

The Fall Elections.

The first election of the season is pretty generally known now, took place in Tennessee on the 1st instant, and resulted in an overwhelming Republican victory; securing besides the Governor, every member of Congress, the Legislative and consequently a United States Senator to fill the seat of a nonentity called PATTERSON.

On the 5th the Kentucky election took place, and as was generally expected the candidates supported by the late Confederate army were elected. Unfortunately for the interests of the State, few or none of the officers elected can take the required oath, and hence old Kaintuck will remain out in the cold blowing her fingers for another term. But it is never too late to learn, and experience is the best teacher after all.

In days gone by, some of the Southern States used to hold elections in August; we hope by another year to see this old practice revived. Alabama, Arkansas and Texas, formerly voted on the first Monday in August, and North Carolina on the second Thursday.

The next election in a Northern State will take place in Vermont, September 3d, and on the 4th of the same month the people of California will elect true Republicans; on the 9th of September Maine, the banner Republican State of the Union holds an election—a State where all the Democrats—except a few fossils—have joined the party of progress.

A few weeks rest and Pennsylvania, Indiana and Ohio will engage in the political struggle. The fate of the canvass in these States will be decided between sunrise and sunset on the 8th, November 5th, New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Illinois, Kansas, Missouri and Nevada hold elections; and on the 12th of the same month the last of the fall elections will take place in Colorado.

Of the States enumerated, leading Republicans claim all except Kentucky and poor Maryland. Of the justness of this claim there can be but little doubt. The longer Reconstruction is delayed the more united the Northern people become, and so it will be until the end.

The Republican Party—Not Sectional—But National.

Such has been the profession of Republican leaders from the outset—the claim has been met with indignant and persistent denial. The country has been cited for proof, to the fact that its advocates and adherents were confined to the Northern States. The fact is admitted but the conclusion denied. By reason of circumstances it was denied entrance, and existence in the Southern States. To profess sympathy or membership with it was everywhere through the South to call down on the professor pro and exile. See the treatment of the Republican in Virginia, Mississippi, North Carolina, and SOLELY threat to Senator HALE.

It is remembered, that the Republican Party was debarred from the South because it was national and not sectional. Did not Southern politicians fear that if given a hearing that it would win its way and become the victorious party? If they did not fear this what did they fear?

In the late contest which party rallied around and upheld the National standard? Which party was found fighting in support of a sectional standard? Facts shall answer.

The history of the last two years shows that the Republican Party meets an enthusiastic welcome at the hands of the people, North and South. Wherever its standard bearers go the people of the South—those who create the wealth and make the State—grew around them with unparalleled enthusiasm. It takes with the people, because it is popular—national.

The Republican Party addresses itself to the hearts of the people, without distinction of race or color. It fosters the interests and defends the rights of the people, and not the privileges of a class.

Did ever a party, until this arose, dare in these Southern States to become the champion of the laborer—to lift the sweating millions of the sunny South to the privilege of citizenship? Never! The Republican party is the laborer's champion.

Finally—the principles and policy are the same throughout the country, North and South. We challenge contradiction to this statement.

Certainly such a party cannot be sectional.

Presidential Candidates.

The next Presidential election begins to attract considerable attention. As regarding a Republican nomination will be equivalent to an election, every little clique throughout the country is pressing the claims of some friend to what is generally termed "the highest office within the gift of the American people," and in spread-eagle speeches as "the most elevated position in the world." Indeed, we scarcely take up a newspaper that the name of some new candidate does not meet our eye.

The claims of a majority of these candidates rest upon supposed distinguished services rendered the country during the late war. Some of these claims are no doubt entitled to consideration, but we doubt the policy of selecting a candidate solely upon the ground of military service. The experience of the past should be a warning as to electing military chieftains to office. The administrations of JACKSON, HARRISON and TAYLOR gave nothing we are aware of for the country to be thankful for. HARRISON and TAYLOR, it is true, were not in

power long enough to do much good or harm. JACKSON was too stubborn to die, and held on for two terms. He left TANEY to us as a legacy. Perhaps Republicans ought to be thankful that HARRISON was a good farmer and TAYLOR was a first class fighter. There is reason to believe either would have made indifferent Presidents had they lived. We except WASHINGTON, in the category of military Presidents.

At the present time GRANT heads the lists of Presidential candidates, and it is well known he does not want the office. But all the Conservative and part of the Democratic presses are presenting his name at every turn. This course has been very offensive to Gen. GRANT. It is a mistake that the New York Union League ever recommended his nomination.

GRANT has no settled political opinions and hence is not likely to be nominated by the dominant party. The Republican party, profiting by experience, will not fritter away its strength upon candidates of doubtful political status or eleven-hour converts. The days of TYLER and FILLMORE are not forgotten by old Whig campaigners at least. Personally we have the highest respect for many of the persons whose names have been mentioned in connection with the Presidency. First on the list comes GRANT and HOWARD. COLFAX, CHASE, WADE—the whole list is too long for our space—may be named as among the most prominent of the Presidential aspirants.

Thankful we are that a year will have to elapse before we shall be called upon to discuss the merits of any candidate.

Party Affiliation at the South.

The Pennsylvanians who waited the other day on President Johnson to urge the formation of a new party, have their sympathies in the Southern States. There the idea of a middle party obtains favor in quarters where it is opposed to the authors of the reconstruction law, refuse to renew fellowship with the Democracy. The New Orleans Crescent is one of the journals which have arrived at the conviction that the old party organizations are inapplicable to existing exigencies, and therefore recommended a union of all Conservatives, so-called, against the extremists of both the Republican and Democratic parties.

The service immediately rendered by the discussion which has thus arisen is the emphasis which it marks the repudiation of the Democracy as a party organization. The Crescent and its friends evidently appreciate the grounds on which Gov. Orr protested against the bad faith of that party during the war, and the warnings uttered by General Longstreet against reliance on its future action. It is seen and felt that the men who have heretofore held office under the Democratic name now desire it to be reinstated, precisely as an old member of the Stuart or Bourbon regime would watch for the restoration of the dynasty as a prelude to the revival of the ribbons and pensions of their adherents. For all the practical purposes of Government, the restoration of the Democratic Party would be as futile as the resurrection of the Ghibelins. That party is not entitled to be considered democratic which resists the large additions to popular power advocated by the Republicans; nor can it recognize its pretended zeal for State rights with its desertion of the Southern States, nor faithful to State rights, according to the Southern acceptance, the Democratic Party has no hold upon the gratitude or hope of the South. The second coming of Moses is not more improbable than the second coming of Buchanan, which is what Democratic orators and journalists toil and pray for. They may indeed continue to run the party race over and over again, until their leaders die or grow weary of defeat, or until their followers desert the sinking ship; but the Democratic principle, under its present name and management, is dead from top to taproot.

Strange as it may seem, the fierceness with which the Democrats oppose all conditions of Southern restoration, is one of the grounds of want of confidence in their guidance. The fact is understood that the Northern opponents of the Congressional policy are actuated solely by a desire to secure party advantage—not by devotion to the best interests of the South. This point is well stated by the Crescent:

Not more certain is it that the Republican Party now governs the country than that it will continue to govern until the great issues which agitate the South shall have been finally settled. Of so much the advocates of a middle party may rest assured. If their purpose be, then, to benefit the South, to hasten its restoration, and to invite a return of confidence and commercial activity, their wisest course will be to submit to the logic of events, and to seek within the Republican Party the influence and activity which can nowhere else be exerted with the same immediate advantage. Thus may they most surely counteract the ultraism and violence which they so earnestly deprecate. For the great body of the Republican Party does not countenance and will not sustain extremists in their threats and demands. The predominant tone of the party is one of firmness, blended with great moderation. It is fixed in its purpose of reconstructing the Union on the basis laid down, but it seeks no punishment for its own sake, and will carry prescription no further than contumacious disability may render necessary. We submit that the "conservative" projectors of a middle party at the South may promote moderation and good feeling more effectually by a junction with the controlling element of the Republican Party than by leading the forlorn hope of Democracy, or attempting to form a new party, with objects vague and leaders preordained to defeat.—N. Y. Times.

THE CASE OF MRS. SURRATT.—The statements of the Associated Press to the contrary notwithstanding, I am able to reiterate my assertion that President Johnson did know of the recommendation for mercy to Mrs. Surrott previous to her execution. The fact that his order approving the finding of the Military Court which tried the assassins, was written on a sheet of paper which was attached to the sheet on which the recommendation was written, conclusively proves that he could not have written the one without reading the other, if he chose to do so; and it is fair to presume that he did. It is also certain, as stated by Judge Pierpont in his argument for the prosecution in the Surrott case, that the finding of the Court was made a subject of Cabinet discussion, and that every member of the Cabinet voted to approve it, or, in other words, for the execution of the criminals.—Wash. Cor. N. Y. Times.

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WM. MACRAE, Genl. Supt.

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Wilmington, N. C., June 5, 1867.

On and after Thursday, 6th inst., the Passenger Train on this road will leave Wilmington at 8 o'clock, A. M., on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, and arrive at Hill at 5 o'clock, P. M. Returning will leave Sand Hill at 7 o'clock, A. M., on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, and arrive in Wilmington at 4 o'clock, P. M.

WM. H. ALLEN, Master of Transportation.

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Wilmington & Weldon Railroad.

OFFICE CHIEF ENGINEER & GEN'L SUPT.,

Wilmington, July 2, 1867.

Regular Schedule.

ON AND AFTER JULY 5th, THE FOLLOWING Schedule will be run by the Passenger trains over this Railroad:

DAY TRAINS,

Will leave Wilmington every morning (except Sundays at 6 o'clock, A. M., and Weldon every morning (except Sundays) at 10:45 A. M.; arriving at Wilmington at 8 o'clock, P. M., and at Weldon at 3 o'clock, P. M.

NIGHT EXPRESS TRAINS.

Will leave Wilmington at 9:05 P. M., daily, and Weldon at 6:30 P. M., daily, arriving at Wilmington at 2:15 A. M., and at Weldon at 5 A. M. Thirty-three hours to New York.

Trains will pass Goldsboro', going North, at 1:15 A. M. and 10:35 A. M.; going South, at 3:05 P. M. and 10:15 P. M.

Passengers going East or West from Goldsboro', should take the DAY TRAINS. Both trains connect at Wilmington with trains on Wilmington & Manchester Railroad, and at Weldon with trains via Richmond and Portsmouth, Va. The Day Trains connect with OLD BAY LINE. The Night Trains with ANNAHESIC LINE. See all papers publishing Schedules, please change for this one.

S. I. FREMONT, Chief Engineer and Superintendent.

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Wilmington & Manchester R. R.

GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE,

WILMINGTON, N. C., July 3, 1867.

ON AND AFTER JULY 5th, THE PASSENGER Trains of this Road will run on the following Schedule:

EXPRESS TRAIN.

Leave Wilmington..... 2:15 A. M.

Arrive at Kingsville..... 11:54 A. M.

Arrive at Augusta..... 7:25 P. M.

Leave Augusta..... 11:55 A. M.

Arrive at Wilmington..... 11:15 A. M.

Arrive at Wilmington..... 8:30 P. M.

ODINATION TRAIN.

Leave Wilmington..... 8:00 P. M.

Arrive at Kingsville..... 8:25 P. M.

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