

The democratic papers and orators are making a great ado about a recent speech by John Sherman in Ohio, in which he portrays quite vividly the means employed in taking forty electoral votes from Blaine and crediting them to Cleveland in five of the Southern States, and are making considerable parade of their great "National love and patriotism" since the inauguration of the new administration, but Sherman's speech was made in Ohio. It will now be interesting to see what recognition they will take of the explanation Ex-Congressman Lynch of Mississippi makes of the reason the republicans, in four or five of the Southern states, have for not holding any convention or making any organization in opposition to the bourgeois of the section. Following is a portion of Mr. Lynch's story:

"If it were possible for us to have a free, fair, and honest election we could not only have a state convention, but a nomination by such a convention, in the absence of serious divisions among republicans would be equal to an election; but it is a fact well known to all that we no longer enjoy the privilege of having popular elections in this state. Officers are appointed by democratic committees and conventions, and their election, so called, is nothing more than a matter of form. So far as this state is concerned, we do not live under a republican form of government. Our present pretended state government was brought into existence and is maintained through usurpation, violence, and fraud. It not only prevents, through these methods, organized opposition to its own organization, but it does not tolerate independent action or opposition to any of its methods inside of its own organization. If the voice of the state could be honestly ascertained the existing oligarchy would not only be doomed to certain defeat, but thousands of honest and far-minded democrats would join with republicans in bringing about such a result; but none can be induced now. I presume, to make the effort, for the reason that they know it would be useless and fruitless in the final result. If we would organize the opposition to the democratic party in this state and defeat their candidates by a large majority, they would nevertheless be returned elected by a majority larger than that by which they were defeated."

It may be shaking the bloody shirt, a garment that has about the same effect on an average democrat that a red rag has on a mad bull, but the statements of the two men, one of them so situated as to know as well as any one can, of the outrages perpetrated in order to produce this great "national glove" which means democratic supremacy, tell a plain story that should not pass unnoticed.

The New Dodge. A gentleman recently returned from Ohio saw evidence of a not unprofitable scheme was getting started to follow the "Bohemian" oats swindle with a similar one for "Bohemian" wheat. The parties engaged in the former succeeded in marketing to farmers great quantities of inferior wheat, and variety, selling them at an exorbitant price for seed on the pretense of buying back the crop at like figures. The only solid claim of the business was that the new crop was to be sold for the same way that the first lot was, and although any farmer could quickly reason out that the accumulation of the supply for this purpose would in two or three seasons exceed any possible demand there was no end of men ready to go in and help swindle other men in their calling provided they could make a few dollars thereby, themselves. Perhaps the majority of the farmers who "did not see reason" so far as this, but some did, and had no hesitation in helping the game along. The latest information is that the "Bohemian" oats is not turning out a very good crop, and that the men who proposed to buy the harvest have forgotten to call around. With their "Bohemian" wheat they will probably try "fresh pastures" somewhere. There are always men ready to live by gullible other people, and there is a never-failing supply of people ready and anxious to be gulled.

The lightning rod swindler is also abroad again, offering people a straight proposition against lightning in a gilt-edged sun and getting their names on paper that eventually binds them for five or ten times the amount. Lightning rods are well enough, but if strangers are to put them up the only safe course is to let the rod be placed on one's building on an oral order, a complete rod for so much money, paying when the work is done and taking good care not to put a signature to paper, however innocent the form. Look out for the rascals, and keep them out, too, if their system of doing business consists in getting you on paper.—Kalamazoo Telegraph.

More "Reform". A delegation from Baltimore, including Congressman Findlay and J. Hall Pleasant, president of the civil service association of that city, called upon Secretary Lamm, in Washington, last Wednesday, to urge the removal of Morris A. Thomas, of Maryland, who was appointed, last June, an Indian inspector. They charged that he is a scoundrel, a ballot-stuffer, and a member of a firm of stock swindlers who had cheated a Baltimore man out of \$18,000. Secretary Lamm promised to "investigate," whereupon the delegation went direct to the President and repeated their charges. The President promised to see Secretary Lamm at once about it. "This seems to be another instance of 'turning the rascals in.' For a 'reform' administration this one is making a singularly black record for pointing out the men to office. Probably the President was 'amazed and indignant,' as he professes to be about that unfit judge; but his amazement and indignation have not yet taken the practical form of 'turning the rascals out' whom he has put in.—Detroit Post.

A Mormon polygamist who has been interviewed by the Denver News admits that he is the proprietor and director of seventeen wives, and that he could procure as many more in the metropolis of Colorado, if he wanted them. He avers, moreover, that there has not been a single prosecution for bigamy or polygamy in Utah that has not been instigated by women. "Some cranky female," he says, "becomes jealous of her husband, not receiving as much attention as she desires, and makes a fuss, which comes to the ears of the Federal officials, and the result is, her husband is arrested and tried, and in some cases conviction follows. Women that are satisfied with their husbands never get into trouble. It is to be hoped, in the interest of morality, that there will be widespread marital dissatisfaction among the wives of the polygamists, and that 'sneaking' will become a prevalent feminine practice in the household of the Latter-Day Saints.—Chicago Tribune.

The Michigan M. E. Conference will be held at Grand Rapids next week. During the last two years of Democratic rule the local municipal indebtedness of Ohio has been augmented by the enormous sum of more than \$100,000,000. Turn the rascals out.—Cleveland Leader.

The amount of harmony that the Detroit Post is unearthing in the ranks of Michigan Democracy is encouraging to the faithful. It is better than all the circles in the land. Tomorrow, Sept. 18, is the time set for the execution of the rebel Riel, and as the Manitoba supreme court has confirmed the sentence of the lower court he will doubtless hang. The Postmaster General appointed thirty-one fourth-class postmasters for Michigan last Monday. This ought to be satisfactory to the most exacting demands of those whom the rascals turned out.

Emercy A. Storrs, of Chicago, died suddenly at Ottawa, Illinois, Saturday morning of paralysis of the heart. Mr. Storrs was one of the ablest lawyers of the State, and the main dependence of Mackin and Gallagher whose case he was looking after, with quite a degree of success.

The Democratic Director of the mint at Philadelphia has just been displaying his idea of civil service reform, by discharging his experienced coiners, all of whom happened to be Republicans, and is now running the mint with new men, whose knowledge of minting they gleaned from the Democratic platform. It may not be a good thing for the country, but it is politics.

The Greenback State Convention, in New York, has resolved in favor of "the rights of labor" by declaring that state prison convicts ought to be paid regular wages, the same as honest workmen. Another resolution was that all government debts should be paid in irredeemable paper. This party could always be depended upon for about as wild notions as is possible for any one to think of.

The quarrel between Germany and Spain continues to grow no less, especially in the part taken by Spain. Germany appears to be using about the same tactics she did with France a few years since, in aggravating an attack and then beautifully whipping the French and making them pay for it. Whether this will be the fate of the Spaniards will depend greatly upon how mad they allow themselves to get.

The first race between the English and Yankee yachts, Gemesta and Puritan for the America cup, was sailed off New York on Monday, after three unsuccessful attempts to run, and resulted in a victory for the Yankee by sixteen minutes and nineteen seconds, in a six hours' race. The second race held yesterday decided the contest, being also won by the Yankee, by two minutes and fifteen seconds, in a 37 mile gauntlet, and the American eagle still soars.

The bright financial stroke of Secretary Manning in withdrawing the one and two dollar bills from circulation is making itself felt in business in all parts of the country, in a dearth of small change and any amount of growling. The growling does not fill the place of the very convenient small bills. On this question the Boston Transcript observes that the withdrawal of the \$1 and \$2 greenbacks from circulation will have the effect to encourage the circulation of smaller Canadian bills in the United States, rather than to increase the circulation of the cart-wheel silver dollars. This will be doing a double injury to our currency and business, as the Canadian banks will get the benefit of our circulation while their bills are irredeemable in the United States.

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The parents of a boy at Bangor who threw a stone through a car window of a train on the G. & W. M. paid \$30 to settle the matter. Michigan carried off numerous honors at the tri-state fair at Toledo last week. The dreary weather prevented the fair being a success.

A barn belonging to Mrs. Bullis, near Grand Rapids, was struck by lightning and burned Saturday night. Loss \$1,000.

John De Bruin's four-year-old child died at Bay City Saturday afternoon of a scalding the day before, when the little one upset a pot of boiling water.

Battle Creekites, the Adverts especially, feel proud of their college. It opened for the 11th year, Sept. 2, with 200 students, and now has 250.

Two well-known Bay City sportsmen capsized in the marsh above McGraw's, one losing his gun and watch. While they were drying their clothes, one of them clutched only in a pair of boots, they discovered that they had invaded a hornets nest.

Abraham Brown, a colored inmate of the county jail, was married at that place last week to Miss Viola Hayes. We are not advised as to whether Sheriff Sanders gave the bride away.—Dowagiac Times.

A dog, supposed to be mad, recently bit seventeen other dogs and two persons. The muzzle ordinance will now be enforced, and Marcellus will probably lose some of her valuable canine population.

Horton S. Maxon, a farmer near Jackson, lost three large stacks of timothy hay set on fire by a little girl of four years playing with matches. He has a force pump and by the aid of the neighbors with this and wet blankets his barn, 20 feet away, was saved.

Two darling little infants, Freddie Osmun aged 17, and May Dodge aged 15, were married in Birmingham, Sept. 5. The little pair left their homes in Pontiac, saying they were going to take a drive in the country.—Lansing Republican.

Mack Wooster, the Decatur editor who was jammed up in a railroad accident at that place a few years ago, died recently, probably from the effect of his injuries received at that time. The railroad company paid him \$5,000 for shortening his life twenty or thirty years.

In view of the constant advance in the price of wool since the last clip, those faint-hearted shepherds who were so anxious to get rid of sheep at any price offered will be wanting to get them back at any price asked.—Bay City Tribune.

D. O. Harris, of Little Prairie, Cass Co., has caught and shipped 627 dozen frogs during the summer. Among those he captured was a freak in the shape of a full grown frog with six well developed legs, the two extra legs protruding from the right side and joined together.

The Harrison Cleaver says that a Roscommon man has invented a contrivance to kill cockroaches and bedbugs by steam. The editor's argument runs on to say that the patentee is to go into business at Harrison, it being understood that there is a good opening at that point for such a concern.—Evening News.

The noted Chinese exhibit of curiosities from the New Orleans Exposition, that was presented to the Michigan University, is now in Ann Arbor, but still packed in the packages in which it was shipped. When placed on exhibition, the collection will attract many visitors to the University museum.

Col. D. B. Ainger, of Charlotte, who did good service in pushing the water works movement in that city, a few nights before the proposition was submitted to a vote, dreamed that the question was submitted and there were 70 opposing votes. Next morning he related the dream. The result of Tuesday's ballot showed just 70 votes against the proposition.—Evening News.

John Shuter, a resident of Paris town, ship, Kent Co., since 1849, where he bought 400 acres of land, was a first lieutenant in the war of 1812, and is now in his 99th year. His sight and hearing are somewhat impaired, but his mental faculties are as good as ever. His mother died at the age of 104. He has three brothers now living, all over 90 years of age. His wife died three years ago, after a wedded life of 65 years.—Evening News.

Gutelius Snyder, a farmer and prominent granger living near Three Rivers, St. Joseph Co., shipped his wool during June to some Boston commission merchants. He placed inside a choice fleece a card stating that the person who took that fleece and returned the card should have a present. On Thursday last he received the card from Roswell Smith, an employee of the Star worsted company, Fitchburg, Mass. Mr. Snyder's object was to see where the Michigan wool was manufactured.—Evening News.

This appears to be a poor year for sham battles. In one had the revolution at Reed City, Thursday, G. V. Gifford, of Kalkaska, was seriously injured by being run over by a cannon. Three ribs and a collar bone were broken. Geo. Buok, of Cadillac, received a bayonet wound in the head; W. J. Getley, of Kalkaska, suffered from a broken ankle, and S. Beebe was run over.

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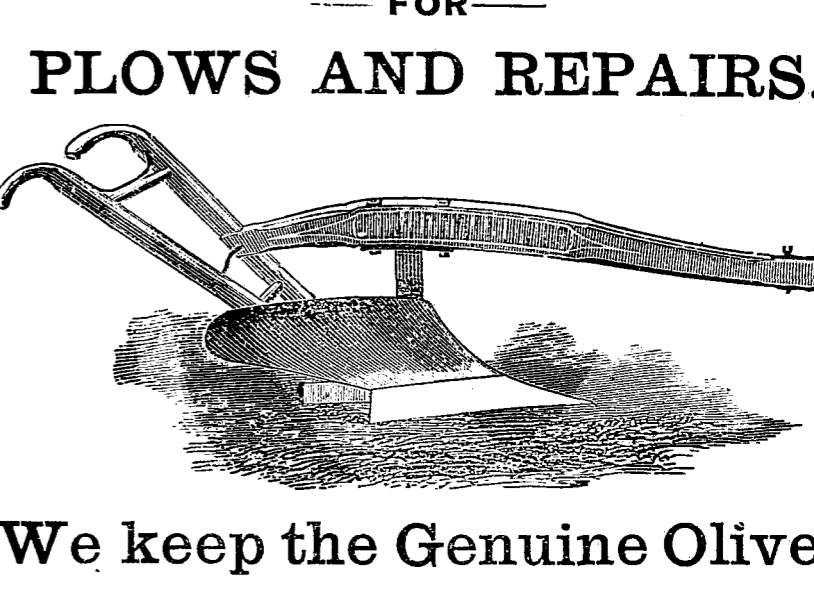
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