

Lord Dufferin is, they say, to have the Chief Commissionership during the organization of the new system in Cyprus and the East, with a salary of £10,000 a year.

Burlington Hawkeye: The fair season is over, and the big squashes and pumpkins have deserted the agricultural halls and gone to edging Greenback papers.

Ex-Governor Shepherd, who has been in St. Louis superintending the loading of supplies for the relief of yellow fever sufferers along the Mississippi, has returned to Washington.

Notwithstanding the Indiana Radicals opened the day by imprisoning a lot of Democrats on trumped up charges, there were enough of them left to make it interesting for their competitors.

Grant will next travel through Spain and Portugal, returning to Paris in December, and pass the winter there. He will return to this country in May. The India trip has been for gone.

Mr. Bancroft, the historian, is a rigid totalitarist, and firmly refused, in his great pain and exhaustion after the recent runaway accident, to taste the wine prescribed to him by his doctors.

Diamonds do not often come to one anonymously, but Miss Clara Louise Kellogg received one in that manner from an opera-struck Chicagoan the other day. The donna very sensibly turned the jewel into food for the destitute of Memphis.

Governor Hendricks seems to be about the only survivor of the Democratic Presidential candidates in the battle of Tuesday. Tilden was unseated in the Democratic state committee; Thurman has lost his state, but Hendricks comes up smiling.

Ida Greeley Smith's boy is to be named Horace Greeley, jr., with the privilege of adding Smith to his name if he chooses when he grows up. We can see where the late Horace Greeley comes in in this arrangement, but where is Mr. Smith?

The New York Times thinks the Bosnian business has afforded a surprising wholly unexpected proof of the military weakness of Austria. We should rather think it had afforded an astonishing proof of the strength of Bosnia. As has been remarked, the Turk can fight long after he has ceased to be able to do anything else.

Oil is running on the ground in McKean county, Pennsylvania for lack of transportation, and the wrath of producers rises as the oil sinks in the ground. The vote of the people of the oil region in November will afford a very accurate idea of the extent to which a business community will take advantage of its political power as a remedy for legal disabilities.

The State of New York, says the *Constitution Journal*, is an interesting example of the practical results of Democratic administrative reform. Under Republican control the State tax in 1874 was \$15,727,482.08; under Democratic control the same tax for 1878 is \$7,941,397.94, or a decrease under Democratic rule of \$7,786,084.14. There is no dodging these figures, for the Republicans, and no Republican campaign document can avert the inevitable conclusion of taxpayers. Conkling dare not refer to this in his speech, but prattled about "human rights."

Dr. Erasmus Wilson, who furnished the money which took Cleopatra's Needle England, is the son of a Scotchman. His mother was a Norwegian. He is white haired and pale, and he is a great authority on skin diseases. He says, in opposition to some other authorities:—"I think good food, properly assimilated, of course, one of the most potent safeguards against disease of all kinds, and particularly of the skin. Children suffer terribly in this way for the want of being properly fed. Against common diseases I distinctly recommend high feeding."

According to the New Orleans Times the tradition that after every great epidemic there has been a year of unprecedented prosperity is about to be confirmed. The cotton crop is not only the largest ever produced in the country, but has escaped the ravage of the worms. The rice crop of Louisiana exceeds that of any season since the war, and the prospect is heightened by the fact that the planters have raised an abundance of provisions. All the people now ask for is a good frost. When Providence shall supply this boon it will not only prove a sanitary blessing, but a benefit to the commerce of the State.

POOR NEW ORLEANS.
 How great the suffering and distress and the pecuniary loss entailed upon the people of the Southwest during this terrible summer may perhaps be surmised now but they will not be known in their full details for some months yet to come—perhaps never. New Orleans may never recover from the blow which has thus been sustained by her commercial interests and opinions to this end are already finding their way into the papers. One of these, by Dr. J. P. Davidson, a grandson of John Pintard, once a prominent citizen of New York, we publish here:

The epidemic is a fatal blow to the prosperity and development of the commerce of New Orleans. It will take two or more decades to overcome it. Merchants here have large stocks of goods, some of which they cannot sell here, and the stringent quarantine restrictions everywhere forbid their shipment where they might be sold. The epidemic has shown to what a depth of poverty our people have reached. The well-to-do have left the city, and gentle pauperism meets the physician in forms to surprise, while it makes his heart ache. This class is far larger than any one could have imagined, and the lashing fury of the storm revealing the hidden rocks covered from view in placid waters. The laboring classes suffer; no work, or means to seek it elsewhere; families sick and destitute of provisions of all kinds. The noble-hearted all over the country—God bless them—have generously contributed with bounteous hand to our necessities. Calamity develops in individuals and nations the great lesson of the Master—love one another—and that his teaching and cross have not been in vain. No pagan people could ever have come up to the works of aiding the stricken by disease as has been done by our brethren of the North, and all over the country. These deeds of love and charity will do more to cement and make one our whole nation than aught else that could be thought of. The cup of water in His name to the parched and fevered lip make all in one in Him who died for them all. This yellow-winged monster has taken a wide flight of desolation this year, but I very much fear that it will be exceeded in after years. Heretofore the disease has followed the water course in its dissemination; this year it has traveled by rail, and the fear is that rapid intercommunication hereafter may be a fruitful source of its reaching distant communities.

THE BUCKEYE STATE.
 Ohio hard state to understand. The people there seem to have no settled political convictions. It is the home of the fraudulent President and seems to change its majorities from one side to the other with as much ease as Mr. Hayes has manifested in boxing the compass on Civil Service Reform. In the elections held last Tuesday in that State, the telegrams indicate that the Republican State ticket has won by 5,000 to 10,000 majority. In 1874 Ohio went Democratic by 17,000 majority. In 1875 Mr. Hayes was elected by less than 5,000 majority, and in 1876 he carried the State in the Presidential campaign by a little over 7,000. In 1877, Bishop (Democrat) was elected Governor by 22,500 majority, and the Democrats secured the Legislature, and chose George H. Pendleton for United States Senator. Under Democratic rule the State has been restricted. The State now has eight Democrats and twelve Republicans. The Democrats claim in this late election eleven Congressmen and the Republicans nine.

GEN. FITZ JOHN PORTER.
 For many years we have been of the opinion that General Fitz John Porter had been greatly wronged and abused by the government of the United States, and that the decision of the Court Martial by which he was cashiered and dismissed the service was unwarranted and cruel; but we did not know, until recently, that he had been made the victim of one of the foulest, most malignant and black-hearted conspiracies that ever darkened the page of any history, ancient or modern. This fact has been developed during the rehearing of his case which is now in progress in New York. In this rehearing it has been conclusively shown that the blather-skite whose headquarters were to be in the saddle, General John Pope, his aid-de-camp, Captain Pope, and General Irwin McDowell have either wilfully and maliciously lied in order to accomplish the downfall of a gallant and meritorious officer or that they have testified to a condition of things of the truth of which they were culpably and criminally ignorant, not only as it regards their duties as military men having high positions in the army, important commands in charge and onerous duties to perform, but as having the fair fame of a distinguished brother officer in their keeping. Such a cold-blooded sacrifice of a noble name and fame never before disgraced a page of American history as has been developed in the rehearing of this case, but we would infinitely prefer the position which General Porter occupies to-day, notwithstanding his sixteen years of attempted dis-

grace, than to take the infamous place in history which General McDowell, whose testimony on the former trial was mainly instrumental in causing the verdict which disgraced General Porter, will have to occupy.

From private advices, as well as from the tone of the journals in different parts of the country, it is evident business prospects are better at present than they have been for a long time. So they say in Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Chicago, St. Louis, and all the important points of observation. The only drawback in the way is the pestiferous greenback agitation, of which merchants and business men are complaining. There are substantial reasons for the faith often expressed that the tide is turning, and everybody is arranging to take advantage of the rise.

The Island of Santa Cruz, on which the negro insurrection is raging, contains only about 85 square miles. It is 25 miles long and its greatest breadth five miles. The surface is almost level. The population is 22,000. There is no more than room for a good square pitched battle, and since it is possible to shell it all over from the sea, the Danish government will be able to make short work of the insurgents. Rum and sugar to sweeten it with are the principal exports. Almost the whole island is in sugarcane.

For the Review.

ROCKY POINT, PENDER COUNTY, Oct. 10th, 1878.

MR. EDITOR:—Your frequent commendations, however just, of the young and rising town of Burgaw, are not intended of course to undervalue the strong claims to popular favor of the three thrifty villages, in Pender, of Point Caswell, Lillington, and Rocky Point. No liquor is allowed to be sold at either of these villages, and yet there is a fine trade and lively business going on at all seasons of the year at each of them and they are all growing steadily, even these hard times, population and wealth. There is in the back country to support each excellent land, good farmers intelligent citizens, and well managed industrial pursuits. The export tables of the railroad depot here show a lively condition of agriculture and a steady increase in the production of potatoes, garden vegetables, corn, cotton, rice and other marketable products of the farm. Peanuts are yet raised in abundance to sell but in smaller amounts than formerly. Chufa, is extensively raised here about Rocky Point this year and our farmers pleased with it so far, are beginning to enquire whether this new candidate for public favor cannot be raised with decided profit for other purposes than to fatten poultry and hogs. Chufa pies and other chufa articles of diet are already finding their way upon the tables of our industrious and frugal housewives.

But no community can prosper where religion does not erect its altars and warm the hearts of its people. Its pure and sacred fires and holy union are indispensable to the redemption and salvation of man, sinful, depraved, and ferocious man. In this relation you will be pleased to learn that the main feature of interest here this week is the existence of an interesting revival of religion. It is going on in the large and newly erected Methodist church, and conducted by that faithful soldier of the Cross, Rev. J. B. Bailey, Methodist minister in charge of the Topsail circuit, embracing this section of Pender. Mr. Bailey is always an industrious and successful worker in the noble vineyard of the Lord, deservedly popular with the people, and of fine intellectual parts. He is aided in this revival by Rev. Mr. Hall, of your city. May much good be done by the blessed work now going on here for the advancement of the glorious cause of Christ.

The main event of the week here however was the delivering of an address in the Methodist church here, on yesterday, by that eminent divine and able theologian, Rev. L. S. Burkhead, Presiding Elder of the Wilmington District of the Methodist church. It was delivered, by request, upon *Methodism*, its origin, increase, doctrines, methods, and influence on mankind. This masterly exposition of the principles of the church, and the causes of its extraordinary progress in wealth of numbers and power for good upon society, emanated from a heart warm with piety and eloquence and a mind full of thought, bold, able, original and effective in power of analysis, logic and love of truth. Dr. Burkhead is evidently learned in the Bible and devoted to his church. I am not a Methodist, but it is no exaggeration of his qualification or worth to say that as a pulpit orator, he is not surpassed in the State. And then, unlike so many ministers now-a-days, he cares naught for that pop art applause, the love of which has been the bane of clergymen as well as of doctors, lawyers and statesmen. Demagoguism has become the besetting sin of preachers as well as of a predominating number of other professional men, and when I see a minister like this devoted man of God, rising above the ruinous fashion of the times, and alone pursuing duty, I honor and love him, as some of the salt of the earth.

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