

DAILY EXPRESS

TERRE HAUTE, IND.

Saturday Morning, August 7th, 1869.

The Republican voters of the Second Ward should not fail to attend the Convention at RAESE'S Carpenter Shop this evening for the selection of a candidate to fill the existing vacancy in our City Council. The office is an important one, and should be filled by a man capable of advancing the interests of this growing city and willing to devote time to the varied duties that will devolve upon him. It is the plain duty of the Republicans of that Ward to nominate such a man, and then make his election sure by going to the polls and voting for him.

GENERAL JOHN C. BRECKINRIDGE appears to have come to the very sensible conclusion to settle again permanently in Lexington, Kentucky, and resume the practice of the law. The *Gazette*, published in that place, says he has already received retainers in several important suits.

FORNEY'S *Press* is very confident that ANDREW JOHNSON's ravings are not consistent. He has left off Mozing, and is now holding himself up to the people of Tennessee as the favorite, enduring prosecution at the hands of the Radicals. His blasphemy warrants an arrest and trial. He needs no accuser but conscience.

The Indianapolis *Journal* of yesterday says: Hon. JESSE D. BRIGHT, during his late canvas in Kentucky, openly advocated the repudiation of the public debt. His party in Indiana are preparing to take the same grounds. The gigantic "financial plan" that Mr. VANDERBILT is preparing, is said to be looking to that end, and is DANIEL's bid for the support of BUTCHER POMEROY and the rebels as the next "Red Hot" candidate for the Presidency.

EX-SECRETARY Seward has taken a summer jaunt to the distant shores of Alaska, to enjoy relaxation and the repose of unofficial life amid the icebergs of his new purchase. It does not distinctly appear that he aims at further acquisitions in that region, but if the Esquimaux living near the North Pole have no desire to dispose of it, he will no doubt be ready to open negotiations and report to the government.

THREE CASES of alleged cruelty in the navy are now awaiting trial. The first is against an officer of marines who, for the slightest offense, had the men of his command "bucked and gagged," tied up by the thumbs, placed under shower baths, and forced to walk manacled with ball and chain for a day at a time. The other two cases are against the late officers of the United States steamer *Pawnee* and *Nipic*. The latter charges will probably be tried in some of the civil courts, and the testimony that will be elicited will give the public some needed information as to how the national blue jackets are treated by their officers.

IT IS REPORTED that at the recent interview between the President and the conservative Republicans of Mississippi, he said that "he desired to see the payment of the public debt secured, and the integrity and honor of the nation rendered inviolate, and when this was accomplished he would be satisfied." This is a plain platform and a good one. He wishes his great work as a soldier completed by the enforcement of appropriate legislation and the protection of life, liberty and property assured in every portion of the Union. Regarding the debt as the pecuniary price of the nation's triumph, he clearly recognizes the fact that the vindication of the national honor, as well as justice and expediency, require its faithful redemption.

ONE or two highly interesting facts are brought out in the account of Public Charities of the City of New York, published in the *Times*. The Commissioners of Charities and Corrections have been honorably distinguished for their moderation in making estimates for their annual expenditures; yet out of the reasonable sums appropriated for their use they have actually saved during the last four years half a million of dollars. This is a phenomenon in municipal administration which deserves perpetual commemoration. With these savings they have built asylums, hospitals, and very heavy works of improvement on Blackwell's Island, established the Morgue, bought or built three steamboats, and done many other sensible and useful things.

APPALLING DISASTER.

Confignation at Gefle, Sweden—\$8000. Persons Housless—Loss \$500,000.

An appalling disaster has fallen upon the usually busy and thriving town of Gefle, in Sweden. On Saturday, July 10, a fire broke out in a carpenter's shop in the centre of the town, and a strong gale from the west blowing at the time, the fire spread rapidly, and in a few hours the whole town, the part of the town which was burnt down; 700 houses and tenements were destroyed, and 8,000 persons out of a population of 13,000 having lost almost everything they possessed, were now camping in the open air. The loss is estimated at above \$200,000, and many of the working classes are, as usually the case, uninsured. The insurance companies and banks immediately formed in Sweden, and all having business connections with Gefle, or otherwise taking an interest in Sweden had been invited to come forward with their aid to the same object.

A good joke is told of a young man who attended a social circle a few evenings since. The conversation turned on California, and going rich. One young man remarked that he was from California, and he would, instead of working in the mines, way some rich man, who had a bag of gold, knock out his brains, gather up the gold and saddle. One of the young ladies quietly replied that he had better gather up the brains, as he evidently stood in more need of that article than gold. Tom subdied.

HOW THEY HAD HIM.

When I was young and tender, too, I had to mind and had to do. Whatever mother bade me; She was a strict disciplinarian, which kept me on the double-quick. And that was where she had me.

When older grown, and quite a bean Among the girls, I used to know, "A Miss Priscilla's today;" And with a smile, "I'm a good and nods I'll be a good and nod." And there was where she had me.

When I was older, say sixteen, I thought it time to have a queen. And asked her if she'd wed me; She said, "I'm not a good wife, but I'd be a good wife." And that was where he had me.

But then, to make the master straight, I went up to negotiate. Affairs with Colonial Dept. He said, "I'm not a good wife, but I'd be a good wife." And that was where he had me.

I drew my sorrow in the cup Until I got my dander up. (I couldn't have been madder, but I was.) And there was where he had me.

Twice yearly unchisn on my knee I'm proud to say below me— (That's to say, I'm a good wife, but I'd be a good wife, too.) And there was where we had me.

JOSH BILLINGS PAPERS.

Lobster Island.

A slander iz like a hornet, if you kant kill it dead the fist bu, yu better not strike at it.

Politicians is a shrewd way folks hav or fattering themselves.

I make this distinction between character and reprehension—reprehension is what the world thinks of us, character is what the world knows of us.

What a ridiculous farce it is to be continually on the score of peace and quiet.

No man ever increased his reputation by contradicting lies.

Anxiety is a step on itself.

Silence, like darkness, is generally wise.

That is only two things that I know of that a man wont brag ov, one is Heling and tider iz jealousy.

It takes brains tew make a smart man, but good luck often makes a famous one.

Opinions are like other vegetables, worth just what they will be charged for.

I think most men had rather be charged with malice than with making a blunder.

Loves cuts up all sorts ov monkey shins, it makes a foot sober, and a wise man frisky.

I don't believe in total depravity, every man has smuthing in him to show that God mad him.

I suppose that one reason why the "road to roun" is broad, is tew accommodate the great number ov travelin' men.

It is hard to have a man brag about himself, than to tow him an' brag ov sum one else—for i think him blamer.

A humbug iz like a bladder, good for nothing till it is blown up, and then a good fit for nothing after it is pricked.

A big noise iz sed tew be a sign ov genius—if a man's genius layin' his noise, i should say the sign was a bad noise.

Vanity is seldom malishous.

A woman (like an echo), will have the last word.

Put an Englishman into the garden of Eden, and he would find fault with the whole blessed concern—say a Yankee in, and he will see where he could alter it to taste.

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What are the wild waves singing? Let us pray. To what tune should the words be sing? Neptune. And in what key? The key of Sea.

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