R. S. FARKER, Editor.

APOUT "SETTLING IT."

There is a great deal of shollow talk going on in the newspapers about this election business which betrays a fundamental ignorance of the principle on which our government is founded. Indeed we know of one or two newspapers whose editors might with anvantage read the Contitution of he United States, and follow that with some simple elementary work on law. These able paragraph writers are always seizing the occasion to declare that something or other "settles it." Some Democrat whose heart is a little too warm for the safe.y of his head mutters threatnings about war and straightway these youths rise up and say with one voice: "That settles it." The country will never allow a party to gain control of the country that threatens war upon it." Or, it some such action is taken as that of the Govers nor of Oregon which these youths think inconsistent with their slim notion of the law, though it is the law in England and Indiana and Gev. Grover declares the law in Oregon frey all bonnee up again and say: "That settles it. The people will never allow the country to pass under the centrol of a party which reserts to measures like that."

able paragraphists that the campaign is over? It is no longer a question, is to whom the country will entrust the Government; the only question, to whom has the country entrusted it? The American people have no higher duty than to discover to whom the yotes cast at the recent election awarded the victory. If that duty is not honestly performed and Congress joins in the conspiracy of the Returning Boards to reverse the ballot boxes, a crime will have been committed from which our good name as a nation will suffer for hundreds of years, and which will debauch and demoralize our whole people for generations to come. And the man who does his best to make this result possible by talking flippant nonsence about this thing "settling it," or that thing "settling it," when the only thing that can settle it is an honest cornt of the votes commits a crime which he will live to repent. No matter what may be the spirit i., which either party meets this crisis the party which has acheived an honest majority of the electoral votes must be given the Presidency. The Democratic party has shown no such spirit as is charged against it. When it is remembered that an attempt has been boldly begun to chest them out of this victory, their forbearence and moderation are seen to entitle them to a grand peacetul m.nd, but with the dignity that the occasionmands.

LOUSIANA.

A Republican Declines to be Counted in - Was fairly Defeated and Will not Accept the Position.

The following letter was forwarded to J. Madison Wells, president of the Louisiana returning board, by Mr. John J Long, who was counted in as representatve from the Parish of De Soto:-

Hon. J. Madison Wells, President

Louisiana Returning Board:-I have learned that your honorable body has returned me as elected to the lower house of the legislature from the Parish of De Soto. Permit me to return my thanks for the honor conferred, but at the same time permit me to say that I am unwilling to accept the position. I am a reput. lican from the firm conviction that the principles of that party are the

best for the whole country.

NO INTIMIDATION IN DE SOTO. It is also true that I was the regus lar nominee of the party in the parish of De Soto for the legislature, and did more than any member of the party in that parish to organize it and advance its interests; but, sir, knowing as I do that I was fairly defeated at the polls, no intimidation or fraud having been practised by the opposite party at any precinct in the parish, so far as I have been able to ascertain, after a thorough investigation, my self respect will not permit me to accept the position. I hope you will pardon me for taking a step that, at first glance, may be though b

calculated to cast some discredit upon myself, but I am a planter not a politician; all my interests are here; but sir, I cannot believe the good of the state or national republican party can be promoted by returning, as elected a candidate so clearly defeated as my

THE REPUBLICANS RESEORABLE.

In fact, I am convinced that very much of the disturbance that has prevailed throughout the state for sever al years past is justly-attributable to the fact that, in many parishes men not elected by the people have been returned elected and moint ained in office by the power of the government I must believe that you and your asociates ha e been grossiy deceived as to the manner in which the late canvass and election in I'e Soto was conducted, and as to the result.

> Very respectfully, JOHN J. LONG.

FLORIDA.

TALAHASSER DEC 14. The state government of Florida seems to be safe. The Legislature, it is now dicovered, despite all the throwing out of the democratic

will stop the stealing and jobbing. I had a talk with Gov. Drew this morning and he said: "I am the governor of Florida! I have been elected by a larger majority than May we venture to remind these the race of the returns showers, I am not going to see the people cheated out of their choice.

counties, is democratic by five in the

senate and four in the house, This

I WILL BE INAUGURATED. on the 7th of next January! You may depend on this."

The Legislature, both house and senate, will of course not recognize Stearns, the bogus Governor, and this will virtually settle the matter. If necessary, however, Drew will oust him by a writ of the courts which is easily enough obtained in the face of the trauds by which Steams was counted in. The legislature will take care of its own members the house of its own congressmen.

A new and distinct fraud was discovered by the congressional comthirteen in this county it was discovered that seventy-two names of imaginary votes had been inserted to cover 72 double votes that had been dropped in the box. This fact was known to the democratic managers before the canvassing board and proven before that board by affidavits as there was not allowed an ora examination. The board disregarded it however. The committee will make a case of fraud against Florida that will compel rejection by the house .- Charlotte Obsever

A Washington dispatch to the Tris bune says: The President in conversation with a friend this afternoon said place in our history. Let every citi- that thus far he had received no offizen show the same soberness and cial information of any quiawful wisdom and all will be well. Let movement in Indiana or elsewhere. us meet this crisis not only with a He has seen occasional reference, in newspapers to political agitation in certain sections of the country, and has received information to that effect from other unofficial sources. The administration he said is not fusenaibe to the necessity of vigilance whether these reports are time or false with reference to the Indiana excitement. The President thinks that should it spread the loyal sentis ment of the majority of the people of that State and of the whole country will have influence enough to prevent outbreak.

The President said further that it is gratyfying to observe the conservative spirit shown by many of the Southern leaders, and he feels assured that the same disposition will ultimately prevail all over the land. and he believes that the men who are now disposed to incite civil war are only those who have everything to gain and nothing to lose in the events of such a national calamity. If the not his desire to force upon the people any particular person, but he will see that the man declared to be elected as his successor is placed in possession of the government. He is not judge of the election but when the question is determined his duty wil be plain. Gen. Grant said before and since the election he had used his executive powers conferred upon him, he will continue until the last moment of his responsibility. He does not think that a government which has withstood the schock of nearly four years battle will now fail before the President to call out the militia of the States in event of and attempt to resist the inauguration the President legally elected is one which Gen. Grant will not hesitate to use, should

was his recollection during riots in the party with which I have allied New York in 1863 a portion of the national government of Empire State was called out the direct authority of the President, and cosoperated with the regular United States troops in he suppression of the disturbance.

SOUTH CAROLINA,

Hampton is organizing his government of the state, and Chamberlain is trying to prevent it. It is said a mes morial will be presented to congress by the Democrats setting forth their grievances and asking the recognition of the Hampton government as essential to every interest of the state and her people. It is also said that Chamberlain contemplates the forcible maintainance of his pretensions, and that he hopes thereby to provoke a coliilision and thus furnish a pretext for placing the state under martial law. The congressional committees are busy with their investigations, and are bringing to lightthe most flagrant frauds and falsification committed by the returning board. Everybody new they existed. Such knavery, if we except the boards of Fforida and Louisiana, was never committed by any one in position to cheat and de-

FLORIDA

The investigation by the congressional committees is being industri. ously pushed forward. In one precinct alone there were seventy nouble republican tickets put in the box, and names were torged to reps resent these seventy two fraudulent votes. The House committee has had before it the greater number of those whose names were found on the poll book to represent these seventy two votes, and notwithstanding they are all, or nearly all negroes they have, to a man sworn that they were not at the precinct in question at all that day, and proved that they voted elsewhere. We can't undertake to particularize each item of fraud, but give this as a fair sample. This illustrates the prompt and full obedience to Chandlers telegram to count Florida for Haves, and that money and troops would be furnished.

THE ONLY WAY HAYES CAN BE COUNTED IN .- It is alleged by Repub licans that the Senate alone will oven and count the electoral vote. That body has never assumed so much power heretofore and one thing is certain, it has no authority from the constitution for such an action. It has been the custom ever since the earliest days of the Republic to do the counting in the presence of both Houses and we presume that this custom will not be departed from. As the case now stands. Tilden has a majority under the broad scale of the states and if Hayes is counted in, it will be done by a revolution of the Constitution, the custom, the laws and the precedents that have hitherto regulated the counting of the electoral votes. Nothing can be clearer than this .- Charlotte Observer.

From the N. Y. Herald, Dec. 19.] ADMIRABLE BEHAVIOR OF THE SOUTHERN LEADERS.

It can no longer be said that the represesentative men of the South are Bourbons, if the name implies men who "forget nothing and learn nothing," No political leaders ever evinced a better aptitude for profiting by experience. The wisdom, moderation and loyalty of the Southern members ot Congress and other exponents of Southern opinion in this critcal and exciting conjuncture ought to be met in a simi ar spirit by the President and by all good citizens. We attribute this praise-worthy attitude to the manliness of the Southern character, which has always scorned the 17th of this month. trick, subterfuge and bluster.

From the N. Y. Sun, Dec. 10.]

If the old maxim, that the receive er of stolen goods is as bad as the thief, remains in force until March, Rutherford B. Hayes cannot mount the steps of the Capitol at Washington and deliver his inaugural ademergency does arise, the President dress as President, without seeing said he should not hesitate to execute mullions of scornful fingers pointed at his constitutional authority. It is him from all quarters of the Union, nor without hearing millions, of indignant voices muttering in his ears, "There stands a receiver of stolen

From the N. Y. Sun Dec. 19.1

Up to the time of the election the bloody shirt of the last war was waved in all directions by the tools of Grant; and ever since then the bloody shirt of another threatened war has been waved by the same hands.

Is the country to be forever conclamor of a mob. The power of the trolled by this sort of thing? Are the memories of the wars of the past, and the menaces of the war in the future, to be forever used as the means of party success and the cover for poand occassion arise. He said that it litical crime?

TWO COVERNORS

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, EXETICUVE CHAMBER

Sin: I, as Governor of South Carohas, chosen by people thereof, having qualified in accordence with the Constitution hereby call upon you as my predecessor in the office to deliver up to me the great seal of the State together with the possession of the State House, the public records and other matters and things appertaing to said office

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,) Executive Chamber. Columbia, S. C. Dec. 18, 1876. DEAR SEC: I have read the communication in which you call upon me to deliver up to vou the great seal

ance therewith. I am' Sir you ob't serv't. U. H. CHAMBUREAUN.

demand and L hereby refuse compli-

TAE OESTION SETTED. - We noticed on the the premises and before the eves of a prominent Republican of this town an ardent Hayes man chopping down the llaves and Wheeler flag pole erected here during the campaign. We understand the purpose was to convert it into a hitching rack. No bits of it were sought for watch chains walking canes, or other me-

In South Carolina the Democratic Honse, the one declered to be the legal house by the Supreme Court, together with the Democrats in the Senate elected Genl. M. C. Butler [United States Senator. This election according to the constitution of the State and the decision of the Supreme Court is legal.

makes some pretention to honesty. another column. When the mana mit frauds so gross that one of their

The Democrats carried the City of Tallahassee Fla. at the municipal election a week ago, for the first time

um in Columbia S. C. are starving. and the superintendent save must be turned out, unless something is done. The appropriation for last year has not been paid.

Gov. Hampton of S. C. has served notice on the banks not to pay out any public money except upon cheeks signed by himself.

Gen'l Bartlett of Massachusetts, brave federal soldier during the war, and a just man afterwards, died on

It inspires courage and it saves soap. clinging to your leg.

Gov. Hampton has served notices on the banks of Columbia, notifying them not to honor any drafts or checks issued by Cardoza, Chamberlain, or any members of the usurping gevernment.

The Observer of the 21st says: The platform in the State House Square is ready tor desorating and will receive the appropriat drapery and testoenining Saturday under the management of our Raleigh

The stealing of horses and mule

COLUMBIA, S. C., Dec 18. '76.

Respectifully, Your obedient servant, WADE HAMPTON. То D. H. Спамзека ак.

of the State, &c. I do not recognize in you any right to make the foregoing

Governor of South Carolina WADE HAMPTON, Esq.

We guess the Republicans have given up now if not, why do they turn their flag staff to a horse rack? Why was it so unceremoniously hacked down? Why was their not a scramble tor peices of it? Haves is beaten and who cares for him or his old flag poles now? So goes the world! Such is life!

One radical in Louisiena that Read the letter of John J. Long in gers of a party get so bad, and comown party refuses to take place under their count i; is about time to give it

since the war.

The inmates of the Lunatic Assyl-

Fanny Davesport is said to be a very fine swimmer. Swimming is an art that all ladies should acquire. Moreover nothing is so uncomfortable just after a steambeat explosion as to find yourself in the water with a frightened woman who can't swim

ladies.

in Meckleburg county is so frequent that the Observer concludes that an organized band of horse thieves are at work there.

Capt. Nat Atkinson of Buncomb county got a reward for his exhibition of apples at the centennial.

Ohio and Indiana Democrats have called conventions of all in their respective states, who believe that Tilden and Hendricks have been honestly elected, to assemble on the 8th of January to take such action as may be deemed necessary to preserve the liberties of the people.

In the United States Senste, Wright of Iowa introduced a bill for the establishment of a court to try contested elections in the offices of President and Vice- President.

The Patriot says, an erganized band of some twenty detectives left Grensboro lately with wagons and camp equipage to scour the country for illicit distilleries.

Quint Bryan who was serving out a sentence to the penitentiary for highway robbery, has been pardoned by the Gov. upon condition that he leave the community in ten days.

A telegraphic line to Fayetteville is nearly complete.

Dr. H. H. Staples of Greensbore died on the 12th of this month.

SUPERIOR COURT Alamanee County,

Jeseph S, Vincent and Nancy Murray. Agaims.
Lavinia Murray, Francis Brrowning, Hay wood McAdams, Sabina Albright, Hay

SUMMONS FOR RELIEF. (SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS.) State of North Carolina:

To the Sheriff of Alamauce County

-Greeting:
You are hereby commanded to summer

Lavinia Murray, Frances Browning, Hay wood McAdams, Sabina Albright, Haywood Teer and Enceline his wife the defendant above named if they be found within you county to appear at the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court for the county of Alamance within twenty five days after the service of this summons on them ex-clusive of the day of such service, and an-swer the complaint which will be deposit-ed in the office of said Clerk within ten days from the date of this summons: And days from the date of this summons: And let said defendants take notice that if they sail to answer the complaint within that time the plaintiffs will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint. Herein fail not and of this summon

make due return. make due return.

Given under my hand and seal of said
Court, this 15th day of December 1876,

W. A. ALBRIGHT,

Clerk of the Superior Court, Alamance County. Graham & Graha.a) Piffs, Attor.

In this proceeding it appearing to the satisfaction of the court that Heywood McAdama is a non-resident of the It is ordered that the service I show that It is ordered that the service I three summons herein, be made upon a said Haywood McAdems by publicatio for six weeks in The Alamant Gerasan a paper published in the town of Graham C.

This the 18th day of December 8.6

W. A. ALERIWH .

Clerk of the Superior Court, Alamance County.

ALAMANCE COUNTY,

In the Superior Court.

James E Boyd assignee of James G. Moore—Bank-Plaintiff, Against

Floyd Davidson's and wife Sallie, W V Montgomery and wife Anna, Joseph P Albright and wife A-mands, John W Jordan, Jane Shoffner.

Et ite of North Carolina,

To the Sheriff of Alamance County

To the Sheriff of Alamance County:
—Greeting:
You are hereby commanded to summon Floyd Davidson and wife Sally, W V Montgomery and wife Anna, Joseph P Albricht and wife Amanda John W Jordan, Jane Shoffner the defendants above named, if they be found within your county, to be and appear before the Judge of owr Superior Court, to be held for the County of Alamance, at the court house in Graham, on the second Monday before the first Monday of March 1877 and answer the complaint which will be deposited in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of sald county, within the first three days of the next term thereof, and let the said defendants take actice that if they fail to answer the complaint thereof, and let the said defendants take ac-tice that if they fail to answer the complain within the term the plaintiff will apply I the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Hereof fail not, and of this summon

Given under my hand and seal set said court, this 200 day of November 1878. W. A. ALBRIGHT, C. S. C.

In the above action it appearing to the satisfaction of the court that John W Jordan and Jane Shoffner are non residents of this State said defendants being resident of the State of Penusylvania. It is ordered that publication of this summons be made in the publication of this summons be made in ALAMANCE GLEANER lin ieu of per

W. A. ALBRIGHT; C. S. C. Nov. 30th 1876.

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