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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

WHY DEMOCRATS ARE CHOSEN.

To the Editor of the Morning Post:

Dear Sir.—Will you permit an old friend, and one that used to be a Democrat, to complain of the injustice you have done to the motives and feelings of those who, in the happier days of the Republic, upheld the honored banner of Democracy? I would call your attention, as a text, to the following notice, in your paper, of February 20:

A Partisan Celebration.

"If we are to judge by the political complexion of the committee appointed yesterday for the preparation for the celebration by our citizens of our late victories, we should infer that the Republicans desired to do it all themselves. This is a little matter, however, as long as Democratic Generals and soldiers do the fighting. Still we call upon our citizens, independent of party, to celebrate our recent magnificent victories, just as if the proceedings alluded to had never taken place. We can afford to be patriotic on such occasion, let who will be partisans.'

Now, sir, this brief extract faintly shadows forth the spirit of many articles you have written on the same subject, which, I frankly submit, are defective in taste and judgment. And is there not, my good friend, a slight exhibition of spite which is unworthy of you and of the dignified and honorable cause you have been and are supporting?

There was a little ill-temper, too, (which you will no doubt be censured for) in refusing to act as Vice-President the other day in the meeting at Concert Hall. Don't you think so? Besides, you should remember that, unimportant as the matter was, the conducting of it was confided to a committee that had a Democratic Chairman. The Republicans could, of course, have managed a little holiday affair, like this; but, in the first place, they did not like to trust themselves—and, in the second place, they thought it a deep cunning piece of policy to commit the Democrats to a celebration of the 22d of February, and of the Union victories! Wise Republicans!!

You say truly, that "this is a small matter, as long as Democrats generally do the fighting." You might have added, and "Democratic Statesmen do the thinking." Why, sir, has the President been compelled to take men that are or have been Democrats to head Departments or to lead the Union armies? I will tell you. The Democratic creed is a broad and beneficent one; the men reared in that faith are taught, with the first inhalation of political knowledge, that they are not to think exclusively for a State, or a section, or a class, or a sect; their vision must rest, with comprehensive interest, on a whole continent, and all that it contains or may contain under the Providence of God, and the energetic effort of Man. Your sectional sectarian, politician cannot do this. Would not Charles Sumner or Burlingame have been glad to take the place that Blair or Cameron got? No one can doubt it for a moment. Yet Cameron, (corrupt and vile as he was and is), and Blair, narrow and vindictive as he is, were each preferred to an original Republican for a cabinet place, because Mr. Lincoln will know that any one who had ever been a Democrat had probably learned something of the habits and the science of government. Seward, an original Whig-K. N.-Republican, was taken because he had been a rival to Lincoln for the Presidency.

Does any one suppose that no Republican could have been found to take charge of the War Department, when Stanton, who has never been known in politics, as anything but a Democrat, was put in charge of it? Why, Grow, or Weed, or Wilkinson, or Watson Webb, would have gladly clutched the prize if within their reach. But Stanton was appointed, because, having been reared a Democrat, as a matter of course, he knew "how to do it."

Was George B. McClellan, the Democrat, made Commander-in-chief, *because* he had been a Democrat? No one can think so. It was because he had proved himself fitted to command, and has given further proofs since his advancement. General Phelps or General J. H. Lane, would doubtless have accepted the position, but Mr. Lincoln could do better, and he took a Democrat who knew "how to do it."

We have seen Logan and McClernand, Democratic Congressmen, resign their seats when made Brigadiers. Lincoln knew them as life-long political enemies, but he appointed them because he could not find better nor braver men; not because he loved them, nor because they were Democrats.

As an instructive example of the general uneasiness for great affairs, coupled with inordinate love of place, which marks the Whig, Know-Nothing, Republican school of politics, take (as one of many) the instance of Senator Wilson, of Massachusetts. He was early appointed to a military command, but still held on to his civil position. Both the bumps of acquisitiveness and combativeness seem to have troubled his sapient head—to gratify the first, the salary of two places did something—the last was harder to satisfy. He had been making sad havoc with the American vernacular (once King's English) for many years; he then longed to smite the rebels with the sword, but here he made a mistake—to lead armies was not his vocation—he returned from the battle field, he renewed his savage warfare on the English language, and on the American Constitution, and in that ingrateful employment he is still doing all that in him lies.

The truth is, the Democrats know how to serve and save their country—their proud and exalted political education enables them to do this, and they *must* be called on, as they always have been, when their country is in peril, either from domestic or foreign violence. The grand old party stood as a wall of adamant between the raging fanatics North and South, before we came to blows with the latter. Now that "blows and revenge" are the watchwords, it again presents its breast as a bulwark to preserve the Constitution—the Democrats will continue to struggle for the maintainance of the Constitution and laws and for the restoration of the Union. Shall they have the aid of conservative Republicans?

I pray you, Mr. Editor, reform your practices altogether, in this matter, and make no more complaints such as the extract at the beginning of this article contains. Do you think that Gen. Butler was appointed from Massachusetts because he was a Democrat? Or that Gen. Dix was selected from New York because he was a Democrat? or that no Republican in those States yearned for those places? It is preposterous to conclude that this was the case. No, no, these Generals, and Mr. Stanton and Generals McClellan, Logan and McClernand, were taken because they were the men for the hour and the situation—they were more competent and deserving than any Republican aspirants. They have and still have the confidence of the country, as the lamented Douglas expressed it, they "understand the true principles of government." Those principles they will maintain, and those principles, let us trust, will, by the blessing of Heaven, finally triumph. A.B.

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Hearing a confused noise in front of my domicil the other night, I threw open my casement to ascertain the cause. I saw a dark object clinging to the lamp-post that stands sentinel in front of my door; and listening attentively I overheard the following soliloquy:

"Mariar's waitin' up for me! I see the light in her winder. What the deu deuce does she act so darn-foolish (hic) foolish for on lodge-night? 'S well enough to stay up on o'rrer nights—but's all damnonsense, ye know, to wait for a feller on lodge (hic) nights. She knows s'well as I do, busin's got to be 'tended to—committee 's got to roport' an' var'us *orrer* little matters—she ought'er 'ave more sense.—I-I'll catch f-f fits tho', I know I shall. Said she had the head-(hic)-ache when I left 'er—told me not to stay out longer 'n I could 'elp. Well I didn't! how could I help it? Besides, I'll have the headache wors'n she will 'n the mornin.' So devilish stupid in her to get the head-ache when she knew I'd biz-bisiness to 'tend to. Ah! these women, these women, they'll never (hic) learn anythin', never!

"So let the world wag as wide as it will
I'll be gay and (hic) happy still"——

"Ha, ha, ha, (hic.) Wonder what's become of Bulger! Left 'im corner of Fifth'n Parrish settin' on a curbstone—rain'n like blazes, and the war'rer up to his middle. He thought he was at Niag (hic) Niagara Falls. Says'e says'e, 'Spicer me boy, aint this glor-'rus? Don't ye hear the ra-rapids?' I was strike'n out for home as ra (hic) rapidly as I could. 'Ts' pity for Bulger, 'cause I don't think he can swim; and he hates—ha, ha, ha! (hic) hates war'rer like p-poison. Wish I was s'ome and in bed. B-r-u-a-h! I'm all of a shiver! Clothe's all wet outside, and I'm dry as thund'r inside. Think I'll tell Mariar I ju-jumped overboard to save a fellerscreecher from (hic) drowning. Then she-she'll want to know what I did with the fell (hic) feller creature. So that won't do. She's got a pretty good swallow, but—egad! she—she can't swallow—ha, ha, ha, (hic) no drowned man you know. Tha-that's a leetle too much. She's taken some awful heavy doses of *tie* from me, but I'm afraid 'the drowned chap would choke her."

At this juncture a guardian of the public peace approached and asked the votary of Bacchus what he was doing the reat that time of the night, and why he did not go home.

"What'm I doin here? Why, I'm holding on like grim death—that's what I am doin'. However, ole fell'r, I'm gl-(hic)-a-ad to see ye. Fact is, I've been out'n the rain, and I've got a leetle so-soaked, d'ye see. Rain warrer allers did make consirable 'p-pression on me. Say, you! you can you t-tell me why I'm like a pick-(hic)-picket-guard? But I know you can't; 's'no use askin' you p'lice fell'rs anything. But's dev-devlish good—ha, he, he—(hic)—for me. I—I'll tell ye why I'm like a blackguar—I mean a p-picket-guard. Because I o'ant leave my p-post until I am re-(hic)-relieved! P'lice fell'r, d'ye see that shutter over the way the one wi' the green Venetirn houses in front, three doors to go up to the step—that's my house, and therein dwells my sainted Mariar. Did you ever belong to a spout-shop? But I s'pose not? As the charming P-Portia says:

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The Policeman kindly assisted him to his house, and rang the bell. The door partially opened. I got a transient glimpse of night capped head, as our hero was hurriedly drawn in by unseen hands; and a shrill voice was heard to say, "So! you're tight again you brute!" the door was rudely slammed in the offending policeman's face, while I crept shivering to bed, wondering at the probable fate of "Bulger."

Guilty Conscience.

A convict in Van Dieman's Land, after quarreling with one of the overseers; brutally murdered him. He immediately escaped, with a few clothes and a gun to the wild solitude of the bush. The murderer lived for some time like a savage, occasionally making his appearance, armed to the teeth, at various huts, where he peremtorily demanded food. The convict's mind ultimately succumbed to the severe mental agony and physical distress to which it was exposed, and he became a dangerous lunatic. He was eventually perceived to be under the dominion of a terrible hallucination. He imagined that he was constantly being pursued by the ghastly phantom of his murdered victim. He was observed to rush frantically from tree to tree, bush to bush, house to house, from one part of the district to another, endeavoring to fly (like an anmal hunted to death by ferocious bloodhounds) from the clutches of some persons constantly in his wake, and steadily tracking his path. The maniac eventually surrendered himself into the hands of the police, alleging that annihilation was preferable to the agony of mind which he suffered. In fact, although insane, he prayed earnestly for death at the hands of the public executioner, in order to extricate himself from the spectral image which was never absent from his mind!

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