FRIDAY, MARCH 17, 1876.

S. S. Cox and His Masters A jest-monger like Mr. Cos, who dared to prefix a sentiment from Burke to a speech he never delivered, though printed in the Congressional Record in his name, commits a crime against history which neither a grin nor a sneer will be allowed to condone. That any ming Mr. Cox could say, whether justing upon the sufferings of Andersontitle or playing the part of a Confedcrate Marworm in the presence of am nestied rebels, and saying, "I likes to be despised," would justify the citing of Mr. Burke to support him in the role eratted, admits of great doubt. For Mr. Burke was a statesman too lovai to liberty and humanity to burlesque the death of a fellow creature, while Mr. Cox would laugh in the face of the andow and orphan, and think it a plorious recompense to be patted on the back by B. H. Hill and his friends. gipo are Coa's mesters. Winatever the origin of the word "humbug" may be is of little matter. Its use among civilised persons has but one meaning. Mr. Cox describes the Congressional Commattee as a "humbug committee" which investigated the horrors of Andersonville, and directed photographs to be taken and lithographed for posterity of the starved soldiers of the Union fresh from the prison, whose thighs were no larger than a man's wrist. Mr. Cox the long, searching, bitter investigation called that committee a "humbug committee" with all the jocularity he could summan, and with grins so numerous his vindication was so triumphant in that his facial muscles must be still re- all respects that his reputation as an laxed. Struck with the incongruity of honest officer of the Cabinet from that grinning and jesting on such an occa. time onward was left reasonably free sion, he prints as a speech what he did from assau't. The blow under which not speak, and tries to cover the oblo- be is now striken down, apparently quy be deserved by a quotation from never to rise again, comes, therefore, Burke. And for such a man as Mr. like a lightning bolt from an unclouded Cox to quote a statesman like Burke is sky. It has atricken him so suddenly

tie hub," addressed to Mr. Hale, of and to have appealed to the pity even Maine, a gentleman in whose presence of his political enemies. Men of all Mr. Cox ought always to remove the parties, and who can in no manner de-But Mr. Cox, in his joking, referring moved to silence and to sadness in view

to the Andersonville horror, quotes Mr. of the swiftness and the hopelessness of Hurke as having said:

The anodyne draught of oblivion thus drugged is well calculated to preserve a galling wakefulness, and to feed the living ulcer of a corroding memory. Thus to administer the opiate of amnesty, powdered with all the ingredients of scorn and contempt, is to hold to the lips the cup of human misery full to the brink and to force it to the dregs." Mr. Burke never said this in any case like a jocular allusion to the murders Andersonville prison, for which no amnesty could be granted. And more, he never laughed when others suffered.

Mr. Burke never laughed at widows of

soldiers, made so by the starvation or oullet of rebels. It was reserved to Mr. Cux to do this, and expect the smile of hisabasters. Mr. Cax had sunk to a very low level shen the ex-Confederates were elected. It was a godsend to him to have the opportunity to recover his lost position shen they took their scats. From the date of the recess of Congress December to its assembling Mr. Cox had been studying how he could show his gratitude. And as with Southern Democrats it is a fixed rule that all Northern Representative Democrats must lie prostrate in the gutter as veritable mudsills before they will notice them, Mr. i'vs resolved to thrust himself beneath the wheel of the Southern ex Confederate juggernaut on the first opportunity. This he slid, and his character and manbood have gone. As a representatire of the people he is nothing. With the rebel mud still clinging to him, he stood balancing in mind whether he should describe the working men of

New England as preferring to -

thiere or work, and he got his cue from

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--- to work. B. H. Hill, from ticorgie, claims to be nothing more than a rebel; Mr. S. N Coa is a disgrace to any Northern him to represent. Did New York city grius in his chains? Has it no homebred freeman that can speak a sine words on behalf of liberty, and not pringe like a serf in the presence of disloyal Southerners? With a reformed Tam-John Kelly much reduced and flattened, has Mr. Cox. fescinated by Southern treason, and custaved by Southern masters on the floor of the House, any place in the hearts of a free people? Nore he represent them when he pleads in behalf of treason, and justifies and pleads over the crime of Andersonville. forth over the crime of Andersonville.

Let the city of New York answer. We should think the superserviceable effort of Mr. Cox would be ap "correding a memory" that the electors would put him anderso a material of no value, and select a man. This would be anodyne to the soul of the jester,—Reposite.

When Haister Clymer, with based breath, solemn face and piously uplifted eyes, all suffused with trars, read to the House the result of the investigation of the Belknap case he took occation to announce that the ex-Secretary confessed his guilt to him. In view of the fact that Heister Clymer immediately after the exposure discharged and burried off Caleb Marsh, the pricipal vitness for the prosecution, it will be necessary to put Mr. Claymer on the stand to prove Belknap's confession in seder to aid the impeachment.

The lielknap case calls up "precious memories" of the defunct Democracy, as exemplified in the lives and expluits of Dick Johnson, swartwood, Galphin, Crawford and a host of other worthies of that persuasion.

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Secretary Belkuap. In our columns in this issue will be found full detail of the testimony before the Congressional investigating committee affecting the official integrity of W. W. Belknap, Secretary of War. No event in the history of official administration in Washington has ever eaused more painful events. When General lielknap was appointed Secretary of War on the death of the Hon. Jno. A. Rawlins the selection occasioned universal surprise, and in no State more than in lows, where his residence had been for many years. He was a lawyer by profession, but had not attained to cminence. He was a brave and honorable officer in the Union army, but several officers in his adopted State were his superiors in military rank and distinction. At the close of the war he was appointed to a Federal civil trust. but not of a high grade. From his induction, however, into the high office of a Cabinet counselor he bore his new honors so modestly, and discharged his duties so excellently, that in a brief time he won the approval and the pride of the people of his own State, and the respect of the whole country. He seemed to have obtained, also, from the outset the confidence of the President, and to have retained it uninterruptedly until the resignation was tendered and accepted yesterday. During his adminthrough the larger part of two successive Presidential terms, he did not, indeed, escape charges of malfeasance; but after of his official connection with the sale of United States arms to the French as outrageous as Mr. Cox's later rhetoric and so irrecoverably as to have par--"You are known as Mr. Blaine's lit. alyzed his personal and political friends

> Without the full knowledge of al the influences leading to this catastroe, it may be safely assumed that one element which was potent in producing it was the extravagance of social life which seems to have become accepted as an indispensable adjunct of high official rank in Washington. While a Senator or Representative in Congress, Cigars, Tobacco, Kerosene Oil, with a salary of \$5,000 a year, is often compelled -unless he has a liberal private income-to accept of lodgings on the upper floors of indifferent private dwellings, and browse around in unsavory dining halls and retaurants for his meals, a Cabinet officer, with a salary of \$8,000 a year, is expected to maintain an establishment where the hospitalities of foreign dignitaries and resident and transient citizens of great wealth and high rank may be returned in kind. There are only three modes by which this popular expectation may be met: The officer must have a liberal private fortune at his command; or he must have generous confiding friends who are willing to discount his expectations in the future; or he must se'l his official and personal honor for a price. Rather than accept of the latter alternative a brave man will refuse to accept of social courtesies which he cannot return; or, if accepted, ignore the customary laws of reciprocity in such cases. How, when or where the remedy may be applied entertainment at the national capital it is not our purpose here and now to discuss; but in passing judgment on the Secretary who has failen from a dirry height of official rank to a depth far below that of the poorest citizen in honest private life, it should not be for-gotten that the great public itself, by BLATTY 1' L A N O. the exactions it makes upon some officials, may have helped to push this

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the exactions it makes upon some officials, may have helped to push this man, once peasessed of an unsulfied, soldierly name, to his temptation and his destruction.—Inter-Ocean.

Marsh testifies that he paid Il-Clanap twenty thousand dullars in consideration. A few years ago Robbins, who mow figures so conspicuously as one of the investigating committee, and who is one of the committee who is to arraign Belking at the bar of the Senate, was convicted of roceiving a bribe of teersty dullars for voting to allow Stephens, of Caswell, his per diety in the Xouth Carolina Senate. Robbins begged piteously for merey and was finally, allowed to go free.

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