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READING MATTER ON EVERY PAGE.

Postponement of the Next State Convention.

The time for the meeting of the next State Convention has been postponed until Wednesday, the 17th of May next.

Acknowledgments.

We have received from Hon. Simon Cameron "Congressional Directory," by Ben. Perley Poore, and "Report of Agricultural Department."

From Hon. John Scott, pamphlet copy of his speech in the United States Senate on the Sherman resolution.

From Hon. John B. Packer, "Message and Documents," and slip containing comprehensive statement of net receipts and expenditures of United States government from March 1, 1867, to March 1, 1871.

From Hon. James Harlan, copy of pamphlet speech on the "President and San Domingo."

From Hon. Daniel D. Pratt, pamphlet speech on "Southern Outrages."

Also, a pamphlet styled "The North Pacific Railroad; its Route, Resources, Progress, and Business. The New Northwest and its Great Thoroughfare," from Jay Cooke & Co., with compliments.

Democratic Address. The Democrats in Congress have issued an address. It contains nothing new, but is simply a rehearsal of Democratic argument against the Republican party.

The Border Claims.

The Committee appointed by the State Senate to consider the petition of five hundred citizens of Cumberland Valley, praying to be paid for property destroyed in Southern Pennsylvania by the rebels during the rebellion, reported last week. The Committee refer to the 4th section of the 4th article of the Constitution of the United States, and declare that said section makes it obligatory upon the general government to protect each and every State against invasion.

KuKlux Murder.

The South Carolina, Daily Union, in its issue of Thursday, April 20th, inst., relates the following fearful murder by KuKlux: On Sunday night last, the 16th, at about midnight, a party of disguised as sassins rode to the house of Mr. Robert Melton, at Old Store, Chesterfield County.

CHARLES READE'S latest story. "A Terrible Temptation."

"A Terrible Temptation," is published in every Saturday week in advance of its arrival in this country in any other form. This is accomplished through the enterprise of the house of J. R. Osgood & Co., who in accordance with their liberal policy have made an arrangement with the author, for advance sheets of the work.

The Insurrection in Paris.

At the recent elections in Paris not one-tenth of the voters went to the polls. This tells forcibly that the people do not sympathize with the insurrectionists. The pillage of churches continues; also the persecution of the priests. The Prussians have agreed to stop the re-occupying of Paris.

Appointments.

The Joint Committee of the two Houses of the Legislature have reported an apportionment bill. It is believed that the bill so re-districts the State—that is, if the Senatorial districts vote as they are counted in the bill—that the next Senate, after an election, will stand 16 Democrats to 17 Republicans, and the House 47 Democrats to 53 Republicans.

The Coal Troubles.

The Board of Arbitration to consider the difficulties between coal operators and the miners, held a number of meetings last week at Mauch Chunk. The only question that the arbitrators succeeded in getting before the umpire, Judge Ellwell, was the "Control of the mines," and on this question the umpire favored the operators.

Two Country Girls in Search of Their Lovers.

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