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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24, 1872.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

Gold closed yesterday at 114 1/2.

The New York cotton market closed dull and nominal; uplands 23 1/2 cents; sales 733 bales.

In Liverpool cotton closed at the following quotations: Uplands 11 1/2, Orleans 11 1/2; sales 10,000 bales.

An article in Lippincott's accuses Edgar Poe of taking thirteen juleps and a tumbler of brandy before breakfast.

No indignation was meant in Savannah, in presenting Lydia Thompson with a bale of cotton, that she had not enough.

The experiment of a narrow-gauge railway is soon to be tried in the vicinity of New York. The New Jersey Legislature recently granted a charter to a company authorizing it to construct a three-foot track from Jersey City to Suffern, a point about thirty miles west on the Erie Road.

The hands of gentlemen of enterprise and capital, and as the new route runs through a thickly-settled and desirable section, where passenger travel will be very considerable, there is a prospect that the experiment will be fairly tested under favorable circumstances.

The North German Gazette, while it repeats its denial of the alarming statements lately published in London in regard to the relations between France and Germany, yet adds that an unpleasant feeling had been caused throughout the Empire by the speech of M. Thiers at the time of the adjournment of the Assembly. It speaks also of the character of the French war budget, and intimates that it suggests caution on the part of Germany, and concludes, that if the relations between the two countries were more favorable the occupation of French territory by German troops would not be so prolonged.

The Minister of Public Worship has given formal notice to the Bishop of Erieland that, as sentences of excommunication against German subjects clash with the civil law, and affect unfavorably the social status, therefore the consent of the government must be obtained before any sentence is pronounced. The minister insists on obedience to the laws as a duty incumbent on all, and intimates that failure in that duty on the part of the bishop will lead to the withdrawal by the government of its official recognition of his ecclesiastical functions. The Bishop of Erieland answers apologetically, affirming that civil honor is in no way affected by excommunication.

The State of Virginia has thousands of acres of land which have gone untaxed since 1865 because the assessors could find no owner, and, strange to say, no claimant. The registrar of the land office is now selling these lands, giving tax titles therefor, but with a provision entirely invalidating them if the real owner turns up within a reasonable number of years. Of course the buyers run considerable risk, but on the other hand, the land is sold for one dollar an acre. Last year twenty thousand acres were thus disposed of, and it is said that only one owner has appeared for any part of the land so obtained, and that his property contained less than one hundred and fifty acres.

The movement of the St. Louis bar in favor of wearing black silk gowns in court meets with favor in other parts of the country. The Law Journal says: "We do not advocate a return of the costume of English judges and barristers of the middle ages—to wigs, collars, caps, bands and collars, or even to green, red, blue or purple bags, for these, particularly all but the bags, would not become a dignified and learned profession in a scientific and intellectual period. But extensive use of the robe and the gown we believe, would add lustre, distinction and gravity to the bench and the bar, and would be an incentive to all wearers of these professional insignia to render themselves worthy of the distinction."

Miss Grundy, the newspaper correspondent, photographs Mrs. Mason as she appeared in the committee-room at Washington with all the noisiness of the committee. She is so fond of displaying towards each other. The committee-men were all smoking, which was both ungentlemanly and pernicious, and Mrs. Mason was the target for smoke and questions both. She stood it like a man—in a black silk suit trimmed with feathers, a pretty white frill around her throat, a pale pink rose in her hair, and curls and curls in profusion. Such a costume would naturally inspire fortitude and good nature; but she lost her temper just once, and replied so tartly that the questioner suddenly went out to take spiritual refreshment, and disturbed her equanimity no more. He black eyes actually struck fire, but it was over in a second, and the plumage remained unruined to the close.

Hon. Wm. McDougall, in a recent lecture at Hamilton, Canada, upon the relations between Great Britain and Canada, said that after consultation with high parties in England, he had been forced to the conclusion that the policy was not to abandon the Colonies, nor to act so as to drive them away from their allegiance, but to prepare them for maintaining their own position by means of their own right hands, and make them conscious that if attack was levelled against them they must depend mainly, if not altogether, upon their own resources to resist it—falling in which, they must be prepared to accept the consequences, whatever they might be, which followed invasion and conquest. Speaking for himself, and speaking freely, frankly and truthfully, he was of the opinion that "the union of these provinces was the preliminary step for the establishment of a regular system of government in British America which would enable us, when the moment arrived—when necessity pressed upon us—to maintain separate and independent existence among the nations of the earth."

The strike of the Warwickshire agricultural laborers seems to have had reason for it, if they are no better off than their Essex bro-

thers, who tells his story in the Daily Telegraph. For fifteen years this honest fellow has worked for the same master ten hours daily, at the munificent wages of eighteen pence a day. On this he has had to support himself, a wife and three children. The wife's labor adds to these scanty resources two shillings a week. For his cottage he pays four pounds per annum. Naturally, poor Hodge's fare on this income has not been precisely luxurious. For breakfast, he has generally a bread and water mess, "and if we have it, a cold potato." His dinner "is a boiled dumpling, with potatoes and onions on a cup of tea, a bit of bread, a tiny bit of cheese, (if we have it,) or a bit of mutton, but sometimes a pig's 'black'—say six times a year." What would an American farm-hand think of having to live himself, and to bring up a family on "boiled dumplings, with potatoes and onions"? Or is it any wonder that the majority of the men at the Warwickshire meetings are described as being stunted-looking, and with small limbs and shrunken muscles? Labor nourished on dumplings, one would think, could not be of a very sturdy sort.

President Grant and Ku-Kluxism.

The electioneering document, in the shape of a special message upon the subject of the Ku-Klux, submitted to Congress by President Grant, may fairly be taken as a deliberate expression of the determination of the administration to persevere in the policy which has brought distress upon innocent thousands, and keeps a prosperous and peaceful section of South Carolina under the heel of the Federal soldiery. It must not be assumed, however, that President Grant has any particular spite against this State, or against the South. The persecution of South Carolina answers his purpose, and is expected to strengthen his chances of reelection. Casting his eyes over the field, he saw that political capital might be made more easily in this State than in any other State of the North or South. And, whenever he believes that it will be profitable to him to treat Georgia or Ohio, New York or Virginia, as he has treated South Carolina, the attempt will be made to reduce them, also, to a condition of military subjection. The excuse there can be made as great as the excuse in South Carolina. A man who, as President of a great people, will place nine counties under martial law because he has been told that a wide-spread conspiracy exists there, is capable of placing New York under martial law because the people refuse to be plundered any longer by the Leets, Stockings and Murphys, who are his dear friends and chosen representatives. This is the warning which President Grant now gives to all who dare to cross his path, and the full meaning of his last pronouncement will not be veiled from the keen vision of the patriotic men who shall soon assemble in Convention in the great City of the West.

President Grant says that he was informed that a condition of "lawlessness and terror" existed in certain portions of South Carolina, and that he requested Attorney-General Akerman to visit the State and report to him upon the subject. That report was made in October, 1871; and, as President Grant forgets to say, the proclamation suspending the writ of habeas corpus in nine counties was instantly issued. There was no inquiry into the truth of the representations made by Mr. Akerman. Upon his bare statement, the proclamation was issued; with so indecent a haste that a county which had not been accused was included in the list. A "clerical error" was allowed to place a whole community at the mercy of the Federal soldiery, and their disreputable assistants. At the time that the proclamation was issued every county included in the denunciation was profoundly peaceful. There had been isolated acts of violence, but they were not continued. The excitement of the elections had died away, and there was no thought of organized resistance to anybody or anything. It is a farcical absurdity to say that, in October, 1871, a combination existed embracing at least two-thirds of the active white men in nine counties; their object being to prevent "the free actions of citizens who were friendly to the Constitution and the Government of the United States." There was an organization, it appears, in the upper part of the State, but its object was the protection of its members against the incendiary acts and brutal violence of the Scott militiamen. There was no hope of redress in the State Courts, and the people banded themselves together to punish crime, and guard themselves from the attacks of the negro militia. No proof has yet been given that the Ku-Klux Klan, as it is called, did, as a body, attempt to prevent any class of citizens from doing any lawful thing. There were members of the organization—witnesses whom the government puts on the stand every day—who committed murder; but the organization is not responsible for the conduct of its individual members. When a Mason or an Odd Fellow robs or slays, do we charge every brother of the order with being an accomplice in the crime? But President Grant does not content himself with general misrepresentation; he soon comes down to details. He has "no doubt" that similar organizations exist in other counties, and has "no doubt" that they are a part of a grand system of "criminal associations pervading most of the Southern States." Fortunately the bare word of President Grant has very little weight in the country; although, unfortunately for us, Congress has clothed him with almost dictatorial powers. He can arrest citizens of South Carolina by the hundred, and lodge them in jail until it suits his officers to try and convict them; but he and all his armies cannot persuade the people of the United States that a majority of the white citizens of South Carolina are members of an organization in which they are bound by oaths which "they are taught to regard as of higher obligation than the lawful oaths taken before civil magistrates." They may call us Rebels, but they know we are not perjurers.

Hostetter's Bitters.

ATMOSPHERIC DISEASES.—THE air, without which no creature could live, is the source of diseases which millions die. At this season, especially, the atmosphere is full of the germs of many kinds of sickness. Every globe of the mist and fog which cloud the earth and sink in spring fogs in solution its portion of miasmatic poison. The evil effects of this miasmatic virus can only be certainly averted by increasing the vitality of the system, and securing the full and free exercise of all its natural functions, and hence it is that HOSTETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS, the great nerve strengthener, regulator and antidote to malaria, is imperatively required in the spring months. It is at this time, too, that Dyspepsia assumes its most distressing types, and that persons of bilious habit usually suffer most. There is an influence in the air which depresses the spirits as well as the physical energies, and in order to restore their elasticity tonic treatment is absolutely necessary. All the world knows that the wonderful efficacy of Hostetter's Bitters in cases of indigestion, biliousness, nervous prostration and malarious fever is due to the potency of its tonic, alterative and aperient materials and the absolutely pure stimulant with which they are incorporated. It is because of these reasons that the article can be so implicitly trusted—inasmuch as it performs uniformly and certainly all that it is advertised to do—that they prefer this sovereign tonic to every other. Hence its immense and ever-increasing sales, and hence, too, alas! the many counterfeits and imitations, against which there is no safe-guard except the close scrutiny of the purchaser.

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ESTATE OF B. M. SCHIPMAN.—Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will apply, on the 22d of April next, to the Hon. GEO. BUXT, Judge of Probate for Charleston County, for a final discharge and letters dismisory as Administrator of said estate. W. N. JONES, General Agent.

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"stances of criminal violence" could be "reckoned by thousands." The Ku-Klux trials in Columbia and in Charleston furnish no proof of the correctness of such a charge. President Grant has made a statement which neither he nor his satraps can sustain. As much may be said of his recapitulation of the objects of the "illegal combinations," "popularly known as the Ku-Klux Klan." The constitution of the order, as read and sworn to over and over again, both in Columbia and in this city, shows plainly and distinctly that it was not its purpose to deprive the colored citizens of the right to bear arms and of the ballot, or to suppress colored schools and reduce the colored people "to a condition closely akin to that of slavery." Long before the visit of Attorney-General Akerman to South Carolina, the white citizens of the State had recognized, in the amplest manner, the changes in the State and Federal Constitution. In the canvass which ended in October, 1870, the whites and the blacks sat in the same committee rooms, attended the same meetings, spoke from the same platforms, and were voted for on the same ballots. A convention of the conservative people of the State had declared their acquiescence in the civil and political equality of all classes of citizens, irrespective of race, color or previous condition. And yet President Grant would have us believe that twelve months later the majority of the white people, as an organization, were engaged in an endeavor to accomplish the impossible—that is, to reduce the blacks to "a condition closely akin to that of slavery."

The loose statements of President Grant will not pass unchallenged. They will be scrutinized in the House of Representatives, where they have already been declared to be untrue. And this we desire, not so much for our own sake as for the good of the country. The cup of our bitterness is full. No worse humiliation can be devised than that which has already been borne. The ingenuity of President Grant's advisers cannot inflict upon South Carolina a burden more grievous than that which she now endures. It is true that hundreds of our citizens may be convicted, tried and sentenced to long terms of imprisonment; but no new measures of inquiry will excite surprise. Every vestige of protection has been torn away. With folded hands we await the result. But there are States which the spoilers have not reached; there are millions of good citizens who crave a return of peace and a restoration of fraternal feeling. To them we say that, as it has been meted to us, it will be meted to them, if the dictatorial authority of the President and the usurped powers of Congress be not taken away at the polls. To them we say that it is impossible for the white men of the South to respect "the 'old flag'" and love the Union while the Federal soldiers are the instruments of tyranny, while the United States laws are the symbols of oppression, while in the United States Courts it is shown that white men have any personal or political rights which the Federal officials are bound to respect. All that we ask is the free government guaranteed by the Constitution. Give us that, treat us as American citizens, not as slaves and dogs, and in four years' time the whole country will be united in thought and in purpose, and North and South, East and West, will work side by side, as equal laborers, for the maintenance of the liberties and the increase of the wealth and power of the Republic.

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Meetings.

ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS. Attend a Regular Convocation of Branch Lodge No. 1, at 8 o'clock THIS EVENING, April 24th, 1872. By order of the T. L. M. W. J. ANDERSON, Recorder. apr24-wf*

THE BROTHERLY ASSOCIATION WILL attend an Extra Meeting at the usual place and hour THIS EVENING. By order. SAMUEL R. COX, Secretary. apr24-wf*

WASHINGTON LIGHT INFANTRY RIFLE CLUB.—Attend an Extra Meeting of your Club THIS EVENING, at 8 o'clock, at Merchants Hotel. By order. R. H. McDOWELL, Jr., Secretary and Treasurer. apr24-wf*

A MEETING OF THE GENERAL COMMISSIONERS of the State Sunday School Convention will be held at the Rooms of the Young Men's Christian Association, at 8 o'clock THIS EVENING. All the members are earnestly requested to attend. J. BACHMAN HASKELL, Secretary. apr24-wf*

IRISH VOLUNTEER RIFLE CLUB.—An Extra Meeting of your Club will be held THIS EVENING, the 24th instant, at Eberhard Hall. Members are requested to be punctual in attendance, and come prepared to pay Initiation Fee. By order of the President. JAMES A. MURRAY, Secretary. I. V. R. C. apr24-wf*

VIGILANT FIRE COMPANY.—AN EXTRA Meeting of this Company will be held at their Hall, THIS EVENING, at half-past 7 o'clock. Honorary and Driving Members are urgently requested to attend. By order of the President. J. A. ENSLLOW, Jr., Secretary. I. V. F. C. apr24-wf*

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Amusements.

PROGRAMME OF THE CHARLESTON GERMAN SCHUTZENFEST. APRIL 22, 23, 24, 25 and 26, 1872.

The Members of the Club and their friends are respectfully invited to participate in the Festivities. No person will be admitted without producing their Card of Invitation, and no Invitation will, under any circumstances, be issued at the gate of the Schutzenplat.

Cards of Invitation may be obtained at Messrs. F. VON SANTEN, No. 229 King street. G. H. LINDSTEDT, corner King and Calhoun streets. MELCHERS & MULLER, No. 217 King street. P. E. BOCHHEIT, corner Meeting and Line streets.

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H. WREDSN, corner East Bay and Lodge alley. PROFESSOR BOND, THE GREAT WIRE-WALKER, has been engaged to perform every Afternoon during the Festival.

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Anniversaries. INDEPENDENT ORDER ODD FELLOWS. The Fifty-third Anniversary of the Introduction of Odd Fellowship into America will be celebrated at Friendschaft Hall on FRIDAY EVENING, April 27th. The ladies and public generally are cordially invited.

ORDER OF EXERCISES. ANTHEM. Prayer, by Rev. Brother O. F. GREGORY, P. V. G. ODE. Address, by WILMOT G. DESAUSSTRE, P. O. Sire. ODE. Address, by J. S. BUIST, P. G. ODE. Address, by A. G. MAGRATH, Jr., P. G. ODE.

Arrangements have been made with the different Railroads which will enable those of the Order to come and return for one fare. apr24-wf*

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The above Company has appointed the undersigned Agents for the State of South Carolina, under the firm name of ABNEY & PARKER, Office in Columbia. As Sub-Agent, they have secured the services of M. WILSON GLOVER for the City of Charleston, with authority to take risks in any part of the State.

The above named Company is rapidly increasing in numbers and in financial strength, possessing now a large surplus fund of \$115 to every dollar of liability, with other peculiar inducements. To those desirous of making good and safe investments at home, it commends itself.

M. W. ABNEY, J. W. PARKER, (Late Supt. Lunatic Asylum, Columbia, S. C.) General Agents. WILSON GLOVER, Agent, Office South Atlantic Wharf, apr24-wf*, may 5, 11 Charleston, S. C.

AGENCY SOUTHERN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, ATLANTA GEORGIA. GEN. JOHN B. GORDON, President. ASSETS January 1st, 1872, \$1,241,947.40-100.

The undersigned having been recently appointed Agent for Charleston of the above Company, would invite the attention of his friends and the public generally to a few arguments in its favor. It is a purely Southern Company, and invests all its accumulations at the South. It is ably managed and has a large capital. It does business on the cash system only, and at rates as low as any other sound Company in the Country.

Geo. M. COFFIN, Agent for Charleston, S. C. apr24-wf* North Atlantic Wharf.