

TO THE SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF WASHINGTON.

We place before you the above correspondence, with a conviction that the patriot in our land, who remembers the virtues and the services of the Father of his Country...

The Ladies Mount Vernon Association of the Union, in procuring the privilege of presenting the purchase fund to Virginia, proffered for them, through the Association, the opportunity, way the sacred privilege, of laying their grateful offerings on his tomb...

It is not known to all of you, that a few patriotic ladies of the South, consecrated themselves, three years ago, to the accomplishment of this great object. Deterred by no difficulties, discouraged by no opposition...

By degrees they aroused towns and cities, States and Statesmen; enlarged the form and title of their Association, in order that it might embrace every patriot of every age who might desire it; and finally secured a noble reward in the grant, on the 17th of March last, of a liberal charter from the Mother State...

In order to extend the privilege to as many patriots as possible, the contribution of \$1 will secure "membership" and entitle the giver to have his or her name enrolled in that "Registry of Fame" the Mount Vernon Purchase Book...

As the name, rank, and residence of every member to be published in a book, and copies to be deposited at Mount Vernon, in the archives of every State in the Union, and to be a member will hereafter be regarded as a precious privilege...

Our "Charter," with the above publications, will soon be issued in pamphlet form by S. L. PELLET.

The following are the members at present of the Central Committee. The honorary members have the rank of Vice Presidents, but are thus gratefully designated, to note those whose earnest support in the early struggles of this cause has had such an influence on its fate.

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at this! Let, then, the year of 1857 test our progress, and be ever memorable by such a tribute of veneration, as will efface the past forever.

To woman, on such a mission, no heart, no purse could be closed.

She has but to will it—and on his own birth day in 1857, the Home and Grave of the Father of our Country can be publicly and solemnly placed under the sacred guardianship of his Mother State!

And in all coming time, every pilgrim to that hallowed shrine, from the remotest regions of the earth, can there learn who did his dead of love!

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rows already perhaps sufficiently intense. If editors must sport, they should not forget to do so within judicious limits, and not outrage common decency by sacrificing to the god of folly whatever confidences in their truthfulness and discretion they may have chance to acquire from the public.

The Charley and Owlfields Rail Road. The friends of this railroad held a meeting at Clermont the 1st instant. The meeting was composed of delegates from Montgomery, Moore, Richmond and Clatham counties, North Carolina, and from Darlington, Marlboro, and Chesterfield Districts, South Carolina. H. W. Harrington, of Richmond county, was appointed Chairman.

The Convention accepts the Charter. Committees were appointed to secure the services of an Engineer, to open books, to secure the right of way, &c. There is every reason to believe that this road will be constructed, and although we were opposed to granting the charter at first, we yield the point, and say that a charter should be granted to any section where State aid is not required.

Case of Conscience. A celebrated liquor dealer in Boston had his pocket book stolen from him as he was entering a shop. A few days after he received the pocket book through the post-office, (postage unpaid) accompanied by a note, in which the writer stated, that after spending the money he discovered, to his utter horror, that he had been making use of funds obtained in the infamous liquor traffic—he therefore returned the pocket book and would do so with the money if he should be able to lay his hands on it—That's rich.

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From our Correspondent.

CHARLESTON, April 8, 1857.

If I were to wait till the spirit moves me I should not write you a letter to-day; but I have written you for some time, and I must write when the time comes whether the spirit moves me or not. I went on a shooting excursion yesterday, a kind of amusement which I very seldom indulge in, and though I sagged but little game, yet I was unfortunate enough to furnish myself with a first rate headache, under the painful effects of which I am still laboring.

The weather—don't start, gentle reader, I will touch that thread-bare subject lightly—the weather is almost as cold as mid-winter, and ice and frost have been seen in the city several times during the past week, and it seems to be still growing colder.

Gen. George P. Morris of the Home Journal, and his wife, are here, and can be found at the Mills House by those who are fond of him. I should like to see the General myself and ask him a few questions about his friend and associate Nicholas Parker Willis. I do not, of course, believe more than half what I hear, but I would really like to know if it is a fact that Willis is a literary dandy, and oils his hair with the best Maceaser, and curls it with silver tongs.

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LETTER OF HON. R. J. WALKER.

WASHINGTON, March 26, 1857.

My Dear Sir: I have at your request reconsidered my determination, as announced to you, declining your tender of the office of Governor of the Territory of Kansas. In view of the opinion now presented by you, that the safety of the Union may depend upon the selection of the individual to whom shall be assigned the task of settling the difficulties which again surround the Kansas question, I have concluded that a solemn sense of duty to my country requires me to accept this position.

I understand that you, and all your eminent colleagues, in the opinion expressed by me, that the actual bona fide residents of the Territory of Kansas, by a fair and regular vote, unaffected by fraud or violence, may be permitted, in adopting their State constitution, to decide for themselves what shall be their social institutions.

I contemplate no appeal to military power, in the hope that my countrymen of Kansas, from every section, will submit to a decision of this matter by a full and fair vote of the majority of the people of that Territory.

It will go, then, and endeavor thus to adjust these difficulties, in the full confidence so strongly expressed by you, that I will be sustained by all your own high authority, with the cordial co-operation of all your cabinet.

REGISTERED LETTERS.—The New York Times recently published a list of registered letters mailed to that office, which, it alleged were never received.

A HINT TO PLANTERS.—The Mississippi Chronicle very pertinently remarks: The planter who raises abundance of corn this blessed year of '57, will make money largely. All the agricultural world is perfectly wild on the subject of cotton, and the largest crop ever known will be planted.

VIRGINIA AND NORTH CAROLINA.—The last Legislature granted a charter to build a railroad from High Point via Salem, Grandmont, &c., to the Virginia line.

BEAUFORT HARBOR.—We published a few weeks since a letter from Mr. Merrick, giving a graphic description of the landing of two large vessels at Beaufort Harbor, laden with iron for the Atlantic Road.

PHYSICIAN OF MEXICO'S CELEBRATED VERMIFUGE AND LIVER PILLS.

GREENY DAMAGED BY STAMPER.—In Greenville, S. C., a jury has awarded to a young lady \$4000 damages against a stamper of that place for slander.

FOUR DAYS LATER FROM EUROPE.

ARRIVAL OF THE STEAMER ASIA. NEW YORK, April 4.

The Cunard Steamer Asia, from Liverpool on the afternoon of the 21st ultimo, arrived here this forenoon.

The English papers are almost entirely filled with electioneering matters. Parliament will probably be dissolved on Monday next.

The third meeting of the Neuchâtel Conference will be held immediately, favorable instructions have been received from Prussia. A conference upon the condition of Turkish Principalities will be held in Paris, probably in June.

Austria, it is reported is on the point of breaking off diplomatic relations with Sardina, and that the Sardinian Government would send a large sum for fortifications.

The treaty abolishing the Danish Sound Dues was signed on the 4th.

The British are having a difficulty with Japan. Two ships of war have occupied the port of Nagasaki.

The Prussian Minister at Constantinople has demanded an explanation respecting a force of three hundred Poles fitted out by English sympathizers who have landed in Greece.

The Sardinian Chamber of Deputies voted five millions of francs to put the fortifications of Alexandria in an immediate state of defense.

Full instructions were sent from Cadix on the 12th of March to the Governor General of Havana respecting the difficulties with Mexico.

The Irish liberals have adopted their electioneering programme, of which the following are the leading points:

1. Tenant right, as recently modified. 2. The disendowment of all religious sects, and the abolition of the Irish church as a state establishment. 3. Religious equality, involving the repeal of the ecclesiastical titles act. 4. The enlargement of the country franchise. 5. The abolition of the property qualifications.

A modification of the French Cabinet is again discussed. It is believed that the object is to incorporate the Cabinet with the Department of State and Imperial Household.

It is rumored that Coughlin would be recalled from Cuba. Doubtful.

The text of the Sound dues treaty is published. Denmark engages not to levy any dues whatever on vessels passing the Hellesund; also to maintain lights, buoys, &c., at the approaches of its ports and along the coast.

Private letters received in Paris state that the baker and three apprentices had been convicted of an attempt to poison the first of the Emperor's children, the Prince de Joinville, at Hong Kong, and shot. It is said that a great portion of Canton, both within and without the walls has been destroyed.

The Paris correspondent of the London Daily News asserts positively that negotiations are progressing between France and England, for the sending of a French army of 20,000 men to China.

FOUR DAYS LATER FROM EUROPE. ARRIVAL OF STEAMER CANADIAN. PORTLAND, April 8.

The steamer Canadian, with arrivals from Liverpool on the 25th ultimo, has arrived. The cotton market was dull and unchanged, with sales for the three days of 15,000 bales—for speculation and export 2,400—Broadwatts dull and lower. Money easier. Consols 92 1/2.

Diplomatic relations have been suspended between Austria and Sardinia.

The Niagara has arrived out on the 23d. Parliament has been dissolved. The vote of the new Parliament are returnable on the 30th of April.

The English press speak favorably of Mr. Buchanan's inaugural.

A British steamer has forced the fort Waagsaath in Japan, because refused admission contrary to treaty. The Emperor has opened three ports, but the crews of foreign ports are forbidden to penetrate to the interior.

LATER FROM EUROPE. ARRIVAL OF STEAMER NIAGARA. NEW YORK, April 9.

The steamer Niagara has arrived, with later advices from Europe.

Cotton was generally unchanged, except for inferior grades, which are 10 lower. Sales of the week 43,000 bales. Broadwatts declined. Money tighter. Consols 92 1/2.

The English elections are considered favorable for the Government.

The Emperor of China disavows the proceedings of the Governor of Canton.

DEATH OF ANDERSON THE TRAVELLER.—The Andromeda of Stockholm, of March 2, says: "We have just received the news of the death of the celebrated Swedish traveller, Mr. Anderson. In some time ago set out on his third journey into the interior of Africa to make zoological researches, and after having explored the banks of the Tighe and of Lake Ngami, he undertook, in company with an Englishman, Mr. Green, an expedition to an easterly direction, and succeeded in reaching a country into which no other European ever penetrated. There he met a young elephant and went in pursuit of it; just as he was on the point of overtaking it a very large elephant jumped on him, on which the animal attacked Mr. Anderson and killed him by trampling him under foot. Mr. Anderson was buried on the spot on which he was killed. His numerous and valuable collections have been deposited at the consulate of Sweden and Norway, at the Cape of Good Hope."

WHERE?—A married lady who was in the habit of spending most of her time in the society of her neighbors, happened one day to be suddenly taken ill, had sent her husband in great haste for a physician. The husband ran a short distance, but soon returned, exclaiming: "My dear, where shall I find you when I get back?"

Belts! Belts! Belts!! INDIAN RUBBER BELTS, from the Boston Belting Company, at 31 South Street, Boston. 3 inch, 3 ply, 17 cents per inch. 4 " " " 22 " " " 5 " " " 27 " " " 6 " " " 32 " " " 7 " " " 37 " " " 8 " " " 42 " " " 9 " " " 47 " " " 10 " " " 52 " " " 11 " " " 57 " " " 12 " " " 62 " " " 12 " " 4 ply 32 " " " BOONE & CO. Charlot., April 14, 1857. 36-419