

W. W. HALL, J. W. SLEDGE, PROPRIETORS.

SPEAKER CARLISLE, who has been so well for two or more weeks, has so far recovered as to resume his seat as presiding officer of the House.

THE New York Herald after coolly reflecting itself on electing Mr. Cleveland to the Presidency says that the Sheridan boom had better be examined critically by both Cleveland and Blaine.

THE Democratic Executive Committee of the State has called a meeting at Raleigh on Thursday, February 23rd for the purpose of naming a date and place for holding the State Democratic Convention.

MR. HENRY GEORGE has graciously announced that he will not further antagonize Mr. Cleveland and the Democratic party, and consequently a great many people breathe easier, among them Mr. George himself.

PRINCE BISMARCK in a speech to the German Reichstag on Tuesday said that so far as France is concerned the prospect has become more peaceful, and that he apprehended no attack from Russia. As his speech was in support of the Army bill his statements may be believed.

THE caucus of Democratic members of Congress held last week elected a Congressional committee for campaign purposes, consisting of one member from each State. We are glad to note that our young Representative, F. M. Simmons was chosen to represent North Carolina on the committee. His selection was most excellent, and he will certainly make a good one.

A Chicago paper declares that there has been in existence for several months a political secret society, whose avowed purpose is to control the Republican National Convention and to prevent by any means the nomination of James G. Blaine for the Presidency by the convention. The candidate of the society for the Presidential nomination is Judge Walter R. Graham. With Sherman, Graham and Sheridan all in the field it is not probable that the man from Maine will have a walkover. Indeed it has been rumored that he would retire from the field.

A Western syndicate has purchased the famous Libby Prison at Richmond, and will remove and re-erect it in Chicago. It will be taken down very carefully, each piece numbered, and will be put up again so as to appear exactly as it does now. Even the same nails will be used. One of the syndicate in talking of the scheme said that there is no idea in it of waving the bloody shirt, it is simply a business speculation for what there is in it. Now if John Sherman can have it ready for the next National Republican convention and induce that body to meet within its walls the soldier election might boom him into the nomination.

REPRESENTATIVE HENDERSON, of this State has offered a bill to devote the surplus in the treasury to educational purposes which would go into effect on the 1st of next July. It is intended to aid common schools on the principle of the bill enacted in 1836. It would be given to the several States without any restrictions and in that respect is more acceptable than the Blair bill. If Congress is so very anxious to reduce the surplus by aiding education it would be much better to do so on the plan proposed by Mr. Henderson than that contained in the Blair bill. But we prefer that the surplus should be reduced by reducing taxation.

IN reply to a letter of a constituent asking why he had voted for Mr. Lamar's confirmation as Associate Justice of the Supreme court, Senator Isham Stanford said he did so because he considered him one of the best men in the South for the place; that he is a broad, liberal-minded man of a great deal of learning; that he is a thoroughly converted Unionist; that Mr. Lamar's loyalty and integrity to the Union was passed upon conclusively when both Houses of Congress provided for the succession to the presidency and made him as their only a few removes from the presidency; and that he did not think it wise to reject anyone on the ground alone that he was engaged in the late war. And this will be, if it is not already, the general sentiment of the North and West as soon as the other second thought can assert itself.

A movement is alleged to be on foot in Maine to overthrow the prohibitory policy. For over thirty years prohibitionists have had all the legislation they desired upon the subject, and the failure of prohibition to prohibit has led to this hostile movement. It looks to the formation of a license party. The parties interested in the movement declare that the present prohibitory law is strong and impracticable, subversive of the personal liberty of the citizen and that it cannot be enforced without resort to extreme arbitrary methods.

This voice the sentiments of a large number of both Republicans and Democrats, but whether they can be induced to sever their party ties and rally under the banner of license remains to be seen. A prominent Republican observer says: "It is my candid belief that within five years Maine will change and be a license law State. I am satisfied that high license, with proper safeguards, will do more to promote the cause of temperance than prohibition."

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NO BETTER CAN BE FOUND.

A writer in the News of Observer nominates Cape T. W. Mason, of Northampton county, for Lieutenant Governor. The Democratic party could not possibly find a more able, high-toned, eloquent, christian gentleman to fill the place than the Hon. Thomas W. Mason. He would make a brilliant canvasser and captivate the people, both by his utterances on the stump and by his personal magnetism. He would add greatly to the strength of the ticket. The letter referred to says: "For the office of Lieutenant Governor we need also a strong, good man, one who will make vigorous and active campaign and in whom the people repose the strictest confidence. Thomas W. Mason, of Northampton county, will fill this bill, and he is eminently fitted for the office of Lieutenant Governor. He is a man of the highest character and standing, and is one of the most eloquent and effective stump speakers in the State. He is a successful farmer, a successful lawyer, a Christian gentleman and a consistent member of a wide-spread religious denomination, and an honored member in high fellowship of the respected order of Masons. His county has a Republican majority of from seven hundred to one hundred, and yet he was elected to the last Senate by a handsome majority. In 1858 Northampton county laid in the gubernatorial chair one of the noblest and best of its citizens, in the person of the late Hon. Thos. Bragg, who defeated the strongest opponent the opposite side had, by a majority of one of the thousands and the second old county stands nearly in 1888 to furnish his like, in the person of Thos. W. Mason for Lieutenant Governor."

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THE CASE OF GEORGE.

MR. R. F. GEORGE, the writer of the following certificate, is a reliable and progressive farmer, living in Hill county, Texas. His nearest post office being Milford, Ellis county. His case and its remarkable cure attracted much attention in his neighborhood. Any one wishing further particulars can write to Mr. George, or to Dr. T. B. Bond, the druggist at Hillsboro, through whom Mr. George got the medicine, and who furnishes an endorsement of Mr. George's statement.

To the Swift Specific Co., Atlanta, Ga.: This is to certify that I had a cancerous wart on my eyelid, as large as the end of my thumb, which had the appearance of cancer, causing me much pain and inflammation, from which I suffered a long time. Seeing S. S. S. advertised I commenced using it, and after the use of a few bottles the sore dropped out, my cancerous wart was cured, and I was entirely relieved. This has been several months ago, and I have felt no symptoms of a return, and believe I am entirely well.

Respectfully, R. F. GEORGE, Milford P. O., Ellis Co., Texas, November 3, 1887.

Hillsboro, Tex. Nov. 3, 1887. To the Swift Specific Co., Atlanta, Ga.: Dear sirs, I am familiar with the case of Mr. R. F. George, who is one of the most reliable citizens of Hill county, and bear testimony to the correctness of the above statement.

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Another remarkable case is that of Mr. A. B. Shanks, of Spartanburg, S. C., who was troubled with a sore on the left cheek, constantly growing worse. He consulted many physicians, but none of them could do him any good. A short time after he began taking S. S. S., the sore disappeared. He writes: "I have every faith in S. S. S. It has done me more good than all the doctors and other medicines I ever took."

Mr. W. M. Standfield, of Hampton, Henry county, Ga., was afflicted with one of the most violent and remarkable cancers in the history of this terrible disease. He had a "cancer" on his face, for twelve years, and it was about to destroy his eyesight. Numbers of doctors started on him without helping him. About a year ago he began taking a regular course of S. S. S. The result is set forth in his own words: "In six weeks I felt greatly improved. The cancer was arrested in its progress and has gradually healed, and is now entirely well, the discolored tissue having been removed and the flesh filled in with new flesh up to the margin of the eyelid. For several months I have considered myself sound and well, and to-day physicians pronounce me well. My case has been a matter of astonishment to my friends and neighbors, who witnessed my wonderful cure. The doctors who know of my case admit the extraordinary power of the Swift Specific in this dreadful and seemingly incurable disease."

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