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BY OUR SERIES EDITOR.

ALHANAO AND DIABY.

SHORT METRE-ILLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS FOR THE WEAK

February.

Monday, 12 —Freshet in the Schuylkill. Chesnut Street Bridee sale. Having withstood so many attacks from the land forces it was impervious to an assault by water, and it now stands on see blockade to all travel in that direction.

Tuesday, 13.—General B. F. Butler buys ground on the James river to erect a mill upon. It is on the James river to erect a mill upon. It is believed among sporting circles that, as he is down there, and tieneral Grant in Washing-ton, the 'mill' will be between him and the Lieutenani-General.

Wednesday, 14. -Forney's Stage upset by trying to run over a Hill corner of Ninth and Walnut streets. The name of the Hill terrified the driver, Hemp-Hill.

Thursday, 15.—Racs of the Winosski and the Algonquin again on the carpet. After playing "pussy wan's a corner" around Fautkner Island for thice days, both boats returned, entirely satisfied that it was the best boat. Friday, 16 .- Petition of German names, headed

by Prof. Binder, one mile long, presented to the Pennsylvania Legrelature in favor of Sun-day Cars and Sunday Carnivals This is the commencement of the real "Rinder-Pest" among the horses. Saturday, 17 .- Series Column Day. The Editor

having been absorbed by reading the Congressional Detaites on Constitutional Amendments, has neglected his own Constitution. He now proposes, as an amendment, to give no more serious attention to Congress.

Proceedings in Congress. THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

Mr. STRVENS, from the Committee on Recon. struction of the Capitol, reported the Hot Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Con. stitution, with the Amendment so as to read as follows:-

Resolved, By the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States in Congress assembled, two-thirds of both Houses concurring including the Rotunda, that the following articles be proposed to the members of the several States as an Amendment to the Constitution, and shall be valid as a part of the said Constitution, viz.:-Representatives and Members of Congress shall, on leaving their seats, go straight to their Hotels and Boarding-houses, (as Homes they are supposed to have none), and not linger around the restaurant of the Capitol; and thereshall be neither Cakes or Candles sold in the Rotunda or involuntary servitude behind any Candy or Cake stand by any party, without distinction of race er color, except as a punishment for crime, whereof the party shall have been duly convicted. Provided, nothing in this clause shall exclude Bootblacks, Italian or African, nor Indians, untaxed, from their usual avocations in the Rotunda; but shall refer particularly to Americans of African or Irish descent selling things that are at variance with the American and Human Constitution.

Mr. ELDRIDGE (Wis.) inquired whether the words "nothing in this clause" referred to the claws of the party dealing out the candies, and if so, he would propose an amendment to the amendment to refer particularly to Molasses Candy, that no claws should enter into the

Mr. STEVENS replied that if the member had paid attention to the whole sentence, he would, see that the claws referred only to the half breeds, whether Africans, Indians, or Irish, for to the "pure (breeds) all things are pure."

Mr. WRIGHT (N. J.) suggested that probably the repeated visits to the Rotunda accounted for the Rotund-ty of most of the members. (Applause in the galleries.)

The Speaker said he should have to clear the galleries it any joke or pun made by the members was appreciated by persons so far above

them. (Repeated cheering, during which the Speaker took bis seat.) Mr. RAYMOND (N. Y.) said the Times has changed (cries of loke! joke!), and the radicals are moving heaven and earth, and he might say, things under the earth, for no later than yesterday he saw four tables, that looked like peanut stands, brought up out of the cellar and carted

away. To carry out their Abolition notions, they sholished the cake tables and slavery, but failed to stop the cultivation of sugar or molasses, and now, in their rage, want to abolish Molasses Candy in the Capitol. He concluded by saying that it would be im-

practicable to carry out the resolution taroughout the District, that the excluded race would make a stand at every gate of the Capitol and down the Avenue to the farthest end, and within the shadow of the Statue of Liberty on your Rotunda would be candy models of that figure be sold, rivalling in sweetness the patriot's sweetest dream of Liberty. I mean to be candied in my remarks, and though I speak for no one in the molasses interest, yet I do say the Amendment is not becessary; for in my city, where perhaps more of these articles are consumed than anywhere else in the United States, the report of the Health Officer shows that they are not unconstitutional.



Mr. Stevens (Thaddeus of War saw's), -Mr. Speaker, all I shall attempt on this occasion is to place before the House distinctly, and I hope intelligibly, the true meaning of the proposition submitted. It is true we have been informed by "the man at the other end of the Avenue," who keeps a stand, that if trade is abolished here, it must increase there, as visitors to the nation's capital, as well as members, find it cheaper to buy cakes and candies through the day and pay for lodgings, than to take up with regular board at the present prices at the Hotels.

Now, sir, I think very differently myself. It so happened that when our Fathers formed this Government, board was two-and-a-half a week, and in many instances this sum included "wash"

At that day butter was a levy a pound, and everything else in proportion. Then hotels were scarce, and booths and cakestands were allowed around the Capitol, with the hope that the, proprietors would see themselves, that they were taking the members' spare change, and the evil would cure itself by the dealers getting rich and retiring from business; and it was also thought that with increasing boarding-houses the rivalry would be so great to furnish food in accordance with the principles of the Constitution, that members, owing to a press of matter. and remembering the admonition of the Father of their Country, would refuse any foreign influence to work in their internal affairs. (Immense che ering.) But, sir, what do we see? (Here a voice in the gallery cried out-"Board six dollars a day.") Yes, sir, and I contend that it is owing to these Cake and Candy stands lessening the appolites of the members that keeps the landlords in such a prosperous condition, for I believe, sir, that if members would let their full appetites out at their boarding-houses they would burst up every boarding-house keeper in the District in less than a fortnight. Forbid that I should adopt the idea of the gentleman from New York, that the excluded race would establish a cordon of stands around these Capitol grounds. I see no dancer to members from the sland of "the man at the other end of the avenue," or of any outside of the buildings, as the rain on stormy days and the dust in fair weather would make the condiments so unpalatable to everybody that they would eventually dwindle away for want of patronage.

At the conclusion of Mr. Stevens' speech, Mr. Raymond made an explanation, saying that he never bought anything of the "man at the other end of the avenue," and did not know so much as he was yet in business, and it must therefore be considered false that he had received a ginger-bread horse to advocate his interests.



The House then took a vote on the amendment in its original form and as amended by Mr-Eldridge, and with Mr. Raymond's objections embodied in it, and carried it by a two-thirds vote, so that it was not necessary to refer it to the "man at the other end of the avenue."

MANAYUNK, February 14, 1866. Mr. Series Editor-Dear Sir:-Going up Chesnut street, the other evening, I stopped into a basement Concert Saloon, and I found abasement all around (if you think this pun can be improved, please do it). I waited through two or three songs, when my curiosity was excited by their customs. But as I am reckoned a poet in our town, I will put my musings into verse.

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