

Conkling remarked the other day, at Utica, that Grant "must be peacefully and legally inaugurated, even if the Democrats elected their candidates for the Presidency."

Conkling and Grant think alike on this subject. They want matters "quiet" in a Napoleonic sense—through bayonets and solidificism generally.

A list of the ages of the candidates for the Presidential nominations will interest all readers and may surprise some of them for there are several illusions cherished in the subject; Charles Francis Adams is seventy-three; Horatio Seymour is seventy; Mr. Tilden, sixty-six; Senator Davis, sixty-five; ex-Governor Parker, of New Jersey, seventy-four; Senator Thurman, sixty-one; ex-President Grant, fifty-eight; Secretary Sherman, fifty-seven; General Hancock, fifty-six; General McClellan, fifty-four; Senator Bayard, fifty-two; Senator Conkling, fifty-one; and Senator Blaine, fifty.

Our County Chairman will doubtless take steps to call a convention of the people at an early day for the purpose of electing delegates to attend the State Democratic meeting in Columbia to be held on Tuesday 1st June proximo.

It is reported that Gen. W. T. Sherman said recently that he intended to retire to private life next year, when he becomes sixty-two years old. If he had been wise he would have retired long ago.

Dr. Stephenson of Gainesville, Ga., predicts that the year 1880 will be the best crop year we have had. The Doctor is a scientific man and can see as far into a grindstone as anybody.

There must be something wrong when any kind of a subsidy goes begging. A Nassau correspondent writes that there is a standing offer on the part of the Bahama legislature of \$10,000 a year for ten years to any company that will lay a cable between Nassau and the United States.

In Rhode Island the right of a citizen to vote is denied and abridged by reason of nativity. Yet this little Republican leader thus violate the idolized amendment and not one word of censure has ever been heard from a Republican leader or organ on the subject.

Thomas Jefferson said in 1821, "The Federal judiciary is advancing its no-less step like a thief over the field of jurisdiction until all shall be usurped from the States and the governments of all be consolidated into one."

Mr. Watkins, husband of Alice Gates, deceased, at an item in the Cincinnati Inquirer, in which he was mentioned as the present hubby of the peerless prima donna, went around Tuesday evening to clean out the office of A. and J. B. McCormick, city editor, had a knock down or two, but McCormick finally got Watkins' head under his arm, and gave him a number of severe blows. Mr. Watkins finally beat a retreat.

The Chatham (N. Y.) Courier says: "The condition of the South is by no means hopeless, when cotton goods manufactured in South Carolina are elbowing their way into the New England markets at prices which successfully compete with her own great factories."

Miss Roscherry wanted to marry Mr. Deputy, at Seymour, Ind., but her father commanded her to marry Mr. Bowers, and appointed a day for the wedding. On the evening before she secretly became Mrs. Deputy. She was on hand for the other ceremony, however, and it proceeded smoothly as far as the question whether anybody objected, when Mr. Deputy remarked that he had an objection—a trifling one, which he felt some reluctance about mentioning—the lady was his wife.

Stanley Matthews has made a Grant speech in Cincinnati. The Grant men would do well to watch him with care lest they find him among the missing one of these days. He was temporary chairman of the Greeley Convention in 1872, declared the Grant rule to be so permeated with corruption that its overthrow was a necessity, and flopped over to the support of Grant and liberal attorney fees within a fortnight. It is very able on the stump, but awfully uppity in his course.

Causes for Alarm.

We do not mean to be sensational by the heading of this editorial. There is certainly abundant cause of alarm to the country when we look in the face of existing facts. It is not simply the third term movement or the manifest design of the stalwarts to secure at the next election what they are pleased to call a strong government, that we are to look for causes of alarm.

These are doubtless sufficient but graver reasons exist and nearer home. That the Radicals are organizing and that the colored vote will be solid for that party, there is not a doubt. It is equally true that many of our own Democratic citizens are lukewarm and indifferent and exhibiting a carelessness as to the importance of the issues before them, that is a cause for alarm to every one who loves and reveres our system of a free government.

If there was one feature, more than another, upon which the permanency of this government depended, it was the independence of the judiciary, but when a State judge can be arraigned and made to answer for a violation of State election laws, that independence is lost and the foundation of State rights sapped. The purity of the Supreme Court was the boast and pride of the American people; but when her judges depart from an interpretation of the Constitution, obtaining for a hundred years, for expediency, to meet the will of a party, that purity is lost and the court is no longer a safeguard of the liberties of the people.

The provisions of the Constitution constitute the strength of the government; but when those provisions are annulled by a simple decree of a packed court, that strength is gone, and there is no security left against the worse kind of centralism. The President is the sworn guardian of the laws and the liberty they are intended to protect; but when the President perjures himself and administers the laws in the interest of a party, that guardianship is destroyed and there is no limit to the ruin of the government a mere party may make.

These are facts that have transpired recently under the eyes of our people, and are causes of alarm that should not be unheeded. For these high handed measures to be continued, and for the officers of the government to be the instruments of their prosecution, the complete overthrow of the republic is only a matter of time.

To avert it requires the majority vote of the people to be cast in favor of the principles of the Democratic party at the next election.

Campaign Money.

The long lease of power allowed the Republican party in the past was due more to their outrageous system of raising campaign funds than to their actual numerical strength or to their popularity of their peculiar political views.

At the opening of every campaign an assessment was made upon each officer holding a government appointment which furnished the party leaders with hundreds of thousands of dollars with which to run the Republican machine.

The larger share of this fund was employed in bribing voters either directly or indirectly, in corrupting the election and in working up the count in the different sections of the country to suit their purposes. No officer dared to refuse the payment of his assessment on pain of his deputation and the mortification of seeing another step into his shoes.

This corrupt practice was known to the government and countenanced by its officials from the President to the lowest political official, without a single effort ever having been made to stop it. Under such a corrupt system it was impossible to secure justice where Republicans controlled the elections.

If an appeal was taken from the managers to the courts, the judges, equally corrupt, would sustain the count; if carried to Congress, the same political rottenness would not blush at confirming so trifling a matter; and if the President's ear was reached, a certain approval would stamp that officer as wanting in political purity as the vilest of his party.

To protect the people from this shameless system, the Democrats have introduced and are now pressing to its final passage through Congress, a bill to prevent a repetition of these assessments. This measure is meeting the strongest opposition from the Republican side. They know that its success means the party's ruin, that the only means they have of securing the next Presidential election in their favor will be lost, and that such an event will be the death of their party in this country.

There is no measure of equal importance with this to the Democratic party, and we hope that every man will be found giving it his vote on its final passage. With such a powerful corrupting influence at work it will be impossible to have a fair election or a just count.

Concealed Weapons.

The almost universal practice of this barbarous custom throughout the State, has been the subject of very severe but just criticisms from the courts and press of the State. Why the late Legislature, knowing its prevalence, neglected to enact a law for its prevention, has not been satisfactorily explained, and is, therefore, unsparingly censured for not meeting the demand.

There can be no necessity for such a custom in times of profound peace. During the existence of war, or in a country of prowling savages, or a coast frequented by a lawless banditti there may be some reason for carrying weapons for self defense, but in a land inhabited by a Christian people, where law is the recognized rule of action and courts hold men responsible for their acts, there can be no excuse for carrying a weapon and surely not for concealed weapons.

We have seen in the town of Orangeburg men, women and children with pistols concealed about their persons as if they expected to meet some desperate character against whom it was necessary to defend themselves. This evil and gambling are twin sisters and they are both cowardly alike, seeking concealment from the public eye and intending for victims they would not dare to meet in open combat.

Public necessity in the absence of law, should take the matter in hand and enforce a respect for public opinion and security for life, morals and property. No community is safe against the viciousness of the gambler—no life is safe against the thrust of the cowardly assassin.

Yankee Adventurers.

The Lancaster Ledger, in commenting upon the action of the late Legislature in turning over the Columbia canal to two Northern men, who were to utilize its magnificent water power by building factories along its banks, denounces these men as "Yankee adventurers," and says a great many other hard things about them.

Now, Thompson & Nagle may be "adventurers" with no other capital to back them than an over abundance of cheek, but why say "Yankee adventurers." There are thousands of good and true men in the North, and there are a great many "adventurers" in the South. So it will not do to put a man down as an "adventurer" simply because he was born on the other side of "Mason and Dixon's Line."

What the South needs to-day more than anything else to make her rich and powerful is the development of her latent resources. It makes no difference to us by whom they are developed, as we in common with every citizen of the State will be benefited by the general prosperity that would be sure to follow.

Let us open our gates wide and invite Northern capitalists to come among us and help us to build up our waste places, but when they come don't call them "Yankee adventurers," or other hard names. If they are men good and true let us give them a hearty welcome, and let them see that when we invite them to come we really mean it.

Deputy Marshals.

Since the Supreme Court declared the law requiring the appointment of these officers constitutional, an effort is being made in Congress to so modify the law as to place the appointing power in the hands of United States Circuit Judges instead of United States Marshals, and to give one half the appointments to each political party. It is said Mr. Hayes is not opposed to such a modification of the law and will not interpose his veto to prevent its passage.

Heretofore these officials were partisans and were placed at Democratic precincts to work in the interest of the Radical party, and for this reason were especially obnoxious to Democrats. The new law is intended to remedy this evil.

The Southern Senator Scandal.

It was announced some time ago that a scandal was brewing in the filthy cauldron of Washington society concerning a Southern Senator and a treasury girl. It has turned out to be a woman by the name of Jessie Raymond who is annoying Senator Hill of Georgia. She attempted at first to blackmail him, and then she commenced a suit in the Courts through her female attorney, Belva Lockwood, and now she insists on standing about Hill's committee room and in front of his residence with her child in her arms, apparently trying to create sympathy in her behalf.

Senator Hill's friends believe him innocent of the charges. It is considered a trick of some of his political enemies. Congressmen should be as "chaste as unshod snow" in order to resist all the temptations of that artificial life that prevails about the Capitol.

Mayor of Columbia.

The Democrats of Columbia have nominated Capt. Richard O'Neal, Jr., for the office of Mayor of the city, and propose to elect him "over any and all opposition, if earnest work can accomplish that result. Captain O'Neal is a native of Columbia, and is now engaged in the commission business. He was a gallant soldier during the late war, doing his full measure of duty to the State through the whole period, and is in every way worthy of the confidence the citizens of the state capital.

Colleton Ahead.

The grand jury of Colleton County in their recent presentation determined to grant no licenses for the retail of spirituous liquors in consequence of the pernicious effects of unlimited drinking. Cannot Orangeburg muster a grand jury of men of equal moral courage and firmness to take a similar sensible step here. We need it as badly as Colleton and for the public good, the only authoritative body ought to throw aside all fear of opposition and take the best practical step to stop the evil.

Rickett's Battery.

"Who captured Rickett's Battery?" the Hampton Guardian says seems to be about as hard a question to solve as that other old one, "Who struck Billy Patterson?" A writer in the Anderson Intelligencer recently claimed the honor for Gen. Connor, and another, in the Edgefield Advertiser, now claims it for Gen. Gary. If any privates had anything to do with their names have not been mentioned, and yet we suspect they were the ones who really took it. Give the "privates" a chance as well as the "generals."

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Notice of Dismissal.

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 30th day of April next, after date I will file my final account with the Honorable Judge of Probate for Orangeburg County, and ask for Letters of Dismissal as Executor of the Will of M. Bull, deceased. JOS. F. NORRIS, Executor.

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Estate Sale.

T. C. HUBBELL, Auctioneer. BY virtue of an order from the Probate Court, I will sell at front of Orangeburg Court House, on Monday April 27th, 1880, at 11-12 o'clock A. M. the remaining personal property and choses of the Estate of the late Eschilo J. Olivero, deceased, including 3 shares of Orangeburg Agricultural and Mechanical Association. T. C. HUBBELL, Auctioneer.

Master's Sales.

G. W. Price against S. M. Simons. I will sell at the risk of the buyer purchaser, who has failed to comply with bid, at Orangeburg Court House, on Monday April 27th, 1880, within the legal hours, the following piece or parcel of land in the County of Orangeburg, containing sixty-six acres more or less, and bounded north by lands of S. M. Simons, east by lands of Mrs. Ann Johnson, east and west by lands of Abraham Amaker. Terms Cash, and purchasers to pay for papers and recording. T. W. GLOVER, MASTER'S OFFICER.

Notice.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned, with such persons as may be associated with them will after the expiration of thirty days from the date hereof, under the provision of the Act of the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina, approved February 20th, 1874, and the amendment thereof entitled "an Act to provide for certain Charters," apply to George Boliver, Esq., Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas for Orangeburg County, to grant them a Charter for a "Corporation," to be located in the town of Orangeburg, S. C. and to be known as the "Patrons and Farmers Mutual Aid Association."

Notice.

WM. S. BARTON, J. H. FELDER, W. F. ROBINSON, F. H. GRAMLING, ERNEST ROBINSON, JAMES STORES, W. S. BARTON, A. R. FELDER, E. W. BRANTLEY, JAMES M. MOSS, J. W. FAIRRY, T. F. BARTON, PAUL F. GRAMLING, W. W. CULLER, Z. E. GRAMLING, W. P. HADLEY, J. J. SALLEY, JR., JOHN C. HOLMAN, W. T. MULLER, H. H. BRIGGS, W. A. MCCRAY.

Take Notice.

WHAT a majority of the officers and members of the "CHURCHMAN'S FORTARY SOCIETY," a charitable institution of the M. E. Church, colored have petitioned the Clerk of the Court, Geo. Boliver, Esq., to grant them a Charter for said institution. DAUPHINE BROWN, President.

Notice.

WM. BROWN, Secretary. THE lands of the late W. M. Hutson can be treated for at private sale on a liberal credit. They consist of the OFFICE LOT, which will be sold as a whole or in parcels to suit purchaser. THE RESIDENCE, on Russell Street, with out-buildings. TWO Lots on same side of Amelia Street and fronting it. ONE Lot on opposite side of Amelia Street. Rev. J. D. A. Brown, at the residence, and W. F. Hutson, at the Office lot, will give every information in relation thereto. M. M. HUTSON, Executor.

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