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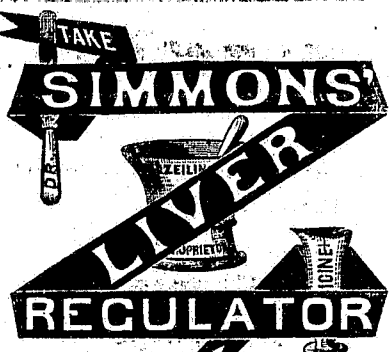
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tain that you will go away well pleased,

believing that you have received full value

for the money which you have spent with

me. Try me!

C. C. VANDEGRIFT.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of a fi fa issued from the

Circuit Court of Shelby county and to

me directed, I will proceed to sell in front

of the Shelby Hotel, in the town of Monte-

vallo, on the 22d day of June, 1874, within

the legal hours of sale to the highest bid-

der, for cash, the following described prop-

erty, to-wit: One house and lot in the town

of Calera, on the corner of Fulton and

The following editorial ap-
peared in the Montgomery Adver-
tiser some weeks ago. There can-
not be a more appropriate time than
the present, for re-producing it:

A Few Plain Words.

It is with regret that we find, in

various parts of the State, an un-

due prejudice against nominating

conventions. The gist of the com-

plaint seems to be that they are not

representative bodies. A represen-

tative body is one which supplies

the place of another, and generally

a larger, body. The greater the

number who participate in the se-

lection of delegates, the more gen-

erally representative the conven-

tion becomes. If all participate,

who are entitled, the convention be-

comes as thoroughly representative

as the system will allow. If repre-

sentatives betray their trust, that

is the fault—not of the system—but of

weak, human nature. In this ar-

ticle we have only to do with the

system. It is beyond the art of man

to purge that, or any other system,

of evils growing out of the imper-

fections of human nature.

Now this is the point to which

we invite the attention of those

who complain of the non-represen-

tative character of County Conven-

tions. The selection of delegates

is a matter of popular choice. No

man can properly go into a Con-

vention upon the credentials of a

minority. If the majority is against

him he stays at home. If those

who complain constitute that

majority they can cure the evils com-

plained of. There is nothing to

prevent them from meeting with

and out-voting the rest. But if,

through sloth or indifference, they

allow the minority to exceed them

when the voting begins and ends,

they have none but themselves to

blame. In that event it would be

undignified and unmanly to com-

plain. If, on the contrary, the

complainants constitute the minority,

which is generally the case, then

are they both unwise and unpatri-

otic to attempt to ruin because they

cannot rule. It is not the fault

of the system that this is so; because

if the minority refuse to be controlled

by the majority in the Conven-

tion, it would also refuse if the

whole county constituted that Con-

vention. In other words it is the

fault of the factions and not of the

Convention. No man can foresee,

nor any body of men, however pure

and patriotic, prevent, the spirit of

factions opposition.

There is one proposition which,

for various good reasons, we shall

take to beyond all dispute, and that

is that without thorough unity of

of the utmost importance, as also

because this is no time for "syren's

songs." It is the duty of every Con-

servative in this State, who feels

the burdens of an unwise and ex-

travagant administration, to shoul-

der his own share of the responsi-

bility of getting rid of them. He

cannot willfully cast any part of it

on the shoulders of another, with-

out assuming his full share of mor-

al responsibility for all the evils, to

his fellow citizens and to his coun-

try, which may afterwards flow

from a Radical victory. Every man

in Alabama should now feel as old

Simon Glover felt, and resolve with

himself as he resolved: "The

sea-boy trifle with the ruddery but,

when winds howl and waves arise

he stands by the helm himself!" We

have no "calm weather" now. It is

all storm; and every man is, to a

certain extent, the pilot of the Ship

of State.

The Last Chance.

Two years ago, the people of Ala-

bama might have secured an honest,

capable, and faithful administration

of their government, but some of

them didn't like the ante-war polit-

ical antecedents of one candidate

and others didn't like the theologi-

cal views of another, some were not

sound enough and others were too

sound, and the golden opportunity

was lost upon differences about

which children should have been

spanked for quarreling.

The dogma of individual infalli-

bility found adherents in many sec-

tions; and those who could not ad-

opt it possible for them to err in

opinion or judgment whether as to

candidates or measures folded their

arms in philosophic composure

while the machinery of government

was taken possession of by aliens

and adventurers, neither honest,

nor capable, nor faithful.

The citizen who failed in his duty

in 1872 deserves no sympathy in his

own sufferings; but he does merit

the reprehension of his neighbors,

who are suffering the consequence of

his indifference or inaction.

In the course of events, another

opportunity of redeeming the state

from the hands of the spoilers

who now control and govern it, is

presented. We may not assert that

this is the last opportunity that will

occur. Should we fail now, it is

not impossible that in 1876 there

will be still strength enough left us

to save ourselves from impending

wrath. But the probability is, that

this will be our last chance. In

South Carolina, and in Louisiana,

this, but it is true. There are thou-

sands and thousands with princely

incomes who never know a moment's

peace, because they live beyond

their means. There is really more

happiness in the world among work-

ing people than among those who

are called rich.

CREMATION.—Judge Lochraue,

who says so many beautiful things,

in a communication to the Atlanta

Constitution, gives the following

touching sentiment which will find

response from every true heart.

But in a materialistic view, I could

not entertain the idea of reversing

the custom of our age and civiliza-

tion by erecting funeral pyres.—

who could entertain the thought of

taking little wasted forms we have

gathered to our breasts and strained

to our hearts, when God has sum-

moned them to His Kingdom; the

eyes that sought us, when dimmed;

the lips we kissed, when cold; the

arms that twined around us, when

pulseless; when to cut off a curl is

done with more tenderness than if

they were in life, and a rude word

or touch would shock us to tears,

I say who could entertain the

thought of putting these cherished

forms in flames of fire to burn into

ashes.

Until my heart becomes stone

and its fountains are dried up, such

a sentiment would give me a shock

of agony, and would stick like a

knife in my memory.

AND THEY TOILED ALL NIGHT

AND CAUGHT NOTHING.—A corres-

pondent of the Methodist Advo-

cate tells the following good joke

on some Tennessee preachers: "This

reminds us of another incident, too

good to be lost, which we received

from the Deputy Sheriff of Critten-

den county. A Baptist divine

preached a long sermon at night

from the text 'I go a fishing.' A

brother cleric of the same faith and

order followed it with another of

similar length from the response,

SHELBY GUIDE.

COLUMBIANA, ALA.

Thursday, May 14, 1874.

To The Members of The Alabama Press Association.

The annual meeting of the Alabama Press Association will commence on Tuesday, the 19th inst., at Birmingham. Members of the Association will come prepared to pay their dues. A cordial invitation is extended the press of the State to join the Association.

A full attendance of the Associations of New York, Georgia and Tennessee is expected and many ladies with them. Birmingham has extended the hospitalities of the city to the entire assemblage, and we sincerely hope that the attendance of the Association will be very large. The Press of the State will please copy.

SEABORN J. SAFFOLD,
Pres't Ala. Press Association.

TO THE VOTERS OF SHELBY COUNTY.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of Shelby county, Ala., held in Columbiana, on the 2d day of May, 1874, the following proceedings were had, to wit:

The Committee appointed Saturday the 11th of July next as the time for holding a County Convention to appoint delegates to attend the State Convention, which meets in Montgomery, on the 29th day of July, 1874, to nominate a State Ticket for the Conservative party. We proceeded to apportion the number of delegates to which each precinct is entitled in the County Convention, allowing one representative to every 25 Conservative votes, or fractional part thereof, cast at the last election, viz: Columbiana 10; Spring Creek 2; Calera 4; Montevallo 12; Hillsboro 4; Elliottsville 4; Yellow Leaf 2; Wilsonville 3; Harpersville 5; Spearman's 1; Highland 1; Bold Springs 2; Bear Creek 1; Tylers's 1.

In view of the importance of the coming political canvass, together with the evil results that shall follow the success of the negro party, this committee hope that they may be pardoned for making an earnest appeal to the white voters of this county in behalf of harmonious and united action. To say that, politically, our all is at stake, is but the repetition of what every one will admit; but we desire to impress on the people the fact, that other great and important interests are involved in the issue, the result of which will either open the way to prosperity and happiness as individuals, and the State government to a consequent healthy and sound financial condition, or as citizens strip them of the little property they now possess and become the subjects of a negro-ruled State government, administered by unscrupulous white men, who are traitors to their race—lost to all shame by reason of their association, and whose only object is to rob the honest masses of their hard earnings by taxation.

The negro voting population of the State has, in unmistakable terms, made an issue with the whites as to whether this State shall be governed by the ignorance and superstition of the former, or by the intelligence and patriotism of the latter. This issue we hope, and believe, the white people of Shelby county are ready to successfully meet. That it must be met none can seriously question; and this Committee is unwilling to believe that there is even one respectable white man in this county, who in such a contest, will for a moment hesitate to exert to its utmost whatever influence he may have in behalf of his country, his wife and his children. We possess the means of success and if defeat results, it will not be because of the strength of the negro race, but the want of harmony and unity of action among us.

Then, fellow-citizens, in consideration of placing the administration

of the State government in the hands of the white citizenship, to whom it properly belongs, and the preservation of our homes and our firesides from confiscation by taxation, let us as patriots come together with an honest purpose and desire to accomplish this important and grand result, throwing aside all prejudices and personal preferences, looking alone to the redemption of the State and the protection of our race.

We also suggest that the Convention hereby called, shall determine the time and place of holding a Convention to nominate a ticket, and that these matters be fully considered by the primary meetings in the different precincts.

In order that every individual in each beat in the county may be represented in fact, and not in name merely, we suggest that the citizens of each beat in the county meet at the voting place in their respective beats on the 4th day of July next, and discuss these serious and grave questions, that the wishes of the people may be carried out by the delegates appointed.

D. T. CASTLEBERRY, Ch'n,
E. G. WALKER,
C. B. ELLIOTT,
W. T. SMITH,
T. J. MARTIN,
JOHN M. DESHAZO,
Committee.

The New York Editorial Association.

Mr. H. N. Beach, Chairman of the Committee on the part of the New York Association of Editors issued the following circular to the excursionists on the first of May:

On the 20th ult., the undersigned, chairman of the Committee of Arrangements appointed by the New York State Editorial Association, mailed circulars to all the members of the Association, inviting responses from those who would participate in the excursion and visit to Alabama, in acceptance of an invitation extended by the Alabama Editorial Association. The acceptance cover about sixty persons, making a number amply sufficient. All sections of the State will be well represented. The party will go, including ladies. This circular is sent to all editors who have said that they would participate, and if any find that from some cause they cannot go, they are requested to notify me to that effect, as a list embracing the members of the party, the newspapers they represent, and their addresses, will be printed for use a day or two before the party starts.

The arrangements are not yet perfected for the return of the party by a southern route, though it is hoped they will be in season.

The party will leave Samanica immediately on the arrival of the Era train; breakfast at West Salem; stop ten minutes for refreshments at Dayton; arrive at Cincinnati at 6 p. m., May 13th, and proceed to the Barnett House. Will start from Cincinnati on the morning of the 15th for Louisville, arriving there at noon, stopping at the Galt House. Leave Louisville on the morning of the 16th for Cave City, arriving there at noon, and then proceed to the Mammoth Cave. From the Cave it will proceed to Nashville and stop at the Maxwell House. From Nashville it will proceed to Birmingham, the point of destination, arriving there on the evening of May 19th. At Birmingham the party becomes the guests of the Alabama Editorial Association, and after viewing Birmingham will probably accept the proffered hospitality of the cities of Montgomery and Huntsville, and visit mines and plantations. The committee will endeavor to make such arrangements as will conduce to the acquirements of knowledge and pleasure of the party. The return route cannot now be definitely stated.

Many inquiries have been made in regard to the expense of the excursion. It is a question that cannot be definitely answered. The passage over the railroad lines will not be at much expense while in Alabama. Elsewhere it is believed that the hotels will not charge to exceed half customary rates, trusting to the editors to reciprocate all favors. The expenses will be made consistently light.

Suggestions: Try and reciprocate all favors received, and especially inst.

write up Alabama. Print enough papers extra, containing an account of the excursion and the principal objects viewed, so as to send a number to each person from whom favors are received. Resolve to have a pleasant time, and HAVE IT, H. N. BEACH.

Supreme Court of Alabama.

It is ordered by the court that the following shall be the order of business for the ensuing June term of the Supreme court of Alabama, commencing on the first Monday in June, 1874.

The first division, composed of the counties of Baldwin, Clark, Conecuh, Escambia, Lowndes and Montgomery, shall commence on Monday the first day of June, and continue one week.

The second division, composed of the counties of Bibb, Dallas, Monroe, Perry and Wilcox, shall commence on Monday the 8th day of June, 1874, and continue one week.

The third division, composed of the counties of Autauga, Butler, Conecuh, Escambia, Lowndes and Montgomery, shall commence on Monday, the 15th day of June, 1874, and continue one week.

The fourth division, composed of the counties of Barbour, Bullock, Coffee, Covington, Crenshaw, Dale, Geneva, Henry and Pike, shall commence on Monday, the 22d day of June, 1874, and continue one week.

The fifth division, composed of the counties of Baker, Chambers, Elmore, Lee, Macon, Randolph, Russell and Tallapoosa, shall commence on Monday, the 29th day of June, 1874, and continue one week.

The sixth division, composed of the counties of Choctaw, Greene, Hale, Marengo, Marion, Pickens, Sanford, Sumter, Tuscaloosa and Walker, shall commence on Monday, the 6th day of July, 1874, and continue one week.

The seventh division, composed of the counties of Calhoun, Cherokee, Clay, Cleburne, Coosa, DeKalb, Etowah, Jefferson, Shelby and Talladega, shall commence on Monday, the 13th day of July, 1874, and continue one week.

The eighth division, composed of the counties of Blount, Colbert, Franklin, Jackson, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Limestone, Madison, Marshall, Morgan, St. Clair and Winston, shall commence on Monday, the 20th day of July, 1874, and continue one week.

A true copy from the minutes,
D. R. BOOTH,
Clerk of supreme court of Alabama.

THE FIRST STEP TO SAVE THE STATE.—The Hayneville Examiner, whose editor is one of the most patriotic and clear-headed of our citizens, very properly urges that all questions as to the best mode of reforming State abuses should be postponed until victory is assured to the party which demands reform. It uses this language:

The fate of the people of South Carolina, Mississippi and Louisiana should admonish us of the necessity of putting Conservatives in power. To do so in this State will require the united and active co-operation of all who have the good government and prosperity of our beloved State at heart. Every other question of policy ought to be postponed until the enemy to good order and an honest administration of our political affairs is defeated. The most important object for us is the possession of the government of our State, and to obtain it we should march forward in solid phalanx, neither looking to the right nor the left, until victory is achieved. Then it will be time enough to consider matters of minor importance.

Here is a fact which all Alabamians should know, and we are reminded of it by the Montgomery Advertiser: "The negro leader of the last house of representatives (Green Lewis), boldly and abruptly proclaimed from his seat in the house that he desired to have taxes raised to such a pitch that the large landholder would be compelled to sell—thus advocating virtual confiscation. And no representative Radical in all the house ventured or dared to repudiate the utterance—thus, by silent acquiescence, giving it their endorsement. Keep this before the people as showing that, with the power to back their will, the Radical party would reduce Alabama to the abject condition of poor South Carolina."

Geo. W. Cobb, an old citizen of Jefferson county, died on the 11th inst.

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MOBILE, ALA., May 11.—An in-

human outrage was perpetrated in this city yesterday afternoon, by one Frank Williams, (a man about town,) on a little girl about five years old, and a daughter of a Mr. Richardson, a respectable artisan of Mobile. Efforts were made during last night to take the villain from his prison, and dispose of him promptly, but without success. During the morning he was removed for safe keeping from the guard house to the jail, but this forenoon upon the announcement of the death of the child, an infuriated company of citizens rushed to the jail, forced an entrance through the outer wall, broke open several cells, found Williams, and hung him to the nearest convenient tree.—Montgomery News.

IMPORTANT RELIGIOUS ASSEMBLAGES.—The Southern Baptist Convention assembled at Jefferson, Texas, last week. There were three hundred delegates present up to Saturday. The officers elected are James P. Boyce, of Louisville, who presides over the Baptist Convention, Dr. Burrows, of Richmond, Jones, of Nashville, Crane, of Texas, and DeVotie, of Georgia, Vice-Presidents.

There was quite a sensation in the proceedings of the General Conference of the M. E. Church, South, on Saturday last, at Louisville, Kentucky, in the reception of the Commission from the Methodist Episcopal Church, North. Rev. A. S. Hunt, D. D., Rev. C. H. Fowler and General B. Fisk compose the Commission.

Indianapolis held a city election last Wednesday. The contest was close, severe, exciting and the vote was the largest the city ever polled. The result was a complete victory for the Conservatives, who elect the mayor, and 9 out of the 13 councillors. It is the first time in 18 years that the city has been under Conservative control! This election is another "straw" in the political weather-currents of the times. The people of Indianapolis are in line with the people of Connecticut. Radicalism is getting its deathblows.

FORTY DOLLARS AND A MULE.—MEMPHIS, TENN., May 4.—Capt. Mark Cheek, of the steamer Geo. W. Cheek, confirmed the report of planters along the river above Napoleon, that the negroes have been driven from their homes by the overflow and refuse all offers of employment from the planters who wish to hire them, saying the Government is going to furnish them rations and they don't want to work.

The Randolph Enterprise puts Hon. R. W. Cobb down as a candidate for the Supreme Bench.—This is a mistake. Mr. Cobb has no such aspirations. He is, however, a candidate for Judge of the Tenth Judicial Circuit.

The war in Arkansas still continues, there being more or less blood shed every day—with little prospect of a settlement of the difficulties. So much for radical misrule.

Joel B. Matthews, an old citizen of Dallas county, died at his residence in Selma, on the 11th inst.

DON'T BE DISCOURAGED.—Suppose you have "tried fifty remedies" and received no benefit, is there therefore "no balm in Gilead?" Verily there is. Your liver may be congested, your stomach half paralyzed, your nerves quivering, your muscles knotted with torture, your bowels constricted, your lungs diseased, your blood full of impurities—yet in one week after commencing a course of Dr. WALKER'S VINEGAR BITTERS you will feel like a new creature.

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