

# The Weekly News.

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AGENTS for the News.

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To Advertisers.

The circulation of the "Weekly News" is now about that of any paper ever before published in the country, and the only way to increase our sales will consist in their interest by choosing the "News" as a medium through which to reach the public. Our terms of advertising are very low, and will be found at the head of the first column of the first page.

Notice.

Subscribers to the Republican will please take notice, that all monies due on subscription are to be paid to the Weekly News. All persons paying any one else will be under the necessity of paying again.

During our absence, which will not be long, our business will be left in the hands of a competent person, who will attend to all matters concerning this office.

Religious Notice.

The regular communion season of the Presbyterian Church, will be observed at the Church on Second street, next Sabbath—There will also be a service at 11 o'clock, A. M., on Saturday. A general invitation is extended to the citizens of the city and country to attend.

Elder Briggs (Baptist) will preach in the Court House, on Sunday next, at half past 10 o'clock, A. M.

Strawberry Party.

The ladies connected with the Main Street Presbyterian Church, will give a strawberry party, for the benefit of the church, at the Masonic Hall, this (Friday) evening. All of you who have small charge to spare for such a laudable purpose are expected to be on hand.

Notes by the Way.

On board St. Caxton, May 20, 1854.

While in Cincinnati we attended one of the infinitesimal Birch's concerts, which came near causing us to lose our buttons. Their burlesques of Hamlet, Malana Sung, Julian, and Mrs. Howget Bessie Stough, were excellent and tremendously applauded. We don't know when we ever saw a more joyful collection of fun-loving creatures than were congregated in the Melodeon on Monday evening last.

Took passage on St. Clair, on Tuesday evening, and on her took a *shoal*—the latter causing us some uneasiness, and the former a bit of the "all-powerful." Arrived at the Sun, and laid by on account of wind, just below Rabbit Hash, nine hours. Left there in the evening, and again laid up below Patriot, for fear the boat would get wet—as it was raining. Left the last stepping place and went clear through to Louisville by 11 o'clock, A. M.—making the trip from Cincinnati to Louisville in the astonishing quick time of *forty-two hours, eleven minutes and a half*.

The St. Clair is a good boat; and when we say *good* we mean she is made of heavy, strong timber, and is officered by as gentlemanly and accommodating a crew as we have ever had the pleasure of knowing—Everything is nice, new and clean, from the chambermaid and her assistants down to the lower deck.

Being in Louisville on Thursday evening, and knowing that Miss Julia Dean was performing at the theatre, we could not resist the temptation of going, and seeing that beautiful, accomplished and talented actress—it was not so much crowded as it might have been; yet those who were there testified quite loudly as to their appreciation of Miss Julia's abilities—and more than one bundle of perfumed and variegated *roods* (Birch calls them *herods*) fell upon the stage when her play was finished. After Miss Dean's performances we had some fancy dancing by a lady with very large feet, short dress, bare arms and a crooked nose, and a gentleman in pants chopped off above the knee, and a short-waisted coat with the narrative drove up. The fancy dance was followed by a farce, which was both instructive and amusing. We have witnessed similar ones acted in reality; but they did not look much like a farce to us—more like a *disorder*.

Called upon our old friend Mr. M. Carpenter—who, by the way, has lately thrown off the shackles of single blessedness for those of matrimony. We wish him and his all possible happiness. His gallery is furnished finely, having a piano, sofa, &c., of the best kind.

Made a visit to New Albany, and found that good-looking, good picture taking Mr. Harris fixed up equally as well and convenient as Mr. Carpenter. His room was crammed with ladies of all sizes, shapes and colors, waiting to have their faces taken. While in New Albany we had the pleasure of taking our worthy Lieutenant Governor, and our friend Mr. J. B. Norman, of the Daily Ledger, by the hand. They appeared to be in excellent health and spirits.

Mr. Norman gave us papers enough to read for a week; for which we return him our sincere thanks. Left Louisville on Friday morning, and, for the first time in our life, went over the Falls.

Passed a great many small towns, Cannon, Owenton and Newburgh, and arrived at Evansville early this morning—where, in all probability, we shall remain until the heat subsides.

Yours, &c.,

## Religious Freedom Abroad.

Gen. Cass delivered one of the most eloquent and powerful speeches on liberty of conscience, in the U. S. Senate, on the 10th ult., that that body ever had the good fortune to hear.

This speech, we have no doubt, will have its effect, and will be read with interest and delight by every lover of freedom and religious liberty. The conduct of some of the European States and South America, in restraining our citizens, when amongst them, from worshiping according to their belief, is outrageous. We hope that Congress will not fail to take a decisive stand on this all important matter, and give these despots, who so shamefully trample the rights of men under foot, to understand that we insist on having the same religious freedom granted to our citizens when traveling in Europe or South America, as we allow their subjects when they come amongst us.

We give the concluding remarks of the speech, and will probably publish others in our next.

"And does Archdeacon Hughes believe that all these abuses are destined to continue, untouched and unchanged? That they will much longer rest the mighty tide of public opinion which has already done so much in these our later days, and is fated to do more? It may not be.

The past is a pledge for the future. Within the memory of the present generation the abuses of ages seemed to possess an impregnable fortress, occupying its position in the mind of Christianity and civilization, and overlooking and overawing both. But one after another its outworks have fallen before the efforts of truth, and ere long the citadel itself will be leveled to the ground. And as the representatives of the American people to lay their hands on their mouths, and their mouths in the dust, to look on and see the persecutions and oppressions to which their countrymen are exposed abroad, and not even express their disapprobation and their demands? And all from an affection of national disrepute—national sneeziness? It should be called—which is so tender to the presumption of others as to sacrifice our own true rights and honor. I trust no such humiliation is in store for us.

"This bill has been advocated and opposed for all sorts of reasons and by all sorts of men, and by all sorts of factions and parties. Surely any two sections agree in anything pertaining to it unless it be that they are all either for or against it. The North will oppose it for our reason, and the South for another. And the South will advocate it for our reason and the North for another. The truth of the matter is just this. The bill contemplates the placing of all territories upon the same basis that the territories once occupied before the enactment of the odious Missouri Compromise. We have enough confidence in the intelligence and integrity of the people of any new State to let them choose their own form of government, and we firmly believe that the cause of emancipation would go more rapidly on, if it were not for the interference of Congress touching the institution of slavery.

The opponents of slavery in their haste to obtrude that institution, overthrew themselves; and the consequence is that slavery is extended instead of decreased. We believe firmly that the people of all the territories yet to be settled will when the time arrives for the adoption of state governments, eschew the institution of slavery. But if Congress by establishing or adhering to an infamous and obsolete law recognizing slavery, aids and abets the master, we can but little hope for the time when no portion of the human race shall wear the shackles of slavery.

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## Our Relations with Spain.

Much is said, and considerable interest felt at this time, on this subject. The outrage committed on the Black Warrior has not been suffered to go unnoticed by our Government, and it seems to be determined to enforce reparation. The outrages sustained by our citizens, and the repeated insults given by the Cuban officials, to our flag, previous to the Black Warrior affair, are numerous, and never was that regulation made to which we were justly entitled. Mr. Soule, our Minister to Spain, is now instructed to make a demand for full indemnity, which, it is reported, has been done, but without success. Spain has refused to give any satisfactory reply; consequently, some other means must be used to receive such reparation which is justly due the Government. Considerable excitement exists at Washington on this subject, and it is expected that the President will soon send a message to Congress, recommending stringent measures.

"Resolved, That we concur in the opinion that it is not proper within the jurisdiction of Congress to determine the provisions of the Constitution of a State, farther than to require that it be of a republican form, but on the contrary, that the people do possess the right and power to adopt such form of government as they may deem best suited to their views and wants; and that this right should be recognized as one of the fundamental principles of self-government.

"Resolved, That this Convention is distinctly opposed to that provision of the Nebraska and Kansas Bill, commonly known as the Clayton amendment, which made a distinction between native born and foreign inhabitants, who may be residents of the territories, and to gratified that the efforts of the Douglasites have been successful in expunging that odious feature from the act.

"Resolved, That these resolutions were adopted by a vote of 750-421, May 13.

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"Resolved, That we regard all POLITICAL organizations, based upon the single idea of temperance reform, as dangerous to the permanency of our republican form of government, by withholding the attention of the people from the great POLITICAL PRINCIPLES upon which it is founded; and that we most earnestly appeal to our fellow democrats, throughout the State, to adhere, in the selection of members of the legislature, to the practice of choosing such men as will make good principles of democratic policy, and we firmly believe that the cause of emancipation would go more rapidly on, if it were not for the interference of Congress touching the institution of slavery.

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"Below we publish the resolution by the Democratic State Convention, which met at Indianapolis on Wednesday, May 24th:

"Resolved, That the Democrats of Indiana, fully approve of the principles of the act extending the laws of the United States over, and organizing the Territories of Nebraska and Kansas.

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