

NATIONAL REFORM TICKET!

FOR PRESIDENT: Horace Greeley, OF NEW YORK.

FOR VICE-PRESIDENT: B. Cratz Brown, OF MISSOURI.

ELECTORAL TICKET.

STATE AT LARGE. THOMAS J. JARVIS, OF Tyrell. E. W. POU, OF Johnston.

FOR THE DISTRICTS.

1st—OCTAVIUS COKE, of Chowan. 2d—SWIFT GALLOWAY, of Greene. 3d—T. C. FULLER, of Cumberland. 4th—H. A. LONDON, JR., of Chatham. 5th—DAVID F. CALDWELL, of Guilford. 6th—W. L. STEELE, of Richmond. 7th—F. B. McDOWELL, of Iredell. 8th—THOS. D. JOHNSON, of Buncombe.

PENNSYLVANIA AND INDIANA.

These States hold elections for State officers and Congressmen on the 8th of October. They are pretty generally regarded as the pivotal States in the approaching Presidential election. It is not our purpose to quarrel with this notion to-day, though we must be allowed to say it is a mere notion. For we believe Greeley and Brown might lose both States and still be elected.

But these States are the principal arena of the strife. On them will be fought the hardest part of the Presidential battle. Hence the absorbing interest manifested throughout the country in the campaign in these mighty commonwealths.

There is no doubt that the battle must be fought and won for Greeley in the Middle and Northwestern States. There is nothing of the coldness and implacability of New England in the fresh Northwest, and among the sturdy Knickerbockers of New York and Pennsylvania there are scarcely less liberality and whole-souledness than you will find among the fresh smelling prairies out West.

The secession of such magnificent men as Schurz, ever foremost of our public men and orators; Trumbull weighty, profound, pure-lived; Palmer, solidly able, popular; Koerner, Austin Blair and Grosvenor, scarcely to be considered second-rate men even when compared with their great compeers mentioned above,—the splitting away in disgust of such men as these from the Radical Republican column, and organization into a strong party of opposition is a tremendous blow to centralism and corruption, the strength of which even liberal Democrats have not fully perceived and recognized. The Liberal party in the Northwest is a splendid power, a massive fact, a colossal argument. But we speak here of Indiana, not of the whole Northwest.

In this State the organization is said to be superb. The matchless Alford is at the head of the Central Committee, and is represented as an organizer of victory superior even to the able and crafty Morton. He has put his local columns in perfect plight and awaits the onset with his sleeves rolled up with the coolness and spirit of a gladiator. Hendricks, the great leader of Indiana, statesman, patriot and philosopher, is the generalissimo, the Agamemnon to the Achilles of Alford. Wherever American politics are known and appreciated the name of Thomas A. Hendricks commands admiration and reverence. Irreproachably pure, nobly dignified as a Roman Senator, profoundly gifted in the highest branches of the intricate science of government, he is a man among men, a model for the young men of America and a lofty figure for the study of after times. We would not deal in gaudy or stilted panegyric, but such men as Hendricks always command the admiration of our heart and the homage of our intellect.

The figures of recent elections in Indiana are quite encouraging. Baker was only elected Governor in 1868 by a majority of 1,069. A change of one-third of one per cent. would wipe out this majority. In 1870 the Democrats carried the State by a bare majority. The Grant party is working with extraordinary ability and energy to overcome this majority by bringing out their reserves, bringing

bear the immense weight of Federal patronage, and by importing voters from other States, notably Kentucky, where they can be spared, as there is no hope for the party of "Addition, Division and Silence" in the Dark and Bloody Ground. Already they are trying the excursion scheme, and numbers of negroes from Kentucky are being colonized. Old Morton, the foxy, is improving each shining hour and dark one too for that matter. And the latter is his favorite time for work, on the principle of loving darkness because his deeds are evil. But with all these vast preparations and the display of gigantic resources, we regard Indiana as safe.

The Bucklew-Hartranft fight in the Keystone State is growing warm. Ex-Senator Bucklew is perhaps the fittest man the Coalition could have hit upon to run for Governor. He is a gentleman of commanding intellect, high moral tone and elegant though practical accomplishments, an able debater and a popular politician. His opponent is Auditor General, and in that position has won an unenviable reputation by his intimate relations with the swindling rings of his State. He has been charged with speculating with public funds and with official malfeasance of the most damaging character. These charges he has either not met at all or has met them so unsatisfactorily that many strong Republicans will not vote for him. He is about the weakest man the Grant people could have selected. But in Pennsylvania as in Indiana the contest will be hotly fought, and the winner will not have a large majority to boast over. Notwithstanding the unpopularity of the candidate for Governor, the Granties will make a brave fight. Still we think that unpopularity will affect the balance of their State ticket and assist Greeley and Brown in November.

The same percentage of gain in Pennsylvania as in Maine will defeat Hartranft and Grant. In 1868 the Radical State ticket was carried by 9,677. Geary's majority in 1869 was 4,596. Less than one per cent. would have defeated him. Friends of the grand Liberal cause, the day is bright overhead. But you must work, and while you work keep in good spirits. So far we have had nothing that ought to discourage us. Our North Carolina election was a victory. In West Virginia a Greeley Democrat was elected Governor. Vermont and Maine both reduced the Radical majorities. Then why should any man lose heart? Keep your eye fixed on the polar star. Listen at no siren song of the Grant Calypsoes. They only lure to certain destruction. The victory in November will be ours if we will work to win it.

THE WAY TO WIN. The Louisville Courier-Journal is a fine paper and it very often says fine things better than any other paper can say them. It points out in a recent article the way to win in strong, terse, pure Saxou. We reproduce portions of its wise advice: "The friends of Mr. Greeley are relying altogether too much on the fact that a majority of the people prefer him to Grant. They are making too little effort. They are too much inclined to fold their arms and passively wait for victory to perch upon their banner. They must throw off this idleness and enter into the campaign more vigorously. They must act upon the advice of Hercules to the wagoner and put their shoulders to the wheel. By vigorous and concerted action there is no doubt they will be able to pull through, but, if they leave the Liberal campaign to run itself, they may lose all."

We do not say that the Liberal candidates would not be elected in spite of the extraordinary efforts of the Radicals to defeat them if not another Liberal speech were made and not a Liberal dollar expended during the rest of the campaign. The ground-swell is a reality, and it is felt in every part of the country from North to South, and from the Atlantic to the Pacific. But there is so much to do to trust everything to the great reaction in popular sentiment. The Democrats and Liberals can not afford to remain passive in this contest. If they lose, they lose everything—constitutional government and all. It will not do for them to underestimate the potency of the influences which are being brought to bear by the friends of Gen. Grant. It will not do to rely too much on the evidences of a popular preference for Greeley.

We need hardly say that we feel the utmost anxiety respecting the Presidential contest. The freeing of the Southern people from the thralldom in which they have been held since the termination of the war depends upon it. Honesty and purity in the administration of public affairs depend upon it. The restoration of nationality and unity to all sections depends upon it. The maintenance of constitutional government and the preservation of free institutions depend upon it. We appeal to Liberals and Democrats, therefore, to do their duty and their whole duty. The battle is already half won. Let us not lose it by culpable negligence.

A Misfortune. The fortunate Henry La Pierre, of San Francisco, most unfortunately drew, a month since, a prize of \$2,500 in the Havana Lottery. Since then he has been drunk all the time, and has tried to hang himself once; and, upon the whole, it is the general opinion of his friends that a blank would have been the greater blessing.

The dealers at the Chinese auction, at the tea for export, with willow leaves.

THE LIBERAL PARTY. The second trial of the murdered prostitute Laura D. Fair is progressing at San Francisco. Mrs. Fair allured A. P. Crittenden, an able lawyer and a man who had had a spotless reputation, from his wife. When he repented of his sin and refused to longer desert the woman he was bound to love and protect, his mistress became his murderer. She shot and killed him on a ferry-boat, Nov. 13, 1870. June 3, 1871, she was declared guilty of murder in the first degree, and was sentenced to be hung. Legal quibbling has secured a new trial for her. A good deal depends upon this. The Chicago Tribune says and we heartily endorse its comments: "If Mrs. Fair is hung like the animal that she is, by the majesty of violated law, we shall be spared hearing the crack of pistols in our streets, as abandoned women shoot the men to whom they have voluntarily sold themselves. There is scarcely a large city in the country where such a sound has not been heard, and in every instance, we believe, the murderer has been let loose on the world again. Now let us have an execution, not for revenge, but for that justice which demands that a deliberate murderer should die, even if clad in petticoats instead of pantaloons."

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The leading Timely Topic is the approaching elections, State and National. Everybody is on tiptoe to know how the "great States" will vote in October. The following schedule should be preserved for reference, the elections taking place at the times specified: Dakota, Indiana, Iowa, Nebraska, Ohio, Pennsylvania, October 8th; South Carolina, October 15th; West Virginia, October 24th; Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Kansas, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nevada, New Jersey, New York, Tennessee, Virginia, Wisconsin, November 5th; Arizona, November 8th; District of Columbia, November 27th. Presidential Electors will be chosen in all the States, November 5th.

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THE LATEST DODGE OF THE GRANTIES is the story started by a New York correspondent of a Philadelphia Sunday paper, that the formal withdrawal of Mr. Greeley has been decided on as the result of the elections in North Carolina, Vermont and West Virginia and the anticipated result in Maine. The cruel fellows to get up such an "orrid joke"! Victors don't withdraw fast.

It requires much surf bathing and a deal of whiskey to run the Government.

POLITICAL PARAGRAPHS.

The Administration is losing the "one talent" it had in "old Kaintuck." Three hundred meetings in one month in Ohio is the way the Democratic Liberal Committee talks it. The Courier-Journal talks of "the moral of the side-show," as if the word "moral" would do to use in connection with the grand fraud of the period. Gratz Brown, Carl Schurz, Alpheus Baker (of Alabama), L. Q. C. Lamar (of Mississippi) and Horace Greeley will each and all probably visit Memphis and address the people within the next thirty days. Horace Greeley correctly stated the case when he said in his Portland speech, "From those who support me in the South I have but one demand—justice; but one desire—reconciliation." Surely the people of the North will not refuse to admit such a claim.

The most noticeable feature connected with the formation of the Electoral ticket in Maryland is the concession by the Democratic party of one of the electors to the State-at-Large to their Liberal Republican allies, ex-Governor Augustus W. Bradford being the person selected to represent the union between the two parties. From these twin Courier-Journalists it would seem the times were providentially ordered rushing. Otherwise how could the Rad papers survive: "The New York Times declares that 'noise and lying cannot long deceive the American people.' Then the sooner the Times stops its noise and lying the better." The Providence Herald asks touching Senator Anthony's paper: "Can the Journal tell the truth?" The great difficulty seems to be in getting it to try.

PROMINENT PERSONALS.

Senator Garrett Davis is recovering. Only two living ex-Presidents—Johnson and Fillmore. Scheppe files a caveat to the will of Miss Steinecke. The famous Dutch violinist, Kooy, will visit us next year. Zorilla, president of the Spanish Council, is severely indisposed. A large raisin factory is to start up in Sonoma, Cal.

STAR HEADS.

A church organ at Schuylerville, N. Y., is run by water. California is raising her second lemon crop this season. St. Louis claims the best fire department in the world. William Patterson has been arrested in Detroit for striking a man. Joe Jefferson is devoutly believed in England to be old Tom's son. Nearly 3,000 women are engaged in boot and shoe making in Philadelphia. Horace Lingard's first wife is coming over the sea to make it lively for Horace and No. 2. A Key West date tree has on it ten bunches. One of them has been found to weigh fifty pounds. Kentucky boasts a well-proportioned negro of thirteen years that is six feet and a half tall. The Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F., for the United States, is to assemble at Baltimore next Monday. The pork-packer of the West are to meet in National Convention at Cincinnati, September 18th. An Ohio girl filled a kerosene lamp while burning, and saved her life by leaping into a swill-barrel. It is a common thing in Wisconsin for women to ride astride. They may be seen thus mounted in all the large towns. The Chicago Mail flies this ticket: For President—Hon. Wilbur F. Storey. For Vice-President—Hon. Lydia Thompson. Mr. Seward's book of travel around the world will be published this fall, and will be one of the most notable volumes of the season. Mr. Henry J. Moore, a tin-roofer, fell from the top of a building in Savannah, last Tuesday, and was almost instantly killed. The Cuban patriot army ambuscaded the Spanish General Mendenna recently, and came near capturing him and his force. In 1857 a man was persecuted in London for selling coffee, just then introduced, as "a nuisance and prejudice to the neighborhood." That enterprising and sprightly daily, the Philadelphia Evening Star, will soon twinkle in a new dress. A Canadian matron one hundred and eight years old is still able to devote much energy to bringing up her little boy, aged ninety-three. George W. Lipscomb lives near Chester, Illinois. From a snow white hair and whiskers have turned to a dark brown, without artificial aid. A man ran through Detroit on Thursday shouting that he was looking for "the road to heaven." The crowd called him crazy for looking for it in Detroit. A boy in Perry, Ga., killed an owl with a gun without a lock. He put a cap on the tube, took sight, got a negro to strike the cap with a hammer, and down came Mr. Owl. A Whitefield county, Ga., scamp sprinkled salt on the railroad track to attract cattle to the place so they will be killed and the owners get pay from the road. The New York Herald's editor is reported to have stated that the search for Livingstone has cost that establishment \$60,000, and the expenses are not all in yet. A gentleman in Carroll county, Ga., made a furious attack upon the handle of a skillet, supposing it to be the head of a black snake protruding from under the stove. John Wesley preached 42,000 sermons, at the rate of fifteen a week. Mr. Wesley never had clergyman's sore throat, or a year's leave of absence, with all expenses paid. When Greeley, the Printer, will be in the Chair. He will justify our expectations, and show himself the best type of President. He will drive out of office the colostrums of corrupt employees, as honesty will be his only guide. His conduct will serve as good copy, to be followed close. Matter of interest will always call his attention. He will change the rules of the present administration, and will substitute gold coins for paper. He will plain down ill difficulties which can arise with other nations. Our form of government will be sold under his hands, and will give a good impression among foreign nations, who will be convinced that the American people can be governed without the use of lead. He will not approve any act imposing heavy taxation. No blank page will be found in the story of his administration. At his inauguration he will have a chase alongside of him; and at the White House no change will be made in the furniture. He will require of an applicant a proof of honesty and capacity, which he will carefully revise himself. And in the composition of his Cabinet he will have no slug character.—New Orleans Picayune.

Eight Children at a Birth. On the 21st of August, Mrs. Timothy Bradlee gave birth to eight children—three boys and five girls.—They are all living, and healthy, but quite small. Mr. Bradlee was married about six years ago to Eunice Mowery, who weighed two hundred and seventy-three pounds on the day of her marriage. She has given birth to two pairs of twins, and now eight more, making twelve children in six years. Mrs. Bradlee was a tripler, her father and mother both being twins and her grandmother the mother of five pairs of twins.—Cincinnati Lancet and Observer.

PALMETTO LEAVES.

Ex-Alderman Lorenzo T. Potter, of Charleston, is dead. Rust is battling successfully against King Cotton. Many fields in Marion have been nearly conquered. There were only 22 deaths in Charleston for the week ending Sept. 6th, of which 10 were whites and 12 colored. Capt. James M. Mulvaney, a prominent Irishman, but for twenty-five years a resident of Charleston, died on Wednesday. On Friday night the cotton-house of Capt. W. J. McKerrill, at Marion, was entered, and over six hundred pounds of seed cotton taken from it. The Abbeville Medium says: It is with sincere regret that we chronicle the deaths of R. E. Bruce, Mrs. Calvin Pressley, R. N. Graves, Jr., and Mrs. Pinkney Huins, of the vicinity of Lowndesville. These deaths occurred during last week. A lady living at Graham's Turnout, on the South Carolina Railroad, opened a drawer several days ago to get an article of clothing, and found a rattlesnake four feet long coiled up therein. A faint scream and death to the snake followed. No further harm done.

WASHINGTON.

The Military and Political Situation.—Number of Troops in the South.—Troubles on the Mexican Border.—The President.—Pennsylvania Politics.—The Indians, Etc. [Special Dispatch to the Baltimore Sun.] WASHINGTON, Sept. 11. A statement has been made that no troops were sent into North Carolina prior to the election there, and that none have been moved into the Southern States except recruits in the order of enlistment since the Presidential campaign opened. The total number of troops now stationed in the Southern States is 7,879, of which number 3,943 are in Texas, on Indian and frontier service; 334 at Fort Monroe, and 451 in Florida, mostly doing garrison duty at Fort Pickens, Key West and the Dry Tortugas. Of the balance a small number are doing duty at coast fortifications, so that about 3,500 are in the interior. The largest number in any one State is 1,056 in South Carolina, while the smallest number is in Arkansas, 63 being stationed there. It is probable that the government will take immediate and positive action with regard to the terrible condition of affairs on our Mexican border, owing to the increasing reports which reach both the State and Treasury Departments about the insecurity of our commerce and the danger to American merchants on the Rio Grande. The War and Navy Departments both will be instructed to exhaust their best energies for the protection of American commerce, which, if recent reports are correct, seems now in more danger from irresponsible incursions in that region than ever before. The President, accompanied by Gen. Porter, returned quite unexpectedly to Washington to-day, with the intention of remaining till to-morrow evening. His sudden appearance gave rise to the belief that some business of importance had arisen demanding his presence once more at the seat of government, but subsequent events show that he came to transact merely routine matters. Secretary Belknap was the only cabinet officer in town till this evening, when the Attorney General returned. The former had an interview, and was followed by Admiral Case, who is acting Secretary of the Navy. During the day the President appointed David Porter to be surveyor of customs at Savannah, Ga., and H. Huber postmaster at Westminster, Md. The Liberal Committee have printed in circular form the letter of D. C. Forney on the alleged corruptions of the Harrisburg ring, and the relations of Senator Cameron and the Pennsylvania Republican ticket thereto, and are giving it general circulation in Pennsylvania. The political adjectives from that State indicate an intention of the Republicans to concentrate all their strength on the Congressman-at-Large, and to run the risk of Gen. Hartranft, Republican candidate for Governor, being defeated. The Indian delegation of thirty-six from the upper country are expected here to-morrow. Gen. Cowen, Assistant Secretary of the Interior, having been called away by illness in his family, will not arrive with them. ZETA.

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A church organ at Schuylerville, N. Y., is run by water. California is raising her second lemon crop this season. St. Louis claims the best fire department in the world. William Patterson has been arrested in Detroit for striking a man. Joe Jefferson is devoutly believed in England to be old Tom's son. Nearly 3,000 women are engaged in boot and shoe making in Philadelphia. Horace Lingard's first wife is coming over the sea to make it lively for Horace and No. 2. A Key West date tree has on it ten bunches. One of them has been found to weigh fifty pounds. Kentucky boasts a well-proportioned negro of thirteen years that is six feet and a half tall. The Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F., for the United States, is to assemble at Baltimore next Monday. The pork-packer of the West are to meet in National Convention at Cincinnati, September 18th. An Ohio girl filled a kerosene lamp while burning, and saved her life by leaping into a swill-barrel. It is a common thing in Wisconsin for women to ride astride. They may be seen thus mounted in all the large towns. The Chicago Mail flies this ticket: For President—Hon. Wilbur F. Storey. For Vice-President—Hon. Lydia Thompson. Mr. Seward's book of travel around the world will be published this fall, and will be one of the most notable volumes of the season. Mr. Henry J. Moore, a tin-roofer, fell from the top of a building in Savannah, last Tuesday, and was almost instantly killed. The Cuban patriot army ambuscaded the Spanish General Mendenna recently, and came near capturing him and his force. In 1857 a man was persecuted in London for selling coffee, just then introduced, as "a nuisance and prejudice to the neighborhood." That enterprising and sprightly daily, the Philadelphia Evening Star, will soon twinkle in a new dress. A Canadian matron one hundred and eight years old is still able to devote much energy to bringing up her little boy, aged ninety-three. George W. Lipscomb lives near Chester, Illinois. From a snow white hair and whiskers have turned to a dark brown, without artificial aid. A man ran through Detroit on Thursday shouting that he was looking for "the road to heaven." The crowd called him crazy for looking for it in Detroit. A boy in Perry, Ga., killed an owl with a gun without a lock. He put a cap on the tube, took sight, got a negro to strike the cap with a hammer, and down came Mr. Owl. A Whitefield county, Ga., scamp sprinkled salt on the railroad track to attract cattle to the place so they will be killed and the owners get pay from the road. The New York Herald's editor is reported to have stated that the search for Livingstone has cost that establishment \$60,000, and the expenses are not all in yet. A gentleman in Carroll county, Ga., made a furious attack upon the handle of a skillet, supposing it to be the head of a black snake protruding from under the stove. John Wesley preached 42,000 sermons, at the rate of fifteen a week. Mr. Wesley never had clergyman's sore throat, or a year's leave of absence, with all expenses paid. When Greeley, the Printer, will be in the Chair. He will justify our expectations, and show himself the best type of President. He will drive out of office the colostrums of corrupt employees, as honesty will be his only guide. His conduct will serve as good copy, to be followed close. Matter of interest will always call his attention. He will change the rules of the present administration, and will substitute gold coins for paper. He will plain down ill difficulties which can arise with other nations. Our form of government will be sold under his hands, and will give a good impression among foreign nations, who will be convinced that the American people can be governed without the use of lead. He will not approve any act imposing heavy taxation. No blank page will be found in the story of his administration. At his inauguration he will have a chase alongside of him; and at the White House no change will be made in the furniture. He will require of an applicant a proof of honesty and capacity, which he will carefully revise himself. And in the composition of his Cabinet he will have no slug character.—New Orleans Picayune.

Eight Children at a Birth. On the 21st of August, Mrs. Timothy Bradlee gave birth to eight children—three boys and five girls.—They are all living, and healthy, but quite small. Mr. Bradlee was married about six years ago to Eunice Mowery, who weighed two hundred and seventy-three pounds on the day of her marriage. She has given birth to two pairs of twins, and now eight more, making twelve children in six years. Mrs. Bradlee was a tripler, her father and mother both being twins and her grandmother the mother of five pairs of twins.—Cincinnati Lancet and Observer.

PALMETTO LEAVES.

Ex-Alderman Lorenzo T. Potter, of Charleston, is dead. Rust is battling successfully against King Cotton. Many fields in Marion have been nearly conquered. There were only 22 deaths in Charleston for the week ending Sept. 6th, of which 10 were whites and 12 colored. Capt. James M. Mulvaney, a prominent Irishman, but for twenty-five years a resident of Charleston, died on Wednesday. On Friday night the cotton-house of Capt. W. J. McKerrill, at Marion, was entered, and over six hundred pounds of seed cotton taken from it. The Abbeville Medium says: It is with sincere regret that we chronicle the deaths of R. E. Bruce, Mrs. Calvin Pressley, R. N. Graves, Jr., and Mrs. Pinkney Huins, of the vicinity of Lowndesville. These deaths occurred during last week. A lady living at Graham's Turnout, on the South Carolina Railroad, opened a drawer several days ago to get an article of clothing, and found a rattlesnake four feet long coiled up therein. A faint scream and death to the snake followed. No further harm done.

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