

SATORDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1869.

THE SUGAR PANIO. The indirection in Cuba has been seized upon by those greedy and soulless ruscals, whose only God is the Almighty Dollar, to amass fortunes from the sufferings and deprivation of the working classes. There is no doubt that the outbreak in Cuba has for a long time been expected, and secretly encouraged, by speculators in our large cities, who quietly purchased large quantities of the staple commodity of Cuba, sugar, and waited for the panic which an exaggerated impression of the Cuban revolution would create.

The time has come-the people of Cuba have broken out in open revolt, and the prospects of their success in freeing themselves from Spanish rule are quite favorable. The sugar speculators of New York and other large cities, who had drained the markets of all the sugar except a bare sufficiency to prevent the public from suspecting foul play, now proclaim it throughout the land that "sugar is scarce, on account of the war in Cuba, and it will be still more so, as the war will continue a long time in and they demand an exorbitant price for this indisponsible article of food, heedless of the fact that they are robbing every poor family in the country, and crippling every grocer of limited means who had not the good fortune to lay in a large stock of sugar beforehand.

But for the destruction of business in the South by Radical reconstruction acts, our markets could have been supplied with sugar and molasses from the Southern States; but Radical rule in that unhappy section of our country has choked out overything like business energy. But for the prolongation of the war through Radical incompetency and Radical machinations, which gave our hereditary enemy, England, the long sought for optheir substitutes, from distant lands.—
But these sources of supply are cut off from us at present, and the vampires who fatten upon the blood

On Monday evening the remains of meaning Dr. Burdell. The woman, who of their follow-men have a favorable opportunity to plunder our people by whole-

hands of a few men, and that power they usò to control the markets and run up especially those "devoutly loyal" villains, the money-changers of New York and other large cities, who hoard their money in bonds and National Banks until they perceive a favorable opportunity poor man, woman and child in our

in their might and demand from their representatives in Congress protection against the rich robbers who despoil them under the name of "speculation." If the men now in Congress will not protect the people, the people must elect men who will do so; and if their will is set at hanght, and the representatives of their choice are denied admittance to Congress by the tools of the National Banking, but the curious crowd had cut the blanket almost to pieces to get souvenirs.

The body was deposited in a vault at the wall, and for a minute I thought he would be too many for me; but I put my hand against the wall and saved myself from going down, and with the other I reached under and hit him in the kidney hand some were allowed one of the blood of the blood fly so all about on the walls. The old fellow was stronger than I gave him dreds of people visited the place, and the time jabling him with the curious crowd had cut the blanket almost to pieces to get souvenirs.

The body was deposited in a vault at did that little job myself; yes, I did for in their might and demand from their

bondholding and money changing aristocracy, the people should resort to force to protect themselves against the "rich and respectable " robbers who amass fortunes by speculating in the necessaries of life. There is food enough for all, and for any clique to raise the prices of provisions, in the winter season, for their own selfish purposes, is a criminal action, and one deserving of condiga punish-

will continue, however. The hoarded sugar must be put upon the market, or the holders will lose upon it. Should the war in Cuba continue a long time, the opportunity for making money by the increased production of sugar and molasses will be eagerly embraced by the people of the Southern States and other countries adapted to the growth of augar cane. The production of sorghum and maple sugar will also increase in an unexampled manner, and our home supply will be equal to our home demand, with some to spare for exportation to less

fortunate and productive countries. We advise our people, therefore, not to be alarmed by this sugar panic, but to purchase only sufficient sugar and molasses to supply their wants for a short We may be mistaken, but we believe that if our people will "accept the situation" on the sugar question without excitement or alarm, the time will soon come when those secondrels who are now endeavoring to amass fortunes by hoarding up the sugar the poor man needs to sweeten the soothing drink for his ailing wife or dying children, will find that they have overreached themselves, and that a sudden docline in the price of sugar has victs who broke jail here last fall, reruined them, and not the poor who use turned to spend a few years more under it, or the small dealers when the rich and it, or the small dealers whom the rich and it, or the small dealers whom the rich and rascally speculators hoped it. Heece for their own banefit. That God may smite with monetary catastrophe every speculator in the necessaries of life, is the heart-felt wish of every friend of the toiling.

THE ASSESSORSHIP.

During the late Presidential campaign, t was generally announced by those who advocated the nomination of Gen. Grant. that in case of his election, the soldiers who voted for him should receive the full benefit of the services performed by them for the Radical party. Gen. Grant owes his position as President to the votes and influence of the soldiers and their friends, and loud were the promises made by certain Radicals of the party favors to be bestowed upon the "Boys in Blue." Many men voted the Radical ticket for the sole reason that they believed the Radical party, if in power, would aid the soldiers of the Union.

Now, what do we behold? It was generally understood that the position of Assessor of Internal Revenue in this District was to be filled by Capt. Michael Walter, of this city. Politically we differ with Capt. Walter, but we know he is a brave soldier who has been crippled in the service of his country, and we believe him to be a courteous and honorable gentleman, who is in every way worthy of the position. Besides, he is a representative of the German element of the Republican party, and hence his claim is

one which is not to be lightly set aside. Notwithstanding all this, there is a project on foot to throw Cant. Walter overboard, and give the position to a civilian. We are informed that several competitors, none of whom over smelled powder burned in actual conflict, have already applied for the position, each one of whom hopes to succeed through the influence of kid-gloved, aristocratical friends, while Capt. Walter is to be set

atide because he is "only a Dutchman!" Such ingratitude may suit Radicals, and as the Radical party is in power at present, we suppose the Democracy must submit to their choice; but we call the attention of those Germans who voted the Republican ticket to this "nice little game," and we hope they will see justice done to Capt. Walter. The Democracy of Berks county are not over fond of Radical officials, but if they must have them they prefer men who have established their claim to "loyalty" by service in the field, and to the respect of their fellow-citizens by unobtrusive and gentlemanly conduct at home.

GEN. GRANT still rofuses to ride in the portunity to destroy our commerce by carriage with President Johnson on Inaumeans of privateors under the rebel flag, guration day. It is reported that the our hundreds of ships would flood our President will save him the trouble of markets with sugar and molasses, or objecting, by attending to business on that

John Wilkes Booth were received at Baltimore from Washington. They were The centralizing system of National Banking has thrown nearly the whole Banking has thrown nearly the whole much decayed, having been rotted by dagger which he habitually carried, and money hower of the country into the dampness, was exchanged for a plain started on his cowardly errand. money power of the country into the dampness, was exchanged for a plain coffin.

The remains were brought to Baltimore the prices of the united States may justly blama the Radical party leaders for the present high price of sugar, and more especially those "devoutly leval" villains. of the assassin. All were denied ad- was instantly repeated, again reiterated mission, however, until about 3 p. m., as rapidly as the nervous energy of the when the box was again opened and the assassin could wield the knife. With a body, or rather skeleton, was transferred to a splendid metallic coffin.

perceive a favorable opportunity to increase their ill-getten gains by taking a portion of food from the mouth of every poor man, woman and child in our perceive a favorable opportunity to a spiculat metatic colon.

There was but little of the remains left, the flesh having all disappeared, leaving of the room, everthrowing the chairs and dragging the table out of place, the document of the flesh having all disappeared, leaving of the room, overthrowing the chairs and the flesh having all disappeared, leaving of the room, overthrowing the document of the flesh having all disappeared, leaving of the room, overthrowing the chairs and the flesh having all disappeared, leaving of the room, overthrowing the chairs and the flesh having all disappeared, leaving of the room, overthrowing the chairs and the flesh having all disappeared, leaving of the room, overthrowing the chairs and the flesh having all disappeared, leaving of the room, overthrowing the chairs and the flesh having all disappeared, leaving of the room, overthrowing the chairs and the flesh having all disappeared, leaving of the room, overthrowing the chairs and the flesh having all disappeared, leaving of the room, overthrowing the chairs and the flesh having all disappeared, leaving of the room, overthrowing the chairs and the flesh having all disappeared, leaving of the room, overthrowing the chairs and the flesh having all disappeared to the room of upon the other a boot cut open upon the the murderous arm, the every blow of country.

It is time that these outrages should coase. It is time for the people to rise stage-box of the theatre after he had caught my arm and twisted me against assassinated President Lincoln. The the wall, and for a minute I thought he

> The body was deposited in a vault at the Government Cometery, and in a few days was secretly interred, in the pre-sence of the family, at Baltimore Cometery, beside the remains of Junius Brutus

Booth the senior.
There seemed to be a disposition on the part of many people to get up a demonstration, but the relatives of Booth bitterly opposed anything of the sort, and arranged to inter the remains secretly, as above

A number of persons have contributed to defray the expenses of the reinterment It is not likely that this sugar panic of Payne, for whose remains there has as yet been no claimant.

PROCEEDINGS OF CONGRESS.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19. In the Senate, Mr. Wilson introduced a bill to repeal the act fixing the headquarters of the General of the army at Washington, and requiring orders of the President and Secretary of War to be

issued through him. The bill in relation to prize money for Admiral Farragut's fleet and the men of the Kearsarge, was passed.

The Indian Appropriation bill was passed, an amendment transferring the Indian Bureau to the War Department having been rejected.

The Tenure of Office bill was taken up, but the Senate adjourned without acting

In the House, the Army Appropriation bill was taken up, and Mr. Blaine's amendment in relation to the reduction of the army was adopted.

A bill to define felonies, etc., was

passed. The Post-office Appropriation bill was

From Schnylkill County.

HON. E. B. WASHBURNE is dangerously ill at Washington, and his life is despair

THE BURDELL MURDER. A Mystery of Twelve Years Solved at Last.

The murderer of Dr. Burdell is discovered, according to his own circumstantial confession and all the probabilities of the case, to have been the same Charles Jefferds who afterwards killed John Walton and John Matthews, and who was himself murdered by a fellow convict at Auburn about a year ago.

The confession was made to a detective named Jesserson Jinks, who, under directions from headquarters, proceeded to Cutchogue, L. I., where Jefferds was staying, and gradually made himself his intimate friend and constant companion. At one time Jefferds was warned by Mrs. Walton, by letter, of the character of his friend, and the detective nearly lost is life in consequence.

Jefferds did not show the letter to the officer, but that day, when they were out in a row-boat a mile from shore, the following little episode took place, as described by Officer J.: "He suddenly threw down the cars, sprang to his feet, and, with the look of a perfect devil in his eyes, he sprang towards me, as if to grapple with me. I remained perfectly quiet. When, just as he was near enough to seize me, he paused, looked me full in the eyes, and with his fists clenched, his whole form tremming with rage at the very idea, he ground out with horrible caths between his shut teeth and white lips, 'Jinks, if I really the 3d day of February last. Pupils received at any time. For Circulars address REV. GEO. F. MILLER, A. M. fists clenched, his whole form trembling reach that shore alive, if I swing for it to-morrow.' I never was so scared in my life, and I never trusted myself in a boat with him again." It so happened that the officer had, by a little manœuvre of his own, read the letter of Mrs. Walton to Jefferds before that gentleman perused it himself, and was therefore some what prepared for the outbreak, and had ready the plausible story which disarmed

Jefferds' declaration is all the more convincing in that it does not release Mrs. Cunningham from the charge of complicity with his crime. He, too, was a friend of that malign woman, between whom and his mother, Mrs. Walton there appears to have been a close inti macy. He boasted of the same illicit favors from Mrs. Cunningham which were enjoyed by her. boarder, John J. Eckel. and claims to have been, instead of Eckthe instrument of her revenge. He alleges that he was at Dr. Burdell's house, No. 31 Bond street, on the evening of the assassination; that he was seated in the parlor and playing on the banjo for the amusement of the Cunningham girls, when Dr. Burdell entered the house and met Mrs. Cunningham, with whom he

had a violent quarrel. The Doctor then proceeded to his room in the third story, and Mrs. Cunningham to hers on the second floor. Jefferds, to whom the dispute had been audible, stole cordially hated Dr. Burdell and hoped to inherit his possessions, encouraged the

When he stealthily glided into the room the doctor was seated at his desk, looking did that little job myself; yes, I did for him; but he fought like the devil; I once thought he'd a got the best of me, but the punch in the ribs fetched him; did you go into the room? well, you remember the map that hung on the wall—well, they could have found the marks of my hands on that map if they d looked; ongo, when he nearly turned me, I throw my hand back, and it struck flat against the wall or the map; that's the time I

thought ho'd be too many for me."

The murder accomplished, Jeffelds left the room, and was let out of the house by one of the inmates, by whom all necessary precautions were taken afterward to cover up the tracks of the real murderer,

and cast suspicion in other directions.

The assassin's description of the whole struggle tallies with the appearance of the room and of the wounds found on the body of Dr. Burdell after the murder; while the facts of Jefferd's intimacy with Mrs. Cunningham, and his character as a reckless brave, help to corroborate his

testimony.
It is said of him that he "habitually went armed, and on the slightest provoention would shoot or cut whoever chanced to provoke his wrath." He declared on one occasion that "he didn't think so much of killing a man; he would put any man out of his misery for five hundred dollars if he was short, and wouldn't get caught at it either."

Strange as the story seems, it was and is implicitly believed by those high in police authority. The confession of Jesserds was given to the writer of the New York World by the officer to whom it was made, and who, not five hours after it was made, took Jefferds into custody, or caused his arrest, on the charge of committing the double murder of Walton and Matthews in 1860.

In reply to a letter from Messrs. Samuel and William Welsh, of Philadelphia, asking special protection for American yessels and property on the south coast of Cubn, Secretary Seward says that at least one half of Admiral Hoff's squadron are now in Cuban waters, and that the Admiral has been fully instructed to be vigilant in protecting American interests | dauly

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