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WHOLE NO. 1573.

The gentlemen in Boston who suppose they can use such mobs with impunity, may as well understand at once that the slave despotism of South Carolina cannot be domesticated in Massachusetts.

OUR MAYOR'S HIGHER LAW.

The Mayor of Boston is one of a class that have been exceedingly intolerant of the idea that he ought to regard any law as superior in its claims to the law of the land.

When the subject of a State police, for Boston, was introduced into the Legislature, it was protested that the city ought not to be condemned without a trial of her fidelity to the law.

SHALL WE HAVE A METROPOLITAN POLICE?

The disgraceful occurrences of yesterday at the Tremont Temple, are pregnant with instruction and with argument. If there is not sufficient power within the city of Boston to preserve the peace, some means should be provided by which the peace may be preserved.

This peninsula, which has been prying ground since John Cotton and Cotton Mather and Bishop Obeyeske, is no longer an unpeopled country. Nobody here but business men, without consulting the objections of North street, or utter prayers which Mayor Wightman considers subordinate of public order.

If a census were taken, perhaps the sinners would be found in a plurality. The next time the Rev. Dr. Adams, or the pastor of Park Street, says that against Satan and his numerous followers, they shall not be mob-tried, with unqualified success, upon the same ground, and has at every period of the year, we are not all so fortunate as to agree with the

Refuge of Oppression.

HON. (L) LUGIUS SLADE ON THE ORIGIN.

AN INFAMOUS LETTER.

We find the following letter in the Georgia Literary and Temperance Crusader of January 3, published at Atlanta, Ga. We give it in full, in connection with the introductory remarks of the editor:

The North Abolitionists. The following letter, written from Boston by a prominent member of the Massachusetts Legislature to our fellow-citizen, Dr. X. L. Angier, is full of solicitude in regard to the action of the Southern States, and if he reflects the feeling in that State, the people are truly becoming aroused.

You would be astonished to see what a change is coming over the spirit of their dreams. The great mass of the people are beginning to ask themselves, 'What have we done, and what are we doing?'

I would be most happy, at this time, to hear a word from you at your earliest convenience. Be encouraged, and do not dishearten.

Remaining, very respectfully and fraternally yours,

LUCIUS SLADE.

MAYOR WIGHTMAN AND THE ABOLITIONISTS.

Those pestiferous fanatics, the Abolitionists, have already twice put our new Mayor upon his metal. On Saturday, the 20th ult., they notified him that Wendell Phillips, the most eloquent and rational of their missionaries, would deliver an address at the Music Hall on the following day (Sunday, 20th).

The Anti-Slavery Meeting. The Anti-Slavery Society (of the Garrison stamp) held their annual meeting in Tremont Temple, last week. They were disturbed by a lot of rowdies, and fearing a riot, the Mayor closed the house.

ANTI-SLAVERY "POW-WOW."

We observe, by the last evening's Standard, that the annual Anti-Slavery Convention will be held at Convention Hall in this city, on Tuesday and Wednesday next, the 23rd and 24th inst.

Utica, Rome and Auburn, in each of which places the public sentiment is strongly against the fanaticism they enunciated. The speakers announced are Susan B. Anthony, Rev. Bernah Green, Stephen S. Foster, A. M. Powell, and of course some of our own fiery-tongued and frothy citizens of the abolition stripe.

THE ANTI-SLAVERY SOCIETY.

It was fortunate for the reputation of Massachusetts, that the House of Representatives, Friday, rejected the resolution tendering its hall for the use of the Anti-Slavery Society, and it was unfortunate that so many as sixty-nine members should be found willing to vote for such a proposition.

When the Legislature is asked to go out of its way, and voluntarily offer a compliment of this sort, for such an offer is a high compliment, the question whether it sympathizes with the purposes and conduct of the party in question is fairly opened.

It is very plain to our view that the speakers of this Society can claim no sympathy whatever. Having a certain legal right, they use that right to the injury of the community, to the disturbance of the public peace, and to the scandal of all who wish to see either public interests or private character secure from indignity.

SELECTIONS.

AN ORTHODOX MOB.

The Massachusetts Anti-Slavery Society, an institution that for twenty-eight years has held its anniversary meetings in Boston, last Thursday made arrangements for holding their annual meeting as usual.

THE COURIER ON FREE SPEECH.

The Boston Courier denies the right of free speech, as commonly understood in this country, and evidently favors the policy of censorship and suppression which despoils so needful to their security.

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Poetry.

For the Liberator. THE DISLOYAL SOUTH. Brothers! your souls light-giving...

For the Liberator. WHERE IS CHRIST? BY REV. J. J. POWERS. Inasmuch as ye have done it unto others...

From the Boston Journal. "NEW ENGLAND LEFT OUT IN THE COLD." BY LUDIA M. TENNEY. Left out in the cold! Is it so, if you will...

From the Salem Gazette. A CLOUD UPON OUR COUNTRY. A cloud upon our country! and it lies because our country held so foul a wrong!

A WORD FOR THE HOUR. BY JOHN G. WHITTIER. The armament breaks up. In black ceiling Lightly gliding...

The Liberator.

THE PRESIDENT'S FAST AND A PRO-SLAVERY RELIGION.

TOPSHAM, (Vermont), Jan. 15, 1861. DEAR MR. GARRISON—The spirit of Slavery is the same every where...

On Buchanan's fast day, in which Gov. Fairbanks also wished us to pray for the Union...

Resolved, That though we believe nations and civil rulers, under extraordinary circumstances...

Whereas, President Buchanan, in his recent message, advises to amend the Constitution...

Resolved, That we cannot comply with the call of Gov. Fairbanks, but hereby testify against his conduct...

Resolved, That the Constitution and the Union are at war with God and his law...

Resolved, That the fast which God has chosen is to lose the hands of wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens...

After the passage of these resolutions, the three which I give you below were laid on the table for fuller discussion at a subsequent meeting...

Resolved, That as God requires us to remember that we are in bonds as bound with them...

In the discussion of these resolutions, and in a somewhat protracted address, the truth of the charge made at the previous meeting was fully established...

THE CONSTITUTION AND THE UNION.

It is time slave-hunting on our soil was stopped. It is a disgrace to the civilization of the nineteenth century...

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ADDRESS TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE.

A period in human affairs, not wholly unexpected to some discerning minds, has arrived, which must attract the attention of the ablest persons now living...

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Selected Articles.

SLAVE-HUNTING IN MASSACHUSETTS.

In the Massachusetts Senate, January 24th, the report of the Committee on Federal Relations, on the petitions of L. Babcock and others for the prohibition of slave-hunting in the Commonwealth, was taken up.

Mr. WHITTING desired to put himself right. He hoped it would not be considered that the report from the committee was an expression of the unanimity of the committee.

Some further remarks in this same strain of factiousness, followed, during which the worthy Philadelphia brethren were rudely handled.

Mr. BATTLES, of Worcester, said that he had one reason for favoring a recommittee that had not been mentioned.

Mr. STONE hoped the report would be adopted. He thought that the report of the committee met the requirements of the petition.

Mr. WHITTING responded with great feeling. Mr. STONE, of Bristol, desired to have it understood that he recognized the right of free speech.

Mr. DAVIS said he should vote against a recommittee, because it would be too unjust to the petitioners and contemptuous to the committee.

The amendment was accepted, and on the question of accepting the report as amended, the yeas and nays were ordered.

SOUTHERN OPINIONS OF NORTHERN UNION MEN.

From a letter from Macon, Georgia, to the New York Tribune, we extract the following:

The more general expression concerning these pro-slavery demonstrations at the North is of course a more vivid idea of this state of feeling than I otherwise could, by reporting the contents of a Georgia and South Carolina despatch...

But to my illustration: Both the South Carolinian and the Georgian were met in personal appearance and manners above the standard of Southern roughness and ignorance.

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