

THE SENTINEL.

Saturday, July 21, 1866.

"But Gov. Worth not only turned out the President's supporters because they are loyal, and puts his own partisans in their places, but through his organ, *the Standard*, he abuses the President." That paper, in its issue of July 3, speaking for Gov. Worth in relation to the corporations in which he has made so many slanders, says the President has no right to interfere in civil matters in this State, and that "as far as the authority of the President extends to the affairs of this State, Gov. Worth would do his wishes with as much energy as any Radical." It must make the reader wonder if any assertion of authority can be considered by the Constitution and the friends of the South. What next? The President is bound by the *decrees* of his cabinet, he will next be informed. "Now, in the name of all the gods at once, On what strength rest both this, our Country, and that he has grown so great?"

Standard.—The above is wholly a gratuity—a discovery which no one else would have made, except Gov. Holden and those of a like temper. He, alone, and his peculiar friends, are anxious to make the people of North Carolina feel and believe that they are still living under a harsh, rigorous military government—one which has but little respect to laws or Constitutions, and that President Johnson is assaying the expulsions of a despot. We hold to no such views either of President Johnson or of the same state of things, excepting in so far as the spirit and design of the Radical Congress are concerned. If that body, and the Radical party, could do so, we have no doubt they would hold in complete vassalage, forever, or at least until they became entirely assimilated to them in temper, spirit, and principle, the whole people of the South.

Now, we did not speak for Gov. Worth, but for ourselves. We gave no intimation that we were speaking for him. Our words were directly upon the point, that, whatever might have been deemed necessary, as to Executive interference with State affairs, prior to the issue of President Johnson's peace proclamation, since that period no such necessity existed; nor had the President exhibited such a disposition. With Gov. Holden, the President's wish was law, but, as in Gov. Worth, it is bound by the law of the land, whether found in the Constitution or the statute books. He is known to be a law-abiding man, and hence we said that "Gov. Worth may not be expected to yield in any one article of authority less than in the Constitution and the laws of the land." There is the distinction in that!

Dr. E. J. Powell.

Gov. Holden, in his last issue, speaks very kindly of Dr. Powell, his state agent for North Carolina under the Provisional government, and commends him to the consideration of our people, who have business at Washington city. Dr. P., we have no doubt, is an obliging man. His services are no longer needed as State Agent; but, as he has leisure from his official duties to attend to other matters, there is a small service, when he is called upon by our citizens to attend to any business that he should always be paid for his services.

Who we are. We are indebted to a correspondent of a New York journal for information, which we have vainly sought elsewhere, as to the personal identity of Mr. Hyatt Lefland, who signed the call for Ex. P. G. Hamilton's "Southern Loyalist Convention," as a citizen of North Carolina. It seems that he is a New Yorker and resides in Herkimer county. He came South a few months ago, as Deputy Marshal, or something of that kind, and, it is said, has been particularly busy in proceedings for the confiscation of property. And Lefland!

The Lander House.—This is the title of a handsome and attractive weekly periodical, devoted to the social interests of Southern womanhood, and published at Atlanta, Ga., by Thos. S. Powell—that accomplished and talented lady, Mrs. L. Virginia French, being the Editor. Among the contributors we notice the name of one of our most gifted Peditives. We do not hesitate to commend this periodical to the patronage of our people as an excellent literary and propagative publication. The terms are as per annum in advance.

New EDUCATIONAL BOOKS.—Messrs. Hildard & Co., Publishers and Booksellers, 510 Broadway, N. Y., will soon present to the public a series of textbooks for Indian and University. The authors are all Southern men, mostly Professors in the University of Virginia. The illustrations represent Southern scenes and the books are free from those objectionable political bias and historical inaccuracies to be found in most of the textbooks now in general use. The enterprise deserves success. Mr. Jas. N. Edmundson of this State, is Agent for the firm, and will probably take an early opportunity to canvass for the publications.

Mingo.—We regret that our Ex. Clerical Governor will not design to enlighten us as to his views concerning the approaching Philadelphia Convention. This is a subject upon which every man should not only have an opinion, but should speak out.

Quint.—Is this our neighbor's quandary? To oppose the Convention, would displease the President, while is violently anxious to favor it, and who looks to its safety and deliverance to strengthen and uphold his hand in his conflict with the Radicals. We suppose the Convention would be an easy triumph of Thos. Stevens, who, according to the late Radical cause, has no one who knows that Convention can have any fellowship with the Union party?

My friend! within shall I go?—Which way I fly?—Under "Mingo"!—Deduced!—had in each deep a sense deeply distressing to derive me. Open wide!

Christian Course.—A large and remarkable meeting of the citizens of Calais was held on Tuesday, for the purpose of approving delegations to a District Convention. The meeting was addressed in an able and patriotic manner by Hon. Z. R. Tanner, Gen. Davis' Attorney and Col. J. M. Jones.

The Radical Causes.

As a significant and fearful sign of the times, we give the report in full of the extra-ordinary proceedings of Republican Congressmen on Wednesday night last. A salient meeting was held on Saturday night, at which much of the same spirit as marked the first meeting was exhibited, although a resolution was finally adopted consenting to the adjournment of Congress in the early part of next week.

This report reads very much like a history of the proceedings of the infamous Jacobin club at Paris. No political exclusive, since the days of Robespierre and Marat, ever exhibited such turbulence and ruffianism. In brutal and revolutionary threats, these Radicals, at this juncture, passed far beyond the boundary which divides loyalty from treason. We need only refer to the following samples, which are not exaginations, for, as will be seen, they are quoted from the authorized official report:

Mr. Hutchins, of New York, stated that the meeting was called to prevent the President from removing Radicals from office during the Congressional recess, and that, in his own State, a "head-butcher" stood ready to strike. Mr. Farnsworth, of Illinois, wanted Congress to remain in session until December, so as to support its friends in office. He denounced the President as a traitor, and believed that he was ready for any measure, however desperate, which would put the government into the hands of the rebels. His lips blathering with dismesser, Mr. Farnsworth gave way to Mr. Garland, of Ohio, who announced the resignation of Postmaster-General Dennison, and urged the Radicals to strip to the waist and fight the battle out. Mr. Boutwell, of Massachusetts, asserted that a conspiracy was on foot to put the government into the hands of the rebels, and that the President was a party to it. He had no doubt they contemplated a resort to force. He believed Andrew Johnson to be just as thoroughly a traitor as Jefferson Davis and a madman in league with rebels. Mr. Kelley, of Pennsylvania, said "Amen" to Mr. Boutwell. He termed the Philadelphia Convention a "conspiracy of traitors," got up by the President for the purpose of putting rebels into power. After a brief debate concerning Mr. Raymond, Thad. Stevens rose and endorsed what had been said by Mr. Ingalls, as he was unable to invent stronger terms of denunciation. Mr. Lane, of Indiana, who was heartily applauded, announced that a million of soldiers were ready to rush to Washington to sustain Congress against the tyranny of the President!

And yet, quoth the *Standard*, the President and Congress are equally "honest and patriotic" in their intentions!

The Lecture System.

It is a reproach to this community, and has long been a reflection upon its intelligence, that we manifest, ordinarily, so great an indifference to public intellectual entertainments. We do not think, however, that this defect is, by any means, confined to this community. We know of a recent instance, where a learned and eminent citizen in a sister city, who was announced for weeks beforehand to deliver a lecture upon a subject of general interest and historical importance, was compelled to give the result of his laborious investigation and research to an audience of scarcely thirty persons. Nor is the lamentable and culpable indifference in this matter peculiar to North Carolina. It is a Southern fault, and one which should be remedied, and the sooner the better.

What is needed to that instruction, education, should be popularized, should be made easily accessible to all portions of the community. In no manner can this be so readily and successfully accomplished as through the medium of cheap public lectures. It is such a system that has vindicated so much of practical intelligence and information among the laboring classes at the North, and in England and Scotland. It is in such an instrumentality that the world of science is destined for a High Miller, who traced the footprints of the Creator on the mountain and in the moor, and grandly harmonized the teachings of God with the teachings of the Bible. He, and many an other profound thinker and benefactor to the world of letters, conceived their first undimmed aspirations after home, left their first thirst for knowledge, and saw the first glimmering dawn of their future greatness, under the influence, probably, of some cheap lecture in the quiet village hall or church.

It is not only in an educational point of view that the system is productive of happy results, but the moral benefits are almost incalculable. By educating the people, and especially the young,—opportunities and occasions for rational enjoyment, combined with mental improvement and social intercourse, time, which might otherwise be consumed in idleness or dissipation, is profitably employed.

We have not the leisure to enlarge upon the subject and to present it to our people in its many imposing aspects. We should heel with delight, as an evidence of political, moral and social recuperation, superior to any yet exhibited in our midst, a more general disposition and growing desire to patronize the diffusion of public lectures.

Hermitage Symposium.—Moses, Allen and Chase, Richmond, have established extensive meetings upon the Hermitage and near that city. The soil is admirably adapted to the growth of young trees, and their varieties have been carefully selected with special reference to the soil and climate of the Southern States. All who purchase from them may rely upon getting good and, certainly, pleasant, healthy, etc.

Codification of the Laws.

Washington, July 17.—The following great men have been selected as members of the committee to revise and codify the statutes of the United States, in accordance with an act of Congress recently passed: Caleb Cushing of Massachusetts, John Johnson, of Ohio, and George J. Phelps, of Washington.

Another War Indicated.

The turbulent and agitating revolutionary spirit, evinced by the Radicals, grows no better. Conservatism has unfortunately eked out entirely among the ultra men of the Republican party. Gen. Sherman, the other day, in a brief address to the students of Yale College, said that he had had enough of war; but that they, the students, would live to participate in one, in comparison with which the late war was a small affair.

In connection with this idea, we find that the sentiment is a growing one, especially, too, among Northern people, both officers and civilians, that the war is not over; and the uncertainty, doubt and anxiety, which still hang on the Southern mind and weigh down its energies, seem to have fixed in the Southern people an impression that the end is not yet. Yet, among the thoughtful in the South, the idea of war, in which they are to participate, does not enter into their calculations. We hear on all sides, "we have had enough of it"—the past is sufficient." How this may be, in the whirl of events, no human tongue can say, yet we find, everywhere, a desire, on the part of the Southern people, for peace, quietude and the successful search after those natural benefits which will again bring recuperation and prosperity.

Every phase of the conflict, now waging against the President by the Radical Congress, evolves some new feature, and reveals the fixed purpose of that party to succeed in holding the reins of government, at the risk of a direct conflict of arms with the President and his supporters. Mr. Raymond, of the *New York Times*, who, by the way, is not so reliable as he might be, because of his vacillating course, has recently, in a letter to the *Times*, revealed the designs of the Radicals, and gives the secret history of the late resolution passed by the House, calling on the States to organize, discipline and equip their militia, and directing that two-thirds of arms with the President and his supporters. 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