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Reader, if you want to know what is going on in the business world, just read our advertising columns, the *Special* column in particular.

FRIENDS, HOLD ON.—We have before us manuscript enough to fill three issues of the REPUBLICAN, furnished by a dozen of our friends giving their views on the Presidential question. In our judgment, as a journalist, they are all out of order, however well they may be suited to our personal views privately expressed to most of the writers. These are Revolutionary times, and it the duty of all to be calm and await events which cannot be hurried up. This thing of wasting one's amunition before the enemy is in sight, is both foolish and expensive. We advise our friends to keep cool. Wait until Congress acts in the matter. If we are forced into a Revolution by the political free-booters who have had control of public affairs for these many years, let us bide the time indicated. There will be room enough in the newspapers and in the field for patriots after that, if it shall be proven that by the illegal use of the army and other crimes, Mr. Tilden has been counted out. We are just as ready for Revolution as any one can be, at the proper period, but we must have pretty clear proof of that fact before we can assist. *Mob violence* is no remedy for the evils with which we have been afflicted by the robbers in high places, and the enemies of civil liberty. Friends, wait; Tilden will soon be President without "intimidating" or "bull-dozing" anybody.

"The gallant Chamberlain," is the way the Philadelphia *Press* dubs that first-class demagogue.

THANKS.—Hon. I. A. Mackey has our thanks for a copy of Perley Poore's Congressional Directory, a very useful publication for printers, as well as for other public documents.

"THE GOVERNMENT" DEFENDERS.—As nearly all the leaders of the whisky ring having been pardoned out of prison, an early re-organization of that institution may be anticipated.

An exchange says: "Ex-Governor Geary's grave in the Harrisburg cemetery is unmarked by head stone or monument." Those who handled him while in the Executive Chair should have respect enough for him now to indicate where he rests.

WATTS SUCCESSOR.—An exchange remarks. Gov. Hayes now touchingly sings as a part of his morning service:

> On Ohio's stormy banks I stand,
> And cast a doubting eye,
> On Louisiana's troubled land,
> Where my Returners lie.

RATHER PERTINENT.—Of the power of Congress to go back of the returns, the Boston *Globe* asks: "If it can inquire into the action of the Secretary of the State of Oregon, why can it not inquire into the action of the Returning Board in Louisiana?" It is a poor rule that won't work both ways.

A small fuss is made over the defalcation of Wm. C. Wall, who has been a clerk in the Pittsburgh Postoffice for the past twelve years, because his account is short $7,500 and the fellow has left the country. Why, its only a few years ago that the Postmasters account at that place was short $32,000, yet, nobody was hurt. He resigned! That was all!

A DOUBLE MURDERER.—Alexander Campbell, a Schuylkill county Mollie Maguire, was convicted of murder in the first degree, at Pottsville, in September last, and on the 21st of December he was again convicted of murder in the first degree for murdering a mining boss named, Morgan Powell. His former victim was John P. Jones, also a mining boss.

THE WHOLE VOTE.—Returns of the Presidential elections have now been received from all the States, and the aggregate of votes cast is as follows:

For Tilden and Hendricks	4,301,854
For Hayes and Wheeler	4,044,814
For Cooper and Cary	82,928
For Smith and Stewart	8,870
Scattering	3,210
Total	8,439,197
Tilden and Hendricks' majority over Hayes and Wheeler	257,240
Tilden and Hendrick's majority over all	184,311

ALAS, FOR HUMAN FRAILTIES.—Miss Mary Richards, a strong-minded Iowa girl, was elected County Superintendent of Franklin Co. in that State two years ago, but about eight months ago she was persuaded to marry, and now when the Schools are in full blast she is compelled to play Superintendent by substitute, while she remains at home taking care of her new husband, etc.

Senator Sherman says: "As the case now stands, the votes of South Carolina, Florida and Louisiana are upon the same footing of honesty and law as Pennsylvania and Ohio." But if it was bull-dozing and intimidation that changed the political line of those States, how is it that Grant should have had 117,000 more majority in Pennsylvania in 1872 than Hayes in 1876, and that like results should occur in Ohio?

VERY SENSITIVE.—"The sacredness of the telegraph," is now what Radical bull-dozers are troubled about. During the war a fifth Lieutenant or a sneak had the authority granted to him to enter any telegraph office and overhaul the dispatches. How strange that these documents are so sacred just now, in the estimation of Chandler, Cameron & Co. The dodge is too apparrent to all sensible persons. These men head a great conspiracy, and they wish to conceal the fact, so as to escape the punishment

THE PRESIDENTIAL QUESTION.

This is still the all absorbing topic of the day. The temporary fraud practiced upon the ballot box by a few conspirators, staggers millions, and even lose faith in our system of government, because of the apparent success of the Chandlers and the Camerons, in thrusting a man into the Presidential chair against the express will of the people. Congress will place a veto on the efforts of these wicked conspirators [illegible] twenty-second joint rule a State lost its vote on objection being made to its reception unless both Houses agreed to receive it. It is not impossible at this moment that Republicans may agree to re-enact this rule. Everything waits, however, for the reports of the committees in the disputed States, and, meantime, more and more Republicans undoubtedly waver, and the question which begins now to be privately discussed is, who will lead in a break from the straight line of extreme partisanship. There are people who imagine there may be a foot race when the break does come. On the whole, the election of Mr. Tilden may be said to be a very probable event at this moment. Shrewd observers in the Senate remark that aside from Senators Morton and Sherman there is not a Senator on the Republican side who nowadays assert that Mr. Hayes is elected. Some of the men who signed Senator Sherman's Louisiana report with him are getting ashamed of it. The report has fallen dead, and Mr. Sherman's speech the other day in defense of it was regarded by several Republican Senators as proving too much and showing really that there was no election at all in Louisiana, and that the vote of the State ought not to be received." How is that for "loyalty," or Tilden?

A CASE IN POINT.—The Radical leaders are casting about for subterfuges to overcome their blunder in Vermont, Oregon and Wisconsin, in putting Postmasters who are disfranchised by the Constitution upon their Electoral tickets in those States. The Baltimore *Gazette* shows that the case of the Oregon elector commissioned by Gov. Grover has its parallel in Maryland under the Republican *regime*. Judge Franklin, a Democrat, was elected Judge of the Twelfth Judicial Circuit over Spence, Republican. The Legislature heard accusations of disloyalty against Judge Franklin and declared him ineligible, and that *the votes cast for him were thrown away*. They therefore seated his opponent, Judge Spence, a Republican, and decided that Judge Franklin's election was a nullity. In this case the fact of the ineligibility was not notorious, for Judge Franklin proved that he was not disloyal. It was at best a matter rather of opinion than of fact. This was disregarded, however, by the Republican Legislature, his seat declared vacant and his political opponent seated. This is a much harder case than that of the Oregon elector. More, the very fact that a party lacks the intelligence to get up a legal Electoral ticket after governing the country and administering the laws for sixteen years, is conclusive proof that the party is unfit to rule a free people any longer.

A CIVIL RIGHTS DODGE.—WASHINGTON, December 23, 1876.—On the 14th of November, Mr. Hugh Shiffley, of Staunton, Virginia, made a motion in the Supreme Court of the United States for a writ of habeas corpus in behalf of Madison Doom, confined in a Virginia jail on conviction in the United States Court for a violation of the civil rights act. The Supreme Court set the 20th of December for the hearing of the case, but on the 19th of December, in view of a probable pardon for his client, Mr. Shiffley, moved a postponement. The President yesterday pardoned Madison Doom. This action forstalls proceedings in the Supreme Court, and as this is the only known case of imprisonment under the civil rights act the consideration of its constitutionality by the Supreme Court is indefinitely postponed. This is a square dodge on the part of Grant & Co., in order to avoid a square issue to be made before the United States Supreme Court on the infamous civil rights bill. The bull-dozed President will pardon all convicted under this statue before he will allow the Judiciary to pass upon it, knowing full well that the act is unconstitutional and void.

THE ORGAN ANSWERED.—The day before the recent Municipal election in Boston, the *Advertiser*, the Radical organ of that city, in alluding to the fact that the Democratic nominee for Mayor Mr. Prince, was the Secretary of the Democratic National Committee, remarked as follows: "*Shall the municipality of Boston become an appendage to the Democratic National Committee?* This is the question to be tried tomorrow." Well, if that was the question, then the people of Boston did make that municipality "an appendage to the Democratic National Committee," for they elected Prince (Democrat) Mayor by 2,600 majority, and for the first time in the history of *Boston*, the Democrats, although hugely opposed to that kind of political ornaments, have furnished "the hub" with a Prince for Mayor. The people of Boston should be happy now because they have been aping after Princes ever since the Revolution, and in 1812 even burned *blue lights* to inform them where the Patriot Army was encamped.

THE RELING FAMILY.—Pennsylvania although a large and populous State, in a political sense, she belongs wholly to the Cameron family, as assuredly as the 1280 South Carolina negroes once belonged to Gen. Wade Hampton. The oldest brother of the family, Wm. Cameron, of Lewisburg, was delegated by the Hayes Electoral College of this State, to carry the vote to Washington, and the Phila. *Times* in alluding to the affair says: "The Cameron family is a large one; it took a whole special car to carry the brother with the electoral vote to Washington."

A NEW NAME.—"Embarrassed" is what they now call it in New York, when a noted Philanthropist, like Otis D. Swan, gets away with $300,000, belonging to the Union League Club and other people. That's a bad Swan, we should say. A bird that can swallow that much plunder should be caged.

THE LEGISLATURE.—This body met at Harrisburg, yesterday, and of course organized with the election of all Radical officials, as both branches will be controlled by that party. The Democratic members need assume no further duty this session, than to see that the Rads don't sell the Capitol buildings, and pocket the proceeds. The *three hundred thousand dollar steal*, perpetrated by Evans, Kemble & Co. a few years go, has enabled those political brigands to engage in new enterprises, and they will perfect them unless they are watched by the Democrats. The men who rule this State esteem the State Treasury personal property, and look upon the taxpayers as so many slaves. Comfortable, is it not, Freemen?

THE DISFRANCHISED.—The fact that the Radicals in Oregon, Wisconsin and Vermont were foolish, or ignorant enough to vote for men as electors who were disqualified by the Constitution of the United States, is conclusive proof that they deserve to be disfranchised. Their act is a voluntary one and cannot be provided against. Death should follow a political suicide as surely as a physical one. If men with open eyes disfranchise themselves, why let them go ahead.

THE QUESTION.—"Well, George, how is it. Who is elected anyhow?" "Why, Tilden of course." "Well, will he not be counted out? No! Most emphatically NO!! Wait. The second Wednesday of February will settle the question for all future time."

THUNDER AND A CLEAR SKY!—Chas. Nordhoff, one of the correspondents of the New York *Herald*, and a straight Radical at that, sends the following "bull-dozing" dispatch from Washington. He says: "The belief gains ground here among Republicans that Florida belongs properly to the Democrats. Private information, some of it from responsible Republicans sources, has braced the hopes of the Democrats. There are also fresh signs that the Republicans begin to give [illegible] awarding the victory to the Speaker. The blunder the [illegible] has made, is that not a single prediction of his will be fulfilled. The dog-skin is too small to cover the hoofs of the ass in this case. The editor of the *Times*, in alluding to the writer in question, says:

Our Republican Washington correspondent endeavors to borrow trouble in advance for the Democracy of Pennsylvania, in the event of Tilden's inauguration as President. He seems to think that there would be a petty jangle between Senator Wallace and Speaker Randall in parting the raiment of administration for that State, and that the Speaker would distance the Senator in the race. With a man like Grant or Hayes in the Presidential chair, who wouldn't know what to do himself and would of necessity see as to somebody else snuffed, supercretionable place hunters would do well to count the chances of the Senator or the Speaker being the upper dog; but a man like Tilden, who can get along without throwing himself into any keeper's hands, will not amuse himself by espousing anybody's cause and won't stop to inquire whether men follow Cæsar or Antony when he comes to dispense his favors. The men who are cultivating hopes of the favor with the probable Tilden administration, better look about them for some higher recommendation than that they follow one leader and fight another, for that class will be certain to get just about nothing and little of that.

Nothing would please the Radicals in this State and elsewhere better than to get up a factious fight between these two Democratic leaders, but they will be egregiously disappointed. That enterprise will prove a failure. They will work together just as they did when the speakership was awarded to Pennsylvania.

THE ARMY A FAILURE.

It is a most significant fact that in those counties of South Carolina which were garrisoned by United States troops, and where fair play was secured by military supervision, the Democratic majorities were most pronounced and certain. These are the counties also whose votes it was necessary to throw out of the count in order to defeat Tilden and Hampton. It will not do for the Radicals to lean too strongly on an army that knows their tricks and their manners. The true soldier is always a patriot, and when ordered by his superiors to perform illegal and offensive duties, like an honest man he disdains to violate discipline, but he nevertheless negatives the designs of those who desire to prostitute his calling in some way, in such a manner that his superiors dare not assail him. In this manner the Cameron-Chandler conspiracy against the Republic, has defeated itself. The conspirators did not know their men; and the result of the elections in those States where the army was ordered, is just the reverse of what the conspirators intended. This fact is so notorious that the leaders dare not molest the soldier for assisting to swell the Democratic vote, nor raise their fingers to intimidate the civilians. The day is not far distant when the Grant-Cameron-Chandler bull-dozers will be compelled to adopt the plan of the leaders of the French Revolution, when the Jacobin leaders were compelled to flee to other shores to avoid the vengeance of their insulted countrymen.

A TERRIBLE HOLOCAUST.—Next to the Brooklyn calamity comes the Ashtabula, Ohio, castastrophe. At this point, a passenger train, on the Lake Shore railroad, passing from Erie to Cleveland, was precipitated into a creek by the giving way of a bridge on Friday night last by which one hundred and twenty persons lost their lives. The train contained one hundred and seventy-two passengers and only SEVEN escaped injury. One hundred and twenty were killed by freezing, burning and drowning, and the rest had their legs and arms broken, and otherwise injured, so that in all probability a large number of wounded will die. An awful snow storm was prevailing at the time and two locomotives were attached to the train and just as the foremost locomotive passed over the bridge gave way, and the other locomotive and baggage, express and seven passenger cars went down on a pile seventy five feet below on the ice and into the water and everything took fire from the stoves, and the result is before the public.

"A YANKEE TRICK."—It turns out that our bill of claims against England for the destruction of property on the 'high seas" during the rebellion, was entirely too high, although now settled and adjusted by the Geneva Award Commission. England paid the sum awarded—*sixteen millions of dollars*, and gave the sufferers two years to claim their damages. The two years have elapsed and over half the sum is still unclaimed by the *sufferers*, strange as it may seem! And what now troubles our Statesmen, is, what to do with the overplus cash they gathered from our English neighbors. We have this to remark: That if the Treasury guardians don't keep a sharp lookout, some of the Credit Mobilier-Post-trader-Cadet-selling-"Christian Statesmen" will get away with the funds wrested from the British Government.

OUT OF ORDER.—The long string of names, composed of bankers, merchants and bond-holders, now appearing in the city journals, demanding "an equitable adjustment of the Presidential question" may be right, viewed as an eleventh hour arrangement. But we ask the rich men, why did you not adjust this simple question on the 7th of November last, when each and every one of you held the power in your own hands—THE BALLOT. Had you voted for Tilden, all your present mortification would have been averted. In our boyhood days we used to laugh over the story of the spilled milk girl, because she acted so foolish.

ANOTHER HUGE MYSTERY.—Somebody entered the Treasury Department at Washington on Tuesday a week, and gobbled up an armfull of greenbacks and bonds, and got away with them. The amount taken no one seems to know, and the Department is as fully deficient in failing to point out the robber. Of course it was some outsider, (?) some bull dozer from Louisiana. Because "no loyal man" would compromise his country and himself at the same time! Oh, no!

GOOD RADICAL AUTHORITY.—Matt. Carpenter, then a Radical United States Senator, from Wisconsin, and Vice President *pro tem*, of that body was sent with others as a committee to Louisiana four years ago, to investigate the frauds perpetrated at the election in that State, and on his return he said:

"I warn the Senate that if it should happen that a Presidential election should turn on the vote of Louisiana, situated as that State is, and an attempt were made to use that corrupt return, it would be followed by a civil war, for no free people would submit to the insolence of such [illegible] Carpenter is well known to many in this county. More: We have no respect for him politically; yet, we confess, that he uttered a scred truth in the above paragraph and the Radical bull-dozers of the day had better heed his remarks.

THE DIFFERENCE.—The Pittsburgh *Commercial* in alluding to the defeat of Beamish, a Luzerne county rooster, says:

Beamish, the Democratic candidate for Senator in Luzerne county, who has just been convicted of a penitentiary offence, was a loud disclaimer, during the late political campaign, in favor of Tilden, Hendricks and *reform*.

To this the Venango *Spectator*, bull dozingly remarks:

There is a Returning Board dishonesty in the above paragraph, characteristic of the Cameron-Mackey organ and of the leaders of its party. The facts are that Beamish was defeated in a strong Dem-ocratic district by Democratic votes; that he has been tried and convicted, and that he is in the penitentiary.

Let us take another example: Petroff, a Philadelphia pimelier, was expelled from the last Legislature for bribery. He is a loud mouthed supporter of the Republican party. Last month his constituents re-elected him to the House and by that act openly sanctioned his corrupt conduct. It is a credit to the Democracy who refused to elect Beamish; it is a disgrace to the Republicans who elected Petroff. The Democracy sends its rascals to the prison; the Radicals send theirs to the Legislature.

INTIMIDATION.—This is the last and thinnest Radical dodge that has been brought to the surface. If the Democrats practiced this scheme half as vigilantly on the negroes in Louisiana, as the Radicals did on the whites in Connecticut and Massachusetts, the crime is enormous. But if this is an offence in the South, why is it not viewed so in the North. If it is wrong to *intimidate* a negro, why does not the moral idea party treat a white man with similar respect in the section where "the right of man" and civilization is manufactured to order like so many wooden hams, or virtue of the Beecher stripe. If it is wrong to "bull-doze" a negro in one section, is it not also wrong to treat a white man in a similar manner "down east."

THE BOND OUTRAGE.—The course of Judge Bond, of the U.S. District Court, in discharging the members of the South Carolina returning board, after they were imprisoned by the Supreme Court of that State for contempt, was a high handed outrage, and directly contrary to the following decisions of the Supreme Court of the United States:

"Neither this nor any other court of the United States or Judge thereof, can issue a habeas corpus to bring up a prisoner who is in custody under a sentence or execution of a State Court, for any purpose than to be used as a witness. And it is immaterial whether the imprisonment be under civil or military process."

The Judge for this judicial outrage must reap eternal infamy for his conduct

THE LAST "LOYAL" TRICK.—It is an old saying that there are "tricks in all trades but ours." This aphorism was utilized by a Hayes tax collector in one of the rural districts of this county who had paid no County or State tax for the two past years. Finding that Hayes would lose a vote if the situation was not changed, and recollecting that he was also a defaulter as Collector, he hastened to Clearfield and there paid to the Treasurer $10 on account, and by exhibiting his receipt to the election board, obtained his vote and succeeded in tallying one for Hayes, on his Collectors' receipt. This is a joke on the election board too.

HOW STRANGE.—Our friend Murray, who delivered an excellent lecture before the Teacher's Institute last week, manifested strange symptoms of the "slave oligarchy," something St. Paul never dreamed about, because the Paul alluded to had the fool-hardiness to remark: "Servants be obedient to your masters." There is a variance between Thomas and Paul. As the latter has passed over the river, we advise the former not to take advantage of the dead, especially before a congregation of educators. "In heathen lands" this joke might pass at par, but in a christian country it would be called bull-dozing.

GOOD WITNESS.—The Congressional Committee, sitting at Tallahassee, Florida, investigating the Presidential election frauds, had the pleasure of witnessing how the people of that city behave on election day. The election for Mayor and other city officers was held on Tuesday a week, and the members of the Committee admit it was the quietest day they witnessed while they were in the city. The Democrats elected their whole ticket for the first time since the close of the war. The late Returning Board tallied the city 345 for Hayes. Tallahassee, like Boston is against the conspirators.

AN ODIOUS COMPARISON.—To offset the moral force of Tilden's immense popular majority it is charged that much of it comes from districts where great ignorance prevails. The negro vote, composed almost entirely of illiterate persons, might be pointed to in answer of all this, and *apropos* of it the Philadelphia *Times* forcibly says: "New York the *Tribune* speaks of as "this illiterate city," but St. Lawrence county, where the proportion of people who can neither read nor write is one-third greater than in New York, voted for Hayes more than two to one."

A more lawless decision than Judge Bond's, remarks the Baltimore *Gazette*, "never has been rendered in the United States Court, except, perhaps, that of Judge Durell." The difference is that Durell's order was without law and Bond's is contrary to law. The same fate awarded Durell, awaits Bond. Resign, or stand up and be impeached for high crimes and misdemeanors, and disgraced for life.

A negro eloped and married a white girl in Campbell county, Ky., and officers were sent to arrest him. The negro shot two of his pursuers, and tried to shoot his wife's father and brother. That night he was found dead with six bullet wounds in his body.

GENERAL WADE HAMPTON'S INAUGURAL.

UPON BEING SWORN IN AS GOVERNOR OF SOUTH CAROLINA, Dec. 14, 1876.

Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Representatives:—

It is with feelings of the profoundest solicitude that I assume the arduous duties and grave responsibilities of the high position to which the people of South Carolina have called me. It is amid events unprecedented in this Republic that I take the chair as Chief Magistrate of this State. After years [illegible] and analyzed [illegible] unscrupulous political adventurers, the honest people of the State, without regard to party or race, with one voice demanded reform and with one purpose devoted themselves earnestly, solemnly, to the attainment of this end. With a lofty patriotism never surpassed, with a patience never equalled, with a courage never excelled, and with a sublime sense of duty which finds scarce a parallel in the history of the world, they subordinated every personal feeling to the public weal and consecrated themselves to the sacred work of redeeming their prostrate State. To the accomplishment of this task they dedicated themselves with unfaltering confidence and with unshaken faith, trusting alone to the justice of their cause and commending that cause reverently to the protection of the Almighty.

When the corrupt party which for eight years past has held away in the State—bringing its civilization into disgrace and making its government a public scandal—saw that the demand for reform found a responsive echo in the popular heart and that the verdict of the people would be pronounced against those who have degraded the State, they appealed to federal intervention and by a libel on our whole people, as false as was base, called in the soldiers of the United States army to act as superviscrs of our election. In a time of profound peace, when no legal officer had been resisted in the proper discharge of his functions, we have witnessed a spectacle abhorrent to every patriotic heart and fatal to the republican institutions—federal troops used to promote the success of a political party. Undismayed, though shocked by this gross violation of the constitution of the country, our people, with a determination that no force could subdue, no fraud could defeat, kept steadily and peacefully in the path of duty, resolved to assert their rights as American freemen at the ballot box—that great court of final resort, before which must be tried the grave questions of the supremacy of the constitution and the stability of institutions.

What the verdict of the people of South Carolina has been you need not be told. It has reverberated throughout the State, and its echos come back to us from every land where liberty is venerated, declaring, in tones that cannot be mistaken, that, standing on the constitution of our country, we propose to obey its laws, to preserve, as far as in us lies, its peace and honor, every pledge made by us for reform and honest government. We intend to prove to the world the sincerity of her declaration and the sole motive which inspired the grand contest we have so successfully made was not the paltry ambition for party supremacy, but the sacred hope of redeeming our State. It was the hope that led our people to a victory which was grander in its proportions, greater in its success, nobler in its achievement and brighter in its promise of prosperity than any other ever waged on this continent. But it was sought to wrest the fruits of this magnificent victory from the hands that won it by a gigantic fraud and a base conspiracy. When the members elect of the general assembly repaired to the capitol to take the seats to which the people of South Carolina had assigned them, armed soldiers of the federal government confronted them, and their certificates of election were examined and passed upon by a corporal of the guard.

A spectacle so humiliating to a free people and so fatal to republican institutions has never been presented in America. It could have been witnessed even here, where civil liberty has for years been but a mockery, had not the ruthless hand of military power struck down the most sacred guarantee of the constitution; for the tread of armed soldiers, as he made his rounds through the halls of legislation, was over the prostrate form of liberty herself. It was amid these ominous, these appalling scenes that the members of the general assembly were called on to assume their duties as the Representatives of a free State, and that State one of the original thirteen who won our independence and framed our constitution.

That the natural, patriotic indignation of our people did not find expression in voice is creditable in the highest degree to them; and this was due, in large measure, to the statesmanlike and dignified conduct of those members of the general assembly who had been made the victims of this gross outrage on their persons and this daring conspiracy against their constitutional rights by the presence of armed force, a legal quorum of the lower house, after placing on record a noble protest, quietly withdrew from the capitol, and proceeded to organize that branch of the general assembly. Not one form of law or one requirement of the constitution was wanting to give force and legality to this organization; and that its authority has not been fully recognized is due solely to the armed usurpation which has subordinated the civil to the military power through the whole contest. Of the disgraceful, dangerous and revolutionary proceedings resorted to by the defeated party, after the organization of the lower House, it is needless for me to speak.

You have been the witnesses and the victims of these; and the civilized world has looked on with amazement, disgust and horror. You have seen a minority of that House usurp the powers of the whole body; you have seen the majority expelled from their hall by threats of force; you have seen persons having no shadow of a claim as members admitted to seats as Representatives by the votes of men who themselves were acting in direct violation of the constitution; and you have seen the last crowning act of infamy, by which a candidate for the office of Governor, defeated by the popular vote, had himself declared elected by his co-conspirators. I make no comment on these flagrant outrages and wrongs; it pertains to the general assembly to take such action in regard to them as that honorable body may deem proper. But it is due to my position as Chief Magistrate of this Commonwealth to place on record my solemn and indignant protest against acts which I consider as subversive of civil liberty and destructive to our form of government.

These are the questions which concern not us alone, but the people of the United States; for if acts so unauthorized and so unconstitutional are allowed to pass without rebuke of popular government as established by the constitution will give place to military despotism. Our duty—the duty of every patriot—is to demand a strict construction of the constitution and a rigid adherence to its provisions. We can only thus preserve our liberties and our government.

A great task is before the Conservative party of this State. They entered this contest with a platform so broad, so strong, so liberal, that every honest citizen could stand upon it. They recognized and accepted the amendments of the constitution in good faith; they promised to keep up an efficient system of public education, and they declared solemnly that all citizens of South Carolina, of both races and parties shall be rewarded as equals in the eye of enjoyment of every political right now possessed by them. To the faithful observance of these pledges we stand committed, and I, as the Representative of the Conservative party, hold myself bound by every dictate of honor and of good faith to use every effort to have these pledges redeemed, fully and honestly.

It is due, not only to ourselves but [illegible] that wise, just and liberal measures should prevail in our legislation. We owe much of our late success to the colored voters who were brave enough to throw off the shackles of party to their determination to save the State

To those who, misled by their fears, their ignorance, or by evil counselling, turned a deaf ear to our appeals, we should not be vindictive but magnanimous. Let us show to all of them that the true interest of both races can best be secured by cultivating peace and promoting prosperity among all classes of our colored fellow-citizens.

I rely confidently on the support of the members of the general assembly in my efforts to attain these laudable ends, and I trust that all branches of the government will unite cordially in this patriotic work. If so united and working with resolute will and earnest determination we may hope soon to see the dawn of a brighter day for our State. God, in his infinite mercy, grant that it may come speedily! And may He shower the rich blessings of peace and happiness on our whole people!

BULL-DOZING.

Some inquiring writer asks the editor of the Philadelphia *Times* the meaning of the new coined word, of which he gives the following definition:

"We cannot wonder that our correspondent asks the question, as the term is not found in any dictionary. Various incorrect accounts of its origin and meaning have been given. A bull's dose is a very large dose. The term was devised by negroes on the sugar plantations in the days of slavery, and referred to a vigorous application of the lash. Any number of stripes over thirty-nine was a bull's dose. In Louisiana, last year, the Republicans instituted an oath-bound society, called the Union Rights Stop, whose object it was to check a movement of colored voters towards the Democratic clubs, which it was feared would prove the death of carpet-bag government. The members of the Stop were pledged to apply the lash, and a bull's dose at that, to any negro who might go back on his color. Afterwards the white Democrats came to the relief of the colored recruits, and in some instances punished their persecutors in the same barbarous manner. The parishes in which these lawless acts occurred became known as bull-dosed parishes. With wider scope the term is now applied to any violent and unusual means of effecting a questionable object. For instance, Wells and his associates, backed by the Sherman committee, bull-dosed the Louisiana returns in order to elect Hayes. Cameron is said to have bull-dosed the President into subserviency to his wishes, although it was an open question whether Cameron bull-dosed the President or the President bull-dosed Cameron. But they all bull-dosers together, and bull-dosing of any kind is obnoxious to a free people. You may spell it either bull-dose or bull-doze—the first way is justified by derivation and the other by usage.

AN OFFENDED RAD.

CLEARFIELD, PA., Dec. 24, 1876.

MR. EDITOR—*Dear Sir*: I wish through your paper to ask the Editor of the *Journal* a question, hoping to have an answer from him. I am a Republican, and read his paper every week, and always believed what he published until the last few issues, and if he does the fair thing I will continue to be a firm Republican. He published the horrible outrage upon Mrs. Eliza Pinkston, which made the blood curdle in the veins of every patriot, but I accidently got hold of a daily paper and saw where her case was taken up in court and sifted, and the Attorney General of Louisiana, who by the way is a Republican of the Kellogg school, gave the case up, saying there was nothing in it, as she was a terrible liar, and the case was manufactured by Wells & Co., for the Presidential Election, a scheme to uphold the "bull-dozing" stories set afloat, but now two weeks has elapsed, and the *Journal* does not say a word about the court proceedings. No, Mr. *Journal* your party orders are to make your readers believe that such stories are true. Now let me see you refute the Pinkston murder story as you ought to do and be honest. Yours

REPUBLICAN.

THE CABINET MAKERS.—The Cleveland *Leader* says that if Hayes is declared elected, the following gentlemen will compose his Cabinet:

For Secretary of State, Hon. Wm. H. Evarts, of New York.

Secretary of the Treasury, Hon. Benjamin H. Bristow, of Kentucky.

Secretary of War, Hon. Joseph R. Hawley, of Connecticut.

Attorney General, Hon. Benjamin Harrison, of Indiana.

Postmaster General, Col. George S. Bangs, of Illinois.

Secretary of the Interior, Hon. Newton Booth, of California.

That is the most unlikely Cabinet ever invented by anybody. We advise Governor Hayes not to resign his Governorship until after the Presidency is rendered a little more favorable for him. Because, "a bird in the hand is worth two in the bush."

"BULL-DOZING" BUSINESS.—One of our Radical exchanges puts it this way:

"Nothing like the display of holiday goods is made this season that have heretofore been made by our merchants and shop keepers. The common necessaries of life are hard enough to secure without taking into account any of the luxuries."

Well how can any body show or buy while such an infernal expensive administration of public affairs is tolerated, as we have been compelled to sustain for the past sixteen years. And yet, the editor of this same sheet wants Hayes "counted in" so as to have four years more of "cussedness" spread before us.

A BULL-DOZER.—The Venango *Spectator* man remarks: "The miserable falsehood, alleging that $100,000 was offered to a colored Louisiana Rector to vote for Tilden, after having done duty in the rural Republican journals, comes to the front again in the Philadelphia *Press*. Perhaps Mr. Forney feels that every dollar alleged to have been offered to the colored brother, over $25,000, is an insult to himself and Pacific Mail stock.

HOW STRANGE IT WORKS.—When the Republicans are brought face to face with the cases of Oregon and Louisiana, both at once, they are compelled to exclaim, with the old colored deacon, "*No system of theology can stan' such questions as dem.*"

REMARKABLE.—The accounts of a clerk in the Pittsburg Postoffice are short about $7,000 but "the government" cannot find either the money or the Clerk. It is evident that the Rads are still "reforming within the party."

The order of the Supreme Court of Florida to recount the vote of that State was a bull dozing stroke aimed at the conspirators who supposed that they had bagged that State for Hayes beyond all doubt.

BURNED.—The extensive [illegible] and [illegible] at Williamsport, was destroyed by fire on Thursday night. Loss about $75,000 covered partly by insurance.

New Advertisements.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of sundry writs of *Fieri Facias* issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Clearfield county, and to me directed, there will be exposed to public sale, at the Court House, in the borough of Clearfield, on Monday, the 8th day of January, 1877, at 1 o'clock, p. m., the following described real estate, to wit:

All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in Woodward township, Clearfield county, Pa., fronting on St. James street 109 feet and running 158 feet to Maple alley, being lots No's 20 and 22, having erected thereon a two-story frame house, 15 by 14½ feet, and other necessary outbuildings. Seized, taken in execution and to be sold as the property of Wm. and Mary Perkins.

Also, a certain piece or parcel of land situate in Boggs township, Clearfield county, Pa., containing about 121 acres, with about 75 acres cleared and having erected thereon a large two story dwelling house, two large barns connected by shading house, corn crib, wood house and small house, one large frame saw mill, blacksmith shop, and other outbuildings, orchard, &c., bounded and described as follows: On the east by Clearfield creek and Copenhaver, on the west by Chalfield street, on the north by G. W. Caldwell, on the south by Henry Pugh, etc.

Also, all defendants interest in the following described real estate: Lots No's 3 and 4 in block No. 2, and lot No. 11 in Lumber No. 3, in the town of Nine Rops, and 64 acres of land lying south of Nine Rops, and being triangular shaped and on east by public road, west by land of S. C. Parsons and north by Nine Rops. Seized, taken in execution, and to be sold as the property of Jere. Cooper.

Also, all that certain house and lot of ground situate in North Heatsdale Clearfield county, Pa., being 66 feet front and 180 feet deep, with a store house thereon erected 20 by 21 feet, two stories high, of frame. The store room is shelved and countered, and in good order. Seized, taken in execution, and to be sold as the property of Peter McGeorge in two other lots adjoining the above described lots, in said North Heatsdale, or Houstsville, being known as lots No's 246 and 247 in the plan of said town, said lots having had the stumps taken out and being partly fenced, and being the same lots purchased by the said Messenger from Donald Mc-George Fraser. Seized, taken in execution, and to be sold as the property of Peter McGeorge.

Also, a certain tract of land situate in Bradford township, Clearfield county, Pa., containing about 121 acres, with about 75 acres cleared and having erected thereon a large two story dwelling house, two large barns connected by shading house, corn crib, wood house and small house, one large frame saw mill, blacksmith shop, and other outbuildings, orchard, &c., bounded and described as follows: On the east by Clearfield creek and Copenhaver, on the west by Chalfield street, on the north by G. W. Caldwell, on the south by Henry Pugh, etc.

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Also, all that certain lot or piece of ground situate in the Borough of Wallaceton, Clearfield county, Pa., bounded and described as follows, to wit: On the north by Red street, on the south by lot No. 11, on the east by the line of the T. & C. R. R., and on the west by ..... and known in the general plan of said borough as lot No. 12, and upon which are erected a two story frame house, now occupied by ..... Seized, taken in execution, and to be sold as the property of ..... Also, all that certain piece or parcel of land situate in Lawrence township, Clearfield county, Pa., bounded and described as follows: On the south and west by lands of Reed, Ogden and Nichols, on the north by land of Lever Fiegel, and on the east by the township road running from the Snow Shoe and Packerville Turnpike road past Lever Fiegel's farm, containing thirteen acres, more or less, being the same piece of land purchased by Peter McGeorge from Richard Hess. Seized, taken in execution and to be sold as the property of Peter McGeorge.

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