

SPIRIT OF THE PRESS.

Editorial Opinions of the Leading Journals upon Current Topics—Compiled Every Day for the Evening Telegraph.

TWO WAYS TO SOLVENCY.

From the N. Y. Tribune. In this day of wide-spread venality and of sweeping charges of corruption, it might be deemed remarkable that no whisper of reproach or suspicion has sought to tarnish the good name of the Secretary of the Treasury.

When, therefore, we are constrained to dissent from any feature of Mr. Boutwell's policy, we do it with profound reluctance. But the close of a year affords an excellent opportunity for a neat departure, and we return to the subject of the Treasury surplus with an earnest hope that the Secretary may be induced to review and revise his action on this head.

Mr. Boutwell has now been for nearly twenty-one months the manager of the national finances; and he has meantime reduced the national debt by little less than two hundred millions of dollars. This is, so far, excellent. But suppose he had paid still faster, especially in the outset, when each million of coin in the Treasury would have bought considerably more bonds than it now will—had converted all his surplus above ten millions into bonds within the first quarter of his administration, and had thenceforth kept the Treasury as nearly empty as was consistent with the prompt adjustment of every liability, the debt must have been reduced, ere this, at least one hundred millions more than it has been, and the same less the surplus in the Treasury from ten to twenty millions. The interest which has since accrued on the hundred millions that he might have paid off at the outset must be nearly or quite ten millions in the price of the bonds purchased could have been little less. And what loss would have balanced this large gain?

Mr. Boutwell doubtless believes that the coin in the Treasury facilitates and serves to hasten a safe resumption. We regard it, on the contrary, as the chief obstacle to an early resumption. Let us try to make this plain:—

Suppose there are in Cleveland or Toledo two banks—we will call them the First and the Second National—whereof each has a capital of one million, with circulation and deposits to the extent of one million and a half. Their liabilities amounting to one million, are therefore perfectly equal. One of them has no specie to speak of; but it has \$100,000 in greenbacks, \$100,000 on deposit and subject to draft in New York, and the rest of its assets in the shape of good drafts drawn against produce shipped to this city, whereof about \$23,000 falls due daily for the next hundred days.

This bank—call it the First National—in our view, is perfectly ready to resume specie payment, though its specie is of no account. The other—which we have called the Second National—has \$300,000 in coin in its vaults, with \$2000 in greenbacks—together equal to a third of its total liabilities, except to its stockholders. But this bank has loaned its funds mainly to its directors and their cronies, who have invested them in wild lands at the far West and grand houses wherein they severally reside, and so are utterly unable to pay their notes otherwise than by giving new ones. This bank is insolvent, in spite of its plethoric vaults, and will collapse under the first serious trial of its strength.

All this, we assume, is truth familiar to men of business; yet it seems to us ignored by Mr. Boutwell in his hoarding policy.

If nobody else wanted gold for paper, the Treasury holds far too much of it. Were it to resume to-morrow, it would probably be drained in a week, not because its stock of coin is so slender, but because so many have a profitable use for the article. What is needed to enable the Treasury to resume without bank or trepidation is an abundance of gold in the hands of those who need or can profitably use it, with a security ready to be exchanged for the Government demand obligations, which will be generally preferred to gold. Suppose, for example, no one wanted gold to ship, while an American consol ready to be issued ranged one-half per cent. above par, with thousands eager to invest in it. The Secretary gives notice, "I am ready to give coin for greenbacks, or I will redeem them in the American consol"—how many would ask for gold; and how much in all would they ask for? Who does not know that the demand for gold would be trying?

There is some specie really needed, even under suspension. When the supply is bountiful and the need slender, the demand is easily met. But every dollar hoarded by the Treasury diminishes the supply and increases the urgency of the demand. One hundred millions dead in the Treasury increases the premium on gold by diminishing the supply in open market and increasing the difficulty of satisfying the demand.

Whatever the amount in the Treasury, beyond ten millions at most, we insist that it should be promptly and rigorously applied to the reduction of the debt. Even if the Treasury should be five to ten millions short when a quarter's interest falls due, it could borrow that sum for a few days from the banks of this city—they knowing full well that it would return to their vaults as soon as paid out of the Treasury. When we shall have resumed, greenbacks will be taken as gold at the custom houses, and thus our chief need of coin obviated. Our only peril is a vast foreign demand; but a country that produces sixty to seventy millions of specie per annum ought not to be easily broken. All we need is to reduce our current purchases of other nations to seven millions per week while we sell them to the value of eight millions, and resumption will come of itself. A foreign demand might possibly drive us back into suspension; but the domestic call for specie never would, unless inflated by senseless hoarding on the part of the Treasury.

Can we be wrong in these views? If not, should not the Secretary reconsider?

AMNESTY IN CONGRESS.

From the N. Y. Times. Three different opinions on the subject of amnesty exist among the Republican mem-

bers. There are, in the first place, opponents of amnesty in all shapes, save that of exceptional legislation relating to specific cases. Opposition from this quarter assumes that the South is still not many degrees removed from rebellion—that hostility to the authority of the Union prevails to an extent which renders the continuance of disabilities indispensable. In the next place, there are advocates of complete amnesty, who hold that the time has come when the last vestiges of the Rebellion may safely be removed. In support of this idea it is contended that reconstruction has brought the South into the full fellowship of the Union, and that all causes of animosity and irritation should be obliterated. Among these causes, it is alleged, the maintenance of disabilities is especially prominent, and their total and immediate removal is demanded as a peace-offering no less than as an act of justice. Lastly, there is a class strongly by reason of intellect and character, which insists that the Republican party is pledged to as perfect a measure of amnesty as present circumstances render expedient. The members of this class object to unequalled amnesty as undesirable, and to the postponement of all amnesty as unjust, and contend that the country is now prepared for a measure which shall limit disabilities to a very small circle. Mr. Bingham, who is a fair representative of this class, declares that the proposition which he and those who act with him are prepared to support would limit the operation of the disabilities imposed under the fourteenth amendment to some two hundred persons only. That would bring us as near as any general amnesty to satisfy the generous instincts of the people and fulfil the promise of the Republican party, and at the same time would provide for the exclusion from public offices of those on whom mainly rests the responsibility of organizing the Rebellion.

General Butler's bill, the immediate occasion of the debate in the House, does not commend itself to the favor of any of the classes we have enumerated. It goes too far for some—not far enough for others. It concedes the desirableness of amnesty; yet is so loaded down with exceptions as to render it almost nugatory. It makes amnesty a pretext for interrupting the course of justice—preventing courts, staying suits in progress, and denying to private citizens that redress for wrongs which the Constitution guarantees. So many influences are just now at work, governing the action of individual members, that it is not easy to say in advance what combinations may not effect for General Butler's plan.

The extremists on either side occupy very weak ground. The unyielding opponents of amnesty are as unwieldy as its uncompromising champions. The moderate course, which is most consistent with the public interests, Mr. Bingham's amendment to General Butler's bill relieves all on whom disabilities are imposed by the fourteenth amendment, except those who were officers of the United States in 1860 or 1861, and those who in violation of that amendment have held office since the first of June last. The effect would be to render eligible for public service all but an infinitesimal proportion of the Southern people, the excepted persons being those to whom the odium of encouraging and organizing the Rebellion more particularly attaches.

It is not easy to discover in an amnesty which is at once so nearly complete as to satisfy the national sense of justice, and so carefully qualified as to exclude probable causes of offense and evil, any real peril to public interests. Sooner or later such a measure must come—why may it not be enacted now? The recent constitutional amendments have secured beyond the reach of probable accident the guarantees required to perpetuate the foundation of Southern reconstruction, and the national sentiment may be relied upon to take care of the rest. Moreover, Republican majorities in the States most familiar with disabilities have, one after another, almost entirely abolished them. The testimony thus supplied is conclusive as to the undesirableness of the disabilities over which the States most familiar with the working of the Rebel spirit retained control. The example thus afforded should not be without effect upon the action of Congress in reference to the penalties which it alone can abolish.

THE PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD COMPANY AND NEW YORK.

From the Railroad Gazette.

In some respect the great system of railroads controlled by the Pennsylvania Company, which reaches New Orleans in the South, Denver in the West, and Duluth in the North, has suffered from the same defect as that of the "Joy" roads: it has had no independent outlet to New York. It is true that circumstances have made this defect less important, for not only is the New York and Philadelphia Railroad a short one, but its operations are confined entirely to New Jersey, and it has sought for no extensions beyond the Delaware. Thus it has been ready to transport traffic for any and all parties who might bring it to its line, obstinately and successfully opposing the establishment of any rival in New Jersey, and as obstinately refusing to become the rival of any line outside of that State. So, if its requirements were somewhat burdensome to the Pennsylvania Company, they were no more so than they were to all other companies.

But whenever there has been competition between the great lines from New York to the West, the New Jersey Company, which shared all the advantages of the traffic over the Pennsylvania Railroad to New York, has refused to bear any part of the labor or expense of securing it. When rates were reduced to non-paying prices, the New Jersey Company has insisted on receiving its regular prices, and the dependent position of the Pennsylvania Company has compelled it to accede to its demands. The immense business which the Pennsylvania Company has brought to the New Jersey road at Philadelphia has not been obtained without effort and expense. Agencies all over the Union, a costly system of advertising, favors to shippers and others who might induce traffic, have had much to do in attracting this immense business, and the entire expense has been borne by the Pennsylvania Company. The New Jersey Company has quietly taken the traffic and—its pay for carrying it.

Last spring, when there was a contest as to the capacity of the different lines for speed, and the Pennsylvania Company deemed it necessary to run a train between New York and Boston at the fastest rate possible, the New Jersey Company, which, by reason of its low grades, straight line, and perfect track, is able to make as fast time as any line in America, refused to change its schedule for this fast train, and required three hours and a quarter for the ninety miles between Philadelphia and New York for a train which came over the mountains from Pittsburgh to Philadelphia at a more rapid rate. Yet this company shared whatever advantage was to be gained by this fast train. So it has been continually. Whatever advantage was to be

gained for both roads, the Pennsylvania has been compelled to pay for.

This dependence for a New York outlet has led the lines through New York to assume an advantage over the Pennsylvania route in all negotiations between them. When the observance of certain conditions was proposed, and the Pennsylvania had accepted them for itself, but has said that it could not bind the New Jersey road, Commodore Vanderbilt would say, "Then you haven't got a line."

It is reasonable to suppose that the Pennsylvania Company has not been contented with the situation. But it was by no means easy to improve it. An outlet further north, within the "Allentown Line," may have been within its reach, but to use this it must turn its through traffic from its main line 100 miles west of Philadelphia, and in so doing take business away from instead of through Philadelphia, which it was built to serve, and which is a part owner of the railroad and chooses three of the directors, while sixteen out of seventeen of its directors are residents of that city and many of them intimately interested in its prosperity. To obtain the New York and Philadelphia road seemed well impossible. It is the property of the "United Companies of New Jersey," which own, besides, the old Camden and Amboy Railroad, and five shorter New Jersey roads, having a mileage altogether of 165 miles. They have a controlling interest in fourteen other New Jersey railroads, from 2 1/2 to 69 miles long, having in the aggregate a mileage of 2,000 miles. They have also a controlling interest in a total length of 31 miles. They own also the Delaware and Raritan Canal, 65 miles long, one of the great coal carriers of New Jersey. They operate 446 miles of railroad line, 106 of which has a double track. At the end of last year its property represented a capital of \$33,633,691.81. On the stock, amounting to more than \$17,000,000, it has usually paid 5 per cent. dividends semi-annually.

It is now reported that the Pennsylvania Company has leased this property, and will operate it in connection with its other lines. Reports of this kind are not to be accepted on mere rumor, but in this case there are circumstances which make it at least probable that the report is true. The Pennsylvania Company has been making a general and minute examination of the property such as would enable it to understand its value and bargain for it intelligently. According to the report published in New York, the Pennsylvania Company is to have a permanent lease of all the lines owned by the united companies at a rental of \$4,000,000, which is ten per cent. upon a valuation of \$40,000,000. This is a very large sum to pay, but considering the improvement which the united companies have been able to make while paying ten per cent. dividends, it is perhaps not in excess of the earnings of the property heretofore, while there is very little doubt that the Pennsylvania Company, with its thousands of miles of road in the West and South, can use the property to greater advantage than its present owners.

SUMNER ON SAN DOMINGO.

From the N. Y. World.

Wednesday was a lively day in the Federal Senate. Mr. Sumner was twice on the floor, and each time in a role which is mildly characterized by calling it sensational. Early in the day he rose to a personal explanation in a matter which seemed big with a suppressed feud. The Patriot, the new Democratic paper at Washington, printed, Wednesday morning, a statement that an unsuccessful attempt to make peace between the Senator and the President had just miscarried by the stiff refusal of the President to entertain any proffers towards a reconciliation. He said that Sumner had traduced and belittled him in executive sessions of the Senate, in the street cars, in his lecturing tour in the West; and that if he (Sumner) were not restrained by his official dignity, he would call Sumner to a personal account. According to the same report General Babcock, one of the President's confidential pets, said that he would chastise Sumner after the fashion of Brooks, if it were not for his intimate relations which might compromise the President. Mr. Sumner took a good way to advertise this article, and supplemented the account with some very piquant particulars. It seems that he knew of the intended publication two or three days ago. There was a great preliminary but he refused to send for by newsmongers and quidnuncs to procure a contradiction to go forth with the article. Mr. Sumner gave these buybodies no satisfaction, because he had determined to put forth a denial in a more conspicuous and authentic way. He made it appear that there is no colorable ground for a duel, and that the muzzled threats of one had proceeded upon a misapprehension of the facts. He appealed to Senator Morton and Secretaries Fish and Boutwell to support his assertion that he had not spoken in unbecoming terms of the man whose great station enforces a kind of deference and respect not every word he paid to his personal qualities. All which was very well managed to put expectation on tiptoe and draw attention upon the scathing speech the Senator was intending to deliver against General Grant at a later hour of the day.

In due course of proceedings the San Domingo job came up, when Mr. Sumner sailed into the debate like a frowning three-decker with every gun loaded to the muzzle. Broadside upon broadside he poured into the President, accusing him of imitating Presidents Pierce, Buchanan, and Andrew Johnson in their worst and most fatal blunders. Senator Morton, who was the President's friend on this occasion, kept trying to interpose a word, or a question, to shield his patron from the cannonade; but to no purpose. Sumner refused to be interrupted, and appealed to the presiding officer to protect him in his right to the floor. He told Morton that if he was the President's friend, he ought to go to him and dissuade him from the stupendous folly he was striving to commit. Then, rising into a canorous major strain, Mr. Sumner directed his speech to the Vice-President in a scathing apostrophe to arrest General Grant on the edge of the fatal precipice. Go to him, said Sumner to Cox, in substance, you who stand next in official dignity and in the favor of the Republican party, and war, entreat, expostulate, remonstrate, and labor with him, and try, if possible, to save him, the party, the country, and the national honor, from the terrible plunge the misguided and stubborn man is bent on making! This is such an appeal as was never before heard in the American Senate. It is asking the mate of the ship to seize and bind the captain and prevent his doing mischief. General Grant's name, "Clayton of the sea," caused himself to be bound to the mast by his shipmates in passing between Scylla and Charybdis lest the sirens should get the better of him; but even he, wise as he was, would not have brooked a mutiny by the crew to accomplish the same laudable object.

This is war. Peace between Sumner and Grant there can be none after such a speech and explosion as the Senator has made. If such advice as he gave the Vice-President is needed, the President is too evidently unfit to be at the helm; and as he is a man, with at least the average sensibility to affront and capacity for resentment, he can never forgive Sumner for this pitiless onslaught. So the breach widens between President Grant and the leading statesmen of his party. IS THE REPUBLICAN PARTY TO BREAK UP? From the N. Y. Sun. Wide differences of opinion prevail in the Republican party on cardinal measures, namely, general amnesty, the repeal of the income tax, a reduction of customs duties, and the purchase of San Domingo; and these particular questions stand as the representative of others of the same class and of cognate classes on which like differences exist. Among those who dissent from the policy of General Grant on these subjects, so far as he can be said to have a policy, are some of the most distinguished members of the party, of whom Senators Trumbull, Sumner, and Schurz are samples. And the debates in both branches of Congress show that these differences of opinion are of so radical and irreconcilable a character that they cannot be bridged over by temporary expedients. What does all this mean, and what does it portend? The second standing, and character of the men who take this independent position against the administration give assurance that they are in earnest, and intend either to compel it to come back to the old Republican ground, or to go into the minority in the country at large, and that by persisting General Grant must run the risk of breaking the Republican party in pieces. Shall the party then be ruined, or will it make an effort worthy of the exigency to save itself from destruction? There is not a shadow of doubt that the leaders in this resistance to General Grant, together with the great body of the rank and file who sympathize with them, are hostile to his re-nomination for the Presidency. If, then, those Republicans who care more for principles than men, and who sincerely desire the harmony and continued supremacy of the party, would open a door for obliterating differences of opinion in its ranks, let them insist that there be an authoritative declaration from the proper quarter to the effect that under no circumstances is General Grant to be a candidate for re-election. This stumbling-block removed, and the path is clear for a reunion among Republicans on matters about which they are now at war. If this is not done, the breach will widen, and the party fall a prey to its antagonists in the contest of 1872. Shall Grant or the Republican party go under? That is the question.

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AN INDEPENDENT PHILADELPHIA SCHEME. From the N. Y. Herald. Philadelphia, it appears, has resolved to establish an American line of steamers to Liverpool, and other wisehead and capitalist cities of the world, and in State have combined upon this question. A railroad company is at the head of the movement, and the basis of success, it seems, is placed upon the capacity of the railroads to bring produce from the West at lower freights than the New York railroads are doing. Now, this is a question of competition between the railroads of the two States, and they will have a good deal to say to the success of the new transatlantic line. That New York has no American line of steamers running from this port to Europe is a deplorable fact. It is more than this—it is a reproach to our spirit of enterprise. If Philadelphia is fortunate enough to establish a paying line, so much the better. However, the scheme seems to be at present to a certain extent inchoate. No company has been organized, but at the same time there seems to be considerable capital realized by subscription. The Pennsylvania Railroad Company, who are the controlling spirits, subscribed four hundred thousand dollars, and the Board of Trade contributed on behalf of the merchants of the city half a million dollars. It is proposed to build four iron steamers of two thousand eight hundred tons, two of them to be constructed at Wilmington and two on the Delaware somewhere contiguous to Philadelphia. All this looks as if our provincial neighbors meant something practical. The funny part of it is that the projectors of the scheme are so determined that it shall be a Philadelphia enterprise pure and simple that they have resolved that the village of New York shall have no hand in it. New Yorkers, we presume, cannot even buy stock in the company when the company is formed; yet it is not all New York and New Jersey capital will take a hand in, and a pretty full one, too, if the enterprise carries any color of success about it. It is an excellent thing to see the prospect of an American line of steamships, built in our own ports and carrying our own flag, sailing once again upon the Atlantic. If this enterprise succeeds the whole country may well be proud of it. But what has New York to say in the matter? Is she going to play the laggard fiddler?

SPECIAL NOTICES.

AMERICAN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, WALNUT STREET, southeast corner of Fourth.

NOTICE.—The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of this Company, for the election of Directors to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the office on MONDAY, January 9, 1871, between 10 A. M. and 12 o'clock noon.

OFFICE OF THE PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD COMPANY, No. 27 S. FOURTH STREET. PHILADELPHIA, November 1, 1870.

NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS.—The Board of Directors have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of FIVE PER CENT. on the Capital Stock of the Company, clear of National and State taxes, payable in cash, on or after November 30, 1870.

Blank powers of attorney for collecting dividends can be had at the office of the company. The office will be open at 9 A. M., and closed at 3 P. M., from November 30 to December 3, for the payment of dividends, and after that date from 9 A. M. to 3 P. M.

OFFICE OF THE PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD COMPANY, No. 27 S. FOURTH STREET. PHILADELPHIA, December 15, 1870.

NOTICE.—The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Cambria Iron Company will be held at their office, No. 218 South FOURTH STREET, Philadelphia, on TUESDAY, the 17th day of January next, at 4 o'clock P. M., when an election will be held for seven directors to serve for the ensuing year.

OFFICE BUCK MOUNTAIN COAL COMPANY, No. 320 WALNUT STREET. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 14, 1870.

The Board of Directors have declared a Dividend of THREE PER CENT. clear of State tax, payable on the 25th inst. Transfer Books will close on the 20th inst., and reopen on the 25th.

OFFICE ST. NICHOLAS COAL COMPANY, No. 265 1/2 WALNUT STREET. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 14, 1870.

The Board of Directors of the St. Nicholas Coal Company have this day declared a dividend of THIRTY CENTS per share, clear of State tax, payable on the 25th inst. Transfer Books will be closed from December 24 to January 5, 1871.

CORN EXCHANGE NATIONAL BANK, PHILADELPHIA, December 21, 1870.

The Annual Election for thirteen Directors of this bank will be held at the Banking House, on TUESDAY, January 10, 1871, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 5 o'clock P. M.

CHRISTMAS DINNER FOR THE POOR. A Dinner will be given to the Children of the Sabbath and Day Schools of the BEDFORD STREET MISSION, on CHRISTMAS DAY (Monday), at 12 o'clock, at the Mission-house, No. 619 BEDFORD STREET.

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FRENCH BAZAAR FOR THE RELIEF OF THE VICTIMS OF THE WAIR IN FRANCE. To be held at CONCERT HALL, from December the 14th to December the 24th, CHRISTMAS EVE.

An appeal is respectfully made to Philadelphia, the State of Pennsylvania, and all other States, to contribute in gifts or money towards our countrymen in France. The ladies in charge of tables will gratefully receive any donations made in favor of the country of Lafayette and Rochambeau.

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THE UNION FIRE EXTINGUISHER COMPANY OF PHILADELPHIA. Manufacture and sell the Improved, Portable Fire Extinguisher. Always Reliable.

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PHILADELPHIA AND READING RAILROAD COMPANY, Office No. 27 S. FOURTH STREET. PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 30, 1870. DIVIDEND NOTICE.

The Transfer Books of this Company will be closed on Wednesday, the 14th of December next, and reopened on Tuesday, the 10th of January, 1871.

A dividend of FIVE PER CENT. has been declared on the Preferred and Common Stock, clear of State tax, payable in cash on the 27th of December next to the holders thereof, as they shall stand registered on the books of the Company at the close of business on the 14th of December. All payable at this office.

All orders for dividends must be witnessed and stamped. S. BRADFORD, Treasurer.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AN application will be made at the next meeting of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the incorporation of a Bank, in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth, to be entitled THE IRON BANK, to be located at Philadelphia, with a capital of one hundred thousand dollars, with the right to increase the same to one million dollars.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AN application will be made at the next meeting of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the incorporation of a Bank, in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth, to be entitled THE KEYSTONE STATE BANK, to be located at Philadelphia, with a capital of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, with the right to increase the same to five hundred thousand dollars.

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An appeal is respectfully made to Philadelphia, the State of Pennsylvania, and all other States, to contribute in gifts or money towards our countrymen in France. The ladies in charge of tables will gratefully receive any donations made in favor of the country of Lafayette and Rochambeau.

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