



"If any man attempts to haul down the American Flag, shoot him on the spot."

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SMELL'S RANCH... near Cottonwood N.E., Feb. 3d, 1867. EDITOR PLATTSMOUTH HERALD... Dear Sir, Before this reaches you, you will probably have heard rumors of a horse thief being taken in hand by "Judge Lynch."

During the evening some of those who had noticed them in the afternoon, and recognized the taller man of the two as one who had been in the Guard House only a few days since on charge of stealing mules...

Those who captured him returned to the Post, promising to come or send for him the next morning, but they did not come. During Saturday P. M. word was sent to Col. John Misner, Commander of the Post, to have a detail made to bury the corpse.

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Joe Union.

POMEROY SOLILOQUY. A Kentucky correspondent sends the following to the Cincinnati Commercial concerning Pomeroy, of the La Crosse Democrat: LEXINGTON, Ky., July 16, 1866.

What a trait I am! I know it by the people know it; God knows it. Great God, what a snob!

What a dirty bird I am. When my country was in peril, I reviled her defenders, and applauded her assassins, too cowardly to become an active traitor.

Did I win it not? A thousand times no! Every instanter of my nature answers in thunder tones, no! They despise me as a "dirty brick."

What for? I know, they take it for its motto—loyalty and indecency. They take it on the same principle that they go to see five-legged calves and two-headed babies.

Another Policy. A Washington special to the New York Times says the following is the amendment to the Constitution proposed by the President.

Article 14, section 1. No State has the right to secede nor has the Federal Government a right to eject a State or deprive it of representation in Congress.

St. Louis, Feb. 4.—Another proposition is now pending to release the State line on the Pacific Railroad, taking stock instead.

Every male citizen who has resided a year in the State and six months in the County immediately preceding an election, and who can read the Declaration of Independence of the United States and the Constitution in the English language, and who is the owner of \$250, taxable property, shall be entitled to a vote.

After Bogey. An official communication from the Secretary of War to Congress concerning Commissioner Bogey's order to Battefield and other Indian agents, confining their right to sell the Indians arms and ammunition, includes letters from Sherman, Grant, etc., protesting in strong language against such a course.

Horrible Fate—A Man Smothered to Death. Big Blue, Jan. 30th, 1867. DEAR NEWS.—Some persons living on the west fork of the Big Blue, residing in a temporary dug-out, for the purpose of trapping, were caught in the snow storm of the 25th ult.

DOINGS AT OMAHA. COUNCIL—Freeman gave notice of a bill to define the boundaries of Meath and Cheyenne counties and attach them to Buffalo county.

RELIGION.—We know, and what is better, we feel inwardly, that religion is the basis of civil society, the source of all good, and of all comfort.

RESOLUTIONS OF THE UNION NATIONAL COMMITTEE. We published, a few days since, the resolutions of the Union National Committee relative to Nebraska and Colorado, now give the resolutions in full, passed at the meeting:

Resolved, That we endorse the resolution expressive of the principles and purposes of the Grand Army of the Republic adopted by its recent National Convention at Indianapolis.

Resolved, That the benevolent object of the Grand Army of the Republic is to care particularly for the interest of the widows and orphans of our fellow comrades and to aid in securing employment to the disabled heroes of the war, and to secure by every means in its power, the interest of those who, during the past contest for the supremacy of the Government, united in pledging their lives and means for its defense.

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GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. The State Convention of the Grand Army of the Republic met at Columbus, Ohio, Jan. 30, and adopted the following resolutions:

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STEVENS' RECONSTRUCTION. The following is Stevens' reconstruction bill: Whereas, The pretended governments of the late so-called Confederate States, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Mississippi, Alabama, Louisiana, Florida, Texas, and Arkansas were set up without the authority of Congress, and without the sanction of the people, and whereas the pretended governments have offered no adequate protection to life and property, and encourage lawlessness and crime, and whereas, a necessary force, and good order should be maintained in the so-called States, until a loyal State government be established; therefore, be it enacted that the so-called States be divided into military districts and made a subject of military authority of the United States as hereinafter prescribed, and that for that purpose Virginia will constitute the first district, North Carolina and South Carolina the second, the third will be Mississippi and Arkansas, the fourth will be Louisiana and Texas.

Sec. 2. That it shall be the duty of the General of the Army to assign to the command of each of the said districts an officer of the regular army not below the rank of Brigadier General, and to detail sufficient military force to enable such officer to perform his duties and enforce authority; and that it shall be the duty of each officer assigned as aforesaid to protect all persons in their rights of person and property, to suppress insurrection, violence, and punish or cause to be punished, all disturbers of the public peace and criminals; and to this end he may allow civil tribunals to take jurisdiction and try offenders, and when in his judgement, it is necessary for the trial of offenders, he shall have power to organize military commissions or tribunals for that purpose, anything in the courts and laws of the so-called States to the contrary notwithstanding; and all legislative or judicial proceedings or processes to the contrary of said military tribunals and all interferences by said pretended State governments with the exercise of military authority under this act shall be void and of no effect.

Sec. 4. That the courts and judicial officers of the United States shall not issue writs of habeas corpus in behalf of persons in military custody unless some commissioner or officer on duty in a district wherein the person is detained shall indorse upon said petition a statement certifying upon honor that he has no knowledge or confirmation as to the causes or circumstances of the alleged detention, and that he believes the same to be wrongful, and further, that he believes the indorsed petition is prosecuted in good faith, in furtherance of justice, and not to hinder or delay the punishment of crime; and all persons put under military arrest by virtue of that act, shall be tried without delay, and no cruel and unusual punishment shall be inflicted.

Sec. 5. No sentence of any military commission or tribunal, hereby authorized, affecting the life or liberty of any person, shall be executed until approved by the superior officer commanding the district and the laws and regulations governing the army shall not be affected by this act, except in so far as they conflict with its provisions.

Park Benjamin acknowledged before his death, that he was the originator of the story so often circulated, to the effect that Humboldt once remarked of Bayard Taylor: "He had traveled more and seen less than any other man." It appears, a little previous to this publication, Park Benjamin wrote to Taylor, requesting a complete set of his works of travel. Having no particular acquaintance with Benjamin, and hardly feeling able to put himself to such expense, he responded, respectfully declining. Benjamin immediately penned the paragraph alluded to, and sent it over the country, attributed to Humboldt.

He who reforms himself has done more towards reforming the public than a crowd of noisy, impudent patriots.—Lardner.

The Tennessee Legislature passed a resolution requesting Senator Patterson to resign. Also to investigate the rumors of the rebel conspiracy to cause the assassination of the radical leaders.

Washington, Feb. 7.—The President signed a bill to punish dealing in counterfeit public securities and currency. Also a bill which prohibits printing professional cards on notes or currency. Also a bill giving power to the U. S. courts to grant habeas corpus in cases of imprisonment for the violation of the Constitution or treaties. The same is not to apply to persons held in custody by the military authorities charged with military offenses.