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A STARTLING RUMOR.

A startling report comes to us through a telegram which we find in the New York World. "There is a rumor," the dispatch says, "which is gaining ground, that it is proposed to establish a large garrison of regular troops, possibly in the Washington Arsenal, which is now used for the manufacture and storage of military supplies. The troops composing it will be at the headquarters of the regiment, with its band and about six companies. At the same time extra quarters and camping grounds will be so arranged that the garrison could in a few hours be augmented to several thousand. If this plan is carried out it will be in direct opposition to the wishes of Congress. General Hancock is quoted as being opposed to garrisening troops in Washington, and it is believed correctly. He would certainly oppose always any such inadvised attempt, monarchical in its character and suicidal to the discipline of the regular army. It is safe to assert that if Congress should be asked for an appropriation for the establishment of a garrison here an unanimous vote of the members, Republicans and Democrats, for any such purpose."

This rumor is so startling that at first thought it appears incredible. But when the character of those who control the army is considered there arises food for severe thought. McCrary, the superservicable tool of an unscrupulous admin istration, Sherman, the incendiary bum. mer and Sheridan, the barn-burner and the assassin of the defenceless Piegan old men, women and children, are not too good for anything that may look to a subjection of the civil to the military power and the consequent overthrow and destruction of the liberties of the people. The fraudulent administration would also lend itself with alacrity to such a scheme. The immediate object would be, of course, to overawe and threaten Democratic Congress and by this desperate means to attain full control of the operations of the law-making branch of the government; from this to a forced dissolution and dispersion bayonets in the Capital and Grant for Dictator, then King, would be a comparaing would perhaps be the most difficult and we shall see, if there is any truth in the rumor, of what stuff our Conresult.

NOT DISBANDED.

The New York Herald is a great paper, an able paper, and as a mere newspaper stands unrivalled for the energy and accuracy with which it is conducted; told that Grant will accept the Presibut when it att mpts to give shape and direction to politics, or to prophecy as to political results, its vagaries are often more amusing than valuable or instruc-

We are forcibly impressed with this fact from reading a long editorial in its Monday's issue, in which it assumes that there is a fair prospect of the speedy disbandment of the Democratic organizations of the South, and, taking that as a stand point, argues that General Grant \$100,000,000 would have a large following in this seetion. It does not treat the matter lightly, or as if such a thing was a remote possibility, but with all gravity and as if the dissolution was already impending and might be expected at any time. I makes such a strong probability of the macter that it speculates at much length upon the results which will be likely to follow the act. It is a paper that will be read with avidity by the Stalwarts of General Butler, who is here, thinks the North, for whose particular delectation and lelight it was undoubtedly spec ially prepared, but it will have but little weight or influence among those who are well acquainted with the habits and sentiments of the Southern people.

The probability that the Democracy of the South will disband its organization and become merged into other political parties, is about as great as is the procability that the New York Herald will make a radical change in its methods of doing business, and become merged in, and assume the name of, the New York Tribune. The Democracy of the South is true to itself, true to its great and vital principles which underlies and sustains the entire political structure upon which all that is worthy the name of free government rests. and true to the country. It has been thrown for awhile under a cloud, through the machinations of evil and designing men spurred to action by sectional and jealous animosities and intolerant hate,

vigor, and will rise by the might of its millions of voters and sline like bright particular stars in the political heavers to guide the "Ship of State" to increased influence, wealth, power and pres; erity A few disaffected and disappointed individuals may wander into the folds of some party organization that may seem to offer a more inviting field for a share in the loaves and fishes of office, but the masses, the true, the patriotic and unselfish yeomanry of the South, will not waver nor wander from the ranks of the Democratic party. There is bound to be a "Solid South" so long as its people are treated with derision, contempt and hatred by the North. There will be no truculent spirit manifested towards any section of the country, nor towards any man, whoever he may be. Threats will not a dividate nor will falsehood materi-. Hect us. "We have endured all these and we expect their continuance, but such arguments will not affect the gort g down staits discovered a burg.an votes when the hour of trial shall come.

There seems to be a desire on the part of the Republican, and so-called Independent, newspapers of the North to become the political advisors of the South and this section has been inflicted ad nauseam, by these would be chronic guardians of our political welfare. They seem to labor under the insane idea that the South, politically, socially and morally, is dangerously sick, and they have the antidote and panacea by which all these ills may be cured. They cannot be made to know that the South especially the Democracy of the South, in all these particulars, is strong and healthy and full of life and vigor. The Herald labors under a still greater would be recorded against giving a dollar | delusion than many of its contemporaries and places the party in articulo mortis, and attempts to administer upon the estate before the funeral rites have been performed, and in fact while the corpse is vet a cause of live vanxiety among the Stalwarts of the North.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

WASHINGTON, D. C. Nov 25, 1879. It is getting to be understood that either the Secretary of the Treasury or Mr. Ha es, or both of them, wil recommend to Congress the retirement of the legal tenders. It does not by any means follow that Con gress will consent, nor that Secretary Sherman will adhere to the idea a great while. The Secretary's growth in financial beliefs has been gradual and not always consistent. He has seen times when Solon Chase, in bis wildest days, was hardly a better Greenbacker. If he finds, as he probably will, that public sentiment is averse to the destruction of the greenback system he will yet deliver eulogies upon it.

I have before referred to the 'Southern Republican Club' of this of the representatives of the people, city, made up at times of cheap white politicians and adventurers from the Southern States, occasionally made more respectable by an influx into tively easly nat er. The first undertak- its ranks of members of negroes, and nearly all the time in quarrels over the few offices given its members. The club is now two clubs-it is a pair. As near as can be understood. gressmen are made. We do not fear the the office-seekers joined together to freeze out the office holders, but as Secretary Sherman is with the latter, and no other prom nent man takes any interest in the matter, the outsiders may be said to have the hot end of the

> Much credit is now given to the story dency of a Nicaragua Canal Compay if the subscriptions at home and abroad are sufficient to ensure success to the enterprize. It is one of the most notable characteristics of the man that his admiration is inspired sooner and to a greater extent by a large sum of money than by anything else. His first Cabinet, as suggested, was made up of millionaires. The enormous proposed capital of the Canal Compan -\$100,000,000, must have a powerful attraction for him. He will accept if the capital is made

> I have private letters from Maine, and have interviewed an ex-Governor of the State who lives here, and am prepared to make affidavit that the Radicals down there are in greater ex citement than in 1876. They seem to feel the State slipping ont of their hands, and that event at this time means its final loss. Sepator B aine and Representative Frye, now here, do not conceal their anxiety, though they say everything will be right in the State next year. I believe them.

he will be a candidate for Congress next year, rather than for the Govern orship of Massachusetts. He might be both, and keep one eye on the Presidency too. By the way, there is a proposition to turn him out of 3000 the management of the Voluteer Soldiers' Homes. There are four of these-one each in Maine, Ohio, Wis consin, and Virginia. Whatever the General's multitudinous sins may be, he was certainly the earliest and most efficient friend of these Homes, and during the years of their successful operation has given freely of time and money to their management. I trust he will be allowed to keep his place on the Board, at least until Massachuc'ett, or some part of it, elects him to public office.

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MOUNSHINE

chromo .- Puck.

A correspondent wishes to know the best way to winter geraniums. The best and chearest way is to sling 'em over the back fence and buy a new lot in the spring -Boston Post.

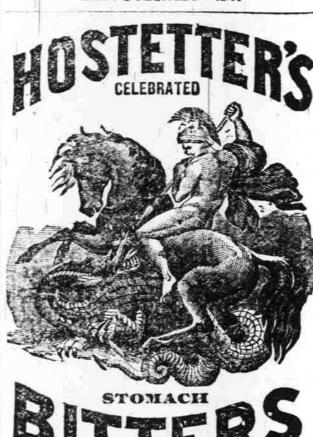
Boston Transcript: 'An article going the rounds is headed, 'Where Women Never Go.' We know where women never go. They never go back on a man who behaves himself, and seldom when he does not behave him

As through fashion's decree, ladies fresses grew small, gentlemen's pants were enlarged, and now that hoops are afficted, trousers legs begin to get tight. That's the general rule-the looser the women the tighter the men. -Rockland Courier.

A Cinciunati man, noted for his skill in borrowing money, which he never endy, was awakened the other night by a noise in the parier below, and here He made ble acquaintance at ses and borrowed all the money the poor burglar had. Housepreakers o pnot be too careful nowadays. - Ci-Saturday Night.

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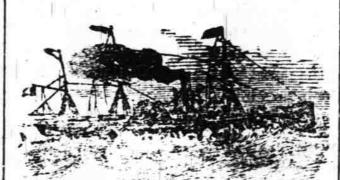
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