

Wednesday Morning, June 12, 1867.

A Common Country—A Common Cause.

The most gigantic civil war that has been waged in modern times is that which was brought on by the attempt to disintegrate or break up the Union of the States of North America. A fearful and bloody struggle, of four years' duration, terminated in the utter failure of that attempt. It is far from our purpose, in what we write on the present occasion, to discuss the right or the wrong of the movement referred to; we have had our opinion on that point, and transitorily enjoyed it, and whether we were correct or in error, it boots but little now to say. We have to grapple now solely with the results of the abortive effort to dissolve the Union, to face these results, untoward though they may be, with the same spirit of manhood and endurance which inaugurated the memorable struggle, and carried it on, through weal and through woe, for four long and weary years.

With the untoward (to the South) conclusion of hostilities, came a convulsion—not unexpected—in her institutions, which up-rooted her system of servile labor—a system which she clung to and defended against repeated assaults for nearly half a century. With the downfall of the institution of slavery should have been wiped out all the animosities which the assaults upon it from one section, and its defence by the other, had engendered and kept alive. With its overthrow, there should have been—and we trust ere long there will be—a complete cessation of sectional recrimination, keeping divided, not only in sentiment and political opinion, but in interest, the people of the same race, country and kindred.

Now, that the fearful struggle is over; now that the leaders—tried and trusted men—of the defeated party have accepted the result of the final arbitrament, of doubtless the final attempt to disrupt the Federal Union; now that dishonor can cleave to neither of the great contestants; now that the victor and the vanquished acknowledge alike the prowess and endurance of his opponent—now that the latter accepts his defeat in true and knightly style, and the former secured the avowed guerdon for which he took the field, on what ground is there any further reason for sectional controversy or party animosity? None whatever. The Southern people may rail at terms which a political party may have imposed, and that party may consider these terms obligatory, to secure peace and prevent any future attempt to break up the Government; but the original cause of discord and enmity has been swept away—the verdict that the Union cannot be dissolved has been pronounced, and is unalterable, and there positively remains nothing *allice* to-day, if we may except the flickering but expiring embers of ancient prejudices and present disappointment, that should keep the people of this country divided.

This being the case, as all will admit, the people North, East, South and West have only one mission to accomplish—the complete re-union and harmony of the whole, in the wise and patriotic effort to make their common country one of the greatest and most respected among the family of nations—one of the best governed among them, and one in which virtue, intelligence and industry will find their largest and surest rewards. The man, in either section, who looks to any more contracted circle of his duties and obligations as a citizen of this republic, is not worthy the name of a patriot—whether it be a partisan, in the one, working solely for the interests or perpetuity of his party, or, in the other, who tenaciously but stupidly clings to his old prejudices and abstract principles of State rights and State sovereignty. Both fail in loyalty to their country, and fall far short of their duties as American citizens.

The seeds and the roots of political discord between the people of all sections have been killed or eradicated; let no enemy come into the re-united family to again sow the one or plant the other. We have all now but one common country and one common cause. We have but one flag to shield and protect us, and but

one to fight under, should it need ever arise. There may be many things simply distasteful; there may be petty differences of opinion among the people of this country, but that the era of animosity—sectional or political—has passed away, we firmly believe; and thus believing, we take heart and encouragement for the future. So far as our humble efforts may influence any through the columns of this journal, we will give no aid or comfort to any party or set of men who would revive dead issues or rekindle past asperities. We will labor for restoration and re-union as the people of a common country, and will do our utmost in the sphere allotted us to accomplish this in the speediest and the only way possible or practicable.

JUDGE CHASE IN RICHMOND.—When the Chief Justice was in the capital of Virginia, he went to the Spotswood Hotel. Capt. Millward accompanied him to his room, and playfully reminded the distinguished guest of the fact that he stood upon tapestry hallowed by the tread of the greatest of these days. Mr. Chase replied that he would like to possess three qualities—the genius of Davis, the perseverance of Grant and the indomitable will of Johnson. A very flattering compliment truly, says the *Examiner*, of the three worthies, when we consider the high position and acknowledged abilities of him who uttered the words.

A NEW ISLAND.—It is reported that a new island has been discovered in the North Pacific, 150 degrees West longitude, 40 degrees 30 minutes North latitude, 20 miles long, exactly in the track of vessels for San Francisco from China and Japan. On her late return voyage, the *Colorado* passed near the locality. Fogs and misty weather prevail in that section of the Pacific, and it is supposed that many missing vessels have been wrecked there.

BETWEEN TWO FIRES.—Mr. Greeley has been urging, in the *Tribune*, the necessity of sending more Republican orators to the South. The *Express* asks why Mr. Greeley does not set the example, to which Mr. G. replies. His concluding reason for declining is the following:

The need at the South is of men who can speak authoritatively of what Congress desires, purposes, and will do. Mr. Greeley cannot so speak. He was nominated for Congress, last fall, in an overwhelmingly Democratic district, and beaten by 10,000 majority in the ensuing election, because the Democrats feared he would be too hard upon the rebels. His name was then taken before a strongly Republican Legislature, as a candidate for United States Senator, and he was there still worse beaten, because the Republicans feared he was inclined to be too easy with the rebels. It is thus settled beyond cavil that he cannot speak for Congress; hence, he took care not to do so at Richmond. He is left free to speak his own mind, and to stand on his own platform, which is, as it, for two years, notoriously has been—universal amnesty, with impartial suffrage.

GOLD STEADY.—The *New York Times*, of Saturday, says:

Gold has been remarkably steady of late. The extreme points in the fluctuations since the 1st of May have only covered a distance of two per cent. There have been weeks in which speculators have had to be satisfied with fluctuations of one per cent.; and there have been many days in which a quarter or an eighth of one per cent. has been counted a good thing one way or the other. The gold room has been very dull and stupid, and it seems at times as if things were about to dry up. Nobody can form an idea as to what will affect prices during the summer; and a very small affair, such as a business failure or a Bismarckian growl, affords occasion for a very large noise. Secretary McCulloch keeps along in his established policy of selling a little gold now and then through the Sub-Treasury; but there is no reason to believe he ever imagined that he could put it down very far, or keep it down very long, by any movements he might make. We suppose that the prospect of the grain crop and the cotton crop will, in the absence of anything more startling, be the principal cause of any such slight variations in gold as may be looked for during the summer. The steadiness in the gold market during the last forty days furnishes a remarkable contrast to the violent fluctuations that took place during the same period last year.

CHARGES AGAINST BUSTEED.—Three cases have been brought by attorneys of Montgomery against Judge Rich'd Busteed, in actions of trover, for the conversion of moneys and conspiracy to defraud the plaintiffs of fees by usurpation and corrupt abuse of the office of judge.

KERSHAW DISTRICT.—A Camden correspondent of the *Charleston News* says:

"I have heard of but little dissatisfaction with the freedmen this year. In fact, the excellent condition of the crops attest that the laborers are doing their duty manfully. "From every account of the crop, it is to be judged that we are all hopeful, and look forward to financial as well as political reconstruction next winter. The former depends greatly on the latter, and both must go hand in hand. It is our duty to labor as faithfully for the one as the other."

It is reported that the Emperor of Austria intends to signalize his coronation as King of Hungary by an act of clemency and justice toward the Hungarian patriots, which shows that he has learned, in the stern school of adversity, the monarch's hardest lesson. The amnesty of all political offenders, which he proposes to proclaim, will include even Kossuth, though that impracticable leader (if a man with no followers can be called a leader) will probably, like Mazzini, refuse to accept clemency from a King. But the great mass of his countrymen are less particular on this point, and will doubtless prove the most loyal of the many nationalities that owe allegiance to the House of Hapsburg.

San Francisco is, in proportion to its size, the busiest sea-port in the world. The annual exports are about \$70,000,000, the imports nearly as much; the manufactures are worth nearly \$20,000,000, the real estate sales amount to about \$12,000,000, and the cash value of the land, buildings and movable property of the city is about \$200,000,000, although assessed for taxation at only \$80,000,000. It sends away about forty tons of silver and six tons of gold every month. Wagons loaded with the precious metals are seen in the streets nearly every day.

The *Pensacola (Fla.) Observer* says that the report that \$340,000 had been dug up from the grave-yard of that city, where it had been buried during the war, and removed to parts unknown, came near terminating in a tragedy. Some fifty or sixty negroes, who claimed their share of the plunder, attacked the negro drayman who was said to have spirited the treasure away, and would have lynched him but for the interposition of the sheriff. The city, at last accounts, was filled with gangs of idle negroes, "discussing the great issue."

Santa Anna, the Mexican chieftain, who, for some time past, has been residing on Staten Island, (where he was held by Sheriff Winants,) has departed for Mexico. The embarkation was conducted in such a quiet manner that only a few persons were aware of it. A vessel, with 5,000 stands of arms, and men and munitions of war, preceded him. It is stated that Secretary Seward endeavored to prevent his departure, but was out-witted by the cunning old Mexican.

Eating while the body is fatigued is a very injurious habit; but severe labor soon after a hearty meal is none the less so. A large share of vital force is required to properly perform the process of digestion, and if this is called away to the muscles or brain to accomplish severe physical or mental labor, the stomach is left insufficiently supplied, and the food remains for a long time undigested.

A Nashville mechanic has recently applied for a patent for a new style of locomotive smoke-stack, so constructed that no sparks are emitted from the top of the stack, a shute being fixed to carry them downward, and they fall harmlessly upon the earth beneath the locomotive, thus insuring safety to all articles of a combustible nature on the train or in its immediate vicinity.

The British and Foreign Bible Society circulated 2,383,380 copies of the Bible and portions of the Bible, during the last year. From the commencement of the Society, 52,000,000 copies have been distributed by kindred societies which have sprung from it or have been aided by it. These have been printed in 170 languages, and in 213 different versions.

The Milwaukee papers record a sad story about a bloated and drunken vagrant, who was placed in the station house the other night, where he was recognized as a once noted divine, who, years ago, had, under the guise of religion, seduced the wife of one of his parishioners, and whose downfall from that time had been certain and speedy.

A creosoted sleeper, put down on the Stockton and Darlington Railway, in England, in August, 1841, was taken up March 14, 1867, after nearly twenty-two years' service. The grain of the wood, although slightly discolored by creosote, is as fresh and apparently as tough as that of newly-sawed timber, and the odor of creosote is as strong as if the wood had just been operated upon.

The latest improvement in horticulture is that of removing the stones from fruits by a process of gradual reduction, by extracting the pith from shoots and grafting them on stocks and their own branches for successive seasons. The experiment has been perfectly successful with the Malaga grape.

WAL-RUSSIA.—A revenue cutter, now stationed at San Francisco, will soon sail upon a cruise to Sitka, and along the shores of the new American Pacific possessions. She will have aboard five members of the Coast Survey, and an experienced naturalist, and it is expected that a vast deal of information will be thus obtained about the last territorial acquisition of the United States.

AN AGED DIVINE.—A correspondent of the *Columbus Enquirer*, speaking of the Rev. Dr. Lovick Pierce, says: "This aged minister of Christ, now in his eighty-third year, the pastor of St. Paul's Church, preaches regularly on Sabbath morning, and at 5 o'clock in the evening; and although so greatly advanced in years, he preaches with the spirit and power of youth."

In the free city of Bremen, a singular custom of taxation prevails. The Government announces the sum that it requires, and a chest is placed in the town house, to which every taxpayer brings the proportion which he judges it right for him to pay. The amount of tax received has never failed to surpass the estimate of the public necessities.

A handsome young bride was observed to be in a deep reflection on her wedding day. One of her bride-maids asked her the subject of her meditation. "I was thinking," she replied, "which of my old beaux I should marry, if I should become a widow."

A man that hath no virtue in himself, ever envieth virtue in others; for men's minds will either feed upon their own good or upon others' evils, and who wanteth the one will prey upon the other.

The gold production of Australia is said to be falling off. The decrease of production—which was 2,985,991 ounces in 1856—has been gradual and continuous until 1865, when it was but 1,480,597 ounces.

LONG EDITORIALS.—On the 1st, the *Memphis Appeal* had an editorial eight feet long upon "The Duty of Loyalty;" and on the 4th, it had one seven feet long, on "The Period of Transition."

A Dublin paper says a fearful blight has set in among the early planted potatoes in Ireland, and whole fields are affected by the disease.

The *Richmond Dispatch* publishes a tabular statement, showing there are 1,360 business men in that city, and that they pay a license tax of \$85,739.17.

Congressman John Morrissy is the purchaser of Barnum's beautiful residence, at Bridgeport, Conn. The price paid was \$65,000.

The Prince of Wales has given rise to much scandal in Paris, in connection with her Grace the Duchess of Manchester.

The Police Commissioners of Chicago are taking measures to prevent the sale and use of fire-works in the city.

A married man in Williamsburg, aged forty, ran away with his wife's niece, aged twenty-five, on Tuesday last.

Sarah Turner has recovered \$10,000 from J. W. Sidle, of Zanesville, Ohio, for breach of promise of marriage.

EQUAL TAXATION OR REPUTATION. The *Buffalo Independent* raises the motto at its mast-head, "Equal and just taxation, or repudiation."

It is stated that gold-bearing rock, yielding to the assay \$120 a ton, has been found in Dutchess County, New York.

HEAVY.—The *Cleveland Herald* says that a child was born in that city, a few days since, which weighed twenty-one and a half pounds.

The Massachusetts State Constable has notified the proprietors of lager beer saloons to stop the sale of that beverage.

In portions of Indiana, the hydrophobia panic has caused a suspension of the schools.

A negro in Georgia flogged his daughter to death for clandestine "sparking."

A father in Charlevoix, Michigan, accidentally cut his child's head off while engaged in chopping wood.

"De resolutions are passed crim'ous," was the decision of a negro chairman at Richmond.

At the children's ball in Paris, a girl of eleven, Mlle Nunez, wore \$160,000 of diamonds.

Numbers of sheep in Michigan are still dying of a disease supposed to be "grub in the head."

A barber in Chicago has made to pay \$2,800 for cutting off a customer's ear.

A country paper speaks of a man who died without the aid of a doctor. Very rare instance.

A London paper says that there are fourteen royal parks and pleasure-grounds in or about London.

A woman in Wilton, Maine, is seven feet high, and weighs 350 pounds.

Dexter and Ethan Allen have been matched to trot with running mates for \$1,000 a side.

They are eating water-melons in Newbern, N. C.

Alabama epicures are luxuriating upon green corn.

The cholera continues to scourge portions of Italy.

Local Items.

POST OFFICE HOURS.—The office is open from 8 a. m. until 3½ p. m., and from 6 until 7 p. m. The Northern mail closes at 3½ p. m., and all other mails close at 8 p. m.

The masons and stone-cutters will find an advertisement of interest, in another column of this morning's *Phoenix*. Good wages and steady employment are promised good workmen. An early application is desirable, as Mr. Hodges expects to be in the city but a few days.

JOB PRINTING.—The Job Office of the *Phoenix* is as complete as any in the South. It is furnished with new fonts of type of all descriptions and of the most modern styles. All work executed promptly, with taste and skill, and at reasonable rates.

THE KEOWEE COURIER.—This valuable State exchange comes to us this week very much enlarged and improved. Pickens District ought to support such an admirably conducted journal as the *Courier*. It is edited with ability by R. A. Thompson, Esq., and is conservative in its tone; and in its selections, an admirable compend of the current political news of the day.

THE RICHMOND TIMES.—We received yesterday the last issue of this valuable exchange. Its good-will, advertising, &c., have been bought by the proprietors of the *Dispatch*. We will miss the *Times* from our list of exchanges; but its exit is more reconcilable, that its influence and patronage have fallen into the hands of such an ably conducted paper as the *Dispatch*.

SUPPORT YOUR OWN JOURNALS.—The *Gleaner*, issued every Wednesday, from this office, defies competition as a literary and news journal. Those who subscribe to it are kept well posted up in the current events of the day, as it embraces the telegraphic news, political, commercial, state of the markets, &c., up to the hour of going to press.

PRaiseworthy EXHIBITION.—We are gratified to announce that Sargent, the most noted of illusionists and one of the best experts atlegerdmain, has volunteered an entertainment, this evening, for the benefit of the "Ladies Industrial Association," of Columbia. This association, as our readers know from their advertisement in the *Phoenix*, is one designed to furnish constant employment to those who, impoverished by the war, now depend on their needle for daily bread. The object of the society is highly commendable, and the generosity of the great magician is not less so, and we bespeak for the entertainment this evening an overwhelming audience.

REMITTANCES TO THIS OFFICE.—As several letters have failed to reach us, we desire to say to all our friends who may be making remittances to this office, to do so either by "registered" letters or through the agency of the Southern Express Company. The latter is a reliable and safe mode of transmission on any line over which it does business. We hope those interested will attend to this request.

HANDSOME TESTIMONIAL.—We had the pleasure of examining, yesterday afternoon, at the jewelry store of Major Thomas W. Radcliffe, an elegantly chased gold-headed curled hickory stick, which is intended to be presented as a testimonial of respect to General J. D. Green, late post commandant in this city. The following is the inscription: "To General J. D. Green, U. S. A., from citizens of Columbia." The General leaves Columbia this afternoon, for Washington, en route for Omaha, Nebraska. By his gentlemanly deportment and firm administration of the duties of his trying position, he has won the admiration of the entire community. Long life to the soldier-gentleman, say we.

TELEGRAPHIC DESPATCHES.—The *Phoenix* and *Gleaner* are the only papers in the State, outside of the city of Charleston, that receive and publish the latest telegraphic despatches, market reports, &c.—American and European. Recollect, also, that the news in these publications is furnished throughout the upper Districts twenty-four hours ahead of the Charleston papers. The subscription to the daily is \$8 a year; tri-weekly 5, and weekly \$3.

The Varieties, as will be seen by reference to our advertising columns, give two concerts—Thursday and Friday evenings next. Excellent programmes have been arranged.

REMEDY FOR DULL TIMES.—The best remedy for dull times is to advertise freely. Merchants should not let their stocks stay shelved until they become old, stale and unprofitable, for the sake of the small expense it would cost them to advertise. If they try it regularly and persistently, they will find the investment to be a paying one.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.—Attention is called to the following advertisements, which are published this morning for the first time:

D. C. Poixtoe—Auction To-Morrow. Fisher & Lowrance—Corn. Janney's Hall—Columbia Varieties. W. T. Walter—Auction This Day. J. C. Hodges—Stone Masons Wanted. Columbia Chapter—Meeting. Janney's Hall—Prof. Sargent.

Some four weeks ago, anticipating a heavy decline in goods, Mr. R. C. Shiver commenced his grand clearing sales, which was a success; for the decline has come, and with it a large lot of new goods. So that his will be the place to buy new goods and at low prices.

CORN, CORN.

FIVE HUNDRED bushels prime White MARYLAND CORN, for sale by FISHER & LOWRANCE. June 12

JANNEY'S HALL.

PROF. SARGENT, the Magician, will give an entertainment, **THIS EVENING**, in aid of the Ladies' Industrial Association. Tickets 50 cents. June 12

Columbia Chapter No. 5, R. A. M. U.

A REGULAR convocation of this Chapter will be held at Odd Fellows' Hall, THIS (Wednesday) EVENING, at 8 o'clock. June 12 R. TOZER, Secretary.

STONE MASONS AND STONE CUTTERS WANTED.

I WISH to engage a number of STONE MASONS and STONE CUTTERS, to work on a heavy job of Bridge Masonry in Tennessee. Persons wishing such an engagement can find me, during usual business hours, any day this week, at the office of Mr. Bonknight, Superintendent of Charlotte and S. C. Railroad; at other hours, at Nickerson's Hotel—Room 10. Masons and Cutters coming with good recommendations, can find immediate employment, at GOOD WAGES. I will also engage a number of common LABORERS, giving them good wages and insuring prompt payments. If you wish to engage, call on me at once. J. C. HODGES. Agent for C., C. G. & C. R. Co. June 12

AGENT FOR C., C. G. & C. R. CO.

ONE NIGHT'S PROCEEDS to be given to the Palmetto Fire Company, of this city. June 12

NEW SONGS, DANCES, &c. Admission 50 cents; no half tickets. Reserved seats can be procured without any additional charge. Separate seats for colored persons. June 12

LOST.

ON Friday last, near the Market, a roll of MONEY, containing four \$5, two \$2 and one \$1 bills, in greenbacks; and a \$2 bill in city currency. A suitable reward will be paid for the money, if returned to the *Phoenix* office. June 12

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WANTED,

S. C. BONDS, old and new. Columbia Bonds and Coupons. Memphis and Charleston R. R. Bonds. C. & S. C. R. R. Stock and Bonds. North-Eastern Railroad Bonds. Bank Notes, Gold and Silver. FOR SALE—Exchange on New York and Charleston. THOS. E. GREGG & CO. June 11

For Sale,

ONE SAW MILL—complete; engine 40-horse power. At Palmetto Iron Works. WM. GLAZE & CO. May 25

Sugar Mills.

SUGAR MILLS can be had at low prices. Call at Palmetto Iron Works. WM. GLAZE & CO. May 25

Fresh Mountain Butter.

TWO HUNDRED POUNDS in store, for sale low. J. C. SEEGERS & CO. June 4

FRESH GOODS!

ONE HUNDRED DAVIS, Jr., DIAMOND HAMS—choice. EELS, BREAKFAST BACON—choice. S. C. SHOULDEERS.

HAMS, prime BACON. Just received and for sale in quantities to suit, at lowest market rates, by J. C. H. BALDWIN & CO. June 7

MILWAUKIE LAGER BEER

THE first ever come to South Carolina—known as the best in the United States—on tap THIS MORNING, at 10 o'clock. JOHN C. SEEGERS & CO. June 6

LAGER! LAGER!

FRESH LAGER BEER, now in the cool cellar, at the Brewery, and always receiving, to supply the trade, at wholesale and retail, at low rates. J. C. SEEGERS & CO. June 4

The Subscriber has Returned

TO HIS OLD STAND, at the corner of Plain and Marion streets. He tenders his professional services to the inhabitants of Columbia and its vicinity, and will attend promptly to ALL CALLS, either in the DAY or NIGHT. Office hours from 12 to 1.

June 1 D. H. TREZEVANT, M. D.