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THURSDAY MORNING, DEC. 2, 1858.

JOHN BELL.—The Nashville *Banner*, a newspaper which in the fiercest whirl of Southern fanaticism has ever retained a calm and dignified style of expression on all the exciting questions of politics, and raised its warning voice against the unreasoning demands of a party mad with power and prosperity, comes forward with an appeal for honest John Bell of Tennessee as the opposition candidate for the Presidency in 1860. Doubtless it is too early to agitate that question yet. We think that what Mackintosh calls "a masterly inactivity" is the true policy of the opposition at present. We could never better afford to be quiet than just at the present time. Death is busy upon the vitals of the present monster, which dominates in Washington. Cerberus at the gates of hell was not more unhappy. He has been fed with sops until the bread tray is at last empty. Like the viper surrounded with the ring of fire, the brute turns its fangs upon itself. We can afford to wait the suicidal demise. It will not probably survive the approaching session of Congress.

Who the "last of the Mohicans" will set up at Charleston to be knocked down again, no one can tell. It will not be Buchanan, because he is the lemon skin that will have been squeezed dry before a year from next summer. "He will be fit to cast out and be trodden under foot" of slaveholders. The gratitude of the slaveholding oligarchy is in the inverse ratio of the services of dough-faces. How Van Buren went overboard in the Convention of 1844 and Pierce in that of 1856! The extremists of the South will probably control the Convention of 1860, and whether they put up a man of their own kidney, or fish in some obscure country town for some "mute inglorious Bigler," as a candidate, the platform will be of the most undoubted Southern pine and the substantial props of it the most undoubted Congo importations.

Under such circumstances it is not unlikely that Mr. Douglas, who has just now gone down to Mississippi to look over his negroes and to examine the "arsenals," the "fixed ammunition" and the "Minnie rifles" of "brother Davis," may be a *tertium quid*, a sort of third candidate spurring that "great principle" of his boldly into the field.

These things thus above hinted at, may come to pass within the comparatively short time between this and the battle of 1860. Let us wait contentedly, and see warring democracy play the game of the Kilkenny cats.

In this state of the case with the enemies of freedom in our country, called "the Democratic party," we think it unwise now to press the name of any particular candidate. Mr. Bell is a most excellent and worthy man, but would it not be as well to wait a little and see what the future may bring forth, before adopting the name of any candidate, while yet the field is not clear and the Locofocos are turning their sharpest weapons against themselves?

MANY of our people are prevented by conscientious scruples from going to the Theatres, and however proper in the abstract their scruples may be, they are cut off from one of the most delightful pleasures which a cultivated and refined taste is capable of receiving. They hardly understand how great a charm the accessories of action and an agreeable voice add even to the most exquisite imaginings of our best authors. The idea may be illustrated in a pleasant way, at any family or social gathering; by selecting a tasteful reader to entertain the company with some pleasant story or simple ballad; such poems, for instance, as Coleridge's "Rhyme of the Ancient Mariner," or the humorous "Tam O'Shanter," or "John Gilpin," or the famous old English ballad of "Chevy Chase," or "Miles Standish," or a thousand and one other things which we might mention. Those who are not already accustomed to it can try the experiment, and they will find the entertainment soon become a favorite and an attraction to the evening circle.

There are few persons not on the stage (and indeed not over many of the players) capable of reading well the writings of Shakspeare. On the stage, the lights, scenery, dresses and other accessories, are apt to distract the attention somewhat from little inaccuracies in reading, which without them would grate harshly on the cultivated ear—and not many readers feel themselves capable of standing the test of the criticism of a large public audience without their aid. During the latter end of the last century, Garrick introduced "Dramatic readings." His audiences were the King and Queen and the nobility of England, and the still more noble men and women who were cotemporaries with Dr. Johnson and Hannah More. These entertainments seemed peculiarly adapted to the cultivated minds of that literary age, and at no time since have they been so popular as in the present day. Dickens, Thackeray and others in England, and in this country Vandenhoff, Whitney, and a few more with their Shakspearian and other readings and lectures are delighting thousands by making vivid to their perception the treasures of sublimity, pathos and humor which fill the pages of the Poets. And this brings us to the object in view of which we set out. We notice that Vandenhoff has been reading to immense and delighted audiences in New York, Buffalo, and elsewhere. Why cannot we have him or Whitney here? What is the Young Men's Library Association about? Let us hear from them in answer to our suggestion.

EGCENTRICITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA.—South Carolina will not keep up with the times, but rather prides itself in its eccentricity. We, yesterday, announced in our telegraphic columns that the following resolutions were offered in the Senate of that State, and referred to the Committee on Federal Relations:

Resolved, That the Constitution of the United States contains no grant of power to regulate, prevent or restrict commerce among foreign nations; and, therefore, all acts of Congress purporting to prohibit or interfere with the slave trade between foreign countries are unconstitutional and have no rightful force or effect.

Resolved, That the act of Congress declaring the slave trade to be piracy, if it be understood as affirming that it is piracy in the nature of things and in the sense of the Constitution, affirms what is not true; and inasmuch as it purports and intends to convert into piracy what is not so in the nature of things and in the sense of the Constitution, the said act is unconstitutional, null and void.

South Carolina has its own notions of government policy, and they were formed early in the last century, when the world understood little of Republican principles. Its construction of the Constitution must therefore be received with many grains of allowance. As an authority, it is decidedly too musty to suit this advanced period of the nineteenth century. Its position in regard to other States of the Union resembles in many respects the alleged situation of the city in Central America, described to Stevens, the traveller, by the Spanish padre. This city stands alone in a wilderness, without intercourse with the rest of the world, with the same habits, manners and customs which characterized the inhabitants of that region before the discovery of the continent. The organic law of South Carolina ignores the very spirit of Republicanism, by curtailing the privileges of the people and recognizing an odious property qualification, and is a century behind the other States of the confederacy. It is within itself a petty despotism, governed by exploded theories and cast-off traditions, and is, therefore, incapable of construing laws or advancing doctrines for a great Republican government, which is in its very nature, progressive and liberal.

THE telegraph announced the other night that Robert Owen, "American Minister to Naples," was dead. Robert Dale Owen is the name of the American Minister to Naples; and the person deceased is his father, the well-known infidel philosopher, Robert Owen. He was 88 years old.

THE *"Genesee Farmer"* commences a new volume on January 1st. It is an old, well conducted and really valuable agricultural paper. Published by Joseph Harris, Rochester, N. Y., at 50 cents a year.

THE NEW ORLEANS EDDDIC.—The Howard Association of New Orleans publishes the results of its operations during the prevalence of the epidemic this year. On the 14th of August last, it assumed the responsibility of declaring the yellow fever epidemic, and on the 1st November announced the cessation of the epidemic. The number of cases of fever treated under its supervision was 3,414. Of these 2,643 were discharged, cured; and 771 died. The largest proportion were Irish, making 1,485; next came the Germans, 1,069; next, natives of the United States, 409. The fund of the Association, at the start, was $45,204, but the long continuance of the fever exhausted this amount, and contributions were requested and were freely furnished. The assets of the Company in August were $45,000, now they are only $1,920. The average expenditure during the season was about $11 for each person treated. The mortality tables of the city show a total of 4,650 deaths by yellow fever, from June 27 to Nov. 21; and if the number cured bears the same proportion to the deaths as is shown in the report of the Howard Association—nearly five to one—the number of persons attacked with the epidemic must have been about 21,500.

THE ELECTORAL COLLEGE.—The following figures show the vote of the next Electoral College, in case Oregon and Kansas are admitted:

Free States.	No. of Votes.	Slave States.	No. of Votes.
Maine	8	Delaware	3
New Hampshire	5	Maryland	8
Vermont	5	Virginia	15
Massachusetts	13	North Carolina	10
Rhode Island	4	South Carolina	8
Connecticut	6	Georgia	10
New York	35	Florida	3
New Jersey	7	Alabama	9
Pennsylvania	27	Mississippi	7
Ohio	23	Louisiana	6
Indiana	13	Texas	4
Illinois	11	Tennessee	12
Michigan	6	Kentucky	12
Wisconsin	5	Arkansas	4
Iowa	4	Missouri	9
Minnesota	4		
Kansas	3	Total, 15 States	120
California	4	Add 19 free States	186
Oregon	3		
		Whole College	306
Total, 19 States	186	Necessary to a choice	154

According to the late elections for Congress, the following States have given popular majorities for the Republicans:

Indiana	13	Ohio	23
Iowa	4	Pennsylvania	27
Maine	8	Vermont	5
Michigan	6	Wisconsin	5
Massachusetts	13	Illinois	11
New York	35		
New Jersey	7	Total	157

—Three more than would be necessary to a choice, with scarcely a doubt that New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Connecticut and Kansas will add their eighteen votes to the number.

THE triennial assessment for Philadelphia is completed. The amount of taxable property is represented to be $153,000,000 real estate, and $2,697,669 personal property, making an aggregate of $155,697,669. This is an increase over last year of about three millions of dollars. The number of taxables this year is set down at 103,850, a decrease of 3129 since 1855. The *Ledger* says the falling off is in the manufacturing wards, and is the result of last year's revulsion. The *Bulletin* says "it will be very hard to convince those who are familiar with the progress of Philadelphia, that there has been a decrease in the number of taxable inhabitants within the last three years, and that the increase in the value of personal property has been next to nothing.

LATER advices have been received from India. The dates are from Allahabad up to Oct. 16th and from Bombay till the 25th.

Details are given of the actions fought in the neighborhood of Lucknow, from which one might judge that the rebels intended to advance upon Lucknow itself. At all events they appear to have been engaged in occupying a greater area, but columns of British troops which marched from the town soon put them to flight. Little additional light is cast upon the movements of Tantia Tope. He seems to have had the best of the fight with Scindrah, the troops having ultimately fraternized with his. A fear was entertained that he was marching in the direction of Jhansi. The fight which took place between General Michel and the Gwalior rebels at Chundaloo may be described as an open battle. The enemy was 10,000 strong, and General Michel defeated them with a combined force. The enemy fought fiercely, but lost 600 men—In other respects the news from India may be described as exhibiting a vast amount of rebellion that has yet to be overcome

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AN IMMENSE WISDTUE.—According to the *Cumberland (Md.) Allephanian*, an old man, named John Brobst, living in the Glades, in that county, recently discovered that he was the rightful owner of a large tract of land, in the richest mineral region of Pennsylvania, underlaid with immense seams of coal and iron, and valued at eight million dollars. Brobst, it is said, lived on the land fifty years ago, became involved through his brother, mortgaged his property to its then full value, and came to Maryland, where he has ever since lived in indigent circumstances. The property subsequently passed into the hands of his nephews, who afterwards sold it to a wealthy company. The difficulty of giving a good title to the property, led to the fact that Brobst was still alive. He was searched out, found, and taken out to Pennsylvania, and, according to the *Alleghanian*, has sold out all his right for the sum of $2,000,000.

AN OLD STAGE DRIVER.—John Bender, of this place—who does not know Bender, the veteran stage driver?—has driven the mail coach on the Chambersburg and Bedford Turnpike for upwards of thirty-five years, without intermission or interruption. It is calculated that during that time he has averaged fourteen miles a day for every day in the week, excepting Sunday, and has consequently travelled 153,370 miles! He is always at his post, faithful and honest, and looks hearty and active enough to drive twenty years yet. He has one horse in his team that has been driven about 11 years uninterruptedly, (48,202 miles!) If any man in the country deserves a pension for long continued public services he certainly does, for carrying the United States mail faithfully for thirty-five years. Besides all this, he is an old soldier and served his country faithfully in the late war with Great Britain. We believe that he has obtained his land warrant.—*McConnellsburgh Democrat.*

A MURDERER SENTENCED.—Henry Gambrill, one of the members of the Plug Ugly Club, of Baltimore, was, on Monday last, sentenced to be hung for the wilful shooting of policeman Benton a few weeks since. He is scarcely twenty-one years of age, and is the son of a respectable tradesman. He kept a drinking saloon which was known as a rendezvous for his brethren of the club. When asked by the court if he had anything to say why sentence of death should not be pronounced upon him, he protested his innocence in the most solemn manner.

THE Gubernatorial nomination contest among the Virginia Democracy waxes hotter and hotter. The Richmond Enquirer now before us publishes Dr. Ruffner's appeal to the citizens of Western Virginia, which was endorsed by Hon. John Letcher, to show that Mr. Letcher is too abolition to represent the Democracy, the document is nearly seven columns long, and certainly is a great attack on Letcher, and contains comparisons with the free States which are very unfavorable to slavery.

A TALE OF HORRORS.—The following is from an exchange: Two brothers-in-law, named Hunter and Reed, in Grand Cote Prairie, Randolph county, Illinois, got into an altercation a few days since; while in a room alone. They went at it with knives, and when first discovered one of them was lying dead in a pool of blood on the floor, and the other was sitting near by in intense agony from a terrible gash in his abdomen, from which his entrails protruded.

An astonishing act of vandalism is recorded. In the church of All Souls, Langham-place, London, was a very fine picture of great value, "Jesus Crowned with Thorns." Some weak-minded person, secreted himself in the Church, and during the night cut up into shreds and completely destroyed the picture. It is known that this must have been the motive to the outrage, for the letters "I. H. S." were also cut off the front of the cloth covering the communion table.

WILD ANIMALS IN VIRGINIA.—A letter from Page county, Pa., in the Alexandria Sentinel, states that wolves are very plentiful in that county, and very destructive to sheep,—one gentleman having lost a flock of forty last week by three ravenous animals. A panther measuring 6 feet from tip to tip was killed last week while springing from the hog pen of W. S. Modiset with a shoat in his mouth.

THE three hundredth anniversary of Queen Elizabeth's accession to the throne had been celebrated with Protestant demonstrations in various parts of England. The Bishop of London delivered a lengthy primary charge to about one thousand clergymen of his diocese at St. Paul's. He condemned the practice of the confessional.

VICISSITUDES.—The Bury (England) Post says that Mr. Kidsdale, who died recently with only threepence in his pocket, and whose funeral expenses were defrayed by a subscription, was wealthy a few years ago, and owned 100 horses, but was ruined by his losses on the "turf."

In the Boston Police Court, Tuesday, a bright looking boy of eleven years, was sentenced to the House of Reformation, for being a common drunkard! Think of that! A common drunkard 11 years!

FROZEN UP.—The young Englishmen, Lords Grosvenor, Cavendish and others, four in number, who went up to Red River, on a buffalo hunting expedition, some months since, we understand are weather bound at the Red River Settlements. They are anxious to get out of the scrape in which the ardor of their inexperienced youth has entangled themselves, but will have to wait until snow falls in sufficient depth to make the road practicable, when they are coming down on dog trains. If their noble blood does not get chilled in the process, it must possess an element of phlogiston which don't exist in blood of the plebian sort.—*St. Paul's Pioneer Nov. 21*

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