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OHIO.

Unexpectedly there is every appearance that the Republican State Convention of Ohio will have given a clear and unequivocal approval and endorsement of the Hayes policy. Mr. Groves, the President's aid body, in his recent address employed the most unequivocal language in endorsement of Mr. Hayes, and it is expected that the resolutions will be equally strong. It has been nominated for Governor.

President Grant goes over the water to the upper Italian lakes, three over the Spagnolo to Chur and Lago. There he will meet Mr. M. J. Tamm, American Minister to Bern, and make a stay for a cure. From Lago he goes to Copenhagen, then to Sweden and Norway and returns to Berlin to witness the autumn manoeuvres and at the end of October intends to visit Paris. He will pass the winter partly in Paris and partly in Rome, and will return to Switzerland later, should no unforeseen circumstances prevent.

The suppressed chuckling satisfaction of the Bourbon press over the northern railroad strikes is noticeable in connection with the subject. They fall to the discussion of the beauty and loveliness of accession for these fellows an look at no subject except through their spectacles." But on that subject their wife's wool-gathering.

General D. H. Hill has sold out the Georgia House to E. Howard McDowell, and has gone to Arkansas where he assumes the charge of the State Industrial College to which position he has been recently elected.

The President and the South. WASHINGTON, July 29. Representative Forney, of Alabama, who is now seen by the people of his State as well as by the country at large, is well satisfied with the course pursued by President Hayes toward the South. He says the Democrats of Alabama, and of the entire South, so far as he is informed, are convinced that the President has the best interests of the country at heart, and will earnestly respond to his efforts to restore perfect harmony and good feeling in that section, but while the Democrats applaud the President's policy, Mr. Forney believes they will not be drawn from their party allegiance to co-operate with the Republicans in creating a new party. He will sustain the President in all his efforts to bring about a better condition of affairs in the South among all the people, white and black, than has heretofore existed, but they do not contemplate in any contingency during themselves from the Democratic Party, which they believe has sustained its last national defeat. Mr. Forney believes the President's first service order, while it may temporarily weaken the organization, will be the means of bringing forward a better class of men than has heretofore led the Republican Party in the South. He is confident the Democrats will organize the House without trouble, and believes either Randall or Morrison will be chosen speaker.—N. Y. Times.

I heard a prominent Democrat say last week that Fred Douglass in his Maryland speech begged pardon of his old slave master for things he had said and against him some years ago, that his inference was that he (D.) had bowed his old master, etc., and in the same speech he advised the negroes to obey their old masters, stay and work for them, and otherwise depend themselves as good niggers should if they expected to prosper. Now, I take the S. I. O. to be failed to see the show from his speech. Please give extracts of the above.

Answer.—After making his speech, in which Mr. Douglass advised the negroes to work wherever they could get work, to be saving and frugal, he said a visit to his old master. The old master told Mr. Douglass that he intended to give him his freedom as he had not left him, and Mr. D. apologized for some of the hard things he had said about him. This was not natural, as he was an old man. He said nothing, however, that showed his old feelings against the hateful institution of slavery had softened in any degree.—John Green.

A banking officer, who had a pretty considerable sum, lately wrote to one of his correspondents, "Please exchange.

RUSSIA AND TURKEY.

Up to the 29th of July the results of three week operations were thus summed up by a dispatch from an intelligent London correspondent of the N. Y. Times:—

The war news during the week was important, but not very clear. The Russians are strengthening their forces south of the Balkans, and it is reported have defeated Suleiman, Pasha, who retreated on Adrianople. No particulars of this affair are given. North of the Balkans, Mehmet Ali at Shumla, and Osman Pasha at Plevna, are seeking an opportunity to crush the Russians between them. As to results obtained, the balance of the evidence indicates that the Russians are not prospering there. They sustained a defeat at Plevna, and it is believed their Army has retired from Tirnova; but possibly they are reserving their efforts until news is received from the forces south of the Balkans. The check at Plevna, which Russian official reports confirm, was regarded as sufficiently serious to necessitate the dispatch of fresh troops immediately. The bridge at Turnu-Magurelli is not quite finished, and there has been some delay about passing the Roumanian Army across the Danube to relieve the Russian garrisons for service at the front. But it is announced from Bucharest that this movement is to be effected as soon as the bridge is ready. The Turkish forces are in an offensive combat near Silistria. It will now depend on the movements of the Turkish field armies north of the Balkans whether the Russians will be able to force Osman Pasha's position in time to co-operate with their columns moving westward from Kazanik, along the southern slope of the mountains, towards the Balkans, and Tatar Hatardjik. One column has already reached Kalofer, and had not the Russians been repulsed at Plevna, would doubtless have pushed on to Lovatz and secured the passes leading through the Estropol and Great Balkans into the plains of the Maritza, where they would have received the assistance of the main body of the Russian Army, and the advance of the Roumanians, in three divisions; one drawing around Silistria, another at Mehadia, and the third threatening Varna. The Russian centre is occupied with Kustchuk. It is reported that great difficulty is experienced with forage and other transport wagons, which are suffering in number and condition. The Bulgarians are making reports on the other hand, glowing reports of the condition of the corps, and the abundance of provisions in the country, so the defects of transportation will not be so seriously felt as they otherwise would be.

In Asia Minor, the Russians, after receiving reinforcements, seem prepared to resume the offensive. Their reports of their projected movements are conflicting, one is to the effect that Ardahan is to be the centre of the new operations, with the left in the direction of Kufrukada and the right on Urat, and that 25,000 troops are already concentrated about Ardahan under Gen. Komaroff. Against this movement Mukhtar Pasha is stated to be sending forces to Olti and to Hissarbaghas, at the entrance of the pass through which the road leads across Soghanisdagh from Kars to Olti. Another project attributed to the left wing, under Gen. Tergukasoff, and then sent a detached corps from Alexandropol south toward Kizil-kaleh, thus simultaneously threatening Mukhtar Pasha's right and rear. Either plan would have the advantage over the previous campaign of keeping up communication and co-operation between the centre and both wings, but the principal advance from Ardahan would be a Turkish movement against the right flank from Batsum. Meanwhile, the positions of the respective armies continue substantially unchanged. The operations in the Caucasus does not diminish in seriousness. It is stated that numbers of young Circassian officers, trained in Russian military schools are deserting to the insurgents.

The Montenegrins have made considerable progress in the siege of Nicies, which must ultimately surrender, unless relieved, but the conquests Montenegrins may effect in the direction of Herzegovina in the absence of the enemy will have no effect on the main course of the war.

LONDON, July 31.—The Times' Bucharest correspondent telegraphs as follows:—A dispatch from Sistova states that an important engagement was fought on Sunday, near Kustchuk, between the Casarewitch and Ahmed Eyoub Pasha. The Turkish corps, of 30 guns, 10 standards, and 5,000 prisoners. Later official dispatches confirm the foregoing. The number of Turkish prisoners is now given as 8,000. Ahmed Eyoub's army is stated to be completely routed. The Russians will probably at once resume the offensive and follow up their advantages.

The Standard's Bucharest dispatch says:—It is reported that the Russians have again attacked Plevna, and that the fighting continued throughout Saturday and Sunday. According to the latest reports the Russians are gaining ground.

The Manchester Guardian has a Vienna dispatch which says:—Lieut. Gen. Mehmet Ali started on Friday for Eski Juna with 60,000 men. He will proceed in the direction of Tirnova.

CONSTANTINOPLE, July 31.—Osman Pasha telegraphs from Plevna, July 30, as follows:—"Three strong Russian corps attacked us this morning, our cannons lasted two hours, then a general engagement ensued, which lasted until 10 o'clock at night, when the Russians retreated. Prisoners say the Russians numbered sixty thousand infantry and three regiments of cavalry, and had fifty guns. It is expected that the battle will recommence to-morrow."

LONDON, August 1.—Out of numerous conflicting reports from Bulgaria

CITY ITEMS.

Look out for sun-strokes. FOR SALE—Two fine, large mules, cheap for cash. W. P. CANADAY.

The Cornet Club on Wednesday night didn't begin "tootin'" till half past nine. After that they gave some good music.

Dr. Scott, having returned from Chicago, where he was during the strike is giving vivid descriptions of how things were.

The Fayetteville Odd Fellows will arrive here this (Friday) morning on an excursion. They are on the Str. Governor Worth.

Three mad dogs have been killed in this city lately. The police ought to be instructed to be on the watch for such dogs, and every owner of a dog should be on the watch.

FOR SALE.—Three horses, in splendid condition, cheap for cash. W. P. CANADAY.

John Burnett (colored) of Abbottsburg was killed suddenly on Wednesday. We have no particulars, but as he was fireman at Wilkinson's Mills, we presume he was killed by machinery.

Burr's "Oceanicon" was exhibited on Monday night last. It represents the operations of the Confederate privateer, the blockade runners, and the bombardment of Fort Fisher. It is said to be a very creditable work of art.

NEW PEACHES.—Our Thanks are due to J. C. Blocker, Esq., of Cedar Creek for a box of the nicest peaches we have seen this year. They are full, large and delicious, with not a worm in any one of them. Mr. Blocker writes us that this fruit is produced merely by cultivating his trees. He has shipped to this city 758 crates and boxes.

Mr. Charles J. Gerken, son of the late Neil Gerken, died very suddenly on Tuesday at the residence of his mother in this city. He was in his 21st year. The funeral was held from St. Paul's Lutheran Church on Wednesday evening suddenly. It is supposed that her death was caused by the shock produced by her brother's death.

MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE COLORED INSANE ASYLUM.—The Commissioners appointed by the Governor to decide upon a location for the colored Insane Asylum, consisting of Dr. J. W. Vick, of Johnson, Chairman, and Dr. M. Moore, of Duplin, Col. E. R. Liles, of Anson, and Messrs. Theo. Edwards, of Green, E. B. Cordon, of Wayne, and O. G. Parsley, Jr., and M. M. Katz, of Wilmington, met in this city Tuesday, and examined the different sites offered for the location of the asylum in this city. They then had a meeting and voted upon the question of locating the asylum. On the first ballot the vote stood 2 for Tarboro, 2 for Goldsboro, and 3 for Wilmington. The second, third and fourth ballots stood 1 for Tarboro, 3 for Goldsboro, and 3 for Wilmington; and the fifth and last ballot resulted as follows: Goldsboro 4, Wilmington 3, so Goldsboro gets the asylum and Wilmington is left out in the cold.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.—The Board met at the City Hall, Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock, present, Mayor Dawson, and Aldermen Flanner, Bowden, Von-Glahn, Vickers, Foster, King, Myers, Lowery and Hill.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Alderman Bowden made a motion that the tax on retail liquor dealers be \$10 per month, and that on wholesale dealers \$15 per month, to date from August 1st, 1877, and that all motions previously passed in relation to the same are hereby rescinded.

A communication from Donald Mac Rae, Esq., Chairman pro tem. of the Board of Commissioners of Navigation and Pilotage, was read, and on motion referred to the city attorney.

[This communication was relative to the powers of the Commissioners of Navigation in concurrent jurisdiction with the Board of Aldermen.]

The committee on Streets and Wharves made a report in reference to the extension of wharves by the Carolina Central Railway Company, and introduced Capt. J. B. Grainger, Receiver, and Capt. Johnson, Superintendent, of said road, who explained the manner in which they desired to make the extension, and the objects to be attained.

On motion of Alderman Vickers, a committee of three, consisting of Aldermen Flanner, Bowden and Von-Glahn, was appointed by the Mayor to confer with the Commissioners of Navigation and property owners on either side in

COMMERCIAL MARINE STATISTICS.

A curious incident recently occurred at Blatchington Battery, Sussex, England, during a thunder storm. A soldier was sitting in his room with a table knife which he had just before been using lying before him on the table. When the lightning entered the apartment, cut the knife completely in two and threw the pieces about the room, while the soldier, though much frightened, remained unharmed.

WASN'T SMALLEY MAD, though, when the Tribune got to London the other day and had it "Zou Chief Justice" instead of "Lord?" But "mad" was no name for it when he read a little further down, that Bradlaugh had been "defrauding the public mails" when he wanted to say he had been "degrading the public morals." But what can you expect for "forty cents and no bonus?"

A northern Iowa farmer, offered a tramp his daughter and half his farm for three days work in the harvest field. The tramp wavered a little at first, but then then the color of the girl's eyes didn't suit, and he thought the farm was a little too low, so he declined the proposition, stole a horse strap and went on his workless way.

A tourist in search of natural curiosities in Onondaga county, coming to a small stream, looked over his memorandum and asked a Dutchman near by if "this was Alder Creek?" "No," was the reply, "this was all the creek I know about your way round here."

A Chicago girl while crossing Lake Superior last September, lost one of her shoes overboard, and now captains of vessels arriving at Duluth are telling strange stories of a mysterious marine monster which they sighted during their trips.

Canon Willerforce spoke his mind at a temperance meeting in London the other day. He said, concerning the regulation of the liquor traffic: "People talk about regulating it; they might as well talk about regulating the tooth-ache, instead of having the tooth out."

"Sing Sing," shouted the brakeman, as a Hudson River train slowed up to the station. "Five years for refreshments," yelled a passenger with a short hair and bracelets, as he rose to leave the car in charge of a deputy sheriff.

That experienced journalist, D. Platt says: "Next to setting up a fool in popular estimation the most difficult thing is to pull him down again."

Of all the various methods proposed for the reduction of postage none is so practical as this—Get married.

Tete-a-tete.—The King of Dahomey's head man has been handed over to the King of Dahomey's head man.

Men who should have looked to their names.—General Blake and General Sikes.

Anxious inquirer.—No, Mr. M., and not put up the Niagara Fall.

Advice to too many people.—How to make home happy—leave it.

New work by Dr. Dawson.—Laid out my Ancestor.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

DOMESTIC WINES.

RED AND WHITE SUPERIOR

CONCORD

AT WHOLESALE

PATTERSON'S SPRINGS

Sulphur and Chalybeate Water.

Power of a Little Child.

Last week two men were engaged in an angry dispute on the street, during which one shook his fist beneath the other's nose, and appeared to have worked himself into a fever heat of passion. Just then a little girl, almost an infant, who had been going by, but stopped, apparently paralyzed by the man's fury, moved quite close to him, and looking up into his face, inquired, "What makes you so cross, master?"

It was so unexpected that the man evidently felt a complete revolution of feeling. Gradually his countenance cleared, and finally was lit up with a smile, as he patted the little peace-maker's head, and remarked, as he moved away, ignoring the other man altogether, "I guess you're right, little pet."

A gentleman stepped into an Atlanta drug store and called for a glass of soda water, the boy at the fountain jokingly asked, "Will you have a fly in it?" "Yes, sir," said the man promptly. The boy scooped one off the wall and dropping it in the syrup drew on the water, and set it down for the purpose of continuing the joke, before he could withdraw it the stranger seized the glass and swallowed the beverage, fly and all. "I'd swallowed that if it had been an elephant rather than a fly of me."

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