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REPUBLICAN PLANS. The South is blamed by the more conservative politicians of the North for being "solid," and many terms of reproach are heaped upon her for what they are pleased to term is an unnataral position towards the union. If they would learn why we are "solid," of Thurman's torm and Constitution let them read the experience of the South during the eleven successive years after the late war, and then think what would be our condition on the return of "Grant rule."

Scarcely had the echoes of the recent election died away, and when it was supposed, amid the gloom of Democratic disaster, that the Republicans had a small majority in the next Congress, several leading Republican papers urged that it was the duty of the Republican majority to deprive enough lawfully elected Southern Democrats of their seats to give the Repubpart of this programme was to throw ed from Florida on the ground of frauds in the election. The Republicans intended to carry things with a high hand and to show the South that it could expect no mercy from the Republican party.

The plan, as telegraphed by the Washington correspondent of the New York Sun, is somewhat as follows "The stalwarts of the New England stripe claim to have complete posses sion of Garfield, and announce that they will prescribe the policy of his administration from the outset. Mr. Boulwell, who was a loud third-termer, and an extremist of the most pronounced type, is now here. He makes no con-cealment of the intentions of the faction who assume the right to run Garfield by virtue of their dominating part. in the recent campaign.

"Their programme is to Africanize the politics of the South by returning to the practices in the days of reconstruction. This is to be done under the pretext of 'protecting a free ballot.' Mr. Boutwell and the leaders who we should have what is virtually an think as he does, have one great object under-state department, and an assist-

none in the Ohio delegation of the Senate till the 4th of March, when Senator Thurman's term expires. If the resig-nation of Garfield created a vacancy, the duty of the Legislature would be very plain. But the resignation if sent in before the 4th of March, makes no memory in the Ohio representation vacancy in the Ohio representation. General Garfield would not resign an actual but a prospective seat. The term for which he is elected does not begin till March 4th. It is a prospective seat, and the resignation will create a prospective vacancy. Now, the question is whether the Legislature has power to proceed to fill a prospective vacancy. No doubt, if it waits till afof Thurman's term, and Garfield's re-signation of the office, he would then be entitled to take as Senator of the United States, it can elect / a successor. There is no question about that. The

election will not devolve upon the next Legislature. The only question is whether the next Legislature will not have to wait till after the 4th of March to proceed to an election."

there is a vacancy.

It is now probable that the California Legislature will turn out to bel Democratic by a small majority, and that it will elect a Democrat to succeed Senalicans a good working majority. A tor Newton Booth, Republican. In that event the politics of David Davis and out the Democratic Congressmen elect | Billy Mahone will be discussed less frequently.

How about the "North Carolina Sys-

tem," with the Western North Carolina Railroad transformed into a "feeder" for Richmond?

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After a pause Colonel Tom James said: "I wish I knew Garfield. I would like to give him an idea or two. I told the colonel to give them to me and they would be made general. "Well," said he, "I would tell Garfield

If I knew him that he ought to abolish the Indian bureau of the interior department. There is no sense in treating the Indians as nations. There ought not to be such a thing as an In-

dian agent in the country. When we were mere colonies we had to consider the Indians as nations, or they would have eaten us up. But now that there are only two or three hundred thousand in the country, what an outrage on the public treasury and good morals that ant secretary of State for the Indians

A TEBRIBLE DISASTER. the Minnesota Insane



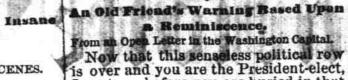
ST. PAUL, MINN., Nov. 18 .- The enumeration of the patients at the burned St. Peter's Insane Asylum is complete. There are thirty missing, but only six

are known to be dead. ST. PAUL, MINN., November 16 .- A bulletin to the Pioneer Press from St. Peter says: "The number of lives lost by burning and freezing at the insane asylum is variously estimated at from twenty to fifty. The loss of the build-ing is \$300,000." A special dispatch dated 4 a. m. says: "The scene at the burning of the poor inmates in the hospital was heartrending in the extreme. So appalling a sight has rarely been witnessed. The patents in the annex wing were males. Many of them refused to leave the building at all. They ran up and down the mails screaming and crying, and these who could not be coaxed or forced out of the building be-And, let us add, this is no question. The Legislature cannot elect before there is a vacancy. the windows. Some were nearly nude, some shoeless and hatless, and all were exposed to the exceeding cold of the night. Many of the demented and crushed inmates fled as if for their lives, and could not be overtaken or confined. Their sufferings in this frightful condition can better be imag-ined than described. The whole catas-trophe is a heartrending one. Those who had escaped the flames were at large, half-clothed, and were to be seen in all directions, flying in wild fright from those who attempted to save them. The air was bitter cold, and the poor wretches, with half-naked bodies and bleeding feet, were flying about hiding in alleys and dark corners for some time. The capacity of the building has been tried to its utmost. There were about six hundred, patients and every inch of space was utilized. What will be done with these poor creatures, turned out in the cold, and their malady increased by the excitement of the occasion, is a serious question. There are two other buildings situated in the town which are used, but they are al-

> to provide accommodations for any of the inmates of St. Peter." SUFFERING AMONG THE FEMALE PA-TIENTS.

Another special says: "While the flames were slowly progressing, the matron of the female department made all haste to get the inmates out, and many of them ran shrieking into the snow drifts in their night clothes, even burying themselves in the snow, and had to be dragged into the barns and sheds, while those near by wrapped blankets and shawls around them.

DONN PLATT TO GARFIELD.



I venture, before you are buried in that mansion through the thick walls and plate glass of which no word of truth ever reaches the incumbent, to write you a few words in the same intimate and friendly spirit that marked our intercourse when both occupied a cheap boarding-house; when I carried my fortunes on the slender nib of my peu as a newspaper correspondent and you sought to support yourself and family on the meagre pay of a Congressman. I go back to the time when you gladly accepted my aid and sympathy in your

troubles and my heartfelt congratulations in your triumphs and I yours.] feel more anxiety about you, my friend, now that you are fortunate, than in the darkest hour of your life when life itself seemed so horrible that an escape from it was a temptation. You have passed from the hands of friends to the keeping of enemies, to play the part of

the Chief Executive for four years. We have among us certain persons. who are bent on changing the form of our present government. They seek to make the Presidency a life tenure and under the name of a stronger government escape the return of power to the people. You know the man who is to serve their purpose in the treasonable shceme. They bank upon his military record and supposed popularity. It was your committee that investigated that national shame called "Black Friday," wherein Fisk, Gould and Grant sought, through a use of the National Treasury, to enrich themselves at the expense of thousands of homest men. It is not my purpose to recall the details of that 'infamy. The chief criminal was tracked to the threshold of the Executive Mansion, and your committee passed a resolution calling upon the President to appear before the committee and defend himself from the damning proof that made him the chief conspirator. The night of the day that the resolution was passed you called with it upon the President. It was after midnight before you left the White House, amazed and sick at heart, and at your suggestion that very day the resolution was revokready crowded. The asylum at Rochesed. I need not say that you and I know ter is full, and will doubtless be unable why that resolution was so suddenly abandoned. The fact that under the circumstances it was revoked tells the

whole story. The very Democrats of the committee shrank from the threatened exposure.

What Jo Brown's Election to the

Senate Means. Atlanta | Constitution.

vantage of this knowledge to send a

The truth is, the people of Georgia have learned that there is a practical side in politics, and they have taken ad-



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in view, and that is to humiliate the South by putting the black race above the white; to hold the States in subjection as conquered provinces, and to make the people realize that they are doomed to occupy an inferior position in the union, while they are ostensibly equals. However it may be disguised under fine phrases, this is the practical aim of these political philanthropists."

These leaders are playing with fire. The "bottom rail" cannot be put on top again at the South without a resort to the hayonet, as a similar effort had to be supported during the Grant regime. The people of South Carolina will not again consent to see their regularly and lawfully chosen representatives to the Legislature driven out of the State House, nor will the people of North Carolina again consent to be ruled by the cut-throats who held high carnival here in 1868-'70. This much at least is the North, who see so much "solidity" at the South, with tears in their eyes, sense, they would see at once how necessary it is for us to be "solid" against the oppression, misrule and rascality which represents Republican rule in

Judge Allen G. Thurman retires from the United States Senate on the 4th of March, and General Garfield has been elected to take his place, but in the meantime the latter gentleman was nominated as a candidate for the presidency, and his friends claim that he has been elected. There is no vacancy, and it is plain to, us that there can be none until after the 4th of March. Meantime the political complexion of the next Senate is distressingly close, and the Republicans, especially, are desirous of having no vacancies on their side of the house. General Garfield cannot resign a prospective seat, although the Legislature might provide for a prospective vacancy. But the Legislature has already provided for the prospective vacancy caused by the expiration of Senator Thurman's term, and the statute does not say how the same Legislature may proceed a second time to fill the vacancy. In this case as is usual the lawyers cannot agree, and the newspapers are equally

reply to the National Republican, who claimed that the simple tender of a re-

with his ministers and counsels in evavoided, as they had to be taken fifteen ery Indian nation! Let the country pay or twenty rods through the snow to what is proper to the Indians, but let the nearest shelter, which was on a hill their head chiefs and responsible immediately in the rear of the south men come to Washington and get the wing. The actual number burned canmoney, instead of allowing it to dribble not be got at in any way at the present away through the hands of the coagulated mass of harpies around the Indian bureau."

"That is a sufficiently positive idea, colonel. What is the next one?"

not be got at in any way at the present time, as many are known to have wan-dered away in the intense excitement that prevailed. Several ladies were ta-ken out of some of the rooms and halls, and several persons were got out into the halls, when they seemed determin-ed to return to the flames. One/ room, occupied by two man was broken into "In the next place, Garfield ought to recommend the telegraph in the post-

A Hoax.

man to the Senate who, while Hence intense suffering could not be never do violence to sentiments that are really sacred to the South, will address himself patiently and laboriously to the duty of representing those inter-ests which have been neglected by the professional politicians. The sentiment to which the opponents of Governor Brown appealed is foolishly empty and impracticable. It is such a sentiment as business men hoot at and for which the people have no real sympathy. It was an attempt to place the business of electing a United States Senator upon an artificial basis, and it was a dismal

will have done valuable service.

"Secretary Sugar Planters' Association. The following report was immediate-

Gulf States. There will probably be a heavy frost in the sugar district when the weather clears." At 1:48 this morning New Orleans was telegraphed as follows: "The weather will probably be clear to-night." Great damage from grees below the mean. A cold wave is moving South."

to float at flood tide.

election takes place next Tuesday.

jority, and two Republican aldermen out of five were elected.

drowned.

Boston-Steady: middling 114c; low middling 1056c; good ord'y 94c; net receipts 635; gross 1.682; sales -: stock 3.675; exports to Great Britain -.

WILMINGTON-Steady; middling 101/2: low mid dling 10e; good ordinary 914: receipts 1,394: gross —, sales — stock 24,573; exports coast wise —; to Great Britain —.

PHILADELPHIA-Dull; middling 111ge.; low middling 10%; good ordinary 9%; net receipts 80: gross 374: sales 371: spinners 312: stock 7.755; exports to Great Britain —; cosast.

SAVANNAH-Quiet; middling 101/2: low middling 10c; good ordinary 94c; net receipts 5,083; gross do: sales 4500: stock 127.733; exp. coast-wise 6,278; to Great Britain 3,368; contn't 2,409

dling 1015; good ord'y Hac; net receipts 9,081; gross 11,018; sales 14,200: stock 225,181; exports Great Britain -; continent -; France.

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