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THE POPULAR WILL.

The result of the recent election in the 3d Congressional district of Louisiana has supplied some of the Republican journals of the North a topic to write upon and an opportunity to indulge in some more of their stereotyped misrepresentations of the South.

Some of the visiting statesmen from the North, disappointed at the empty result of their missionary labors, pronounced the election a farce. They called it a farce, probably, because it didn't prove to be the tragedy they expected to witness, and a score or two of negroes were not slaughtered before breakfast.

It is not expected that Republican politicians will be pleased with Democratic victories in the South, nor that they will be fair or honest in their comments upon them. They have got into the habit of misrepresentation, a habit of a quarter century's growth, and when habit of such long standing and malice are combined it would be idle to expect candid expression or honest dealing.

The Philadelphia American, Republican, but of more than average respectability, in commenting on this election concludes with the broad assertion that "elections in States South of the Potomac are not expressions of the popular will."

This assertion is based on the presumption that the negroes have a controlling power, if exercised, in the States South of the Potomac, which is not true. There is not a State in the South, with the exception of Mississippi and South Carolina, where on a full vote the Democrats have not a decided majority.

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And wherein lay the right of any Northern Republican to consistently lecture the South on this subject? In the Northern States the elections have long since ceased to be "expressions of the popular will."

They are simply, as a rule, the expressions of the will of the rings and combinations whose trickery and money command the votes which give the majority. Boss Quay with his "fat," and Dudley with his blocks of five, express "the popular will" in a very peculiar and effective way.

MINOR MENTION.

Minister Ryan, who represents this government at the Mexican capital, has had his eyes opened to some things since he has been in that country and now advises unrestricted commerce with the sister Republic.

He writes very much like a Democrat. His conclusions were hastened, doubtless, by the action of the Mexican government in withdrawing from the free list horses, mules, cattle, hogs, sheep and dressed meat shipped from the United States and imposing an import duty of ten to fifty per cent.

The latest report from Washington in reference to Corporal Tanner is that he will have to go, and that his resignation is actually in the hands of Secretary Noble.

Superior Court for Brunswick county which has been in session at Southport this week, adjourned for the term yesterday and Judge Shipp, Solicitor McNeill and visiting members of the bar came up to the city in the afternoon.

The death of Hon. S. S. Cox is a serious loss not only to the Democratic party, of which he was a lifelong member, an able defender and a trusty counsellor, but to the country at large, to which he gave the best efforts of his life.

It was learned on application at the office of the agent of the steamship company that a telegram had been received from the New York office yesterday stating that the steamer Benefactor, advertised to sail for Wilmington, Wednesday the 11th, would not leave until Saturday.

A Fatal Accident. A colored man who came here recently from Rocky Point and secured employment at the Hilton Mills, was killed yesterday morning by a piece of strip from the edging-saw, which struck him in the stomach.

Brother Burdard, of R. R. R. fame, has the reputation of having proved to be Mr. J. G. Blaine's evil genius, and since then the Republican politicians have been disposed to fight shy of clerical politicians.

ROCKY MOUNT.

Rocky Mount warehouse had a big trade yesterday. Another launch has been entwined around the brow of old Nash county. It being the opening break of the season, about 500 bales of cotton were sold, and prices were well sustained.

At Charleston and Savannah it is estimated that from one-fourth to one-third of the receipts so far this season are covered with cotton bagging. The Savannah News states that the cotton exporters of that city are seriously thinking of reovering with jute bagging the cotton coming there in cotton bagging, principally because they can make a handsome profit by bringing the weight of the raw cotton to the standard.

Intelligence was brought to this city yesterday that the town of Bookingsham, Richmond county, had been visited by a disastrous fire Sunday morning. It broke out in a grocery store kept by a colored man named Elisha Leak, and the store and five other buildings, with most of the contents, were destroyed.

David Wiggs, the burglar, has been sent to Wayne, for trial at the Superior Court for that county which will be in session at Goldsboro. The transfer from the jail in this city was made quietly last Sunday, to avoid any danger of a possible lynching of the prisoner before he was safely lodged in jail at Goldsboro.

Cards of invitation have been issued for the celebration of the One Hundredth Anniversary of the Adoption of the Constitution of the United States, to be held in Fayetteville on Thursday, November 21st, 1896.

Arrangements for the funeral of Congressman Cox. By Telegraph to the Morning Star. NEW YORK, Sept. 11.—It has been arranged almost immediately that Congressman S. S. Cox will take place Friday morning from the Presbyterian Church, at Tenth street and University Place.

Receipts of cotton yesterday 150 bales. Sales of 200 bales reported on a basis of 100 cents for middling. Yes, he loves me, 'tis true, Less with eyes of violet blue, Lips as sweet as honey-dew, Will be love you as a day, When your bloom has fled away, When your golden locks are grey, Will I love thee still.

Good News from Southport. A lady correspondent writing from Southport, says: "We are all millionaires down here. Mr. Phillips, President of our road (the North-western and South Atlantic) has written a splendid letter, saying the affairs of his road are in such condition that he is going to build a new line from Southport to Wilmington right away. We are at the top of the tide. Real estate is booming."

FROM WASHINGTON.

Secretary of the Interior. By Telegraph to the Morning Star. WASHINGTON, Sept. 11.—The directors of the Insane Asylum were in executive session here all day. There has been a election of officers so far. Dr. McDuffie, of Fayetteville, and Dr. Brown, of Tennessee, seemed to be the most prominent of those named for the position of superintendent.

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Secretary of the Interior. By Telegraph to the Morning Star. BALTIMORE, Sept. 11.—The six days' celebration of the Anniversary of the Defense of Baltimore, in our second war with Great Britain, was held here today. The events to be celebrated are of national importance, and the fact that one of them, the bombardment of Fort Mifflin, is a subject of national interest, which has been removed, and the efforts of the War and Navy Departments to contribute to its success.

Secretary of the Navy. By Telegraph to the Morning Star. BALTIMORE, Sept. 11.—It is reported here to-day that Pension Commissioner Tanner has been removed, and that after the removal of the Pension Commissioner of the United States, the Pension Office will be placed under the supervision of the Secretary of the Treasury.

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Spirits Turpentine.

Shelby Aurora: Mr. S. McBride, Poston, late proprietor of Cleveland Springs, near Shelby, died after a protracted illness at the age of 40 years, on Saturday, Sept. 11, 1896.

Asheboro Courier: The lumber business here continues to grow. There is no end to the lumber around the depot. A protracted meeting is in progress this week at Shepherd's church on the village College circuit.

New Bern Courier: According to the school census just taken in the 8th township, there are 788 white children and 2,300 colored children, of whom 1,825 are under 16 years of age.

Washington Gazette: While our farmers are getting the most of the crop out, yet we think that the crop is not so poor after all. The corn crop is usually good, and what rice there is first-class. The wheat crop is also good.

Chatham Record: We regret to hear of the death of E. H. McManus, a well-known citizen of this county, who died at the residence of his wife, Mrs. J. T. McManus, on the 14th of August, at the age of 83 years.

Charlotte Chronicle: A gentleman from Darlington, S. C., while sitting in a chair in the yard of his residence, was bitten on the head by his dog, which then jumped upon him biting him severely in several places.

Troy Vidette: Died, Monday evening, September 22d, at the residence of his brother, W. H. McRae, Esq., in this vicinity, Miss V. H. McRae, aged about 89 years.

Nashville Argonaut: While out on a walk a few days ago Willie Smith, a mischief, drove the axe into his ankle, cutting the bone. Several pieces have come out, and there have been a great many children born in Nashville during the past six months, and it is a little remarkable that, with one exception, all have been boys.

Monroe Enterprise: The camp-meeting at Antioch, Tenn., closed yesterday morning of last week. There were 35 conversions and 17 accessions to the church. Among the converts there was a young man named J. W. Smith, who was converted by the Rev. J. W. Smith, and twenty-two into the Baptist Church. Besides those who were converted last Sunday there are a number of others who are being converted.

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