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cure temperance principles in the minds has just been built in Hammondsport, of the young, and they will be likely to and vineyards abound there. The church continue in these ways of wisdom.

transacted by the Convention. The ap- to another Presbytery. It was the prinpointment of a Committee to prepare and cipal church in West Steuben, and its issue an address to the People of the United States, and the adoption of a churches in that part of the county are new National Temperance organization Canisteo, Jasper, and Howard, miniswith State, county, and town auxiliaries. tered to by Rev. Messrs. Laine, Raw-

Aews of our Churches.

SAN FRANCISCO.-Rev. Dr. H. M. Scudder, whose acceptance of the call to the Howard Church in this city we have before noticed, has reached his field of labor, and become domiciliated in a parsonage provided and put in order by the congregation in anticipation of his arrival.

LOCKLAND, OHIO.-Rev. John Hussey resigned the pastorate of the First Presbyterian Church of Lockland, on the 9th instant, a position which he has held for about seven years. The membership of the church has more than doubled during his pastorate, and the church was never more harmonious and prosperous than at present.-- Christain Herald.

A NOVELTY.--- A proposition is up that a photograph album be kept by the Synod of Wabash, to which each minister shall be invited to contribute a photograph of himself, and in which photographs of church edifices in connection with Synod, as far as sent in, shall be inserted. An invitation is out that photographs be brought forward at the next meeting of the Synod.

HOME MISSIONS AT THE SOUTH .-The Home Missionary Committee have entered on the work assigned them by the Assembly, of preaching the Gospel among the freedmen at the South, and sending missionaries into destitute and needy fields in what, during the rebellion. were called "border States," like Tennessee and Missouri, with so much zeal that the handsome balance which they reported to the Assembly is already exhausted, and yet the work is but just begun. So great was the expense of this new and special department of Home Missionary labors, that the Assembly recommended to the Committee to take up special collections for the

appeal, which which will be sent to a Davis had created," our friends admitted appear, which which with be sent to a large number of benevolent persons in the churches, with a request that they will make a special contribution to this particular department of the work, over and above their annual contributions to Home Missions, which latter will be called for by their pastors at the usual time. We hope this appeal will be read we hope this appeal will be read time. We hope this appeal will be read and meet with a ready response, and that the knowledge of the straightened resources of the treasury will inspire the churches, especially such as contributed nothing last year, to forward early and generous donations; which may be sent and the republic stands triumphant at every to Edward A. Lambert, Esq., 45 John Victed of miserable inadequacy. "Democra-Street, or 150 Nassau Street, New York. victed of miserable materials. THE "STEUBEN PRESBYTERY" FIELD. wisest; autocracies the strongest"—so ran -MESSRS. EDITORS:-Your Rochester -MESSRS. EDITORS:--- Your Rochester correspondent, or rather corresponding tocrats abroad, who swore it could never suceditor, in his editorial peregrinations, seems never to have wandered as far thought to conquer it; it has shown strength South, in Western New York, as Steuben at least equal to that of any absolute mon Presbytery, although two railroads pass arch. The one great anti-democratic influ- $\begin{array}{c} \mbox{Presbytery, although two railroads pass} \\ \mbox{through its boundaries.} & \mbox{The ubiquitous} \\ \mbox{gleaning:} of the editor from the field of have fallen together, because the people re$ his vision are so interesting to Western solved to put really in practice the theory of a few facts which I send to you. The face of the country in Steuben county is greatly diversified by hills and vallies, "rivers, woods, and plains " The Erie, and the Rochester and Corning railroads pass through it. The writer became ac-Presbyterian Church in Bath belongs to the other branch. Our important churches lie away from the centre. The church in Corning is our strongest church. It is making good progress under the leadership of Rev. W. A. Niles, who is all nerve, body, and mind. He says to the church, work or die, and it works. Its neighbor, the church at it works. Its neighbor, the church at And all this was done for the sake of the Painted Post, has been fettered with Union! When all the Northern States but Painted Post, has been fettered with internal troubles; but the hatchet has heen buried, and a call has been pre-sented to Rev. Joel Wakeman, D.D., long the pastor of the church in Almond, with the promise of a liberal salary, and I understand that the call has been ac-cepted. The church in Prattsburgh retains its Congregational form, and comprises a large number of intelligent members; but its power is very much diminished by its lack of harmony have so long been met and hampered at every among its members. The trouble is partly political and partly theological. It is ministered to by that veteran, Rev. It is ministered to by that veteran, Rev. D. D. Gregory, D.D., a brother of the noble general from your city. The church in Naples, with its long-tried left. For instance, there is the Church of Rome, pastor, Rev. M. Gelston, affords an example of stability and consequent pros-

in Hornellsville, in West Steuben, with Two other matters of business were its working pastor, was unwisely set off influence was needed there. The other son, and Bradbury, all in a prospering condition. Rev. Mr. Harrington labors

in Campbell. Rev. Mr. Sturgis in Addison. These are our principal churches in Steuben Presbytery. We have considerable territory unoccupied by our Church, but not very promising.

In closing, permit me to congratulate ourselves on the fact that the orator for Boston on the fourth of July, was born and reared within our bounds.

OBSERVER.

THE SLAVE IN THE CHARIOT.

When the victorious Roman general rode in triumph to the Capitol, as he stood in his ivory car, crowned with laurel, and decked in purple and gold, listening to the *Io Triumphes* of his proud soldiery and exultant fellow-citizens, an Æthiop was behind him in the chariot. Not for the purpose of an ordinary domestic attendant, not as a mere appendage

of luxury. Contemporary commentators agreed that the slave's presence suggested an admonition to the imperator's pride, though it was a Christian father who first gave definite expression to the warning, and put into the servant's mouth the words, "Remember that thou art mortal!'

And we are holding our triumph ; the triumph not of an individual but of a whole nation; the greatest triumph that the world ever saw. We have (reverently be it spoken) led captivity captive; we drag in our victo-rious train a host of treasons and shams and abuses, cast down from their pride of place. Do not we too need a slave in our chariot?

The danger that our victory may intoxicate us lies not so much in its completeness-though that alone would be sufficient cause of much exultation-as in the fact of its being carried out amid almost universal incredulity and very general derision. It would be diffi-cult, indeed, to produce a case where so full a success was so little expected by those out-side of the struggle. We have no trustworthy means of getting at the world's public opinion in mediaval, still less in angient times, nor would it matter much if we could, for mutual ignorance and want of communication made international opinions then of small value. In modern times we find no parallel. The nearest approach to so general a mistake is that made about Napoleon, when he had apparently swallowed the whole European continent, and men expected every day that he would dispose of the island which alone resisted him. But the anticipapurpose. We learn through the *Evangelist* that, instead of making such collections gene-ral, the Committee have just issued an lundering as they went, but still advancing. e. Sudo on the largest ceed, and the aristocrats at home, who his vision are so interesting to Western New Yorkers, that we should like, though a little on, to come sometimes within the range of his telescope. Will you, stance, he had persevered in a lawsuit not the range of his telescope. Will you, Mr. Editor, gratify our ambition to be known beyond our bounds by publishing form his own counsel, he would naturally feel for example, if it is wrong to wear a shirt conceited, especially if it was won through some peculiar plan of his own. And is a whole nation more impervious to the seduc-tions of victory? Are we not tempted to go forth in the belief that our star can never Thus, because all civilized nations have a ceragain be dimmed, that democracy is impec-cable, infallible, invincible? Of one thing we may be certain, that there pass through it. The writer because -quained with the Presbytery of Steuben five years ago. It was then called Bath Presbytery. It was then in low condition, and talked of disbanding. But our Synod, upon application, annexed the important churches of Corning and Painted Post, and some others to our instruct the world, that we have inaugurated new rules of government, of finance, perhaps of human nature. Now then is the time for the slave in the chariot to speak. It is but few years since an imposing and overwhelming majority of the American peovalry" of such a caste can ever spring up turn by slavery, have so long been accustomed vanish. But let us consider more closely whether some elements of peril are not still which, having small tase for religious controample of stability and consequent pros-perity worthy of imitation. Rev. S. cal body. Is there nothing in its tenets, as go home in sackcloth and ashes. He only

good pointed addresses, with occasional vorhis has just closed a pastorate of celebrations on suitable occasions. Here eight years in Hammondsport. He is a sound and stable man. A new academy cure temperance principles in the minds has just been built in Hammondsport. voked a movement which, thinly disguised, as a crusade against foreigners, threatened to set the country on fire, and only yielded then to that great dragon of slavery which swallowed up all the smaller serpents?

Are we in no possible peril from the por-tentous, irresponsible power of moneyed cor-porations, which in its secret workings has been known to buy up whole legislatures and corrupt the political honesty of whole States? Is there no danger that the spirit which dic-tates the temperance legislation may lead to less defensible interferences with individual liberty by the majority?

Is there no danger that, with our notorious tendency to extremes, we may, in our well-founded dread of "State Sovereignty," rush into the opposite error of over-centralization, and place too much power at Washington, where before there was apt to be too little? Will it be said that these are imaginary perils? So people spoke of the slave power's encroachments; and when we recollect how, less than ten years ago, leading politicians declared that slavery was but an abstract question, we would not hastily despise or ridicule the man who hinted at danger from the Mormons.

It may still be objected, however, that none of these sources of uneasiness can be placed on a level with slavery, because none of them involves the institution of an aristo-cratic caste. What of that? All the expe-rience of history goes to show that an accidental plutocracy may be one of the worst of tyrannies. Indeed, the slave-holding power itself more nearly resembled a plutocracy, or what the Greek writers called an oligarchy, than an aristocracy proper.

Thus far we have opened up only one branch of our subject. Direct dangers to liberty naturally occupy our first fears, but there are other grave mischiefs and obstacles to good government which demand our fore thought. Of all our popular tendencies, that which most excited the criticism of foreigners and the apprehension of our best citizens was the idea that our governmental machine was able to run of itself, and required no men of distinguished ability to conduct it. So general was this belief, and so practically had it been carried out in our politics, that when, at last, we stumbled upon a great man in Abraham Lincoln, we positively did not know him to be such, and but for the startling

him to be such, and but for the starting termination of his career might never have fully appreciated him to this day. The war, indeed, among its valuable lessons has shown the worse than uselessness of pop-ular mediocrity in military affairs. Yet, blindly enough, our journalists persist in treating this great fact as if it were an excep-tion to, not an illustration of, a rule; and though no valid reason can be assigned why special ability and training should not be as requisite in a civil as in a military officer, they arbitrarily, place the two on a totally different footing. For any one who has observed how this miserable mediocrity-worship gradually upset

our public character till it earned a place in the trinity of political error along with sla-very and State sovereignty, it is hard to possess his soul in patience long enough to argue calmly with those who would still make of this fatal weakness a high and holy republican virtue. It deprives the country of the services of many of its valuable citizens. It renders whole classes of educated and able men lukewarm in their patriotism, so that some terrible crisis is needed to awaken their latent devotion. It gives our enemies abroad a real argument against our institutions, which our friends abroad cannot gainsay. Lastly, it opens a door to conspiracy, and af-fords a constant temptation to the disaffected. Why did the first essays of treason in the old nullification times fall flat? Because, when Jackson, Clay, and Webster united in opposition to any scheme, there was no more help or hope for it. Even under Van Buren sedi-tion walked delicately and only exhibited itself hypothetically in fancy novels. It was the nullity of the political world that chiefly encouraged Davis to work out his audacious plan. In ignorance of the great man that

shall be *like gods*, knowing good and evil. We must remember that our Government, though the best, is not free from all imperfection or secure from all danger-that the voice of the people, while far above that of princes and potentates, is far below that of God. With this wholesome distrust in our-

selves, we shall be more likely to fulfill the duties which yet lie before us, whether to the ignorant freedman who has walked in darkness till the daylight blinds him, to the scarcely less ignorant foreigner who falls out of the emigrant ship into the net of the dem-agogue, to the deluded poor white of the South, so long fed on poison by his treacherous rulers, or to the collective nations of the civilized world, who now look to us, the re-cognized equal of their proudest, for lessons of liberty without license and energy tem-pered by wisdom.—The Nation.

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and also a Collection of Authentic and Valuable In-cidents, such as will prove a worthy memorial of its work. We would respectfully ask all who have wrought in the service of the Commission, and all who have wit-nessed its operations, to forward any materials that will assist in giving value and completeness to these Memorial Records. All who can furnish reminis-cences, facts, and incidents, that will illustrate the spirit and method of the Christian Commission, at home and in the field, will please communicate them at their earliest convenience. We are especially anxious to obtain any and all notices of labors similar to those of the Commission that proceeded the formation of the commission, and after-wards became identified with it. The History will be prepared by Rev. Lemuel Moss, Home Secretary. Communications may be sent to either of the Sec-retaries above named at the rooms of the United States Christian Commission, is Bank Street, Phila-delphia, Penna. GEO. H. STUART, Chairman. July 28, 1855.

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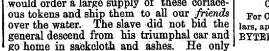
God was slowly and secretly raising up for us, in full knowledge of the littleness that occupied the chief seats in the land, he trusted to scatter the people as sheep without a shepherd.

After the dangers enumerated, it may seem as if to dwell on any others must be an anti-climax and a descent into the bathos. Yet there are some errors, small in comparison, but positively important in themselves, into which the blunders of foreigners and our superior wisdom on the one great question of our national existence are likely to lead us.

It is a common and natural instance of hasty and imperfect generalization to conclude that those who are in error about some important matter of dispute between us and the ordinary incidents of life; when we ask, for example, if it is wrong to wear a shirt because the editor of the London *Times* wears one, or to eat our dinners because Messrs. tain standard of polite manners, self-respect, and personal honor, it is often implied, and age. Presby BRA his fat

tracted 24th ye H., Th approved and some disapproved, but no one suggested the obvious "settler" that the idea was as old as the hills or the English debt, and that any standard foreign work on FAM political economy mentioned it, with its refutation, as part of the history of the science.

And now, what is the practical conclusion from all these warnings? That we are to make ourselves miserable over the future? Heaven ourselves miserable over the future ? Heaven forbid! We ought to be proud of our suc-cess, and rejoice over it. If we did not-if pecuniary troubles, or the loss of dear friends, or that national loss of our great martyr, could quell our joy, it might well be feared that the spirit of the nation had been perma-nently broken by the dangers through which it had nessed on a man's hair is whitemed or ENG FORT nently broken by the dangers through which it had passed, as a man's hair is whitened or his mind enfeebled by a night of imminent peril. Therefore it is almost a Christian duty that the whole people should "rollick" to some extent. We would not be particular about a little good-humored brag. We would chaff our foreign ill-wishers to any amount. If that mythical "institution" of our boy-hood, the leather medal, he not altogether a THE hood, the leather medal, be not altogether a myth—if the secret of its composition be not lost along with that of the wooden nutmeg and other traditional manufactures, we would order a large supply of these corrace



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