

NEW PHASE OF THE KANSAS QUESTION, &c.
WASHINGTON, November 21.

The Kansas question, as it is about to present itself, is one for the consideration and the decision of Congress exclusively; and to the wisdom and patriotism of that body it may be safely committed. Whatever may be the ultimate judgment of Congress, whether they approve or disapprove, when submitted, or, rejecting it, proceed to authorize the call of a Convention, for the formation in the usual mode of a State Constitution, preparatory to the admission of Kansas as a State, it may be confidently believed that the American people, and even the people of Kansas, will submit to the decision.

The objections which the Free State men may make to the action of a convention, are entitled to be, and will of course be, duly considered by Congress. They are mainly as follows: That the Convention represented a majority of the legal voters, in consequence of an imperfect census and apportionment; that the people have been deprived of the right claimed under the organic law constituting the Territory, to adopt such domestic institutions as they may choose, by the course of the Convention in submitting to them only one article, instead of the whole of the constitution; that the constitution, independently of the article submitted, recognized the perpetual right in property in slaves now in the Territory; that it prohibits the alteration of the instrument, in any respect, until after the year 1864; and that the power to receive and canvass the votes upon the constitution is vested in the Convention and its officers and appointees, instead of the Governor of the Territory.

There being, then, objections to the action of the Convention, they have determined, it is said, to withhold any recognition of the same, and, therefore, to decline voting at the constitutional election appointed for the 21st of December. It will follow that the constitution, as framed, with the slavery article, will be submitted to Congress early in the ensuing spring. At the same time, the Free State party will present their objections to the same, in the form of a remonstrance from some public assembly or other organized body.

These objections are not entitled to so much weight as might at first glance be supposed; and it may be doubted whether any of them are sufficiently grave to overcome the pressing argument of the necessity of admitting Kansas as a State without delay, and thus taking the whole question, so long agitated, out of Congress, and leaving it a state affair.

The objections may all be answered—for instance:—The Convention represented a majority, because the Free State party fictitiously refused to vote for the Legislature which called the Convention. The only question as to "domestic institutions" was the slavery question, and that is submitted to the people. The right of property in slaves now in the Territory is a vested right and cannot be justly violated. The schedule presents no real difficulty. There is no American law or popular principle at the bottom of that, which will regulate it. Thus all but the last objection is disposed of, and this is the weakest of all; for the transfer to the Convention of the power to receive and canvass the votes upon the constitutional election is in conformity with uniform precedents. Moreover, as the Free State men refuse to vote at the election, it will be no consequence to them under whose supervision it shall be conducted.—States.

A CARD.
TO THE LADIES!

I HAVE a Large and Elegant Stock of FANCY SILKS, latest styles, which I will sell at cost. 300 pairs CALICOES, latest patterns, ranging in price from 5 to 11 c., which I offer to sell at cost. I will sell BONNETS, and Bonnet Ribbons at cost. The Cash will be required when selling at these prices. L. S. WILLIAMS. 31st

Stables to Rent
AND
Negroes to Hire.

WISH to rent for next year, the STABLES on the old American Hotel Lot in Charlotte. I also have to hire several valuable Servants, two men, two women, a large plow-boy and a girl of 15. Apply to me at Concord.

RUFUS BARRINGER. 143

WANTED,

A N Overseer to manage 30 or 35 hands, on my Plantation on Rocky River. Good wages will be paid to a man of first rate qualifications. Apply to W. F. PHIFER. 404

16 NEGROES
FOR SALE.

B Y order of court, I will sell on the 1st day of January, 1858.

16 likely Negroes, consisting of men, women and children, the property of Alexander Springs, dec'd.

In the lot there are some fine COOKS and HOUSE GIRLS.

TE Terms.—Six months' credit with interest from date.

LEROY SPRINGS, Adm'r. Charlotte, Dec. 1, 1857. 143

Notice.

WILL be hired, at the late residence of J. M. Alexander, on the 27th instant, some 15 NEGROES of all kinds, belonging to the minor heirs of said deceased.

W. H. ALEXANDER, Guardian. Dec. 1, 1857. 143

At the same time and place, will be sold FIVE SHARES of Stock in the C. & S. C. R. Road Co. and a Scholarship in Davidson College. The terms will be made known on the day of sale.

All persons indebted to said estate must come forward and settle, or their Notes will be placed in the hands of an officer for collection.

A. WILSON, Adm'r. M. L. ALEXANDER, Adm'r. Dec. 1, 1857. 143

\$25 REWARD.

O N Wednesday, the 25th of November last, a stranger hired a horse from the Tattersall Stables in Charlotte, and the same has not been returned. It is supposed that he has run away with it. He is about 5 feet 10 inches high, light hair, thin visage and has on a gray mantilla cloak, gray pantaloons and light slouch hat. The horse is a bold, tall, rose, raw-boned, about 16 hands high, three white feet and a white strip in his face. The above reward will be paid for the horse, saddle and bridle and ten dollars additional for the man.

L. J. HAWLEY, Agent. 461

Starch.

B LACK Pepper, Ginger, Baking and Washing Soda, Green Tartar, Nutmegs, Mace, Cinnamon, Cloves and Flaxseed Extracts of every kind. For sale at wholesale and retail, by H. M. PRITCHARD. Irwin's Corner. Dec. 1

Saponifier.

O R CONCENTRATED LIQUID.—Wanted to make soap without lime, and with little soap. The best and cheapest article in use. Price 25 cents and 50 cents a can. Sold by H. M. PRITCHARD. Irwin's Corner. Dec. 1

Citrate Magnesia.

A Negligible refrigerant and laxative, as pleasant to the taste as soda water. Sold by H. M. PRITCHARD. Irwin's Corner. Dec. 1

CALIFORNIA CURIOSITIES.—The editor of the Marysville Express, who has recently visited Stockton, writes as follows:

"The California Society of Natural History I found located in one of the rooms of the Court House, which was full of curious specimens of birds, beasts, reptiles, fishes and minerals. I saw among the birds what I took to be a species of the South American Condor—that bird which has the longest flight of any known in the world, cleaving storms and hurricanes in his passage from north to south, or east to west, and remaining so long upon the wing as to deserve, as well as to have suggested, that fine comparison instituted between it and time, by George D. Prentiss, in one of his most beautiful poems.

"A very curious thing, indeed, is the nest of the Tarantula—the big, hairy and poisonous spider. He first borrows a hole into the ground, about five or six inches deep, and big enough to admit his body in a resting position. He then plasters it well with clay on the sides, so as to make it smooth and hard. He then makes a trap-door at the top, which he fastens with a hinge of silk and gelatine, and fixes so that it will open and shut at pleasure. The outside is just the color of the ground, and purposely made to look rough and unnoticeable. The Tarantula—which the microscope will show to be a most terrible looking monster, armed from head to foot that no one should him wrong, a pirate and free-booter in his particular sphere in the kingdom of nature—when he desires to enter his subterranean stronghold, or rather hiding place, lifts the trap door with one of his claws, and springs in. Its own weight causes it to drop again instantly, and thus the hirsute terror of the insect tribe suddenly hid away from all possible danger. Nothing can get into where he is.

"I was considerably struck with a beautiful crystallized stalactite taken from a cavern in Calaveras county, and somewhat more struck with its history. Some miners were sinking a shaft, and after getting down about sixty feet, they suddenly fell into a cavern, the depth of which did not prove to be unfathomable, as they probably anticipated when they fell the bottom suddenly knocked from under their feet, and in they discovered this among other crystal stalactites."

THE NORFOLK ARGUS states that on the 19th instant two gentlemen shot on Currituck beach, N. C., no less than one hundred and forty-eight wild geese, which they brought to market and shipped North. The coast of North Carolina is said to be swarming with wild fowl.

J. C. McCACHERN, Sec'y.

Tribute of Respect.

AT THE LODGE, No. 31, Nov. 14, 1857.

WHEREAS, it has pleased the Supreme Architect of the Universe to remove to that home whence no traveller returns, our late brother Col. JOHN SLOAN, therefore

RESOLVED, That while we deeply deplore the loss of our late friend and brother, we trust that without hope, believing that he has been called to labor on earth to refresh and rest in that Temple not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

RESOLVED, That our sympathies and heartfelt sorrow are with all those who deplore the loss of our cherished brother.

RESOLVED, That we tender our deepest sympathy to the family of our departed brother in this their great affliction.

RESOLVED, That the brethren wear the usual badge of mourning for thirty days.

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