

Republican majority in Rhode Island is nearly 90 per cent. larger than it was last year. Does this mean that the Democratic programme in Congress is approved?

EX-GOVERNOR ANDY CURTIN says it was General Cameron's money that beat him for Congress last fall. If it was only true, the General certainly "put his money where it did the most good."

The Ohio elections gave a black-eye to the Thurman Wallace campaign troupe, and Tilden and Sam Randall rub their heads gleefully as they read the returns from Cincinnati and Columbus.

SENATOR EATON of Connecticut, Tilden's chief flogman, expressed his belief a few days since, that the extra session of Congress, with the discussion of the army bill, has already cost the Democrats a million votes.

In making a speech the other day, Senator Ben Hill spoke of that body as the "Confederate Senate." The mistake was a natural one, surrounded as he was by so many of the old gang that used to assemble at Richmond.

Ma Wolfe charged in the House last week, that bribery and corruption had been used to procure the passage of the riot bill. A committee of investigation will be appointed, and we trust a thorough sifting of the matter will be had.

What will the Democracy do if the President vetoes their little bill? Will they fire on Sumner again? A perseverance in the Democratic plan as laid out will result in somebody getting hurt. It looks as if the Confederate brigadiers were striking a little too soon.

The leaders of the party calling itself Democratic, and swearing by the memory of Andy Jackson, have decided that a Republican President has no right to use the veto power to prevent a partisan majority controlled by pardoned rebels, from repealing all the laws for the protection of the ballot-box.

The Republican party has refunded over a thousand millions of the national debt and reduced the cost of carrying it twenty millions, or almost ten per cent of the entire cost of the administration of the government; and yet every act by means of which this magnificent triumph of financing has been accomplished has been passed against the views of the Democratic party.

The Republican State Convention of Kentucky met on Thursday last, nominated a State ticket, and passed the "bulletin" kind of resolutions. When it comes to voting they will be buried under a fifty thousand majority, but they have shown at all events that they still dare exercise the right of free speech, which is rather a spunky thing for Southern Republicans to do in the face of pardoned rebels.

WEDNESDAY last, the 9th inst., was the fourteenth anniversary of the surrender of General Lee, which virtually closed the war for the dissolution of the Union, and the rebel generals who laid down their arms on that day are now controlling both houses of Congress and threatening to starve the Union army if the President, who was a Union soldier, does not permit them to have their own sweet will at the ballot box.

RANDALL has announced his Committee, and "Our Alec" gets the Chairmanship of the Committee on Invalid Pensions, which gives him the disposal of a \$2,000 clerkship. What a scramble there will be for that crumb among the followers of his fortunes in this district. We congratulate the General on his luck. He is we believe the first member from this county who has ever been so honored.

By the largest vote cast in the House for years, the Pittsburgh riot bill was on Wednesday last, indefinitely postponed. A motion made to reconsider this vote, which if carried, will bury the bill for this session, was on motion of Speaker Long postponed, to allow the bill to be amended. The vote on the Speaker's motion was 100 yeas to 99 nays. The final struggle on this bill will probably come off this week.

"We do not intend to stop until we have stricken the last vestige of your war measures from the statute books."

The above extract from the utterances of Blackburn, of Kentucky, contains in a sentence the Democratic programme. No one who has noticed the drift of the party can for a moment doubt it. Will the Democracy of the North be a party to carry out the projected scheme? In the light of the past terrible history, it should be thoughtfully weighed.

The Republican victories on Monday last week, in Ohio and Michigan, over the combined Democratic and Greenback vote have taken the country by surprise, and the Confederate mourners go about the streets. It is the first response to the Congressional bulldozer's threat to starve the government to death unless permitted to tear down all the safe guards surrounding the ballot box.

This is the same Democratic saint for the removal of whose disabilities a bill has been introduced into this Congress, with a view of restoring him to a seat in the Senate, when the time of Senator Bruce expires.

In the old days of slavery the Democratic party glorified in using the agency of the General Government to capture their fleeing fugitives. It was legal and Democratic to catch runaway negroes with United States marshals or United States soldiers in 1860, but a terrible sacrifice of principle to use the same agencies to protect free men from being shot down at the ballot-box in 1870. The Democracy are loitering over just such patriotism, honesty, and consistency. If the devil had the making of the party over again from the raw material he would not change a single ingredient.

The Greenbackers in Congress made a bargain with the Democrats to vote for the Army appropriation bill on condition that a Sunday session would be agreed to, in which they could introduce their crazy financial schemes. No sooner had the bill been carried with the aid of their votes than a motion was carried to adjourn over until Tuesday.

The Chicago Inter-Ocean comments thusly: "The La Motte speech is a masterpiece of the kind which has made the Greenbackers famous in the past. It is a masterpiece of the kind which has made the Greenbackers famous in the past. It is a masterpiece of the kind which has made the Greenbackers famous in the past."

A meeting was recently held at Columbus, S. C., to protest against the arrest of persons implicated in the wholesale frauds at the elections last fall. The persons arrested are those who circulated the tissue-ballot and stuffed the ballot-boxes with them. These frauds have been admitted, and the South Carolina Democrats have offered no defense. And yet when the offenders are arrested the leaders of the party meet and protest. Among the speakers was, very appropriately, Wade Hampton. He assured his friends that every violation of his heart was for South Carolina.

The Democracy are worried lest the President should stand in their way with his little veto. But the praises of the veto power have been sounded by the Democracy, and sounded, as the First Lord of the Admiralty would say, "officially." They went so far, in the National Democratic Convention which met at Cincinnati in 1856, as to resolve that "We are decidedly opposed to taking from the President the qualified veto power by which he is enabled to suspend the passage of a bill whose merits cannot secure two-thirds of the Senate and House." Has new light come to the modern Democracy? The President can administer a little of the old Democratic medicine with good effect now.

The Detroit Post and Tribune points to the result of the election in Michigan on Monday as demonstrating that that State is solidly Republican against any party or any combination of parties that can possibly be put in the field, and adds: "Michigan sends greetings to the Union, and particularly to the solid South, and declares herself now and next year, as she ever has been since 1854, steadfastly loyal and Republican to the core. Take notice, everybody, that Michigan is Republican, and also, that Michigan Republicanism is of the 'stalwart' sort! That is what the result of this election means. The Democrats and Nationalists themselves declared, and made it a great point, that the result this spring would show how Michigan would vote in 1880. It does, gentlemen—it does. Only Michigan will go the same way next year by a greatly increased majority."

BEATEN at the polls in 1860, the South retired from Congress and resorted to arms. Beaten in that issue it returned to Congress to secure by legislation what it failed to gain by the sword. On Saturday the 10th inst. it gained its first victory in the House by the passage of the army appropriation bill prohibiting the President from using the army to give control of the ballot box in the South, to the patrons of the shot gun, the tissue ballot and the rifle club. The bill is now before the Senate and will doubtless pass that body, as the confederates have a majority there, as well as in the House.

There is nothing now standing between the ex-rebels and unrestrained power, except the President clothed with the veto. A more momentous period in its history was never before the Nation.

CHALMERS, an ex-rebel General, said in a speech in Congress last week that the rebellion was brought about when John Brown captured a United States Arsenal at Harper's Ferry. This was a very weak attempt to falsify the truth of history, and for the purpose of showing where the first sentiments of rebellion were incited, a correspondent of the 'Chicago Evening Journal,' sends that paper a copy of a speech made by Jeff Davis in Mississippi in 1850, on his return from a visit to Portland, Maine:

FELLOW CITIZENS:—In view of our wrongs, and in defense of our just rights—in defense of our homes, our families, our property, and our cherished institutions handed down to us from our fathers, the time is fast approaching, and I pray God to hasten the day, when we, as a Southern people, to maintain all we hold dear, shall be compelled TO BURY THE KNIFE UP TO THE VERY HILT IN THE HEART'S BLOOD OF THE ENTIRE YANKEE NATION.

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The legitimate Republican majority in Chalmers' district, in Mississippi, is over 10,000. Chalmers campaigns with a cannon, which he shoots off to frighten the negroes. They remain away from the polls and the Democrats vote for Chalmers, and he goes to Congress to urge an amendment to the army bill to keep soldiers out of his district. With soldiers there to preserve the peace how could he overcome that majority of 10,000?

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A paragraph in the Washington dispatches a few days ago announced that all the outstanding five-year bonds have been called in for redemption. Most newspaper readers do not doubt passed it over with a glance, and perhaps a little feeling of satisfaction that the finances of the Government are in such an excellent condition, which was speedily forgotten in the personal news of the day. And yet there must have been many a man who brought a train of memories of the terrible time of trial and suffering, of hope and disappointment, of alternate victory and defeat, when these bonds were first issued, and an appeal was made to the patriotism of the people to furnish the Government with the money for carrying on the war. It was in 1862, all talk of settling the contest in a 90 day campaign had ceased, and wise men had come reluctantly to the conclusion that the rebellion was far too horrible to be overthrown by a few more months of war. It was in 1862, that a grave question was put to the patience and patriotism of the North: would we not wear out first? The financial make-shifts of 1861—the loans from banks and the issues of Treasury notes—had long since run their course, and the Government was unable to supply the needs of the Government, and the courageous step was taken of appealing directly to the people to supply the money, as they had furnished the men, to preserve the Union. A new loan was authorized, redeemable after five years and payable in twenty, with interest at 6 per cent. in gold, and the bonds were in denominations of from fifty dollars upwards, so as to place them within the reach of all classes. Sagacious and effective efforts were made to prepare the loan by the banks, by the issue of Jay Cooke & Co., which was given the contract for placing it. Subscriptions were urged as a patriotic duty. Men who could not enlist in the Army were asked to help the great cause by giving of their means, and many of them were great. The people made a noble response to the appeal. Wealthy citizens bought the bonds by thousands and tens of thousands; men of moderate means by hundreds, and poor farmers and mechanics put their little savings in the fifty-dollar bond, proud and glad that they could do a little toward helping their country.

The younger generation, who were children in 1862, and who since coming to years of understanding have been accustomed to hearing both the Democrats and the Republicans denounce as sharks and Skylocks, can scarcely realize in those days, and which led men to pour out their offerings to supply the Nation's necessities. To say a bond was the next thing to enlistment. Every man was a part of the patriotism of his own day. No one knew that he would ever get a dollar back. The enemies of the Union—"cooperheads" and "nutterheads"—they were called then—declared that the bonds would be worth the paper on which they were printed. More than once, in the darkness and doubt of the long struggle, it looked as if their prophecy would come true. Nothing kept it from coming true but the steady loyalty and devotion shown by the masses of the Northern people in taking this loan, for the heroism of the soldiers could have accomplished nothing without money to clothe, arm and feed them.

The first issue of five-twenty bonds was not until 1862, but they have all been redeemed, and so have the subsequent issues of 1863, 1864 and 1865—partly with the surplus revenues of the Government from year to year and partly with the proceeds of the sales of the new four per cent. The proceeds of the Government made when they were issued had been fulfilled to the letter. Every one of them has been redeemed, principal and interest, in gold. It is not out of place at this time, now that the great war loan has been repaid to the last dollar, to recall the fact that this issue was an act of Republican Statesmanship, its popularity the outgrowth of Republican honesty. The Democratic party tried to discredit it at the start and has ever since encouraged projects for depreciating its value or repudiating it altogether. The loan is now a thing of the past, like the gallant deeds of the soldiers and the sacrifices of the citizens which made the four years of our war heroic, but we should not forget that its history is Republican history and is one of the brightest chapters in the annals of the great party which saved the Union.—N. Y. Tribune.

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LEWISBURG, April 11.—A terrible accident occurred at a rolling mill in the Eighteenth ward yesterday morning at 1:30 o'clock. William Raleigh, a water boy, was standing in front of one of the rolls through which a slab of red-hot iron was being run. When the iron is at the right temperature the bar is very pliable, but by becoming chilled it takes all sorts of fantastic forms, and flies and twists in every direction. The bar wrapped itself about the boy and struck him in the folds, literally burning his body in twain. It was several minutes before he could be extricated. Meanwhile, the iron was so hot that it melted the floor, causing the most horrible cries of agony from the helpless sufferer. In a few moments the boy was dead. He was buried in the morning. His clothing was completely torn and burned from his body.

A Notable Marriage.—HARTFORD, Conn., April 11.—Perhaps the most remarkable marriage recorded in this State for years occurred yesterday in Hartford among Miss Julia E. Smith, sole survivor of the Smith sisters, famous throughout the country for the repeated sales of their Alderney cows to meet taxes, which they refused to pay because they could not vote, was married to Andrew J. Parker, a lawyer, who is a widower, is a lawyer by profession and of the same age as his bride—86 years. The affair has created much talk, and the only reason assigned is that Miss Smith, who is a widow, is a lawyer by profession and of the same age as his bride—86 years. The affair has created much talk, and the only reason assigned is that Miss Smith, who is a widow, is a lawyer by profession and of the same age as his bride—86 years.

Two Murderers to Hang on the 30th June.—LONDON, April 7.—The correspondence of the times at Rome says: "Now that the wild rumors as to the object of General Garibaldi's visit to Rome have been proved groundless, it is in the city to obtain liberty for which all his strivings were directed. The scene on his arrival was indescribably pathetic. As the train rolled into the depot a shout was raised, which was answered by the shouts of the people. Hurray like a deaf man on the beach, which was placed in an open carriage, and followed by a mourning silent crowd. He was driven to his son's house. Last night he slept well, and his doctor says he may leave his bed within a week."

Highway Robbery.—NEW YORK, April 8.—It was rumored at midnight that a Wall Street banker, while driving through Central Park about dusk this evening, and when near Eighty-sixth street on the east side, was stopped by three men who relieved the banker of his money he had in his possession. The gentleman's family were in the carriage at the time, but they were not molested. It is said that three men were concerned in the affair, one holding the horses by the lead while the other two relieved the banker of his money. The matter was not reported to the police central office, and no arrests were made. The park officials are very recent, and seemed desirous of withholding the facts from the press.

A Town Nearly Destroyed by Fire.—MEMPHIS, Tenn., April 9.—A special dispatch from Collierville, Mississippi, this morning says the greater portion of the business part of the town was destroyed by fire early this morning. The houses of W. E. Marling, G. V. Boswell, Aston & Aston, Seary & Kelly and W. A. Bondurant and the warehouse of F. B. Heron were completely destroyed. The fire, which is supposed to have been of incendiary origin, started in Harley's hotel. The loss on buildings and stock is estimated at \$40,000.

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