

REFUGE OF OPPRESSION.

From the Boston Courier.
DISUNION CONVENTION.
Another Disunion Convention is called—the second of the series. The first, it will be remembered, was held last winter at Worcester. It was called, in reality, by those open, undisguised disunionists and disorganizers, whose boast and occupation it has been, for many years, to contemn the Union, and to trample the Constitution under foot. But in this movement there was more than the usual method in the madness of these desperate men. They yielded to expediency—that principle which they of all others hold to be the supreme principle—and actually entered into a compromise with the Convention, that the dissolution of the Union was yet an open question. Republicans accordingly joined them in the assemblage, the object of which was declared to be “to consider the practicality, probability and expediency of a separation between the free and slave States.” A Republican presided over the Convention. The value of the Union was discussed. If a cunning policy had not been pursued in the proceedings, who would it would have introduced a unanimous vote for dissolution? A party in such a Convention presupposes hostility to the Union. To calculate the value of the Union, and to advocate dissolution, are synonymous terms. This farce is to be re-acted in October next, probably on a spirit of compromise, as before. Republicans are invited to unite in it, with the assurance that a union with disunionists will not necessarily result in a dissolution of the States. The names of T. W. Higginson, Wendell Phillips, Gerrit Smith, William Lloyd Garrison, and F. W. Bell, are appended to the circular. The circular asserts that the results of the first Convention were important; that it established the question of disunion as an open question, and that this is a great step. A great step towards what? Nothing, of course, but that ultimate agreement between the open and the hidden enemies of the Constitution, which shall resolve to “let the Union alone, and let the great God, who was struck at by the popular assembly, take care of it; that the veneration in which the Constitution and Union are held. This, however, we are told, must be repeated. Nothing has yet been accomplished. “For all our efforts,” the circular declares, “there is not an inch of truly free soil in the nation!” And much is to be done. “A wrong is yet restored; Kansas is not yet freed; Missouri is not yet restored; Virginia is not yet freed; these are the great issues of the party of freedom; and they are to be brought about by a dissolution of the Union, or, at least, and avowedly, by threatening dissolution, if the ‘Slave Power’ interposes any further obstacles to their accomplishment. The circular goes on to say:

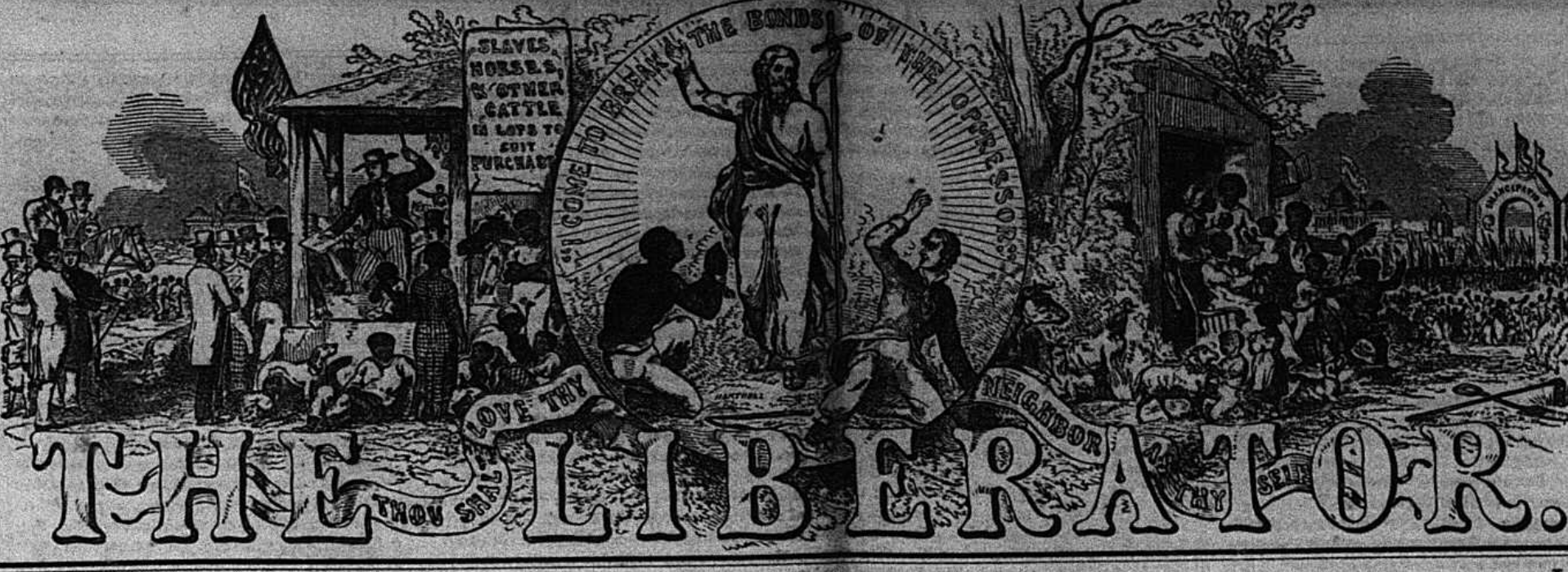
“It is evident that the mass of Republican voters in many States are becoming more radically anti-slavery. And nothing will do so much to promote that desirable change as the fearless discussion we propose. Undoubtedly, the first object is, to create a new party, and to make it a party of the future. It is already a party of the present. It may be at any time too late to stay the hands of Union-dissolvers. The Republicans are invited and expected to join this Disunion Convention. They will do it in large numbers, openly and secretly, in heart if not in voice. The inevitable tendency of modern Republicanism is to disunion. There are thousands in the party who, like Mr. Bird, are almost ready to cry ‘Down with the Union!’ while there are many, no doubt, who will not realize their position till the edifice is tumbling about their heads.

GOV. CHASE AND THE UNION.

Gov. Chase, in reply to Mayor Swann, at a grand banquet to the Western visitors recently given by the city of Baltimore, said—
“You have spoken ably, sir, of railroads as bonds of union, and your observations were as just as they were eloquent. No man, conversant with the subject, can be a disunionist. The social intercourse which they foster, the ties of business which they create, the mutual dependence which they establish and exhibit, make disunion impossible. There must, of course, be differences of opinion on some points. Real grievances may from time to time demand redress. But there is no evil of which disunion is the proper cure. And the more we see of each other, the less likely shall we be to commit the error of thinking otherwise. The fact is, that we live along the line of the American Central Railroad, and I mean to let this Union be broken up. Maryland will not consent to it. I think, I trust Virginia will not. Ohio, I am sure, will not. Nor Indiana, nor Illinois, nor Missouri. Who, then, will? No, Sir. We may differ henceforth, as we have done heretofore. We will maintain our respective opinions and positions with candor, courtesy, firmness and resolution. And we will refer whatever question may be between us to the great American tribunal of popular discussion and popular judgment. But in time to come, as in the time past, we cleave to our sacred ark of refuge, and, under God, our surest guarantee of prosperity and power and abiding glory.”

NEGROES AND EMANCIPATION.

The New York Tribune, the Liberator, and other bigger papers, have been long laboring to promote emancipation. They have wrapped up the issue in falsehood and fraud, and unfortunately have succeeded in hoodwinking and blinding the minds of thousands. They denounce slavery and slaveholders; talk and prate of the liberty and freedom property of the negro when left to his own control and management. Yet they all talk nonsense. In no instance where a colony of negroes have been left to themselves have they ever prospered. The free negroes of Belize and Jamaica, (says the correspondent of an exchange,) are far worse off with their freedom; far less comfortable, less happy, and less respected or respected, than are the slaves in New Orleans. And what is more, Belize is now, and has been for the last ten years, sinking and going down. It has lost the largest part of its trade; its great staple, mahogany and logwood, is nearly all cut out; and aside from sugar, there is nothing



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In the commencement of the Colonel's letter, he says that the report of our proceedings afforded him a rich treat and not a little fun, and he wishes to make it appear that he enjoyed a jollification exceeding the one he had upon the receipt of the news that the 'Western darkies' had sent him to the Legislative Council. But, Sir, I make no doubt that the most casual observer will agree with me, that the latter part of the Colonel's letter falls far below the first in toto, and in part, (although burdened in places and in sin,) he was cut to the very quick, and his ire raised to the highest pitch. The report of the Colonel is quite in keeping with his habit of Negro-phobia, his course on a former occasion, and the prejudices against color he has imbibed from his American neighbors, who, when a colored man beats them on fair grounds, resort to the foulest epithets to tickle the fancy of those who are governed by the same influences as he. But, Sir, the Colonel is not a man to be trifled with; he has a certain amount of brains, and he has become the Prince of all who have ever used the tongue of scorn, scandal and malice upon the pate of the poor and ill-used colored man. And I opine, should he go down into the heart of the South, and open a 'school of scandal' against negroes, he would make by far more money than by practicing the law, or legislating against them in Canada.

It is not my purpose, Mr. Editor, to follow the example of the Colonel in a tirade of abuse and low slang. For that part of the Colonel's letter is beneath my notice; and I am content to behold him revelling in the slough of what seems to be his most appropriate sphere, and as having attained a perfection and celebrity in it I neither covet nor expect to attain. But, Sir, in justice to ourselves, and to those brave colored patriots who sacrificed their lives and time in defending this country, (during that period which 'tried men's souls,') I feel it a duty incumbent upon me to substantiate the truth of certain statements reported in the proceedings of the meeting to which he refers, and to place the facts where they properly belong. Having done that by facts which I do not fear in the least the Colonel, or any one else, shall be able to gainsay, I shall let the matter drop as being unworthy of any further notice from us, believing as we do that the letter of the Colonel itself (without any answer from us) is sufficient, from what we have heard and read, to give any intelligent citizen, out of 5346 persons committed to Toronto jail last year, 5268 were white men and women!!! Out of 1057 ladies so committed, only 8 were colored. We judge people by their conduct, not by their color.

Therefore, when so much has been said in our favor—especially the very appropriate and well-timed remarks made in the Colonist of the 4th instant—little remains for us to say. Nor are we disposed to imitate the egotism of the Colonel; for it is an old adage, that 'self-praise is half scandal.' I will say this much, however, that in Toronto, we have an intelligent, judicious and magisterial, by whom the laws are administered in an equitable manner, and where colored men get justice as well as law. But, on the contrary, in that part of the country the Colonel represents, the colored people have to contend with a set of justices of the peace, to use the Colonel's own words, 'three fourths of whom are incapable of either reading or writing, and no doubt are imbued with the same feelings of prejudice as himself. Now, really, if any one should show the 'clever foot,' it is the Colonel himself, who has pretended to have been the friend, the steady friend of the blacks for more than twenty years, and without any provocation whatever from them, all at once proves himself to be one of their bitterest enemies. And it is only that 'evines what he would do if he could; and I have no doubt if he were down South on a cotton, sugar, or tobacco plantation, well-stocked with negroes, where John Mitchell, the convict, wished himself to be, he would apply the same rule in a manner to begeth the most merciless slave-driver.

The Colonel says of our proceedings, they are 'all lies, lies, lies, from beginning to end.' Now, Sir, the only thing in the Colonel's letter that surprised me is, that he who pretended to be the friend, the steady friend of the blacks for more than twenty years, and without any provocation whatever from them, all at once proves himself to be one of their bitterest enemies. And it is only that 'evines what he would do if he could; and I have no doubt if he were down South on a cotton, sugar, or tobacco plantation, well-stocked with negroes, where John Mitchell, the convict, wished himself to be, he would apply the same rule in a manner to begeth the most merciless slave-driver.

Now, Sir, as to our former assertions being all lies, lies, lies, the following statements and facts will testify. Mr. Samuel Lewis, a colored man, well-known in this city, and who was captain under Colonel Prince, says he has walked arm-in-arm with the Colonel several times during the rebellion, and he knows other colored people that have done likewise; and if necessary, will make his affidavit to this statement.

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The Orator of the Day—Casius M. Clay, the Friend of Man. His name is dear to the heart of every true lover of Liberty.

John G. Fee—The fearless man of God—the man who believes in a Christianity which means something.

After some further remarks upon the great subject of the day, the audience was then dismissed by the President. One thing seems certain—the cause of Freedom is onward in Kentucky.

The Liberator.

NO UNION WITH SLAVEHOLDERS. BOSTON, AUGUST 7, 1857.

ANNIVERSARY OF British West India Emancipation.

On Saturday last, being the first day of August, the twenty-third anniversary of the abolition of Slavery in the British West Indies was duly commemorated by the Massachusetts Anti-Slavery Society and other friends of freedom, by a public meeting held in the well-known grove at Abington, in Plymouth county.

This grove has a situation remarkably favorable for the purposes of such a meeting. Equidistant from the city of Boston and the venerable town of Plymouth, the landing-place of the Pilgrim Fathers of New England, surrounded by many flourishing towns which contain a large, intelligent and highly educated population, easily accessible by railroad from the city and larger towns, it is in itself a spot of great natural beauty, affording a most agreeable resort and shelter, whether for the purposes of speaking and hearing, or otherwise spending the day in the open air.

The lowering skies on the morning of Saturday last, and the rain which fell for a short time, indicated a dull and wet day, and forbade us to hope for the usual large gathering at the grove. It was doubtful indeed whether the grove could be occupied at all, and the Town Hall of Abington was put in readiness for the accommodation of such as might assemble. But, as the hour of meeting drew near, the signs of the weather became more favorable, and it was determined to attempt the meeting in the grove. Yet, through the forenoon, it remained doubtful whether the day would be fair or foul.

At about 11 o'clock, some five hundred persons having assembled, the meeting was called to order by FRANCIS JACKSON, President of the Massachusetts Anti-Slavery Society. He said that nineteen years ago, Great Britain emancipated 800,000 slaves in the West Indies by paying money to the slaveholders.

Mr. JACKSON then said that he had been requested by the Committee of Arrangements to report the following organization of the meeting:— For President—SAMUEL MAY, Jr., of Leicester.

For Vice-Presidents—Elizabeth Jackson, Boston; Bourne Spooner, Plymouth; Ella Lee Follen, Brookline; Maria Weston Chapman, Weymouth; Edmund Quincy, Dedham; Charles Lenox Remond, Salem; William Ashby, Newburyport; Thomas J. Hunt, Abington.

For Secretaries—Charles Follen, Brookline; William C. Nell, Boston. For Finance Committee—Abby Kelley Foster, Nathaniel B. Spooner, Mary Willey, Joshua H. Robbins.

MISS GARDNER'S REMARKS. Between the interesting and glorious occasion which calls us together to-day, a genuine day of freedom to eight hundred thousand slaves in the British West Indies, and the Anniversary of what is falsely termed our National Independence, there is indeed a striking dissimilarity. Here is no noisy parade, no booming cannon, no spread-eagle demonstrations, by which the fair Goddess of Liberty is profaned; no bombastic orations, replete with cant and hypocrisy, no hollow-hearted mockery of Freedom, over her prostrate, bleeding form.

Let us, my friends, be encouraged in this glorious work of emancipation! History, with impartial utterance, will proclaim both our struggle and its triumph. Truth will not be— For ever on the scaffold, Wrong for ever on the throne.

SPEECH OF REV. ANDREW T. FOSS.

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The neighbors say that when he was dipped, the crown of his head did not go under, and the devil has been playing the mischief with him ever since.

Mr. May said he held in his hand, and would read a brief note from Mr. Alger, in reply to an invitation sent to him by the Committee of Arrangements of this meeting:

WILLIAM LLOYD GARRISON: DEAR SIR: I thank you for your very kind note, and should be glad to accept the invitation it brings, did not a previous engagement, which I cannot honorably break or evade, forbid.

With cordial sympathy in the celebration, and with great respect for those who are to unite in it, I am, Very respectfully yours, WILLIAM R. ALGER.

The meeting then adjourned to 2 1/4 o'clock, P. M. AFTERNOON. The audience punctually re-assembled, upwards of one thousand persons being reckoned present, some placing the number much higher.

Dr. J. S. Rock, of Boston, was introduced to the audience and spoke as follows: REMARKS OF DR. ROCK. I do not know that I can say anything to interest you to-day, or to increase your interest in the day we celebrate, or in the people in this country whose liberty we are all anxious to secure.

I can say, however, that it is cheering to see so many of the friends of freedom assembled here, to celebrate the dawn of liberty to the colored people of the British West Indies, and to enter into new vows of duty.

Those islands are now in a hopeful condition, and active measures are on foot to induce the laboring classes to cultivate the soil. It is believed by many that those islands are in a worse condition now than they were before the slaves were emancipated. This is not true of those islands as a whole, though it is true with regard to many of the estates.

The planters would have the emancipated slaves work for a trifle—this they refused to do, preferring to 'play for nothing,' sooner than 'work for nothing.' This oversight of the planters in refusing to pay a reasonable price for labor caused many of their estates to go to ruin, and all of their property to depreciate.

England, generous to the planters, paid them well for the flesh and life-blood of the slave. But the poor outraged and injured slaves themselves, many of whom had become aged, infirm and worn out, in serving their masters, and making them rich—these she gave nothing but a fair chance to test the charities of an unfriendly world.

Now, if a slave was worth an hundred pounds to his master, he was worth at least twice as much to himself. And if England could afford to give the master five hundred dollars, who never worked an hour to promote the interests of her colonies, certainly she could afford to have given the man one thousand, who had been her slave for life.

This, however, she did not do, and she did not even offer a stimulus to make him industrious, by protecting his labor. The English system of free trade unfortunately forces the British free laborer in Jamaica to compete with the Spanish slaves of Cuba.

Being left without means to enter into business or agriculture, and with no fair compensation offered for labor, their condition even as free men was far from enviable. But they have been and are continually surmounting it. Many have commenced by picking fruits for the markets, then buying a small patch of land and tilling it, and gradually adding to it year by year as the crops are sold.

In this manner, many who were once under the driver's lash have now become quite wealthy, and have not been whipped when they go to church, nor had their teeth knocked out when they suck the sugar-cane.

The moral condition of those islands is much improved; and though it is not so good as we could wish, yet it is far better than that of France or Italy. Education is highly encouraged. All offices are open to them, and there are in Jamaica, Editors, Baristers, Justices of the Peace, Special Magistrates, Aldermen, Assembly-men and Judges; and Mr. Jordan, a colored gentleman, is Mayor of Kingston, the largest city in the British West Indies.

I rejoice, to-day, to be able to thank England for what she has done. I hope she will do more. Those people have a heavy claim upon her, are loyal subjects, and worthy of her kindest care and consideration.

The condition of the masses is continually improving, and the wonderful progress which they have made under very adverse circumstances shows us at least that the Anti-Slavery movement is not a failure, and that the blacks know how to take care of themselves.

not dream that State Houses were at convenient distances, and the Capitol over the portico;—we did not dream this then, but we know it now. But, Mr. Chairman, although the strength of that wall, the length, and height, and breadth thereof have never been measured, one thing we know, and that is, that its foundation is of sand, and that the waves of public opinion which have been brought to bear upon them have loosened them somewhat.

Yet now, these waves of public sentiment do not run so high and strong as they ought to run, and why? 'Agitation,' said O'CONNELL,—thanks to that master spirit! I hope it is looking down upon us to-day,—'Agitation is the soul of reform!' Mr. CLARKE said this forenoon, what we all know, that the business of the Anti-Slavery Society was to create agitation, to send out missionaries to change the public mind.

We come here delighted to hear fine speeches; and I own to the weakness of loving fine speeches myself; I love to sit here and have my heart touched, and the sympathetic tear spring to the eye, as it did to the eyes of many just now; but still, there is another work to do. I want the time to come when we can have a First of August jubilee for four millions of slaves in this land.

You desire it as much as I. In order to get it, what is the work we ought to do? We think, all of us, that our work far transcends that of our fathers. We are to plant, in the prejudices and habits of the people, a conviction of what they merely uttered. We are to educate a nation, whereas they had but the small work of obtaining for themselves the right to rule. They got the liberty for three millions of people to tax themselves; we wish to release four millions of people from chattel slavery. We have got to do it by educating the people into the idea that the fathers announced. We must, therefore, support the missionaries. We have got to carry the means of anti-slavery grace to those who are without those means. They do not come here. Those who come here are those who do not need missionaries, and we are to send them to those who will not come to our meetings. We are to send out colporteurs,—not merely scatterers of tracts, but missionaries, to carry the true Gospel of Christ—the doctrine of doing to others as we would have them do to us—of loving God the Father, and giving evidence to it by showing love to His children.

We have got to send missionaries to ministers, doctors of divinity, and bishops. Mr. Chairman, we have a few now, but we want more. We want them to go to those who do not come to us. We need scores instead of half a dozen. Why have we not got them? Why have we not in the field all those who have a tongue to speak, and a heart to feel? It is because we have not the material means for their support.

A short time since, after urgent requests for years, I consented to take the general agency of the American Anti-Slavery Society, and I will not be a general without soldiers (applause); and my soldiers must be fed and clothed, and their families must not be left to starve,—for 'he that provideth not for his own household is worse than an infidel,' and I do not mean that any of my soldiers shall be worse than infidel, though I expect them all to be that,—and I have resolved to enlist in the anti-slavery service every man and woman who has the gift of tongues, for public service, and they shall lash the waves of public sentiment into a fury such as they have never felt before, and the walls of slavery, garrisoned by Church, and State House, and Capitol, but founded on sand, shall tremble, if agitation will make them tremble;—and if a fox steps upon the wall, I ask, does it not tremble already? (Applause.) And therefore, Mr. Chairman, as we must have the material means, I went Southward, (who would have thought it?) to Philadelphia and New York, and felt the anti-slavery pulse of those cities,—much to my discouragement, if discouragement was not a word not to be used in such a case as this; and therefore I have come back to New England, to Massachusetts; for, after all—and it is not in the spirit of boasting that I say it, only in the spirit of fact—we know that Massachusetts does more even for the false Church, (and the false Church, of course, is thus supported because it is taken to be the true by the people), for the Tract, Missionary and Bible Societies, and for every benevolent enterprise, than any other State, in proportion to its population and wealth; hence I made a mistake in going Southward, and I come back here and ask Massachusetts to set the example, and Plymouth County to set the example; and I implore the spirits of the Pilgrims to come here (they are here!) and inspire us with that love of liberty of conscience which they came here to gain for themselves and for us, if we are not bastard sons and daughters of noble sires. They came here for conscience sake, to secure liberty of conscience, and they look down with tears of blood,—if angels can weep tears of blood,—on their children, not possessed of liberty of conscience to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, or shelter the homeless. No conscience of ours is free to extend such acts of charity and mercy to the most wretched and forlorn of God's suffering poor, except at the hazard of fine, imprisonment, and death. The Pilgrims stand here and see that we are free only to be the watch-dogs, the sentinels of the veriest despots that ever cursed God's earth. O, Mr. Chairman, shall we suffer this? A lady friend said to me the other day, that a certain man ought to bleed for his country;—are we not ready to bleed? Our fathers bled from their pockets first, and from their hearts afterward. Are we ready to bleed from our pockets to-day?

I say, Mr. Chairman, that my soldiers shall be fed and clothed, and that their families shall not be left to starve; and further, that I am resolved that every man and woman who can be of service to this cause shall be enlisted in it. I am determined to go forward, and I ask you to help me. My soldiers must have money, and money they shall have, if it can be raised, in no other way, it shall be by mortgaging the little farm that I in part own. I have pledged myself to raise ten thousand dollars to carry on this work, before the first of September, 1857. We ought to have one hundred thousand; but, O I am myself corrupted by the tainted atmosphere around me, and we all are, so that we have no zeal, no earnestness for this work. Ten thousand dollars will do but little. I will give one hundred dollars, and if necessary, one thousand; and if that will not do, two thousand, (and I do not know but that will drain my coffers); for the missionaries must be fed, the education of the people must be going on. This year, the first after a Presidential campaign, is the best year for us to operate in, and the next will be equally good, if we do our duty in this; and when another nomination is made, we shall, if we have done our duty, see something better politically than we did two years ago.

Some may think I am speaking under the impulse of excitement, and I wish to assure you it is not so. It is after consultation, in the quiet of my home, with my husband, who volunteers to work for nothing this year, and find himself. I will give now, as I said before, one hundred dollars; and I hope this afternoon we shall raise, not a few tens, as we have usually done, but hundreds or thousands, because, as Mr. CLARKE says, there is a 'crisis,'—because the crisis has arrived when I feel that to leave my daughter home, to leave her even a dollar in money, when by sacrificing that home, by expending that money, I could leave her free, I should be violating a trust that God has committed to my care. As home is worth nothing when it cannot shelter the fugitive whom man has cast out, as money is worth nothing without liberty to do a humane and Christian act, my husband and myself have made up our minds, after consultation and deliberation, that money shall never be lacking while we have a dollar in our pockets. I hope every one in this audience will be inspired with the spirit of the Pilgrims, with the spirit of the Revolution, and inspired with that spirit multiplied into the greater importance of this occasion; that

we should be able to say to the fugitive slave, 'I have been thinking of you, and I have been praying for you, and I have been working for you, and I have been suffering for you, and I have been bleeding for you, and I have been dying for you, and I have been rising again for you, and I have been coming back for you, and I have been waiting for you, and I have been hoping for you, and I have been believing for you, and I have been trusting for you, and I have been loving for you, and I have been serving for you, and I have been sacrificing for you, and I have been dying for you, and I have been rising again for you, and I have been coming back for you, and I have been waiting for you, and I have been hoping for you, and I have been believing for you, and I have been trusting for you, and I have been loving for you, and I have been serving for you, and I have been sacrificing for you, and I have been dying for you, and I have been rising again for you, and I have been coming back for 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POETRY.

WEST INDIA EMANCIPATION—THE FIRST OF AUGUST. In the sea-girdled isles of the fair Caribbean, Where Nature smiles ever in beauty and bloom, And rose-garlands twine round the brow of December, They have reared for the altar of Freedom a home!

The Liberator.

A POLITICAL SERMON. Or which of you, if his son ask a fish, will he give him a serpent?—BIBLE. Or, if the people demand freedom for the territories, will you give them the Fugitive Slave Law?

officer? For whose benefit was the Seminole war got up? Who led off in the annexation of Texas, and for what purpose? Who plunged us into the Mexican war, and what was the object of that war? In the judicial department, who have been our Chief Justices? What sort of men have been appointed circuit and district judges? What kind of districts have been made, and where do they lie? Why does a third part of the white population, and a sixth part of the business, require a majority of the judges and the districts? Why are the vilest Northern doughfaces always appointed to the Northern districts? Why do all the judges of the United States Court invariably pervert the law, where questions of liberty and slavery come up for adjudication? Why is no judge ever confirmed by the Senate, who will construe strictly laws in derogation of human liberty? Why do these judges, who fill the highest tribunal in the nation, arbitrarily subvert the wisest principles of common law, common justice, ordinary humanity and common sense? Why did they decide that 'citizenship' was an incident of color and not of birth? Why do they construe laws in favor of liberty with rigid strictness, and those in favor of slavery with latitudinarian liberality? Why is the law, as expounded by these judges, always in favor of the slave aristocracy? What court first had the audacity to decide, in the face of the world, that a man's rights depended on his color—that the black man had no rights which the white man was bound to respect? Why has this court systematically continued its assaults on liberty, until its decisions stink in the nostrils of all law, all justice and all precedent? I have given the answer above. A further answer is found in the fact, that a majority of these judges are a part of this very aristocracy, and they are deciding their own cases.

I inquire what Congress should have done with those members, who with threats of disunion so terrified the doughfaces that they not only deserted their constituents, but actually went over to their enemies? If slavery should be prohibited from cursing the then uninhabited territory of the United States, the Union was to be dissolved. Had the Northern members declared, with equal firmness, that if Congress did not pass the required statute, they would dissolve the Union, what would have been the course of the Southern members, the President, and their doughface allies, even with all their petitioners to sustain them? Would they not have been distinctly advised that an attempt to do so would result in war and treason, and be followed by certain punishment? Why this difference towards the friends of liberty and the friends of slavery? The answer is plain—it is a slaveholding government, controlled by a slaveholding oligarchy, that has crushed the people, South and North, into the dust, and whether they can ever rise from their degradation is a problem yet to be solved. Tyranny rules our nation; it has become a science; it is acted and enacted as a drama. The characters are cast; Congress cheats the people with one set of lies or deceptions; the President deceives them with another, or corrupts them with bribes; and the Supreme Court, degraded with former political corruption, and drunk with irresponsible power, perfects, with judicial anathemas, what Congress and the President cannot do, or which, fearing the people, they prefer deposing this branch of the government to perform. It is instructive to analyze the conjoint labors of all these departments, in any given piece of villany. Though apparently in opposition, they are sure to work out one common and predetermined result. Take the Nebraska swindle as an illustration. Its author and the law assert that it is the true intent and meaning of this act not to legislate slavery into the territories, nor to exclude it therefrom, but to leave the inhabitants thereof at perfect liberty to establish their own domestic institutions in their own way, subject not to the law of God, but only to the Constitution of the United States. Douglas and Congress leave the question of slavery to the inhabitants thereof, and hand the cheat over to the next character in the drama, the President. He takes it up, and tells the North that 'the inhabitants thereof' means the people of the Territory, while at the South he asserts that the 'people thereof' means only the people when they shall become a State, and that the inhabitants of the Territory have no power to exclude slavery; and thus he passes the swindle along to the last act, reserved for the judges of the Supreme Court. In accordance with the original design, this court decides that 'the inhabitants thereof,' to wit, the people of the territories, have no right to exclude slavery therefrom. Thus the 'true intent and meaning' of this act not to legislate slavery into the territories is demonstrated by its very authors to be a lie, for this Supreme Star Chamber Court of the United States has decided that 'the inhabitants thereof' cannot exclude slavery from the territories; and Douglas, who, in the law, said they could, in the speech he got the Supreme Court's Grand Jury to invite him recently to make, has admitted they could not, inasmuch as he approved the construction which this court has put on this lying, Janus-faced law of his. Thus after a long chase round Robin Hood's barn, he brings them back to the place they started from, with the gratifying assurance that 'the inhabitants thereof,' who were to be 'at perfect liberty to establish their own domestic institutions in their own way,' have just as much and no more liberty to do so, now the whole play is acted out, than they have in establishing those of the kingdom of Dahomey. From such Congressmen, such Presidents, and such Judges, both now and for ever, good Lord, deliver us! Amen. So mote it be!

SAILING OF LADY FRANKLIN'S EXPEDITION. From the Glasgow Telegraph of July 11. Last Wednesday, at a very early hour, the city of Aberdeen was a scene of bustle and excitement. The inhabitants were hurrying hither and thither, their countenances bearing the impress of a mixture of anxiety and hope. A great crowd of Highland soldiers—not the arrival of Royalty, in search of Highland scullion—not the visit of a French Prince on a military expedition—not the return of the brave Highlanders from a Russian campaign; but an event of far greater significance, and of transcendent importance to the cause of humanity—Lady Franklin's screw steamer the Fox was appointed that morning to sail for the Arctic Seas, in search of the remains of the long-lost navigator and his intrepid band. The spectators crowded the docks to catch a glimpse of that gallant captain and daring crew, who had undertaken the perilous voyage. Lady Franklin and her noble lady who had embarked her all in the enterprise, and the brave ship weighed anchor and stood out to sea, the lusty cheers of the assembled thousands unmistakably testified that the noble efforts that lady had made—though timidly deserted by a government in whose service her husband and his followers had embarked—to investigate and clear up the haze still hanging about the Arctic Expedition, were fully appreciated. And amid those cheers which rang in air when the Fox started away towards the icy North, there was a prayer for the forlorn hope, the might, by the blessing of Providence, reach its destination in safety, accomplish the wished-for object, and return freighted with all that Humanity can now expect—the bones of the intrepid navigators. The most distant surmise that any of the band can be still alive has long since faded away; the Fox now sails to search for their remains. The sturdy Highlander readily doffed his bonnet as the little vessel gradually became less, and looking heavenwards, whilst tears trickled down his manly cheek, blessed the noble lady who had staked her all in the enterprise, and trusted, fondly trusted, that her womanly devotion might meet with due reward. Yes; Lady Franklin's expedition has sailed; in a few days hence it will reach the ice, where the hardships of an Arctic voyage commence. To Captain M'Clintock and his gallant crew we sincerely wish good speed! There must be relics in existence which will afford a satisfactory clue to the fate of the lost party, and as to that which he commanded, cannot yet be ascertained. Besides, the Fox sails under specially favorable auspices. Captain M'Clintock will doubtless be enabled to profit by the experience of all the previous searching expeditions; he has extended over a wide expanse of ground; he has now but a comparatively small space to explore—that done, the work will be thoroughly accomplished—every mile of those ice-bound regions will have been minutely examined. With perseverance, then, there is every hope of success. The adventurous voyagers have a duty to perform, to mankind, let them do it well; let them show to the world what private enterprise is capable of achieving. In England, it has already done much; we need no government aid in the construction of our railways; we build monstrous steamers, bridge mighty rivers, tunnel mountains, and stretch the electric wires across the broad Atlantic, without the aid of the State. It lies, then, with Captain M'Clintock to add another link to the chain, and to proclaim to the civilized world that when governmental resources were withheld, a private party, aided by a few devoted friends, could, by the aid of a few hundred men, and a few hundred tons of goods, do that which a government, with its vast resources, could not do. We shall hail with unforgotten satisfaction the first announcement of the Fox's safe arrival at its place of destination, and exult with joy when we learn that the last memorials of the Arctic voyagers are 'homebound land,' and that this noble enterprise has been crowned with success.

AYERS' SELF-ACTING FARM WELL, OR APPARATUS FOR CATTLE To Draw Water for Themselves. THIS apparatus is designed for pastures, yards, and all places where a stream of water is not accessible. By means of a platform properly adjusted to the level of the watering-trough, the weight of the animal is made to draw water from the well on approach. It is simple in construction, not liable to get out of order, and cannot fail to recommend itself to farmers as an important labor-saving machine, dispensing with all the trouble of pumping or drawing water by hand power. A sheep will raise the bucket with water in proportion to its weight, taking a little more time to accomplish it. A horse, or other heavy animal stepping upon the platform, the bucket instantly rises and discharges its contents into the trough, and, as he steps off, drops back into the well, to be filled ready for the next comer. By this means, animals can be left by themselves in the most desirable pastures, without any care or attention on the part of the owner, other than to dig a good well; and as long as there is a supply of water in it, there can be no difficulty in the way of the animals supplying themselves. The undersigned is proprietor of the patent right to this invention for Worcester County, and is prepared to dispose of individual rights on favorable terms. Also, proprietor's grant for the sale of State, County, or Town Rights. ALVIN WARD, Ashburnham, April 20, 1857.

TO THE REV. WILLIAM H. ALGER, For his 'Fourth of July' Oration. God be with thee, earnest teacher, friend and champion of the right; Well and bravely hast thou spoken, taught by Truth's unerring light; Thanks, that thus thy noble spirit fear of man could never bind, Nor the love of power or station fetter and control thy mind!

EXTRACT FROM A LETTER. We take the following extract from a private letter from ALBION M. POWELL, dated GIBERT, (Columbianna county), N. Y., July 28, 1857:— 'Since the meeting at Waterloo, early in June last, I have been mainly at home. While in Albany, I had the doubtful honor (!) of attending the funeral of Gov. Marcy, in company with ex-Presidents PINNEY and VAN BUREN. Seward, Preston King, and other dignitaries of the State were in attendance. The display was magnificent in its way, surpassing any demonstration of the kind ever known in the city, except perhaps on the occasion of the death of De Witt Clinton. Marcy was a man of undoubted ability and strength of mind, and of very industrious mental habits; but, alas! the champion of the pro-slavery, border-ruffian 'Democracy,' and leader of a party than which it would scarcely be possible for one to have more of the spirit of diabolism, to what ignoble ends were his powers directed! By the clergy he was warmly eulogized as of most exemplary and Christian character! I learn that President Anderson, of the Rochester University, in giving his recent address to the graduating class of that institution, called special attention to Gov. Marcy as a model man, a Christian, whose life and career young men would do well to imitate! On Sunday, July 6, Rev. Mr. Mayo preached a sermon of a deeply interesting character, suggested by the anniversary of American Independence. His subject was, 'Religious Freedom, the basis of Republican Institutions.' The importance of thorough, individual religious culture, the basis of true freedom, was shown with much clearness and force. I should be glad if the sermon, or an abstract of it, could appear in the Standard, or Liberator. I rejoice to learn of the prospect of a Northern Convention in October next, to take into consideration the question of a separation between the Free and Slave States. It would seem that the time had arrived for such a Convention—that to the intelligent minds of the country, who give a thought to the subject, it must be apparent that the Slave Oligarchy, embodied in the National Government, should be at once and for ever broken up. That the Convention will prove an efficient auxiliary to the cause of freedom, I fully believe. To-day is, I believe, the anniversary of the death of WILSON. It may yet prove necessary that his spirit should return to its former field of action, to help battle that nefarious scheme for the revival and legalizing of the slave trade, under another name. Lord Brougham's opposition, arousing public attention, may cause a temporary abandonment of the monster plot. God speed the day when the evil genius of oppression shall cease to be!'

PROPERTY RUNNING OFF WITH PROPERTY. A Southern gentleman, Mr. Charles Parlane, who was staying at the Girard House, accompanied by two ladies and a negro valet, was robbed yesterday afternoon, under the following circumstances. He had designed going to New York by the P. M. train. With this view, he despatched the negro valet with his more valuable baggage to the foot of Walnut street. Among the baggage were two tin boxes containing a large amount of money. The negro received them, and wended his way; but, knowing the contents of the boxes, his honesty succumbed to the temptation, and he fled with them. He was afterwards in company with another negro, and it is altogether probable that, being a slave, he is already on the underground railroad, bound North. We are informed that this man Jim, as he is called, has hitherto proved the possessor of entire integrity, and has repeatedly traveled North, without exciting the suspicion of his master. Mr. P. would have done better had he entrusted his baggage in the care of the proprietors of the Girard—Philadelphia North American, July 27.

WEST INDIES. The experiment of Cooly emigration does not appear to be working very well in British Guiana. The Royal Gazette, of Demarara, announces that the mortality on board the 'Merchantman,' emigrant ship from Calcutta, exceeded any emigration in that colony. 143 died on the voyage, 60 were conveyed to the hospital on their arrival, and of these, five died while they were being conveyed, and several others had since expired in the hospital. We give the statement of the Gazette, accounting for this frightful calamity. 'It appears from the investigation, that the Coolies selected were a set of sickly, emaciated creatures—the refuse of the emigrants collected for the Mauritius and other places; and when put on board were more fit to have been sent to a hospital than on a sea voyage. Many died of cholera during the passage down the Hooghly, and many more of dysentery and diarrhoea before they reached the Cape. Ship fever then broke out with fearful virulence, and the whole ship became a sort of general hospital, in which the sick and the healthy were indiscriminately huddled up together. The arrangements of the ship, made under the orders of the emigration authorities at Calcutta, were injudiciously made. The platforms erected around the ship obstructed the ventilation, the frivols around the ship obstructed the ventilation, and the changes which have been made in the dietary habits by the substitution of better food than the emigrants have been accustomed to, were found productive of injurious effects. These, and several other causes combined, have led to the most severe mortality that has ever occurred on board any emigrant ship coming to this colony. It is to be regretted that the surgeon to the ship, that had with fearful virulence, and the whole ship became a sort of general hospital, in which the sick and the healthy were indiscriminately huddled up together. 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