

THE CIRCULATION OF THE MORNING STAR IS LARGER THAN THAT OF ANY OTHER DAILY NEWSPAPER PUBLISHED IN NORTH CAROLINA.

THE KU KLUX TRIALS.

We are no friend to the Ku Klux. That order and the Union Leagues, which first called it into being, are both inimical to the public peace.

But while we strongly condemn the object of this order as well as the means by which its inflated or wilfully perverse members have sought to achieve that object, we feel compelled to denounce in the plainest terms the manner in which their trial has been conducted.

In the first place the partisan court, Judges Bond and Brooks presiding, was satisfied before the evidence was offered that the prisoners were guilty, and after that lent the whole moral weight they could throw into the scale to the side of the prosecution. This is a vivid reminder of Jeffries, the tyrant judge of James First's reign. In the next place, the partisan Marshal, S. T. Carrow, took the advice of the partisan prosecuting attorney, Samuel F. Phillips, and summoned a venire, most of whom were incapable of rendering a fair verdict, from the fact of themselves being partisans, like the court, the Marshal and the prosecuting attorney. The result was a jury packed to convict, and whether the evidence before that jury be damning to the last degree or not, the fact of its being taken before such a jury for them to decide on its sufficiency, is enough to inspire distrust of the whole proceeding, and unlimited disgust of the monkey tyrants who executed the dark commission from their master at Washington.

The sentence pronounced by the Court was a most unjust effort, unfair to the people of North Carolina, who, be it remarked, were not before that tribunal for trial, and unworthy of a Judge who had endeared himself to our people last year by his manly conduct in having the bodies of injured and innocent men, incarcerated by a gubernatorial despot, brought before him that they might have a fair trial. Judge Brooks has lowered himself in the eyes of the people, not because of his enmity to a disreputable secret order, but because he has transgressed the bounds of judicial propriety in assisting in the defamation of his own people and in otherwise travelling out of the honest path of duty to please his party friends. The people are sorry to have to class him with such dirty claqueurs of the Washington despotism as Phillips and Caldwell.

But the last feature in this hatched up-partisanship is bad enough to put the stamp of ineffaceable disgrace upon these shameless tyrants. Convicted by a packed jury, these wretched creatures were sentenced to be punished in a manner far exceeding the measure of their offence. For long years some of them will live a life of severe labor in the penitentiary of a distant State, and as they are poor men, if their friends do not generously pay the extraordinary and enormous fines imposed upon them, several will be imprisoned for life. We disclaim any endeavor to arouse pity, though we think some of these men more foolish than criminal, but we cannot help denouncing the sentence for its tyrannous oppression, and for the corrupt agency by which it was brought about. We denounce the law under which this mockery of justice was enacted; we denounce the flagrant violation of personal rights in the packing of the jury; we denounce the authors of that monstrous crime by name, Samuel F. Phillips and Samuel T. Carrow; we denounce the partisan bias and bitterness of the court; and last of all, we denounce the cruel and extravagant punishment to which the prisoners were sentenced, and the manner of the delivery of that sentence.

We understand that prominent Radicals in official circles at Raleigh are filling the Northern Republican papers with glaring and atrocious falsehoods about the hostility of our people to the national government. They are using that old sinner, W. W. Holden, who now controls the Washington Chronicle, fittest among the fit for the foul work to scatter broadcast over the country stories of the horrible Ku Klux, and how their sins are finding them out, and how the Federal Courts are trying, convicting and sentencing them. Not satisfied with exaggerations of the doings of the "Invisible Empire," these worthless fellows are seeking to separate the whole Conservative party in the State, by disseminating the most diabolical lies about their complexion, with this secret and disreputable object, that we say, dark as the shadows of their own murderous hearts; his palpable and unblinking lies, that must in the end reveal upon their authors with crushing and extinguishing effect. The people of North Carolina are tired far and wide for their concealment and their institutions of peace. They have been heretofore and are today standing as much opposed to such

organizations, inimical to the public peace, as the Loyal League and Ku Klux, as the people of any Northern State. They resent, with no effort at concealment of their scorn, the unmanly and cowardly aspersions of their traducers, and brand these men in the face of day as the most arrant liars that ever breathed the breath of life. And before the bar of a liberal and enlightened public sentiment, they hold them responsible for these monstrous outrages.

COMPLICATIONS IN AUSTRIA.

Remors reached us a few days since by telegraph that the Emperor of Austria, Francis Joseph, was meditating resignation.

The Austro-Hungarian monarchy is a composite political structure, made up of several antagonistic nationalities, or races, and these themselves sub-divided into a number of people quite distinct in manners and customs and speaking different dialects. In this conglomerate Empire are Germans, Czechs, Slovaks; and these are again divided into Austrians, Lower Germans, Bohemians, Magyars, Poles, Croats and several others. The nucleus of the empire was the Grand-Duchy of Austria, whose sovereigns were for a long while Emperors of Germany by a nominally elective system, but one that comprehended for the most part only the ambitious plans of Austria, Hungary, Bohemia, Gallician Poland, Croatia were added, by military accretion, some of them, while others, as Hungary and Bohemia, came, as it were, by royal merger, the smaller States becoming absorbed in the more powerful, the same royal family ruling over all the countries. A spirit of independence dominated in the minds of the Magyars or Hungarians for many years, at last bursting out in fierce revolt against the national authorities in 1849, the memorable year of political volcanoes on the Continent. Kossuth and other brave chiefs, by the active intervention of Russia and moral discouragement exerted by other powers, were unsuccessful, but wrung from the ruling Hapsburg, himself an easy-going, good-willed King, many concessions and reforms, and at last got him to have himself crowned at Prague as their King. For some time since this event the policy of Francis Joseph has been more in the interest of Hungary than in that of the German part of his monarchy, hence there have been complaints. But with a knowledge of the internal differences and difficulties in the administrative councils of the empire, the news of this crisis that is momentous enough to cause the Emperor to think seriously of following the illustrious but melancholy example of Diocetian and Constantine the Great, in surrendering his crown into the hands of his people and retiring into the shades of private life, falls with startling effect even upon ears that have gotten used to stories like that of Sedan.

We would not be surprised to hear at any moment of the sudden dissolution of the Austrian Empire. Indeed, we think it is bound to come soon. What effect its fall will have upon European politics we cannot even surmise. In the existing relations between Russia and France on the one side and Germany on the other, it would be difficult to say what any day might bring forth. The crumbling to pieces of the patched-up Austrian Empire might precipitate all Europe into a bloody war.

SECRETARY FISH TO RETIRE FROM THE STATE DEPARTMENT.

Secretary Fish has stated to one of his official associates that he will positively retire from the State Department after the November elections, although the President is still urgent to have him remain. When Mr. Fish's retirement was first spoken of some months ago it seemed to be very generally understood here that Senator Morton, of Indiana, would succeed him. Now, however, Morton seems to have been set aside. New York demands that one of her citizens shall continue in the State Department, and the name now most prominently mentioned is that of Andrew D. White, of Cornell University. Mr. White was a member of the San Domingo Commission, and presided over the late Radical Convention at Syracuse. He will be supported by the Conkling and Murphy wing of the party.—Washington Patriot.

SPRIT OF THE NEW YORK DEMOCRACY.

There is a "spirit" in the political man of New York, but whether his "understanding" is the object of the "inspiration of the Almighty" or of the Evil One we would not like to declare in the present aspect of affairs in that State, superinduced by the regneries of Tammany. That the honest rural Democrats of that great State should have been led about by the nose by such man for so long, will remain a mystery to the uninitiated.

But the star of Tweed, Conolly & Co. is now setting in a very black night. Their influence for good or bad is about exhausted, so far as controlling the party is concerned. Tweed was nominated the other day for the State Senate and had a distinguished ovation paid him, and Conolly his apologists and defenders. All great rewards must their reward sooner or later, and go the way of all transgressors. It is not too late for the Tammany chieftain, if he has any sense, to get out of their place in the present and coming days of the public exasperation.

A bright ray of promise shone in the intelligence that the late and honored and illustrious General Tilden, with Gov. Seymour and other prominent anti-Tammany Democrats, have concerted a plan for throwing Tammany out of her representation, by getting up a delegation of honest men to represent the city of New York in the State Convention. At the head of this delegation is the able and distinguished Charles O'Connor, probably with the exception of Judge Black the greatest lawyer in the country, and distinguished as much for his learning and eloquence as for his character. There is an earnest of what the true Democracy will do, now that they are unencumbered with Tammany and its weight of brass. We predict harmony in the convention which assembles at Rochester to-day. The excision of this great Tammany cancer will do the body of the Democratic party in the State of New York good. It will purify it of its only taint of corruption. New York will come up all right in the November election. The great civil war between the two wings of the Radical party would of itself give us the victory. Then, there is a growing conviction in the minds of the masses that the Republicans have failed in all their promises and are hurrying the country to ruin. We say, we feel sure of New York, by at least her usual majority.

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Palmetto Leaves.

Columbia has a Chess Club. Frost appeared at Camden, Kingstree, Chester, Darlington and other localities during the latter part of last week.

Three prisoners escaped from the jail at Bennettsville, on Thursday last, one of them having stunned the jailer by a blow.

The Barnwell Sentinel says: Alfred, a colored man in the employ of Mr. Rivers Harley, at Barnwell village, was seriously, if not fatally injured on Thursday morning by the falling of a tree.

Among the recent patents noticed in the Scientific American is that of a machine for double seaming tinware, the invention of McDuff Cohen and Robert M. Edwards, of this State.

The Columbia Phoenix states that \$350,000 new bonds of that city have been issued, and are in circulation, in the hands of a Dr. J. L. Keagle, in New York, and that the consideration for the issue was a loan of \$75,000.

The Courier says: It is reported that Eugene, the youngest son of Baron Rothschild, will visit this city as soon as the fever shall have entirely departed, for the purpose of conferring with those Israelites here who may wish to remove to Jerusalem, under the looking to the selection of that site as a home for the race generally.

Terrible Balloon Accident—An Aeronaut Dashed to Pieces.

At Paoli, Orange county, Indiana, last Saturday, Prof. Wilbur made arrangements for a balloon ascension. He was to be accompanied by Mr. George H. Knapp, editor of the Orange County Union. As they were getting into the balloon the cords gave way, and they made a spring for the car, but only succeeded in grasping the ropes.

As the balloon rose Mr. Knapp let go and fell thirty feet without serious injury. Prof. Wilbur held on and attempted to climb into the basket, but was unable to do so, and the balloon shot upwards rapidly, with the aeronaut hanging below. The spectators were thrilled with horror at the terrible scene which ended in a dreadful manner. At the height of about one mile the doomed man let go his hold, and came whirling to the earth. As he fell he spread out horizontally, then doubled up, turned over, and then straightened out with his head downward.

As he struck the earth he fell upon his head and back. His head was mashed into an undistinguishable mass, and his body was bruised and crushed horribly. The body made an indentation in the ground eight inches deep, and rebounded four feet from where it struck. Professor's young wife and little daughter were on the ground at the time, and witnessed the terrible affair. The remains of the unfortunate man was properly cared for, and buried at Paoli yesterday afternoon.

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More of the Danville Riot.

A special telegram to the Richmond Dispatch from Danville, Va., dated 2nd inst., says: Since telegraphing you last night everything has been quiet, though the negroes repaired out of town about two miles south, on the Piedmont railroad, and were entertained of another outbreak, and to that end the Grays were kept on duty all night. It is still feared that there will be another difficulty, as it is reported they are organizing themselves into companies. Great excitement exists here among both blacks and whites. Every precaution will be taken by the authorities and the prominent citizens to prevent the peace being again broken.

A Muscular Christian Bishop.

No man (it is suggested) will attract more attention at the coming Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Bishops than George Augustus Selwyn, Bishop of Litchfield, now on the Atlantic on his way to this country. Noted as an athlete, and distinguished as a scholar at Cambridge, he it was who gave to Charles Kingsley his idea of the muscular Christian, the "man who feared God and could walk a thousand miles in a thousand hours." He is better known as the first Bishop of New Zealand. His missionary adventures in the Southern seas was of the most exciting character.

A curious incident of the Nelson-Clanton killing took place in Finesse, is that an old man, named W. B. Smith, at whose house the Sheriff stopped to ask after the fugitive Nelson, who informed of the affair, evinced high excitement, and died in five minutes.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

AN UNPROTECTED SYSTEM.

Do not fancy because you feel strong that you are impregnable to sickness. Whole neighborhoods are frequently prostrated at this season by malarious fevers. Vigorous muscles and strong sinews, broad shoulders and sound lungs, are no defence against the mephitic vapors of autumn. Frames which have withstood the summer heat may succumb now. Many an athletic man, whose family depends for its support on his industry, now lies prostrate, weak and helpless as a babe, under the periodical assaults of chills and fever, or bilious remittent fever. This could not be if all were wise enough to provide against such a contingency, by toning and fortifying the system with Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. This approved vegetable tonic is absolutely harmless, so that it is safe for all to take it as a safeguard at a season when diseases of the liver, the stomach, the bowels, and indeed all the visceral organs are generally prevalent. To keep the system in order and insure health, or to put it in order when this precaution has been neglected, is the duty of every human being who values his life. For both these purposes Hostetter's Bitters is designed, and it answers both—Fetty local dealers are endeavoring to make parts of the country, for substituting preparations made of impure and dangerous materials in its stead. Give them a wide berth. They are prepared by unskillful experimenters, who want to turn a penny at the expense of the public health. [Sept 30-eodiv Su We Fr]

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