

THE NEWS.

The President has issued his proclamation for convening the U. S. Senate on the 4th of March...

On Monday last, Jefferson Davis was inaugurated as President of the Southern Confederacy.

A statement is published, over the signatures of some of the most prominent citizens of Kansas...

We say, Compromise, because we belong to the Union party. Statesmen, great and small, and the people are for compromise.

The country, the whole country first; party and party platforms only when the peace and prosperity of the country is not endangered by them.

Washington, Feb. 17.—There are many conflicting rumors in the city in regard to the proceedings of the Peace Congress yesterday.

The Southern Confederacy.—Montgomery, Ala. Feb. 17.—President Davis arrived last night.

On Saturday morning last, in the House of Representatives, the Bill for the Commutation of the Tonnage duties on the Pennsylvania Railroad passed finally by the following vote:

Yeas—Messrs. Abbott, Acker, Ashcom, Austin, Ball, Bartholomew, Blair, Bressler, Brewster, Burns, Butler, (Carson), Butler, (Crawford), Byrne, Caldwell, Collins, Cowan, Craig, Douglass, Hoopes, Dunlap, Eilenberg, Gaskill, Gibney, Goehring, Graham, Harvey, Hillman, Hood, Hofus, Huhn, Koch, Lawrence, Lowther, M'Donough, Marshall, M'Gonigal, Moore, Morrison, Mullin, Ober, Osterhout, Pierce, Preston, Paghe, Randall, Reilly, Ridgway, Robinson, Roller, Seltzer, Sheffield, Shepard, Smith, (Philadelphia), Taylor, Teller, Thomas, Walker, Wiley, White and Davis, Speaker—60.

Yeas—Messrs. Alexander, Armstrong, Anderson, Barnsley, Biel, Bixler, Blanchard, Bliss, Boyer, Broadhead, Clark, Collins, Cope, Dismant, Donley, Elliott, Frazier, Hopper, Hayes, Heck, Hill, Hood, Irvin, Kline, Lichtenwalter, Manifold, Myers, Patterson, Reiff, Rhoads, Schrock, Smith, (Berks), Stehman, Stolteback, Strang, Tracy, Williams and Wilson—33.

These bills will now go to the Senate where they will be properly examined and acted upon.

The Democratic State Convention.—All the counties of the State will send full delegations to the Convention which will meet at Harrisburg on Thursday next.

MOVEMENTS OF THE PRESIDENT ELECT.—President Lincoln has at last broken silence. Believing that any thing he might say would be read with great anxiety, we give a number of his speeches in to-day's Globe.

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they had given him, and not less did he thank them for the votes they had given him last fall, and quite as much he thanked them for the efficient aid they had given the cause which he represented; a cause which he would say was a good one. He had one more word to say. He was given to understand that this reception was tendered, not only by his own party supporters, but by men of all parties. This is as it should be.

If Judge Douglas had been elected and had been here on his way to Washington, as I am to-night, the Republicans would have joined in welcoming him just as his friends have joined with mine to-night. It all do not join now to save the good old ship of the Union this voyage, nobody will have a chance to pilot her on another cruise. He concluded by thanking all present for the devotion they had shown for the cause of the Union.

At the close of the speech Mr. Lincoln was presented with several splendid bouquets and floral wreaths.

The Virginia State Convention.

WHAT IS EXPECTED OF IT. The Richmond newspapers are elaborately discussing the duties and prospects of the coming State Convention of Virginia, to be held in that city.

The Richmond Whig, which represents the Union feeling at the South, looks upon its meeting hopefully, and trusts that it may materially and permanently aid the good work of Union.

"New organizations must then be formed, and these organizations must refer to living questions. The salvation or destruction of the Union is the great question of the day, and the new organizations must range themselves with regard to that vital issue. Old things have passed away, and all things must become new. "Union" or "Disunion" is the issue; and "Unionists" or "Disunionists" must be the party organizations and designations. The conservative Whigs and Democrats of the South, and the conservative Republicans of the North, must unite in forming a new Union party, while the destructives of all shades of opinions by different modes must co-operate for a common object—Disunion!

"We predict that before the 4th of July this will be the arrangement of parties. The Republican organization cannot exist on its present basis—Lincoln and Seward will have the sagacity to see this, and they will promptly give the cold shoulder to the extreme men of their party, and try to establish a National party, which will repudiate the wild absurdities of the Abolition school. A political necessity will constrain them to abandon not only the extreme dogmas of their party, but to adopt a new name significant of the new party; and this name must be the Union Party."

All these things have been brought about by the Virginia elections. The majestic attitude in which she now stands, commands the respect and admiration of the nation. She has stayed upon the torrent of secessionism, and she has caused Northern sectionalism to pause in its mad career. Her mild, but firm remonstrances have brought the country to its senses. Madness no longer rules the hour. The sober second thought has begun to operate, and it is to be hoped that wisdom and justice and moderation will henceforth guide the public councils. As sectionalism and violence on one side beget sectionalism and violence on the other, so prudence and forbearance on the part of the South will beget similar qualities in the North. We already have the most abundant evidences of this truth in the market change that has come over the Northern mind since the Virginia election. Before that election everything looked dark and gloomy. Within one week after it happened, the rainbow of Hope spanned the political sky."

The Richmond Enquirer argues in favor of violence and precipitation after this fashion: "As earnest advocates of Union and Southern rights, we submit to the members of the Convention this view of the heavy responsibility of the position which they have occupied. The question as to whether Virginia shall be the tail of a Northern Confederacy or the head of a Southern Confederacy, is one to which our reason, our loyalty and our sympathy recognize, but one reply. Yet this question is not now before the Convention for practical action. Another question precedes it, viz: Does the Convention possess the courage to take the bold stand now required for the restoration of the Union; or will the Convention, by a temporizing policy of apparent compromise, coupled with actual concession and submission to Northern aggression, strike the last blow for the severance of the bond of Union, rendering dissolution final and irrevocable?"

REICHMOND, Feb. 13.—The State Convention assembled at noon in the Capitol building. John J. May, of Loudoun county, was elected president. On taking the chair he made a speech expressing devotedness to the Union, but also said that Virginia would insist on her rights as the condition of her remaining in the Confederacy.

AN ARMY OF FIVE THOUSAND BLACKS IN CANADA.—It is stated, by a correspondent of the New York Tribune, that there is an organized body of five thousand negroes in Canada West, who only await "the signal of civil war between the North and South," before tendering their services to the North.

If to gratify the "nigger," white, black and mixed, civil war is forced upon the country, it would be right that the runaway slaves in Canada and in the Northern States, and those who have given them "aid and comfort," should be the only ones forced into the ranks of a Northern army.—Their total destruction would be no loss to the white population or to the country. Poor white men would then receive at least a share of public sympathy.

The London Chemical News states that hundreds of barrels of the clarified fat of horses are imported from Ostend to England, and sold in London for gunning butter. Fies and puddings made of such a savory substance must be very tempting to epicures.

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