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WEDNESDAY MORNING, NOV. 19, 1873.

Congress meets in Washington on the first Monday of December next. What a rare opportunity is offered to our political doctors to cure the country of some of the ills that now afflict us.

The "good times" promised us by the Grant organs and stumpers last fall, are still spreading, and it looks now as though the movement would be a success.

Gail Hamilton has had her life insured for \$25,000. Now let some fellow marry her, and love her to death, and in that way he can make something out of her.

The Chicago Times makes the following suggestion for Grant's forthcoming message, "If a knick disturbs a nigger, shoot him on the spot; if a Spaniard assassinate an American citizen, let him—apologize!"

Stokes having been removed to the penitentiary, has produced a vacancy in the New York courts, so that the next greatest scoundrel of that great city, Tweed, has been placed in the prisoner's box. We fear he has too much money to even reach the county prison, much less the penitentiary.

HARD ON THE PRESS.—Three weeks ago the Sheriff of Clarion county confiscated the Jacksonian newspaper published at that place, and last week he put the New Bethlehem Press through a similar process. The latitude of Clarion seems to be hard on young newspapers.

CENING, YERY.—Our enterprising local neighbor forbears announcing the result of the late elections until next year, when he will crow, too. We rather suspect that his days of crowing are over, from the way people have been voting "out West," "down East," and "over South," this fall.

ANOTHER GONE.—Hon. David Craig, member of the constitutional convention, died at his home in New Castle, Lawrence county, on Thursday. Mr. Craig was formerly a member of the legislature. His death makes the fourth among the members of the convention, Messrs. Hopkins, McAllister and Meredith having preceded him.

PAID OFF.—Ex-President Johnson, who, it appears, had entrusted all his spare funds—\$73,000—to the commercial Jay-hawker Cooke, last week received his dividend, \$22,000, about 30 per cent. The balance, 70 per cent, has been gambled away by these "Christian bankers." Andy may thank his stars that he got any of his cash back.

HEAVY LOSS.—We neglected to state so at the time it occurred, but the State Printing office, at Harrisburg, was destroyed by fire about two weeks ago, involving a loss of \$200,000. The office fixtures and material of the State Journal, which was published in the same building, was also destroyed. A large number of public documents were consumed, among which were 125,000 copies of debates of the Constitutional Convention. The loss falls upon Benjamin Slingerly, the State Printer.

AN UPROAR.—Considerable indignation is manifested throughout the country, at the barbarities perpetrated by the Spanish authorities in Cuba, recently, by the arrest and sham trial of a number of men who have been shot, some of whom were American citizens. If these men were in pursuit of their lawful calling, Spain should be made to feel the power and authority of the United States. If, on the other hand, these men were merely a band of freebooters, they have met what they might have expected, however revolting to civilization the acts of the Cuban authorities may seem.

QUESTIONS.—It has been asked, but never been answered, what has become of the \$73,000 in greenbacks which were in the First National Bank in Washington at its last report, and which were not when it closed its doors? How came it that the United States had \$187,000 on deposit in that bank at its close without security, and consequently without any legal sanction? How happened it that the firm of Jay Cooke & Co. had borrowed just thirteen times as much from that bank as the law permitted a National Bank to loan to any single firm? How did Grant happen to overdraw his account in this bank; and upon what was his overdraft dated?

OUR PENSION LIST.—The report of the Commissioner of Pensions shows 16,495 names of new pensioners, and 10,223 dropped on account of death, re-marriage, &c.; the total number on the rolls amounts to 233,411, of whom 9,884 are army invalids, 112,088 widows and dependent relatives, 18,266 survivors of the war of 1812, 5,653 widows of soldiers of that war, 1,430 navy invalids, navy widows 3,779; the total annual charge for pensions is \$26,250,284, and \$2,926,000 for salaries to officials, making nearly \$29,000,000.

The Chicago Tribune, a Republican paper, says: "Pennsylvania has been assailed by the Republicans on the stereotyped fraud in Philadelphia city."

Disloyal Growlers. The result of the late elections has brought scores of Radical growlers to the front. The Cleveland Leader, one of the leading Radical organs of Ohio, seems to be the most personal and spiteful of the result, and goes off as follows:

"That Wisconsin, which elected a Republican governor and legislature two years ago, by 10,000 majority, now goes Democratic by a large majority; it perhaps due to Senator Matt Carpenter more than to any other human agency. His traits and insults to the intelligence of the people in his championship of Credit Moblier and salary grab were more than they could be expected to bear, and in view of the possibility of his securing a reelection next year a Democratic legislature was considered not the worst calamity that could befall the State. Mr. Carpenter in the Senate would be a still deeper disgrace. One thing had been clearly indicated by this fall's elections. The Republican party cannot afford to shield its unworthy members. The time has come when some keen and deep cutting is necessary to prolong the life of the organization. The lopping off of corrupt members like Butler and Carpenter must be vigorously followed up in other directions. Whatever share of this fall's disaster may be attributed to the panic and other causes we have named, there can be no mistake as to the prevailing dissatisfaction with certain men who have stood as prominent leaders in the Republican party. The future continuation of the party in power depends solely upon the action of the next Congress. If the scenes of the last session are repeated, its speedy removal will not be only a certainty, but a necessity."

As still further evidence that the recent elections have had a good effect in administration circles we submit the following from the Bureau county (Ill.) Republican:

"We have met the enemy and we are theirs." We borrow this quotation from the Democrats, because it is now applicable to our case. From all parts of the country where elections have been held, the Republicans have been with heavy losses; and although party papers and other organs have condemned the salary grab and Credit Moblier in unmeasured terms, the Republican party was in power, and now the people think they should have prevented these swindles, and nothing short of repealing the salary grab act, and retiring of all the "grabbers," including President Grant himself, will restore confidence among the people in the integrity of the party."

The Evil and the Remedy. The Pittsburgh Post, in alluding to our present financial difficulties, says:

"The present troubles afford proof positive to the reflecting mind that there is a God, and that he has not given us over to our own devices to become mere worshippers of Mammon. In old times we used to have our chosen people were to stray from the path in which he had ordained they should walk, and to follow after the gods of the surrounding nations. They were brought back through trials and chastisements, because he would not abandon them to their own wayward courses. In those United States the people do seem to have imagined that wealth was God, and they have worshipped it with all the devotion a Hindu ever paid to Juggernaut. The bubble has burst, and the scattered fragments lie around in every city, town, and village in the country. We are to be made perfect through tribulation, and on account of the good it will work the tribulation is in reality a blessing. The vast accumulation of wealth has been dissipated in a moment. Men who prided themselves upon the extravagance they could indulge in—doing harm to themselves and to their children—and tempting people of less means to indulge in discontent instead of being thankful for the blessings they enjoyed—have been brought down to a common level, and their day dreams have been scattered like chaff upon the summer threshing floor. In truth we had become idolaters, and had worshipped wealth; and only through the chastening of loss and its pearls and its crown of beaten gold. We have received a lesson doubtless intended to teach us that grasping selfishness and overreaching will not prosper forever, and that if we would enjoy real prosperity as a people, we must return to the ways of our fathers, not devote all our hearts and souls and strength and minds to the gathering in of money. The man who expects to see our present calamities cured by means of legislation is a miserably self-deceiver. Such calamities must work out their own cure, and meddling interference will only add to the evil. We must economize! We must avoid debt! Our government must reduce its expenses and the number of its salaried officials—and above all, the people must elect only honest and upright men to public office. With Credit Moblier in Congress and such men as Matt. H. Carpenter, Hippie Mitchell and John H. Pomeroy in the Senate, we have no right to look for anything but national tribulation. When all the people shall conclude that verify there is a God in Israel, and shall all over the country throw their filthy idols to the moles and to the bats, we may look for a happy deliverance from all our troubles; and again become what we were a generation ago, an industrious economical and resultingly a happy people."

A MAN KILLED NEAR MIDDLETOWN.—An Abraham Beam, residing in Londonderry township, Dauphin Co., about four miles from Middletown, on the road to Folt's store, was murdered, about six o'clock, on Friday evening last. Mr. Beam was in the stable or barn, husking corn, when two colored men entered and struck him on the head with a hatchet, killing him. They then entered the body over with straw or corn husks. One of the murderers is about five feet eight inches high, the other not quite so tall. The tallest wore light pants and black coat, pants and coat rather tight fitting. He also wore a high crowned black hat. The other had on a dark suit, wore a cap and light shoes. The farmers in the vicinity assembled and offered a reward of \$400 for the arrest of the murderers.

MORE PROSPERITY.—A Washington correspondent says: "Owing to the small receipts from revenue, treasury officials say it will be necessary to issue eight or nine millions of the forty-four million reserve to meet the current expenses of the Government during the present month."

A Picture of the Constitutional Convention.

It is much to the honor of the Constitutional Convention that it stood out so firmly against Woman's Rights and other isms, and confined its work to correcting errors developed under existing forms of government. That its work is effective and generally complete all fair-minded men will concede. How it came to be so is a loss to discover. Those who attended the sittings of the Convention were not impressed with the idea that it was a deliberative body. It was always in earnest, but not always deliberate. It possessed characteristics peculiar to itself; for instance, it was no respecter of persons. It seemed to have no thought about the source of a proposition, preferring to look at its merits in its purpose and terms. When the most learned man in the body, an ex-Chief Justice submitted propositions about our judicial system, of grave significance, forthwith a score or more of lawyers were on their feet attempting to find defects in its purposes and structure, if not in its language. When another ex-Chief Justice submitted his plan of purifying the legislature by iron-clad oaths and the interdiction of all intercourse between a representative and his constituents, there was a general pitch-in from all sides, resulting in the prompt rejection of the proposition of the greatest Constitutional lawyer in America. When an ex-Senator of unequalled ability and experience proposed a well-considered appointment bill, the Senate fell before the plan of an anti-suffrage defection, and then the defection was thrown overboard also. When an ex-Governor submitted a form of pardoning power, the result of his experience, it was promptly assailed by young lawyers and old farmers, and down it went. No more fortunate were the able advocates of Woman's Rights, for they usually fail at the hands of married men of large experience.

Differing from most deliberative bodies in this country, it had no leader, or Republican or Democratic. There were members whose position gave them an active part in the proceedings of the body; but no man followed another. A good proposition was as safe in the hands of the humblest member as in those of the ablest. Nothing short of an examination of every feature would satisfy the Convention. The whole hundred lawyers seemed like a Committee of Vigilance on new propositions. There were some—talk about everything else—who became frenzied at the mention of the words cumulative voting. Rarely, if ever, could it be discovered that the members had been elected by different political parties. The only perceptible thing in that way was that there was a certain number of Republicans who seemed inclined to vote with the leading Democrats, and about an equal number of Democrats inclined to vote the other way, and the violations of courtesy passed between members of the same party.

It was a Convention hard on hobbies. Whatever a member especially desired he was almost certain never to get—instance cumulative voting and woman's rights. The Convention was not only unmanageable as to what it would do, but equally so as to how it would do it. It had adopted rules which its presiding officer did his best to carry out, but his trouble was that some of these carried him outside the limits of all known principles of Parliamentary law, and then he would find that those members who knew most about Parliamentary law were most uniformly pronounced out of order, and those who were so frequently on their feet about points of order were those who knew least about the rules.

At times the action of the body became almost erratic, being flatly inconsistent with itself, but after all, and wonderful to relate, when the time came to settle down finally on any one subject, the decision was almost invariably the best that could be made, and hence the perfect character of its finished work.—Age.

That's What's the Matter.

A Radical friend remarked to us the other day, that it was his serious opinion "that times were out of joint; that he found it impossible to get a small railroad check, on a Pittsburgh bank, cashed by any one of the four leading banks in this city, his place of abode. We agreed with him. The times are out of joint, and the dislocation was produced by a surfeit of a Radi-politic system of finance, inaugurated and practiced by the party of great moral ideas, led and fostered by moral Statesmen of the order of Colfax. Since that party has had control of the government affairs all confidence between man and man has vapored, lost, gone probably where the condensation is. In fact, the bottom has fell out of everything. Shrewd politicians and business managers are trying to cheat God in their professions and the devil in their bargains. Ginger is manufactured from mustard and coffee out of beans and chickery. Sweet, fresh butter is made from lard and breadcloth from shoddy. Young Hyson is raised in the cow pasture and Young America in the front of a hog pen. Sugar is made from poor whiskey and cigars from manila leaves. Young ladies deform themselves like camels and kangaroo through the streets, putting to blush that patient quipped known as the donkey. Rascality has become a virtue and "pure Old Bourbon" is made from a decretion of drugs and rain water. Legislators are marked as merchants mark their goods and the people's funds are absorbed for "charitable purposes," filling the pockets of office-holders and Credit Moblier manipulators with Spinner autographs. Presidents are knocked off at \$25,000 a year and Senators at as much as they will bring in open market, according to the exigencies of the times. Governors and Congressmen are sold from one to fifty thousand dollars, and Legislators from one to five hundred dollars. Gauleuses and conventionists are packed and young knaves stuff the ballot box. Even Fairbanks scales, under instruction of shrewd dealers in coal, have taken to cheating and old political rats use their tails to spike the cannons of reform. Jew-harps are passed upon the community as harps of a thousand strings and Radicals claim to be the only genuine Democratic "speakers" of just men made perfect. The bottom of the times is the bottom of the present extra session begun for which no return has been made and where our Radical friends will soon keep their company. We wish them joy on their voyage and hope they will not stand on their going, but go at once. Selah!—Allison Sun.

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EXECUTORS SALE.—Valuable Real Estate! By virtue of an order of the Orphans' Court of Clearfield county, and to me directed, there will be exposed to public sale, in the borough of New Washington, Pa., on

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ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.—Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of JOHN ROSS, late of Bell township, Clearfield county, Pa., deceased, having been duly granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands will present them properly authenticated for settlement without delay.

PATENT RIGHT FOR SALE.—I offer for sale the right for the use of the celebrated Washing Machine, known as the "Ira B. Stillman Defiance Washer," in the county of Clinton. Will sell the right in the entire county, or for each township. This Washer is known to be one of the very best in use, and their sale is very large and increasing. Apply by letter or in person to J. A. TERP, 207-23 Luthersburg, Clearfield Co., Pa.

TAKE NOTICE.—All persons knowing themselves indebted to the late firm of MILLER & POWELL are hereby notified that the books of said firm are in the hands of J. F. MILLER, who is required to pay all accounts and settle their accounts. All accounts not settled within 30 days will be placed in the hands of a competent officer for collection.

ESTATES & CONSTABLES FEES.—We have printed a large number of the new 50 cent, and a copy of our address.