

Congress will re-assemble Monday, do nothing, or worse.

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The Democratic State Central Committee will meet at Harrisburg on Tuesday.

DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CONVENTION.—Fred. O. Stone, of Boston, Secretary of the National Democratic Committee, has issued an official call for the meeting of the national convention to be held in Washington on the 22nd of February, to name the time and place for holding the next Democratic National Convention.

POPE "OUT OF THE SADDLE."

President Johnson, as was some time ago intimated would be the case, has removed the "venerable" Satrap Pope, and appointed Gen. Meade in his stead. Gen. Meade has also been appointed to the post of Chief of Staff. The President is thus continuing to demonstrate that, so far as he is concerned, the laws shall be executed in the interests of the country, and not solely for the benefit of unprincipled Northern adventurers and ignorant Southern negroes. For this additional evidence of the President's genuine patriotism, the people cannot but feel grateful. Radical editors and leaders naturally, but their interest will be of little account now. Their motives, offices and plunder, being understood, their denunciations will hurt nobody. The President is right, and as long as he is so the people will stand by him.

DISASTER AT SEA.—The steamship Insignia, which left New York Saturday week, with the usual number of passengers, for New Orleans, was burned twenty miles off the coast of Charleston on Thursday. Thirteen lives are supposed to have been lost, Capt. Marshall included, and twenty-four persons were last seen in the water clinging to pieces of the wreck. A large steamship, belonging to the Atlantic Coast Mail Steamship Company, was seen near the wreck.

When we visited Charleston, in 1860, on the steamer "Keystone State," Capt. Marshall had command of that fine vessel. He was reputed as a first class officer, and certainly had the bearing of an intelligent and well-bred gentleman. His admirable management of the steamer during the heavy storm we encountered on the return trip, won high commendations from all the passengers. Resolutions of thanks were adopted, and published in the Philadelphia papers. We most devoutly hope he has been saved.

REFOURS from the South state that during the present winter severe distress is anticipated among both the whites and the negroes, especially among the latter. It is reported that the freedmen are being discharged in large numbers by their employers, on account of a scarcity of food and means, and starvation in many instances is actually at the door of both whites and blacks. In Mississippi proclamation stating that he has received such information respecting projected outbreaks among the negroes, that he finds it necessary to warn "all combinations for such a purpose that their intentions are known and they cannot succeed, and that if the black race believes the lands will be distributed among them they are greatly deceived."

GEN. GILLEN, of the Freedmen's Bureau, reports that the negroes in the South are in an awful condition of want and driven almost to desperation. "Reconstruction" has discouraged or broken down the planters, and hence they have no work for the great mass of blacks. As a consequence the latter are brought to want or driven to theft and murder. The dying cry of every starved negro, and of every murdered white man should fall upon the Radical leaders in the Rump Congress, whose ignominiously selfish "policy" has brought about this state of affairs.

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RADICAL RECONSTRUCTION.

Speaker Colfax has written a letter to a Mr. Conway, of Orleans, in which he declares that the Radical party will take no backward steps; that they will not modify the terms of reconstruction in any essential feature one hair's breadth. This letter has been published in the South, and is accepted by the ultra Radicals of that section as the corner-stone of their organization. Sumner and Hamilton are preaching this doctrine to the negroes in the legislatures, and urging them to demand a full equality of rights in all particulars. The idea of office and pay, emoluments and a reward for their steady adhesion to the dominant party. They are told that no matter what their demands may be, they will be granted, that the negro platform will not be changed one hair's breadth, and that the Federal Government will be secured in all parts of the South the party in power are acting upon the same principle. They are in favor of reconstruction acts that will place the balance of political power in the hands of the negroes, send negroes to the Senate and House of Representatives, and elevate them to the gubernatorial chairs of the States. In this manner reduce the white people of that section to the condition of holding their lives, liberty and property at the mercy of negroes. These are the effects of the reconstruction put in force by the Radical party in the South, and from this Speaker Colfax declares they must not depart one hair's breadth.

But there are evidences of the most positive character that the people, both North and South, will depart from the Africanist action of the Radical party. The late elections in the North prove this fact. Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio, California and other States repudiated the negro policy, and proclaimed in favor of a white man's government. They are not willing to make a Haiti out of one portion of the nation. They do not believe in beggaring millions of white men, women and children, by destroying business and producing a general famine. It is not a matter of honor, in order that Mr. Colfax or some other political aspirant may be carried into the White House on the dark and turbulent wave. The North will not endorse the action of Congress with reference to the Southern States. Nor are the white people of the South patient under the load heaped upon them. Even the leaders of the Radical party in that section are becoming alarmed at the march of events; started at the course pursued by the men who are regarding and controlling the negroes. They fear a conflict between the whites and blacks, and the destruction of all forms of civil government. In Alabama the papers are almost unanimous in condemnation of the action of the Constitutional Convention, and for that purpose a call of the Convention to modify the objectionable portions of the proposed Constitution—namely, the clause with reference to schools, the franchise and registration oaths, and says, "if the Constitution is not modified, envolved as we are, and almost in a state of anarchy, its adoption can only be accepted as a choice of evils, and defended as right and proper. But it is to be hoped that the better sense of the North will counteract the influence of the Convention together again. The Tennessee North Abolitionist opposes nomination and the action of the Convention, and the Huntsville Advocate repudiates the action of the Radical meetings in North Alabama, and declares the "white" Unionists are ignored and rejected as ungodly. In all parts of the Radical party on account of the features of the proposed Constitution which place them in subjection to the negroes. They are determined to defeat that instrument at all hazards, believing that only by such a course can peace, order, and prosperity be restored to the nation.

While the reconstruction policy of the Radical party is thus repudiated North and South, while its effects can be seen in the staying condition of the people to want or driven to theft and murder. The dying cry of every starved negro, and of every murdered white man should fall upon the Radical leaders in the Rump Congress, whose ignominiously selfish "policy" has brought about this state of affairs.

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MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

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