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OBSERVATIONS.

James Gordon Bennett is fitting out a private expedition in England to discover the North Pole. That young man is rapidly advancing on the road to ruin.

A nephew of Sir Walter Scott saws wood in Montreal for a living. His uncle made his living by writing books, which is much harder work than sawing wood.

They are publishing odes to "Gentle Spring" in New York, with a foot of snow on the ground—ditto in the mountains of Virginia. The same has been done here, but Jack Frost came along a few nights ago and put a stop to it.

The coming bonnet is to have a hurricane deck and a bell-tower, and will also have a mildew, birds of paradise, quail, and Welch rabbits. Architects are planning higher doers for its accommodation.

"We then kissed all round," says Brother Beecher. Beecher kissed Tilton and Mrs. Tilton, and Tilton kissed Mrs. Tilton and Beecher, and Mrs. Tilton kissed Beecher and Tilton.

It turns out that Ben Butler's efforts to secure the passage of the civil-rights bill were of the most selfish description. He believed that under the provisions of the bill, whenever denied admission to a hotel dining-room on account of the silverware, he could spread his character over his face, thus rendering it blacker than the ace of spades, and go in as a negro.

During some of the interviews between Beecher, Tilton and Moulton at the house of the last named, there would seem to have been no little serious done. Brother Beecher, restrained, as he doubtless was, by a true inwardness, does not seem actually to have sworn himself, but that he often sat upon the ragged edge of profanity, he gives us pretty clearly to understand.

"Fame, Love, Hope," says a scribbler in a Philadelphia weekly, to whose intelligence it was a real charity to suppose it possible that he knows what he is talking about—"these are the grandest words in any language." To this bit of nonsense Laura Matilda would possibly reply:

Oh, in all this world a grander word than fame, love, hope, and hope, is the word that he is talking about: "These are the grandest words in any language." To this bit of nonsense Laura Matilda would possibly reply:

When the Khedive's diamond present to Mrs. Fitch first reached the New York Custom-house, it was said to be worth \$400,000. In a short time they told us it was worth but \$80,000. Then they fell to \$250,000, and down, until they have got as low as \$70,000. At this frightful rate of depreciation in value it won't be a great while, we fear, before Mrs. Fitch will be glad to sell the thing for two dollars and a half.

At a recent spelling match at Columbia, Tenn., for the benefit of one of the churches there, the teachers immediately brought on a personal difficulty between a clerk in a grocery store and the word "theopropy." No sooner was the offending word thrown to the young man than, with the widest confidence in his ability to knock both Worcester and Webster into the middle of next week at a single blow he hurled it back mangled, mutilated and bleeding, thus: "W-r-a-p-wrap, s-o, wrap-o, d-a, wrap body."

And then there rose with a yell, "As if the folks from heaven had fallen, had rung the banner cry of Brooklyn."

Rev. Charles Phillips at Hampden Sidney, Va. A correspondent to the Richmond Whig writes: "The closing exercises of the Theological school at this place began last night, when a sermon was preached in the evening by Rev. Dr. Phillips, Professor of Mathematics in Davidson College, North Carolina. The Doctor took for his text a passage in the 5th verse, 4th chapter of 1st John, 'This is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith.' He said that the contest between faith and sight began in Eden when the beauty and desirableness of the forbidden fruit, as seen with the eye by our first mother, prevailed above the word of the Lord, and faith fell before sight."

The Theological Seminary at Hampden Sidney, numbered this session 77 students. Twenty-four are from Virginia; 14 from North Carolina and 13 from Tennessee. Twenty of the students received their literary education at Hampden Sidney, eighteen at Davidson, N. C., twelve at Washington and Lee, six at King College, four at the University of Virginia, three at Stewart College, Tenn., and three at Westminster, Mo. The senior or graduating class consists of twenty-five.

"NATIONAL HONOR THE TRUE BASIS OF NATIONAL PROSPERITY."

The Committee of Ways and Means of the Centennial Association, sent out a circular, which has already been published in these columns, requesting aid to the proposed celebration, and for the purpose of erecting a monument in honor of our patriot fathers. One of these circulars fell into the hands of a Northern bondholder, and he replies in the following strain:

NEW YORK, April 14th, 1875.

DEAR SIR:—I should be delighted to contribute largely to the proposed "commemoration of the kindling of the first fire of liberty on American soil," but relying upon the honor of the old State, I once invited in North Carolina bonds, and the result has been abject poverty ever since, to me and mine. The best therefore that I can do beyond wishing you much success in the celebration, is to suggest as a theme for the orator upon the occasion, "National Honor as the only true basis of National Prosperity."

Yours, X. Y. Z.

P. S.—Would my bonds be of any use to you in the barbecue?

This anonymous bondholder demands a reply, and we should be untrue to ourself, and to our people, did we not do it.

The first thing that occurs to us is that the honor of North Carolina has always been held sacred among true North Carolinians, but while we get some discredit for the late state of our finances, and our utter inability to meet some of our debts, there are facts at the bottom of it all, which will leave our honor, of which the bondholder seems to prate, as pure and unimpaired as the noonday sun.

At the beginning of the war there was no State in the Union whose "honor," and whose financial condition stood higher than our good "Old North State." Without a voice in the matter she was plunged headlong into the vortex of civil war in 1861.

She followed the States North, South and West of her, by impulse, and we may say by intuition, and how she conducted herself, and how she sustained her "honor," is recorded on the underlying pages of history, by her one hundred and fourteen thousand soldiers.

The war over, her sons repaired to the old homestead to find, perhaps the charred remains of what was once, "the dearest spot on earth," with the value of a hundred thousand dollars' worth of slave property totally destroyed, with poverty and want and destitution, staring hundreds of the best men in the State, in the face.

We could pursue this subject further, but the heart sickens at its bare mention, and we do not produce it now, except to show that the complaints of this bondholder, while in fact they may be true, does not raise an imputation, as to the honor of North Carolina.

He, and such as he, taking up the refrain of William Lloyd Garrison, Wendell Phillips, Thurlow Weed and such as they, in the violation of the constitution in the passage of "personal liberty bills," &c., &c., brought on the war, and made a crusade against the South, of which the State of North Carolina, was an integral part. Not content with destroying the property invested in slaves; not content with destroying our then credit; not content with heaping ignominy and shame, as far as in them lay, upon a brave, and magnanimous foe, it remained only for them to send a swarm of carpet-baggers, worse than the locusts of Egypt, to eat out what little sustenance was left to us. We desire it to be understood that we do not refer to those Northern men who have come among us to become citizens, but to the bummers, who followed in the wake of Sherman, (many of them from the Northern Penitentiaries) and who by fraud, intimidation and bribery, were inducted into our legislative halls, to plunder, steal, and make laws for honest people. And, when once invested with authority, then commenced a system of robbery, and corruption, such as makes the blood recoil to contemplate even now. The few honest men in the Legislature, who struggled to prevent this wholesale stealing, in the name of North Carolina, and upon the credit and reputation for honesty, were swept down before the combined might of these caricatures upon honesty, and the wild wretches went on until North Carolinians, while experiencing the effect of an "exhausted" judiciary, and groaning under the bayonets of Holden and Kirk, rose in their might, and swept these imps of stygian darkness from power and place.

Then, and not till then, did North Carolina, become responsible for the debts contracted in the name of North Carolina, and if at this late day she proposes to pay off a part of the indebtedness, which such bondholders as "X. Y. Z." now hold, he must appreciate the fact, that it is only because of that very sense of "honor," which he derides, which actuates her legislators, and her sons, and not because she feels morally, or legally compelled to pay one iota.

We are surprised that "X. Y. Z." should have the audacity to impugn the "honor" of North Carolina, by insinuating innuendoes, such as he makes in his letter, when he must know the causes which led to the depreciation of our credit, and if he intends it as a stigma upon the character of one people, or our State, we can back the vile slander, in his teeth, and assure him that our State, as well as "National honor" is as dear to us, and we will do as much to vindicate it, as he, or any such as he.

"X. Y. Z." has probably fattened on "Credit Mobilier" jobs, or Sanborn-

Jayne contracts; he has probably studied the political ethics of the present Federal administration (and if he has not he ought to do so); he ought to make himself familiar with the history of Federal Legislation, before he dares to cast a stain upon the escutcheon of North Carolina, who has always found a line of conduct under theegis of the Constitution, and if she does nothing else, prides herself upon her honesty, and her law-abiding love of justice.

THE TRUE THEORY.

Col. Julian Allen has been making a tour through the Southern States, and has discovered the true theory of why the Southern people have been prevented from acquiring that degree of prosperity which our climate, our soil and the character of our people would seem to indicate. We take pleasure in laying before our readers the following letter from Col. A. to the New York Herald, and published in that paper on the 14th inst:

Having seen your excellent editorial article, and also read the accurate descriptive letter of Mr. Charles Nordhoff in your issue of to-day, and having but recently returned from a trip of observation South, I beg to tell you upon your columns also in the interest of truth and justice. The people of the South, by occupation tillers of the soil, are naturally more confiding than we in the North who are chasing for the almighty dollar, regardless of any other consideration—a sentiment which has so corrupted us, that we have become very sharp and at a very low grade of morality as well as religion. While the whole of us are bad enough there are still degrees of depravity, and the lowest of our people, soon after the war, rushed upon those unfortunate Southerners with all the rapacity of hungry wolves after a dying animal, deceiving the colored people, betraying and wronging the white. They found a ready means of enriching themselves to such an extent that it seems now as if the spoliators could do no more than to rob the dead of the pennies to cover their eyes, and kick the corpses because they had only two optics apiece.

Thank Heaven the people of the North and South are black justices, though already so much damaged is done, that to bring prosperity once more home to all this country, more especially to the South, where they need it most, we must know each other, know each other's wants and exert ourselves honestly in the matter to protect it, be it white or black justice. One unfortunate and mighty drawback to prosperity at present anywhere in this Union is that the administration of President Grant is at enmity with the South and shuts its eyes to the true needs of the Southern people. I am convinced of such facts by my own knowledge and the many declared assertions of the President on these subjects and finding the actual state of things in the South. Suppose the North had been so unfortunate as to make a mistaken rebellion and we had lost our wealth, spirits and other things that go to make prosperity and happiness and then a swarm of unprincipled robbers should come here and strip us of all our local affairs, deceive our laborers, almost inciting them to insurrection, disorganize our quiet, as the carpet-baggers have done South, would we tamely submit? No! Would we not denounce them as a more than a fashionable Broadway suit? Very quickly would we do so. Would General Grant attempt to declare martial law? No, no!

Then let us do to our poor sisters as we would have them do to us. I bear witness to the truth of your article.

Respectfully yours, JULIUS ALLEN.

NEW YORK, April 9, 1875.

Beecher confided to Eli Perkins (who is trying to write an intelligent view of the Brooklyn trial to the Chicago "Inter-Ocean") his opinion about Frank Carpenter, who will testify for the plaintiff. Said Beecher:

Well, in London bar-rooms they have a long tin trough behind the bar into which the bar-tender pours the leavings from the soda-drinker's tumbler. If a man sips his gin, down goes the tin rinsing into the trough. If he drinks beer then the beer rinsings run into the trough. At the end of this tin trough is a wooden tub into which all this debris from the bar runs, and they call it "all sorts." That is Frank Carpenter, and he is full and running over with second-hand rinsings here and there and every local small beer and soda-water concoctions of Frank or Theodore.

The Northern press, taking its cue from a malicious and unscrupulous Senator Morton, who was not over-cordially welcomed when there recently, is bewailing the fate of New Orleans under the caption of "The Dying City." Now this is all nonsense. New Orleans is no more dying than any other commercial city in the West. Radicalism, or rather Grantism, has done all it could to trample the life out of the noble city, and would have succeeded but for its splendid physique and wonderful vitality. There is no danger now, having passed through the purifying fires and still kept the faith, that New Orleans will ever die; it has a solid foundation, both physically and commercially, for its success, and under good government, will be able to recover rapidly from the depressing incubus of Radicalism. True, trade may have been lost to it, but that is nothing. It will be made up in the course of time from other sources. The Southern Pacific railroad must add much to the importance and wealth of the place, while the entire trade of the Gulf has to be done through that city. Texas has no other port—not even Galveston—for the hundreds of steamers that are all too shallow to admit foreign shipping of greater draught than ten feet. We have no fears or tears for New Orleans, and our friends may as well spare theirs, for she is still worth a dozen dead or "Dying Cities."

RAILROAD ACCIDENT.—As the eastern bound train was passing on an embankment near Capt. J. C. Tate's, 3 miles west of Morganton, on Tuesday, the 13th inst., the coupling detached and the mail and baggage coach was thrown from the track and rolled down the embankment, considerably "smashed up." Fortunately the route agent was not in his office, and "no body hurt."—Fleming Press.

aztec Creation-Myths. The following is from advance sheets of volume III of Bancroft's "Native Races," being the Aztec's idea of the origin of man.

The Mexicans in most of the provinces where agreed that there was a God in Heaven called Citlaltonac, and a goddess called Citlalicue; and that this goddess had given birth to a flint knife, Tecpatl. Now she had many sons living with her in Heaven, who seeing this extraordinary thing were alarmed and flung the flint down to the earth. It fell in a place called Chicomoztoc, that is to say the Seven Caves, and there immediately sprang up from it one thousand six hundred gods. These gods being set on the earth—though as will hereafter appear, there had been men in the world at a former period—sent up their messenger Tlotl, the Hawk, to pray their mother to empower them to create men, so that they might have servants as became their lineage. Citlalicue seemed to be a little ashamed of these sons of hers, born in so mean a manner, and she twitted them cruelly enough on what they could hardly help. Had you been what you ought to have been, she exclaimed, you would still be in my company. Nevertheless she told them what to do in the matter of obtaining their desire: Go beg of Mictlanecuhtli, Lord of Hades, that he may give you a bone or some, ashes of the dead that are with him; which having received you shall sacrifice over it sprinkling blood from your own bodies. And the fallen gods having consulted together, sent one of their number called Xolotl, down to Hades as their mother had advised. He succeeded in getting a bone of six feet long from Mictlanecuhtli; and then, wary of his grisly host, he took an abrupt departure, running at the top of his speed. Wroth at this, the infernal chief gave chase; not causing to Xolotl, however, any more serious inconvenience than a hasty fall in which the bone was broken in pieces. The messenger gathered up what he could in all haste, and despite his stumble bore it off as quickly as he could. Reaching the earth he put the fragments of a bone in a basin, and all the gods drew blood from their bodies and sprinkled it into the vessel. On the fourth day there was a movement among the wetted bones, and a boy lay there before all, and in four days more, the blood letting and sprinkling being still kept up a girl was lifted from the ghastly dish. The children were given to Xolotl to bring up, and he fed them on the juice of the maguay. Increasing in stature they became man and woman; and from them are the people of the present day descended, who, even as the primordial bone was broken into unequal pieces, vary in size and shape. The name of this first man was Itzacuamatl, and the name of his wife, Ilaucaucitl, and they had six sons born to them, whose descendants, which their god-masters, in process of time moved eastward from their original home, almost universally described as having been towards Jalisco.

Another Ox That Was Gored.

[To the Editor of the Courier-Journal.] Our "3,500 murderers" in Louisiana seem suddenly to have faded out of memory. No allusions whatever are made to them. Why? Was it a myth, a Munchausen inspiration of the good old General, or something good, gotten up for a certain purpose? It certainly was a fine thing for Congressional orators, certain editors and Northern preachers. (Dr. Swing expounded and swung on it gloriously.) But it, and our Louisiana "banditti," have died out; mortuum est. This mysterious and unexplained disappearance of the Baron Munchausen arithmetic manufactured the numbers, and that 80 or 90 per cent. of the murders were perpetrated by Republican voters (negroes), and 95 per cent. of the thefts and robberies, whereupon Republican orators, editors and preachers suddenly grew silent.

MAN KILLED.—We learn that a man by the name of John Ragle was shot and killed in what is known as the Horse Cove in the upper part of Jackson county, on Thursday of last week. The facts as we have heard them are about as follows:

Deputy Marshals Franks and Allison, in company with U. S. Commissioner Allison, and Ragle as a guard, went into the upper part of Jackson for the purpose of suppressing the illicit distilleries in that section, and were waylaid by parties in ambush, who fired upon the officers and guard. Ragle was shot through the head and instantly killed. The parties who did the killing are, yet unknown. The officers had just turned an illicit distillery before they were attacked.

RULE IN ADMIRALTY.—Judge Hughes has made the following ruling in Admiralty: "Ordered that sales of vessels under orders in Admiralty shall be subject to confirmation by the court. The Marshal shall file with the clerk, on the day of making any sale, his report of the same; which shall lie two days after the filing for objections, and after the expiration of the sale shall stand as of course. If there be exceptions within two days, the clerk shall at once submit the report and exceptions to the court. Inadequacy of price shall be a ground of exception. The Marshal may decline to knock down a vessel to the highest bidder, when the highest price is grossly inadequate."

The Scottville (Ky.) Argus says: "In a recent portion of the Argus, near the Tennessee line, is a cave which has long been used by the people of the neighborhood as a place of deposit for potatoes which are to be used for seed. We are informed that on the 31st of March last—that is distribution day—there were five hundred bushels of potatoes lying on the various consignees. The cave is really an interesting natural curiosity. The ceiling is, perhaps, ten feet from the floor, and is about seventeen feet in length, being divided into three apartments."

The solicitor of the treasury department has decided that the commissioner of internal revenue has a right to examine the checks of any bank for the purpose of ascertaining whether the law that requires stamps on checks has been violated, or not. A lot of spies and informers are roaming over the country engaged in this delectable business. Look out for them, and be careful to remember what the revenue law demands in this respect.

Dan Bryant, the well-known minstrel performer and actor, died in New York on Saturday night. He contracted cold on the 2nd inst, which settled into pneumonia of which he died.

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AN ACT TO ASCERTAIN THE INDEBTEDNESS of the different Counties, Cities and towns of this State, and to prescribe a Statute of limitations. The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact: SECTION 1. That all claims against the several counties, cities and towns of this State, whether by bond or otherwise, shall be presented to the chairman of the Board of County Commissioners to the chief officer of said cities and towns, as the case may be, within two years after the maturity of such claim or claims or the holders of such claim or claims, shall be forever barred from a recovery thereof. Provided, That claims which have already matured, and become due shall be presented on or before the first day of January, A. D. 1877, or the holders thereof shall be forever barred of a recovery thereof.

SECTION 2. That it shall be the duty of the chairman of the Board of County Commissioners of the several counties or the chief officers of the several cities and towns, to cause the nature, amount, date and time of maturity of all claims so presented to be recorded in a book to be kept for that purpose and to be called "The Registry or Claims." SECTION 3. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to publish this act for six consecutive weeks in the Daily News, Era and Sentinel newspapers, published in the city of Raleigh, the Journal of Commerce, published in the city of Newbern, the Daily Journal, published in the city of Wilmington, the CHARLOTTE OBSERVER, published in the city of Charlotte, the Greensboro Patriot, published in the city of Greensboro, the Asheville Citizen, published in the town of Asheville, the North Carolina Gazette, published in Fayetteville.

SECTION 4. This act shall not apply to any county whose debts are already audited, and ascertained. SECTION 5. This act shall take effect from and after its publication. In General Assembly read three times and ratified the 22nd day of March, A. D. 1875. STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, OFFICE SECRETARY OF STATE, Raleigh, March 29th, 1875. I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the original act on file in this office. Wm H HOWERTON, Secretary of State. apr 1 6w

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