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Miscellaneous.

A GLANCE AT NEW YORK.

A writer in the New York Times of Thursday, gives an account of a visit he made through the lodging dens of the Sixth ward.

'Now, what would you like to see first?' said the roundsman.

'All right,' said the roundsman, 'I can show you enough to sicken you.'

'A drunken man voice told the woman to get up.'

'Never mind a light,' said the roundsman, 'open; I've got one.'

'This cellar, like all the rest, was less than eight feet high, and its floor was in bad order and extremely filthy.'

'John Lane's run shop—the policeman cleared the place out—was next started by our visit. It was jammed.'

'Yes,' said Charley, 'most of them have good reason to know me. I've sent lots of them up the island.'

'On the opposite corner is Tom Lane's. It is much larger than either of the other two, and is the best kept in the ward.'

'These women, so called, so fallen, are called for in the police vocabulary.'

'There!' said the roundsman, pointing to a young woman who stood near the end of the bar, 'there's the greatest shop-keeper in the United States. And she's come to this.'

'As we were going out, one of the young rowdies made a mocking sound at the high and deep, which ends at a landing on the second floor.'

'The tall man in blue went into the bar-room like a wolf on the fold, and there was a commotion.'

'Jacob's ladder is an outside stairway, high and steep, which ends at a landing on the second floor.'

'When there? asked a female voice.'

'A little room; three women in it; a pan filled with coal, and a stove in the middle of the room.'

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word "white" in the first section of the third article. I refer to the Attorney General, Mr. Meredith. He was a member of the convention which framed the existing constitution of the Commonwealth.

Another distinguished member of that convention, one renowned for his ability as a judge, and one, who added all the graces of a high literary culture to his character as a man, was the late Judge Joseph Hopkinson, of Philadelphia; he wrote one of our national hymns—"Hail Columbia!" he, too, has left no record of the reasons why he voted with Mr. Meredith in favor of inserting the word "white" in our constitution. If possible, he stated his views in stronger and more emphatic utterances than did Mr. Meredith.

Now, Mr. Speaker, I propose to inquire a little further as to the object of this proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States. We are told, to-day, in language glowing and eloquent, that the natural rights of men and of elevating them to a condition which is to be happiness and prosperity to all of them.

Oh, sir, I confess to you, it does require nerve and courage to do it. But I thank God the Senator has made the deliberate avowal that he is not a hypocrite, and is not the indulgent, worn of the people of this State, and that the member of Congress from the Lancaster district [Mr. Stevens] has done a similar avowal upon the floor of Congress. He has not only his party, dare make it over. The Republican party of this State may not here deny the proposition on this question. It has long since been made known to the people that it could have been fairly made years ago. How much of sorrow and of blood would it have spared this land? But, sir, they may expect to die in the name of the purpose is as last disclosed; the hour of trial has come. The people shall sit in judgment, and we be to those who have the honor to hold the reins of government the land and future generations with endless debt.

How does the fact as to the views, wishes and interests of the people of that district stand? This could best be determined by a vote of that people. It was proposed that the Senator should have known the result. Nearly seven thousand against and but sixty odd in favor of the proposition. Seven thousand of the people of that district wish no admixture of races; we wish to meet no man here, on either social or political equality, other than those whom the law forces to associate with us.

According to that principle, suffrage resides in every individual of the people, who has not forfeited it by crimes, including the crime of selling the overthrow of the Government by treason or rebellion. It cannot but be so. If otherwise, let it be shown where this power resides.

Senator WALLACE said: The Senator from Bradford affirms that God's law is the elevation of humanity. Granted. He asserts that the law of progress is the law of the world. Admitted. Do I understand the first proposition to be that he who is elevated remains elevated, whilst he who is below is to be elevated to the higher standard. I will not do him so great injustice. His first proposition is that every man should be consistent with the second, and if he, we agree in practice as well as in sentiment. The elevation of humanity as well as the law of the world, is to be achieved by each should move onward and upward from the stand point he before occupied, so that he who before was civilized may now become uncivilized. Let us now take the bearings of these propositions upon the practical question before us.

Has not the elevation of humanity upon this continent, in the past seventy years, been such as was never before witnessed upon any other continent? Has progress been unexampled in the history of the world? None will gainsay these propositions. The story of your nation is the story of the progress of your Republic, the holiday of man's elevation.

Are these evidences of triumph, are the evidences of a century for progress are these recorded indications of what is yet to come, evidences of our triumphs or evidences of another race? These are evidences of our triumphs, and we should render these, the insignior of our race? Shall we surrender these, the trophies that we have won in a war with another race? Shall we yield these trophies to a weaker race? Shall these be the badges of our weakness, the trophies of a mixed and mongrel race? Shall we yield to a race that makes us men? Shall this be yielded to the hand of another race? These are the questions that we should consider.

It is necessary to develop the laborer. The Senator says: I admit it is necessary to develop the laborer, but you must not develop him to the injury of the race that lives side by side with him. You must raise them from their degraded condition, lift them up, but do not attempt to place them on the same platform with the white man. You must raise them to their natural rights; I am willing to raise them and preserve the fruits of their labor. I am willing to do all this; but I am not willing to surrender the rights of the white man to a race that is far above them and thus aid in lowering both. Your nicely rounded periods of sympathetic and eloquent utterances about the elevation of races, and the triumphs of humanity, are but too palpably proven to be myths—id ees the vapor, empty as the wind, when you examine the practical workings of your theory.

Let us then be warned by the experience of the past, taught by the lessons of history; if God's law is the elevation of humanity, let us continue to elevate ourselves and with Christian charity aid those below us to climb the ascending grade. If the law of the world be the law of progress, let us enjoy, trying no new path, but energetically moving upward in our race, by the aid of our own efforts, and not by the aid of another race. Let us be wise and preserve the sovereignty of our race. Let us estimate it as its true value and refuse to share it with those of whom history is silent, whose land is voiceless, whom your own experience teaches are your inferiors, upon whose privileges are the rights of the white man, and whose loss, and whom the moral laws of a century have but served to demonstrate their inertness and stolidity. (Cain us voted to "the body of the people.")

Now, remember that Massachusetts gave the negro the right to vote when he was able to read and write, and in New York he has the right to vote when he is in possession of a certain amount of property. The statistics of 1850 show that in the State of Massachusetts there was one negro convicted to every two hundred and sixty-two whites, and in Pennsylvania one about the same. Pennsylvania has one negro convicted to every five hundred blacks men within her borders. This demonstrates that under our policy, which makes them not our equals, which does not vest them with the power of sovereignty, much less crime is committed than in those cases in which they have greater privileges and are permitted to vote.

I have more statistics. On page 166 of the census of 1850, under the head of Prisoners and Penitentiaries for 1850, we find that of every ten thousand colored people of the State of Maryland there were seven and about a quarter in prison. In every thousand colored people of the State of

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