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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 1866.

THE SENATE.

The action of the Senate yesterday, in refusing to take up the House bill which revokes the President's power to grant a general amnesty, will provoke much animadversion on the part of Union men who desire to see prompt action in Congress upon such legislation as is necessary to put a stop to the President's flagrant abuse of the power now in his hands. It is not pleasant to see nearly a dozen Republican Senators casting almosf their first vote, on the re-assembling of Congress, with the opposition, to defeat a proposition which was so patent to the lower House as to be decided at once and by an overwhelming vote. An impression was rapidly gaining ground, when Congress adjourned, that the Senate was controlled by a timid and vacillating policy, unequal to the responsibilities and the emergencies of the times. This feeling is likely to be revived and strengthened by such action as that of yesterday.

But it must be borne in mind, on the other hand, that the Senate has always been accustomed to move with slower steps than those of the popular branch of Congress, and there are some of the Republican Senators so wedded to the idea of the necessity of debate, that it is quite impossible for them to act upon the most obvious propositions until numerous arguments and speeches have been made upon the subject. The Democratic minority is always ready to move in flying column. Its compact body is held in light marching order, and with its admirable drill and the superiority of its tactics, it is always prepared to avail itself of the temporary aid of the heavily-loaded and slow-moving wing of the Republican Senate, There can be no doubt that in due time and after solemn detate the Senate will conclude that the country requires the sumbridgement of the powers of the Execuyears, and the loyal friends of Congressions ever wait, with such patterns and fits wait, with such patience and faith opera company, that performed in a faithnay be blessed with, until their nearly empty house a short time ago, is shall see their way clear to coming on another experimental trip.

proceed with business. The session of The managers have been liberal towards but there can be no dou be that when the to be equally so. But the privileged members become mo the novelty of their secusioned to stockholders, who monopolize the best secusion and better seats, with few exceptions, show no inacquainted with th ments of the peo. A temperand require clination to spend a single dollar. It is their daily sessi they will extend estimated that not one-fifth of the stockgo on to atten d to the business of the country.

TI Æ GREAT FAILURE. Measur .cd by personal results, some of the gree st characters in history were A. Cæsar, after conquering the wor] A, Wied a dog's death at last; Napo-

A, from being almost master of Conmental Europe, ended his own days a prisoner; and Cromwell left a barren sceptre, "no son of his succeeding." Failures are by no means uncommon events in history; but failures in high places, where they are the result of the wilful blindness or blundering self-conceit of the victims, are rare. Charles I. and James II. were failures. The first tried an experiment with the temper of the masses, and he learned, to his heavy cost, that he did not have the people of the time of the Plantagenets or the Tudors to deal with, and that the imperious rule of the Henrys or of Elizabeth would not suit the seventeenth century,

James II. was a failure, not so much because of the lack of natural parts, but because he failed to keep pace with the spirit and the temper of his times, and because he foolishly attempted to restore what the people of England had long before most emphatically discarded. In our own time and country John Tyler was a failure, and before the days of Andrew Johnson, he was the most pitiable failure in American history. Like Charles I. and James II., John Tyler attempted not only to run counter to the spirit of the age, but to foil and defeat the will of the party to which alone he could look for support and encouragement. Charles's disregard for the voice of the Commons, James's evasion of the laws of the realm, and John Tyler's icalous opposition to Henry Clay, and his affiliation with his old political opponents, in the insane hope to create a new party in his own interest, were the snags upon which these distintinguished failures went to wreck. But Andrew Johnson stands foremost in the order of great failures and the most pitiable of instances of going to pieces when the skies were bright and the sailing was perfectly plain. Taking the prominent English failures as parallels, he has not the excuse of Charles I, who, from the circumstances of birth and training, and the plea of the kingly prerogative, could not be expected to have much regard for the rights of the masses.

James II had the plea of earnest religious convictions to excuse his failure to meet the expectations of his countrymen, and both himself and his hapless father drifted to their thrones by birthfit to oust them from their places, they d not have the mortification of knowing that they had first deliberately chosen them to fill the offices from which they afterwards ignominiously ejected

John Tyler stands first in the list of American Presidential failures. James Buchanan and Franklin Pierce who came after him were more than his peers in respect to weakness and meanness; but they were both faithful to the instincts of the party that elected them, and aithough they were superserviceable in their partisanship, they could scarcely be called treacherous, and to that extent, they rank higher than the recreant

Tyler. With most amazing blindness, or with a strange infatuation, Andrew Johnson has failed to profit by the examples that history sets before him, and he stands confessed before the world as the most distinguished of failures. He is powerless against the Congress with which he has quarreled, and which he has grossly insulted; the people repudiate him and his principles, and he has no party except foiled traitors at the South, and sympathizers with them at the North, who only espouse his cause because they believe that his treachery to the party which elected him will profit the enemies of that party. How melancholy a record!

THE FIVE HUNDRED. The Philadelphia Academy of Music is the noblest theatre in America. In some respects it is superior to any in Europe. It is meant to promote musical taste and encourage artists. But it fails to do this, and opera managers and opera artists dread a visit to Philadelphia. It rarely pays a manager, and artists are so chilled by the reception accorded to them, that they can neither do justice to themselves or the music assigned to them.

It has already been stated in these columns that one difficulty at the Academy of Music arose from the reservation of the five hundred best seats for privileged persons who pay no entrance money. A few of these were original subscribers, who paid the par value for five shares each. The greater part, however, bought their five shares much below par, say from forty to sixty dollars per share. A considerable number also acquire the privilege of these seats by paying a trifling sum to the actual owners of shares and receiving a transfer of free tickets for a season or a year. Thus the best part of the house is appropriated to persons who pay but little towards the annual expenses, and who, in general, do nothing towards offering inducements to managers and artists to engage the Academy. In a day or two the excellent French

Pfive minutes, | them, and the general public is disposed temperand require- clination to spend a single dollar. It is ons, an hour or two, and | holders buy any extra seats, or use any exertions to induce others to assist in operatic enterprises. If this indifference continues there can be no more operas in the Philadelphia Academy. The five hundred gentlemen and ladies who have bought their privileges at a low price are ruining the fortunes of the Academy as an opera house. Cannot something be done to stir up a little liberality in them, or to relieve the establishment of the incubus of the Fatal Five Hundred?

THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. The convention of firemen called for the purpose of preventing, if possible, the passage of the ordinance providing for the better regulation of the Fire De. partment, met again last evening. The delegates talked complacently of getting the bill into the hands of the Committee on Fire and Trusts, where it would be suffered to die a natural death. They expressed a disposition to hold the fear of the combined opposition of the firemen over independent members of city councils, and they protested their unwillingness to be controlled by the regularly constituted authorities. It seems extraordinary that a body of men should claim to hold a special mission to extinguish fires in their own way, whether the public like it or not, and to be superior to the law while thus engaged. Common sense would say that there is no such prescriptive right to put out fires, any more than there is a right to force the volunteer performance of any other police business upon the community. San Francisco has just set up a paid fire department; Cincinnati, Baltimore and New York have abolished their old irresponsible departments, and they have profited by the change. Philadelphia, though proverbially slow in following these examples, is nevertheless sure, and the action of the firemen themselves, in opposing wholesome restrictions upon their department, will tend to aid in bringing about the result to which they are so much opposed.

MME. BISTORI. On Monday evening next the great Italian actress, Mme. Adelaide Ristori, supported by a full dramatic troupe, will appear for the first time before a Philadelphia audience, at the Academy of Music. The opening drama is Medea, written in French originally, by Legové, for Rachel, who, in one of her caprices, refused to play in it. It was then translated into Italian, was played with splendid success by Ristori, and has, ever since, been one of the most attractive pieces of her repertoire. The old Greek legend has been admirably dramatized, and in the rôle of "Medea," Mme. Ristori exhibits her extraordinary right, and although their subjects saw gifts to the greatest advantage. The sale of tickets for the Ristori nights has been so large already as to give assurance

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