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Practical Questions for Congress.

The reconstruction question may, for the time, be considered as settled. The present law will not be altered, at least until the action of the Southern people under it shall have shown some modification to be necessary.

Some definite financial policy should be settled upon and carried out. If it is determined to hasten on to specie payments as soon as possible, then the different varieties of Government indebtedness should be funded into a long loan at low rates of interest, and the rate of taxation should be materially reduced.

The national banking system needs perfecting. Experience has pointed out some of its defects. These should be remedied, and, so far as the clamors against the system have a foundation in justice, the proper modifications should be made.

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be justly compared, so far as length of rail is concerned, with any road which has its building on a level plain. The report of its operation gives some curious data. At the summit of the Sierra Nevada the railroad is 7000 feet above the level of the sea, the rise being steady from the base to the top.

These figures convey but an imperfect idea of the enterprise. By comparing it with other roads we can only estimate the result. Thus the grade may seem large and dangerous, but in reality it is the reverse.

There are other issues which may become of sufficient importance between now and the assembling of the Convention to demand an authoritative statement by the party. If, so, such a statement will be made. But until the party, through its appropriate organ, shall have finally settled its definite platform of principles for the campaign of 1868, it is not incumbent upon its possible candidates to go further than a hearty endorsement of the present national position of the party, as taken in the reconstruction policy of Congress.

In our own opinion, it would have been far better for the Republican party had its leaders generally confined themselves strictly to the elucidation and defense of this one great and vital position, and left all outside questions for settlement hereafter.

The Development of Our Resources—The Various Lines to the Pacific. The sponsors of the various railroads now in process of erection to the Pacific coast have been unfortunate in their choice of names.

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Thus it would seem that each company is working with zeal towards the completion of the common end. By the toil of men, the ingenuity of the brain, and the improved mechanism of the most recent scientific discoveries, the obstacles which of old were esteemed insurmountable have gradually given way before the irresistible determination of a great people.

The day is near when this herculean enterprise will be completed. In the days of Alexander the idea of erecting a monument to his fame out of a mountain, with a city on one side and a river on the other, was deemed the height of arrogance.

THE POLITICAL WORLD. MASSACHUSETTS. The Governor's Council.

Only one Democrat is chosen to Governor Bullock's Council for next year, and he, Peter Harvey, of the old Webster-Washburn school.

SOUTH CAROLINA. Nomination of Judge Chase in Charleston. CHARLESTON, S. C., Nov. 6.—The heads of the various Union Leagues met this evening in Liberty Hall, and took into consideration the question as to the Republican candidate for the next Presidency.

IOWA. How They Work Out on the Prairies. The Dubuque Times, in a review of the late Waterloo campaign, has the following:—"In the West we do those things different, and we can point our Eastern brethren to Iowa as a bright example, and one that will do them all to produce a new growth of hair, causing it to grow thick and strong."

OHIO. The Ohio Senatorship. The race between Vallandigham and Judge Thurman for Ben. Wade's seat becomes quite exciting. Both claim to be ahead, but we must wait a long time for the decision.

—The London Globe says a man named Charlter thinks the notion that horses need shoes entirely wrong. He himself does not cut a horse's hoof. He merely protects it against violent blows and accidents, and against the wear and tear of the Paris pavement, by inclosing it in a thin circle of iron, which wards it from danger without compressing it.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

THE TWO STANDARDS.—LIBERTY'S standard sheet, the star-spangled banner, and America's standard perfume, Phalao's "Night-Bloomer" Ode, the new "Lion" brand in the air, no does the other.—New Haven, Conn.

CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL.—THE LADY visitors of the Children's Hospital, who are entitled to great praise for their devoted zeal, desire to make an earnest appeal to the liberality of the merchants of our city.

THIRTIETH ANNIVERSARY. YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION, at Horticultural Hall, on Thursday Evening, Nov. 14.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.—EPILEPSY or Falling Sickness.—An preventative from a French physician, generally and occasionally used, these pills are used for a plethoric or enfeebled constitution.

ALL CAN HAVE BEAUTIFUL HAIR. LONDON HAIR COLOR. NOT LONDON HAIR COLOR. NOT LONDON HAIR COLOR. NOT LONDON HAIR COLOR. NOT LONDON HAIR COLOR. NOT LONDON HAIR COLOR. DYE.

UNIVERSAL EXHIBITION, PARIS, 1867. STEINWAY & SONS Transplant, having been awarded the First Grand Gold Medal for American Pianos in all the International Exhibitions.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF HOLDERS OF GOVERNMENT SECURITIES, WHO MAY WISH TO CONVERT THEM INTO THE FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS OF THE UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD CO.,

WHITE ALMERIA GRAPES CHOICE ALMERIA GRAPES, Fifty Cents Per Pound. SIMON COLTON & CLARKE, S. W. COR. BROAD AND WALNUT STS., PHILADELPHIA.

1897. CHRISTMAS. 1867. BENNETTS, No. 20 North EIGHTH Street, (WEST SIDE, "ABOVE" MARKET ST.), FANCY BAZAR, AN EMPORIUM OF NOVELTY, PLEASURE, and FASHION.

REWARD WILL BE PAID FOR A MEMORANDUM BOOK WITH BLUE COVER and my full address upon it (lost or mislaid), together with some letters and correspondence. WILLIAM HART CARL, 29, 100 Walnut street.

THE AMERICAN BUTTON-HOLE, OVERSEAMING, AND SEWING MACHINE COMPANY.

THE AMERICAN BUTTON-HOLE, OVERSEAMING, AND SEWING MACHINE COMPANY are now getting ready their splendid combination FAMILY MACHINES, for Christmas Presents. Nothing could be more appropriate for a gift to a Lady friend than one of these magnificent Machines.

For sale at S. W. Corner of ELEVENTH and CHESNUT Streets. LILLIE & SADDLER.

THE GREAT SAFE TESTS.

Lillie's Chilled-Iron Safes Master of the Situation. Impenetrable to the Elements of Fire or the Burglar's Implements.

Neither five hours of the most intense heat in a fiery furnace, nor six hours of the most scientific drilling, yet known in this country, nor the thorough use of the best steel wedges and the sledge for a long time could avail against it.

GREAT SALE!

BARCAINS DRESS GOODS, DRY GOODS. MUST BE CLOSED OUT.

EDWIN HALL & CO., No. 28 SOUTH SECOND STREET, Invite the attention of Ladies to their IMMENSE STOCK OF Silks, Shawls, Cloths, and Dress Goods,

W. S. STEWART & CO., No. 305 MARKET STREET, Invite the attention of the Trade to their Stock of LYONS AND GERMAN VELVETS; from 20 to 48 inches.

GROS GRAINS, TAFFETAS, GROS DU RHINES, ETC. EDWIN HALL & CO., No. 28 SOUTH SECOND STREET, Would invite the attention of Ladies to their stock of Cloths for Sacques and Circulars.

M. SHOEMAKER & CO., No. 1024 CHESNUT STREET, Are now opening an elegant assortment of MISSES AND CHILDREN'S MILLINERY.

CHILDREN'S CLOTHING. For Boys, Girls, Infants, and Misses, in the latest styles. CO-PARTNERSHIP NOTICE.—JUSTIA HENLEY has this day been admitted to become a partner in our firm.

EVANS & WATSON'S PATENT STEAM IMPROVEMENT. THE ONLY REALLY FIRE-PROOF SAFE. Messrs. Lillie and Saddle Refuse to Submit the Trial to the Control of a Disinterested Committee.

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CONTENTS OF THE STEAM SAFE PERFECTLY PRESERVED.

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The undersigned having consented to act as the Committee to be appointed to witness and report upon the Fire Proof Test of Lillie's Chilled-Iron Safe and the Evans & Watson Safe, with Sanborn's Patent Steam Improvement as per the challenge of M. C. SADDLER, agent of Lillie & Saddle, in Philadelphia, on the vacant lot at Twenty-first and Arch streets, on the morning of the 22d ultimo—the day designated in the challenge.

The committee making this report appointed by the said Evans & Watson, severally waited upon the said SADDLER, and requested him to furnish them with a copy of any committee then appointed by him, or which he might appoint, to conduct the test in accordance with the terms of the challenge, and to each of said committees was that he had no committee, and that he would not consent to the test on any committee as to how he should burn his safe, or place them in position for burning.

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