

and when each section of five miles so graded from each such end of the said roads respectively, shall have been so completed, and such certificate so given, then the pro rata proportion of the said bonds shall be purchased, and so continued from time to time until the amount payable to the said companies shall be exhausted—and the sum paid upon the completion of the said sections as aforesaid respectively, shall be exclusively appropriated and be used for the purposes above mentioned upon the section for, and in respect to, which the purchase is made—and for no other purpose or portion of said road whatsoever.—Provided, however, That if either of the said companies shall fail to grade and prepare for bridges, sub-structure, and laying of track at least one section of five miles at each of such end of its road within one year—or the whole of their respective roads within three years from the passage of this act, any such company in default shall no longer have any right to demand or require any further purchase of its bonds as aforesaid, and the sums which any such defaulting companies would have been entitled to demand in payment of their bonds, shall be added pro rata to the purchases which shall be made of the said bonds as shall comply with the provisions of this section.

to Philadelphia, or intermediate points—will reap the immediate fruits of the repeal of the Tonnage Tax; for the company is required to reduce their rates upon the local freights equal to the full amount of the tax now imposed upon the company. In other words, the company ceases to collect tonnage duties for the State from the local freights transported over their road—and to this extent the business of the State is immediately and directly advantaged by the removal of the tax.

trace all the States, and have regard to the common brotherhood of all the people. For seventy years and upwards this Government has maintained itself in the affections and respect of the people; and although there have been stormy periods in our history, there were in every peril patriotic men found who rose superior to the paltry instigations of locality and partisanship. So I hope it may be again, in this the darkest hour of our history.

**A FEW REFLECTIONS IN RELATION TO A BILL, ENTITLED AN ACT FOR THE COMMITTEE ON TONNAGE DUTIES, CONTAINED IN THE HOUSE PROCEEDINGS OF YESTERDAY.**  
First. It is upon its face manifestly fair, just, and equitable, for it places all routes of public transportation upon a perfect equality, so far as the same can be effected by legislation.  
Second. The repeal of the tonnage duties imposed upon the trade of the Commonwealth, is demanded by the highest considerations of public policy, by the purest integrity, by the clearest good faith on the part of the Commonwealth.

**GENERAL NEWS.**  
**SECESSION.—An Interesting Case.**—A few days ago, a prisoner in the Georgia penitentiary, convicted of robbing the United States mails, smothered a white hebeas corpus, and asked to be discharged on the ground that the State had seceded from the Union. The court, however, decided that the ordinance by which Georgia had declared her secession from the Union does not extend beyond a separation from the other States and a withdrawal of the powers she delegated to the General Government; that upon the past exercise of those powers by the latter Government the ordinance does not assume to act, and was not designed to act; and that it does not annul any of its acts. The prisoner was therefore remanded.

**SPECIAL NOTICES.**  
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**Democratic County Convention.**  
At a meeting of the Democratic County Committee, held at the Morgan House, February 6, 1861, in pursuance of a call of the Chairman, it was

**Resolved,** That the Chairman of the County Committee be authorized to call a County Convention, to assemble at Harrisburg on the 18th inst., for the purpose of selecting six additional delegates to act in conjunction with those elected by the late Democratic County Convention, to represent Dauphin county in the Democratic State Convention called to meet at Harrisburg on the 21st inst.

**Proposed Commutation of Tonnage Duties.**  
The bill providing for the commutation of Tonnage Duties upon the Pennsylvania railroad was introduced into the House yesterday, and will be found at length in the proceedings. Having heretofore alluded to the liberal terms offered by the company in consideration of the removal of this tax, it is not necessary to recapitulate them again; but there is a point in this bill to which we invite the particular attention of the citizens of this State.

**THE BIBLE ON DIVORCE.**  
Following words are from Mark x: 9, 12: "What, therefore, God has joined together let no man put asunder: but whosoever shall put away his wife, except it be for fornication, committeth adultery: and he that committeth adultery against his wife, the same committeth adultery against his body."—The above is the correct translation of the Bible, and is not to be mistaken.

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