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" "	6.15 P. M.
Arrive at Lancaster at	9.15 A. M.
" " Columbia at	9.25 A. M.
" " Lancaster at	8.25 P. M.
" " Columbia at	8.30 P. M.

RETURNING:

Leave Lancaster & Columbia at	8.00 A. M.
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" Lancaster at	3.25 P. M.
Arrive at Reading at	10.20 A. M.
" at Reading at	5.40 P. M.

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No. 7 Past Mail, leaves Reading at 4.20 P. M., arrives at Allentown 5.55; at NewYork 10.05, P. M.

Nos. 5 and 7, run daily, except Sunday, stopping at all Way Stations between Reading and New York.

EXPRESS TRAINS:

Leave Reading at	5.44 A. M.
" "	7.31 A. M.
" "	2.28 A. M.
" "	1.00 A. M.
Arrive at New York at	11.00 A. M.
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" " "	7.00 P. M.
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These trains run through from Pittsburgh to New-York, without change of cars, stopping only at Lyons, Allentown, Bethlehem, Easton Junction, Clinton, White House, Somerville, Bound Brook, Plainfield and Elizabeth.

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The 2.28 P. M. trains run daily except Sundays.

The 7.31 A. M. and 1.00 A. M. trains run daily.

West bound trains, leave New York, at the foot of Liberty street, as follows:

Leave New York.		*Arrive at Reading.*
12.00 M.	Mail No. 6,	6.00 P. M.
9.00 A. M.	Express Train,	11.50 P. M.
5.10 P. M.	Express Train,	10.19 P. M.
8.30 P. M.	Express Train,	1.00 A. M.

Mail Train leaving Allentown at 7.20, A. M., stops at all Way Stations, arriving at Reading at 9.10, A. M., running daily except Sundays.

The 12 M. Train from New York, stops at all Stations between New York and Reading, leaving Allentown at 4.20, P. M., arriving at Reading at 6.00, P. M., running daily except Sundays.

The 8.00 P. M. train from New York, runs daily stopping at Elizabeth, Plainfield, Somerville, Junction, Easton, and Bethlehem, arriving at Allentown at 11.45, P. M., passing Lyons at 12.22, A. M., arriving at Reading at 1.00 A. M.

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YOUNG MEN

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MENTALLY.—The fearful effects on the mind are much to be dreaded—Loss of Memory, Confusion of Ideas, Depressions of Spirits, Evil Forebodings, Aversion to Society, Self-Distrust, Love of Solitude, Timidity, &c., are some of the evils produced.

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YOUNG MEN

Who have injured themselves by a certain practice indulged in when alone, a habit frequently learned from evil companions, or at school, the effects of which are nightly felt, even when asleep, and if not cured renders marriage impossible, and destroys both mind and body, should apply immediately.

What a pity that a young man, the hope of his country, the darling of his parents, should be snatched from all prospects and enjoyments of life, by the consequence of deviating from the path of nature and indulging in a certain secret habit. Such persons must, before contemplating

MARRIAGE,

reflect that a sound mind and body are the most necessary requisites to promote connubial happiness. Indeed, without these the journey through life becomes a weary pilgrimage; the prospect hourly darkens to the view; the mind becomes shadowed with despair and filled with the melancholy reflection that the happiness of another becomes blighted with our own.

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(*Conclusion.*)

contemplating our future, could have supposed that in a brief period of bitter experience, everything demanded in the name of military emergency, or dictated by caprice, would come to be considered as mere matters of course? That conscription, confiscation, loss of personal liberty, the subjection of States to military rule and disfranchisement, with the extension of the right of suffrage merely to accomplish party ends, would receive the passive submission, if not acquiescence of the people of the Republic? It has been clearly demonstrated by recent occurrences that encroachments upon the Constitution cannot be prevented by the President alone, however devoted or determined he may be, and that unless the people interpose, there is no power under the Constitution to check a dominant majority of two-thirds in the Congress of the United States. An appeal to the nation, however, is attended with too much delay to meet an emergency; while, if left free to act, the people would correct, in time, such evils as might follow legislative usurpation.

There is danger that the same power which disregards the Constitution will deprive them of the right to change their rulers, except by revolution. We have already seen the jurisdiction of the judiciary circumscribed when it was apprehended that the courts would decide against laws having for their sole object the supremacy of party, while the veto power lodged in the Executive by the Constitution for the interest and protection of the people, and exercised by Washington and his successors, has been rendered nugatory by a partisan majority of two-thirds in each branch of the national Legislature. The Constitution evidently contemplates that when a bill is returned, with the President's objections, it will be calmly reconsidered by Congress. Such, however, has not been the practice under present party rule.—It has become evident that men who pass a bill under partisan influence, are not likely, through patriotic motives, to admit their error, and thereby weaken their own organizations by solemnly confessing it under an official oath.

Pride of opinion, if nothing else, has intervened and prevented a calm and dispassionate reconsideration of a bill disapproved by the Executive. Much as I venerate the Constitution, it must be admitted that this condition of affairs has developed a defect which, under the aggressive tendency of the legislative department of the Government, may readily work its overthrow. It may, however, be remedied without disturbing the harmony of the instrument. The veto power is generally exercised upon constitutional grounds; and whenever it is so applied, and the bill returned with the Executive reasons for withholding his signature, it ought to be immediately certified to the Supreme Court of the United States for its decision. If its constitutionality shall be declared by that tribunal, it should then become a law; but if the decision is otherwise, it should fall without power in Congress to re-enact and make it valid.

In cases in which the veto rests upon hasty and inconsiderate legislation, and in which no constitutional question is involved, it would not change the fundamental law, for in such case no permanent evil can be incorporated into the Federal system. It is obvious that without such an amendment, the Government as it existed under the Constitution prior to the Rebellion, may be wholly subverted or overthrown by a two-thirds majority in Congress. It is not, therefore, difficult to see how easily and how rapidly the people may lose—shall I not say have lost?—their liberties by an unchecked and uncontrollable majority in the law making power, and when once deprived of their rights, how powerless they are to regain them.

Let us look for a moment to the history of the majority in Congress, which has acted in such utter disregard of the Constitution, while public attention has been carefully and constantly turned to the past and expiated sins of the South. The servants of the people in high places have boldly betrayed their trust, broken their oaths of observance to the Constitution, and undermined the very foundations of liberty, justice and good government. When the rebellion was being suppressed by the volunteered services of patriotic soldiers amid the dangers of the battle-field; these men crept, without question, into place and power in the national council. After all danger had passed, when no armed foe remained, when a punished and repentant people bowed their heads to the flag, and renewed their allegiance to the Government of the United States, then it was that pretended patriots appeared before the nation and began to prate about the thousands of lives and millions of treasure sacrificed in the suppression of the rebellion. They have since persistently sought to inflame the prejudices engendered between the sections, to retard the restoration of peace and harmony, and by every means to keep open and exposed to the poisonous breath of party passion the terrible wounds of a four years' war. They have prevented the return of peace and the restoration of the Union; in every way rendered delusive the purposes, promises and pledges by which the army was marshalled, treason rebuked and rebellion crushed, and made the liberties of the people and the rights and powers of the President objects of constant attack. They have wrested from the President his constitutional power of supreme command of the army and navy. They have destroyed the strength and efficiency of the Executive department, by making subordinate officers independent of and able to defy their chief.

They have attempted to place the President under the power of a bold, defiant and treacherous Cabinet officer. They have robbed the Executive of the prerogative or pardon, rendered null and void acts of clemency granted to thousands of persons under the provisions of the Constitution, and committed gross usurpation by legislative attempts to exercise this power in favor of party adherents. They have conspired to change the system of our Government by preferring charges against the President in the form of articles of impeachment, and contemplating before hearing and trial that he should be placed in arrest, held in durance, and when it became their pleasure to pronounce his sentence, driven from place and power in disgrace. They have in time of peace increased the national debt by a reckless expenditure of the public moneys, and thus added to the burdens which already weigh upon the people. They have permitted the nation to suffer the evils of a deranged currency, to the enhancement in price of all the necessaries of life. They have maintained a large standing army for the enforcement of their measures of oppression. They have engaged in class legislation and built up and encouraged monopolies, that the few might be enriched at the expense of the many. They have failed to act upon important treaties, thereby endangering our present peaceful relations with foreign powers.

Their course of usurpation has not been limited to inroads upon the Executive Department. By unconstitutional and oppressive enactments, the people of ten States of the Union have been reduced to a condition more intolerable than that from which the patriots of the Revolution rebelled. Millions of American citizens can now say of their oppressors, with more truth than our fathers did of British tyrants, that they have forbidden the State Governments to pass laws of immediate and pressing importance, unless suspended until their assent should be obtained; that they have refused to pass other laws for the accommodation of large districts of people, unless those people would relinquish the right of representation in the Legislature—a right inestimable to them and formidable to tyrants only; that they have made judges dependent upon their will alone for the tenure of their offices and the amount and payment of their salaries. That they have erected a multitude of new offices, and sent hither swarms of officers to harass our people and eat out their substance. That they have affected to render the military independent of and superior to the civil powers, combined with others, to subject us to a jurisdiction foreign to our Constitution and unacknowledged by our laws; quartered large bodies of armed troops among us, protected them by a mock trial from punishment for any murders which they should commit on the inhabitants of these States; imposed taxes on us without our consent; deprived us in many cases of the benefit of a trial by jury; taken away our charters, excited domestic insurrection among us, abolished our most valuable laws, altered fundamentally the forms of our Government, suspended our own Legislatures, and declared themselves invested with power to legislate for us in all cases whatsoever.

The catalogue of crimes, long as it is, is not yet complete. The Constitution vests the power of the United States in one Supreme Court whose jurisdiction shall extend to all cases arising under this Constitution and the laws of the United States. Encouraged by this promise of a refuge from tyranny, a citizen of the United States, who, by the order of a military commander, given under the sanction of a cruel and deliberate edict of Congress, had been denied the constitutional rights of liberty of conscience, freedom of the press and of speech, personal freedom from military arrest, of being held to answer for crime only on presentment and indictment, on trial by jury, of the writ of habeas corpus and protection of civil and constitutional government—a citizen thus deeply wronged appeals to the Supreme Court for the protection guaranteed him by the organic law of the land. At once a fierce and excited majority, by the ruthless hand of the legislative power, stripped the ermine from the judges, transferred the sword of justice to the general, and remanded the oppressed citizen to a degradation and bondage worse than death.

It will also be recorded as one of the marvels of the times that a party claiming for itself a monopoly of consistency and patriotism, and boasting too of its unlimited sway, endeavored by costly and deliberate trial to impeach one who defended the Constitution and the Union, not only throughout the war of the rebellion, but during his whole term of office as Chief Magistrate, but at the same time could find no warrants or