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CHRONIC CROAKERS.

Every community has its quota of membership in the guild of croakers. They are known of all their neighbors. The neighbors aforesaid are often made to feel "blue" by them. They meet a neighbor any bright morning and are ready to take issue with him on the character of the weather for that day. "Pretty day" -"Yes," quoth the croakers, "but it it seems to me, to know the claims is too cool," or, "it won't last long." A present joy, if not discounted cash in hand, is robbed of its flower by a shadow that is cast before. "A sorrow's crown of sorrow" with them is ligent, tree, prosperous rule, that here in the forecasting of gloom that shall inevitably enshroud the present hope. To be happy is an impossibility with them; they are simply afraid to trust any such feeling, and they will not do it. When they get into the church there is barely any rarity of Christian charity" when it which hangs the weal or woe of the comes to dealing with the croaker class in a church, and yet they are there, and there to stay. The last the way of other peoples' sunshine the people desire Jarvis or Clark for and enjoy alone the gloom of their Governor, or both (Governor and Lieu-

rights that are peculiar, and they the masses when they read out of "Measures, not men," and it was a gloat too in the assertion of those the canvass Jarvis and Clark on good doctrine. It might have been rights. If it annoys their brethren their patriotic letters to the people. I expressed still better in the form, T. L. Seigle & Co. that they should ventilate discour aging "views" about the situation and roll their eyes in holy horror over the decaying spirit of the church and the worse that is coming, why, so much the better for their comfort, for the brethren are wrong in looking at the bright side of things. They ought to permit every fount of read these days, and read after such or wrong," is a poor kind of citizen joy to go dry, and side with the croakers. Nobody has any business to be happy in present or anticipated joy, for the croakers can see no silver lining to any cloud. That you should see it, or hope to see it, is absolutely a source of worry to splendid Governor, too. Our county them. We meet them also in politicseven in the Democratic party. There is too much casting about for a suitable man to run for Governor, say the croakers. That is, to warrant a umph that shall place the solid belief that the party is not weak in South on a yet firmer basis Nichleadership. It argues, they say, that ols was elected Governor by a mathe party is destitue of a "Saul, son jority approximating 70,000. His of Kish," who towers so far above his fellows as to be the cynosure of all eyes and at once accepted as the "coming man" for the race. To any but the crookers it argues just the political associations, in many places contrary-that the party is prolific in first class timber. The croakers think that such a lively competition for the nomination means a want of accord or concord in the party. It means no such thing. As brethren competitors, there is no acerbity of truth that the Democratic party is temper, nor is there a want of harmony on vital issues in the party at is, of the very best element of the large. The convention will settle whites of all sections; and that the the question satisfactorily to the party, and doubtless to the satisfaction of all persons individually concerned unless it be-the croakers. And then, even forecasting beyond the event of a nomination, these morose gentry are espying the Radical reefs and Independent rip-raps that stretch between the Democratic craft and a harbor of safety. They fancy that they see the party gone to the "demnition bow-wows" already. As if the Democratic party in North Carolina, controlled by the great Caucasian race, with unlimited resources at its back and the government in its hands, is not able to take care of itself. It is really a comfort to feel that victory is assurred in spite of the busy trouble-ma-

The People Think and Talk. We are in receipt of a letter from The Last View Taken of the Corpse by a triend in Stanly county which, although private, we take the liberty of printing in part, as evidence of the way people are thinking and ket containing the remains of Mr. talking in more than one section of the State. The writer says :

in the broad hall of the Conkling Mansion, on Rutger place, and at "Well, it won't do to close this without saying something about the noon the doors were thrown open to political signs of the times: In the the public for one hour during which first place (no flattery intended) I thousands of people filed through ust say to you, that your course as the hall to take a last view of the Democratic editor-your outspoken features of the distinguished dead. views, are not only on the independent order, but are just right. You At 2 o'clock, after a brief prayer by do not miss taking the proper text, and then, without any disguise or Rev. Dr. Goodrich, the funeral march was taken up to the church which policy showing, advocate things was overcrowded and surrounded by right. I have seen several articles from you on the tariff, revenue, laa vast throng. Dr. Goodrich read bor and states rights, that I wish the Episcopal services and a male were in the hands of every voter: quartette sang the hymns "Abide and also, in relation to the candiwith Me," "My God my Father," the dates for Congress, Governor and Senate of the United States. You burial chant and the recessional agree with me so perfectly on the hymns, "Now the Laborer's Task is Blair Bill, tariff &c., that I am de-O'er." Among the floral tributes lighted with your paper and views; was a wreath of Calla lilies inter-

they are Democratic. How strange, twined with blue immortelles sent to Mrs. Conkling by the President of the Democratic party on the white man of North Carolina, the terrible and Mrs. Cleveland. issues, one ruin, negro insolence and The remains after the services at general prostitution of individual

the church were escorted to the cemand nation, while the other is inteletery and placed in the receiving in North Carolina we should live in vault, none but the family and rela doubt as to the result of an election. | tives accompanying. The white men of North Carolina

should not countenance the educated white man who will offer to aid the negroes to trample our liberties From the Boston Globe. and rights under their feet.

James Russell Lowell was right The State convention is at hand on general principles when he said nearly, and it has a duty to perform serenity for pulpit or pew. "Oh, the for good old North Carolina, on in New York the other night that rigid "loyalty" to party is a public Commonwealth. I hope you will go evil. Slavish adherence to party unand do what you can to throw out der all circumstances is neither credthe office-seekers. I am disgusted at our would-be big men. So far as I itable to the individual nor benificial thing they think of is to get out of see in this and adjoining counties to the country, nor, in the highest sense, is it good for parties themselves. own making. They have rights, part, presume upon the ignorance of The old Democratic doctrine was

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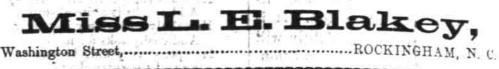
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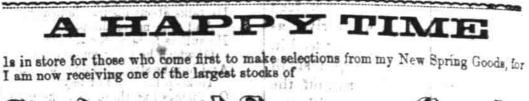
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but a strain of the highest order of worthiness, which the convention is invited to view in comparison with embody measures or policies. The the hungry set running all over N. C. and writing to every little lawconsiders what is best for his counyer at our county seats to send them try, and then uses his party to sedelegates. The day is past for little lawyers at town to govern the solid cure that end. But the blind partimanhood of the rural districts. We san who votes for "my party, right uncompromising patriots as our own old Zeb. Oh ! that all your papers for a popular government. Yet, when all is said, it remains would copy his articles in the Baltitrue that parties are the only means more Sun. It would revolutionize the whole nation. I see some speak of accomplishing anything. And as of Col. Steele. I would be delighted parties cannot be destroyed and to vote for him for anything and he built up in a day, it follows that the would make a good canvass and a good citizen will overlook or condone would give him a rousing vote."

of the good which can be accomplished by its organization. The THE SWEEPING victory won by the typical mugwump is as bad as the Democrats of Louisiana last week is typical partisan; one would petan earnest of the tidal wave of tritishly destroy party because it is not perfect; the other would make his party useless by destroying its motive for usefulness. opponent, Warmouth, carried, we see The true course for the citizen is in the golden mean; a reasonable, it stated, only two parishes, in the State. The negroes, having become but not slavish, loyalty to party, reserving the right to vote against it weaned from their former corrupt when it shall go wrong on important questions of policy. voted solidly for the Democratic candidates. They are a long time

"cutting eye teeth" in this country but we must believe that, as they become more enlightened and edupatch from Knoxville, Tenn., says : cated, they will gradually accept the fought in the last few days between their sheet-anchor-made up, as it the Jones and Green families in Republican party-made up, in the main, of free booters and characterless adventurers-is to them a delusion and a snare. We shall rejoice to see the day when the negro voter in North Carolina shall assert his manhood in politics and think and act as he pleases.

released. Sunday morning he was THE DEATH OF Roscoe Conkling is attacked in a field by the father and an event sincerely regretful to peotwo brothers of the deceased. Tom ple in all parties, South as well as Green was badly wounded and yes-North. He was not specially a friend terday the war was renewed, and it to the South, nor did he at any time is reported that one of the Greens indulge the spirit of hate toward this and one of the Jones were shot. section that has ever characterized Hoar, Sherman, and men of that ilk.

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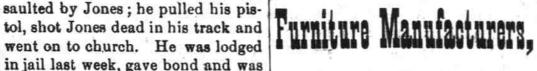
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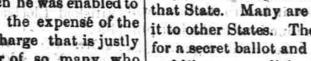
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