

The Democratic Watchman

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Congress—Santo Domingo!

Congress is still holding out. It is waiting, we apprehend, to receive the report of the San Domingo Commissioners...

Of course this is all figurative. The facts are not half so pleasant to believe. But the facts we are not to have in this report...

Well, so be it. But the salvation of the San Domingo scheme is to get it through now before Congress adjourns...

The Legislature.

There does not yet seem to be any prospect of a speedy adjournment of the Legislature. The important business of the session appears to be getting along slowly...

The nomination of J. W. FURNEY to be collector of Philadelphia has been confirmed by the Senate and accepted by the notorious "dead duck"...

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The Light Dawns.

The "little cloud no bigger than a man's hand" that all Democrats discerned as gathering in the Radical political horizon one year ago...

For long years, New Hampshire has been a strong-hold of the Radicals, but quietly and surely the reaction has been going on, till at last we have had the joyful news of a complete and perfect Democratic triumph...

In 1868 a Radical President and Congress entered the hell, pledged to all manner of reforms. A vast public debt stared the country in the face...

The electoral vote of the United States is Democratic by a majority of thirty-four States which were once the strongholds of Radicalism...

We intimated last week that FURNEY, with all his boasted independence, would not be able to withstand this sop from the presidential trying pan...

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Judge Black.

We are indebted to some one for a pamphlet copy of the great argument of Hon. JEREMIAH S. BLACK, in the case of the "United States vs. HAYWARD"...

Suggestive.

With all Sumner's faults, says the Baltimore Telegram, he never yet was successfully accused of corruption. He was vain, conceited and fond of power...

An exchange very truthfully remarks that the conduct of the Republicans with respect to South Carolina, like their conduct with respect to the seat of Mr. JEFFERSON DAVIS...

My friends, you have chosen the name I inherited for your town with an extraordinary unanimity, and have hereby conferred an honor upon me...

A centenary in the person of an old woman named Stackhouse, generally known as mother Stackhouse, died in Altoona on Thursday last, aged exactly one hundred years...

—Hon. W. U. ARMSTRONG, late representative at Washington from this district, we see by the School Journal, is to deliver the annual address before the societies of Washington and Jefferson college...

—The Democratic county committee of Blair county met in Altoona on the 20th instant, and appointed S. M. WOODCOCK, Esq., representative delegate to the State Convention...

"Along the Sunny Banks of Ayr."

Groton Junction in Massachusetts having voted that it would like to be incorporated as a borough, and called after the distinguished chemist Dr. AYER, the Legislature of that State...

On the western coast of Scotland where it slopes into the Fish Sea, a river, rising on the mountains of the inner land, winds down among the hills and empties into the Frith of Clyde...

But above all its distinctions, Ayr was the birth place of the poet Burns. And what a poet! What a voice has he given to all the endearments of home!

No other one ever made a language classic, but he has rendered that lowland Scotch a dialect of fame. The name of his home and his beloved river Ayr was hitherto on the wings of his pathos...

It would weary your patience to hear the history of my ancestors from an ancient John of Ayr, then John Ayer, down through the centuries of this Ayer now before you...

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The True Story.

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Not only over these great Western continents but throughout that other land so little known to you, under our feet, the Australian continent, there are few villages as large as this which are not familiar with the name you have chosen...

Associated as you have made me with your wealth and wo, I wish I might be allowed to contribute from my means such as they are, something towards this first foundation of the public good...

It is So!

Mr. Greeley has published in the Tribune several official letters proving that President Grant has threatened war against Hayti in case the Government of that republic should take any hostile action toward the present ruler of San Domingo...

Without any authority of law whatever, Grant has ordered our naval forces to the West Indies to take part in the civil war that has long been raging in San Domingo...

All this is downright usurpation, and it merits nothing but impeachment. For these acts of lawless law-making Grant should be brought to trial and turned out of his office.

Evil is like the nightmare; the instant you bestir yourself it is ended.

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Afterwards Mr. Fish visited Mr. Sumner in company with Sir John Rose, when the conference preliminary to the new negotiations on the Alabama business were in progress...

Ohio.

Federal Interference with State Elections—The Matter in the Legislature. Col. W. S. March 22.—The Committee on Federal Relations, of which Mr. Ward is chairman, having had referred to them petitions from citizens of Licking county for legislation to protect them from Federal interference with elections...

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, That the act of Congress of the United States, entitled "An act to amend an act to enforce the rights of the citizens of the United States to vote in the several States of the Union..."

Resolved, That the people of the State of Ohio hereby affirm and ratify the execution of this act by every lawful means, and apply to the judges of the courts to issue a writ of habeas corpus in all cases where arrests are made under this act...

WHEELER'S CAVALRY VS. K. K. K. Our old war comrade, Kit Wynt, of the 6th Georgia cavalry, made a ten-strike the other day. He captured three of the Ku-Klux that Governor Bullock has been advertising for...

The beauty of the whole affair is, these Ku-Klux were committed Radical thieves, and were playing Ku-Klux to cover their stealing operations. None of the original bona fide Ku-Klux have ever been arrested yet, or ever will be.