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NEW ORLEANS:

SUNDAY MORNING, FEB. 23, 1868.

THE STATE TREASURY.—We publish to-day an order which has been issued by General Hancock, providing for the payment of the salaries of judicial, executive and civil officers of the State, and the support of the charitable institutions, the Free Public Schools, and the State Penitentiary. Gen. Hancock's order explains itself. It is possible he may have pursued the proper course, under the circumstances, to replenish the treasury, now entirely empty, and carry on the civil administration of the State. The Treasurer, Auditor and other officers of the State, are directed to adopt the Act of the Legislature of the 25th of March, 1867, making appropriations for the general expenses of the State for the year 1867, so far as the appropriations therein set forth apply to the officers, and institutions enumerated, as a basis for the year 1868, and as if the Legislature had passed the same act providing for the year 1868. Taxes are to be paid in United States Treasury notes, and are to be assessed according to the valuation of property upon the assessment rolls for the year 1867.

THE FRENCH OPERA.—A brilliant audience assembled last night to witness Offenbach's amusing opera of "Orphée aux Enfers," which was performed by Miss Lambelé, Mr. Lechevallier, Mr. Decré and the other artists with their usual success.

To-night the drama of "Marie Jeanne," in five acts, and the opera of "La Belle Hélène." On Monday "La Prophète."

MARDI GRAS BALL AT THE ST. CHARLES THEATRE.—We are under obligations to Mr. P. Gleason, the polite treasurer of the St. Charles Theatre, for tickets of admission to the grand fancy dress and masked ball the night of the 25th (Tuesday) in that theatre. The price of admission to the ball and the theatrical performance beforehand the same evening is fixed at $3 for both. The occasion will be very interesting.

We have received cards of invitation to the sacred concert at Christ Church, Canal street, on Monday evening next, for the benefit of Mount Olivet Church, Algiers, when distinguished amateurs and professional performers, will lend their assistance to the praiseworthy object in whose behalf the concert is given.

We have received a card of invitation to the *soirée musicale*, add distribution of premiums, by the Carnati Institute, on the 24th February, at Minerva Hall, 138 Clio street.

We have received from the publishers, Messrs. Lippincott & Co., of Philadelphia, the March number of their Magazine, a publication full of interesting stories and papers on various subjects. The typographical execution is superb and compares well with Putnam's.

Mr. James Gresham, bookseller, 92 Camp street, has sent us an engraving by Sartain, of Philadelphia, entitled the "Maiden's Prayer," from a painting by Smith, of London. The subject is one which appeals to our best feelings and as a work of art it is a fair specimen of the genius of the engraver. Mr. Gresham has copies for sale at a low price.

CONNECTICUT REPUDIATES NEGRO EQUALITY.—A telegram from Meriden, Connecticut, in our issue of yesterday, announces a significant proceeding taken by the proprietor of a hotel there—Mr. Stephen Ives of the Meriden House—against the notorious negro Fred. Douglass, in expelling him from the public table of his Hotel. It seems this courageous conduct elicited from the Meriden *Recorder* comments of an insulting nature to Mr. Ives, who thereupon administered to the editor personal chastisement. We think upon this spirited action of Mr. Ives as a circumstance full of meaning and have no doubt his example will be imitated henceforth all over the country. We are glad to see that in a Radical strong hold there is at least one man who respects himself and the race to which he belongs, and we compliment him upon his independence of character and his well-timed reproof to the impertinence of the negro Douglass and vindication of the superiority of the white people of the United Statesm. Southerners will remember the Meriden House, when they pass through Connecticut as a hotel where they are not liable to unpleasant associations.

THE LOUISIANA CONVENTION.—This body met yesterday for the *seventieth* sitting day of the session, but for want of a quorum an adjournment was had till Monday. In the name of Heaven are they never going to finish their labors, which, after all, like the mountain in the fable, are likely to bring forth nothing but a mouse, at all events nothing but further complications of the "best governed country in the world."

Military Matters.

HEADQUARTERS, FIFTH MILITARY DISTRICT, }
New Orleans, La., Feb. 22, 1868. }
Special Orders No. 40.]

ATTACHÉ:

I. The Auditor and the Treasurer of the State of Louisiana have officially represented to the Commanding General of the Fifth Military District, that "the indebtedness of the State is such, that under the present revenue laws, the debt cannot be paid—and the Governor of the State, has, in an official communication to the Commanding General, declared that the State Treasury is totally bankrupt, that the Judges and all the other officers of the State cannot be paid, and that unless some remedy be applied, the machinery of civil government in the State must stop. The collection of arrear taxes for four years, or, by act of the Legislature, suspended until the year 1870, the appointment act of the State, passed on the 25th of March, 1867, to meet the current expenses of the State, approved on the 31st of December, 1867, so that no adequate provision for the current year now exists, and no payments can be made by the Treasurer. The emergency of the case is so pressing that immediate and prompt action so indispensable to prevent anarchy and confusion and the loss of all semblance of legal law, that the Commanding General feels it his duty to use authority for the relief of the State in this exigency. Upon the recommendation of His Excellency Governor Baker, it is therefore ordered:

1. That from and after this day, all the licenses on trades, professions and occupations, the revenues, dues and taxes, of the State of Louisiana, shall be payable and collected in United States Treasury notes under the Duty. It is made the duty of the State Treasurer, and all other persons charged with these collections, to exact payment as above.

II. The Auditor and Treasurer of the State shall be required to keep a special and separate account of all dues, taxes (funds, or other public moneys, which shall be received by them, hereafter, from any and all collectors of taxes, or from other sources; and it shall be their duty to appropriate the same to the payment of the salaries of the judicial, executive and civil officers of the State; and to pay and discharge all the appropriations made in favor of the charitable institutions, the Free Public Schools, for the rent of the House of the Mechanics' Institute, and for the support of the State convicts. The act of the Legislature making appropriations for the general expenses of the State ending the 31st of December, 1867, so far as the appropriations therein set forth apply to the above enumerated officers and institutions, will be adopted by the said Treasurer and Auditor, and other officers, as if the said Legislature had passed the same act providing for the years 1868, making appropriations for the objects hereinbefore referred to in this order, and for the same amounts in detail and protecting this order provides *and for no others.*

III. For the purpose of carrying out this order without delay, the Tax Collectors through out the State of Louisiana, will report immediately, under oath, to the State Treasurer, the kinds and amounts of money collected by them, up to the date.

IV. For the purpose of avoiding expenses throughout the State, the assessments which have been made for the year 1867, are adopted as if the same had been made for the year 1868, and the Collectors will be required to perform their duties under existing laws.

By command of Major General HANCOCK.
GEO. L. HARTSUFF,
Assistant Adjutant General.

Official:
NATHANIEL BURBANK,
2d Lieut. 37 Infy., Brvt. Lieut. U. S. Army,
Acting Assistant Adjutant General.

MEXICAN REPUDIATION OF FOREIGN DEBTS.—*New York, Feb. 21.*—The *Herald's* Washington dispatch says that private advices from London state the receipt of intelligence from Mexico, that the government of Juarez has repudiated all the debts of foreign countries except the United States, has given one or an intense feeling of indignation in the British Government. The Government is said to be actually contemplating the fitting out of a fleet to take possession of the ports of Mexico, and hold them until satisfaction is given. It is also understood that France, though not consulted, has declined, for the present, to participate.

DEATH-BED REPENTANCE.—A correspondent of the *New York Times*, says of *C. C. Richardson's* last moments.

I am told that, a few hours before he lost the power of speech, he expressed regret that he had ever left his native State "to attempt to Mak on Georgia laws and institutions which would humiliate."

THE CRISIS AT WASHINGTON.

Within the last twenty-four hours extraordinary events of national import have come to pass. The excitement is now passing through a crisis which will test the strength of the "thinkers," of which it is composed and of which Longfellow wrote so eloquently in his apostrophe to the Ship of State. At last the Executive and Legislative Departments are in deadly conflict. The President's *ad interim* appointee to the War Department, Major General Lorenzo Thomas, Adjutant General of the Army, has been arrested at the instance of Stanton, by virtue of a warrant issued from the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, on a charge of violating Section 5 of the Tenure of Office Act, which reads thus:

"That if any person shall, contrary to the provisions of this Act, accept any appointment to or employment in any office, or shall hold or exercise, or attempt to hold or exercise, any office or employment, he shall be deemed, and is hereby declared to be, guilty of a high misdemeanor, and upon trial and conviction thereof, he shall be punished therefor by a fine not exceeding ten thousand dollars, or by imprisonment not exceeding five years, or both said punishments in the discretion of the Court."

Gen. Thomas having been taken before the Court gave bond to appear and answer this accusation, on Wednesday next, in the sum of Five Thousand Dollars. On returning to his office in the War Department Building to attend to his duties he found the same locked and barred, and that Stanton had the key. Possession, in the legal and technical sense, of the War office is of no significance. It is the President's authority which gives validity to the acts of the Secretary of War, so that Mr. Stanton's claim to perform these acts, as far as the law is concerned, is merely imaginary—a mere assumption. True, Congress will sustain him, but it will sustain him in open contradiction to the law and practice of the Government. The duties of the Secretary of War can be performed in the White House or any other building the President may designate. The significance of Mr. Stanton's position only consists in the fact that he is recognised as Secretary of War by a majority of the members of Congress, and perhaps by a majority of the higher officers of the army. The object of the President in appointing Gen. Thomas Secretary *ad interim*, we are now positively informed, was for the purpose of carrying the dispute before the Courts, and to have found an unfinishing coadjutor in Gen. Thomas, to whom all honor is due. To board Edwin M. Stanton, the gruff Cæsar and bully of the Department of War, supported as he is by the Radical leaders, required no ordinary moral courage. The defense to the accusation made against him by Stanton, will be, first, his orders from the President, secondly, the unconstitutionality and invalidity of the Tenure-of Office Act. Telegrams from Washington of last night, state that the President is satisfied with the posture of affairs and means to take no arbitrary steps, leaving the matter to be decided as it now stands by the Supreme Court of the United States. Congress, on the other hand is far from satisfied and is said to be a unit for impeachment, and we are inclined to believe they will carry out their intention, which includes suspension of the President, pending his trial by the Senate. The President is pledged to resist such suspension, the Constitution providing that it is only after trial and conviction he can be suspended.

It is evident then, that the crisis foreshadowed at Washington, for some weeks, has at last arrived. It is reasonable to suppose the President has not adopted these late measures, without seeing his way through the conflict he knew he would most certainly be engaged in, with the Legislative Department, if he proceeded in the course he had marked out for himself.

It is a pertinent question, how does Gen. Grant act while such extraordinary proceedings are going on? He acts, of course, with the Radicals, to whom he is sold, body and soul.

It is said that this quarrel should be brought to a head and settled one way or the other, and the likelihood is that it will be decided by the Supreme Court of the United States, as violent measures are not in contemplation by the President.

He will probably be impeached under section 6, of the Tenure of Office act, which makes it a high misdemeanor to remove, appoint or employ any person, contrary to the provisions of the act. The penalty they provided is a fine not exceeding ten thousand dollars, or imprisonment not exceeding five years, or both, in the discretion of the Court.

The next seven days will probably determine the dispute, and who is to reign supreme. The functions of the Supreme Court are of the highest moment in this crisis. It is a serious question, however, if its decree could be executed, in the event of its being in favor of the President.

DISGUSTED WITH ITS WORKINGS.—The editor of the *North Georgia Republican*, a paper published at Dalton, has set all white men who have an interest in the South a worthy example. Though a Republican and advocate of the Reconstruction measures, he has seen the workings of the latter and come to the conclusion that they are obliged to destroy every valuable interest, and even society itself, as the South, if carried into operation. He thus discourses in a recent number of his paper:

As the former Reconstruction measures, under which the Conventions of most of the seceded States are now in session, have not been productive of such satisfactory results as we had hoped and expected, and as we believe that many and grave evils will result from the present proposed measures, we, out of self-respect, cut loose from our moorings and seek an ocean sea, with the Constitution and flag of the Union at the masthead of our little craft. Under the sunlight of humanity and the world's smiles, and shall only make harbor at such time and place as will neither expose ourselves to raging Charybdis on the one hand, nor insatiable Scylla on the other.

The following dispatch by the Balize telegraph was handed us last night:

PASSE-A-L'OUTRE, Feb. 22, 4 P. M.

To Mr. De Gregorio:

Cleared from Cagliare December 25th. Arrived here, February 20th, bark Juan Baptista, Capt. Guglichuine.

The steamship Trade Wind, Morrill, sailed last evening for Belize, Hon., with a fair freight and the following named passengers:

E B Cassidy and wife, J D Henderson and wife, J J Miller and wife; J L Henderson and family, W M Carter, W H Martin, Mr Hodge, S Bonsall, E C Bullock and wife, Wm Jamison, wife and daughter, Susan Williams, J T Nunn, C F Wood, J Ford, J Wicker, D McCrasle, J F Wilson, J Stanley and others.

The Hamburg steamship Bavaria, Meyer commander, sailed last evening for Hamburg, via Southampton, with a full freight, consisting in part of 1846 bales cotton, and 640,200 specie. The following is a list of her passengers:

Lehman Myers, Capt R C Proden, Ch Myers, Mrs Meta Dreyfus, Henrietta Meyers, Gust Dreyfus, Harriett Meyers, Rosine Meyers, Gustave Dreyfus, Mrs Gessler, A M Livaudais, G O Hall, J Kahn, Hy Isaacs, Wm Ferrell, Miss S Sidout, G Hensel, C Gass, J Landais, F Dubois, V Laukermann, Carl Laub, F Aussan, and 46 others.

Military Interference with the Courts—A White Man who Kills a Negro Cannot Get Justice in Georgia!

[From the Macon (Georgia) Telegraph.

It will be seen from an article copied from the same *Republican*, that Gen. Meade has issued an order commanding the Superior Court of Chatham county not to try a white man who is charged with the murder of a negro in the city of Savannah, a few months ago, under circumstances of peculiar aggravation. The reason set up to justify this intervention is to be found in an allegation that "on account of prejudice existing against the accused, he could not have a fair and impartial trial."

Believing that Gen. Meade means well, we regret that he has considered it his duty to take this extraordinary and responsible step—one that strikes at the very root of public justice as administered through the Courts, and involves the most important rights of life and property of the citizen. We think it a great mistake, and especially in view of a firm belief that the reason assigned for it is wholly groundless. From a long and intimate acquaintance with the people of Chatham county and the administrators of the law in her courts, we feel assured that no criminal brought before them would fail to receive a fair hearing and even-handed justice.

But there is a peculiar significance in the reason assigned by Gen. Meade for this interference with the administration of the law in Georgia, and we beg to direct to it the special attention of our Northern friends who have as much to say about the cruelty and injustice of the Southern whites toward the negro population. The case is this: A white man of respectable family and good character heretofore, takes the life of a *negro*, and one almost unknown in the community where the homicide occurred, and when he is brought to trial the Military Commander of the District, in an official order, declares that such is the prejudice of this same community against the white offender, that a fair and impartial trial cannot be had! This is a remarkable statement, for, if true, it gives to the lie direct, under the highest sanction, to the correct opinion set up against the Southern whites, that there is no protection or justice for the negro. Here we have an illustrative case: a white man kills a negro—the whites are anxious to bring the offender to trial—and the Military Commander intervenes to prevent it, alleging that such is the feeling amongst the white against the slayer, that he cannot receive a fair and impartial trial! We submit the case without argument, and demand a verdict from the just men of the North.

Gen. Gus. W. Smith, late of the Confederate army, and well remembered for his distinguished gallantry as a soldier and engineer, recently received his pardon from President Johnson. He is at present in charge of the Southwestern Iron Works and Rolling Mill at Chattanooga. He has fitted up, says an exchange, a beautiful home on the hill overlooking the town of Chattanooga, where, with his charming, accomplished wife, who was so much admired in the gayest circles at the Confederate Capital during the General's command there, he is striving to forget the griefs of defeat in bright hopes of home in future.

CITY INTELLIGENCE.

Birth Day of Washington.—Yesterday was the 136th anniversary of the birth day of George Washington. It has been sixty-nine years since this great and good man died. Since then, the people, who have ever revered his memory and called him the father of their country, have grown in all the elements of national power and glory, and have also experienced some of the fierce struggles and trying vicissitudes which no people have ever yet escaped. So the fate of the liberty his sword achieved and the Government his wisdom and patriotism aided in establishing what they may, his fame will endure and be the common inheritance of mankind.

Yesterday the various public buildings, civil and military, were closed and decorated with the national emblems; also the shipping and the offices of the foreign Consuls. The United States troops stationed in the city, and at Greenville and Jackson Barracks, were ordered out upon parade by Gen. Buchanan, and were reviewed informally by Gen Hancock, before whose headquarters they passed each other in review. The troops consisted of the 1st Infantry, two companies of the 5th Artillery, one company of the 33d Infantry, Battery K, 1st Artillery, and Company G, 3d Cavalry, with the headquarters band. At 12 o'clock a salute was fired by Battery K, 1st Artillery, in honor of the day, at the foot of Canal street.

Alcohtes Taking the Veil—Eight of the Acolytes of the Convent of the Holy Cross, took the veil yesterday forenoon in the Chapel of the Sisters of the Holy Cross. The ceremonies were witnessed by a large number of persons, and the scene was very impressive. Four were candidates for the novitiate and four for full admission, by taking the solemn vows which shut the door upon the fordid communion with the world. These were pronounced in the presence of Rev. Archbishop Odin, Father Jeremiah Moynihan and others of the Church, besides a number of the Sisters.

The Convent of the Holy Cross have control in this city of the Academy of Holy Angels and the Orphan Girls' Asylum of the Immaculate Conception, and all flourishing in the Academy of St. Basil, all in good condition.

Mardi Gras.—The Chief of Police has determined to provide against a recurrence of disturbances such as transpired during the festival of last year, by having the police acting in any manner that may lead to disturbance will be arrested at once, and placed in the lock-up.

Fire.—The alarm of fire given about 8 o'clock last night, was occasioned by the burning of a brick building, used as a cooper shop, New Levee, owned by Mr. Lacroix, and occupied by the Novelty Iron Works Company as a pattern shop. The stock was fully insured. Cause of the fire unknown.

Cutting.—James E. Danbean was arrested last night, charged with cutting and dangerously wounding a man named William Ray.

Perjury Case.—Charles C. Robertson was arrested yesterday on a warrant, charged by John B. Pollinger with perjury. It appears that on Thursday Pollinger was arrested, charged by Robertson with embezzlement, at which time Pollinger appeared with a charge of perjury against Robertson. We hope there may be no need for pistols and coffee.

Burglary.—Mr. Wm. Batcher, residing at No. 85 Josephine street, reports that about 2 o'clock P. M., Friday, his house was entered by some unknown parties, who robbed his armoir of $200 in gold, and about $6 in silver. Upon an investigation made by that affident officer, Lieut. Manning, the wife of Batcher stated that she was informed by a boy that had been lost by her husband over two years ago. Thus the matter stands.

Robbed and Beaten by Soldiers.—Sergt. E. Harking reports that at 12½ o'clock last night, a man, by the name of Phillip Brown, the keeper of the Louisiana Avenue Coffee-House, 96 Tchoupitoulas street, was assaulted by some soldiers of the 1st U. S. Infantry, who stripped and robbed him of his clothing and a small sum of money, and the key of his coffee house. The cap of one of the soldiers is in the police station, and can in all probability be identified.

Serious Charge.—Charles Roberts was arraigned yesterday before Recorder Neville, charged with perjury, had his case fixed for a preliminary examination on the 28th inst., and was required to furnish bail in the sum of $2000 for his appearance. This case has grown out of the imbezzlement case in which over $4000 is involved.

Charged with Larceny—One Harrison Owens was arrested Friday evening, on Julia street, charged by one William Gallaway with stealing $90.

Stabbed.—Yesterday morning one Sampson McCrill, a negro, stabbed one W. M. Brooks, another negro, with a butcher knife. The wound was of a dangerous character, and the affray occurred on Front Levee street. McCrill is in arrest and Brooks was taken to the Hospital.

Approved.—The France Committe have approved the Surveyor's and Street Commission's profile, and they will be ready for paiedi during the early part of the coming week.

Washington Items.

[From Washington Correspondence of N. Y. World.]

THE PRESIDENT AND GENERAL SHERMAN.—*Washington*, Feb. 16—The order making the Department of the Atlantic, or a department of some kind, in keeping with the dignity of General Sherman's rank, and with headquarters at Washington, was several weeks ago determined upon by the Executive, as also was the bravet accordingly also decided upon at the same time, and it was talked over between the President and General Sherman on several occasions, the last being the day on which the latter left for the West. There was no indignation manifested by Sherman at the proposed compliment, nor any question raised about the legality of the proceedings. General Sherman in those conversations did not refuse to accept either the brevet appointment or the command of the proposed new department, and the letter of the alleged dispatch to his brother, if correctly reported, is at variance with the tone and temper evinced by the General in those interviews with the President.

ADJUTANT GENERAL THOMAS.—There is a newspaper statement afloat that Adjutant General Thomas will soon be placed on the retired list of army officers. This is a privilege officers having been in the service a certain number of years *may* be retired. The act is mandatory, but leaves the matter at the discretion of the Executive, who, by the same law, does not contemplate retiring General Thomas.

RIGHTS OF AMERICAN CITIZENS.—The House Committee on Foreign Affairs to-day considered various propositions with a view to reconcile conflicting views on the subject of protecting the rights of American citizens abroad. They will report an entirely new bill.

Several members of the Committee were averse to declaring the right of expatriation on the ground that this was a principle so firmly fixed in the consciousness of the people as a sentiment, but the majority have decided to insert it in the new bill, all decisions of courts everywhere to the contrary notwithstanding.

The following official order has just been issued:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE, }
WASHINGTON, February 18 1868. }

It is recommended to all citizens of the United States, native or naturalized, who have occasion to visit Great Britain or Ireland to preserve carefully with them the evidences of their *habeas corpus* remains suspended. In the latter country citizens of the United States arrested are liable to be detained without prompt examination until they can procure and produce evidence of their citizenship.

(Signed) W. H. SEWARD.

NEW REPUBLICANISM AND THE FIFTEENTH AMENDMENT.—In the Senate to-day, when the joint resolution withdrawing the assent of New Jersey to the fourteenth constitutional amendment was called, the democratic members offered a substitute the same in effect, but presented reasons for the withdrawal. Consideration was postponed until to-morrow.

POSTAL RATES.—Notice has been given the British Postoffice Department that on and from the 1st of March the single rate of postage for letters between the United States and East India via England will be 24 cents per half ounce; and 36 cents via Marseilles. Prepayment compulsory.

THE DIVISION OF TEXAS.—Mr. Stevens submitted a bill for the division of Texas into three States, providing that the Convention about assembling in that State should fix the boundaries of the new States, and, further, that each of them have the same constitution. He thought there ought to be four or five States carved out of Texas territory, but would be satisfied with three. Mr. Stevens will report the bill to the House, so that it may be printed and referred back to the committee for revision, if necessary.

Late Northern Elections.

STILL THEY COME.—Of course! Three Democratic victories in one day will do. Not that they are so great in point of numbers, but they indicate unmistakably the drift of popular sentiment. Elections were held on Tuesday in Binghampton, Updegraff and Erwin, all in this State, which resulted in victories for the Democrats, though each place has long been a Radical stronghold. Here are the figures of the majorities in each place in 1864, 1865, 1867 and 1868:

	1864.	1865.	1867.	1866.	1864.
	Dem.	Dem.	Rep.	Rep.	Rep.
Binghampton	170	—	78	253	336
Updegraff	70	—	244	501	727
Erwin	25	15	—	72	74

This table shows that each of the towns returned handsome Radical majorities in 1864 and 1865; that two of them—the same in 1867; while the third substituted a Democratic majority of 15 for a Radical one of 72; and on Tuesday last every one was carried by the Democrats. A similar change throughout the State will give us 100,000 majority for our Presidential candidate. Friends, let us try for it!—*N. Y. World.*

A GOOD OMEN.—It will be observed, by a dispatch published this morning, that Warrenton has gone Democratic for the first time in fifteen years. Warrenton, we believe, is the home of the gentleman (Major Babcock) from New York, who recently addressed a public meeting here, giving hopeful views of what would be done by the Northern people in the coming elections. This news is a sort of earnest of the correctness of his anticipations. May the same spirit spread.—*Mobile Register.*

[SOMETHING ROTTEN.—The New York *Times* (Rep.) says of the Alabama election:

There must be something rotten about a "reconstruction" that cannot command the votes of three hundred white men throughout the State—probably not of a hundred while men who are not candidates for office. Supplementary bill No. 5 must now make its appearance, in the form of a proposition to allow a majority of the "votes cast to determine the ratification of the Constitution," instead of requiring, as at present, a majority of the votes registered. The indications are not hopeful that even then the Congressional plan will be a success, for the chances are in favor of defeat by a popular vote.

A German Grant Club has been formed in New Haven.

BY TELEGRAPH.

[To the New Orleans Bee.]

FROM WASHINGTON.

Congressional Proceedings.

Further in Regard to the War Department.

The President Leaves the Decision to the Courts.

The Southern Conventions.

FROM HAVANA.

Later from Mexico.

FROM EUROPE.

Foreign and Domestic Markets.

Miscellaneous Intelligence.

From Southwest Pass.

[Previous Dispatches.]

CABLE SUMMARY.—Alarming revolts are reported among the prisoners in India.

La Patrie says Russia is massing troops near the Danube.

Northcote announced in the House of Commons that a telegram of close gave the hope that the war would end this season.

Washington, Feb. 22—The Senate, after a seven hours executive session, resolved that the President had no right to remove Stanton. At 8 o'clock this morning, Gen. Thomas was arrested on a warrant issued by Judge Carter, on the affidavit of Stanton for violation of the 5th section of the tenure of office bill.

Both Houses met to-day for business. The excitement is very great. Thomas was released on bail of $5000 to appear on Wednesday. Stanton occupied the War office last night, and is still in possession.

London, Feb. 22, Noon.—Consols 93¼ to 93¾; American securities agitated by recent news; bonds 71¾.

Frankfort, Feb. 22.—Bonds 7⅛.

Paris, Feb. 22.—Bourse firmer: rentes animated.

Liverpool, Feb. 22, Noon.—Cotton quiet, prices unchanged; sales will not exceed 10,000 bales. Breadstuffs and provisions are unchanged.

Washington, Feb. 22.—Sherman's letter to the President, of January 18, is published. It alludes to the contemplated efforts of himself and Gen. Grant to induce Stanton to resign, Sherman says, if he will not, then it will be time to contrive ulterior measures. Sherman declined the presidential office.

Southwest Pass, Feb. 22, 12:45 P. M.—Wind northeast and light. Weather foggy. Barometer 30.40.

Arrived: Steamship Mazloo, Pitfield, Vera Cruz to Wm. Guldenbow.

Nothing sailed.

Tallahassee, Fla., Feb. 21.—At 4 o'clock this morning the rebels sent in a recruit store next north of Kirksey & Johnson's. The latter were burnt out; insured for $30,000 on stock and $5,000 on building. Also, Isaac Bush building raised some injury. A soldier named Ryan was caught by a falling wall and burned to death; several others injured. The fire is doubted the work of an incendiary.

Charleston, Feb. 21.—The military Mayor, Gen. Burns, entered upon his duty to-day.

The Convention consumed the day in debate. Several of the leading colored delegates have gone to Washington with a view of ascertaining the probable reception of colored Congressmen, and the chance of obtaining from Congress land for negroes.

Richmond, Feb. 21.—Gen. Schofield to day removed the City Recorder and eleven magistrates of the Hustings Court, for having permitted colored supervisors to qualify without taking the required oath.

John Dooley, a prominent merchant, died last night.

In Convention, the day was spent discussing suffrage. On the Conservative's de it was asserted that the white men of the State will never submit to negro rule, and the men who fought under Lee would sooner come out and die in their graves with those who had gone before them. The speech by which he offered the commissioners of Charity reminds one of scenes in Washington and Alexandria during the war, when the "contrabands" (now free and selfish, and the white men of the State will be taxed heavily to colonize them on the best lands of the Government.

Two blacks replied, urging the right of the negro to suffrage, and his capacity to use it for good.

The Convention adjourned till Monday, to observe the 22d.

Grant's Friends and the Congressional Measures.

The Cincinnati *Commercial*, a strong supporter of General Grant, gives some account of a recent Republican conference at Columbus, Ohio, composed of the members of the Legislature of that State. The interchange of opinion on the present public excitement was free, and was distinguished by a freedom of speech not tolerated out of doors." No reporters were present. The name of Grant was received with "great demonstrations of approbation," while "other names were not applauded."

The *Commercial* proceeds with its statement:

"Next after the applause with which the name of Grant was received, the feature of the conference was that which greeted a declaration by one of the most thoughtful and earnest of the Republican members of the Legislature, that he did not do, because Andrew Johnson was President of the United States, to change our form of government; and that in its reconstruction legislation, Congress had been guilty of stepping out of sight of the great historic landmarks of liberty. This was applauded generally, and a number of the gentlemen present made very prudent in office and distinguished in party service uttered similar sentiments, and there was no dissenting voices.

"This occurred in such a connection as pointedly to condemn the recent action of the House of Representatives, thickening the reconstruction bill with the proposition to ask the Supreme Court. The way the Republicans of Ohio propose to commit the work of reconstruction to Grant is not by trying to legislate the General into the office of legislature, but to elect the General to the chief magistracy; and we suppose, however, the Washington atmosphere may be charged with insanity, that Congress is still sensible that in the next presidential election Ohio is worth more than the whole South, upon whatever plan reconstructed."

And yet, notwithstanding all this from Ohio, and from Gen. Grant's friends there, and notwithstanding indications of a similar character, we anticipate that the obnoxious reconstruction bill will pass, and that Grant's friends in Congress will vote for it. The signs are conflicting, but Radicalism is malicious and relentless. And as to those conflicting signs, is there not "some cheating abound the board?"—*Richmond Dispatch.*

BY CONSENT, NOT FORCE.—In the course of his report on the late Christmas, General Banks compliments the new German nation, which unites many States, by the remark: "She has united them together by *consent*, not *force*." It required some efficiency in the General to state such a fact to the Congress. Nor does he soften the rudeness of the announcement by a compliment which immediately follows. He declares the German constitution "redolent of the future," and says "the Republic of the new world" (this "Hail Columbia" of our's) "must adopt with profit many of the progressive provisions." How can Fairian Radicalism stand that? Radicals have assumed perfection, and will not tolerate improvement. That sentiment was a strict party vote.

Richmond, Feb. 22.—News from Washington to-day rejoiced intense excitement. The newspaper bulletins have been in great demand all day.

It is understood that General Schofield will fill vacancies occasioned by the removal of magistrates yesterday, by appointing persons recommended by the City Council, who can take the required oath.

Raleigh, Feb. 22.—The Convention to-day refused to adjourn in honor of Washington's birth day.

Suffrage was discussed to adjournment, without coming to a vote.

The Radical County Convention here to-day, nominated one negro and three whites for the Legislature. The slim affair, only 29 of 30 whites participating.

Tallahassee, Feb. 22.—The Convention to-day.—Work progressing rapidly, and to the satisfaction of all but the needy members. Several ordinances and articles for the constitution were adopted. The franchise provides that all male citizens, twenty-one years of age, shall vote, provided that at the first election, and for one election in 1870, the question of Constitution, only those registered under Congressional laws shall vote.

Savannah, Feb. 22.—Cotton—nothing doing. Sales of 120 bales: middlings nominal at 22½c. Receipts 5586 bales. Exports—coastwise 176, Liverpool 7467.

Atlanta, Feb. 22.—Nothing of importance was done in Convention yesterday, except the reconsideration of the eligibility of voters to the House and Senate.

The report on the basis of representation was reconsidered and so amended as to render all persons eligible to office at the first election under the Constitution. An effort was made to have the State Capital removed to Atlanta. It was defeated for want of a two-thirds vote to suspend the rules. The motion to reconsider the action of yesterday, was entegained in relation to the matter of representation.

Jackson, Miss., Feb. 22.—The Convention adopted resolutions which provide for the appointment of a Committee of Three to visit Washington and lay before Grant, and other functionaries, the true condition of affairs in Mississippi. Also to negotiate a loan of $100,000, to defray the expenses of the Convention; said loan to be paid by taxation—the faith of the State to be pledged for its redemption.

The Broken Heart.

Pale as the white rose withering she lay—
Lovely, though dying, and her eye divine
Gleamed o'er the deepening shadows of decay.
Like a stray sunbeam on a ruined shrine,
She seemed too beautiful for death's embrace,
And holiness swept her as a zone;
Language has fled; but music's plaintive grace
Hung on those lips that had no need of its tone.

O, thou! the perjured, cruel, faithless, blind!
How could'st thou know such sweetness to the dust,
How break the heart where thy loved image shrin'd,
Dwelt in the beauty of undivided trust?
But thou did'st break it. Nature could not rope
With love so storied whose unwilling power,
Even from the very tops chre of hope,
Gushed forth like perfume from a trampled flower.

Tears for thy absence, sighs at thy neglect,
Prayers for thy safety—smiles at thy return,
And a fond blind ness to thy worst defect—
Thus did'st repay with undiscerned scorn.
Yet here she lay, and on her dying bed
She blessed thy name—then kissed the lock of hair
Sent from thy distant home, and fondly read
Then looked to Heaven, and prayed to meet thee there.

And with a holy look of hope and peace,
She bow'd her head—the parting pang was o'er—
Yet no convulsive marked the hallowed release!
The pall'd lip a smile of rapture wore.
Her hand still grasped one relic hence brought,
Worn from the fountain of eternal Day,
And left the image of the breathing thought
Impressed on the unconscious clay.

I saw her buried with patriotic state—
The sable plumes waved proudly o'er her bier,
With all the pomp which riches altogether,
To deck the dust—which they had left so dear,
And as I gaz-d upon th- formal scene,
The cold unfeeling world unfurrowed and art,
I thought one tear of secret grief had been
A fitter tribute to a broken heart.

New York Items.

[From New York Correspondence Charleston Mercury.]

BUSINESS REVIVING.—The wholesale trade continues to improve. Many strangers are seen at the hotels. M st of them are country merchants, chiefly from the West. Their presence has enlivened the dry goods market, and a few large hotses begin to be quite busy. Stewart and Claflin are already turning out goods as fast as the trade can be made up. But the small jobbers find it very hard to make sales. About a dozen large houses in New York do most of the business. The small jobbers in their own hands, and manage it just as they please. The principal rivalry is between Stewart and Claflin and they control the market. What they say goes. All the other dry goods houses must follow suit, and in this way many third class dealers are driven to suspension or failure. The advances in gold and cotton, and the presence of so many buyers have caused a further stiffening in prices. Domestics are two to three cents a yard higher than they were in January, and all woollen goods are quite dear. There is no probability of the spring trade being as good as that of 1866, but it promises to be better than was expected at New Year's. Retail election pears are always bad for business men, and most of our merchants the present one will be the worst of all.

THE RETAIL TRADE.—Most of the retail dry goods men are complaining of A. T. Stewart for making prices so low that he draws all the trade to his own store. One of them told me yesterday that the feeling of the people to him is now even cordial. His duplicity in dealing with the President, has disgusted a large number of Republicans, who do not believe in such rank treachery, however strongly they may believe in Radicalism. These may vote for him if he should be nominated, but it will be rather against their will. The prospects are that he will lead the Radical ticket, but it is quite certain that he will not be a popular candidate, and possible that such a course may cost the wool trade of the Union. Fraine hesitated, and then Stevens said: "Clerk, put him down against impeachment," and Mr. Paine was so registered.

When the vote had been declared, Mr. Stevens said: "Sir, the Republican party has been saved to-day by the action of the Judiciary Committee, at the instance of Gen. Grant and his friends. I have found that for the last two or three days, the men who stood the loudest and threw their hats the highest for U. S. Grant, have been using every exertion to demoralize Mr. Bingham and the other members of this committee who were endeavoring to favor impeachment, that Grant has been using his influence everywhere to defeat the scheme, and that Andrew Johnson has to thank him that he remains undisturbed in the White House. I have been in public life for forty years, and though I do not pretend to any gift of prophecy, I have seldom been more mistaken in my political predictions. I tell you that to-day's rewarding action will cost us New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, and probably three or four more of the Northern States."

It was all to no purpose. The filling of impeachment had been determined on before the Committee met, and the words of Mr. Stevens broke down the fixed opinions of the Committee. After the vote, the members dropped out, and after they had gone, Messrs. Stevens, Farnsworth and Boutwell had a meeting, and talked over the course which they had best pursue. In answer to propositions to revive impeachment in another shape, and bring it before the House, Mr. Stevens said: "It will be better to stop just where we are. There is no use in making ourselves ridiculous before the country, and trying to get up more excitement, and when we come to the point flying in the air." This was the conclusion which the Committee arrived at, to let impeachment rest, at least for the present.

The Reconstruction Committee has agreed to report in favor of removing political disability from a number of prominent Southerners, including Gov. Orr, of South Carolina; ex-Governor Brown, of Georgia; ex-Governor Holden, Gen. Alfred Dockery, Gen Rufus Barringer, Hon. Vict