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DEMOCRATIC HARMONY IN NEW YORK.

For years the Democracy of the great State of New York has been split up into factions, which, originating in New York City, have spread to a greater or less extent throughout the State. Tamanny Hall, Irving Hall and the County Democracy have each been struggling for ascendancy and for the control of the party. This has made New York a doubtful State, and made it the contested battle ground in the past few Presidential elections. With the very large Democratic majority in New York and Brooklyn the State is Democratic, and it is only by the dissensions in these cities that there is the slightest hope for success among the Republicans. It seems that the leaders of these factions have been studying the situation, and have been listening to reason of late, and we are informed that they have come to a harmonious understanding, have resolved to bury the hatchet and work together in the future, and that now John Kelly, Governor Cleveland, Samuel J. Tilden, and other great sachems, with their war paint and black stripes washed off, sit together around the same council board. If this news be true it is good news, for it takes New York out of the doubtful column and places it on the Democratic side, where it is sure to remain unless some colossal blunder lose it, or some gigantic fraud capture it. Through these dissensions, and the thousands of dollars of corruption money, as revealed by Dorsey, it was won from Hancock and carried for Garfield when, with unity, with no treachery and no corruption, it was as sure for Hancock as Kentucky or Texas. With its large electoral vote it will be, while the parties are closely matched, a pivotal State, and its movements will always be watched with interest.

While the Democracy is harmonizing the Republicans are not remaining idle. They, too, are trying to harmonize and organize for effective work in the coming campaign. Since Mr. Arthur has come into the Presidency he has been holding out the olive branch, and been exerting himself in every way, quietly, to bring the contending factions together, and has met with more or less success, though we are told that in doing so he has given offense to some of his old stalwart supporters. He will doubtless find a way to soothe them and bring them into line when the time comes, if he deems their support worth courting.

As far as the indications now point, there will be a solid Democracy arrayed against a solid Republican party, and an exciting and vigorous contest. While the Democrats may possibly get along without New York, its vote is absolutely necessary to Republican success, a fact which they know, and which will make them strain every nerve to carry it. With a possibility of carrying New York they have a living chance; with New York against them they are as dead as Hector.

A MEETING.

The Asheville Citizen informs us that Judge Seymour, Judge Settle, Collector Cooper and Dr Mott met in that city last week. There is no reason why one or all of these gentlemen might not go to as inviting a summer retreat as Asheville, but it is a little remarkable that all four should light there about the same time, and the probabilities are that there was business in it—quite as much as health or pleasure. We don't know so much about the particular capacity of Judge Seymour as an organizer or party manipulator, but the other three are no sardines when they unbutton their collars and go to work. Judge Settle's residence in Florida has taken him out of the party management in this State, and he has somewhat lost the run of it, but he has not lost interest in it nor abandoned the hope of some day returning to his native heath and running the machine as of old. When he left the State they lost the strongest man they had in it, and the one that could do the most in keeping the jealous rivals from going for each other's scalps, which they have been doing with a very unbrotherly zeal ever since he left.

As the Citizen ironically suggests the meeting might have been "accidental," just come about like one of Artemus Ward's impromptu serenades. They met, however, and it wouldn't be any very great stretch of fancy to risk the assertion that a pretty interesting political palaver was held. We simply remark that the lines are closing.

Ex-Senator Dorsey says in his interview with the New York Sun, that Roscoe Conkling could have been nominated at Chicago in place of Garfield, and that many of the anti-Grant men told him they would support Conkling if Grant's name was withdrawn. When he made this known to Conkling the latter replied, that he came to that convention instructed by his State to support Grant and to work for his nomination, that he could not consent to any use of his name in opposition to Grant, that he would vote for Grant if he was the only man in the convention to do so, and that he would not accept the nomination if it was tendered to him unanimously. Conkling may have his faults, but deserting his friends is evidently, from this statement, not one of them.

Wm Ostrandor who was hanged in Utica, N Y, last Tuesday for the murder of his brother was one of the few hanged men who didn't desire to go through to glory. He was wicked to the last, refused to pardon his relatives through whose testimony he was convicted, and refused to ask pardon of God for the crime committed.

It costs $3,000 a day to run the Pennsylvania legislature, and according to reports it ain't much of a legislature either.

The Louisville Courier Journal says that Mr Mulhatton, the Texas meteor man, discovered that wonderful cave under Lookout Mountain.

Maj E A Burke, managing editor of the New Orleans Times-Democrat, is a candidate for United States Senator, in opposition to Mr Jonas, who is a candidate for re-election.

President Arthur on his Yellowstone trip wears a red shirt, broad-brim hat, and has proved a good horseman. But he has not yet tackled a bucking pony.

The last statement from the Treasury Department shows the balance of the National debt to be $1,884,171,727, the interest upon which is $51,436,709. The debt per caput on the population of the United States is about $28.

Proctor Knott's majority in Kentucky was about 50,000 and the Philadelphia Press calls it Democratic apathy. In ordinary elections the Democracy of the blue grass country never cares about giving more than 50,000 majority.

The Prohibitionists have a full State ticket in the field in Ohio, which will receive, it is estimated from 15,000 to 18,000 votes, the larger part of which, if there were no prohibition ticket in the field, would in all probability go to the Republican candidates.

On one side of an ordinary postal card a French stenographer has written 44,031 words. They are contained in 275 lines, an average of 160 words to each line. Thus every line contains about as much matter as a page of a 12mo. volume! The space for the words had to be calculated, and this calculation forms a frame to the wonderful card.

We publish elsewhere to-day, a communication on the subject of railroads by a prominent citizen of Charlotte. While we do not endorse all the writer says, there is much of it well worthy of consideration. He does not suggest any particular course of action to remedy the evils of which he makes note, but perhaps he may have some plan to submit which we will take pleasure in laying before our readers. The railroad question is a big one, in which much can be said on both sides.

Charlotte and Her Railroads.

Editor Journal-Observer.

The recent sale of the Richmond & Danville Railroad system to a New York syndicate is a very important event to the whole South, and especially to Charlotte.

The ultimate effect of this change of ownership of a great line of transportation will, no doubt, prove highly beneficial to the South as a whole. It is only by concentration of capital, in large sums and in few hands, that the rate of interest is reduced, despatch attained, and transportation lowered. The danger of a monopoly in such matters is the sheerest humbug. Look at the North, the East, and the West. Look at England, look at India, look at Egypt. The moment the Suez Canal is seen to pay a move is made to build another right along beside it—enterprises involving thousands of millions of money—if not peace and war. Such is the power, the spirit, and the irresistable energy of modern civilization.

The Danville system now practically extends from New York to New Orleans and branches out in all directions. The moment it is found to be a success—and the sale itself is proof of this—the same moment new schemes are designed to compete for trade and traffic. Existing lines are re-constructed, additional connections are made, and new roads are built.

When capital thus sets in the rates of interest are reduced, competing lines spring up, business grows, population increases, and all is life. It is this idea that has, in a single generation, redeemed the wilderness of the West and founded an empire where thirty years ago bears and buffaloes roamed supreme. It is this idea that enables the California farmer to ship his products all over the world, even lay his grapes and pears in the shops of Charlotte. And so, too, the Chicago butcher competes with the bacon of Tennessee and Kentucky right at their doors.

The great error of the South has been her jealous, narrow, provincial policy towards capital. She forgets the age in which we live.

Let a merchant once undertake to ship and he soon learns the difference between Southern and Western freights. Let him travel and he realizes the extortions here compared with the so-called monopolies of New York and Massachusetts. The merchants all know this, but they have never exerted their proper influence at the South. Other interests have controlled and dominated our destiny.

Will our people longer stand out against their own manifest interest and safety? Will Charlotte, one of the most important railroad centres of the whole country, longer shut her eyes to the momentous changes going on around us? Will she continue to content herself with the small privilege of occasionally welcoming a party of straggling excursionists or a May celebration? Or will she seek to grasp the sceptre of trade and commerce destined for our Southern borders?

In this new movement of capital South certain eligible points are sure to win and certain others are sure to lose. Will our thriving little city, with its rare railroad advantages, make an effort to become the great distributing point of the vast region between Richmond and Atlanta, or will she sit idly by and allow rival cities to literally swallow us up? Will we continue to *talk* or will we be up and *doing*?

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The Florida Ship Canal.

The Florida Ship Canal is by no means abandoned. Gen. Stone, the chief engineer of the canal company, declares that the watershed to be dug through is not as high as the highest in the Suez canal, and that available entrances from deep water have been found at each terminus. According to the General: "The canal would save from three to seven days' time for all the steamers and sailing vessels going into and out of the Gulf of Mexico." Estimating the salary and expense account of a large ocean steamer at $5,000 a month, and the cost of coal at from $30 to $400 per day, Gen. Stone figures out a saving "in the mere matter of time" of $1,500. "The navigation through the Florida Straits is the most dangerous known, and the annual losses from wreckage are enormous. On this account the canal would save from 1 to 1½ per cent on insurance; in itself sufficient to pay a handsome revenue to the canal. Then the increased safety and the lower cost would vastly increase the traffic which now makes use of the gulf."

Doctors Disagree.

Washington Gazette.

Probably nothing more ridiculous in way of suggestion than the naming of Arthur and Foster as the Republican Presidential ticket for 1884 ever was perpetrated. Neither person could carry his own State. All the "soap" in the United States could not elect such a ticket.

THE SEA AT EVEN-TIDE.

A Sail that Suggests Thoughts of the New Jerusalem—A Question for a Debating Club.

For the Journal-Observer.

ATLANTIC HOTEL, August 9, 1883.

I have just returned from a glorious sail through the flashing, tossing waters. The heavy clouds banked around the horizon kept a number from venturing out, but these boatmen who have spent their lives upon the open water, under the open sky, can tell the weather better than Vennor or Wiggins or any of the so-called weather prophets all put together. They said it would be a fine evening for a sail, and so it proved. The wind was delightful, filling and swelling the canvas while the boat flew over the water like a bird through the air. At sunset the packed clouds that had been massed together and looked like a distant mountain chain all broke up, and the whole sky was filled with rolling, fleecy, sun lit clouds that seemed to float like luminous islands upon a transparent amber sea. On the water each separate wave caught and reflected the golden glory of the sky. There was a deaf and dumb man in the boat with us, who spelled out to me "God's works are wonderful," and I believe we, more thoughtless ones, with all our senses, were touched by the sweet solemnity of such unusual beauty and thought of the New Jerusalem and the streets of gold and the gates of pearl. Changing every moment as we sailed on and looked upward and around us, and thought inarticulate thoughts, the bright clouds softened, the gold gradually turned to gray, a half grown moon like a little white boat sailed through the darkening sky. The air was as crisp as October, although as balmy as May, as we drew our light summer wraps around us and "tacked" for one more turn in the sound. The boats all along the harbor were anchored, the sloops and schooners and big ships had hung out their night lamps, twinkling lights shone from Beaufort and the blaze from our own hotel windows beckoned us home before we could say "Pull for the shore." The appetites we bring home with us from these sails is something stupendous. It must be enjoyed to be appreciated and I am thankful to say our worthy host Dr Blacknall and his skillful caterers and his whole corps of dining room waiters are equal to the occasion and meet our demands with most bountiful supply. I contend, and always have done so, that it is just as æsthetic, just as high-toned, just as much *caichaw*, to enjoy the fresh broiled mackerel and delicious blue fish and oysters and esculops and crabs and clam fritters and foaming light rolls and toast and tea, as to watch the setting sun "rap the drapery of his couch about him," or listen to the mighty anthem of the ocean. Why should not the gratification of the sense of taste be as ennobling as the gratification of the sense of sight or hearing? And why should not a *chef de cuisine* be considered as great an artist as an opera singer or a violin player? I leave the discussion of this abstruse question to future debating societies, perhaps the C L S C might take hold of it and "rise to the height of this great argument," as for me consistent with my theory I will go down and proceed to the dining room and put my idea of æsthetic enjoyment into practical demonstration.

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I saw by the paper received this morning that Dr Blacanall had invited you down to enjoy the fishing. If you know what is good for you, you will accept that invitation and come down and bring a crowd with you. Hoping that you will I am yours benevolently.

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HOW INDIANA WAS CARRIED.

One of Dorsey's Lieutenants Make Some Interesting Disclosures.

The New York Sun publishes from one of ex-Senator Dorsey's "carefully chosen lieutenants" what he knows about the secrets of the October campaign in Indiana three years ago. In introducing this statement the Sun says: "While we withhold the name of this witness for the present, it is proper to say that we are in possession of evidence establishing his standing with the Republican leaders in that campaign and that the statement, as printed, is now in our hands in the form of an affidavit."

The author of this statement says he was an officeholder in the east in 1880, and received an urgent letter from Dorsey a fortnight before the October in Indiana to repair to Indianapolis, which he did, and until three or four days before the election worked under the direction of Dorsey, who "was everything in that campaign," the one trusted lieutenant of Dorsey being Mr Geo C Gorham. Nearly every dollar of the Indiana fund that was paid out to local or important agents was paid on the order of Stephen W Dorsey or on the order of George C Gorham. Major Swann, the personal representative of Gen Garfield, was also there and constantly at headquarters, and in constant communication with Garfield by telegraph or by mail. Continuing, Dorsey's New York lieutenant says:

"My particular and immediate functions were the organization and control of the parties of strikers, repeaters and roughs brought to Indianapolis and distributed in small gangs to different points in the State. The trick of importation and colonization had been tried on a much larger scale, but without success, in 1876, when I was also in Indiana. In 1880 the means used to carry the State were different. The chief dependence was put on greenbacks, not on colonists and repeaters.

"In the Garfield year, I think, not more than 150 outsiders were sent to Indiana from the East for these purposes. One party, as I remember, consisted of forty-five men from Baltimore and Wilmington. There were gangs from Philadelphia, Pittsburg and other Eastern cities. These imported republicans were letter carriers, petty office holders and ward workers in the cities where they belonged. Their duties were to intimidate democratic voters, to brawl, create disturbances, and knock men down if necessary, to personate democratic voters, and to repeat whenever possible.

On the 6th of October, according to this statement, Senator Don Cameron arrived at the Dennison House, Indianapolis, with a handsome bag containing $60,000, which he denominated "some valuable reinforcements," and which he said had been contributed by the manufacturers of Pittsburg and other Pennsylvania capitalists. The money used in the canvass was kept in the three drawers of a black walnut bureau in a little back room in the New Dennison house. This room adjoined the main dining room of the hotel, and was separated from Dorseys main headquarters by one passageway. At one time there was not less than $125,000 in the bureau, which was guarded by "an old gentleman with a long full beard pretty well sprinkled with gray. Every bill paid by this cashier was paid on orders from Dorsey or Gorham; possibly there may have been payments on the order of Chauncey I Filley or John C New. They were tickets, or small slips of paper, with the amount in figures, the name of the person who was to receive it, and the signature or initials of Gorham, sometimes of Dorsey. Some times Gorham simply made a ticket with the amount and name of payee, without any signature. Then he would take the slip into the little room and receive the money from the cashier, who would put the ticket into the drawer as his voucher. No accounts were kept.

The statement concludes as follows: "Among the more prominent managers and agents who were cognicant of these facts were Marshal Dunn, of Delaware; Special Agents Tidball and Henderson, of the Postoffice Department; Surveyor Caulk and Major Wiegel, of Baltimore; Thomas Chappell and Thomas Cavanaugh, of the Treasury Department. The last named was deputy sergeant at-arms of the last House."

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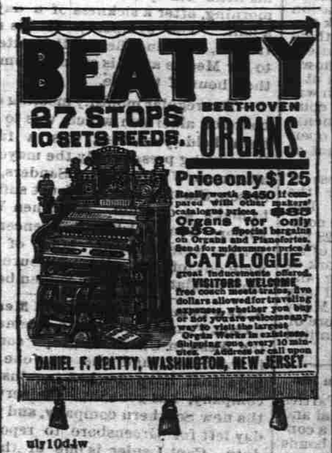

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