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FRIDAY MORNING, DEC. 3, 1858.

THE Washington *Star*—the "little dog" of the administration—is sufficiently cognizant of the feelings at head quarters to know whom it is safe to bark at. Hence its attacks on Douglas may be regarded as having a meaning and an object in them. It says that, as matters now stand, the South is against Douglas, although its sympathies may have been with him, when in the field against Lincoln. Since that contest has ended it consigns the little giant to destruction without any ceremony, and lastly joins in the shouts of scorn raised at the heels of the "little giant." The *Star* thus remarks:

"The approach of the period of the meeting of Congress has already brought hither others of the distinguished Southern Democratic statesmen so pertinaciously quoted of late to sustain the position of Douglas abolitionizing the doctrines of the Cincinnati platform; and, with a single exception, we hear, on authority upon which all may rely, every one of them coincide upon this subject with Senator Davis, utterly repudiating the pretence of Douglas and his allies that they endorse his doctrine, or regard one avowing it as being entitled to Democratic party fellowship. Thus they intimate that while they might have preferred his election to that of Giddings or Garrison, or Lincoln, it was only as a choice between unsound men; not as the election of a gentleman entitled as a statesman to the confidence of the Democratic party. The exception to which we refer above, we will wager our head, entertain similar sentiments, though we have not yet heard whether he has expressed himself on the subject. Thus the delusion is rapidly being dispelled; and all in Washington at least—for these facts are already patent to all here—are beginning to comprehend that Mr. Douglas is really sustained in his most dangerous of all the abolition heresies of the times by not a single Southern Democratic member of either House of Congress, and, as a consequence, that the idea that he has even the shadow of a party among the Southern Democracy is the most arrant humbug of this humbugging era."

The soullion of the *Star* is evidently repeating in the kitchen what he has heard in the hall Washington is thronged with Southern politicians, and their views have been, no doubt, thoroughly canvassed at the White House. The probabilities are that Douglas will have his squatter sovereignty notions all to himself before the Charleston Convention assembles.

THE *Pennsylvanian*, Senator Bigler's paper and a mouthpiece of the administration, comes out in favor of the new creed that Congress should legislate to protect Slavery in the territories. It denounces squatter Sovereignty (which it advocated in 1856) as a "new fledged doctrine." It takes Col. George, a democratic candidate for Congress in New Hampshire, to task for that, in saying that the legislatures of the Territories ought to pass all laws required of them respectively by the letter or the spirit of the Constitution, he omits to add what should be done if the Territorial legislatures fail to pass such laws. It thus talks to Col. George:

"But suppose the legislature of a Territory will not pass such laws as are necessary to carry out the letter and spirit of the Constitution, and protect the *property of all its inhabitants*, what then? Is Col. George prepared as a member of Congress to enact such statutes as will meet the case? If the Constitution of the United States covers the introduction of slave property within the Territories, as has been decided by the highest judicial tribunal of the land, and if the *Territorial Legislature* cannot interfere with that right, as has also been decided, certainly the *power* and *duty to protect* that property must exist somewhere. The duty to protect *property already in a Territory* by virtue of the *Constitution of the land* must not be confounded with the right to make or unmake the domestic institutions of a State. They are separate questions. If, therefore, a Territorial Legislature should refuse to pass such laws as are necessary to protect property in that locality, and the people apply to Congress for relief, what then, Col. George? That is the point for us to understand."

Yea, Col. George; what then?

SOUTHERN REGARD FOR LAW.—The laws of the United States against the African Slave Trade are not heeded in South Carolina. The people there have *determined that* they shall not be enforced. The Philadelphia *Press* well says:

"The Grand Jury of the United States Circuit Court of South Carolina have found no bills of indictment against the crew of the SLAVE ECHO. The outside pressure of ultra Southern sentiment has proved too strong for the laws of the country. The Dred Scott decision and the fugitive slave law are things to be worshipped with undying zeal, but the decrees against piracy, brutality, and wholesale murder are to be ignored, according to the South Carolina ideas of jurisdiction."

The time will come when, under other auspices, this act will lead to retaliation in kind.—By and by some Northern Jury will refuse to enforce the Fugitive Slave law; and if South Carolina be a party to the claim to enforce it, the refusal will bring about that even-handed justice which time is always sure, sooner or later, to secure.

THE WAY SOME OTHER PEOPLE VOTE.—We give the votes in a few of the districts in Tioga county, in this State—a portion of the famous Wilmot District—now so ably represented by Hon. G. A. Grow, the man who floored Keitt, of South Carolina, last winter, when he attempted to crack his whip over the heads of white men in Congress. These figures are good for sore eyes, and if any Lecomptonites hereabouts are thus afflicted, they may find relief and comfort in them:

	Republican. Grow.	Locompton. PARKENBURG.
Charlestown	270	48
Delmar	257	47
Sullivan	204	9
Tioga	216	2
Elk	17	0
Knoxville	46	0
Union	124	9
Rutland	126	0
Middlebury	173	0

BERKS COUNTY has again rebuked the administration. Failing to profit by its former defeat it put up the law partner of J. Glancy Jones as its candidate for the vacancy caused by the resignation of the latter, and the Convention which nominated him, in order to mark the contest as a decisive one, passed a resolution approving of the course of the administration, Lecompton Free Trade and all. The people have responded in the true spirit of freemen. The administration candidate is defeated, on this plain issue, by 500 majority in a county which gave Buchanan in 1856 some 10,000 majority! This shows that the election of Schwartz in October was not an accident, and that the people of Berks have made up their minds not to submit to the policy of the party with which that county has been so long identified.

THE Greensburgh (Pa.) *Herald*, in an article on the Presidential question, after canvassing the claims of the principal aspirants, comes to the following conclusion:

"Looking at the field in its present aspect, we can see no man embodying all the elements of success to a higher degree, and who will represent and harmonize the opposition better than the HON. SIMON CAMERON, of Pennsylvania. His is a clear and satisfactory record on the great question of Protection to the industrial interests of the country; while he is equally decided and firm in opposition to aggressions of the Slave power, without having engendered against him that bitter feeling on the part of the South which, many others, not more honest in their opposition, have entailed upon themselves. We are for 'Pennsylvania's' *genuine* 'son' for the Presidency at the proper time."

THE Cleveland papers are highly indignant at the acquittal of Cole, by an Ashtabula jury. Cole was charged with poisoning his wife, and the evidence against him was strong; but he has eyed his neck through the aversion of the Ashtabulans to Capital Punishment. The Cleveland *Herald* says:

"On Monday morning a burglar escaped from the Ashtabula County Jail. If he broke jail before trial he is a fool for he had better have stayed and taken his chance."

MARRIAGE OF KINDRED.—A bill has passed the House of Representatives of Georgia, by a vote of 56 to 52, prohibiting the intermarriage of first cousins, under a severe penalty, and cutting off the inheritance of issue. The preamble to the bill asserts that many deformities of mind and body are of constant occurrence from the practice of near kindred intermarrying with each other.

"THE HUMAN FLESH PARTY."—John Mitchel, the Irish refugee, has invented a new name for the democratic party. After noting the election of Gov. McRae, of Mississippi, on the platform of Re-opening the Slave Trade, he says:

"What Southern statesman will next have the pluck to plant himself on the honest *human flesh platform*? It is the true Democracy, for it will abolish monopoly: it is the best Know-Nothingism, for it will enable Americans to rule America, (which the English and French do at present,) and, more than all, it is the truest humanity and justice toward both whites and blacks."

"HUMAN FLESH PLATFORM" is good. It is descriptive and complete. We thank the Irish demagogue for teaching us the words.

[For the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

Messrs. Editors of the Gazette:—You will be pleased to learn that the suggestion in your editorial columns this morning, has already been anticipated by the lecture committee, of the Young Men's Mercantile Library Association, and that Mr. Vandenhoff is to open the lecture course in this city, on Thursday evening next. His subject will probably be "Poetry and its Uses." The title may not seem a very taking one to those persons who are looking after the gratification merely of the eye and ear, rather than the cultivation and enjoyment of the higher faculties of our nature, yet the committee have information in their possession, which convinces them that no one who goes to the lecture will be disappointed.

You ask "what is the Young Men's Mercantile Library Association about?" The committee have engaged Bayard Taylor and John G. Saxe, and are in correspondence with Wendall Phillips, and others. Mr. Everett has promised to come if possible. Messrs. Beecher, Seward, Douglas and other distinguished gentlemen have been written to, and the committee will not be idle or neglectful in the endeavor to procure the services of such lecturers as will minister to the pleasure and improvement of the Association and the community.

There are many lecturers of less national reputation than those mentioned, who might be engaged, and who are very highly appreciated by large audiences in other cities. They would doubtless be appreciated here *if an audience could be induced to go to hear them.* In other cities a course of lectures is attended by those who desire their own improvement and pleasure, and to encourage efforts for the improvement of others, pretty much as our people go to church—now and then they may be caught with a dry lecture or we with a dull sermon; but it does not deter them or us from attending nevertheless. In Pittsburgh, unless the person who is to deliver a lecture has had his name in the newspapers long enough to become either famous or notorious throughout the country, there is no certainty in getting an audience. Indeed the probabilities are altogether against getting one. This indifference and want of appreciation of their efforts, is very discouraging to those who have the ostensible responsibility in the matter. It is no small thing when they have invited a lecturer of admitted ability—as was the case more than once last winter—to bear the mortification of introducing him to an audience hardly large enough to pay for the room and lights, to say nothing of the fee of the lecturer. The lecturers' fees vary from fifty to one hundred and fifty dollars per night. To cover this and the expenses of room, printing, etc., requires quite an audience. Two or three failures impose a loss on the Association it is liable to bear, and the caution the committee is compelled to use to avoid these losses is another embarrassment in the selection of a lecturer.

It is proposed to issue course tickets, and if a sufficient number can be sold in advance to cover all expenses, the latter difficulty will be removed and a surplus fund afforded for the procurement of additional lectures.

Should Mr. Vandenhoff's lecture on Thursday evening be sufficiently appreciated to warrant the additional expense, he will be engaged for an evening or two of Dramatic and Poetic readings. Mr. Whitney, who has been pronounced by Charles Dickens to be one of the best living readers, could also be procured. There can be no reason, except want of appreciation on the part of the people, to prevent Pittsburgh from having a course of lectures this winter equal to that of any other city.

Respectfully, &c.

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Thursday Morning, Dec. 2d.

THE steamship Indian Empire, about the safety of which considerable alarm is felt, because no tidings had been heard from her at Liverpool up to the 20th ult., when she was twenty-one days out, sailed from New York on the 23d day of October, with eighty-one passengers, fourteen of them were in the first cabin, and a crew of eighty-six men, besides the captain and nine officers. She had also on board about two hundred tons of cargo, consisting of cotton, tobacco, and staves. She was a remarkably staunch and massively built steamship of 1,357 tons register, and she ranked A 1½ at Lloyd's. She was built of oak, and strengthened by iron and copper fastenings. She was also copper bottomed, and a very dry vessel. She was a side-wheel vessel, having two cylinders, each of them seventy-two inches in diameter. She was rigged as a three-masted brigantine, but did not carry many spars. Besides all this, her commander was a man of great experience, and her officers were well acquainted with their duty.—*Phila. Press.*

OCCASIONALLY we see, in an Administration paper, sentences like these: "The anti-Lecompton Democrats will be forgiven if they return to the party; but such men as Forney never can be pardoned." As we may be supposed to know the aforesaid Forney, having been in the habit of *connected with him for forty-one years, and hoping to live* and die with him, we take the liberty of answering such impertinence thus: The principles of the Democratic party are everything to us. They are first and vital. We will cling to them as the shipwrecked mariner clings to his plank when night is closing round him.—But when the organization of that party is usurped by a set of political hirelings, and turned into an endorsement of regulars, doctrines, we reject the organization, and trample upon it. As to whether these officials pardon us for this or not, concerns us nothing. We feel that we should not pardon ourselves if we did not boldly maintain this, our position. Gentlemen of the Administration, you will need the *Press* a long while before it will need you.—*Phil. Press.*

A singular case of alleged embezzlement of a letter was tried yesterday, in the U. S. District Court. A person who had been a clerk in the post office seems to have lain for seven long years under a false charge, because a letter belonging to another person was found in a book in his house. His vindication was complete. It was shown that the person to whom the letter was addressed had married a cousin of the defendant's wife; that the book was loaned to the latter by the former, who had placed the letter in it as a marker. The defendant has repeatedly endeavored to get the case tried but without effect. The jury, by direction of the Court, returned a verdict of not guilty, and that the innocence of the defendant had been fully established. This is the most remarkable case of recent date.—*Phil. N. Amer.*

THE ENGLISH INDIAN FUND.—The aggregate amount of subscriptions for the relief of the sufferers by the mutiny in India, was £433,620, or about two millions of dollars. Of this sum £127,286 were sent to India for distribution, and the authorities there being authorized to draw for £10,000 more. In Great Britain about £40,000 were expended among 86 widows and orphans of officers, 25 orphans of officers, 208 widows and 423 children of soldiers, 6 widows of clergymen, and 23 widows and orphans of civilians. About £365,000 remain to be distributed. It is now contemplated to extend relief, which in many cases is greatly needed, to the troops generally, stationed in India.

SCARCITY OF SILVER IN SOUTH AND CENTRAL AMERICA.—It appears that silver coin has become extremely scarce in Chili, more than $2,000,000 having been sent out of the country within nine months, and there is some expectation of the imposition of an export duty. In Guatemala, the exportation of silver, either in bullion or coin, is also prohibited under pain of a fine to the amount of the exportation. The measure was thought necessary on account of the increasing scarcity of silver money.

CENSUS OF ARKANSAS.—By the census recently taken, the whole population of Arkansas is ascertained to be 325,329, viz: 131,197 free white males, 115,113 free white females, 80,386 slaves, 734 free blacks. The taxable property of the State is returned at $99,873,243, being an increase of $66,073,163 within six years, more than half of which has been within the last two years. The increase in six years has been about 183 per cent.

A gentleman applied in the probate court at Cincinnati, on Wednesday, for a license to marry a lady. He was informed by the clerk that upon application made on the previous day a license had been issued to another gentleman for the same lady. A license was given to the second applicant, however, and he has since married the lady. The mother favored the first applicant; the daughter the second.

Two slaves were taken from Mrs. Faith recently, and placed in jail, by order of the Court until further disposition is made of them. It is alleged that the slaves have been subjected to great cruelty, and this action was taken on the affidavit of Jas. Shanks, Deputy Chief of Police.—*Louisville Courier.*

EARLY WINTER IN MAINE.—Previous to the 15th instant, the mill pond at Jonesboro,' Maine was so well frozen that the boys skated on the ice for a distance of two or three miles above the mill. Such an event does not occur oftener than once in twenty years so early in the season.

SNOW.—A very large amount of snow has fallen here during the last week. On Saturday evening there was about twelve or fourteen inches on the ground. On Sunday it rained the livelong day, but there is yet enough snow for all useful purposes.—*Somerset Herald.*

SNOW.—We had a heavy fall of snow in these parts on Saturday night and Sunday last, but a sleety rain succeeding effected it to a depth of 8 or 10 inches. The weather is now pretty cold.—*Hollidaysburg Register, Dec. 1st.*

THE *Sutter*, of Berne announces the Police of Saint Gall have just made a very important capture in the person of a native of Baden, who had just returned from New York with an American passport.

HEAR, Dow for the representative in Portland, Me., to fill a vacancy, last week. The Democrats can thank their stars for a negro majority. Francis!

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