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Convention!!

The Legislature have passed the Convention bill and the question must be submitted to the people of "Convention or No Convention." The wise acres of the "Conservative" conventioners have declared that "restricted" convention is the one thing needful, and so go before the people.

Now no man who values his reputation as a lawyer will confess for a moment that any restriction could hold in an assembly of the people called as this Convention has been. There is no such thing as restriction, and as we before have written that an "unrestricted" Convention would be accepted by us, we now declare that we accept the situation and advise Republicans to run candidates and vote for Convention.

CITY.

Our readers are informed that "club rates" so often inquired about cannot be less than \$2.00 per year. We have put the paper down to the very lowest price, and clubs of five or ten cannot be formed at any price less than TWO DOLLARS for EACH PAPER!

Manson has "suits at six dollars."
Mr. Bryan advertises for a bank book.
Workmen are wanted at the Rose Hill Quarry.
The Indians call the telegraph the whispering spirit.
Empty headed people are generally happy; corks always float.
Great rush for photographs last week Yates makes the sun-o shine.
A golden harvest consists in reaping unto yourself the good will of all men.
Let us love little children; they are the delicate flower-gods of a soon fading Eden.
Religion should not be a rapture but a habit, but not a cloak to serve the devil in.

Satan is said to delight in roots and fries; he once tried his hand on bolts, but didn't make much out of old Job.
"Every steamer" brings to Geo. Myers fresh family groceries, and the supply is always equal to the demand.
Hon. Geo. L. Mabson gave us a call yesterday. He will be back home soon, and will "arrange the coming campaign."

The Raleigh Telegram takes the Post to task for claiming to be "Jeffersonian." We will quote a "little more" in our next.
Business has revived somewhat on the wharves. The large number of sailing vessels in port probably accounts for this.
It may surprise some of our readers to know that the cleaner, so popular as a house and yard plant, is extremely poisonous.

Professor Reuckert advertises his Grand Festival Concert, and all loving good music should hie them to Heinsbergers, and buy tickets.
Sunday reading can be obtained in great variety and to suit any taste at the News Depot of Mr. Daniels on Second Street near Market.
That woman was a philosopher who, when she lost her husband, said she had one great consolation—she knew where he was 'nigh!

Great credit is given Lt. Holden of the garrison at Smithville for activity in assisting the people to save their property during the late fire.
The officers and crew of the cutter have the thanks of the people of Smithville for prompt aid to check the conflagration on Wednesday.
Society is a strong solution of books. It draws the virtue out of what is best worth retaining, as hot water draws the strength out of tea leaves.

Dr. Claude B. Burrow has opened his drug store at the old stand of Harrie Keyes, and offers a large lot of Teas at cost prices. Let all call on Dr. B.
Some one has said that if men should rise from the dead and read their epitaphs, some of them would think they had got into the wrong graves.
The frogs in the suburban districts have organized a "Choral Union," and upon fair days practice the cantata of "the frog he would a wooing go."

D. A. Smith has replenished his already large stock of furniture, and offers the public every facility for purchasing household goods "cheap for cash."
A Mr. Boot and a Miss Leather were lately married in a town in Ohio. It is but natural to presume that they are going into the boot and shoe business.
The Hannibal (Mo.) Courier says that there has been but one opera glass used in that city in the past ten years, and that was made of a couple of soda bottles.

Those able and ardent young Republicans George W. Price, Jr., and John H. Whitman are named as possible candidates for the Sheriffalty, "after Convention."
An advertisement in a paper is like throwing a stone into the water—it creates a circle which is constantly expanding. So throw in your rocks and test the matter.
A half-fledged lawyer in one of the interior counties of this State, in a late eulogium upon the death of a comrade, said he had gone to heaven, and there he should never see him again.
Notice.—Delinquent subscribers are notified that unless they pay promptly, their papers will be stopped, and when practicable suits will be entered against them, offering proper excuse.

All ladies wishing to see the "sweetest thing" in the way of Spring Goods should call at the store of M. M. Katz. We venture to say the pleasure of seeing Mr. Katz and his gentlemanly assistants will be equal to seeing the "very latest styles" of Dress Goods, Embroideries, Trimming, Shawls, &c.
Charles Reade says that the sex might as well score a fair plot of velvet tuft with rows of box, or tattoo a blooming and downy cheek, as break and fritter away the broad luster of a superb silk dress by six rows of gimp and fringe. The daring novelist is as positive on fashion as he is on other matters.

SOCIABLE.—The "sociable" instituted by the ladies of the Third Presbyterian Church last week was a grand success. We hope this pioneer work of the Presbyterians will be followed by the other denominations and the young people find pleasure in attending gatherings where nought but good influences abound. The next "sociable" will take place at the City Hall.
Let all who want cheap PRINTING call at the office of the Post.

COTTON COMPANY.—The design of a few mechanics and workmen of forming for Wilmington a co-operative cotton company meets with great success. A meeting will soon be held, and as it is found a corporation can be organized under the general laws of the State, no special charter will be needed. Inquirers may obtain all the information they require by calling on the editor of the Post.
For Business Cards, call or send to the POST PRINTING OFFICE!

SAYS THE MUSCATINE (IOWA) Courier: "We have done, and are still doing business with quite a number of advertising agencies throughout the country, and have no fault to find with them, but Messrs. Geo. P. Rowell & Co. give us more business than any other. Furnishing a large amount of advertising, and paying promptly, has put this house at the very head of agencies, and has made them a name for honesty, reliability, liberality, and promptness, which of itself is worth a fortune."
All the Railroad Receipts at half price at the POST PRINTING OFFICE.

CONFIRMATION.—The rite of confirmation will be administered in St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church to-day, Palm Sunday, after the evening services, at 8 o'clock p.m.
Good Friday, April 7th, preparatory service at 9 1/2 a. m., morning service at 10 1/2 a. m. Communion immediately after the morning services; all in the German language. English service at 8 p. m., when a sermon will be preached on the doctrine of Christ's descent into Hell.
To all of these services the citizens of Wilmington are respectfully and cordially invited to attend. Seats free.

Labels, Circulars and Bill Heads, at New York prices at the POST PRINTING OFFICE!
HARBOR MASTER'S REPORT.—The following is the Report of the Harbor Master for the month of March, 1871:
Barques.....15
Brigs.....8
Schooners.....10
Total.....33
With an average tonnage of 19,723 tons; of these 1 barque and 5 brigs were foreign; 22 small vessels, under 60 tons, not included in the above.

B. J. LAWTON, Harbor Master.
All wishing Wilmington, Charlotte and Rutherford Railroad Receipts will do well to call at the POST PRINTING OFFICE.
TEMPERANCE.—Dr. Holland, in the April number of Scribner's Monthly, concludes a vigorous article on "The Temperance Question and the Press," as follows:
O, Heaven for one generation of clean and unspotted men! men whose veins are not fed with fire; men fit to be the companions of pure women; men worthy to be the fathers of children; men who do not stumble upon the rock of apoplexy at midage, or go blindly groping and staggering down into a drunkard's grave, but who can sit and look upon the faces of their grand children with eyes undimmed and hearts unshaken. Such a generation as this is possible in America; and to produce such a generation as this, the persistent, conscientious work of the public press is entirely competent as an instrumentality.

The elegant Hand Bills and Posters, on assorted colored paper are "just the thing" for Spring Trade. Let our merchants call at the POST PRINTING OFFICE!
AMONG THE INDIANS.—Lieut. Herndon tells us that no tribes of aborigines are found in the deepest forests of South America, from the Andes to the Atlantic coast, that do not have and use Doct. Ayer's medicines and Lowell cottons. "TRIMONT," "SUFFOLK," "BOOTT," are stamped in large red and blue letters upon their garments, while Ayer's Pills and Cherry Pectoral are among the treasures of their habitations. Their native soil furnishes them all their food and most of their remedies, but they suffer from some afflictions which must have the interposition of higher skill. [Sentinel, Liberty, Va. 2t

When Rabbi Jehanan Ben Saccai was on his death-bed his disciples gathered around him and claimed his blessing.
This is my blessing, replied the Rabbi: "May your fear of God be equal to your fear of man."
"Equal!" exclaimed the disciples with astonishment. "Would thou have our fear of God no greater than our fear of man?"
"Bear this in mind," responded the Rabbi: "He who committeth a sin first looks to the right and then to the left to see that no man is a witness of his action, though knowing well that there is a witness in heaven who beholdeth and regardeth everything. This witness he feareth not. Therefore I say unto you let your fear of God be only equal to your fear of man, and ye will never sin."

KINSMAN.—For this hearty English word full of manhood and warm blood, elegant people have forced upon us two very vague misty substitutes—relation and connection. By the use of the latter word in place of the former, nothing is gained and much is lost. Both of them are very general terms. Men have relations of various kinds, and connections are of still wider distribution. Even in regard to family and friends, it is impossible to give these words exactness of meaning; whereas, a man's kinsmen are only of his own blood. His cousin is his kinsman, but his brother-in-law is not. A relation is made to express both connections, one of the blood and the other of law. losing the kinsman we lose also the frank sweet-lipped sister, kinswoman, and are obliged to give her place to that poor, mealy-mouthed, ill-made-up latin interloper, female relation.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.—Public services at St. John's during Holy Week and Easter Tide, will be as follows:
Palm Sunday, April 2d.—Morning prayer and celebration of the Holy Eucharist, at 11 o'clock; evening prayer at 8 o'clock.
Monday before Easter—Morning prayer, 7 o'clock; Ante Communion at 12 o'clock; evening prayer at 6 o'clock.
Tuesday before Easter—Morning prayer 7 o'clock; Ante Communion at 12 o'clock; evening prayer at 6 o'clock.
Wednesday before Easter—Morning prayer 7 o'clock; Litaney and Ante Communion at 12 m.; evening prayer at 8 o'clock.
Maundy Thursday—Morning prayer at 7 o'clock; evening prayer and celebration of the Holy Eucharist at 8 o'clock.
Good Friday—Morning prayer and Ante Communion at 11 o'clock; evening prayer at 8 o'clock.
Easter Even—Morning prayer and Ante Communion at 7 o'clock; evening prayer at 8 o'clock.
Easter Day, April 9th—Morning prayer, Litaney and Holy Eucharist at 11 o'clock; evening prayer at 8 o'clock.
Easter Monday—Morning prayer and Ante Communion at 7 o'clock; evening prayer at 6 o'clock.
Easter Tuesday—Morning prayer and Ante Communion at 7 o'clock; evening prayer at 6 o'clock.

The Church will be open daily, save on Easter Even, after 7 a. m., until evening prayer for the private devotions of all desiring to avail themselves of the privilege.
Geo. PATTERSON, Rector St. John's Parish.
REST.—Night has been appointed, in the divine economy, as a time of rest. When the sun is down and the shadows of evening begin to gather around us, we feel that our work is done, and the hour of repose is at hand. And nature, in this particular, seems to follow our example. The beasts and the birds seek their coverts, and even the flowers fold their leaves and go to sleep. Our days are, usually attended by excitement, anxiety and care. Business presses upon us and in the exertion, the mind and the body grow weary. Then comes the season of rest. Night draws the curtains upon the scene and invites to quiet and repose. We do not always find this, and why? Because things here are not as they ought to be. There is something wanting. Our souls are too big for the world we live in. They belong to God. We are exiles from a trackless eternity and have become the creatures of time. We want to get back and, until we can attain our wishes, there is no real rest for us. Even the sleep which tired and weary nature invites is disturbed by dreams.

The night may come and we may stretch our limbs upon our couches, but where are the waters of oblivion that bring an uninterrupted rest? Not here—not there—not anywhere, towards which the soul gravitates, on earth. Above and beyond is the place our aspirations lead us to. There is where true rest is found. In God. In a knowledge of his works and ways. In faith. In belief in what has been revealed to us. "Come unto me all ye that are weary and heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

INFORMATION FOR TOBACCONISTS.—Mr. John D. Miller wrote to the office of Internal Revenue, to know whether "a die of any particular shape, is required in cancelling tobacco stamps." He received the following reply:
"The law does not specify, nor has this office prescribed any particular shaped steel dies, to be used in cancelling stamps on wooden packages of tobacco. Any steel die that will cancel the stamp as the law requires, that is, sink a portion of the stamp into the wood, may be used. Cutting the stamp with a chisel is not a proper cancellation. A chisel is not a die, and it does not sink a portion of the stamp into the wood."

SPECIAL LETTER TO THE WILMINGTON POST.

WASHINGTON, D. C. Monday, March 27, 1871.
Charles Sumner was the regular occupant of the first hours of the Senate to-day with his great speech on the San Domingo question. The occasion had been duly announced, and at an early hour of the day the anxious multitude could be seen wending their way to the capitol. The early trains from the neighboring cities and towns brought groups of people whose special business it seems was to hear the Senator. At the hour of 12 Mr. Sumner's fame had well nigh filled the galleries and corridors of the Senate chamber. Cloak rooms, side parlors, and aisles were filled with the buzzing multitude, and when he entered the Senate chamber, a few minutes before 12 o'clock, he was greeted with applause. At fifteen minutes past 12 o'clock Mr. Sumner commenced to speak from the seat of his colleague, Mr. Wilson, immediately in front of his own. His voice filled the galleries of the chamber, and he was listened to with marked attention throughout the entire speech. Probably while the San Domingo commissioners were gliding over the Virginia roads to Acquia Creek, and thence to this city, where a grand reception will greet their return, Mr. Sumner was making a deadly and almost unanswerable argument against the entire scheme of annexation. The speech was sharp, but cool, and by no means denunciatory of the Executive. He makes almost a personal appeal to the President to abandon his annexation scheme, and unite in the effort to reconcile Hayti and Dominica.
Before speaking the Senator, Mr. Sumner, called up a very pertinent resolution offered by himself, and to the effect that the naval forces of the United States should not be used to uphold Baez in an attempt to sell his country. It seemed that the resolution was a splendid preface for the speech, for it at once elicited sympathy in favor of the right and the weak. Mr. Sumner's position or leading points against the policy of the administration in regard to the San Domingo question were, 1st, That there was a violation of international law, and a usurpation of war power. 2nd, Contract for cession of territory must be without presence of superior force. He quoted the example of Spain, and gave English precedents. Also showing that a usurpation of war power was contrary to our constitution, gave a sketch of Baez's political career, showing him to be an unprincipled usurper of the rights of his people; and finally closed with an earnest statement of the President's duty in this matter.
Mr. Sumner closed his speech about 3 o'clock, when Senators Morton and Howe offered very brief but pointed and rebutting replies, and which, if time had been allotted for their continuation, would have removed much of the impression made by Mr. Sumner. It is evident the Senate is with the administration, though Mr. Sumner's influence the other way must be the result of his faithful record in the party.
The Commissioners reached here last night at 7 o'clock, by way of Acquia Creek. Mr. Wade was quite indisposed and was visited by the President at the residence of Senator Chandler, during the evening. Everybody of course is anxious about the report which is already asserted to be favorable to the policy of the government; and it is said the Commissioners will spend the morning with the President and Cabinet in making a full statement in regard to inducements and prospects for annexation.
A great many of the Senators are anxious for an adjournment, but it is more than probable that Congress will not adjourn for two weeks yet. There is to be legislation in regard to Southern outrages. The San Domingo question must be settled. And it

is hoped that the contestants will be heard; several of whom, in the lower House, are already relieved of any fears by the complete retirement of their opponents. Senator Abbott has prepared an "unanswerable" law paper for the Senate, in his own defence, and it is said the Senator will retain his seat as the legal member of the 42nd Congress.

The colored people of this city are evidently taking their place in the social and higher walks of American life, some finding their social status in wealth and refinement as well as in style of living, a desirable acquisition to the most wealthy of their white fellow citizens. It is true a man may enjoy every political right, may be very rich in this world's goods, nothing but social training in the schools of social science where his nature is more broadened, and deeper in the love of virtue, moral principle, and the sanctity of a refined and educated family circle, can ever give him social position in the community, elevating and making him at once the desirable companion of his white fellow citizens, and such as he would gladly introduce to his friends. We may have rights and wealth, and yet how often it is that we are burdens to those with whom we have business, how often we are shunned, how often they are glad to get rid of us, because they do not find their social level, and how many are cared for in a business way by reason of nothing but their standing in the social circle aside from (any of their own) influence, politics, or capacity, and, thus I refer to this subject as a means of inspiring my own people to make themselves, their manner of living, with their home comforts attractive and pleasant, so that the most distinguished citizen will take it as a friendly compliment to be introduced into his home circle, as he would another of the more favored race. Our homes must be refining, instructive and elevating, a green sunshiny spot in the great oasis of life, where the great and good would linger in comfort and foud delight when the work of the day is done. It is the only thing, as a climax after all, that will demand solid respect, unless kindled by some other motive, co-equal with that of our fellow countrymen. We have had wealth, rights and talents, yet live in a manner unworthy our calling, less comfortable than white people, receiving less pay, and of inferior talents. The colored people of Washington have lead off in this particular, setting a good example. Many of their homes, like they are in Philadelphia, would afford comfort and pleasure to the most fastidious and distinguished citizen. One I think deserves special mention, as a credit to the head and heart of the owner. Here in one of the principal streets of the capital of the nation, Prof. Wm. J. Wilson, for many years principal of the Grammar School in Brooklyn, and now Cashier of the Freedmen's Bank, and of the most cultivated manners, has erected for his own family residence, a rich and gorgeous palace, costing not less than \$13,000 or \$20,000; of the finest English stone cut front finish, and considered one of the best if not the best brick built house in the district. Grand and rich in ceilings, both ornamental and beautiful in finish, with a set of parlors, when thrown into one by the latest style of mahogany doors, will measure more than sixty feet in length, with an appropriate width for halls, studio, sitting and dining rooms. The ceilings are very high with the latest style of centre pieces. This man elevates his family, and his race, and like the Lords of England finds his social status among the wealthy merchants in the neighborhood of his own beautiful palace.

STATE.

Judge Jones having resigned the impeachment will be suspended.
The war on the State Geologist and the Superintendent of the Insane Asylum has "gone under." The Telegram killed both.
Edgcombe Farmers are not deterred by the present low price of cotton, from trying its cultivation the coming season. Five carloads of the Norfolk Fish Gunno passed Weldon a few days ago bound for that County.
The five minutes rule, on the motion of Mr. Graham, of Orange, has been adopted in the Senate, and as a consequence, divers and sundry gas vents are stopped. Its dangerous experiment, this stoppage of gas and if the rule is strictly adhered to, it would not surprise us if a case of irrepressible explosion occurred before adjournment.—Raleigh Telegram.
THE ELK MOUNTAIN CHEESE COMPANY.—Have leased their entire property, (1,700 acres) except the mills, to Mr. W. S. Cornell, who last year leased a portion of "The Mountain," and had charge of the cheesemaking. He will commence cheesemaking about the 1st of April, fully a month earlier than last year. After supplying the home demand, the surplus cheese will be shipped to Glasgow, Scotland.—Ashville Citizen.