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For Gents' and Boys', Ladies' and Misses' Waterproof Shoes with Rubber Bottoms, go to DRAKE and HARKNESS', 56 Camp street.

On our second page will be found sheriff's and auction sales, bank notices and various miscellaneous advertisements.

ST. CHARLES THEATRE.—We are informed that this theatre will be opened for the winter on the 23d of October. Mr. Davey, the talented and energetic manager, is already in the city, and is pushing on the work of renovating the establishment thoroughly for the coming season.

We are indebted to the officers of the steamer Niagara for acceptable Western favors.

To Purser Fuller, of the Morning Star, we are obliged for a renewal of valued favors and attentions.

Northern Democratic Conventions and the Republican.

There is no doubt that many of the leading Republicans and some of the principal Republican journals are beginning to be seriously annoyed and embarrassed by the action of the late State Democratic Conventions in the North. These bodies have invariably endorsed the policy of President Johnson, and pledged him the support of the party upon principles which it is thought the President will be disposed to adhere to in his general administration. The recent Democratic Convention at Albany, N. Y., adopted a platform which is well adapted, and was no doubt so designed to place the New York Republicans in the dilemma of having to make no opposition on political grounds to the Democratic party, or to make a political issue with it on such grounds as will bring them in hostility to the President.

To pursue the former course would be very much like a surrender to the enemy, while, if in doing so, they still preserved a distinct organization on minor or State questions, they would be sure to lose all the Radical element of their party. Should they assail the Democratic platform, they must in effect attack the administration of President Johnson. They would thus change positions with the Democrats as formerly existing to the National Executive. They would be the opposition and the Democrats would be the Administration party.

Whether the Republicans pursue the one or the other course, it would seem impossible for them to avoid large secessions from their ranks such losses, perhaps, as may lead to the complete disorganization of their party, as, at present, constituted. Such a result would leave the field open to two great and bitterly contending parties, the Radicals, under, no matter what name,—possibly, still under the name of Republican,—and those supporting the President against Radical opposition, let them be called Democrats, Conservatives, Constitutionalists, or what not. This is, unquestionably, the point to which national politics are now drifting.

The New York *Herald* thus refers to the quandry to which the New York Republicans are brought by the action of the Albany Convention:

What are the New York Republicans called upon to do? What can they do as an opposition party, the democracy having become the administration party? Greeley suggests the adoption of one of the Democratic State tickets. Why not adopt all? Raymond calls this new movement a surrender to the Republicans. What, then, is to hinder them from falling into line and ratifying ticket and platform by the solid vote of the State? The Republicans of Minnesota have refused to endorse Andy Johnson. Will the party of New York venture upon this hazardous experiment? Not likely. Will they venture upon the Minnesota issue of negro suffrage? No; they dare not in New York. They have, then, no alternative but to fall in line with the reconstructed democracy and their comprehensive ticket, embracing soldiers and civilians, old line Whigs, Free Soil Democrats, Republicans and converted Know Nothings—everything, in fact, but played out copperheads, absent-per-absent democrats and abolition radicals.

Let us have, then, a general fusion of parties in our coming November election on the State ticket, and an election by popular acclamation in support of President Johnson.

A LOUISIANA ARTIST.—Mlle. Marguerite Elie, a young pianist who a few years ago made a brilliant debut in our musical world, is, we understand, about to return after achieving a crown of success before the Parisian public, the most critical and severe that exists. Within two years from the time of quitting the Conservatoire, she has won in Paris, not only the applause of elite circles, but the approbation of great artists and the first critics. Her talent, her youth, the interest which she had previously awakened, esteem for her father, one of our best artists, will ensure her a cordial welcome back to her native city.

ARRIVAL OF THE MORNING STAR.—The steamship Morning Star, Capt. Horatio Nelson, from New York 9th inst., arrived at this port yesterday afternoon, sailed in company with the steamship Star of the Union and Star of the South, for New Orleans.

Off Sandy Hook, spoke steamship Evening Star, bence for New York. September 10, lat. 38.00 N. long. 74.41 W. saw steamship Atalanta, bound North.

September 11, off Hatteras, spoke steamship Nevada, bound North.

The Morning Star brings 150 passengers and a large cargo.

The following is a list of passengers per steamship Morning Star from New York:

C A Weed, J T Tucker, Wm J M Courtenay, Miss Frances Courtenay, Miss Virginia Courtenay, Colonel Holbrook, Leden J Bacon, F S Fox, Mr H Brook, W W Howe and lady, Lieut. Commander C H Cushman, J Brown and wife, John A Fiske, Capt. Thos. Stubbs, S Mosett, E Fowler, E Sinclair, C S Hill, H Dunning, J V Burr, J Levy, Joseph Bennett, F Stoller, A Schumacher, F Bachmann, F V Hopkins, C Swift, Lieut. Col N C Mitchell, A Fletcher, Col E Wright, W N Williams, Henry Fisher, E Hyde, A J Swanson, Col H G Williams, A S Venet, O C Howe, Mrs A Rogers and mother, H Rawyer, Assistant surgeon Wm Weir, Indian, S Frockheimer and family, S E Fowler, W Kilney, C Kennedy, Philip Wyatt, S S Zeimleer, M Haldenbrand, A Heyman, J H Wise, Gen Jo Seaton, Lieut J E Hammerman, H Denman, J Bowman, wife and two children, H Cosgrock, Mrs Hoe, Miss E Pierson, Joseph Reynolds, M Coppin, with child and servant, G W Wilson and lady, A Hughes and lady, L Lockard, Miss V Neubrecht, Frances Clarke, Joseph Coll, Jean Gallagher, Amos, J B Green, Mrs Pauline Weil, Mrs Thos and two servants, B Thomas, Gideon m. lady and servant, F Oliver, E W Thomas, F McDonough, F Jacobi, J H Reece, H Foundy, J Saglioni and three, Miss M an V Sherwood, Owen Cribb, Baldomo Levy, E Cook, G R Brett, Thomas Dougherty, Count F Yonx, Frank E Lee, A Levis, S Hawk, Samuel Rayn, Wm Farley, J Jenkins, Miss Emily H Dee, S Dee, Wm McDonough and three children, W Harvey, Mrs M O'Donnell and son, Mrs Macmillen, Mrs Hamilton and child, Mrs Martin Gregan, Mrs Mary Gerry, Miss Kate Gerry, Miss J Siddell, J McGee and others in the steerage.

Personal Items of Paris Correspondence.

We are allowed to take the following from a private letter from Paris, dated the 22d August:

MR. SIDELL.

Mr. Sidell is in the country living in the greatest obscurity. The miserable of the Confederacy and his own misfortunes have broken him down. He came to see me, and remains closed up in his room, plunged in the pages of French papers. It is generally supposed that he made much money by the Confederate loan; but this is a great mistake. I believe even that he is in a state bordering on poverty.

SLIDELL.

Slidell is in Switzerland with his family; and that of his father in law. He has made noble use of the fortune which he acquired by speculation. The services he has rendered to Confederate whom misfortune has driven to Europe, are immeasurable.

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Beauregard is here; his opinions do not appear good, but all the journals have encouraged the defeat of Beauregard.

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Gen. Quantrell is also here, but I have not seen him. He is accompanied by the escort which [illegible] Price in London to the Ex-

From Western Papers.

We received yesterday by the steamer Niagara Western papers of the 12th from which we take the appended:

Interesting Interview of Southern Delegations with the President.

(Special Dispatch to St. Louis Republican.)

Washington, Sept. 11.—This morning a delegation of Southern men, representing seven Southern States—Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Florida, Arkansas, Virginia and Tennessee—had an interview with the President Johnson. The Chairmen of the various State delegations are Messrs. McFarland, of Virginia, Bass, of Arkansas, Withers, of Mississippi, Hale, of Alabama, Green, of Tennessee, Judge Cochrane, of Georgia, Judge Baker, of Florida. Wm. McFarland, of Virginia, briefly addressed the President, in which he alluded to the composition of the delegation, representing as it did a large portion of the Southern people, and to the fact that the policy of the President and his course in dealing with the late insurgent States met with the cordial indorsement of those people who are disposed to stand by him in restoring the authority of the Government in consulting the bonds of the Union. The President said in reply that there had been no new developments in public affairs to make it necessary for him to change his course towards those lately in rebellion. He thought by the time that those people must be aware that he was anxious for the restoration of the States to the Union in the mode already familiar to them through the proclamation of the Executive. He alluded to election of Congressmen, and said that their admission rested solely with Congress. It was important, therefore, that thoroughly loyal men should be elected to represent them, in order that they might not be rejected by Congress. The delegation was evidently pleased with the Presidential reply.

The correspondence between President Johnson and Gov. Sharkey is about to be published in full. The late telegraphic extracts from the President's letter to Gov. Sharkey is full of errors.

SECRETARY SEWARD AND THE SOUTHERN DELEGATION.

New York, September 12.—The *Herald's* Washington special says last evening Secretary Seward had a reception, when, in addition to the numerous visitors, the principal portion of the Southern delegates, which called upon the President during the day, was present. They were received by Mr. Seward and other members of the Cabinet in a manner equally as affable as that with which they were greeted at the Executive Mansion.

The tone of the remarks of the Secretary of State were similar to that of those made by the President, and while stating that the President's policy was to restore and improve the South, not to injure it, he remarked that, at the same time, the work must be made of preserving the peace of the Nation.

SPECULATIONS ABOUT GOLD IN NEW YORK—DITTO ABOUT POLITICS.

New York, September 11.—The *Commercial* says the supply of gold is being heavily drawn upon by the foreign exports. It is impossible to say whether the Sub-Treasury is selling, as keenly being observed in these operations with most scrupulous care. Merchants are embarrassed by this secret management of public business; they can form no opinion as to the probable movement of the Treasury in the matter of selling gold, and, therefore, cannot judge as to the probable course of premium. It Government should sell fifteen millions of gold within the next sixty days it is likely it would prevent a rise of five per cent in premium, but who can say whether or not they will be the policy of the Secretary of the Treasury. This uncertainty is very embarrassing to buyers of gold, and, indeed, to the mercantile community generally. Prices were steady to-day at 144¾.

The *Commercial's* Washington special says: Leading politicians of the Republican party have gathered in this city to consider their policy in the fall elections and the new Congress. Differences of opinion is wide, and exciting discussion very controversy. Thurlow Weed is playing a prominent part. He has warned the Radicals that they will be displaced from power if they press their extreme views upon the people. It is very doubtful whether the conflicting elements can be harmonized. Senator Wilson on both of the New England Republicans, seems to refuse all compromise. His plan is to induce the party majority in Congress to treat the Constitution of the Southern States, and virtually appeal to the people against President Johnson's policy. Conservative Republicans propose to meet the difficulty in the New York Democratic nomination, by nominating Gens Slocum and Patrick and Lucius Robinson, leading New York Republicans have had an interview with Secretary Seward, with whom a project has been discussed. The Radicals had been refurbished by Gen. Butler, and a lively time is expected.

THE PRESIDENT'S ANTI MILITARY DISTRIBUTION POLICY ENDORSED IN ILLINOIS.

(Special dispatch of the St. Louis Republican.)

Springfield, Sept. 11.—Pursuant to a notice given during the day, an immense and enthusiastic meeting assembled at the Courthouse in this city, this evening. Major Gen John A. McClernand presiding, and Ed. L. Merrill, of the *State Register*, Secretary. On taking the chair Gen. McClernand stated the object of the meeting to be a ratification of President Johnson's instructions to Gov Sharkey of Mississippi, and set forth his views in a able and eloquent speech in defence of President Johnson's policy. Stirring speeches were then made by Hon G. W. Shutt, Wm. M. Springer, and C. C. Brown, emphatically sustaining President Johnson in his course in making the civil paramount to the military law, and urging the people to rally to the standard of the President in this hour of policy. On motion, the President of the meeting appointed the following gentlemen as the Committee on Resolutions: Messrs. Chas. A. Keys, Chas. H. Lanphier, C. C. Brown, P. Carter and John C. Maxey, who reported resolutions, which were unanimously passed amid great enthusiasm, and which were in accordance with the views of the several speakers.

TWO IMPERIALS TRIUMPH IN MEXICO.

New York, Sept. 12.—The *Herald's* Vera Cruz correspondent to the 1st, says the Imperialists where in a state of intense excitement and joy over the official announcement by Marshal Bozlaso of two Imperial victories. It seems that the rumor which we have so often previously had of the fight of Juarez and the taking of his capital by Maximilian's troops, has at last proved true, they showed on the 15 h of August. The other Imperial victory was the occupation of the town of Hermosadilla, a place of less than nine thousand inhabitants, which the Republicans had previously evacuated. The affair throughout is of great importance.

A special steamer had been dispatched from Vera Cruz for France to convey the intelligence to that Government of the success of the Imperialists.

MAINE ELECTION.

Southland, Me., September 11.—The State election took place to-day and passed off quietly up to this hour 6 P. M. Very few returns have come in, but they indicate the State will probably not exceed 75,000 against 112,000 last year, and that the Republican majority will be about 15,000 against 19,000 last year. The official vote of Portland foots up for Governor Coney, Republican, 1,711. Howard Democrat, 708. Last year Portland gave Kenney, 2,769. Howard, 1,286. Republican majority this year 943 against 983 last year, with a falling off in the aggregate vote of 2 875.

Western Markets.

Cincinnati, September 11, P. M.—Flour and Grain—Dull, and no change to price whatever.

Whisky—Is limited supply at $2 28.

Provisions—Quiet. Mess Pork $31. Lard is held at 25c, with buyers at 22½@23c. Bacon and bulk meats neglected and prices nominal.

Timothy Seed—$3 50.

Flaxseed—$2 50 to 2 60, and scarce.

Linseed Oil—Firm at $1 75.

St. Louis, September 11, P. M.—Tobacco.—There were now buyers present this morning, and the market was firmer, but not active or higher. Sales 5 hhds green leaf at $3 90 to 4 50; 10 hhds factory 4 70 to 5 70; 13 planters 6 to 8; 11 common shipping $ 10 to 11 75; 25 medium shipping 12 to 14 75, and 4 hhds common manufacturing $15 to 22 per 100 lbs. Bids on 31 hhds were rejected.

Flour—Receipts were 4695 bbls, 3695 sacks, and there was no material change in prices with considerable inquiry, but the business done was not large. Sales reported were 50 bbls fine at $5 75; 46 bbls spring super at $5 90; 60 bbls do do at 6, 102 do do delivered at 6 25; 26 bbls fall super at 6 37 ½; 106 bbls do extra at 7 15; 50 bbls spring extra at 7 25, 79 bbls fall extra at 7 25; 300 bbls choice single extra at 7 50, 300 bbls double extra at $8; 100 bbls city double extra at 8 25, and 50 bbls choice double extra at $9 per bbl; and 900 sks choice extra at $4 95, 600 do do at 4 20; and 65 sks superfine extra at $3 75 per sack.

Corn—Receipts were 13 448 sacks, and prices were lower and market dull, with sales of 3000 sks on log mess at 68, 3850 sks mixed and white and yellows at 72c, and 1497 sks do at 69c, subject to inspection; 900 sks choice yellow at 70 ½c and 100 sks white at 71c ₱ bush.

Oats—Receipts were 2008 sks, and the market was firm, with sales of 1455 sks choice at 50c, between 3000 and 4000, subject to Government inspection, at 48c; 303 sks on log mess at 47c, and 15 000 bushels, to be delivered at Osage, at 50c ₱ bushel.

Whisky—Market lower, with sales of 45 bbls at $2 32 ₱ gallon, the market closing weak.

Hides.—Market steady, at 14c the per lb. for flints.

Onions.—Offerings large, prices lower, with sales of 20 bbls. at $2; 90 do at $1 80 per bbl; 1300 sks at 65c; 600 do at 60 and 62½c, and 1,250 do in lots, at 60c per bushel.

Bran.—Sales of 100 sacks at 65c, and 300 at 61c ₱ 100 lbs. including sacks.

Hay—Market quiet, and sales 106 bales prime timothy, loose pressed, at $16; and 50 do choice do, tight pressed, at $18 ₱ ton delivered.

Potatoes.—Sales of 24 bbls. at $2 25, including barrels. Sales from wagons at $1 15 and $1 25 for Millers and Pinkeyes, and $1 50 and 1 60 per bbl. for Mechanicsville, buyers furnishing barrels.

Eggs.—Sales of 7 pkgs at 22c, and 3 do at 21c per dozen, rescreated.

Tallow.—Market stiff, and sales 10 ten. prime at 15½c, and 17 pkgs. do at 15c per lb.

Provisions.—Sales of 50 bbls mess pork at $28 50, and 100 bbls do at $28 75; and 5 casks bacon shoulders at 16¾c per lb.

Lard—Sale of 10 tierces prime at 24 1/2c and 25 kegs choice leaf at 26 1/2c ₱ lb.

Wool—Market very firm with sales 17 sks unwashed at 56c; 8 sks do at 55; 5 sks do burry at 51c; 21 sks fleece washed at 52c; 27 sks fine unwashed at 46c 27 unwashed at 33c; 4 sks do at 33c, and 5 sks do at 35c per pound.

Cairo, Sept 12—P. M.—The following are wholesale prices.

Bacon—Clear sides are held at 20 to 22c, Shoulders 18 to 18c, and sugar cured Hams at 28 to 32c per lb.

Butter—Is scarce and selling at 35c per pound for good.

Corn—The market is unsettled. Mixed and Yellow at 73 to 74c; White and Yellow at 80 to 82 to 84; choice White at 85 to 88c, very scarce.

Eggs—Not few arriving. Demand good, and are selling at 24 to 25c.

Flour—Choice white wheat family $11 50; double extra red and white $11; do extra red wheat $9 50 single extra $8 50; superfine $8 Spring wheat $7 to 7 50.

Fruits—Medium to good cooking apples $2 50 to 3 per bbl. Choice eating apples none in market. Would sell readily $4 50 to 5 25 per bbl. Choice peaches are offered at $1 to 1 25 for prime. Grapes are coming in freely, and are selling at 12c to 30c per lb for good Quinces a very fine article, are selling at $1 50 to 2 per bushel.

Hay—New Timothy commands $19 to 22 per ton. Prairie, none offered and no demand. Sales of importance reported.

Lard—Ranges from 23 to 24c in bbls, and 24 to 25c in kegs.

Oats—Market well supplied and dull at 45 to 50c per bushel for old, 40 to 45c for new in shed unsheled, and 37 to 40c for inferior. In bulk they sell for 8 to 10c per bushel.

Pork—Prime mess $32 to 33 per bbl.

Onions—No sales reported. Market overstocked and dull at $1 per bushel, and $3 per bbl.

Potatoes—Choice asserted are selling readily at $2 75 to 3 25 per barrel, or $1 10 to 1 25 per bushel. Sweet Potatoes sell slowly at $4 50 to 5 per bbl, or $1 75 to 2 per bushel.

Poultry—Spring chickens are quoted at $3 25 per dozen, and last years' do at $2 50 to $3 per dozen.

Whisky—Common is as some yesterday. We may quote it at 2 15 to 2 25.

New York State Democratic Resolutions and Nominations.

Albany, September 7.—The Convention has adjourned, having nominated the following ticket:

Secretary of State—Major Gen. Slocum.
Comptroller—Lucius Robinson.
Attorney General—John Van Buren.
Canal Commissioner—G W Armstrong.
Treasurer—Gen. M H Patrick.
Inspector of State Prisons—Andrew J Mc Nott.
State Engineer—S H Sweet, of Oneida.
Clerk of the Court of Appeals—E O Perrin.
Judge of the Court of Appeals—(Long term) Judge John W Brown, (short term) Martin Grover.

The following are the resolutions adopted:

1. *Resolved*, That the past history of the democratic party is to be found in the practical records of the country and its creed in the doctrines and principles which have met the great questions of the future with the patriotism of fidelity to principle and practical wisdom that have character and its long and auspicious identification with the history of the Union.

2. *Resolved*—That we appeal to the people of this State and of the nation upon the termination of civil war and upon the return of peace, and especially that this blessing is attained with a preserved Union, an undivided country, and the preservation of constitutional liberty throughout the land.

3. *Resolved*, That as the first fruits of this triumph the people demand the subordination of military to civil rule, the restitution of the authority of the courts, and the restoration of the equality of the States; that we regard all efforts, either by prolonging military rule or by denying the right of representation to States, in order to garnish them to accept negro equality or negro suffrage as an element of their constitutions, as tending to delay and prevent the pacification of the country, and to subvert the principles of the government and endanger the liberties of the people.

4. *Resolved*, That in the plan of President Johnson for the speedy restoration of the States lately in rebellion to their old positions in the Union, by commencing the work of reorganization with the people, and restoring to them and to those then recognized as electors by the laws of the respective States, leaving the question of suffrage where the constitution places it, to the future action of the several States, we recognize a safe and conservative basis, and one confidently relied, because of the old-fashioned, time-honored regard for the relations and rights of the States and the federal government, as established by the constitution; and that we pledge to the President, in this great work, our cordial and energetic support.

5. *Resolved*, That while we stigmatize as alike fatal to national prosperity and the rights of labor the doctrine that "a national debt is a national blessing," we recognize the obligation by which the whole resources of the country are pledged to the payment of the public debt, and we believe the interests and honor of the people are involved in its faithful fulfilment, and that all constitutional and legal means should be taken to compel the whole property of the country, real and personal, to share in the public burdens, believing that equality of taxation is not only equity, but also the soundest possible basis of public credit.

6. *Resolved*, That the thanks and gratitude of the people are due to the soldiers and sailors of the nation and to their brave commanders, who have illustrated by the part of our history with deeds of valor that elevate the fame of the people and vindicate the character of republican government.

7. *Resolved*, That the position originally taken by our government in reference to the interference of European Powers with the people of this continent, called the "Monroe Doctrine," is a policy which has preserved peace and averted foreign complications, and cannot be abandoned without dishonor to us as a Power among nations, nor without danger to domestic institutions.

8. Resolved, That the frank and generous message by the Southern people of the condition in which they have been left by the recent war, including the abandonment of slavery, removes the main difficulties in the way of the restoration of amicable feeling among the States; and that it should be met on the part of the federal government in a spirit of conciliation and kindness.

9. Resolved, That, banishing all minor party considerations and acting in the spirit of an unprejudiced and generous patriotism, we cordially support President Johnson in the policy which he has avowed to enable the States lately in revolt to put their governments in practical operation, and in all such constitutional measures as he may inaugurate to harmonize the conflicting and restore and cement the Union of the States.

The Radical War Against the President.

[Correspondence of the Philadelphia Ledger.

Washington, September 7.—I hear from authoritative sources that the radicals are arming themselves heavily for the great contest they are determined to wage at the next session of Congress. President Johnson they assert, is not carrying out the principles upon which he was elected, and it is the determination of these gentlemen that no other person shall be elected if they can help it. One of the most radical of the old Senators has even gone so far as to declare his intention of offering a bill of Expatriation, over after the meeting of Congress, and introducing it with the object of driving Andy and others thereby. The President, it is well known, is not nonplussed of the fanatical wrath that is rising, but he has cast his anchors upon a rare bottom, and no apprehension needs be felt for the safety of either ship or pilot.

THE FRACTIONAL CURRENCY.—The printing of fractional currency needs upon the new machine paper has been temporarily checked by a slight disagreement between the inventor and Hon. Spencer M. Ivey, Register of the Treasury, in reference to the quality of the paper. Yesterday, however, a decision is arrived at by the Secretary, the public will be supplied with a fractional currency in sufficient quantities to meet the demand, and of the oldest denomination. It will be quite impossible to produce the paper outside of the Treasury building, and from its texture and color there can be no counterfeit money. What is also to be done with the greenback paper, is not yet known, but the money manufacturers of the new Secretary is the last thing in the world—*Intelligencer*.

Important Letter from Secretary Harlan—The Position of President Johnson on Negro Suffrage.

Department of the Interior,
Washington, D. C., Aug. 26, 1865.

Hon. George B. Edmonds, Cumberland, Iowa:

DEAR SIR: I have just received your letter of the 21st inst., stating, among other things, that the Union State Convention of Iowa has adopted as a plank in its platform a resolution in favor of negro suffrage; that the Democratic party of that State has incorporated in their platform a resolution declaring the reorganization of States, consisting in to be in opposition to negro suffrage; that this is, in our opinion, the issue joined between the two parties in Iowa; that you are in favor of negro suffrage, and that you regret, however, to observe, in a newspaper report of a speech recently made by me, which pleases me, as you think, to antagonism with the present principle and policy, which gives you pain.

In reply, I have to say, that if your opinion was well founded, it would be a cause of genuine pain to me, that is my reasons; but, I beg respectfully to state, that you have misapprehended the position of President Johnson and my own, as well as that of the Union party at large. The real question at issue, in a national point of view, is not whether negroes shall be allowed to vote, but whether they shall derive that authority from the National Government, or from the State Governments respectively.

President Johnson maintains the doctrine, that the Constitution of the United States does not confer on the Federal Government the right to interfere, authority, with the question of suffrage in any State of the Union; that the question they arise and properly be decided by Congress when Senators and members present themselves for admission to seats in that body, and the claim of the Constitution, which will make each House the exclusive judge of the qualifications and elections of members and their other claims of the Constitution of the United States, which provides that "the United States shall guarantee to every State in the Union a Republican form of Government." I infer that if any State should adopt a law on the subject of suffrage, which would clearly show the house of Congress to be white, that a republican form of government, Congress would refuse to admit such State, and so might whenever legislative necessity would, in their judgment, be necessary to carry out the guarantees of the Constitution.

That the State of Iowa may take upon to control the right of suffrage, is not, as it seems to me, in conflict with this policy, and, consequently, those who support the policy of the President can be either Democrats or Republicans. Should the State and feeling manifested in this respect, in behalf of Mr. Davis, prove hostile to the Union, I am sadly mistaken in the kind, generous, noble and christian gentleman. Hitherto our silence on this question has been based upon the feeling that it was best to let the excitement of passion pass away, suggested the propriety of delaying the Fatherland the pressure and prejudice engendered by the late fierce, bitter conflict should subside.

May that generous, magnanimous spirit unbiased by sectional prejudice, upon which we confidently rely, restore your Excellency's election, when this position will be presented, since such, we know, would be the action of Mr. Davis, were he and your Excellency's positions reversed. And in this way your patriotism will ever pray that peace and prosperity be the heritage of the Nation.

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In a New York *Herald* account of a parting official interview between President Johnson and Mr. Bulmer, Columbian Minister at Washington, the President is represented to say: "I do not seek to secure the President of Colombia that the United States adhere to their established principles consistently, and especially to their policy of seeking to preserve, through a peaceful course, the establishment of free institutions throughout the American continent, and the development of the vast resources with which it has been beautifully supplied by an Allwise Providence for the general benefit of mankind."

From such language the *Herald* sees fit to infer that President Johnson, in uttering it, strongly reshipped the Monroe doctrine, and that he would go to war rather than relinquish it.

No doubt the President is in favor of the doctrine of President Monroe in reference to the preservation of free institutions on the American continent, in so far as the latter laid down any doctrine applicable to the situation in his time which is equally applicable to the present situation. And this undoubtedly is President Johnson's and likely to involve the country in hostilities, however ready to maintain the doctrine, if need be, by going to war. For the doctrine of President Monroe, when analyzed amounted simply to a declared and resolved moral repugnance, on the part of the United States, to the extension of a European system over the territory of any of the other American Republics then existing.

As war, he was careful to say that the United States would appeal to arms to resent an actual injury by encroachment or to repel an attack in the act of being made. While has been blatantly proclaimed and popularly known as the Monroe doctrine is no more the doctrine of President Monroe than a piece of clay is like a fantastic tongue which may be fashioned out of it. There is nothing in President Johnson's words to commit him to this last doctrine.

The ladies of New Orleans, in the noble spirit of those of Mississippi, are signing a petition in behalf of Jefferson Davis, of which the text is appended below. It is now being privately circulated for signatures, and a copy of it is deposited for the same purpose at the office of the *South*, 73 Camp street.

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To His Excellency Andrew Johnson, President of the United States:

The position of the undersigned, ladies of the city of New Orleans, respectfully represent that they deeply lament the incarceration of Jefferson Davis, the late President of the Confederate States of America, by the authority of the federal Government.

We would not impugn the justice of his imprisonment or censure the motives which prompted his arrest. We would submit to decide on, point Excellency was actuated by a sense of responsibility, and that action was in accordance with your conscientious convictions and the best interests of the country, as a private individual, by whom he was immediately released. Actuated by this idea, and believing that the people of the North and Northwest desire the reinstatement of Mr. Davis, not as an individual, for his case can be no more prominent than the other leaders of the Confederate States, we feel justified in making an appeal to the clemency of your Excellency and the magnanimity of the Northern people, that his liberty may be restored to him. We feel assured that your Excellency's position is such that Mr. Davis is not more responsible for the initiation of the war than hundreds of other public men in the Southern States. The history of the late campaigns has shown that he was not, by any military genius, the master mind that some have supposed him to be. On the contrary, there has not been a more deeply regretted attempt. In accepting the Presidency he only responded to the unanimous decision of his fellow-citizens—a call whose sanction he felt it his duty to obey, and proceeded in raising a force, however ready to maintain the doctrine, if need be, by going to war. For the doctrine of President Monroe, when analyzed amounted simply to a declared and resolved moral repugnance, on the part of the United States, to the extension of a European system over the territory of any of the other American Republics then existing.

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I do not discuss these opinions; you may abandon to make what use of this letter you may deem proper. I have the honor to be, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

JAMES HARLAN.

(From the St. Louis Republican, Sept. 12.)

Visits of European Capitalists to the United States.

The steamer Scotia arrived at New York from Liverpool on the 7th inst., and amongst her passengers was the most distinguished party, in a commercial and financial sense, which has ever visited this country. The object of their mission is highly important and interesting, and cannot but be productive of much advantageous results to both England and America. The Gentlemen composing the delegation, as it may be called, are:

Sir S Morton Peto, Baronet, M. P., who is at the head of the properties. Like the other company men, he is a very large capitalist, and the greatest railroad man in England. He controls the employment of one hundred thousand men on roads not only there and in this country, but in Russia, Austria, Italy, New Zealand, Australia and Paris.

Mr. James Matheny, a native of Philadelphia, and one of the merchant princes of London, who is said to be the originator of the idea. In 1856 he reported in the building of the Atlantic and Great Western Railroad, there then existed a road-bed and rails laid down, and necessary to complete the line from Salamanca to Dunkirk, with which he contracted the sum of $20,000,000, with which he contracted the sum of $20,000,000, with which he contracted the sum of $20,000,000, with which he contracted the sum of $20,000,000, with which he contracted the sum of $20,000,000, with which he contracted the sum of $20,000,000, with which he contracted the sum of $20,000,000, with which he contracted the sum of $20,000,000, with which he contracted the sum of $20,000,000, with which he contracted the sum of $20,000,000, with which he contracted the sum of $20,000,000, with which he contracted the sum of $20,000,000, with which he contracted the sum of $20,000,000, with which he contracted the sum of $20,000,000, with which he contracted the sum of $20,000,