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The United States Senate meets once a year, and the people of the country are thereby reminded that William A. Wheeler still lives.

Could we feel convinced that Grant, if made King of Bulgaria, would take to his foreign Court several well-known personages who are no longer either useful or ornamental in American politics?

In reviewing the Annual Message of Mr. Hayes, those of our Republican contemporaries that are disposed to find fault with him because of what they call the rather temperate tone with which he treats of the alleged frauds in the recent elections in the Southern States, should bear in mind the fact that election frauds—and especially election frauds in South Carolina and Louisiana—is a subject about which Mr. Hayes is very naturally inclined to speak with as little emphasis as possible.

Who was it that said "dark" and "tricks" a little less "vain." However much gall Mr. Chandler and the rest of them may have urged him to put in his ink when he touched on the question of irregularities in the Southern elections, Mr. Hayes justly realized that a moderate tone was far more becoming in a man occupying his rather equivocal relation to that question.

President Hayes's Message. Following are some of the press comments on President Hayes's message:

The New York Herald says: Mr. Hayes's second Annual Message is moderate even to tameness. It is more remarkable for the omissions which imply a reconciliation with his political party than for recommendation looking to legislative action.

Whatever the explanation, the fact is that so much of the message as relates to the Southern elections indicates either inability to comprehend the situation or unwillingness to deduce the only moral of which it is honestly susceptible.

The New York Times says: In this message Mr. Hayes fails utterly to recognize the great and pressing questions of the times: fails to make any new suggestions worthy of a man of affairs; and again shows himself to be incompetent as he is a fraudulent President.

The New York Tribune says: The message of President Hayes is a very plain document. Most of it is a synopsis of the reports of the heads of departments, and a recapitulation of the principal recommendations made by them for the improvement of the service under their special care.

Very little legislation is asked for by the President, and no important changes are advised in any branch of the administration, or in any line of national policy. An extension of the quarantine system seems to him highly desirable in view of the events of the past fall summer, but this is in the direction of a scheme already begun.

That portion of the message which will provoke debate consists of the few short and temperate paragraphs in which Mr. Hayes refers to the condition of the South.

Below we publish the third list of twenty questions, for the answers to which the New York World offers premiums in gold:

41. When do we first hear of the pibroch, which is now residing from Halifax to Ottawa, in the history of North America?

42. Who wrote "The Lass of Richmond Hill," and when was it a popular song?

43. What modern orator first used the phrase, "Conspicuous by its absence," whence did he borrow it and what was its origin?

44. What is the origin of the phrase "A temper in a teapot"?

45. What doctrine of modern science do we find first advanced in an ancient war-story?

46. Who wrote these lines: How few think justly, of the thinking few, How many never think who think they do?

47. The son of a famous English author was disinherited and sent to New Jersey for being a fool. Name the author and his son.

48. Is the saying, "See with how little wisdom the world is governed," attributed to more than one person? If so, name the persons.

49. What evidence is there that Benjamin Franklin thought the American people more remarkable for their courage than for their modesty or their common sense?

50. Why are preposterous stories, when told in private life, called cock-and-bull stories, and when told in the newspapers called canards?

51. Give an instance of a term of opprobrium which those to whom it was originally applied have adopted as an honorable descriptive epithet.

52. What people are fond of eating humble pie?

sentiment, he spares reproach, he writes not a word which could wound the pride of any Southern citizen; but he tells the truth without a rag of disguise.

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LOCAL AFFAIRS. B. & O. R. R. LOCAL TIME TABLE. East.—Frel. Acc. 7:05 A. M. (Daily); E. City Acc. 8:10 A. M. on Sunday at 9:00 A. M.; Winchester Acc. 10:12 A. M.; E. City Acc. 2:30 P. M.; Way Train, 3:04 P. M.; Mail Acc. 4:51 P. M.; West.—Way Train, 6:25 P. M.; E. City Acc. 6:25 P. M.; Winchester Acc. 8:38 A. M.; E. City Acc. 2:10 P. M.; Winchester Acc. 4:57 P. M.; Frel. Acc. 4:57 P. M. (Daily); Mail Acc. 5:57 P. M. (Daily); Theatre train leaves Baltimore at 11:30 P. M., arrives at Ellicott City at 12:00 P. M., on Sunday night. Mail Acc. train leaves Baltimore at 9:00; arrives here at 9:40.

Resolutions of Respect.—At the quarterly meeting of the Teachers' Association which was held at Ellicott City on the 29th ult., on motion of Mr. T. B. Dorsey, seconded by Dr. W. H. Harley, the following Resolutions were passed:

Resolved, That the Teachers' Association of Howard County desire to express their heartfelt sorrow and regret at the loss of Miss Katie G. Walker, late Secretary and Treasurer of the Association.

Resolved, That the press of this city be requested to publish these resolutions, and that a copy be transmitted to the bereaved family of the deceased.

Intermediate Term.—The intermediate term of the Circuit Court was held on Monday and Tuesday of the present week. Among the proceedings were the following:

St. Charles College vs. The County Commissioners of Howard County, Jas. Mackubin, applicant, vs. James L. Lincoln, defendant. The college was assessed under the act of 1870, and the taxes levied under the said assessment were being enforced by sale of its property.

Rev. Mr. Poole's Lecture.—The Use and Abuse of Words, before the Byron Literary Club on Monday night last, was very entertaining and instructive, and deserved a better turnout of the members than was evident during its delivery.

Resolved, That we deeply regret the necessity for his removal, as thereby we lose a worthy and highly esteemed member of our association.

Resolved, That the members with grateful appreciation his efforts in behalf of the Byron Literary Club, to increase its interest, by his encouraging words and valuable services.

Resolved, That these resolutions be published and a copy sent to Dr. Garrettson, and that they be engrossed in the minutes of Club.

PERSONAL.—Should this meet the eye of the individual who created a disturbance in church last Sunday by his continued coughing, he will confer a favor on the congregation by procuring a bottle of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup, which will cure him.

A Pleasant Occasion.—On Sunday last Rev. John Dougherty, pastor of St. Paul's Catholic Church, made a request at the morning service for the choir to meet at the pastoral residence at half past seven o'clock that evening, and in accordance with the invitation they were present.

First District Items.—Mr. John P. Richardson has been making great improvements on the place which he has lately purchased from the Hodgeley estate in the first district.

Quilt Presentation.—On Saturday last, 30th ult., Mr. Joseph Curtis, overseer of Dressing Room No. 2, of Union Works, Baltimore county, was made the recipient of a most beautiful quilt, presented by the ladies and others connected with the room.

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Maryland Agricultural College.—The board of trustees of the Maryland Agricultural College met on Wednesday last at the College, present, Messrs. Whiteman, Lee, Newell and Dodge. There are 67 students now registered.

Fourth Continuance.—In the Circuit Court for Baltimore county, at Towson town, on Thursday, the case of Ellen O'Connell vs. Cleary et al. was called for trial and continued for the fourth time. The suit is regarding a switch at Woodstock station, in this county, growing out of a refusal to pay charges for the use of road, land and derrick, the property of the late Wm. Cleary, represented by the administrator of the deceased's estate.

Property Sales.—On 1st Saturday, H. E. Wootton, Esq., sold at mortgagee's sale ninety-seven acres of land, without improvements, mostly located within the limits of Laurel, Prince George's county, which property was conveyed to a mortgagee from Francis and Anne Kellogg to John R. Clark. It was bought by the mortgagee for the sum of \$4,000.

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Watchmen Discharged.—The bridges and trestles along the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, at which two watchmen have heretofore been employed, are now to have but one to do the same duty.

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Elysville Items.—The mill is still running eleven hours. A. L. Mackenzie is building a barn for Charles T. McMunniskey. The new building is of fair proportions.

Pound Party.—A very pleasant event occurred on last Monday night at the M. E. parsonage of this city, in the shape of a pound party, composed of the members of the congregation who surprised their good pastor, Rev. Mr. Lemmon, by demanding all available room in his house. Although calling in the guise of a pound surprise party, it was in no manner gauged by that quantity as it is understood in an avoirdupois sense.

List of Letters remaining in the Postoffice, Ellicott City, for the week ending Saturday, December 7th, 1878.

The Entertainment for the benefit of the Byron Literary Club will come off in the town hall this city on Monday night next. The programme, which will be literary and musical, has been prepared with care and cannot fail to be very well received.

Suit for Damages.—Mrs. Hellman, wife of Joseph Hellman, who was injured by a train at the Relay House on Sept. 18th, from which he subsequently died, has instituted a suit for \$50,000 against the railroad company.

An Entertainment by the Patrons Dramatic Association will given in Town Hall, Tuesday evening, 17th inst. Further notice of it will be given in our next issue.

Appointment by the Governor.—The Governor has appointed Thomas Caldwell justice of the peace for the second district of Howard county, vice Francis Heine, resigned.

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Nothing objectionable, nothing sensational, nothing sectarian and nothing personal shall find a place in our columns.

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