democracy of the Empire State.

It seems to be generally conceded little generally genera may be regarded as expressing the deliberate and settled judgment of the protective tariff, non interferance with economic and civil service measures, It seems to be generally conceded to reign poincy consistent with the Democrats cannot be beaten in that the Democrats cannot be beaten in 1872, except by their own mismanages.

It seems to be generally conceded in the paper and presenting it to the guardian of the Celestial City, requested that it their bar, is to cry apeace when there is subdued crash of silk and broadcloth might be carefully examined and there is consequence whether they are attained. is, that the negroes will vote in the next

#### HIGHER.

-the inspiration of all great deeds- not see it so plainly, either because they only people can snicker, snort, and lence of faction and restraining the the sympathetic chain that leads, link do not observe with sufficient attention, strain where they ought not to. Even movement of those who seek notoriety by link, the impassioned soul to its or because they shrink from it from some of the eiders made queer faces. movement of those who seek notoriety by link, the impassioned soul to its or because they shrink from it from the sexton then tried to put Our Dog feebleness and apprehension. Let us feebleness and apprehension. Let us feebleness and apprehension. Let us feebleness and apprehension. But he had no idea of going. He out. But he had no idea of going. He

of obsolete issues—no reactionary essay to rise from the floor—it is the have sought to trammel the people and and he dodged him time and again with think it too good to be lost. It is as movement or recurrence to the past— first inspiration of childhood—to burst fortify themselves in power can thus be all his native grace and agility. This follows: no reconsideration of measures that the the narrow confines of the cradle, in effectually swept away. people have decided upon. We resisted which its sweetest moments have pass-

warm as in youth, though with a steadof the powers of Government, without
ier and paler light, and it would even which all suffrage is but a mockery, and

- Profanity never did any man the profitable, needless, and injurious to

DEMOCRATIC ISSUES IN 1872 whereas men like Gratz Brown and Carl LETTER FROM GEN. BLAIR.

WASHINGTON, March 18th, 1870. such proofs of their party orthodoxy .- To M. M. Cooke, Editor of the Montgom-

ery (Ala.) Mail: DEAR SIR-Yours of the 11th inst.

In my judgment the actual issue of the campaign is the broad one, whether we have a Federal Union on a constitupossess it, to prolong its own existence arbitrary Government of to-day has been established and is to be maintained, and the reconstruction acts and the amendwent through the forms that entitle them to be put on the statute book is really an immaterial one. It does not change the argument a particle, whether the forms were complied with or not, and it does not affect our ability to put

The manu er in which these amendments were adopted, and the still more is by the timely awakening of the peo-

invoke their judgment upon the record had come with our folks, and be was not

Ad Shirt on if twas't Operater the

profitable, accelers, and injurious to stock in the winter within the states and stock in the winter within the states within the sta

A DOG IN CHURCH-AN AMUSING SCENE.

every day in street and house.

or no notice of him. Everybody seemed else. strangely constrained and altered. Our Once upon a time, after the dismise of a member of the "corps editoral," he ture, so he threw himself on his own

or paw in it himself. It was of no use.

He stood and looked, and wagged his white, bushy tail at them as hard as he was let one of your profession in here

are we ever to get power to abousn it:

To make that an issue now would be an act of political suicide.—New York

World.

To will liam to some of our friends, who an act of political suicide.—New York

World.

To will liam to some of our friends, who had abused the "Devil" while impure and wrong, there will be a final below. He added that as they were ouncil what they think is policy, as if it was a matter of convention among with it, and came as near tumbling as a which is filed in the office of the Clerk of the depril" all their lives their future. public men what the issues should be being with four legs can. All this made the "devil" all their lives, their future and not a matter of fact, which they cannot control any more than they can and not a matter of fact, which they a noise and attracted attention. Little punishment was commuted. He further Higher! it is a word of noble meaning the advent of the seasons. They may snickered and strained, as subscriber could be found in all Heaven

The strange man grabbed for him.

law, and it is worse than useless to tree of the forest, that he may look down discuss their character and tendency, on his less adventurous companions with the means by which they were carried, or the effect produced by them. The fields, the meadows, and his native or the effect produced by them. The provison embraced in the thirteenth village. He never saw so extended a suffrage really depends very little on the what all that was about. So he marched and fifteenth amendments are now in operation, and in such a form that they operation, and in such a form that they operation and in such a form that they operate and patronizing things, it has not accomplished the waved in a majestic and patronizing operation, and in such a form that they cannot be abrogated except by another of philosophy and nature; he has a host revolution.

Higher: earnestly preatnes the student object of those who imposed it (which object of thos The first of these amendments gave The midnight oil burns dim, but he South), and they have begun, them- and silent, if you've a mind to. I do no and silent, if you've a mind to. I do no Beauregard is there; you can't so to such thing. I'am a dog; I need none Heaven, for Stonewall Jackson is there; Ine firedom to the negro, and we have neither the inclination nor the power to of heaven, and his soul is never weary the District of Columbia, where it was wsthout coming here once a week to sit silent, sad, melaucholy, and stupid, and be seeded at by a man whom you pay

Then, in an innoceet and touching ignorance that he was violating all the our minister was preaching, and stood and surveyed the congregation. Indeed gation's attention to himself. He stood

stood there; seemisgly those smiles this to Rimself.

There are powerful motives to make were for him. But so soon as he reciprocated the appearent attention, so
soon as he made for them, the smiles
would vanish, the faces become solemn.
And so, at last, with a yawo, Our Dog
fluog himself on the aisle floor, laid his
based on his fore paws, and counted over
the beef bones he had harried during the last week. Not a word of the surmon tomber him; it want clear over

"AN EDITOR IN HEAVEN."

"Such is the caption of an article was something awesome for Our Dog, Just as if editors were not in the habit gencer: and when out of this unnatural quiet of going to Heaven. We'll venture to they rose suddenly to sing, Our Dog was frightened, and would have run out of doors, only the doors were closed. He formed their mission of mercy on earth, as Col. Randolph, the husband of the state o

other. He tried to get up a little almost a moral as well as professional Wattssociability with them, but they took little impossibility for them to go anywhere

his is a self-reliance, recuperative na- presented himself at the gate of the "Holy City" and requested admission their old and beloved Christian mistress, resources for amusement. He was The door keeper asked him what had delightfully ignorant of the proprieties been his occupation on Terra Firma.—
of church or church service. The choir He replied that he "was an editor." is separated from the congregation only by a slightly raised platform. On this walked Our Pog.

The choir is the choir is the waste and cannot be well," said the Watchman, "we have a crowd of your kind here now, and they all came in as 'dead heads.'" If you walked Our Pog.

Again there was singing. He smelt first of the organ; he then smelt of the organist and wagged his tail at him.—

The organist looked with an amused and kindly eye, but he could not stop. Our Dog then smelt of the basso profundo; he smelt of the tenor; he smelt them all come in as 'dead heads.'" If you and power of man as a good moral character. It is his wealth —his influence—his life. It dignifies him at devil). Not having the "wherewith" tyranically down below (meaning the kindly eye, but he could not stop. Our Dog then smelt of the tenor; he smelt them all come in as 'dead heads.'" If you can pay your passage you can come in, if not you must place yourself under the good moral character. It is his wealth —his influence—his life. It dignifies him in every station, exalts him in every station, exalts him in every station, and glorifies him at every period of life. Such a character than everything he smelt of the tenor; he smelt them all come in as 'dead heads.'" If you can pay your passage you can come in, if not you must place yourself under the good moral character. It is his wealth —his influence—his life. It dignifies him in every station, exalts him in every station, exalts him in every station, and glorifies him at every period of life. Such a character is more to be desired than everything scissors' posted off and presented him self at the entrance of "Clootie's" dark first on one side and then on the other.

Then he went back and resmelt them all come in as 'dead heads.'" If you can pay your passage you can come in, if not he beauty and power of man as a good moral character. It is his wealth —his influence—his life. It dignifies him in every station, exalts him in every station, exalts him in every station, exalts him in every ordition, and glorifies him at every period of life. Such a character is more to be desired than everything down heavy or not the blood, and Nitrogen to assimilate the matter.—

It equalizes the "nervous influence," to down heavy or not heavy or not heavy or no over again; also the organ. That was gentleman stood sentry, and asked in a ing sycophant, no treacherous honorover again; also the organ. That was scritchian stood county, and humble seeker, ever bore such a character. The It is invaluable, as it immediately relieves the a little curious. There might be a chorus of dogs inside, and that man at the keys tormenting them. To him, at any rate, it was not melody. He walked any rate, it was not mel any rate, it was not melody. He walked around it, and smelt at every crack and corner to get at the mystery. He tried to coax a little familiarity out of that choir. They seemed to be having a consequence of the coax a little familiarity out of that choir. They seemed to be having a consequence of the coax a little familiarity out of that choir. They seemed to be having a consequence of the coax a little familiarity out of that choir. They seemed to be having a consequence of the coax a little familiarity out of that choir. They seemed to be having a consequence of the coax a little familiarity out of that choir. They seemed to be having a consequence of the coax a little familiarity out of that choir. They seemed to be having a considerable agitation, and fiercely scowling on him. "Why not," demanded the "typo," who began to get at the mystery. He tried fiercely scowling on him. "Why not," demanded the "typo," who began to get at the mystery. It is a specific—one dose often relieving the distribution of the coax a little familiarity out of that choir. They seemed to be having a considerable agitation, and fiercely scowling on him. "Why not," demanded the "typo," who began to get at the mystery. It is a specific—one dose often relieving the distribution of the coax a little familiarity out of that choir is a constant of the coax a little familiarity out of that choir is a constant of the coax a little familiarity out of that choir is a coax a little familiarity out of that choir is a coax a little familiarity out of that choir is a coax a little familiarity out of that choir is a coax a little familiarity out of that choir is a coax a little familiarity out of that choir is a coax a little familiarity out of that choir is a coax a little familiarity out of the coax a little familiarity out of that choir is a coax a little familiarity out of the coax a little familia good time; of course he wanted a hand lor a "sheep's foot" with which to force purposes of human nature, which de

could. But, selfishly, they kept all many years ago and he kept up a contheir pleasure to themselves. So he left tinual 'row' with his former delinquent would look closer into this matter. The congregation were all standing up. So he walked to the open end of the pew, jumped on it and behind the people's backs, and walked to get in front of the leer at the outside sentinel, our typographical friend started off again, defireside.

The Roanoke (Va.) Times publishes the following: A good story is told by one of the Me

thodist ministers now in this place attending Conterence. We do not recollect of ever seeing it in print, and we

captured by the Yankees and happened which you refer are not serious. They ing the sermon. Our Dog was sorry to to be taken to Gen. Grant's headquartsee him go and sit down; he stood at a ers. After being questioned by the

moments, the old "Confed," said : "General Grant, you can't go to Rich

#### THINK OF THE POOR.

How mue's of true religion is with the poor. Christ seems to have taken WARREN DUPRE, A. M., Professor Natural them under his special charge. His Gospel was preached to the poor; and this was one of the signs which he sent maties.

REV. A. H. LESTER, A. M., Professor History To the Defendant, William E. Plowden: to John the Baptist in prison. With his to John the Baptist in prison. With his own blessed hands he fed the poor by a creative act, having compassion on them when they fainted. His miracles, we have reason to think, were in a large have reason to think, were in a large of the supervision of the Feb. 15.

Take notice, that the inthis action were filed in this action w suffrage that we continue to assail and he appropriated much of that congre- own blessed hands he fed the poor by a there and surveyed that audience with when they fainted. His miracles, we a confidence and assurance which, to a have reason to think, were in a large would be better than gold or diamonds. Poor, and "the common people heard He didn't care. He smelt of the minishim gladly." The apostles at Jerusalem him gladly." The apostles at Jerusalem 1870, the second Session begins on the first Monday in October 1870, the second Session begins on the first Monday in January, 1871. ter. He thought he'd try and see if the latter were in a mood for any sociability. No; he was busier than any shall sit on his throne of judgment he now admit irregular students or those who wis ciability. No; he was busier than any of the rest. The stunidity and silence of all this crowd of people who sat there and looked at him puzzled Our Dag.

He could see no sense in it. Some little boys and girls did smile as he little boys and girls did smile a

AFFECTING SCENE.

He was a little flustered on first entering the chapel—so many people there, and all sitting so quiet. In this there

The body had been committed, earth soon recovered himself. They were only folks after all—such as he saw poor mortals fill. "An editor in Heaven!" There's ed around him and sang with feeling every day in street and house.

"An editor in Heaven!" There's ed around him and sang with feeling.

He began to recognize one after an nothing staange about that, at all. It's and fervor that beautiful hymn of Dr

"Am I a soldier of the Cross-A follower of the Lamb— And shall I fear to own His cause, Or blush to speak His name. It was the last tribute of respect and

Permeate the very Substance of the Lungs affection they could pay the memory . of and this scene caused many a tear to flow in sympathy with them. A GOOD MORAL CHARACTER.

stroy body and soul.

### HOME AFTER BUSINESS HOURS.

Happy is the business man who can the choir, and came down again among the congregation. There, sure enough, were two little girls on the back sent.

It is knew them; he had enjoyed many a romp with them. Just the thing! Up he jumped with his paws on that back seat; yet even they were in no humor for play. They pushed him away, and looked at each other as if to say, "Did you ever see such conduct in church?"

It was rebuff everywhere. Our Dog would look closer into this matter. The congregation were all standing up. So

FORMATION OF CHARACTER.-Have the country.

If our friends would unite in an scramble to get out.

If or friends would unite in an scramble to get out. free ticket. In due course of time the kled brightly in the sun; but if the The State of South Carolina. conductor came along and took him in water was slightly muddy, the icicle insuperable barrier to our success, how fears that they will fail to see it. They and look at that man in the pulpit, so adds its influence. If each thought be always to shell the transfer of the transfer o insuperable partier to our success, now are we ever to get power to abolish it? In will fail to see it. They and look at that man in the pulpit, so admit all members of the "art preservations" and right, the soul will be lovely, and right, the soul will be lovely, and right, the soul will be lovely, and right the would be. But somehow he moved one would be. But somehow he moved one

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Dated at Sunter, S. C., Febuary 7, 1871.
E. W. MOISE, Plaintiff's Att. rney.

To the Defendant, William E. Plawden :

Take notice that the Summons and Complaint in this action were filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas for Sumter Cou ty and State of South Carolina on the seventh day of Febuary, 1871. E. W. MoISF, Plaintiff's Attorney. February 15, 1871.

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If you fail to answer this complaint within the time aforesaid, the Plaintiff will take judgment

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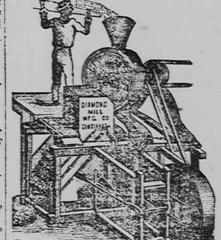
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