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THE GREAT POLITICAL CHANGE.

Yesterday deserves to be marked with a white stone. It is a great day in American Annals. A Republican administration that bankrupted the country and left as its two great legacies a huge grinding, unequal, unconstitutional tariff tax and a great Pension burden that cost an oppressed people over \$160,000,000 for 1893, with a cent of a heavy increase in 1894, went out of office at the command of an outraged and offended people, and a new administration, representing entirely opposing principles of public economy and public duty, and standing for Reform in all branches of the Government, takes its place amid the acclamations of the people and with the confidence of every great section attending the initial movement. God grant in His great wisdom and mercy to smile propitiously and to so guide in all things that public confidence, public hope, public prosperity, public contentment may be restored, and that still young but indeed puissant Republic may magnify the spirit of true liberty and give to oppressed nationalities and peoples a yet higher example of purity, love of liberty, equality and justice of laws and the benignancy and blessings of freedom based upon public virtue, intelligence, and self-control.

Mr. Cleveland has asserted his patriotism, his devotion to the great duties of his exalted public office, his wisdom, his independence, his ability, his zeal for the right and the good. He is not a new man, but a well tried man. He enters again after the lapse of four years upon the discharge of the duties of the Presidency, sustained by the best wishes of at least 7,000,000 of freemen, and the prayers of all the good women of the Republic. He begins his second term, we doubt not, with high resolves and noble purposes. He will be sustained in all that is right and wise and for the good of our common country.

Let us not be impatient and complaining. Let us give him full time and try to know why he acts in the administration of his public office. We need relief from evils that have accumulated through three decades of misrule, incompetency, recklessness and abuse, and even with seasons of corruption when there was a genuine carnival of crime and vice among officials. Grover Cleveland is a patriot, an American, and a statesman. Let us hold up his hands.

RELIGIOUS EDITORIALS FOR SUNDAY.

The people of Boston are not a church going people if we may judge by the reports of the Congregational churches. There are forty-two churches, chapels and mission halls, seating capacity 26,000. On a favorable Sunday it was ascertained that but 8,500 persons attended in the morning—not one-third of the seats filled—and at night 7,396. This is a poor showing for Congregationalism. If the other denominations do no better then Boston is excellent missionary ground, as we before intimated in giving the Virginia lady's account of her experiences and observations in that old and favored city.

LONGFELLOW AND POE.

About 1878 or 1879, Mr. Longfellow, the eminent New England poet, published a volume of selections of poetry by Southern writers. We never saw the volume. We would upon general principles doubt the ability of any Northern man of letters to make properly such an anthology. However royally endowed with genius—he is a Longfellow, a Lowell or an Emerson—however cultivated and travelled, we believe his sectional and political prejudices would interfere and dominate. A man of the North to be qualified to make up a volume of selections to fairly represent Southern poetical genius should be in sympathy and of broad and generous culture. For any New England man to succeed in a work of Southern selections he must indeed overcome no little of personal, social, political, sectional antagonism and prejudices. In spite of surroundings and associations and faiths he must be true to art, to culture, to taste to do this. He must have diligently read all of the best poetry of the South, and a great deal that is commonplace and jejune. The obscure as well as the more prominent singers must have been studied. Was Mr. Longfellow familiar with the efforts of those most comparatively obscure, neglected singers, who if not clad in the royal vesture of song, are at least controlled by tender and holy emotions, and have warbled their "wood notes wild" with a very generous melody? We remember to have seen a notice of the Longfellow collection in a Northern paper—the Philadelphia Times—that spoke lightly of it as being hastily prepared and containing no little rubbish. If the book was really poor it was the collector's fault. He deliberately omitted, as we saw stated, Poe's name from the collection. His is the greatest name among the men of the South who had written "supreme and divine poetry," as someone, perhaps Montaigne, expresses it. This is to make a collection of the Elizabethan Dramatists and omit Shakespeare. It is absurd, in the

pecuniary and spiritual burdens upon those of the dissenting denominations? We confess to ignorance right here.

William Samuel Lilly, an English scholar and author, has recently published an octavo which is called "The Great Enigma." It is a blast against modern skepticism. The book is said to be strikingly original and impressive as an argument. The Appletons publish it in this country.

What should be the end and purpose of a critical study of the Holy Bible? Should it be merely to discover errors or to ascertain the truth? Should it be to destroy the foundations or to buttress them with verified facts? Criticism in the true spirit may be a blessing and is legitimate and proper. But to study the Bible to destroy it, to make it ridiculous in so far as unscientific leaning and high abilities can accomplish this is despicable. The Bible is the only book that can tell us anything of God, and so reveal Him as to furnish a true conception of His attributes and character.

The opening of the World's Fair on Sunday will be a positive disgrace to this country. It will offend the sensibilities of thousands of Christians. Why should it be opened? There are six other days and God's Day should be kept sacred. The opening of the big show on Sundays would indeed be "a giant of evil, defiant of the forces of righteousness." Even the American Congress and the North Carolina Legislature dare not sit on the Lord's Day. Only two days ago it was given out that the pension bill was to be opened to-day for entertainments of some kind. What happened? Republican Secretary Noble at once objected and the President-elect telegraphed protesting against the use of the public building for concert purposes on Sunday. Secretary Noble at once forbade it, and so telegraphed Mr. Cleveland on 1st March. The Northern Methodist Review takes this view and it is proper as it had the bad results that would follow Sabbath desecration at Chicago by aid of Congress.

The aftermath of the summer desecration of 1892, would be a perpetual desecration of the Lord's Day in American practice, long after the Exposition has become a receding incident in the national history. Already has the breaking down of the great regard for the Holy Day which prevailed in the formative times of our national history, become an evident and grievous fact to all who cherish the institutions of Christianity. But in all the history of the American Republic there has been no period so critical as regards the perpetuation of Sabbath sanctity. All the interests of the Holy Day, with its traditions of sanctuary blessing, its benison of rest to tired brains and hands, and its promised rewards for continued observance, are in jeopardy.

"Keep holy the Sabbath Day." That is God's own law. The United States cannot afford to follow European abuse and dispense practically with the Lord's Day.

It is most remarkable what a vast influence Phillips Brooks exerted upon this country. The papers are still printing anecdotes and reminiscences of this great servant of God whose life was an inspiration and a benediction. To have known him well must have been a genuine means of grace. The loss is felt to be a personal loss by thousands who never saw him in the flesh or perhaps his portrait and never read a sermon by him. He lived in an analytical age and he was not analytical, and therefore, not an outcome of it. He was a spiritual power and he was synthetic. He was something of a yates rather than a nineteenth century critic full of all unsoundness and seeking new religious fads and fancies. He was intense in his religiousness, and he lived a life of intense spiritual forces. He was a noble, a grand, loving, righteous life and went home to Heaven. What a messenger he was from high Heaven, and having delivered the message of love and purity and spirituality and true catholicism he went up higher. "Blessed are they who die in the Lord for their works do follow them."

SHARPS AND FLATS.

Remarkable guesses were made by Miss Sophie Tackett, of Alexandria, Va. She sent on February 11th, to the Washington Evening News her guess as to Cleveland's Cabinet. She hit the nail squarely on the head all the way through except in the case of the Attorney General. She guessed Wilson, of West Virginia. She got the \$50 prize. What could have possessed her to have guessed that well known Weaver and late Republican, Judge Gresham, for the portfolio of Secretary of State? We would have guessed Gen. Weaver as soon for the War Department, or Postmaster General.

There is a steadily growing sentiment all over the country in favor of a pure ballot, and, perhaps, the substitution of what is known as the Australian system of voting. We do not think that North Carolina, and perhaps some other Southern States, are ready for it. If adopted it would practically and certainly disgraceful "irregularities" that do not improve the hopefulness of good people for the future of our country. Alabama has adopted it. The Weaver gang opposed it. Of course, what frauds. They clamor for a pure ballot but oppose needed machinery to guarantee the purity.

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case of Longfellow it was malicious. To omit Poe in Southern anthology is to omit the greatest name. He is not only the finest poet, but he is recognized in Europe—in England, in France—as being more than Longfellow's peer. He has no doubt a higher reputation abroad than any American genius. He is praised abroad as poet, essayist, and story teller, and is even classed some times with the great Hawthorne as a writer of most weird and powerful stories.

What was the secret of this omission—the cause of this unexplained slur upon Poe? Did you ever read Poe's articles on Longfellow? If not read them and you will have the explanation. It was a case of revenge, thirty years after Poe was in his grave. Poe had reviewed in a series of articles with excruciating caustic severity the literati of Boston and New England, and had very bitingly, very elaborately criticized Mr. Longfellow himself, accusing him, among other things, of plagiarism. The poor revenge, when the critic was already dead more than three decades, was to compile a volume illustrative of Southern poetic genius and omit all mention of by far the greatest of them all—possibly the greatest among all American poets.

The poor, unhappy, unfortunate poet has been long gone. A few years ago a New England vampire wrote a life of Poe that was the work of a scavenger and defamer. All through the last forty odd years the assassins and slanderers have been doing their devilish work. They have stabbed Poe's character, depreciated his genius, heaped reproaches and calumny upon his memory. But genius can not be murdered. In the face of neglect and misrepresentation, his fame has steadily increased, and his name and women in this country, and in England, have at last united in vindicating his character to a considerable extent, and in removing much of the stigma that had gathered around his name. Mr. Longfellow may have omitted through a petty or vindictive spite, if such be the case, the name of Poe, that is at least as large, as luminous, as world-wide as his own, from a volume ostensibly representing the genius and art of the Southern poets, but he is powerless to curtail his influence, and he cannot lessen the splendor of the aureole that circles his brow. The idea of a collection of Southern poets without Poe is as absurd as to make a collection of Victorian poets and omit Tennyson. It is the play of Hamlet with Hamlet left out.

LEGISLATIVE.

The House amended the Quarantine appropriation in an unusually absurd way. That the money for establishing a thorough quarantine shall only be applied when the cholera is here or about to enter our doors. That beats the "joculoseus." Did you ever? When the thief is about to enter your unlocked stable door and steal your horse, you rush to him and say with all due civility—"Pardon me. Be so good as to hold on while I secure this door with a strong lock." A Quarantine station cannot be put in an hour or a day. An ounce of precaution is worth a whole session of political blatherskite and legislative pop-gynny.

Some member introduced a bill creating an Arbor Day. It is needed and important, but he is too late probably. Sixteen new railroads chartered by one Legislature will do. Will they be built or the half of them? What a benefit to the people they would prove if constructed. We suppose they are all needed. Why not make them a reality in the near future?

A Republican, or his ally the Weaverite, is said to hate with a mortal hatred the very name of State Guard. They look upon them as personal enemies just as if a needed arm of defence or a get in your way of the well disposed or the law abiding. How runs the couplet:

"No man 'er fell the halter draw, With good opinion of the law." We are not sure of the quotation, but give the sense if not the precise words

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STATE PRESS.

"Miss Maryann" Butler has taken down the motto—"Pure Democracy and White Supremacy"—from her paper (misnamed *The Opinions*) since she moved it from Clinton to Goldsboro. This motto and the name (*Caucasian*) were the only things about the paper during and since the recent campaign to remind one of the Democratic Party. That's the way to change the name of her paper to *The Republican* (which we suggested during the campaign) the name will be more in harmony with what it advocates.—Kinston Free Press.

A correspondent of the Winston Sentinel at Mans, in Yadin county, writes that paper: "If we could only get a Legislature that had the courage and backbone to levy a heavy tax on the many hounds and other worthless dogs throughout the country, so the farmers could keep sheep, they would be better off and could improve lands. In one mile square here you can find 152 worthless hounds, and not a half acre of sheep. That's the way to improve lands and build up a section, is it not? There is more money in the sheep business for the amount of capital invested than in any line of stock on a farm, and we have hundreds of acres of land here growing up in broom sedge and briars that would support big numbers of sheep."

The impression of physical and mental power which Mr. Gladstone gave to the crowded House of Commons when he made his great speech on Home Rule the other day is indicated in the following extract from a report in a London journal: "The clock marks one hour and a half of continuous speech and continuous development of a scheme as comprehensive as demonstrated in advanced mathematics—from the period of his opening phrase. He is to go on for three-quarters of an hour more. When he succeeds in his perseverance I come away with the thought that I have witnessed an extraordinary display of human faculty which no age should have as its own. Mr. Gladstone's character to a considerable extent, and in removing much of the stigma that had gathered around his name. Mr. Longfellow may have omitted through a petty or vindictive spite, if such be the case, the name of Poe, that is at least as large, as luminous, as world-wide as his own, from a volume ostensibly representing the genius and art of the Southern poets, but he is powerless to curtail his influence, and he cannot lessen the splendor of the aureole that circles his brow. The idea of a collection of Southern poets without Poe is as absurd as to make a collection of Victorian poets and omit Tennyson. It is the play of Hamlet with Hamlet left out.

PUBLIC OPINION.

Gen. Beauregard's name as a military man, notwithstanding the different opinions that have been expressed of him, is secure enough. He will not take rank with the greatest of the Confederate leaders, whose special achievements in some degree tended to eclipse his early success, but he will occupy an honorable place in the military history of that period. In particular, his name will always be associated with the commencement of the great struggle which must ever be regarded as one of the most momentous in the history of the world.—Louisville Courier.

Of Mr. Gladstone's wonderful speech you have long since been able to form an opinion. If it will not be classed among the very greatest of his oratorical achievements, that will not be due to any fault, but to the deliberate purpose of the orator. It was not merely that he had been inspired by his friends to husband his strength and restrict himself if possible within two hours, a limit which he very slightly exceeded. The circumstances were otherwise very different from those of 1886, and no man responds to the situation of a political situation so readily as Mr. Gladstone. Seven years ago he had to convert the people to a new departure. The people are converted, and already his creditable argument on the subject has been employed. Mr. Gladstone's main object was not to argue, but to explain. He spoke throughout in quiet tones, sometimes with a touch of pathos in his voice, which profoundly moved the House, but never with the slightest tinge of invective or recrimination. His speech was almost like the legacy of an aged statesman to the great historic assembly in which his whole life has been summed up.—Jonesborough Correspondent of New York Evening Post.

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