

THE THIRTY-NINTH CONGRESS

The session of the Thirty-Ninth Congress closes to-day. It has not only opened a new quarter, but a degree of interest without precedent in the history of the United States...

It found the wounds of civil war closing; it has reopened and inflamed them. It found one-third of the Union unrepresented; it leaves it unrepresented. It found the currency bad; it leaves it worse...

In a word, it hardly surpasses the sober limits of grave criticism. It says that it has done no one thing that ought to have been done, nor left undone one thing that ought to have been done.

There is too much idleness in this country. It is breeding vice and immorality. It is filling our jails with criminals. Crime has been on the gradual increase for six months.

Why should a young man consider it degrading or even undignified to work? President Johnson purchased his present residence in East Tennessee with the proceeds of his labor as a tailor.

Young man! if you would succeed, go to work. If you cannot obtain a clerkship, take something else. You had better berolling over barrels, or plowing, or building fences, or chopping cord wood, or carrying the load, than doing nothing.

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The successful laying of the Atlantic cable is at least a triumph of human ingenuity and perseverance. But it must be considered that the telegraphic union of the two hemispheres so formed may terminate at any hour, as, on the other hand, it may be enduring.

The first news received through the long wire is that of peace. We are told that a treaty has been signed between Prussia and Austria. It is not difficult to imagine upon what terms the belligerents have agreed to lay aside arms.

As we had anticipated in these columns before a gun was fired, the war has been short. Frederick the Great consumed seven long years in erecting his second class kingdom, for he had to contend with the most disadvantageous circumstances.

The jealousy evinced for the sudden prevail of Prussia strategy and needle-guns, by some nations in Europe, is amusing. But none of them appear so indelicately in this manifestation as the French Emperor and his subjects.

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According to promise in our last, we present the "Watchman" on a whole sheet. It will be observed that it affords over twenty columns of reading matter.

The most important news of the day is the New Orleans riot, not-broke between the whites and the negroes, an account of which will be found in this paper.

This trouble was caused by an attempt of the radical party of the north to make Louisiana a radical State. The Convention called into existence by the Federal authorities, two years ago, made a Constitution for the State, which, though a graceful work in itself, and unacceptable to the State, was yet ratified by the few persons who were able or willing to submit to the test of loyalty.

What Gen. Jeff Thompson Says.—Jeff Thompson, late a General in the Confederate army, writes the following letter to the editor of the Messenger at McKinney, Texas:

For the Federals who met me in battle, I show them their faith by their works. I have respect; but for the so-called wise men of the South who 'knew the cog wheel and the cog' I have the most perfect contempt.

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THE CROPS

Edgewood Crops.—There is little doubt that our county, Edgewood, will produce nearly as much cotton and corn this season as it ever did. This is due to the energy of our planters, and the manner in which our freedmen have fulfilled their contracts.

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