

CONGRESSIONAL.

Dec. 16.—In the Senate, Mr. Ten Eyck offered a resolution that the present war is for the Union, according to the Constitution, and the object is to save the former and enforce the latter. It was so in the beginning and should be so to the last. That measures, extreme and radical and disruptive in themselves, involving in a common pale loyalty and disloyalty should not be resorted to, and that in suppressing treason the Government cannot prove a traitor to the organic law. Laid over.

Mr. Sumner, of Mass., offered a resolution that the Commission on the part of the Legislature to inquire of any additional legislation necessary to secure for persons of African descent the right to take out patents. Agreed to.

The usual variety of propositions were made in regard to negroes. A resolution was offered to expel Mr. Bright of Indiana, he having given a Lincolnian. A letter of objection to Jeff Davis last March. Referred to Judiciary Committee on motion of Govan of Pennsylvania.

Mr. Trumbull, of Ill., desired to call up the resolution inquiring into the authority for, and the arrests made by under the direction of the Secretary of State. Dixon, of Ohio, opposed the resolution. Men held in place, and they ought to be arrested, although there was no law for it.

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PURPOSES OF THE WAR!

Congress by a vote nearly unanimous, passed the following resolution in July 1861: That the present deplorable civil war has been forced upon the country by the disunion of the Southern States. Now in arms against the Constitutional Government...



Later news from England show a more hostile feeling than was noted in our last paper. The war spirit seems to prevail, and apparently John Bull must have Mason and Slidell given up or a fight.

The abolition organ and leaders charge us with "treason" when we expose any of their party frauds upon the government; yet, even at that, we must refer to an item—a sample of what is constantly occurring. Last June, 5,000 Carbiner ordered a private sale of 5000 Carbiner—they being called nearly worthless. They were sold for \$17,500.

The great item of Southern news this week is a destructive fire which broke out in Charleston on the 11th. It is stated that 570 buildings were destroyed, and the loss is estimated at from five to seven millions of dollars.

The majority in Congress are very busy in devising means to abolish slavery; but take no step looking to the abolition of rebellion. Plain people, up here in the country, had got the idea that our immediate troubles were caused by some measure, at least, by the rebel army, and that if they were dispersed, peace, union, prosperity, and harmony might be restored.

Congress will adjourn for the holidays, during which time the people will be obliged to try and content themselves with reading and hearing about the affairs of the white folk; but on the re-assembling, the all-important colored item will be resumed.

Mr. Ebron.—The time is fast approaching when the ministers and clergymen of different denominations will expect their annual donations from their church members, and the public in general, of the good things of this life. That is just as it should be.

What Papers Shall I Take?

The above query is now suggesting itself to many of our readers. After advising them that they take and Pay For the Monthly Democrat, we add notices of a few other journals, such as we can recommend, after reading them ourselves.

The Harrisburg Daily Patriot and Union will be furnished as usual to subscribers for one dollar during the session of the Legislature, and the weekly issue at the low rate of a dollar a year when subscribed for in clubs of ten or more, to be sent to one address. Single subscribers two dollars a year in advance.

This is a first rate Democratic paper, and pays due attention to State affairs. We read its articles with more regularity and interest than those of any other journal on our exchange list.

The Scientific American, which we have had occasion to notice at various times, is one of the cheapest, as well as most reliable sources of information to the mechanic, millwright, and the agriculturist, on this continent.

Arthur's Home Magazine.—This is a most excellent work. Each number is filled with the choicest literary matter arranged in its various departments.

To the Lovers of Good Music. Mr. J. G. Towner, of the Normal Academy of Music, Geneseo, N. Y., and Mr. G. H. Huntington, Pianist, of the above Institution, and also of the Normal Musical Institute North Reading, Mass., would announce to the citizens of Montrose and vicinity, that they will give a Musical Drill, of two weeks, in this place, commencing in January or February next.

THE PEARL OF THE SOUTH.—The Pearl of the South, published by A. N. Bellamy, Co. Sup't., Montrose, Dec. 10th, 1861.

Wives; mothers and sisters, whose sons and brothers are in the army, cannot put their knapsack a few necessary or valuable gift than a few boxes of Holloway's Pills and Ointment. They insure health even under the exposure of a soldier's life. Only 25 cents a box.

MEDICAL NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the Susquehanna County Medical Society will be held at the Office of the Secretary, in Montrose, at 10 o'clock a. m., on Wednesday the first day of Jan., 1862, and all regular physicians are cordially invited to be present.

Teachers Institute.—All the School Teachers of Susq. Co. are earnestly solicited to attend the next meeting of the "Susq. County Teachers Institute," to be held in Brooklyn, on Friday and Saturday the 10th and 11th days of January next, commencing at 10 o'clock a. m. the first day.

Charleston, South Carolina. Charleston is the largest city in South Carolina, and is built on a peninsula or tongue of land between the Ashley and Cooper rivers, which unite below the town and form a spacious harbor, communicating with the ocean at Sullivan's Island, seven miles distant.

The city of Charleston is one of the oldest in the United States, having been founded in 1728. Its population in 1860, was 34,000.

Fortress Monroe, December 15, via Baltimore.—The transport steamer Constitution, Capt. A. T. Fletcher, arrived here this afternoon. The Constitution is a brand new ship of 3,000 tons, and is armed with the Twenty-fifth Massachusetts and Ninth Connecticut Regiments, and arrived at Ship Island on the 3d inst.

The report of the Congressional Committee to expose frauds upon the government, in the war supplies was made to Congress on Tuesday. In reference to it the Philadelphia Inquirer says: "If the people of the United States have heretofore been astonished at the developments of speculation, plunder, and malfeasance that have from time to time been exposed by the newspapers during the progress of the war, they will experience a still more intense emotion when they come to read the exposures made by the Van Wyck Committee of Investigation."

The Van Wyck investigating committee say in their report to Congress that: "It is proper to remark that in furnishing supplies in the Western Department the commanding General Fremont was peculiarly unfortunate in the character of the men by whom he was surrounded. The system of public plunder which prevailed in the Department was inaugurated at the very beginning, and followed up with unintermitting and public wrongs as entirely unprovoked and as effectually ignored as if the war were gotten up to enable a mammoth scheme of speculation at the expense of the people, to be carried out."

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WAR NEWS.

Dec. 12.—Private advices from New Mexico report that the strong forces sent against the Texans in the Mesilla Valley have driven the enemy far back into Texas.

The report that General Prentiss had bagged 500 Rebels is not true. The report that General Fremont had bagged 500 Rebels is not true. The report that General Fremont had bagged 500 Rebels is not true.

St. Louis, Dec. 15.—The Democrat learns from a gentleman just from Lexington that General Rains and Stein, with 600 Rebels were in possession of that city on Friday last, and another large body of troops was expected to reach there yesterday. Gen. Prentiss, it is said, was on the north side of the river, and had thrown a few shells into the Rebel camp and destroyed one of the two ferry boats in their hands.

Louisville, Dec. 14.—Capt. Lee's expedition has returned to this city from Jackson, bringing two prisoners. No further details can be obtained. On last Thursday Company I, of the Ohio Fifteenth Regiment, were attacked by a body of 150 Secessionist cavalry, dismounted. The Secessionists fired one volley, wounding several of the Rebels. The Secessionists then retired, carrying off their wounded.

Another fight took place in Western Virginia lately, which lasted all afternoon. At night the Rebels withdrew, intending to renew the fight, but the rebels broke up their camp and left. Our force was 1800 strong, and we lost 20 killed and 200 wounded. Rebel force estimated at 2000, and their loss at 150.

The late battle in Western Virginia is reported in the Richmond Dispatch as a Federal defeat. The paper states that the fight lasted seven hours, and that the Confederates lost twenty-five killed and eight wounded, and that the Rebels carried away their wounded and left nearly one hundred dead on the field.

Baltimore, Dec 23.—The Agnes, arrived here, reports the English brig, the M. M. Morton, which reported that the Sulphur and Irons had had a severe engagement, and that one of them—did not know which—had put into Martinique to repair damages.

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