

MONSIEUR VETO AND RECONSTRUCTION.

To the Editor of the Evening Telegraph.—
CAMDEN, N. J., March 10, 1867.—Andrew Johnson had it in his power many times to snatch his name from the contempt to which posterity consigns him.

Assassination prepared the ladder upon which his ambition climbed, and if "lowliness" was the ladder, he long ago kicked that ladder down.

Perhaps it may not be known that the American people have to thank honest Thaddeus Stevens for the present Reconstruction bill.

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It was of no use. The facile and unrepentant Thurlow had packed his cards, and there were (if my memory is accurate) thirty-two votes for Andrew Johnson for Vice-President.

No wonder, then, the friends of freedom are alive and alert when threatened from the capital where the beloved Lincoln ought still to be ruling this land by that sweet, just spirit of his; no wonder they stand upon their arms when the Rebel flank is cautiously moving—exemplified in the White House—from New Orleans to Maine, preparing for the next conflict of 1868.

Not a grave filled by a patriot soldier, be he black or white, is there in all this land from which a voice of entreaty to the American people, saying, "If you value your safety, let peace put the ballot into every hand into which war thrust the musket."

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CITY ORDINANCES. COMMON COUNCIL OF PHILADELPHIA. CLERK'S OFFICE, PHILADELPHIA, February 22, 1867. In pursuance of an annexed Resolution, the following bill, entitled:

CITY ORDINANCES. AN ORDINANCE Creating a Loan to pay certain deficiencies, for the purchase of the Lansdowne Estate, and for other purposes. The principal of said loan shall be payable and paid at the expiration of thirty years from the date of the same, and not before, without the consent of the holders thereof; and the certificate thereon, in the usual form of the certificates of City Loan, shall be issued in such amounts as the lenders may require, but not for any fractional part of one hundred dollars, or, if required, in amounts of five hundred or one thousand dollars; and it shall be expressed in said certificates that the loan therein mentioned, and the interest thereof, are payable free from all taxes.

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