

MISCELLANY.

From the Washington Sentinel. ENGLISH OPPRESSION AND SOUTHERN SLAVERY.

Mere tongue philanthropy is an easy virtue. It costs nothing, while it claims for itself great rewards. All the philanthropists in the world, of this cheap school have formed an offensive alliance against the slave owners of the Southern States.

We have so often had to speak of this injustice committed against the Southern people, and so often had occasion to contrast the happy condition of the Southern slaves with the degraded condition of the free negroes of the North, and the suffering and oppressed laborers of Europe, that we do not deem it necessary to repeat here the facts and illustrations, which from time to time, we have presented to our readers.

Our object, at present, is simply to call the attention of our readers to a startling manifestation of English colonial policy, and barbarous cruelty which has but recently received the most authentic development. The colonial history of England is marked by the most revolting forms of oppression, rapine, and cruelty.

It was charged in the English Parliament in 1854, that tortures of the most revolting kind were practised by the British officials in the Madras Presidency, in the collection of the revenues, and that the unhappy natives had no means of redress.

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wooden instrument somewhat like a lemon-squeezer, between the plates of which the hands, the thighs, (in women also the breasts), the ears, and other more sensitive parts of the body are squeezed to the last point of endurance, often to fainting, and even to permanent disablement.

The annual is a more purely eastern torture. It consists in tying the victim in a stooping or otherwise painful and unnatural position, generally with the head forcibly bent down to the feet, by a rope or cloth passed round the neck and under the toes. The torture, however, is varied at the caprice of the executioner.

Occasionally a man is held aloft from the ground by the ears, by the hair, and even by the mustachio; and the latter torture, in some instances, is applied so savagely as to tear away the mustachio by the roots. Sometimes a sort of bastinado is inflicted, sometimes violent blows on the shin, the ankles, the elbow, or other highly sensitive part of points.

Will it be credited, for example that it is not uncommon to apply to the most sensitive parts of the body (enclosed in a cloth or a cocoon shell, or other similar receptacle) a biting insect or reptile, such as the pollard, or carpenter beetle, and to leave it to gnaw the flesh of the miserable sufferer?

England has long seen the mote in our eye, but is altogether ignorant of the beam in her own eye. She has officially meddled with fancied oppressions in this country while she has neglected to reform abuses in her own. She has shed copious tears over the imagined miseries of southern slaves, while she has been insensible to the real miseries of the great bulk of her home population, and the untold cruelties practised by her officials, and under the authority of her laws in her numerous colonial appendages.

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A NIGHT OF HORROR IN A WILDERNESS. The Poughkeepsie Eagle gives an account of a night's adventure of Mr. Arvine Clark in a wilderness in Potter county, Pa., during the past winter. It appears he lost his way, travelled for hours, when, as night set in, he found himself eight miles from any settlement, surrounded by bears and wolves.

Here he remained, not daring to fall asleep. About two o'clock in the morning, to add to the horrors of his situation, the yell of a panther was heard. The beast approached—came nearer every few minutes—uttered a screech that froze the blood in his veins. As a last resort to defend himself from the attack of the savage animal, he reloaded his gun, putting some three cent pieces and some steel pens (for he had nothing else) which he hoped might do some execution.

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